



# **User manual**



## **OEM Edition**

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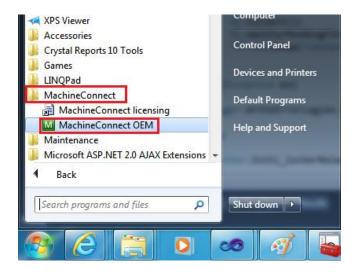
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## **Application Launch and Login**

Go to Windows -> Start -> All Programs -> MachineConnect and Click on "MachineConnectOEM" to open the application.



Enter the **user id** and **password** in Login screen to access the application. Two users are pre-defined in the application.

- a. Admin User: User id is 'admin' and Password is 'admin\$4321'
- b. Normal User: User id is 'ace' and Password is 'ace\$1234'





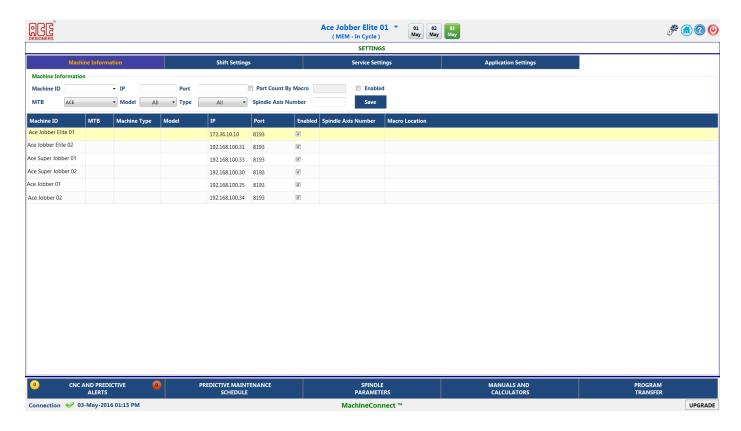




## Settings

Setting option is available at the top right corner of the Home screen. Under this option, following features are available:

#### **Machine information**



Machine information option as shown above, is used for *adding* or *modifying* machine related information. Information such as machine name, manufacturer, model of the machine etc. is required to be populated properly.

IP address and Port number should be match with the values configured at the machine.

Please refer to the section Machine configuration. 'Enabled' option should be selected.









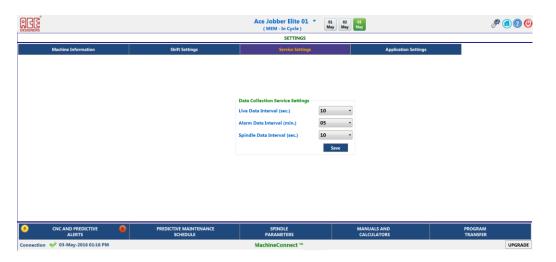
#### **Shift Definition**

This facility allows the user to define his shift timings. By default, 8 hour shifts are defined.



## **Service Settings**

Time interval values for polling different data can be defined here.



#### **Live data Interval**

This defines the frequency of reading data for *Live data*, by default this is set to t10 seconds. For longer cycles, say, more than 10 minutes, this value can be increased to 20 or 30 seconds. Please note that if this value is low, then the MachineConnect software reads data more frequently, which will increase the stored data.

#### **Alarm Data interval**

This defines the frequency of reading *Alarms* data. It is recommended to set this interval to a value more than 10 minutes.

#### **Spindle Data read**

This defines the frequency of reading Spindle data. Lowest value is 10 sec.

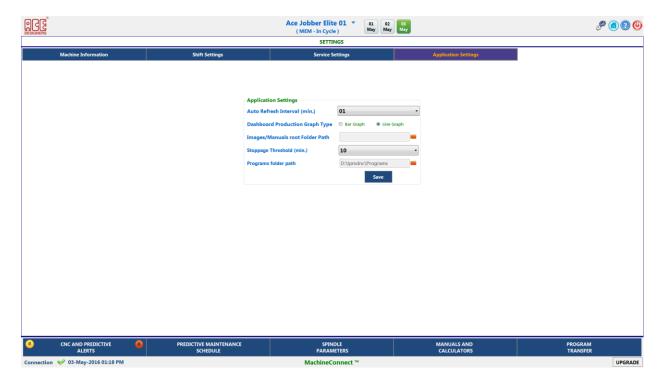








## **Application settings**



Under Application Settings, options are available to configure the following:

#### **Auto Refresh Interval**

Based on this value, the home screen data is refreshed, minimum value is 1 minute.

