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All of our controllers come complete with all parts and software necessary for installation, operation and ability to

control the devices attached to it. Upon arrival, please inspect the contents of the box to ensure that your kit is complete and contains all necessary components.

Quick Setting Instruction

- 1. Wire the speakers to the amplifier, connect the Netbell-NTG line output to one of your amplifier audio inputs with the provided cable. Please refer to **Audio Output Connection** of this manual for wiring instruction.
- 2. Find the IP address with Linortek Discover tool to access the software. Please check **Finding the IP Address to Access** the Software on this manual for instructions of finding the IP address.
- 3. Enable audio system so that you can use different sounds for different events. Please refer to **Enabling the Audio File System** on this manual for instruction of how to enable the audio system.
- 4. Set time and date. Your Netbell-NTG is set to use **Eastern Standard Time (GMT-5)** by default. If your timezone is different than that, you need to change the time zone to your local timezone. Please refer to **Setting Time and Date** of this manual for how to change the time.
- 5. Assign audio tones to a relay so that you can schedule to play that sound for break time alarm. For instructions of how to assign a tone to a relay, refer to **Assigning Audio Tones to Relays** of this manual for instructions.
- Create custom sounds for your Netbell-NTG: you can upload custom sounds up to 10 hours on your Netbell-NTG and schedule to play those sounds. Please refer to Creating Custom Sounds section of this manual for instructions.
- 7. Schedule audio playback from Bell Scheduling page. Once you have assigned a sound to a relay from step 5 (and 6 if you use your custom sounds), you can add timed schedules to play the sound. Please refer to **Scheduling Audio Playback** of the manual for instructions.
- 8. Use an external trigger a sound. You can connect a digital sensor or a push switch to one of the digital inputs to trigger special sounds for special events or emergency. Please refer to **Using an External Trigger** section on the manual for instructions.

Factory Reset

To reset the SERVER to its factory defaults, first to push the RESET button, the RED LED should be blinking and the GREEN LED is on. While in this state (called Bootload state) press and hold the RELOAD (DFLT) button (about 10- 15seconds) until the RED LED comes on steady (blinks at 1 second rate).

There is an equivalent RESET DEFAULTS function in the web browser at System/ Load/Reboot System page. Check the Restore Default Values box, then click the Boot Mode button, your device will be reset to factory default once the RED LED come back to normal (blinks at 1 second rate).

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For full instructions on the Web Interface please see the Fargo G2 and Koda Manual available at: https://www.linortek.com/downloads/documentations/

Wiring the Netbell-NTG

The Netbell-NTG unit is a self-contained web server configured with various input and output circuits designed to output an audio signal to a PA system. You should not use voltages through the Netbell-NTG exceeding **48** volts. IT IS NOT SAFE.

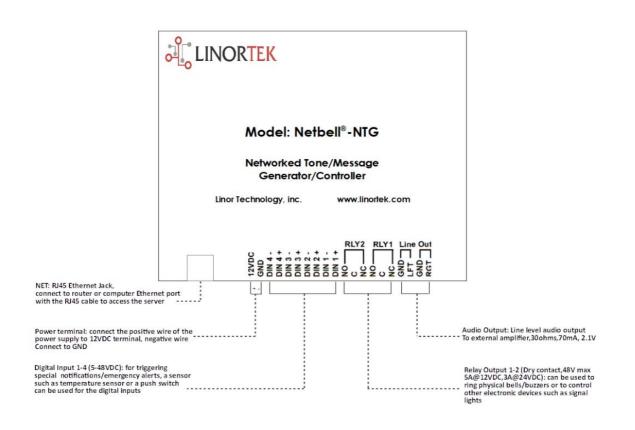
The output ratings for the Netbell-NTG are a **30-ohm impedance at 70mA maximum, and a 2.1V audio signal**. The line output from the terminal is suited for this and can be wired directly to a power amplifier that uses AC voltage. Take note of the ohm ratings of your speakers and how they are wired, make sure you use the following calculation to determine if you are within the amplifier's impedance ratings.

R represents the impedance (ohms)

$$R_{TOTAL} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \cdots}$$

The Netbell-NTG has a stereo line out, a terminal block with left and right outputs, which can be connected to a power amplifier for a higher volume or the ability to drive larger speakers. Make sure the amplifier has a stereo line input, and is rated to drive the speakers you wish to connect too. We are not responsible for 3rd party amplifiers or speakers connected to our device, or the failure of our Netbell-NTG when wired incorrectly.

We provide 3 cable types (RCA stereo to line out, 3.5mm stereo to line out, and a 2-ply stranded wire for line in/line out) to connect your Netbell-NTG to an amplifier or PA system, etc. Choose the cable that matches your amplifiers audio input to be able to wire it to your Netbell-NTG.



