Foresight-SD User Guide





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Minimum Requirements

- Windows XP Service Pack 3
- Windows 7 (32 and 64 bit)
- Additional or external hard drive storage (recommended for archiving video)

Compatible Recorders

- RoadRecorder® 4C SD series
- SVR-4100 series

Screen Layout



1 - Video Source and Directory Tabs

The Video Source and Directory tabs display available video to be opened and played back. The Video Source tab displays attached SD cards while the Directory tab displays previously exported video segments in user-defined directories.

2 - Event List

The Event List window displays a list of events for easy navigation during playback. The individual columns are adjustable for better readability. Click the **funnel** icon to open the **Filter** window and sort events by type. Click on an event to immediately jump to that video.



3 - Main Display Area

The Main Display Area displays the calendar(s) when selecting video to view and then switches to display recorded video and GPS map once playback begins. Use the buttons at the bottom left of the Playback Control Bar to toggle between calendar and video display. Click on the slim arrow buttons on the perimeter to expand the display.

Double click on either a calendar or a video channel to expand it to the full size of the Main Display Area.



4 - Playback Control Bar

The Playback Control Bar contains the typical video playback controls such as Play, Stop, Fast Forward, etc. It also displays selected metadata simultaneously with video. For detailed descriptions of the Playback Control Bar's functions, see the *Using the Playback Control Bar* chapter.

Opening a Video

Use the following procedure to view recorded video on an SD card.

 Start Foresight-SD and ensure the SD card is correctly inserted into an SD card reader attached to your PC.

Due to the unique partitions present on the SD card, video must be opened directly from the SD card, or from files exported directly by Foresight-SD. Click the **refresh icon** to update the displayed SD cards.

2. Use the Video Source tab to locate the video you want to playback.

Attached SD cards appear as drives in the Video Source tab. Expand the tree control to view the video segments available on the SD card.

3. Double click a video segment.

Calendars appear for each month during which video was recorded. (Click the top of a calendar to expand it for a larger view.) Individual days during which video was recorded are highlighted in green. Event video is highlighted in red. The current date is circled in green.

4. Double click a highlighted day. Video playback begins automatically.

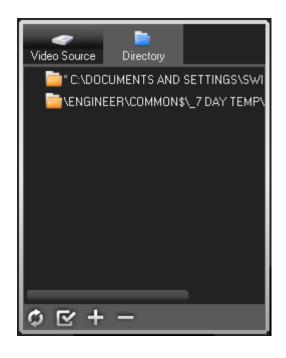
Using the Directory Tab

Previously exported video can be saved in defined directories on your PC or other external source. The location of these directories can be saved in Foresight-SD for easier access.

A directory is created automatically when video is exported for the first time. Additional directories can be added by clicking the + icon at the bottom of the Directories tab. Delete saved directories by clicking the - icon. (Deleting a directory in Foresight-SD does NOT delete the video saved in that directory.) Highlight a directory and click the checkbox icon to designate it as default. (A star appears next to it.)

Video saved in directories is opened in the same manner as video on an attached SD card.





Using the Playback Control Bar

The Playback Control Bar represents 24 hours in a day. Recorded video appears highlighted in green according to the time it was recorded. Focus on smaller time frames (12 hours, 6 hours, and so on) by clicking the magnifying lens icon on the lower right. Drag the indicator to navigate the video quickly.



Playback controls, such as fast forward, rewind, and pause, are located at the bottom of the Playback Control Bar. These operate similar to those on a conventional media player. The time and playback speed are displayed in the green area to the left of these controls. Volume can also be adjusted.

GPS coordinates appear on a map to the right of the video in the Main Display Area.

Click on the options on the left of the Playback Control Bar to display metadata. (Depending on the configuration of the DVR that recorded the video, some metadata, such as sensors, may not be available.) The small icons reveal two tabs.

