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Release notes

Document information

| Information | Content |
|-------------|--|
| Keywords | PN7160, PN7161, ECP, NCI 2.0, NFC Frontend controller |
| Abstract | Contains information about a specific release product and component information. |



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1 Document purpose

This document describes the tested functionality and limitations of the PN716x FW.

It also covers the release summary, release history, known issues, work-arounds, limitations, and recommendations.

The functionality and limitations of the hardware and product support material (for example, customer development board and support software) are described in separate documents.

Table 1 shows the FW version data for the latest release.

Table 1. FW version corresponding to this release note

| Parameter | Details | |
|--------------|--|--|
| FW Version | 12.50.0E | |
| Antenna Type | Eval1_SLALM_CFG2_EFM_40x20 | |
| IC | PN7160 (HW ld: 0x61) PN7161 (HW ld: 0x71) | |
| ROM code | 12 | |
| Flash code | 50.0E | |

Note: This firmware shall also be used for PN7160 and PN7161.

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2 Features supported in this release

2.1 RF features

Table 2. RF feature List

| Mode | Protocol | Technology | NFCEE | Details | Validation Status |
|-------------------|------------|------------|-------|---|---------------------|
| Card Emulation | ISODEP | | DH | ISO-DEP RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | ISO-DEP RF IF 212, 424, 848 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | T4T NDEF | | | NDEF read/write from DH, read/write from RF | Functional verified |
| Read/write | ISODEP | NFC-A | DH | Frame RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | ISO-DEP RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | ISO-DEP RF IF 212, 424, 848 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | NFC-B | DH | Frame RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | ISO-DEP RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | ISO-DEP RF IF 212, 424, 848 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | MIFARE CI | NFC-A | DH | Frame RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | TAG-CMD IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | T1T | NFC-A | DH | Frame RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | TAG-CMD IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | T2T | NFC-A | DH | Frame RF IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | | | | TAG-CMD IF 106 kB/s | Functional verified |
| | Felica/T3T | NFC-F | DH | Frame RF IF 212, 424 kB/s | Functional verified |
| ISO 15693 | | ISO 15693 | DH | Frame RF IF 26 kB/s | Functional verified |

2.2 Other system features

Table 3. Other system features

| Feature | System SW | Validation status |
|---|-----------|---------------------|
| FW download | Available | Functional verified |
| Antenna self-test | Available | Functional verified |
| PRBS (HW on Type-A, Type-B, Type-F, and ISO15693) | Available | Functional verified |
| PRBS (SW on Type-A, Type-B) | Available | Functional verified |
| EMVCo profile PCD | Available | Functional verified |
| Clock management (PLL/XTAL) | Available | Functional verified |
| Dynamic LMA | Available | Functional verified |
| Dynamic Power Control (DPC) | Available | Functional verified |
| External DC-DC support ("Cfg 2") | Available | Functional verified |
| LPCD - Tag detector | Available | Functional verified |
| Standby mode | Available | Functional verified |
| SL-ALM Antenna support | Available | Functional verified |

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2.3 Certification runs (in-house)

Table 4. Compliance

| Feature | Validation Status |
|--|--|
| NFC Forum CR11 (analog) | Compliance run on FW v12.50.05. |
| NFC Forum CR12 (Digital Test Cases) | Compliance run on FW v12.50.0B internally qualified. |
| NFC Forum CR13 (Digital Test Cases) | Compliance run on FW v12.50.0E internally qualified. |

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3 PN7160 FW Version history

The below table provides the firmware version history including feature updates and issues fixes.

Table 5. Firmware updates from v12.50.0D to v12.50.0E

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|--|
| 1 | Fixed stability issues during handling of RF_DEACTIVATE_CMD (to IDLE) and RF_DEACTIVATE_ RSP. |

Table 6. Firmware updates from v12.50.0C to v12.50.0D

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|--|
| 1 | • Added support for custom cards with specific SAK value. API added is: 0xA0 0x6E. |

Table 7. Firmware updates from v12.50.0B to v12.50.0C

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|--|
| 1 | Added support for dynamic ECP configuration. |

Table 8. Firmware updates from v12.50.0A to v12.50.0B

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|---|
| | Optimized the flash contents to remove not required features for longer serviceability of PN7160 (for future issue fixes/feature addons). • Type-F card mode support removed • Support for P2P not claimed. |

Table 9. Firmware updates from v12.50.09 to v12.50.0A

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|---|
| 1 | T4T Card emulation (NFCEE_NDEF). (allowing NDEF WRITE from RF side, now working with Tag Writer application on Android) |

Table 10. Firmware updates from v12.50.08 to v12.50.09

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|---|
| 1 | Resolved an issue with IC is hung with RF ON when typeB card is placed during discovery process when ECP is enabled for NFC Forum profile |

Table 11. Firmware updates from v12.50.07 to v12.50.08

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|---|
| 1 | EMVCo card removal procedure implemented for NFC Forum profile for TypeA and TypeB cards. |
| | PRBS (HW - PRBS9, PRBS15) supported for ISO15693. |

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Table 12. Firmware updates from v12.50.06 to v12.50.07

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | ECP is supported in the EMVCo profile |

Table 13. Firmware updates from v12.50.05 to v12.50.06

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|---|
| 1 | Support added for DPC helper command. |
| | Support added for NFC Forum CR12 specific changes. |
| | • Updated the configuration of PMU_CFG (@A00E) to disable them (byte 0 = 0x11 instead of 0x31 and byte 1 = 0x00 instead of 0x01). |

Table 14. Firmware updates in v12.50.05

| SI No. | Function/feature update |
|--------|---|
| 1 | First public release for PN7160/PN7161 FW. All factory-produced ICs contain this version of FW. |

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4 Revision history

Table 15. Revision history

| Document ID | Release date | Description |
|---------------|-------------------|---|
| RN00185 v.2.0 | 05 September 2024 | Document security status changed to public . Section 3 "PN7160 FW Version history": Table "Firmware updates from v12.50.0D to v12.50.0E" added. |
| RN00185 v.1.0 | 14 February 2024 | Initial version. Internal use only. |

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