Power Connection

To power the Netbell-NTG connect the power supply to the 12VDC and GND power terminal.

When connecting the power supply, connect the positive wire of the 12VDC power supply to the 12VDC terminal, negative cable (marked with a white stripe) to the GND terminal. Plug the power supply to a suitable AC outlet. At this point, the GREEN/BOOT LED light on the board should come on and start flashing, indicating that the NetbellNTG is operating and is in the "Bootloader Mode". After about 5 seconds, the GREEN LED will go off and the RED LED will start blinking, indicating the Netbell-NTG is operating in "Server Mode" and it is accessible on a network utilizing TCP/IP protocols.

Ethernet Connection

Plug the Internet cable into the **NET** connector. The "Connection" LED light on the board will come on if a 100MHz network is available, otherwise it will remain off and the "Activity" LED should start blinking indicating network activity.

Audio Output Connection

We provide three different kinds of cable to connect your Netbell-NTG to your amplifier depending on what type of input connection is on your amplifier.

- a) The most common audio input for amplifiers is an RCA connection, the **YELLOW** wire is to be wired into the **LFT** terminal position, the **RED** wire is to be wired into the **RGT** terminal position and the **BLACK** wires are always wired into the **GND** terminal position.
- b) If your amplifier uses a **3.5mm** stereo audio jack input then use the provided 3.5mm stereo to line out cable. The **YELLOW** wire is to be wired into the **LFT** terminal position, the **RED** wire is to be wired into the **RGT** terminal position and the **BLACK** wires are always wired into the **GND** terminal position.
- c) If your amplifier uses an audio line input then use two 18-gauge 2-ply cable (not provided). As the wires for the 2-ply cable will be the same color for both left and right sides, wire the left side first then once completed wire the right side to avoid crossing the input/outputs. Use the black wires for the **GND** positions and the red wires for the **LFT** and **RGT** positions for each respective input/output.

Relay Output Connection

There are two relay outputs on the board. They are both dry contact (48V max 5A@12VDC, 3A@24VDC). There are 3 terminals for each relay labelled: NO, C, and NC which stand for Normally Open, Common and Normally Closed. Physical bells/buzzers can be connected to the C and NO terminals. When wiring physical bells or buzzers to the relay output, you need to select a suitable power source that meets the requirements of the bell or buzzer. Wire one side of the power source to one side of the bell – The other power wire is connected to the relay terminal C. Finally, connect the other side of the bell wire to relay terminal NO.

Digital Input Connection

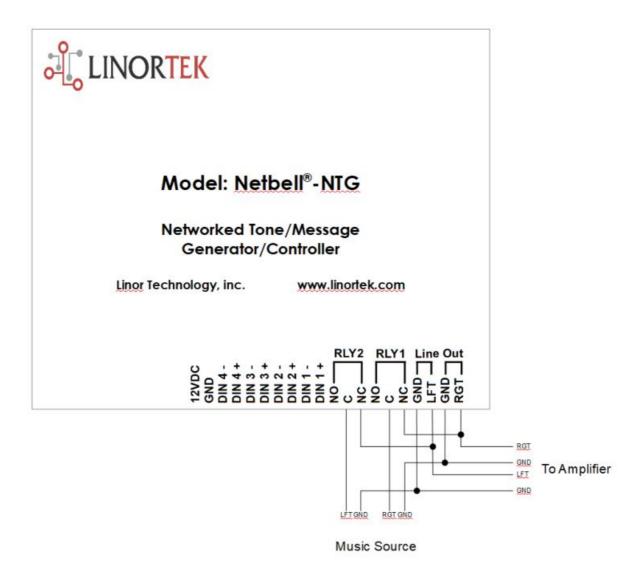
There are 4 digital inputs (5-24VDC) built on the board for triggering special notifications/emergency alerts. A sensor such as temperature sensor or a push switch can be connected to the digital input. Please note, when connecting a 12VDC-48VDC sensor to the input, an external resistor (provided upon request, 2.2k ohm 0.5watt) must be used.

There are two modes of operation for the digital inputs: ISOLATED and PULL UP.

- a) **ISOLATED** mode allows you to directly drive the Netbell-NTG's opto-isolator with an external voltage though and internal 1K resistor. This voltage may be in the range of 5VDC to 48VDC supplying a minimum of 2mA or a maximum of 30mA to the opto-isolator diode. There is no other internal connection to this voltage so it is an isolated input.
- b) **PULL UP** mode connects a 1K resistor to an internal voltage allowing you to use a simple switch (such as a magnetic door switch) across terminals 1 and 2. When the switch is activated a signal is sent to the input.

