



ControlNet Communications for PanelView Terminals

Introduction

This document describes how to connect and configure communications for the ControlNet versions of the PanelView terminals. This document provides supplemental information for the PanelBuilder Software User Manual (Publication 2711-6.0) and PanelView Operator Terminals User Manual (Publication 2711-6.1).

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Related Publications

The following documentation provides additional information about installing, configuring and using your PanelView terminals:

Publication Title	Publication No.
PanelBuilder Software User Manual	2711-6.0
PanelView Operator Terminals User Manual	2711-6.1
PanelBuilder Software Getting Started	2711-6.2

For more information on ControlNet related products, refer to:

Publication Title	Publication No.
ControlNet System Overview	1786-2.9
ControlNet Cable System Planning and Installation Manual	1786-6.2.1
ControlNet Cable System Component List	AG-2.2

Note: The Allen-Bradley website (www.ab.com) provides information and product descriptions of ControlNet products. Under the Products and Services heading, select Communications.

Before You Use this Guide

You should be familiar with ControlNet communications. If you want to learn more about ControlNet, refer to the related publications list above.

Note: Refer to the glossary at the back of this document for definitions of terms you are not familiar with.

ControlNet Protocol

The PanelView terminal supports release 1.5 of ControlNet. Unscheduled (peer) addressing of tags is supported. Scheduled (I/O) addressing is not supported.

ControlNet allows a flexible control architecture that can work with multiple processors and up to 99 nodes (via taps) anywhere along the trunk cable of the network. There is no minimum tap separation and you can access the ControlNet network from every node (including adapters).

Compatible ControlNet Controllers

The ControlNet PanelView supports unscheduled PCCC (Programmable Controller Communication Command) messaging with the following controllers:

- PLC-5/20C
- PLC-5/40C
- PLC-5/60C
- PLC-5/80C

ControlNet PanelView Terminals

ControlNet terminals have a 15 on the end of the catalog number, for example 2711-T9A15.

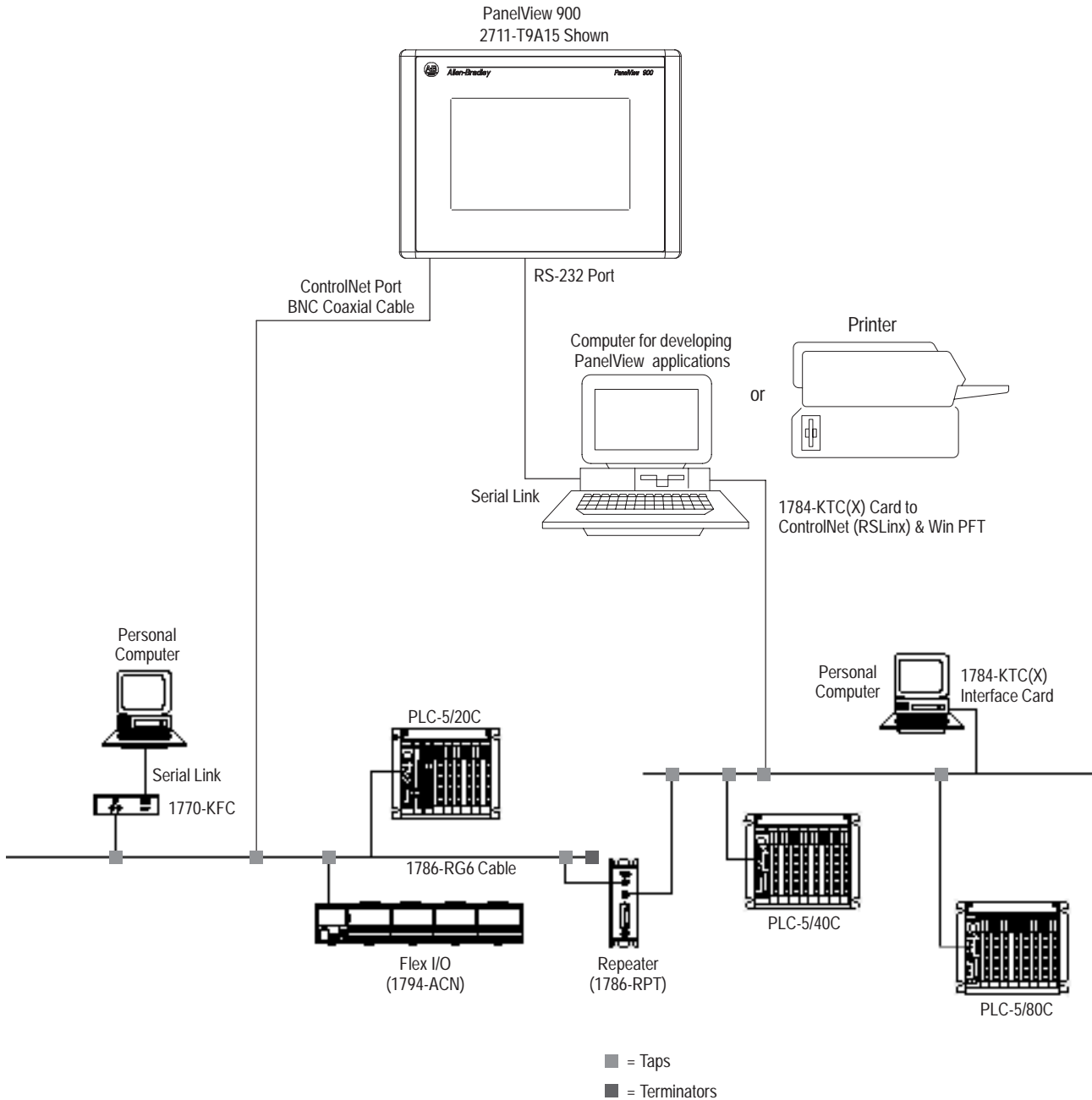
The ControlNet terminals have:

