

Appendix 1

HCA versions and Interface Support

The Home Control Assistant is available in three versions. Each version has many similarities but a different level of support for various automation hardware.

Files written by one version can be read by any other version.

The three versions are:

- HCA Limited
- HCA Standard
- HCA Plus

Which version should you be using? It depends upon what hardware you currently have, or expect to have and what features wanted.

Interface	Limited	Standard	Plus
CM11/CM15	√	√	√
Generic Serial Interfaces			√
Generic Network Interfaces			√
Insteon		√	√
IR Interfaces			√
UPB			√
Wireless Interfaces		√	√
X10 PowerLinc family	√	√	√
Z-Wave			√
Lightolier products			√
Magic Module			√
Marrick Interfaces	√	√	√

Note: The interfaces in **red** have been designated as *Legacy Support* only and must be enabled before they can be selected in the interface configuration. Legacy support is enabled on the *HCA Options* dialog *Legacy* tab.

In addition to support for interfaces and protocols there are a number of feature differences between the three versions.

Feature	Limited	Standard	Plus
Client-Server			√
Dynamic DNS			√
Alexa Support			√
Control User Interface			√
Object Interface			√
Thermostats			√
Tiled Displays			√
Visual Program Script element			√
Visual Program Debugger			√
Web Component			√
Weather			√

Finally, in addition to the above limitations, *HCA Limited* is an entry level product designed to introduce you to HCA. It is limited in the number of programs and schedules that can be created.