Installing the MB-USB Drivers

For Microsoft Windows XP, Vista and Windows 7

The MB-USB drivers are required for MB-Comm to connect to the Mountbatten using the USB port.

These instructions are for installing the files as downloaded from www.mountbattenbrailler.com.

Important: Please DO NOT connect the USB to the Mountbatten until after the drivers have been installed.

Installation

During installation the USB drivers may seem to be non-responsive for several minutes while searching; please wait during this process.

Under XP, when the installation finishes you will be prompted to re-boot your PC. The driver install will not be complete until the PC is re-booted. Under Windows Vista and Windows 7 this is not required.

The new driver will auto detect any older version and prompt to replace the files. Accept the new one when asked.

If for some reason you are re-installing the same version, first use the Windows Control panel, Add/Remove program features to un-install the drivers (MB25 USB Driver (driver removal)) before re-installing.

Close any programs that may be running on your PC before running the install.

Open the saved file that you downloaded. This is a self extracting file and will load and install the drivers. Click OK, and then click Unzip and follow the prompts.

During install you may be twice prompted to "Continue anyway". Please accept this and continue.

Using MB-Comm with a USB connection

If you are going to use the USB connection you must first load the MB USB drivers. Please load them now.

Cable connection:

Locate the supplied USB cable. Ensure that the PC is running and that the MB is switched on and has paper loaded.

For the Computer: attach the USB cable to an available host port.

For the Mountbatten: Attach the USB cable to the USB connector on the right side of the Mountbatten. The MB should say "USB connected".

Note, first time users - Found New Hardware Wizard.

The first time you connect the MB to the PC with the USB cable, the PC will detect a new USB device.

It should then bring up a Found New Hardware Wizard.

The wizard may ask to search the Web or Microsoft Update, please select "No, Not this time" and select Next.

Then from the next selection select "Install the software Automatically (recommended)".

At some stage during this procedure you may hear the MB say "USB connected".

The Wizard will occur twice. Once for the device and once for the Controller. Also accept the prompt to "continue anyway".

When finished, the PC should say New Hardware installed successfully. You may then use MB-Comm via the USB.

Starting MB-Comm.

Connect the MB to the PC as detailed above. Make sure paper is in the MB and it is switched on, then;

1) Open the MB-Comm icon from the desktop, or

2) Open the Windows START menu, go to PROGRAMS, and click MB-Comm.

From the start-up screen menu, select Device and then Connect Mountbatten.

MB-Comm will ask you to confirm the PC COM port. Select the COMx Mountbatten (USB) port, where x is a number. This is the COM port number that the PC has allocated to the USB connection.

Communication will be established and you can then use any feature of MB-Comm by selecting the Menu item of choice. Instructions are available in the Help menu.

For additional assistance please email: pfraser@harpo.com.pl.