- ControlNet communication port
- RS-232 printer/file transfer port

In addition, each terminal is available with either AC or DC power input. The characters L1 at the end of the catalog number designate a terminal with DC power input (e.g. 2711-T9A15L1).

Typical ControlNet Network

Shown below is a typical ControlNet network with a PanelView 900 installed on a network drop.

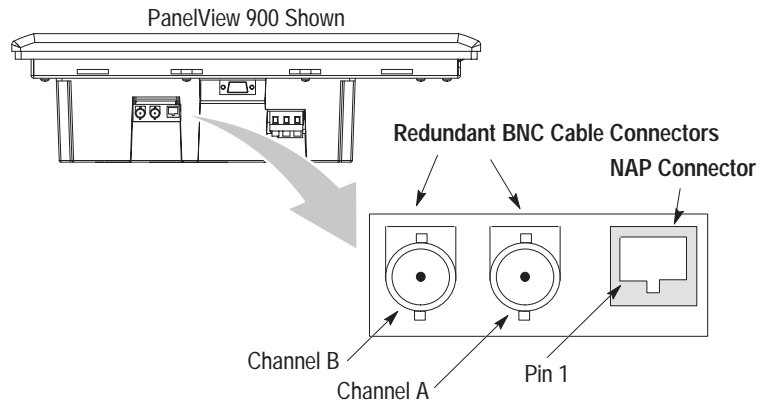


Important: Do not connect to a network using both the redundant cable BNC connector and the Network Access Port (NAP).

Making ControlNet Connections

Refer to the following pinout information to connect the PanelView to a ControlNet network.

Important: Follow the ControlNet network layout and design as specified in the ControlNet Cable System Planning and Installation Manual (Publication 1786-6.2.1).



NAP Connector Pinout Definitions

Pin #	NAP Signal
1	Signal Common
2	No Connection
3	TX_H
4	TX_L
5	RX_L
6	RX_H
7	No Connection
8	Signal Common
Shell	Earth Ground

NAP and Redundant Cables

ControlNet cables, taps, connectors, terminators and repeaters are available. Refer to the ControlNet Cable System Planning and Installation manual (Publication 1786-6.2.1) for descriptions of these components. For information on purchasing these items, refer to the Allen-Bradley ControlNet Cable System Component List (Publication AG-2.2).