These modes are selected by the switch on the server (see the board layout for reference) marked **ISO** and **PU** for isolated or pullup respectively. On the Netbell-NTG put the switch up for pullup and down for isolated.

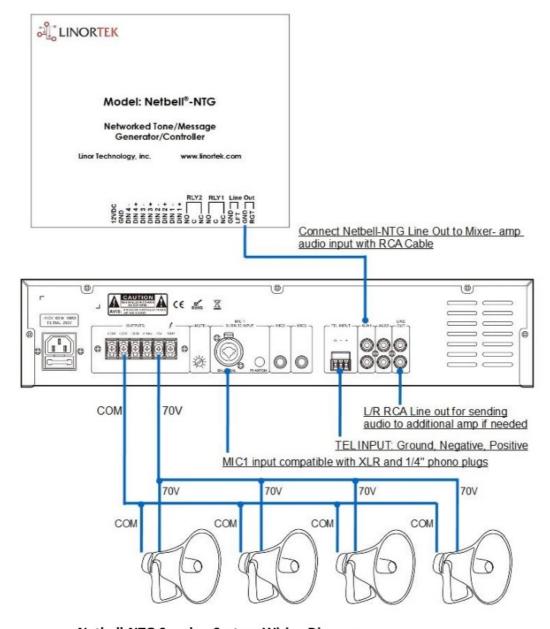
CAUTION: These units are ground isolated. Always connect so that power loop is only connected to the NetbellNTG unit. Do NOT use external ground connections. Doing so may damage the Netbell-NTG or POE originating device. If you intend to use the isolated mode, set the input switch before applying an external voltage. Doing otherwise may damage the Netbell-NTG or POE originating device.



The Netbell-NTG is capable of using its relays to switch between an external stereo source such as a PA system or a music player. Following the wiring schematic above, the External source is wired into the relays using a **Normally Closed** circuit. It is then connected to the audio **Line Out** of the Netbell-NTG.

The Netbell-NTG must then be configured to disconnect the music source while playing the tone. Please refer to page 18 for instructions to program your Netbell-NTG for this.

Netbell-NTG Speaker System Wiring Diagram



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This is a 70V speaker system. 70V speakers are designed to be wired in parallel, with the wattage adding up to be no more than 80% of the amplifier's wattage output as to give you ample headroom. The above diagram shows how to wire 4 speakers, additional speakers would be added to the 70V circuit exactly like speaker #4.

The speakers included with the NTG speaker kit have a 10 foot 2-conductor wire pre-installed to each speaker. To connect the speakers, refer to the diagram above to wire these speakers in parallel. Use the **70V** wire for the amplifier's **70V** output, and the **com** wire for the **ground (COM)**.

Cable Requirements: If you need to extend the cable, the cable needs not be shield in most case and should be of sufficient gauge to minimize losses due to the resistance of the wire over long runs (insertion loss). Cable thinner than 18 gauge AWG is not recommended. Long runs require 16 gauge AWG or heavier.

In some cases where the output cable is run in close proximity to unshielded intercom cables, electrical cables, radio transmission antennas or other sources of interference, or when the amplifier is being used for paging from a telephone system, the amplifier may require shielded output cabling to prevent audio feedback or interference.

Finding the IP Address to Access the Software

Once your Netbell-NTG is powered on and connected to the network, it will automatically obtain an IP address via DHCP as long as your router is configured to do so. To connect, enter the IP address into your web browser. This will take you to your Netbell-NTG's landing page. To log in, click the **Log In** button on the top right of the page. Your browser will prompt you to enter your username and password. By default, these credentials are both set to **admin**. To find your Netbell-NTG's IP address, see below.

Using Linortek Discoverer

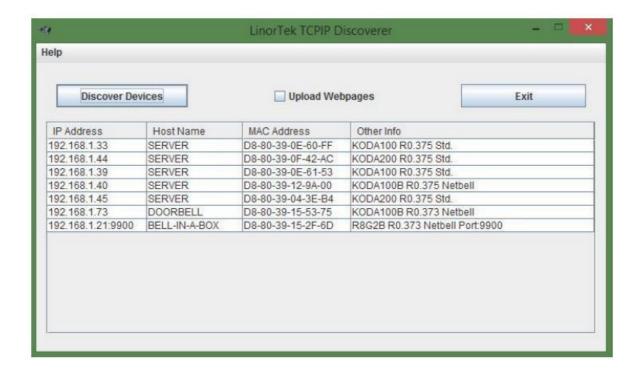
The Discoverer program will automatically locate your Netbell-NTG SERVER. The Discoverer is a Java program, and requires Java Runtime to be installed to use this feature. Java can be found here: http://java.com/en/download/index.jsp.

