



**NAVILOCK®**



**u-blox 8**

**NL-8004U u-blox 8 multi GNSS USB roofmount receiver 4.50 m  
operation manual (62531)**

## 1. Introduction

The NL-8004U is a USB GNSS receiver with an internal antenna and a u-blox 8 multi GNSS chipset. The USB port enables the connection with a notebook, UMPC, tablet / car PC. Thanks to its compact design and its high sensitive chipset, it is the ideal companion at work and at leisure. The flanged thread enables safe and waterproof attachment eg on the vehicle roof.

### 1.1. Contents\*

- 1x Navilock NL-8004U
- 1x 8cm CD ROM including operation manual

\* Before using the device, please make sure that all the parts are included in the package. If any parts are missing or damaged, please contact your dealer immediately.

#### Important health and safety information

When using this product, take the following precautions in order to avoid possible damages and legal consequences. Always follow all safety and operation manuals exactly and keep them for future reference. Observe all warnings in the operation manual and on the product. In order to avoid injuries, electrocution, fire and damages to the product, observe the following precautions:

#### ELECTRIC SECURITY

This product is designed for operation with power supply via the USB port. Any other operation mode can be dangerous and may void the warranty claims for this product. This unit contains an internal back-up battery.

**NOTE: RECYCLE OR DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES OR RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS AND THE INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED WITH THE PRODUCT.**



#### PRECAUTIONS REGARDING DIRECT SUNLIGHT

Make sure the unit is not exposed to very high humidity and temperatures. Never leave the unit, the battery or the rechargeable battery for an extended period in a vehicle or plate, where the temperature can increase to over 60°C (140°F), for example on the dashboard of a car, the window sill or behind a pane of glass, which is directly exposed to the sun or very strong UV light. Otherwise the unit or the vehicle may be damaged, and the battery or the rechargeable battery may overheat.

#### Damages requiring repairs

Disconnect the unit from the AC supply in the following cases and contact an authorized repair man or your dealer.

- Liquid or an object has entered the product.
- The product has fallen down or was damaged.
- There are visible signs of overheating.
- When operated normally, the product does not function flawlessly.

#### Avoid using the unit directly after strong temperature changes.

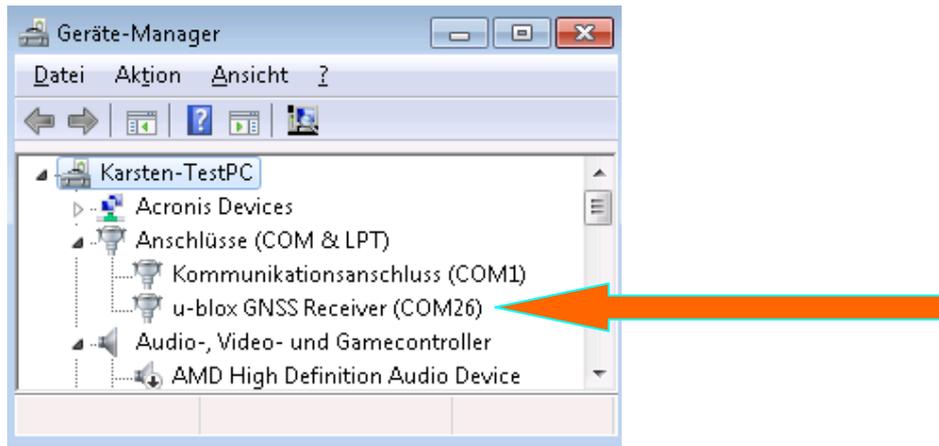
If the unit is exposed to strong temperature and humidity fluctuations, condensation can form in the unit. In order to avoid damage to the unit, please wait until the condensation has dried off before using the unit.

**NOTE: If you bring the unit from a cold to a warm environment, or vice versa, first let it get accustomed to the new temperature before turning it on.**

## 2. Starting operation

### 2.1. Microsoft Windows

Plug the USB cable in a free USB port on your notebook etc. The NL-8004U will be recognized by your Windows operating system, which will attempt to install a driver. Abort this process, and start “ u-center 8.xx Installer.exe ” from the CD-ROM, or download the driver from the Navilock website. Follow the installation instructions. After the installation is completed, restart your computer. Then the GNSS COM port will be available in the device manager under connections. Set this port in your navigation or route planner software. Do not use another program that accesses this port at the same time.



