

SDCard HxC Floppy Emulator

Product brief

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Universal Floppy disk drive emulator / replacement solution !

Replace 8", 5"1/4, 3"1/2 and 3" floppy disk drive :

- Replace 180KB, 360KB, 720KB, 800KB, 1.2MB, 1.44MB disks and many others !

- **Emulate/Replace most of standard & non standard disk formats :**

- HD (MFM 500)
- DD (MFM 250 / MFM 300)
- SD (FM 125 / FM 150 / FM 250)
- Amiga format.
- E-mu format.
- And many others !

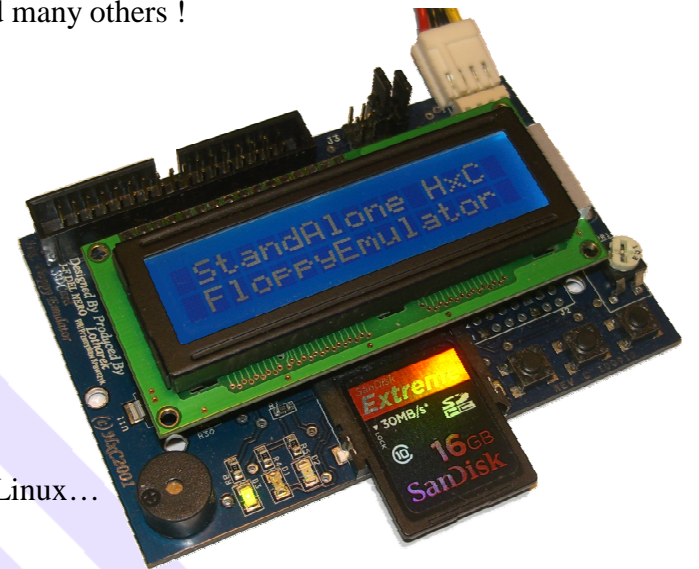
- **Can emulate TWO floppy disk drives with one emulator !**

- **Support SD/SDHC Card up to 32GB.**

- FAT12, FAT16 & FAT32 based : Freely browsable under Windows/Mac OSX/Linux...

- **3"1/2 form factor !**

- **Slim 3"1/2 form factor !**



→ Support a large variety of computers / keyboards / samplers / CNC machines

>>>Works with most of computers, musician's keyboards/samplers and industrial robots/machines ! <<<

- Updated support list : https://hxc2001.com/download/floppy_drive_emulator/support.htm

Your hardware is not present in this list ? Please contact us ! Your hardware is probably already supported !

→ Multi Volumes/Floppy Images support

- **Can store thousand of virtual floppy disk on a single SD Card ! Capacitance examples:**

- More than **8000** 1.44MB floppy disk images on a 32GB SD Card !
- More than **16000** 720KB floppy disk images on a 32GB SD Card !

→ Advanced User interface

- 2*16 LCD + 3 buttons :
 - Embedded file image Browser.
 - Embedded file image renaming function.
- Optional **host software browser** available for Amiga, Atari ST and Amstrad CPC computers.
- **Floppy disk drive sound emulation.**

→ Wide software / tool support

- Floppy images manager software : **More than 60 file images types supported !**
- Floppy disk reader/dumper software : **Create floppy disks images from your floppy disks and archive them !**
- VFD support : **Browse DOS/FAT type floppy images under Windows !**
- Portable DOS image browser : **Browse DOS/FAT type floppy images under Windows XP,7,8 / MacOS X / Linux !**
- No driver installation needed !

→ Open project

- Support forum : <http://torlus.com/floppy/forum/>
- Wide user community ! : The project exist since 2006 !
 - <https://hxc2001.com/showroom/index.html>
- Software / firmware regularly updated ! :
 - http://hxc2001.free.fr/floppy_drive_emulator/index.html#download
- Something is missing ? A special need ? Don't hesitate to contact us ! We are maybe able to develop it !

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The SD HxC Floppy Emulator is an universal 3", 3"1/2, 5"1/4 and 8" Floppy disk drive emulator based on SD Card. Most of disk formats can be emulated by this emulator :

High density (HD – MFM), Double density (DD - MFM) and Single density (SD - FM) floppies are supported. Most of non-standard and standard track/sectors layout are supported. Special track formats like Amiga or E-mu track are also supported in both read & write access.