#### **Dashboard of production Graph**

Graph type for production graph in the home screen (Bar graph or Line graph)

#### Images/manuals root folder path

Root folder path to store Images and Manuals. By default, this folder will be created under Application folder. If you would like to specify a shared folder, you could choose to do so.

#### Stoppage threshold

Spindle stoppages more than this value, are shown as Machine Stoppage in the home screen. Minimum value is 5 minutes.

#### **Programs folder path**

Root folder path under which programs are stored. This folder will have several folders, one for each Machine under which the programs meant for that machine will reside.









#### Home screen



The main or home screen, displays following data up to 24 Hours, for the day selected. Three days of data will be visible in this screen.

- i. Hourly count: Bar graph of cycle count by hour with Program number.
- ii. Time analysis: for the available data, time is split into:

**Power ON/OFF time**: Total time the machine is Powered ON.

**Operating / Non-operating time**: In the total power ON time, Operating time means, cumulated value of time during automatic operation (Auto Mode), *both Stop and Hold times are excluded*.

**Cutting / Non-cutting time:** Indication of Cutting time in total Operating time - Cutting time means accumulated time in cutting feed such as linear interpolation (G01) and circular interpolation (G02 OR G03), OR this value is the summation of cutting G codes.

- iii. Run Chart: Uptime, down times shown in a graphical way in a time line.
- iv. Hourly Run times: The time analysis as explained in point ii is shown for each hour to indicate the time split (Power ON, Operating and Cutting times)
- v. **Stoppages:** Machine stoppages indicates the inactive time of the machine, These stoppages indicates for those duration machine is stopped (no activity of spindle in Auto mode)





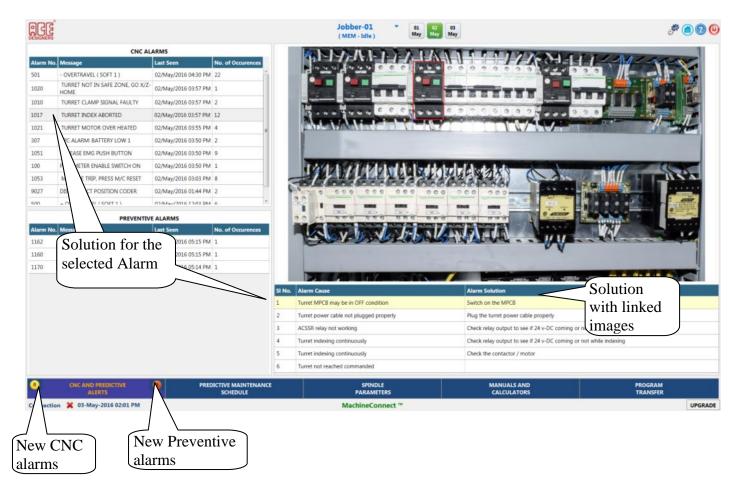




## **Alerts (CNC & Predictive Alarms)**

#### **CNC Alerts OR Alarms**

MachineConnect will provide a first level trouble shooting help through relevant images for critical alarms. Once the alarm occurs, the alert will be indicated in the Home Screen on the "CNC AND PREDICTIVE ALERTS" tab, through a number notification, user has to click the button to find the new alarms.



After clicking on alarm text at the left side of the screen, solution part (at the right side of the screen) is displayed.

If the solution is having multiple steps/reasons, then the steps/solution will be displayed below the image part, by clicking each step one can see the image corresponding to the next step.