## 3. LED indicator

- This GNSS receiver does not have LED indicator!

## 4. Application environment

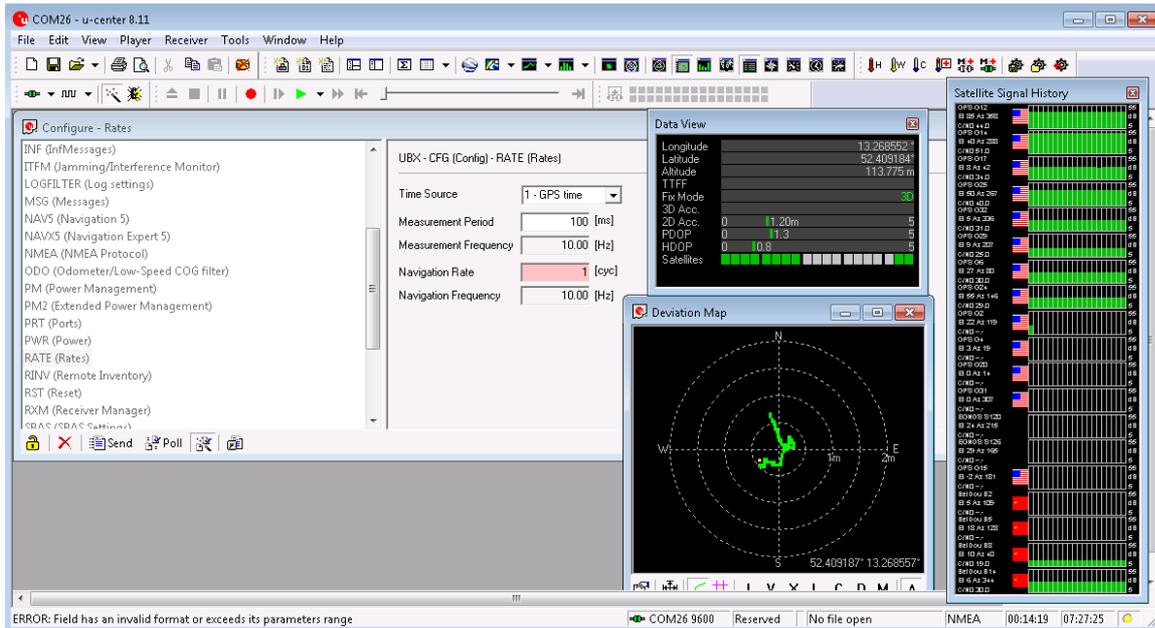
The NL-8004U can be used as a USB GNSS receiver under Windows Vista/7/8. The corresponding Microsoft Windows driver is available on the CD-ROM.

## 5. Functional test and GNSS system selection with u-center 8.xx in MS Windows

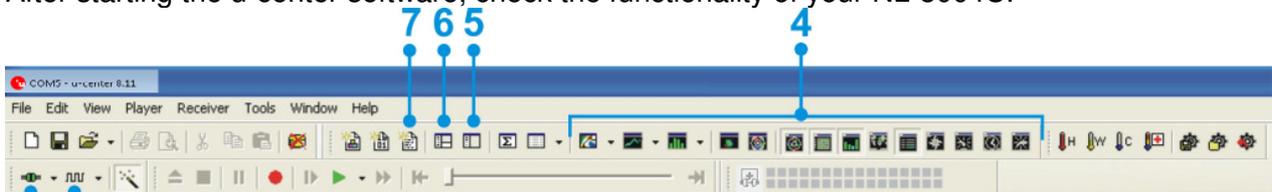
1. Load u-center software from:

[http://www.navilock.de/produkte/G\\_62531/software.html?setLanguage=en](http://www.navilock.de/produkte/G_62531/software.html?setLanguage=en). Install the software on your unit. Select the version suitable for your system. U-center is a pure test program and cannot be used for navigation or orientation. It must always be closed after the test. It blocks the COM port and does not allow any access of the navigation or route software to the COM port. It also serves for updating the Assist GNSS data and other configuration switches as SBAS properties.