Vehicle Metadata (truck icon)

- Channels (recorded video, default)
- Event
- Sensor
- Speed
- Accelerometer

DVR Metadata (DVR icon)

- Temperature (internal temperature of the DVR)
- Voltage

Click on a type of metadata to display it automatically on a graph in the Playback Control Bar.

Exporting Video Clips

Use the following procedure to export clips of important video.

- 1. Open the video you want to extract a video clip from as described in *Opening a Video*.
- Click the Scissors icon to the right of the playback controls.

Two triangles appear on the Playback Control Bar.

- Drag the triangles to the beginning and the end of the clip you want to export.
- 4. Click the check or the Mini-Player icon.

 Click the check icon to export a raw H.264 file. This export process may be faster, but the resulting exported clip can only be read by Foresight-SD. Click the Mini-Player icon to export the video clip into a Mini-Player file. This export process may take longer, but creates an .exe file that can be transferred and played on any computer. See Using the Mini-Player.

The Browse for Folder window appears automatically.

5. Navigate to where you want to save the exported clip and click OK.

The Export window appears.

- 6. Confirm the exact start and end time for the exported clip. You can also select only certain camera channels to be exported. If exporting a Mini-Player file, the ability to lock the file with a password also appears. If a password is entered, the same password must be entered when opening the resulting .exe file.
- 7. Click OK.

A status bar appears as the video clip exports automatically.







H.264 Export

Mini-Player Export

Cancel



Using the Mini-Player

Exporting a video clip to Mini-Player format creates a Mini-Player .exe file. This file can be transferred and played on any computer. This feature is useful when individuals or agencies request video clips but do not have access to Foresight-SD.

To open a Mini-Player file, simply open it as you would a program. The video begins playback automatically, with an abbreviated version of the Playback Control Bar. (Some adjustment of the Mini-Player window may be necessary to see all of the controls.)

When exporting a
Mini-Player file, the
ability to lock the file
with a password also
appears. First select this
option and then enter a
password.
When opening the
resulting .exe file,
a prompt appears
requesting the password.
The correct password
must be entered in order
to open the file and view

the video.





Use the following procedure to save a snapshot, or individual frame of video, in .jpg form.

- **1.** Open the video you want to extract a snapshot from as described in *Opening a Video*.
- 2. Use the Playback Control Bar to pause the video on the snapshot you want to save.
- **3.** Click on the video channel in the Main Display Area that displays the snapshot you want to save. The selected video channel is highlighted in green.
- Click the Camera icon to the right of the playback controls.

The Browse for Folder window appears automatically.

Navigate to where you want to save the snapshot and click OK.

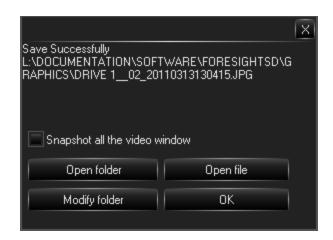
All saved snapshots will save to the chosen location automatically. To select a different location to save snapshots later, click the Modify Folder button on the Snapshot window when it appears.

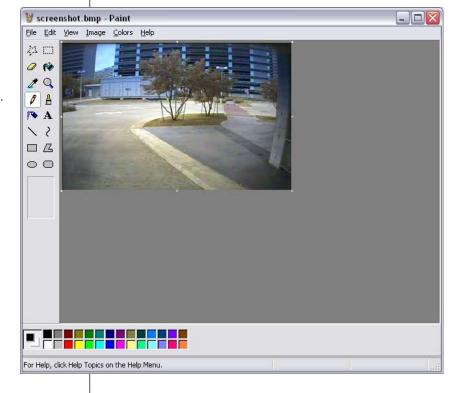
6. Click the Camera icon again.

The Snapshot window appears automatically.

After the snapshot is saved, you can open it immediately or use your preferred graphic editing software to view it later. In the Snapshot window, select the **Snapshot all the video** window option to take a snapshot of all four video channels the next time a snapshot is taken.







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