To download the Discover program, please go to: https://www.linortek.com/downloads/supportprogramming/

Use of Chrome & Firefox browsers is recommended. **Please note**: If you prefer to use Internet Explorer, Internet Explorer saves Linortek Discoverer as a Zip file by default. In order to use the Discoverer, you will need to select **Save as** and rename the file as **Linortek Discoverer.jar** when you download.

When downloading the Discover program, sometimes you will see a popup warning message depending on your browser security settings, asking if you want to keep or discard this file, please click the Keep button as this is a Java program, it won't harm your computer.

Once Discoverer locates your device, it will display:



- 1. IP Address
- 2. Host Name
- 3. MAC Address
- 4. Other Info:
 - a. Blue LED (if on)
 - b. Product Name
 - c. Server Software Revision
 - d. Port Number (If ported)

Click the device you want to use shown on the Discoverer program to launch the SERVER web pages in your browser. Click the Login button on the homepage. **Default username/password is: admin/admin**. You may change these as you desire or disable this feature in the **Settings** menu.

Connecting Directly to Your PC

You can also plug your Netbell-NTG directly to your PC in the case there is no network connection available. If you plug your Netbell-NTG into your PC's Ethernet port it will use the default IP address: **169.254.1.1** unless you have previously configured your Netbell-NTG to use a static IP. Enter **169.254.1.1** into your web browser to connect. No internet connection required. Once configured, you can then install your Netbell-NTG where desired.

Basic Software Configuration

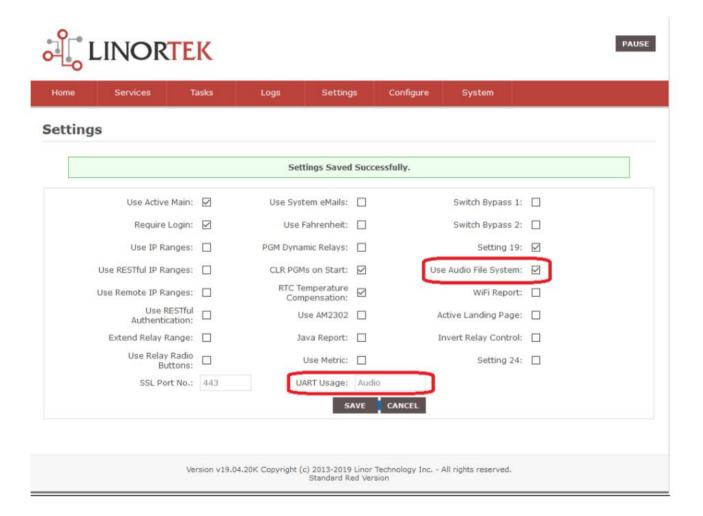
If you are configuring your Netbell-NTG for the first time, the section below will demonstrate how to enable the audio system. If you have already done this, skip to the section **Assigning Audio Tones to Relays**.

Enabling the Audio File System

Upon logging into your Netbell-NTG for the first time you will need to activate the audio system.

- 1. Navigate to the **SETTINGS** dropdown menu, then click **SETTINGS**.
- 2. Enter audio in the UART Usage field (not case sensitive).
- 3. Check the box Use Audio File System.

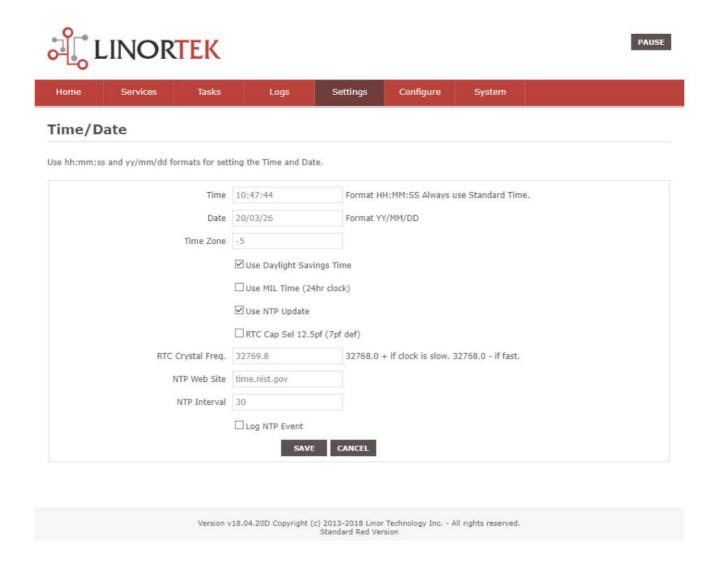
Click SAVE, the device should start playing through the files on the SD card now.