If the NMEA protocol is displayed in u-center, but you cannot find a receiver in the application software, the connection problem is not with the receiver, but with the selected software setting. In this case, the software manufacturer support center may be able to help you.



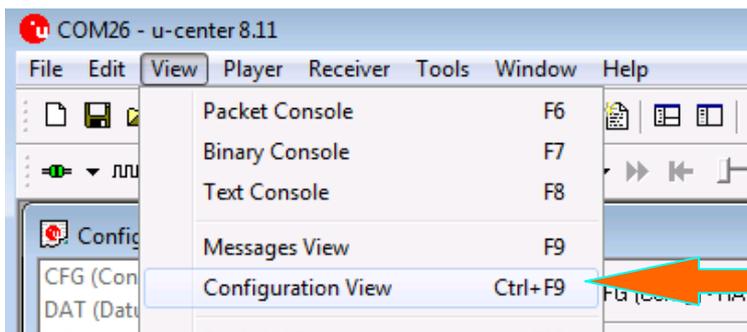
After starting the u-center software, check the functionality of your NL-8004U.

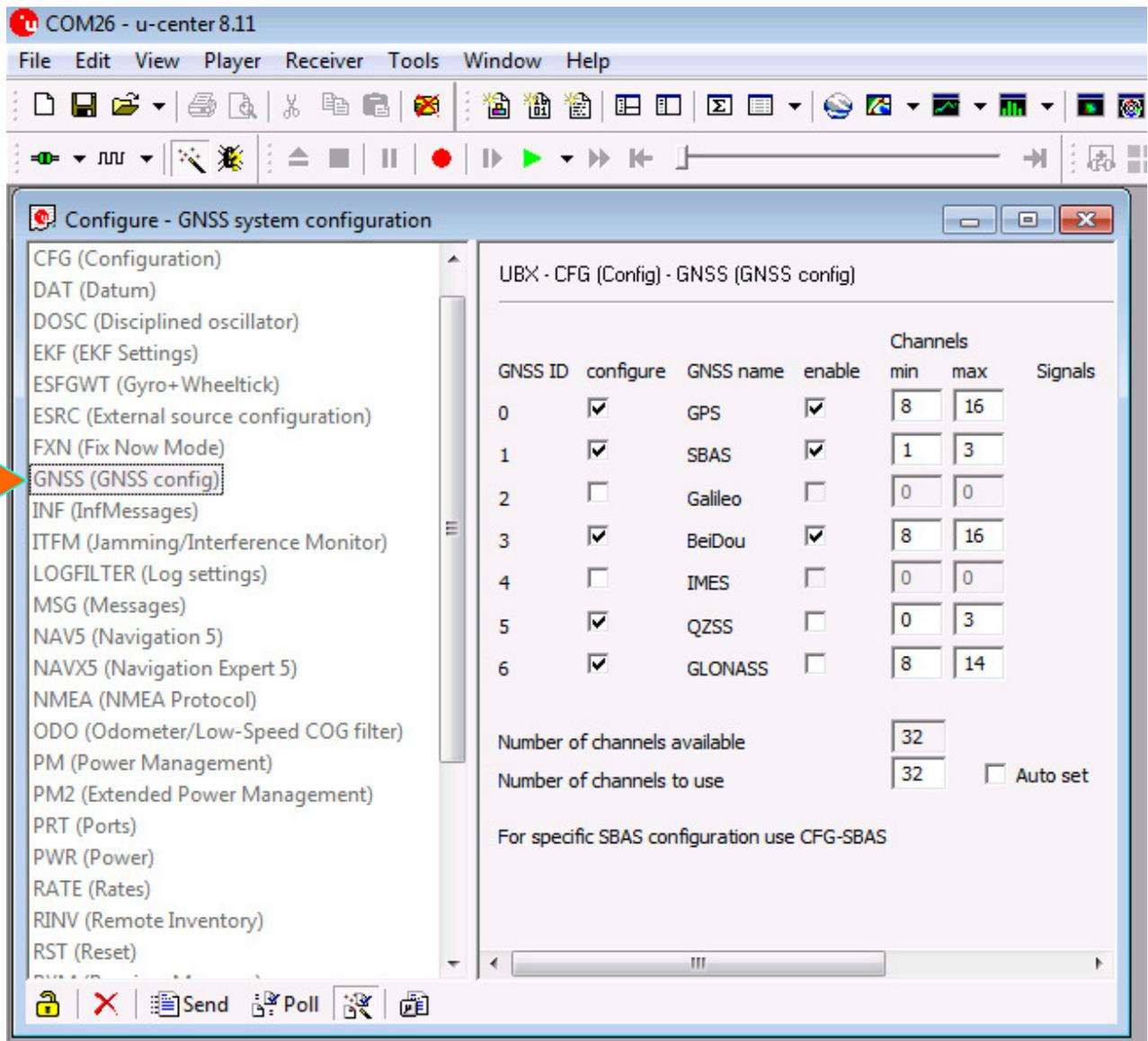


1. Selecting the COM port
2. Selecting the baud rate
- 3.
4. Visual display of the NMEA data
5. Configuration manager
6. NMEA/UBX message console
7. NMEA text console