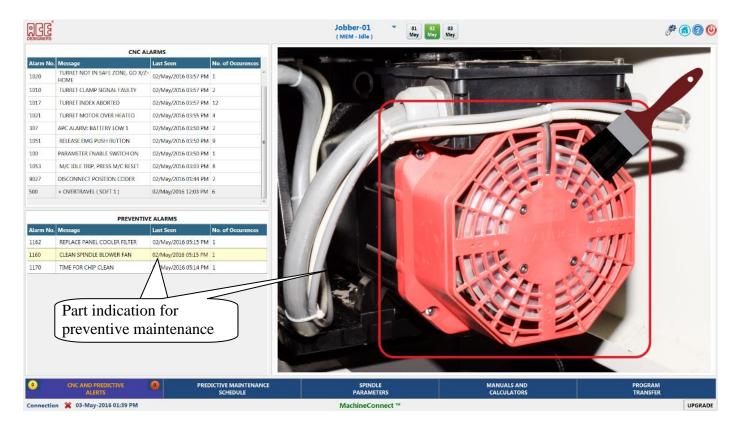




#### **Preventive alerts**

Preventive alerts can be configured in CNC machine to take up the preventive maintenance activities to avoid the breakdowns.

The second part of the screen below displays these preventive alerts



As shown above, left side will display the preventive alert and right pane of the screen will display the relevant part of the machine which needs action according to the message displayed.



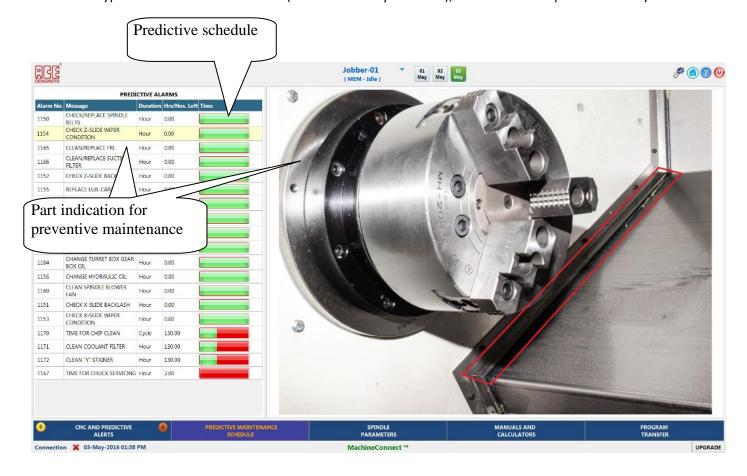






#### Predictive maintenance schedule

Machine manufacturer would have recommended a preventive maintenance schedule in the machine to ensure trouble free running of the machine; these alerts are displayed in the machine based on a schedule. The predictive maintenance screen will clearly show the information regarding the upcoming schedule of each predictive alert, as well as the type of schedule each alert has (time based or cycle based), so that user can plan the activity.











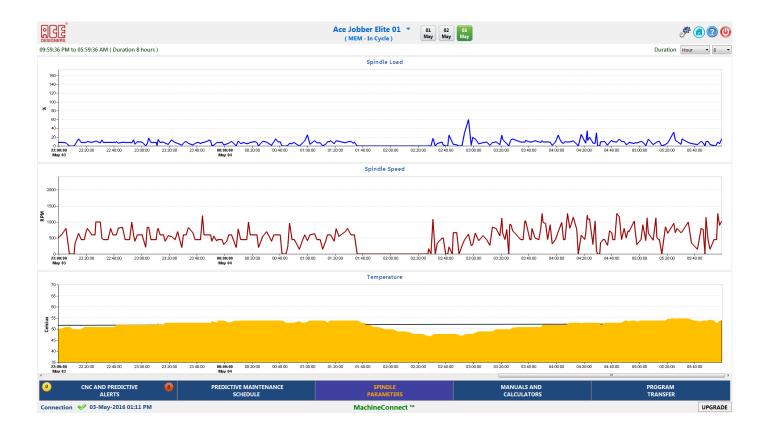
## **Spindle Parameters**

Following Spindle parameters will be displayed:

**Spindle Load:** This value indicates the percentage of load on the main spindle.

**RPM:** This value indicates the RPM of main spindle.

**Temperature:** This value indicates the temperature of the spindle motor in Deg Celsius.





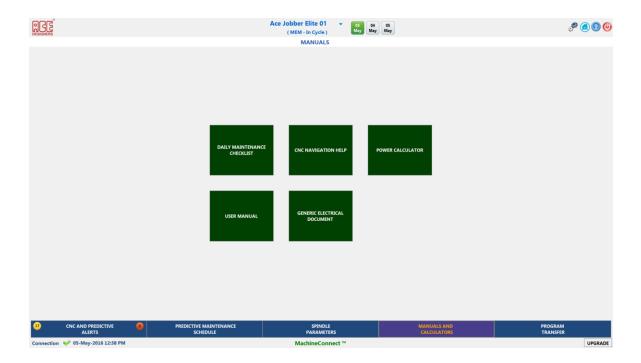






## **Manuals & Calculators**

This module of machine connect will provide the access to following calculators / soft copies of important documents (pdf).