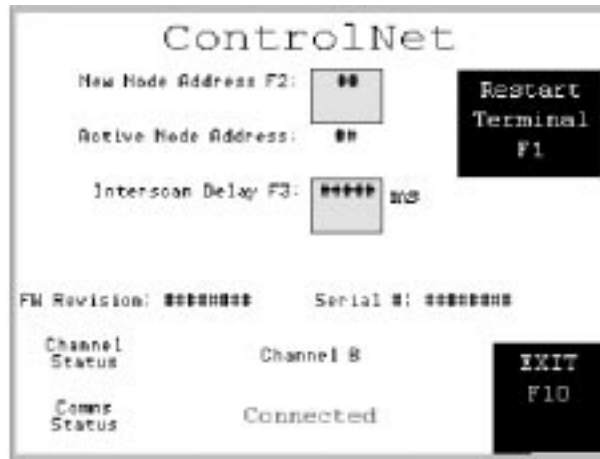
Item	Catalog No.
RG-6 quad-shield cable	1786-RG6
Coax repeater	1786-RPT, -RPTD
Coax taps	1786-TPR, -TPS, -TPYR, -TPYS
Network access cable	1786-CP
Coax toolkit	1786-CTK
Segment terminators	1786-XT
BNC connectors	1786-BNC, -BNCJ, -BNCP, -BNCJ1

Modifying ControlNet Settings from the Terminal

The PanelView terminal displays ControlNet settings and allows changes to the the Node Address and Interscan Delay. From the Configuration Mode menu of the terminal, select Communication Setup. The screen below appears.



ATTENTION: Settings downloaded with a ControlNet application have priority over terminal settings. ControlNet settings take effect immediately after an application is downloaded.



PV600 Screen Shown
Other Types Similar

New Node Address [F2]

Select the New Node Address field to open the numeric entry scratchpad. Enter the node address of the PanelView terminal (01 to 99) and press the enter key (on touch screen terminals, press the enter key on the scratchpad). A change to the node address takes effect after the terminal is reset. **Note:** If you enter a value greater than the UMAX node address, the PanelView will not go online with the network.

Active Node Address

Read only field displays the current address of the PanelView terminal.

Interscan Delay [F3]

Displays the current Interscan delay in milliseconds. Select the Interscan Delay field to open the numeric entry scratchpad. Enter the delay (100 to 1000 milliseconds in multiples of 10) and press the enter key (on touch screen terminals, press the enter key on the scratchpad). A change takes effect immediately.

FW Revision

Displays the currently loaded ControlNet firmware revision.

Serial Number

Read only field that displays the 32 bit serial number of the PanelView. The serial number is unique for each ControlNet device.

Channel Status

Read only field that displays the current status of redundant channels A and B as a value. Refer to page 15 for definitions of each displayed value.

Comms Status

Message display containing the current status of the communication card. "Connected" is displayed when the PanelView is connected to the network and properly operating. Pages 16 & 17 list the terminal messages related to ControlNet communications.

Restart Terminal [F1]

Performs a re-boot of the terminal. A new node address takes effect after a reset.

Exit [F10] or [F16]

Returns to the main Configuration Mode menu.

Viewing Other ControlNet Parameters

The following ControlNet related fields may be placed on an application screen using internal tags. These read only fields are maintained by the network keeper and do not appear unless added to a screen. Refer to Displaying ControlNet Internal Tag Data (next section).

Network Update Time (NUT)

Displays the network update time in milliseconds.

UMAX Node

Displays the ControlNet network's Unscheduled Maximum node address (UMAX) setting. The UMAX node is the highest ControlNet address that can communicate during the unscheduled portion of the network update interval. The PanelView node address must be set to a value less than or equal to the UMAX setting to enter on to the network.

SMAX Node

Displays the ControlNet network's Scheduled Maximum Node address (SMAX) setting. The SMAX node is the highest ControlNet node address that can communicate during the scheduled portion of the network update interval. The PanelView does not currently support scheduled messaging.

Displaying ControlNet Internal Tag Data

The Network Update Time, UMAX Node, SMAX Node, and other data may be displayed on an application screen by assigning a display object to one of the following internal data tags.