Setting Time and Date

When first configuring your Netbell-NTG you will need to verify the time and date on your home page. Your Netbell-NTG is configured by default to use Eastern Standard Time (GMT-5) and will apply correction for daylight savings time. To change these settings, navigate to the **Settings** dropdown menu and then choose **Time/Date**. You can then change your time zone by adjusting the value in the third box labeled **Time Zone**.

If you intend to keep your Netbell-NTG off your network after configuring, you will need to uncheck **Use Daylight Savings Time** and **Use NTP Update**. You will then have to manually set the time to account for daylight savings, and adjust the time periodically to account for time creep.

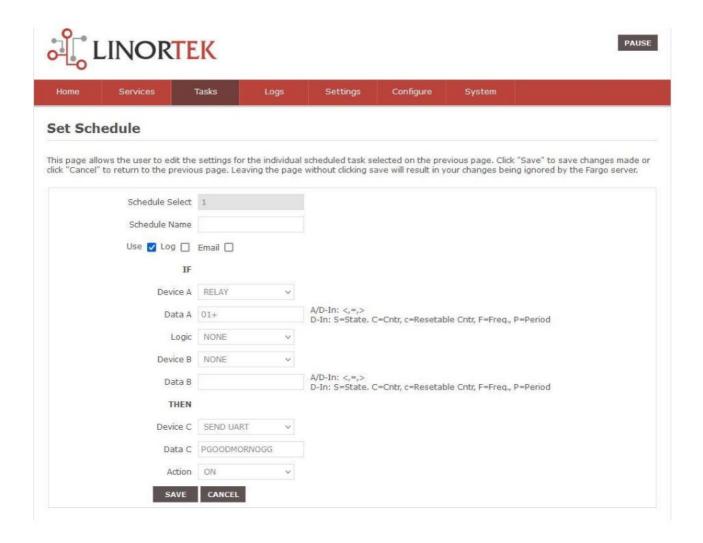


Assigning Audio Tones to Relays

There are 40 tones pre-loaded on the Micro SD card in your Netbell-NTG. These sounds can be heard at https://www.linortek.com/netbell-ntg-standard-sound-list/. The following example will use the tone named "GOODMORN" (first tone listed on our website) and will assume a bell schedule is only using bell #1.

- 1. Navigate to the Tasks page on your Netbell-NTG
- 2. Click the Edit icon at the end of the first available line
- 3. Enter a name (if desired) in the Schedule Name field
- 4. Check the **Use** box
- 5. Set Device A to RELAY
- 6. Set **Data A** to 01+ (This refers to the **Bell 1** on the bell schedule page for bell 2, 3, ... use 02+, 03+, ...)

- 7. Set Device C to SEND UART
- Set Data C to PGOODMORNOGG (This must be an 8-character name preceded by P and followed by OGG.
 This must be capitalized)
- 9. Set Action to ON
- 10. Click SAVE



Scheduling Audio Playback

Once the audio system is enabled you can then program your Netbell-NTG for audio playback. This can be done using the Netbell-NTG's **Bell Schedule**, or by using an external signal as a trigger.

Creating a Bell Schedule from the Bells Page

Each Netbell-NTG can set up to 500 bell event schedules. To add an event schedule, navigate to the **Services** dropdown menu, then select **Bells**. You will see the following page:



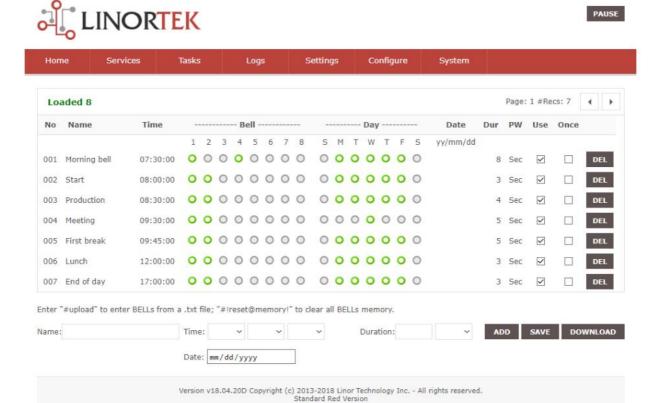


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		Date: mm	/dd/yyyy				

You may use this page to enter up to 500 events. An event can be created in 9 simple steps.

