



Dealer4



PC Software updates information 01.07.2017

Note: This Firmware Updates Information is in reverse order - the latest update is listed first

Version 4.80 – published 01.07.2017

- redesigned printing functions – print directly to pdf file, ability to print up to 40 boards per page.
- removed Dealer4 random generator –BigDeal is the only available generator from now on
- fixed displaying board numbers on the front display for Dealer4+ when dealing from the PC
- fixed saving in the BRI format if the first board number was not number 1.

Version 4.70 – published 12.10.2014

- added Display Control function for Dealer4+ machines.
- fixed loading pbn files with DealID tag.
- added availability to set default values for Event Name, Site and Date (in Setup - Preferences)
- lowered guard time for Board Switch to 0.5s (eliminates a problem when the Board Switch does not trigger when boards are switched too fast.

Version 4.60 – published 25.05.2014

- redesigned printing function:
 - added 20 and 24 boards per page formats for Hands Record.
 - added possibility of printing Pictures on the Hands Record for logo or advertising.
 - added page layout preview.
 - added 1, 3 and 4 Score Cards per page formats.
 - added selectable number of lines for Score Cards.
- added Slow Dealing parameter for Maintenance.
- added possibility to lock dealing settings on the Deal screen to prevent accidental change by operator.
- mark when boardset file was changed and not saved (by star on the end of file name)

Version 4.54 – published 27.08.2013

- fixed a bug which set Max Symbol Y and Max Suit Y parameters to 0 if the AutoSetup function failed or was cancelled.

Version 4.52 – published 11.07.2013

- updated AutoSetup functions to change parameters (Max Symbol Y and Max Symbol X) which are required for new Baron Barclay All-Plastic cards. After update AutoSetup must be performed to use new cards.

Version 4.50 – published 17.02.2013

- added Big Deal for board generation.
- changed NS to EW Score in Score Cards printing
- eliminated double empty lines in PBN format.
- added dealing subset of the current Board Set.
- added Auto Setup, Test Deal, Calibrate Board Switch and more to the Maintenance screen.
- added Swedish card recognition
- added CSV file format

Version 4.42 – published 07.07.2012

- fixed error 482 which may occur during printing of a large number of hand records
- added Optimum Results Table to the PBN format
- ignored some BRI format errors, allowing the reading of non standard files in this format.

Version 4.40 – published 01.04.2012

Major release with many changes and improvements:

1. New installation package

- it is no longer required to start setup using "Run as Administrator" command for Windows 7 and Windows Vista.
- USB drivers are installed / updated together with the software.
- .adc file types are registered in the system - so clicking or opening this file type will automatically open the Dealer4 software and update the firmware (if the machine is connected to the computer).
- Installation is fully compatible with Windows XP, Vista, 7 32 and 64 bit
- the previous version of the software is automatically removed during the installation process.

2. Added Deep Finesse and Bo Haglund analyzers of makeable contracts.

- Analysis can be also started from the Main Menu to do all boards or from "Edit" to do a particular board.
- Analysis results can be seen in Edit or Deal screens, printed or saved in .pbn file format.

3. Added possibility of dealing multiple copies of the some board.

- To prevent accidental use it is required to enable this function in "Setup-Preferences" first. Number of copies has to be set in the "Setup-Preferences" menu too.

4. Added Small Card Index option

- this option requires firmware version 2.66 or later.
- it should only be used for specific cards - usually it is necessary to carefully setup the other recognition parameters. The user should send a picture of the cards to a service centre and get advice for the correct setup.

5. Command line invoke

- software can be started from a command line e.g. C:\Program Files\Dealer4\dealer4.exe
- as parameter file name can be used for example:

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C:\Program Files\Dealer4\dealer4.exe "c:\today_bridge.pbn"
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when the program is started it will automatically load this file.

- if firmware file (.adc) is used as a parameter program will automatically go to "Maintenance" and update firmware (if machine is connected).

- above allows use of "Open with" command to start software and automatically load desired file.

6. Print function improvements:

- redesign visual appearance for printing,
- added printing in color, national letters, option for printing ten as T or 10
- print boardset statistics
- print makeable contracts (analyze) and HCP
- print to the txt file

7. Added Setup-Preferences - to set some defaults values and actions.

8. Few fixed in the PBN format:

- added recognizing of ## tag.
- added the possibility to use lower case letters for some tags.
- added saving and loading of makeable contracts analysis

9. Add logging

- During use the Dealer4 program will record all actions in a log file
- log file is named Log_2011_12.txt - 2011 is current year, 12 is current month. It is separate log file for each month.
- log files are stored in C:\Dealer4_Data directory created during program installations.
- log files can be used to track operator actions or mistakes and also as additional information for troubleshooting

10. Added service file creation

- In "Maintenance there is a new button called "Create Service File"
- Service file is text file with all the information from the "Maintenance" screen.
- The file is created in C:\Dealer4_Data directory. File name is Service_file_4651_2011_12_15_8.txt. where: 4651 is serial number of the machine, 2011_12_15 is current date, 8 is number of file created.
- The file should be attached to an email and sent to service@dealer4.com (new email address specially set up for this purpose).
- Creating and sending service file replaces capturing of "Maintenance" screen - it will be easier for the user and provide much more useful information.

11. Added possibility to use Board Number Bar-coded Label as Board Switch

Version 4.34 – published 13.11.2009

- Fixed problem with selecting "Check Board Number" and "Large Indexed Card" function.

Version 4.32 – published 05.10.2009

- Some minor corrections
- Fixed lost communication problem when selecting "no" after deal last board of the set
 - this option is for boards which are too transparent which causes the Board Switch to not work properly. Requires Bar-coded Label to be attached to the board. This works indecently of the Board Number Check.
 - required firmware version 2.70 or later

Version 4.30 – published 06.05.2009

- More diagnostic for USB port connection

Version 4.28 – published 01.03.2009

- Added Board Number Reader support
- Added Jumbo Card reading
- Correction in DUP files save function

Version 4.24 – published 22.11.2008

- Fixed "Run Time Error" which happened when loading the same file for the second time and the file name is longer then 8 characters.

Version 4.22 – published 07.08.2008

- Added Danish cards.
- Allows reading PBN files which do not exactly follow the standard.
- Fixed a bug with reading BRE format.

Version 4.20 – published 06.06.2008

This new version of PC software has many improvements and changes compared to previous version 4.15. Most important changes are:

- First board number in the set can be any number.
- Card read function is added.
- More control during boards generation
- Change display method during dealing – current dealt board is displayed.
- Added National cards (French, Dutch, German).

For more information please refer to Dealer4 Software User Manual.