Data	Internal Tag	Data Type
Network Update Time (NUT).	@Read_DCNUTime	unsigned integer
Unscheduled Maximum (UMAX) node address.	@Read_DCUMAX	unsigned integer
Scheduled Maximum (SMAX) node address.	@Read_DCSMAX	unsigned integer
Current node address.	@Read_curDCAddress	unsigned integer
CIP/ASA serial number of the PanelView.	@Read_DCASANumber	string *
Communication status number.	@Read_DCCommStatus	unsigned integer
ControlNet firmware revision number.	@Read_DCFirmwareRev	string *
Terminal address to use after a reset.	@Read_DCNewAddress	unsigned integer
Firmware build date.	@Read_DCProtocol	string *
LED status number. Indicates status of A & B cables.	@Read_DCRedundancy	unsigned integer
Scan delay in milliseconds (time between reads).	@Read_DCScanDelay	unsigned integer

* You must use an ASCII display for tags with a string data type.

Setting up Communications using PanelBuilder

Creating a ControlNet application includes:

1. Selecting a ControlNet terminal when creating the application.
2. Configuring ControlNet communication parameters for the terminal.

Selecting a ControlNet PanelView Terminal

Select a ControlNet terminal for a PanelView application from:

- New Application dialog when creating a new application
- Terminal Setup dialog when converting an application created for another terminal.

Any catalog number ending with 15 (2711-xx15) is a ControlNet terminal.

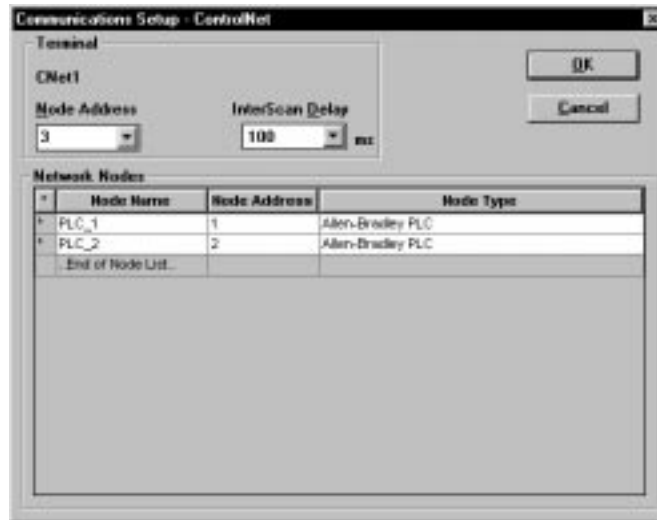


Catalog numbers with 15 at the end indicates a terminal with a ControlNet port.

Configuring ControlNet Communications

ControlNet communication parameters are accessed from the Terminal Setup dialog. To open the Terminal Setup dialog, choose Terminal Setup from the PanelBuilder Application menu.

1. Click the Comms. Setup button from the Terminal Setup dialog.



2. Under Terminal, edit the following parameters:

Specify:	To:
Node Address	Select the address 01 to 99 (decimal, default is 3) of the PanelView terminal. Each node on the network must be assigned a unique address.
Interscan Delay	Select an interscan delay of 100 to 1000 milliseconds (default is 100 ms).

3. Under Network Nodes (click on right mouse button to access or insert), edit the following parameters for controller nodes on the ControlNet network connected to the PanelView:

Specify:	To:
Node Name	Enter a unique name for the node (controller) on the ControlNet network connected to the PanelView. The name can be up to 32 characters long.
Node Address	Enter the node address of the device (01 to 99).
Node Type	Select pull-down list selects the controller type: Allen-Bradley PLC

4. Click OK to return to the Terminal Setup dialog. Click OK to save changes and exit Terminal Setup. **Important:** Any changes are not saved until OK is selected on the Terminal Setup dialog.

Tag Addressing

Use the PanelBuilder tag editor to assign tag addresses. ControlNet tag addresses use the same format as the Allen-Bradley DH+ protocol. Refer to your controller's programming manual for tag addressing formats.

Supported Data and Address Types

The following Allen-Bradley PLC-5 File/Data type operations are supported.

Note: Reads from and Writes to I/O are not supported.