- 1. Enter an event **name** up to 15 characters long (use letters and numbers only)
- 2. Use the 3 fields labeled **Time** to enter the time in HH:MM:SS (**Note:** the first field to select the hour uses a 24hr format. For 12 AM select **00**, for 1 PM select **13**)
- 3. (Optional) Enter a date. This will trigger the event only on this specific date
- 4. Enter a duration. Open the dropdown menu on the second box and choose either mS, Sec, or Min for milliseconds, seconds, or minutes respectively. In the first box then enter a value determining how many of the chosen unit of measurement
- 5. Click the **Add** button. You will see this event listed above. Subsequent events will be listed in chronological order
- 6. Once an event is added, you may adjust which relay output is triggered by selecting pips 1 8 under the **Bell** column. By default, 1 and 2 are automatically selected. Note which numbers you are using as you will need to assign a sound to each one. For numbers 5 8 see the section **Activating Extended Relay Range** on page 18
- 7. You may choose which days of the week will use this event under the **Day** column. Days are listed Sunday Saturday (**Note**: if a specific date is chosen it will override the **Day** column)
- 8. Check the **Use** box to enable this schedule. If you only want it to trigger one time, check the **Once** box
- 9. Finally, click Save

Below is an example of what a bell schedule may look like.



Deleting Items

You can delete an item from your schedule by clicking the **DEL** button to the right of the list. To clear the entire schedule, enter **#!reset@memory!** Into the **Name** field and click **Add**.

Uploading a Premade Schedule

You may upload a Premade schedule by entering **#upload** into the **Name** field and click **Add**. This will take you to a new page. Click **Choose File** to browse your computer for the schedule in either .txt or .csv format. Once selected, click **Upload**. This will return you to the previous screen with your new schedule listed.

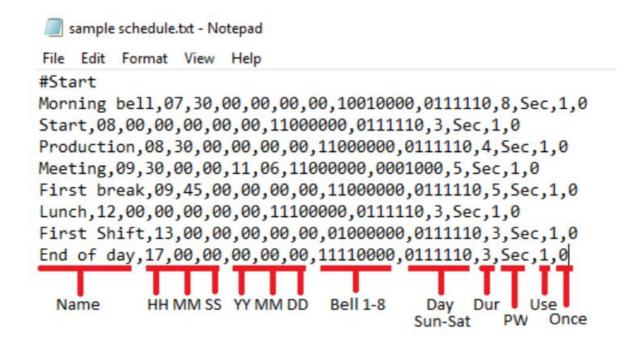
You can create a schedule using a Plain Text editor such as Notepad. Your first line should be **#Start** – each subsequent line will be a separate entry with 13 items, each separated by a comma. Save this file as **Plain Text** (.txt).

Saving your Bell Schedule

To save the bell schedule on your Netbell-NTG, click on the **Download** button in the bottom-right. This will open a new tab in your browser and display the schedule as plain text. Copy and paste this text into a plain text editor such as Notepad and save.

Creating a Bell Schedule Using the Bell Scheduler Desktop App

There is a free desktop app to create a bell schedule available at: https://www.linortek.com/downloads/supportprogramming/
Documentation is available at: https://www.linortek.com/downloads/documentations/
Below is a sample prewritten bell schedule.



Using an External Trigger

You may also program your Netbell-NTG to play a tone upon input from an external trigger such as a pushbutton or door contact switch.

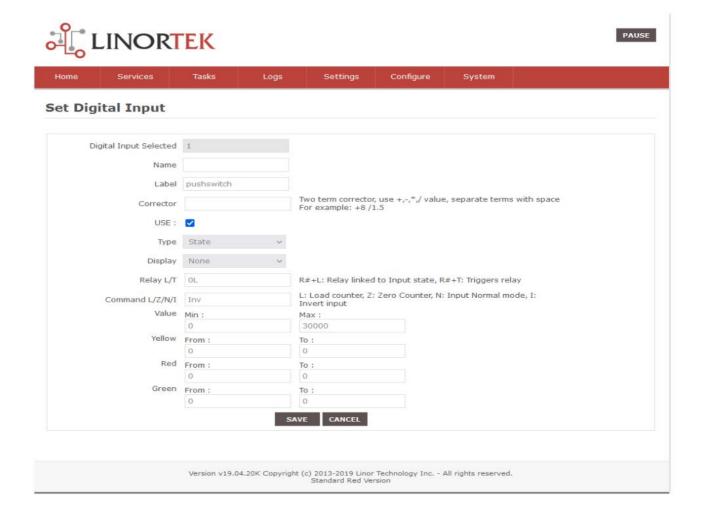
Note: unless your trigger device supplies its own power, ensure your input switch is set to **Pull UP (PU)** (See **Wiring the Netbell-NTG** page 5 and **Board Layout Reference page 21**)

Activating the Digital Input

Note: The following guide will assume you are using Digital input 1 and the tone **EVACUATE**.

Navigate to the **Services** dropdown menu and select **Inputs**. The top 4 items are your digital inputs. They are marked DIN 1 – DIN 4. Click on the blue **pencil icon** under DIN 1 and enter the following settings.