This make this device very versatile and thanks to its flexibility the SD HxC Floppy Emulator support most of computers, industrial/CNC machines, musician's keyboards and samplers. Some examples of supported hardware can be found on this page : https://hxc2001.com/download/floppy_drive_emulator/support.htm

The HxC Floppy Emulator software allows you to create/convert your floppy images files or read a floppy disk for the emulator. The floppies images for the emulator can be generated from floppies images, floppy disk read, or from spares files (FAT/DOS floppy generator). The image can also be formatted by the host machine.

The list of supported file images type can be found on this page : http://hxc2001.free.fr/floppy_drive_emulator/#FILESSUPPORTED



To see the HxC Floppy Emulator in action please visit our Showroom :
<https://hxc2001.com/showroom/>



Technical details

Floppy interface:

HE10 34 pins floppy connector :

- ▶ Shugart compatible mode supported.
- ▶ PC compatible mode supported.
- ▶ Two floppy disk drives emulation.

Power supply:

- ▶ 5V +/- 10% standard power floppy connector input.
- ▶ 500mA max. (80mA in standby).

User Interface:

- ▶ 3 LEDs ("Power LED", "Floppy access LED", "SD Card access LED").
 - ▶ 3 buttons ("Next", "Select/Eject", "Previous").
 - ▶ 1 audio transducer. (Head Step and User interface sound).
 - ▶ Detachable (Rev C) 2*16 chars Alphanumeric LCD.
- (Note : LCD and buttons can be put on an external front panel)
- ▶ On Screen display software available for Amiga, Atari ST and CPC computers.

SD Card support:

- ▶ SD Card up to 2GB.
- ▶ SDHC Card supported up to 32GB.

SD Card Filesystem :

- ▶ FAT12, FAT16 & FAT32 supported. Subdirectory and long name file supported.

Read / Write support:

Track mode based floppy emulator (Full track pre-encoded in the HFE image file)

▶ Read support:

- Most of existing formats (FM/MFM/Amiga/E-mu track...) supported.
- Custom tracks supported.
- Mixed sector size and geometry supported.

▶ Write support:

- Any size ISO MFM (DD/HD) sector write supported. (128/256/512/1024/2048/4096/8192Bytes)
- Any size ISO FM (SD) sector write supported. (128/256/512/1024/2048/4096Bytes)
- Any data mark supported : 0xFB, 0xF8, 0xF9, 0xFA
- Amiga Write support.
- E-mu Write support.

▶ Format support:

- The host machine can format the image with the right disk setup exactly as with a real floppy disk !
- No need to already have an image with the right format, just make it by formatting it !

Floppy bitrate supported:

- ▶ 125/150/250Kbits/s (FM/SD floppies)
 - ▶ 250/300Kbits/s (MFM/DD floppies)
 - ▶ 500Kbits/s (HD floppies)
- (others bitrates possible)

RPM:

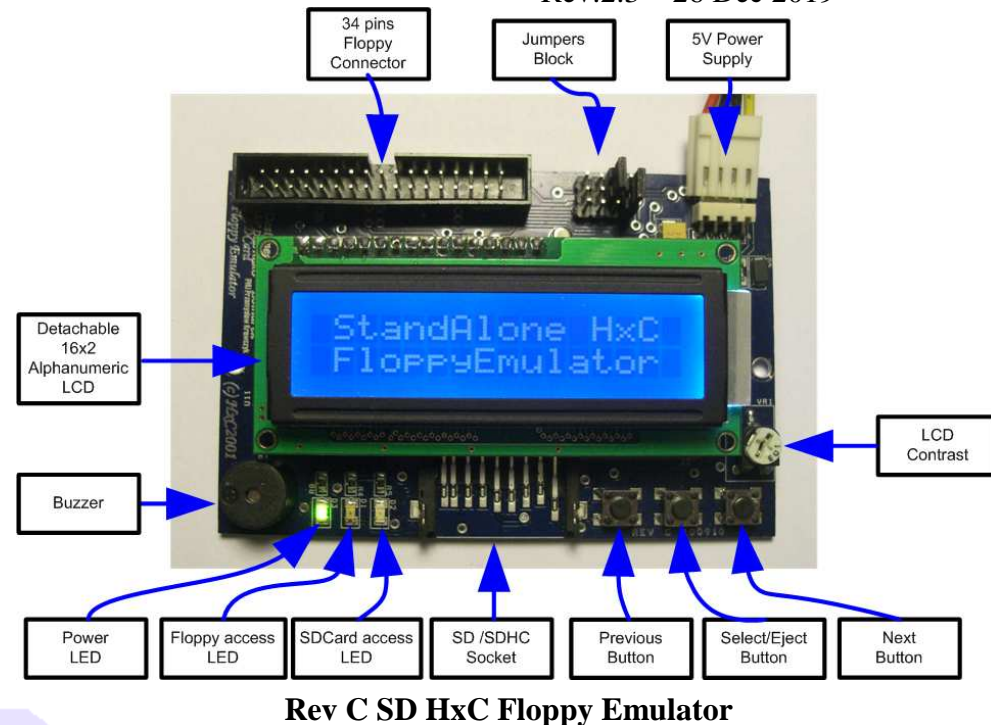
- ▶ 300 RPM , 360 RPM supported. (any others RPM possible).