As seen below, you can set up your u-center by yourself. Everything important can be connected and displayed immediately. The green bars at the bottom of the picture show the reception quality at your position. If no bars are displayed, please change your position. The NL-8004U cannot receive anything in a closed building. If the blue bars are displayed, the receiver is still acquiring the data and verifying the receipt data.

2. The choice of which GNSS want to use, take as follows





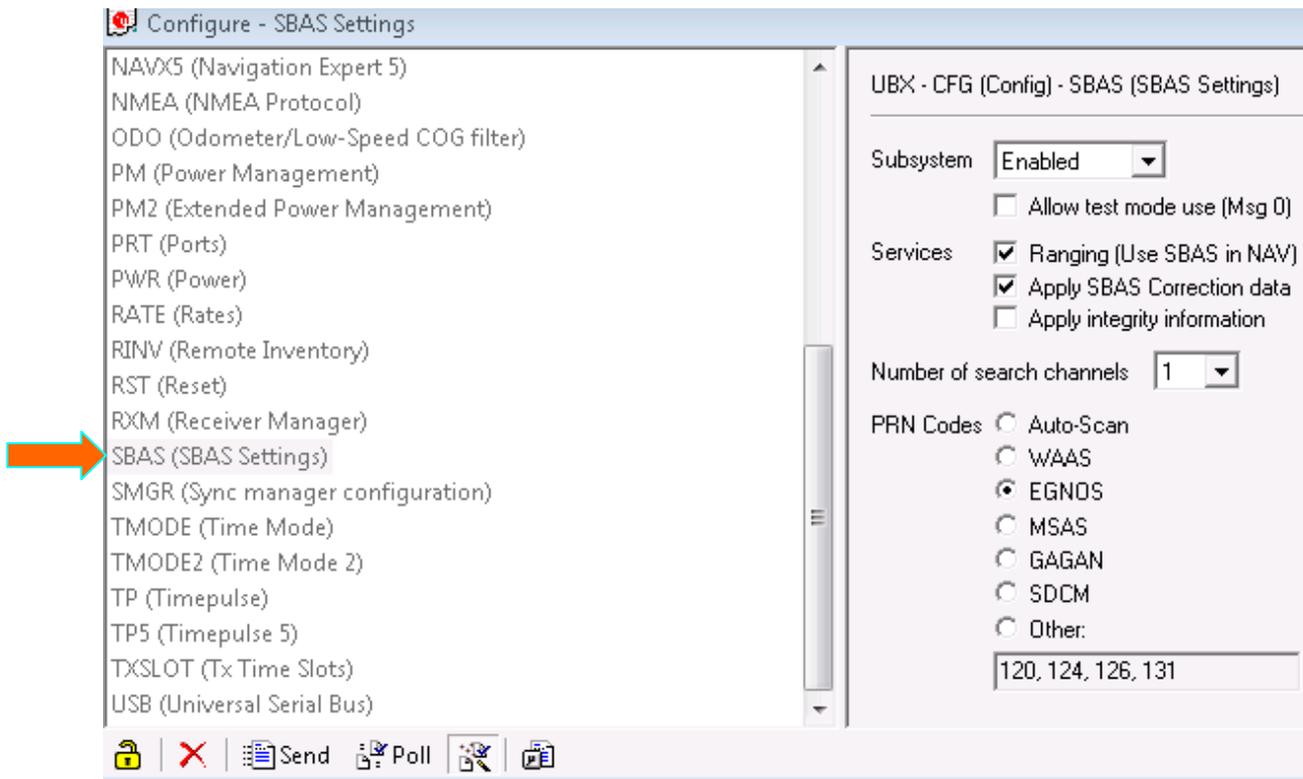
You can select your GNSS system or your combination of several systems on the right side. The following combinations are possible:

V	GNSS					SBAS					RTCM 2.3	
	Galileo (EU)*	GPS (USA)	GLONASS (RUS)	BeiDou (CHN)	QZSS (J)	EGNOS (EU)	WAAS (USA)	MSAS (J)	GAGAN (IND)	SDCM (RUS)*	SNAS (CHN)	GPS
I		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	(X)		X
II		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	(X)		X
III			X	X								
IV		X	X			X	X	X	X	(X)		X
V		X		X		X	X	X	X	(X)		X
VI	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	(X)		X
VII	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	(X)		X
VIII	X		X			X	X	X	X	(X)		
IX	X			X		X	X	X	X	(X)		

\* expected to be available in 2015, please visit our website for updates

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## 6. EGNOS configuration with u-center 8.xx



NL-8004U use EGNOS as default. In the configuration menu you can check these options. For detailed information please use the documentation from u-blox [http://www.u-blox.com/images/downloads/Product\\_Docs/u-Center\\_User\\_Guide\\_\(UBX-13005250\).pdf](http://www.u-blox.com/images/downloads/Product_Docs/u-Center_User_Guide_(UBX-13005250).pdf).

## 7. AssistNow online and offline configuration with u-center 8.xx

The NL-8004U supports AssistNow.

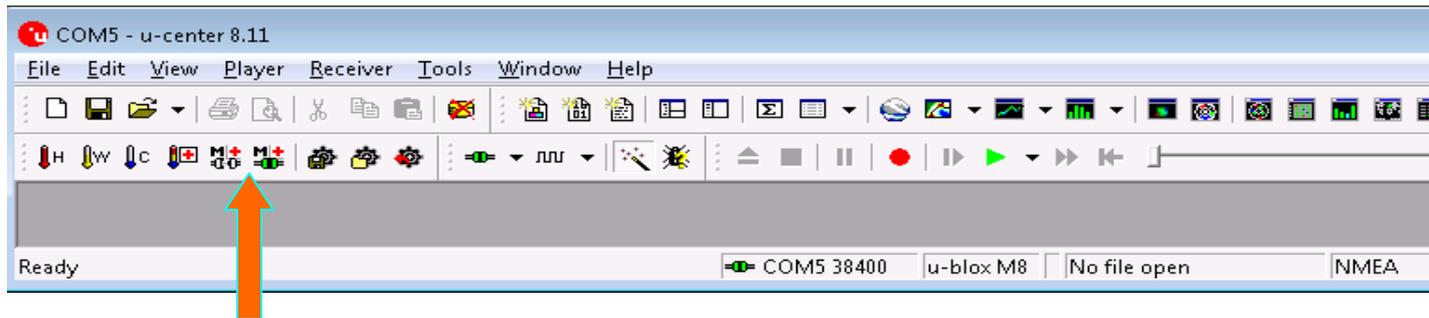
AssistNow is a standard A-GNSS service, which increases the performance of the GNSS receiver, by calculating a position almost immediately, even under difficult reception conditions. A-GNSS improves all GNSS capable applications, especially those that require a continuous state of readiness, for example applications for fleet management or GNSS capable hand-held devices, whose users would like to access local services immediately, independently of the reception conditions.

Without A-GNSS, a GNSS receiver must localize at least 4 satellites in direct line of vision, and then download their location data. This process takes 26 seconds under optimal reception conditions, but under less favorable conditions it may take much longer, e.g. in an urban environment or in a building, where the GNSS reception is weaker. AssistNow sends the data directly to the GNSS receiver, thus enabling a quick calculation of the position.