- 1. Enter a name in the **Name** field (if desired)
- 2. Enter a label in the Label field (if desired)
- 3. Check the Use box
- 4. Set Type to State
- 5. Set Relay L/T to 0L
- 6. Set Command L/Z/N/I to i
- 7. Click **SAVE**

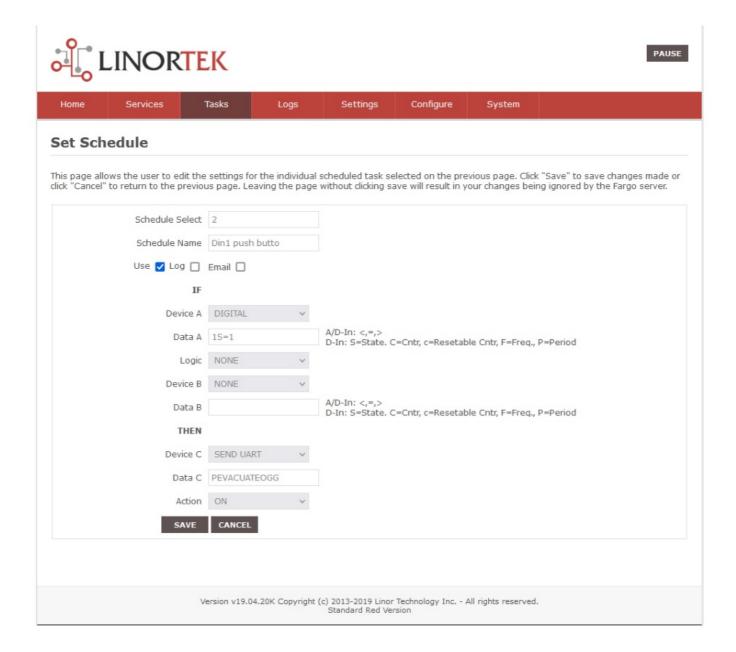


Setting Task for Digital Input

Now that your external trigger is wired to your Netbell-NTG and your digital input is configured, you will need to set up a task.

- 1. Navigate to the **Tasks** page
- 2. Click the Edit icon on the first available task
- 3. Name the task if desired
- 4. Check the Use box
- 5. Set Device A to Digital
- 6. Set **Data A** to **1S=1** (1 represents the number of the digital input, S signifies to your device to refer to input state, the last 1 signifies the state is on)
- 7. Set Device C to Send UART
- 8. Set **Data C** to **PEVACUATEOGG** (to play sound file **EVACUATE** in this sample)
- 9. Set Action to ON
- 10. Click Save

If you are using a trigger such as a door contact switch, set **Data A** in the example above to **1S=0** to play the tone when the contact is broken.



Programming Netbell-NTG to Interrupt Background Music

Your Netbell-NTG can also be interrupt background music from an external source. Once your Netbell-NTG is wired to your audio system shown in page 8, you can program the Netbell-NTG to open its relays, play a prerecorded tone or message and then resume the background music connection.

First, create a bell schedule event for the desired times. Relays (bells) 1 and 2 will need to be triggered to disconnect the external source. And use relay 3-8 on the bell schedule page to play the audio file on your NetbellNTG

Next create a task using relay 3-8 as described in page 12 to trigger the tone or message.

Enabling Extended Relay Range

While your Netbell-NTG only has 2 relays built-in, you can activate up to 8 relays for the purpose of scheduling additional tones and messages. To enable these software relays, follow the following steps:

- Navigate to the Settings dropdown menu and select Settings
- 2. Check the box labeled Extend Relay Range

Click SAVE

Now that the extended relay range is activated, you can assign tones to relays 5-8 in the **Tasks** page. These will correspond with **Bells** 5-8 on the bell schedule page.

Creating Custom Sounds

The device comes installed with 40 default sounds from the factory. You can create custom sounds or record messages and save them to the built-in micro SD card to play your Netbell-NTG. The Netbell-NTG uses the **.ogg** file format for the playback of audio. If your custom sounds or messages are not in this format you will need to convert the file to an .ogg file.

We recommend using Audacity to create your custom tones and messages. Audacity is a free program that enables you to record directly to .ogg format and also to convert other audio files into the .ogg format.

Note: When creating your custom file, the name of the file **must be 8 characters long** using only capitalized letters or numbers.