Tracks / Side:

- ▶ Up to 255 tracks per floppy.
- ▶ 1 or 2 sides.

Additional features:

- ▶ Firmware update via the SD Card.
- ▶ Last Loaded Floppy Image autostart at power up.
- ▶ Fast floppy image loading (<<1second), no conversion time.
- ▶ Floppy Emulator ready at power up! Boot sequence possible right after the power up !
- ▶ SD Card Direct Access mode : Direct Floppy to SD bridging.
- ▶ Host control : The host machine can send a command to the emulator to change the current selected image.
- ▶ Supersized DOS Floppy emulation! : Up to 5 MB free per floppy image file !
- ▶ Data integrity security of the original system respected ! : CRC fields present into the HFE images !
- No direct usage of not secured IMG/IMA/"ISO" images or direct flash media bridging without CRC in floppy emulation mode !



Rev C SD HxC Floppy Emulator





Rev F SD HxC Floppy Emulator
3 1/2 Form factor



Slim SD HxC Floppy Emulator
Slim 3 1/2 Form factor

Some videos showing the device in action

 <i>Morbidelli Anilox 503 Wood working machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Morbidelli Anilox 504 Wood working machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Morbidelli Anilox 510 Wood working machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>VCM TBCH 00 Super Wood working machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>
 <i>Arbury Mikronis 211M Plastic Injection moulding machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Herri Bossi HE 150 Plastic Injection moulding machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Excellon CTX 6 Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Mylam TP 9 Pick & Place Machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>
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 <i>Machine control unit Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Kawada T530 Robot Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Lodestar 1000 Wires-Cutting Machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	
 <i>Blume & Reischer AM2100 Coil Winder Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Toshiba VFC 200 3104 Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Gyrograph VX Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Schubert & Meyer CNC 45 Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>
 <i>SUTIMC V2000VL Garage Machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>SOFD Future32 Scanning electron microscope controller Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Briel and Kjaer Dual Channel Real-Time Spectrum Analyzer Type 2144 Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Semiconductor Parameter Analyzer HP 4145A Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>
 <i>Custom Engraving Machine CNC Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Engraving Machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Funderon Cncplus Engraving Machine Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>	 <i>Brother BM-4164 Floppy disk drive is to fit</i>



Sales points :

This product is manufactured and sold by Lotharek : <http://www.lotharek.pl>



BUY Ebay : <https://www.ebay.com/usr/lotharek1977>



BUY SD Floppy Emulator REV F 3"1/2 (Black) : <https://lotharek.pl/productdetail.php?id=27>



BUY SD Floppy Emulator REV F 3"1/2 (White) : <https://lotharek.pl/productdetail.php?id=28>



BUY Slim SD Floppy Emulator 3"1/2 (cased HE10-34 connector): <https://lotharek.pl/productdetail.php?id=41>



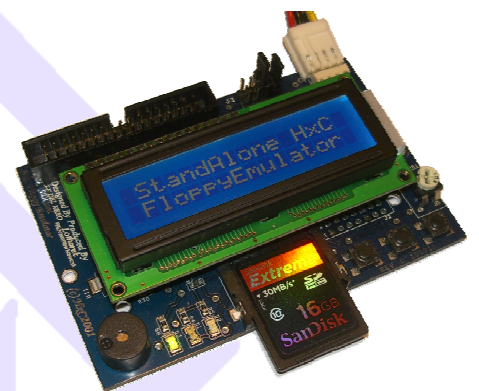
BUY Slim SD Floppy Emulator 3"1/2 (cased ZIF connector): <https://lotharek.pl/productdetail.php?id=94>



BUY Slim SD Floppy Emulator 3"1/2 (Board only HE10-34 connector): <https://lotharek.pl/productdetail.php?id=38>



BUY SD Floppy Emulator REV C : <https://lotharek.pl/productdetail.php?id=30>



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Contact / Project page

Project page:

<https://hxc2001.com/>

Project/Support Forum:

<http://www.torlus.com/floppy/forum>

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