Operations Allowed	Data Types									
	Binary (B)	Integer (N)	32 Bit IEEE Float (F)	String (ST.)	ASCII (A)	BCD (D)	Status (S)	Control (R)	Timer (T)	Counter (C)
Bit Read	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bit Write	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Integer Read	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Integer Write	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Float Read	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			
Float Write	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			
BCD Read	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
BCD Write	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bit Array Read	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bit Array Write	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Unsigned Integer Read	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Unsigned Integer Write	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Character Array Read	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Character Array Write	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			

File Conversions

PanelBuilder provides automatic conversions between DH+ and ControlNet applications. To convert applications between DH+ and ControlNet protocols:

1. Open the application.
2. Select Terminal Setup from the Application menu.
3. Select the version of the terminal that supports the protocol to which you want to convert the application. Terminal catalog numbers with a 15 on the end are ControlNet terminals and terminal catalog numbers with an 8 on the end are DH+.
4. When you select OK, the file is converted to the new protocol.

Note: Default communication parameters are used:

Node = 3

Scan Delay = 100 msec

Download / Upload Applications

Downloading / Uploading Applications through the Serial (RS-232) Port

To download or upload a ControlNet application from your computer to the PanelView terminal over an RS-232 link (DF1 protocol), refer to the instructions provided in the PanelBuilder Software user manual.

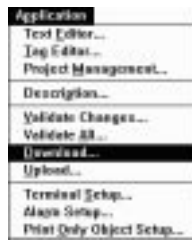
Downloading / Uploading Applications through the ControlNet Port

To download/upload a ControlNet application from your computer to the PanelView terminal through the ControlNet port:

- connect computer with 1784-KTC(X) card to ControlNet port
- download or upload application from the PanelBuilder Application menu
- refer to the instructions on the next page for downloads. Uploading application configurations is similar.

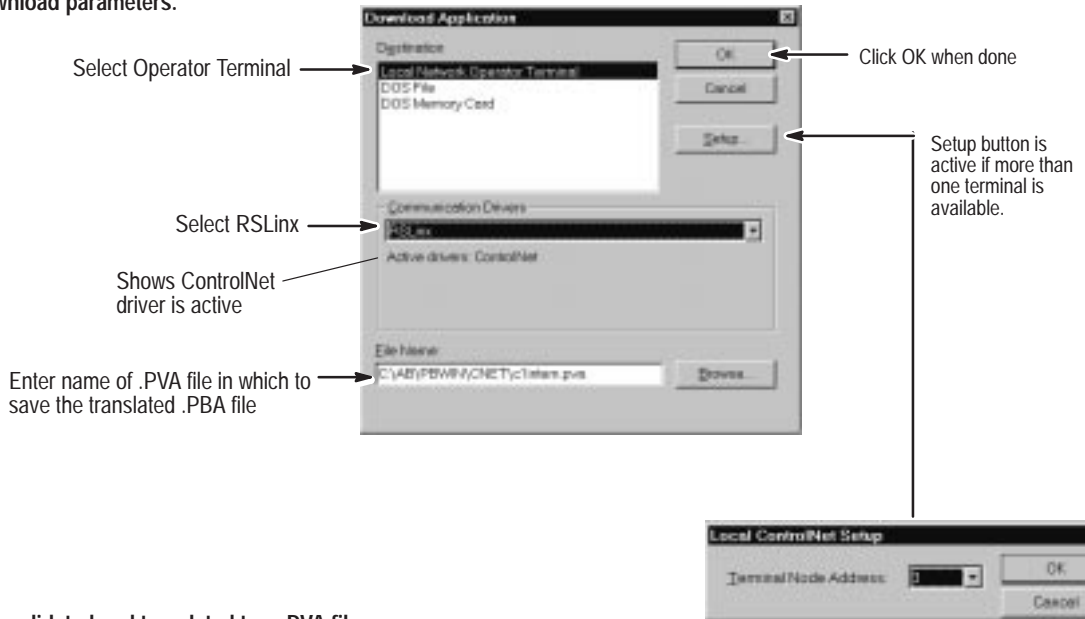
To download applications through the PanelView ControlNet port:

① Open the application you want to download.