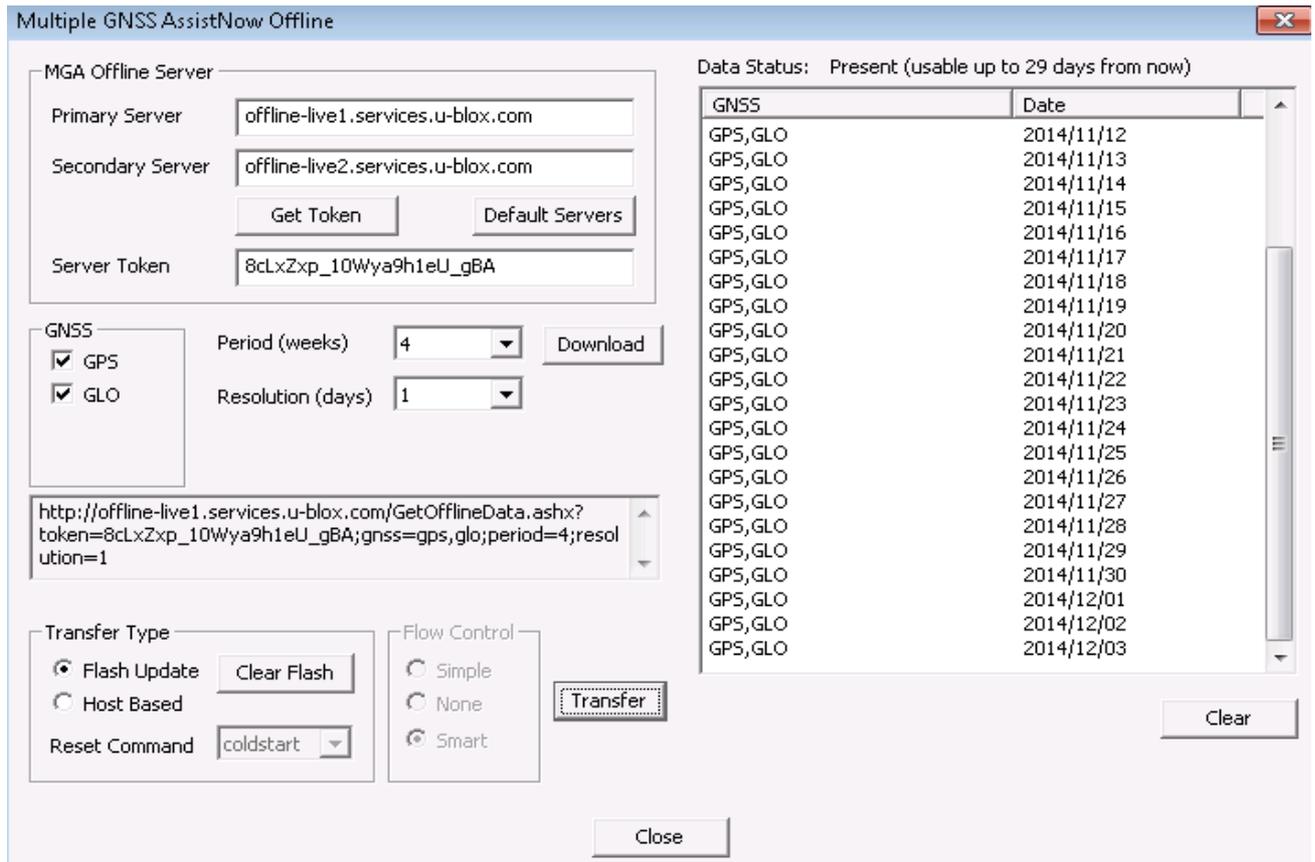
The offline service provides support data, which are valid up to 28 days. The user can thus profit for longer periods from the increased satellite acquisition performance, and they need an internet connection only occasionally, in order to update the support data.

The call-up and data transmission functions can be found in the menu bar of the u-center.

Click on the A-GNSS function in the menu bar to update AssistNow and to load the NL-8004U.



Please use the following server token for the configuration:



Further information to the u-center can be found in the u-blox documentation under [http://www.u-blox.com/products/u\\_center.html](http://www.u-blox.com/products/u_center.html). If you have any questions, please contact u-blox directly.

### **Danger of explosion at contact with fire!**

Do not permanently expose the receiver to temperatures of over 60°C (140°F).

## **8. Possible sources of error and their elimination**

- 8.1 The receiver does not work on USB port. Make sure that the PC or notebook is turned on, and test the USB port, possibly with another USB device. If this other USB device works fine, please contact the support center. If this other USB device works fine, please contact the support center.

