

## NC/XP Boot Monitor Installation Instructions

These instructions and a full list of older Boot Monitors can be found at:  
<ftp://ftp.ncd.com/pub/nwd/NCBridge/BootMonitors>

To install the boot monitor in the terminal's "flash" boot ROM, do the following.

1. Download the appropriate boot monitor, using binary transfer mode as the boot\_\* files in this directory are pre-compiled binaries. The version number is appended to the end.

The boot\_mon.350\_Vxxx files support the following platforms:

- XP100 series (except XP100D)
- XP300 series (except XP33x)
- XP200 series
- XP350 series
- XP400 series

The boot\_mon.500\_Vxxx files support the following platforms:

- NC200 series
- NC400 series

The boot\_mon.900\_Vxxx files support the following platform:

- NC900 series

2. It is recommended that one make a backup copy of the existing boot monitor file. It is located in the <installdir>/tekxp/boot directory, and will be called boot\_mon.xxx, where xxx is either 350, 500 or 900. If your OS supports the ident command, you can determine which version you currently have by running the command below. The UNIX command "strings" can also be used.

ident boot\_mon.xxx Where xxx is either 350, 500 or 900.

3. Replace the existing boot monitor with the downloaded file, renaming it appropriately. For example, it should be named either boot\_mon.350, boot\_mon.500 or boot\_mon.900.
4. Flash the boot monitor. There are 2 methods of doing this.

NOTE: The ROM can be flashed (reprogrammed) on the following models: XP100 (except XP100D), XP200, XP350, XP300AV, XP400, NC200, NC400 and the NC900.

### METHOD 1

1. Log onto UNIX host server as root, or the NT server as administrator.  
NOTE: For NT, use the "write" application to edit the file, and select 'no file conversion'.

2. Locate, uncomment, and modify the xp.cnf file (located in <installdir>/tekxp/boot/config) with the following lines:

```
do_flash
flash_feature BOOT_MONITOR
```

3. Save the xp.cnf file.

4. Reboot the Network Computer
5. Flashing of the ROM will commence and may take several minutes to complete.
6. Once flashing is finished, go back to step #2 and comment out do\_flash.  
If do\_flash feature is commented out, it will ignore flash\_feature commands and will not flash the ROM. If you leave it in, it will reflash every time the NC boots.

## METHOD 2

1. Log onto UNIX host server as root, or the NT server as administrator.  
NOTE: For NT, use the "write" application to edit the file, and select 'no file conversion'.
2. Locate, uncomment, and modify the xp.cnf file (located in <installdir>/tekxp/boot/config) with the following lines:

```
update_bootrom YES
```

This feature will flash only the boot ROM, and only if the version of the file on the host is newer than what is currently in ROM

3. Save the xp.cnf file.
4. Reboot the Network Computer
5. Flashing of the ROM will commence and may take several minutes to complete.
6. If you leave update\_bootrom command in place, it will evaluate the boot rom version at each reboot, and if the version of the file is newer than what is currently installed, it will update it. If not, it will do nothing.  
NCBridge or XpressWare patch releases typically contain boot monitor updates if they are available. Leaving this feature enabled will automatically keep the boot monitor at the most current level.