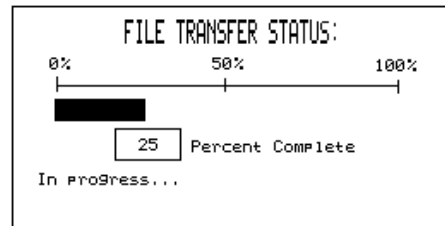
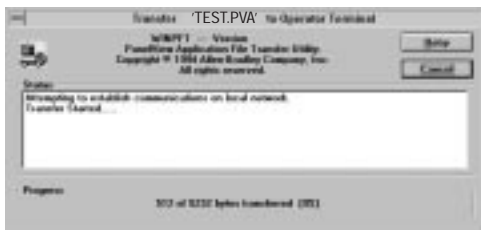
② Choose Download from the Application menu.

③ Select the Download parameters.



④ Application is validated and translated to a .PVA file.
If errors or warnings are detected, the Exceptions dialog opens.
You must correct errors before download can proceed.

⑤ PanelBuilder Software and terminal display status of download.



⑥ Terminal verifies, resets, and starts application.

Note: If a download is aborted (by the user or by a communications error), no application is saved and ControlNet communication settings are set to defaults (Node =3, Interscan Delay = 100 msec).

ControlNet Application Report

The application printout for ControlNet provides the following information:

- configuration data
- tag data

PanelBuilder Error Messages

The following table lists error messages and codes specific to ControlNet communications. For all other messages, refer to the PanelView and PanelBuilder user manuals.

PanelBuilder Tag Error Messages

Message	Recommended Action / Notes
<Tag Name> – Not a ControlNet address tag.	Correct and save the tag in the Tag Form Dialog.
<Tag Name> – Array size (<Value>) is invalid. You must enter a value between 1 and N.	N will have a value of 128 or 84 depending on the address type used for the array.
<Tag Name> – Node Name address matches the terminal node address.	Correct value in the Tag Form Dialog.
<Tag Name> – Tag node not configured as a ControlNet node.	Configure the network node in the Communications Setup Dialog
<Tag Name> – Data may not be consistent with tag.	Tags referencing different data types cannot be grouped. Tags referencing different network nodes cannot be grouped. Tags referencing different data files cannot be grouped. Tag separation too large for group definition.
<Tag Name> – Data may not be consistent with tag <Tag Name>	Multiple write tags cannot be grouped. In "Alarm Setup...", correct the alarm trigger tag and corresponding alarm callout tags to remove the error condition. The 2 nd <Tag Name> in each error message is the alarm trigger tag which determines the properties of the tag group to which the corresponding alarm callout tags must adhere.
<Tag Name> – Illegal I/O reference.	The tag must be removed from all uses in the application.
<Tag Name> – Illegal timer/counter read operation.	
<Tag Name> – Illegal write to timer status bits.	
<Tag Name> - References beyond maximum data file size of 999 elements.	The use of the tag must be changed in the application editor.

PanelBuilder Node Error Messages

Message	Recommended Action / Notes
<Device Name> – Not configured as a ControlNet node.	Configure the node in the Communications Setup Dialog.
<Device Name> – No InterScan delay assigned, default to 100 ms.	
<Device Name> – InterScan delay (<Value> ms) is invalid. You must enter a value between 100 ms and 1000 ms.	Correct value in the Communications Setup Dialog.

PanelBuilder Translation Error Messages

Message	Recommended Action / Notes
Translation Failure	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
Too many internal resources required by application.	Close any other applications that may be using memory.
Too many communication resources required by application.	Tag addresses should be grouped together as much as possible, otherwise screen objects must be removed.
<Tag Name> - Exceeds maximum reference size of N element(s).	Decrease number of states where tag is an LSB trigger.
<Tag Name> - References beyond maximum file size of 999 elements.	Change tag address to reference a lower data address.

Channel Status Field

The Channel Status field on the terminal communications screen (see page 6) displays a value that indicates the current status of both channel A and channel B. You can also display the status on a screen using an internal tag (@Read_DCRedundancy), see page 8. Use the following table to convert the value to a channel A and Channel B status condition. The definitions of each status condition follows the table.

