

# Alesis PRIME Drum Module

Latest Firmware Version: 1.2.1

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## Minimum System Requirements

- Windows 10 or macOS 11
- Host USB 2.0 port

## Firmware Update Instructions – Wi-Fi (if an update is available)

1. Power on the PRIME Drum Module, tap **Settings** in the bottom-left corner of the Main screen, and then tap **WI-FI**.
2. Tap the **ON** button at the top-right of the screen. Then, tap the local network that you would like to connect to, and enter the password for the network when prompted.

**Note:** When connected to Wi-Fi, you may automatically be prompted when an update is available without having to enter the Settings menu. If so, continue to Step 5.

3. Go to the **Info** tab in the **Settings** Menu screen, and select **Update**.
4. Once **Update** has been selected, you will be prompted to select how you would like to update: Online Update, USB Drive Update, or Switch to Update Mode. Tap **Online Update**.
5. A screen will then open asking you if you would like to update to the latest version of the Alesis PRIME Drum Module firmware. Select **Update Now** to download and install the latest version of the Alesis PRIME Drum Module firmware. A screen will appear asking if you want to shut down your PRIME Drum Module, select **Shut Down**.
6. Once selected, the PRIME Drum Module will restart, and the screen will show **Update Mode** at the bottom edge.
7. Once your unit has finished updating, it will power off and then back on again.
8. On the PRIME Drum Module, check the version of the firmware in the **INFO** tab of the **Settings** page.

## Firmware Update Instructions – USB to PC

1. Download the latest **Strata Series Drum Module 1.2.1 Updater** application for your PC or macOS from one of the following locations.
  - inMusic Software Center > My Hardware. Click the ▼ in the product image window to reveal all your included software and the firmware updater application.
  - Your inMusic user account: Alesis Strata PRIME Kit > View Downloads > Firmware.
  - Under the **Downloads** section at [alesisdrums.com/strataprime/downloads](https://alesisdrums.com/strataprime/downloads).
2. Connect the **USB-B port** on your PRIME Drum Module to your computer, and ensure both the PRIME Drum Module and your computer are powered on.
3. On the PRIME Drum Module, tap **Settings** in the bottom-left corner of the Main screen, and then tap **Update** at the bottom of the **INFO** tab.
4. Once **Update** has been selected, you will be prompted to select how you would like to update: Online Update, USB Drive Update, or Switch to Update Mode. Tap **Switch to Update Mode**.
5. Once **Switch to Update Mode** has been selected, you may be prompted to save any changes you've made. Choose from Don't Save, Cancel, or Save.
6. Once selected, the PRIME Drum Module will restart, and the screen will show **Update Mode** at the bottom edge.
7. Open the **Strata Series Drum Module 1.2.1 Updater** application for your Windows or macOS operating system. (You may need to unzip an additional .zip file to access the actual application.)
8. When the updater window appears, click **Start Update**. Do **not** disconnect or power off the PRIME Drum Module or your computer until the update is completed.
9. When the update is completed, the updater window will display **Done**, and your PRIME Drum Module will restart. Click **Done** to close the updater window.
10. Power on the PRIME Drum Module and check the version of the firmware in the **INFO** tab of the **Settings** page.

## Firmware Update Instructions – USB-A

**Note:** When updating with a USB drive, we recommend using an empty and newly reformatted drive with at least 1 GB of space, if possible. The drive should be formatted to FAT32 or ExFat format.

1. Download the latest **drummodule-1.2.1.6-update.img** image file from one of the following locations.
  - inMusic Software Center > My Hardware. Click the ▼ in the product image window to reveal all your included software and the firmware updater application.
  - Your inMusic user account: Alesis Strata PRIME Kit > View Downloads > Firmware.
  - Under the **Downloads** section at [alesisdrums.com/strataprime/downloads](https://alesisdrums.com/strataprime/downloads).
2. Connect your drive to your computer and load the image file (.img) to the root of the USB drive. The root of any drive is the top-most location, outside of any folders. Do not place the image file inside a folder on the drive.
3. Eject your drive from your computer and insert it into the PRIME Drum Module's rear panel USB-A port.
4. Power on the PRIME Drum Module, tap **Settings** in the bottom-left corner of the Main screen, and then tap **Update** at the bottom of the **INFO** tab.
5. Once **Update** has been selected, you will be prompted to select how you would like to update: Online Update, USB Drive Update, or Switch to Update Mode. Tap **USB Drive Update**.
6. Once **USB Drive Update** has been selected, you will be prompted to either **Upgrade** to the latest firmware version or **Cancel**. Select **Upgrade**.
7. A prompt will then appear asking you if you want to **Update**, select **Update**.
8. Once selected, the PRIME Drum Module will restart, and the screen will show **Update Mode** at the bottom edge.
9. When the update is complete, check the version of the firmware in the **INFO** tab of the **Settings** page.

For additional help, visit [support.alesis.com](https://support.alesis.com).

## Changes in Firmware v1.2.1

### Improvements

- Fixed an issue where in certain situations bootup was stalled when the hihat controller was connected to the unit.
- Fixed an issue where there was missing audio content in certain situations after a failed boot sequence.
- Updated some kit pieces and graphics.
- Improved kit loading time in Easy Mixer view.
- Fixed crash in certain Bluetooth® instances.

## Changes in Firmware v1.2.0

### Feature Updates

- Added an easy view in the mixer which gives the user the ability to quickly control all of their levels and pans.

### Other Improvements

- Fixed an issue where imported samples did not instantiate with User Kit Pieces.
- Fixed an issue with a blank margin in Browse mode.
- Updated the kit graphic and mode menu position.
- Fixed an incorrect error message of "No Drives Found".
- Fixed an issue where "Return To Kit" was not responding to TUI interactions.
- Fixed an issue where Hihat wasn't included in the All Cymbals macro.
- Various cosmetic improvements.

## Changes in Firmware v1.1.0

### Feature Updates

- New simplified home page with quick Kit and Kit Piece selection.

### Other Improvements

- Resolved a crash/freeze when powering down the drum module.
- Fixed issue with the hihat MIDI map which may cause a crash.
- Replaced or removed some individual audio samples.

## Changes in Firmware v1.0.2

### Feature Updates

- Added Bluetooth® audio.

### Other Improvements

- Resolved an issue where some modules would show a file system corruption message.
- Other minor bug fixes.

## Changes in Firmware v1.0.1

### Feature Updates

- Added 55 additional Trigger presets, including all modern Alesis triggers and some third-party manufacturers.
- Added a preference for hit select responding to external midi input.
- Added a "CDD Class" Factory Kit.
- Added DSP & CPU meters to the UI.

### Other Improvements

- Improved preset load times.
- Added stack support across all articulation zones.
- Improved the audition volume in the Kit Edit – Import Browser.
- Reduced the width of the Mixer channel.
- Resolved an issue where re-attaching USB drives would cause files to be invisible.
- Resolved an issue where Aux In and Output channels were -1.94 dB by default.
- Resolved an issue where save icons on other kit pieces became greyed out after exiting Stacks on an empty kit piece.
- Resolved an issue with USB MIDI note output note length being too short.
- Other minor bug fixes.