

# G5 v1.20 Firmware Update Guide

## For Mac

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## 1. Introduction

Thank you for downloading the following software to update your G5.

“Zoom G5 [System](#) v1.20 Updater”

“Zoom G5 [Preset](#) v1.20 Updater”

This document explains the G5 firmware updating process.

## 2. Supported operating systems

Mac OS X 10.5

Mac OS X 10.6

Mac OS X 10.7

Mac OS X 10.8

**CAUTION** Log in to your Mac using an account with administrator privileges.  
Before launching this application, close all other running applications.

### 3. Checking the G5 firmware version

Check the firmware version of your G5. Refer to page 23 of the G5 operation manual. If the PRESET version is already 1.20 or later and the SYSTEM version is already 1.20 or later, you do not need to use this application to update the firmware.

If the SYSTEM version is higher than 1.10, use the following procedures to update the firmware (see P2).

[4. Updating the firmware from SYSTEM 1.10 or later](#)

If the SYSTEM version is lower than 1.10, use the following procedures to update the firmware (see P4).

[5. Updating the firmware from a SYSTEM version lower than 1.10](#)

### 4. Updating the firmware from SYSTEM 1.10 or later

#### 4.1. Updating the firmware

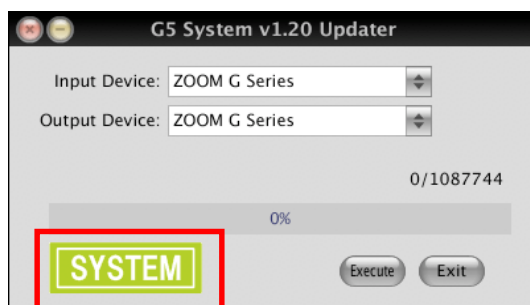
Follow these procedures to update the firmware.

1. Before updating the firmware, disconnect all MIDI or audio devices connected by USB to the Mac that you are using. You should also quit all applications running on the Mac.
2. Connect the AC adapter to the G5 and, with the G5 POWER switch OFF, connect the G5 with the Mac using a USB cable. Then, while pressing and holding foot switches 1 and 2, turn the G5 power ON. This prepares the G5 to receive a firmware update. The G5 displays the following message, showing that it is ready for a firmware update.



**CAUTION** If Edit&Share is launched when the G5 is connected to the Mac, the firmware update will not occur correctly, so quit Edit&Share if it is launched.

3. Update the SYSTEM firmware. Double-click the “Zoom G5 System v1.20 Updater.app” included in the download to launch the firmware updater application. After launching, a window that looks like this appears.



4. Confirm that “ZOOM G Series” appears in both the Input Device and Output Device fields. If it does not, click the fields and select “ZOOM G Series” from the lists of MIDI devices.
5. Click the “Execute” button to update the firmware. While updating, a progress bar shows the status. While updating, the VERSION UPDATE screen also appears on the display of the G5.

**CAUTION** Do not disconnect the USB cable during the firmware update!

6. When the firmware update completes, a message like this appears.



In order, click OK and then Exit to quit the firmware updater application. Disconnect the USB cable when “Complete!” appears on the G5 display.

This completes the firmware update.

## 5. Updating the firmware from a SYSTEM version lower than 1.10

Your G5 will gain the following functions when updated to firmware v1.10 (or later).

- An ON/OFF setting for the auto-save function

### 5.1. Updating the firmware

In order to update a G5 to v1.10 or later, both PRESET and SYSTEM firmware must be updated. Follow these procedures to update both firmware.

1. Before updating the firmware, disconnect all MIDI or audio devices connected by USB to the Mac that you are using. You should also quit all applications running on the Mac.
2. Connect the AC adapter to the G5 and, with the G5 POWER switch OFF, connect the G5 with the Mac using a USB cable. Then, while pressing and holding foot switches 1 and 2, turn the G5 power ON. This prepares the G5 to receive a firmware update. The G5 displays the following message, showing that it is ready for a firmware update.



**CAUTION** If Edit&Share is launched when the G5 is connected to the Mac, the firmware update will not occur correctly, so quit Edit&Share if it is launched.

3. Update the PRESET firmware first. Double-click the “Zoom G5 [Preset](#) v1.20 Updater.app” included in the download to launch the firmware updater application. After launching, a window that looks like this appears.



4. Confirm that “ZOOM G Series” appears in both the Input Device and Output Device fields. If it does not, click the fields and select “ZOOM G Series” from the lists of MIDI devices.
5. Click the “Execute” button to update the firmware. While updating, a progress bar shows the status. While updating, the VERSION UPDATE screen also appears on the display of the G5.

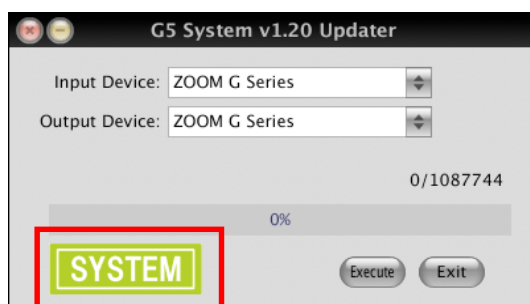
**CAUTION** Do not disconnect the USB cable during the firmware update!

6. When the firmware update completes, a message like this appears.



In order, click OK and then Exit to quit the firmware updater application. Disconnect the USB cable when “Complete!” appears on the G5 display.

7. Next, update the SYSTEM firmware. The G5 POWER switch should still be OFF and the G5 should still be connected to the Mac by USB cable. While pressing and holding both foot switches 1 and 2, turn the G5 power ON. This prepares the G5 to receive a firmware update.
8. Double-click the “Zoom G5 System v1.20 Updater.app” included in the download to launch the firmware updater application. After launching, a window that looks like this appears.



9. Confirm that “ZOOM G Series” appears in both the Input Device and Output Device fields. If it does not, click the fields and select “ZOOM G Series” from the lists of MIDI devices.

10. Click the “Execute” button to update the firmware. While updating, a progress bar shows the status. While updating, the VERSION UPDATE screen also appears on the display of the G5.

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11. When the firmware update completes, a message like this appears.



In order, click OK and then Exit to quit the firmware updater application. Disconnect the USB cable when “Complete!” appears on the G5 display.

This completes the firmware update.