Displayed Value	Status A	Status B	Displayed Value	Status A	Status B	Displayed Value	Status A	Status B	Displayed Value	Status A	Status B
119	7	7	87	7	5	55	7	3	23	7	1
118	6	7	86	6	5	54	6	3	22	6	1
117	5	7	85	5	5	53	5	3	21	5	1
116	4	7	84	4	5	52	4	3	20	4	1
115	3	7	83	3	5	51	3	3	19	3	1
114	2	7	82	2	5	50	2	3	18	2	1
113	1	7	81	1	5	49	1	3	17	1	1
112	0	7	80	0	5	48	0	3	16	0	1
103	7	6	71	7	4	39	7	2	7	7	0
102	6	6	70	6	4	38	6	2	6	6	0
101	5	6	69	5	4	37	5	2	5	5	0
100	4	6	68	4	4	36	4	2	4	4	0
99	3	6	67	3	4	35	3	2	3	3	0
98	2	6	66	2	4	34	2	2	2	2	0
97	1	6	65	1	4	33	1	2	1	1	0
96	0	6	64	0	4	32	0	2	0	0	0

Channel A & B Status Codes

Code	Indicates:	Priority ①
7	Terminal failure. Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.	1 (Highest)
6	Self test being performed. Wait for end of test.	2
5	Incorrect node configuration. Check for duplicate nodes.	3
4	Incorrect network configuration (overflow/underflow if signaled by host, out-of-step, etc.). Check for a node greater than UMAX.	4
3	Cable fault or lonely connection (disconnected cable, redundancy warning, etc.).	5
2	Temporary network errors (bad MAC frame, screeners not programmed, modem not online, etc.).	6
1	Channel ok.	7
0	Channel disabled.	8 (Lowest)

① If multiple status conditions apply, the highest priority condition is displayed.

Error Messages and Codes

The following tables lists error messages and codes specific to ControlNet communications. For all other messages, refer to the PanelView and PanelBuilder user manuals.

Communication Status Error Codes

These errors appear at the top of an application screen or on the terminal configuration screen. If you should get an alert number that is not listed here, contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.

Alert Number	Alert Type	Indicates:	Recommended Action(s):
1803	Informational	The communications device has completed the request to force the device into the listen-only state.	The PanelView was detected as having a duplicate node address and is in the listen-only mode. Check the node address (MAC ID) of the devices on the network to verify that addresses are not duplicated.
1824	Warning	The PanelView was forced to a listen only state.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
1826	Warning	A fixed tag packet was received but there is no place to route the packet. The data packet is discarded and the error message is displayed.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
1828	Warning	An attempt was made to open an unsupported transport class.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
1829	Warning	An attempt to open a Class 1 transport with application triggering or a Class 3 transport with cyclic triggering.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
3333	Warning	A connection has timed out.	A file transfer was unexpectedly interrupted.

Terminal Alert Codes

These messages appear on the terminal screen as DC Error = xx and alert the user to a particular condition. If you should get an alert number that is not listed here, contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.

Alert Number	Alert Type	Indicates:	Recommended Action(s):
9000	Critical fault	Interface startup failed.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9003	Critical fault	CIP S/N is not valid.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9004	Critical fault	Out of buffers	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9010	Critical fault	Invalid target node, target node is the same as the PV, or larger than UMAX.	Check node addresses of all devices on the network including the PanelView terminal.
9012	Communications Warning	ControlNet object received a reset request.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9014	Critical fault	A fatal CPU fault occurred.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9015	Critical fault	A ControlNet hardware fault occurred.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9016	Critical fault	RAM verification failed at startup.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9017	Critical fault	CRC verification failed at startup.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9018	Critical fault	A critical internal error occurred.	Contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9019	Critical fault	An internal fault occurred.	Reset terminal, if problem occurs again, contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.
9020	Critical fault	An internal fault occurred.	Reset terminal. If problem occurs again, reload application. If problem persists, contact Allen-Bradley for technical support.

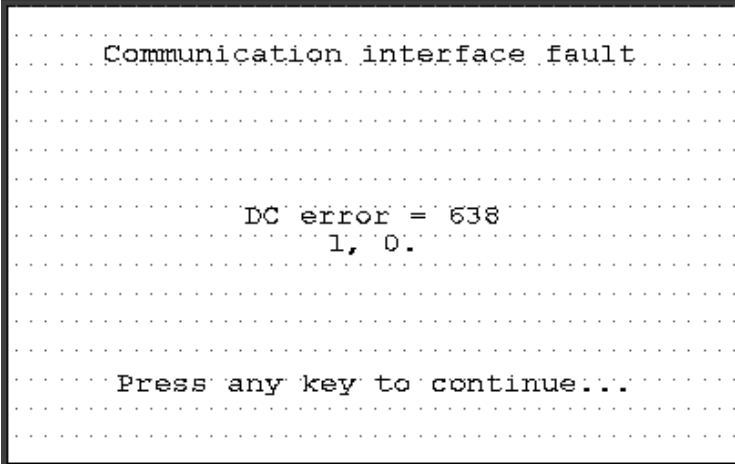
Communication Status and Terminal Alert Messages