8.2 You still don't get a satfix. The NL-8004U needs up to 20 minutes for its first satfix on another continent. To get a satfix the view to the sky must be unobstructed. Move the NL-8004U as far as possible from the wall. A house wall reflects the signal strongly and contributes to the satfix time delay.

8.3 Your PC doesn't support the auto start function, and doesn't start the CD-ROM automatically. Please check under <http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/Aa969329.aspx>.

8.4. The NL-8004U came in touch with jet water (water jet from a shower head or strong rain when it was mounted on a car roof). Do not connect the receiver with the notebook etc. under any circumstances, because it will otherwise be completely and irreparably destroyed. Return the receiver to our support center, mentioning "water damage". The support center will disassemble the receiver, dry it and check its functionality.

The Navilock repair center tries to be as obliging as possible, so please tell us the real reason for the defect. During the error analysis, we can generally detect if the cause for the defect was an external cause, water damage, fall, over-voltage or the wrong handling of the unit.



Failures are often the result of little causes. It is not always necessary to exchange the product immediately, because this will not solve the cause of the failure if it is not a GNSS hardware problem.

Before visiting your dealer, please contact the Navilock support center. They will try to help you quickly and without further ado, so that the circumstances of an exchange, which might in any case be unnecessary, are avoided.

In this case, please write down a detailed description of the error, add this information to your end device and the software used in this device, as well as the operation environment (operating system, service pack version, CPU type, storage size, hard disk drive and interface etc.), and send an e-mail to [support@navilock.de](mailto:support@navilock.de).

A support member will look into your problem and work out a solution.

We hope your Navilock product brings you fun and enjoyment!

## 9. Specifications

Chip set manufacturer/type	u-blox 8 multi GNSS	
Channels:	72 channels	
Sensitivity	-167 dBm	
Frequency:	GPS:	L1, 1575.4200 MHz
	BEIDOU COMPASS:	B1, 1561.0980 MHz
	GALILEO:	E1, 1575.4200 MHz
	GLONASS:	G1, 1602.5625 ~ 1615.5000 MHz
Target precisions:		
Position horizontal:	GPS/SBAS/QZSS+GLONASS and TCXO 2.0 m CEP	
Time:	1 microsecond synchronized with GPS time	
Speed:	0.1m/s	
Date:	WGS-84	
Protocol:	NMEA-0183 V3.01 GGA, GSA, GSV, RMC, VTG	
Detection rates:		
Cold start	26 s average	
Hot start	1 s average	
Re-Acquisition:	1 s average	
Update rate:	single GNSS:	18 Hz (for example GPS solo)
	multi GNSS:	10 Hz (for example GPS+GLONASS)
Dynamic prerequisites:		
Acceleration limit:	smaller than 4g	
Height limit:	50000 m	
Speed limit:	500 m/s	
Performance:		
Power supply:	5 Volt via USB	
Connection:	USB	
Cable length:	4.50 m	
Operating temperature:	-20°C ~ 60°C	
Dimensions (ØxH): (without threaded bolt)	ca. 65 x 20 mm	
Dimensions (ØxH): (with threaded bolt)	ca. 65 x 35 mm	

## 8. Certificate

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## 9. Warranty period

Your GNSS receiver will be repaired free of charge within the legal warranty period, unless it was damaged due to external cases, humidity dropping or other damages due to improper usage. Your dealer is always ready to help you. Please send your unit for repairs directly to:

**Navilock Repair Center  
Beeskowdamm 13/15  
D-14167 Berlin-Zehlendorf**

Postage must always be paid by the client.

Please add a proof of purchase and a detailed error description. Time based error, meaning how often an error occurs, must be expressly mentioned.

**For logistic reasons, we cannot accept returned packages without the postage being paid by the client.**

## 10. Support

For additional support questions, please contact our support center:  
[support@navilock.de](mailto:support@navilock.de) / [www.navilock.com](http://www.navilock.com) or by telephone: +49 30 84716503\*.  
You can also call the Service Hotline at the following hours: Mo – Fr.: 9:00 – 16:30.

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### RoHS conformity

This product meets the requirements of directive 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003, concerning the limited usage of dangerous substances in electric and electronic devices (RoHS) and its amendments. This product complies with the directive 2011/65/EU from January 3rd 2013.

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