Audio File Guidelines

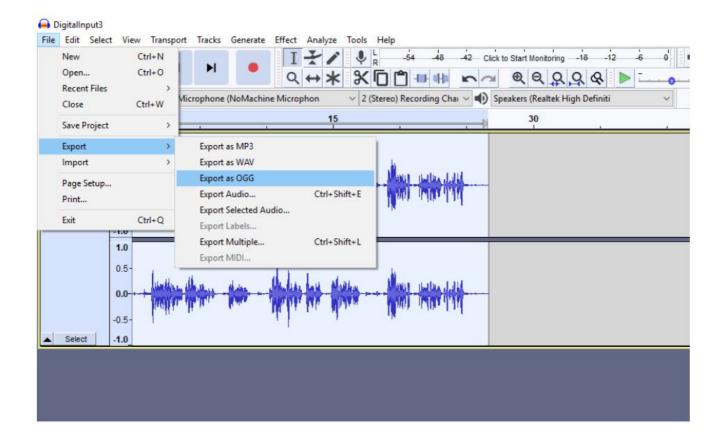
- 1. The Netbell-NTG comes with a 1GB Micro SD card, you can record and save over 10 Hours audio file on the card at 44.1k rate/16bit resolution.
- 2. The system supported file rates are 44.1k, 22k and 11k. Supported file resolutions are 16 bit and 8 bit. For best quality the .ogg file should be 44.1k/16bit/stereo.

Adding custom sounds or messages to the Netbell-NTG

- 1. Choose your preferred sounds or record your own message from your computer or your phone.
- 2. Open the lid of the Netbell-NTG and remove the Micro SD card out from the slot on the board.
- 3. Insert the card into your computer's Micro SD card slot or put it in a Micro SD card reader and connect to your computer.
- 4. Convert your audio files to **.ogg** format using Audacity. (You may use any other program to convert your audio files into .ogg format, however we found Audacity is the simplest solution to record, edit, and convert audio files to be .ogg file.
- 5. Export the audio file from Audacity and save to the Micro SD card after converting. When exporting the file, make sure the file name is **8 characters long** such as sound001 or the audio file system will not recognize it.
- 6. Remove the Micro SD card from your computer or card reader and insert it back into the Netbell-NTG's card slot.
- 7. Refer to pages 12 16 to program your Netbell-NTG to use your new sounds.

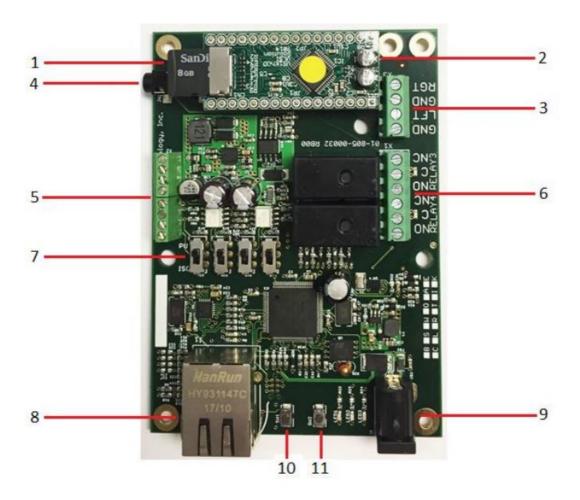
Using Audacity

- 1. Download the Audacity program to your computer from here: https://www.audacityteam.org/
- 2. Open the audio file in the Audacity program by clicking OPEN in the FILE dropdown menu.
- 3. Export the audio files as an OGG file by clicking EXPORT under the FILE dropdown menu, then clicking Export as OGG, save it to the SD card.



Note: To change the pitch (the sound quality), select the whole file in Audacity by typing "CTRL + A," Then going under "Effect" and clicking "Change Pitch."

Board Layout Reference



- 1. Micro SD card slot
- 2. Audio Module
- 3. Line out (stereo, 30 ohms impedance rating at 70mA max and 2.1V)
- 4. 3.5mm Audio Jack (Caution: the headphone jack of the Netbell-NTG outputs in DC voltage, and is not suitable to be wired into a power amplifier that uses AC voltage on its input line, it is not safe and can destroy the product.)
- 5. Digital Inputs (#1 is located at the top) 5VDC48VDC 12VDC48VDC must use the external resistor provided
- 6. Relay outputs, 12VDC 5A, 24VDC 3A, 48VDC max.
- 7. Digital input switches (the order is 4, 3, 2, 1 from left to right)
- 8. RJ45 Connector
- 9. Power Connector (12VDC)
- 10. Reset Button
- 11. Reload Button (turns on blue LED identified on Discoverer)

This is an image of a bare board Netbell-NTG, it explains the inputs and outputs of the device and the ratings for each. We supply a 1GB Micro SD card with the adapter, and will be enough for over 10 hours of audio playback. If more is desired a larger Micro SD card can be easily installed. The line out is divided into left and right for stereo sound and can be used with an amplifier, it has a **30-ohm impedance rating**. Do not connect the audio jack output directly with an AC amplifier, it **WILL** short out your board. A **12VDC** power supply is provided with the board, it is also **POE** (Power Over Ethernet) capable.

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