Message	Alert Type	Indicates:	Recommended Action(s):
PanelView off-line.	Communications warning	PanelView off-line.	Check communication connections.
Initial write failed.*	Reminder	Write to Logic Controller on Startup was configured and on powerup, the PanelView could not write initial values to a node's data table address. or Write to Logic Controller on Startup was not configured and the PanelView was unable to write a logic controller. Note: The error message is only displayed on the first write attempt.	Check/define data table address in the logic controller. Check communication connections and node configuration in the application.
Write fail.*	Communications warning	PanelView is communicating with logic controller. The data table address does not exist.	Check/define data table address in the logic controller.
Write timeout.*	Communications warning	PanelView is not communicating with the logic controller.	Check communication connections and node configuration in the application.
Read fail.*	Communications warning	PanelView is communicating with logic controller. The data table address does not exist.	Check/define data table address in the logic controller.
Read timeout.*	Communications warning	PanelView is not communicating with the logic controller.	Check communication connections and node configuration in the application.

* These messages display the node number associated with the message.

Internal Errors

Internal errors are displayed in an error banner as shown below:

A screenshot of a terminal window showing an error banner. The text is displayed on a background of horizontal dotted lines. The error message reads: "Communication interface fault" followed by "DC error = 638" and "1, 0." on the next line. At the bottom, it says "Press any key to continue...".

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..... Communication interface fault .....  
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..... DC error = 638 .....  
..... 1, 0. ....  
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.....  
..... Press any key to continue... ..  
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If an internal error occurs:

1. Write down the error message.
2. Reset the PanelView terminal.
3. Contact Allen-Bradley for assistance if error is still present.

Glossary

Adapter

ControlNet device which responds to scanner messages (sometimes called a slave device).

Bridge

Device that allows network data to pass from one link to another link.

DF1

Allen-Bradley communication protocol based on an ANSI X3.28-1976 specification.

DF1/FD

Full duplex variation of DF1 which allows a two-way simultaneous transmission with embedded responses.

DH+

Data Highway Plus. An Allen-Bradley token-passing baseband link for a local area network.

Interscan Delay

Determines the amount of time the PanelView terminal waits before re-reading current screen data from the logic controller.

Keeper

The network controller of a ControlNet network.

Link

A collection of nodes with unique addresses in the range of 01 to 99 (decimal).

Network

Collection of connected nodes including the connection paths, repeaters and bridges.

Network Access Point (NAP)

Port that provides temporary access to a ControlNet network through an RJ-45 connector.

Node

Any device connected to the ControlNet cable system which requires a network address to function.

NUT

Acronym for Network Update Time. The ControlNet network update time established for the communications link.

PCCC

Acronym for Programmable Controller Communication Commands.

PLC

Acronym for Programmable Logic Controller identified by the 1785-Catalog number prefix.

Repeater

Two-port component that receives and transmits all data from one segment to another segment.

RIO

Acronym for Remote Input Output. An Allen-Bradley proprietary master-slave communication protocol.

Scheduled Messages

Messages that occur at a regular specified interval. Scheduled messages are assigned a particular portion of the network update time (NUT) and are always transmitted at that time.

Segment

Trunk-cable sections connected through taps with terminators at each end and no repeaters.

SMAX

Highest ControlNet node address which can communicate during the scheduled portion of the network update interval.

Tap

Hardware component that connects devices to the ControlNet trunk cable.

Trunk Cable

Bus or central part of a cable system.

UMAX

Highest ControlNet node address which can communicate during the unscheduled portion of the network update interval.

Unscheduled Messages

Messages that are sent on an as needed basis. Unscheduled messages are sent during the unscheduled portion of the Network update interval.



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