## **Daily Maintenance Check list**

This list contains items that need to be checked frequently in the machine to ensure trouble-free operation, as recommended by machine manufacturer.





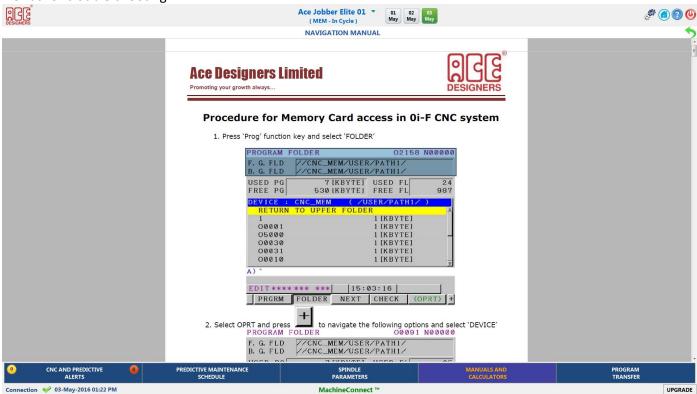






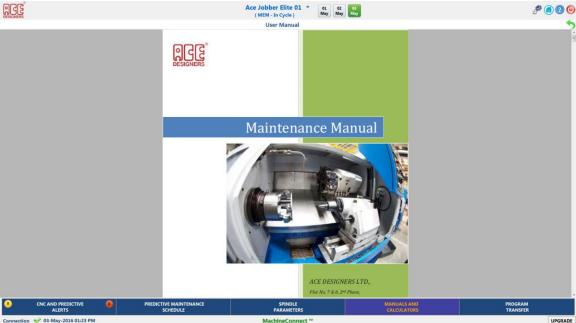
#### **CNC Navigation Help**

CNC Navigation help document guides the user to navigate through different options in the CNC for regular usage as well as for trouble-shooting.



#### User manual and General electrical documentation

These are the manuals provided by the machine manufacturer for the end user to refer in the course of regular usage as well as in case of any maintenance.





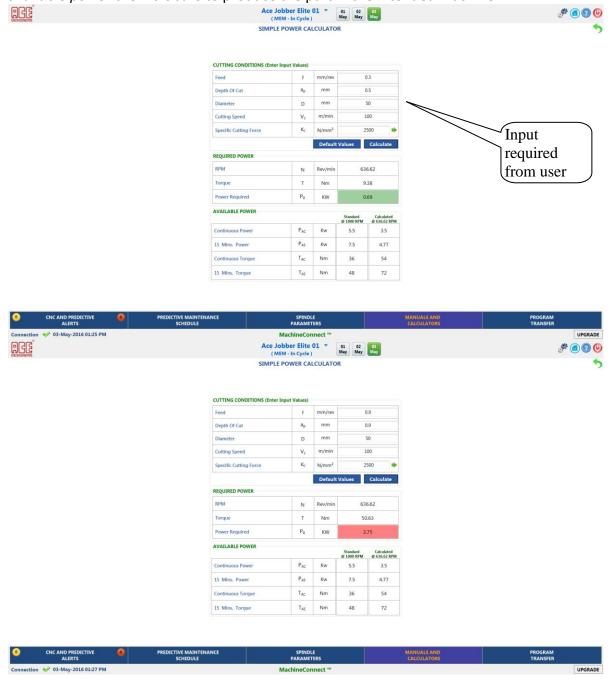






#### **Power Calculator**

This is an important software tool, where the user can determine the feasibility of running a new part on the machine. The machine's *available power* will be calculated automatically, and based on user inputs (Material, Diameter etc.) the *required power* is calculated. If the *required power* is well within the limits of *available power* then it is safe to produce the part in the intended machine.





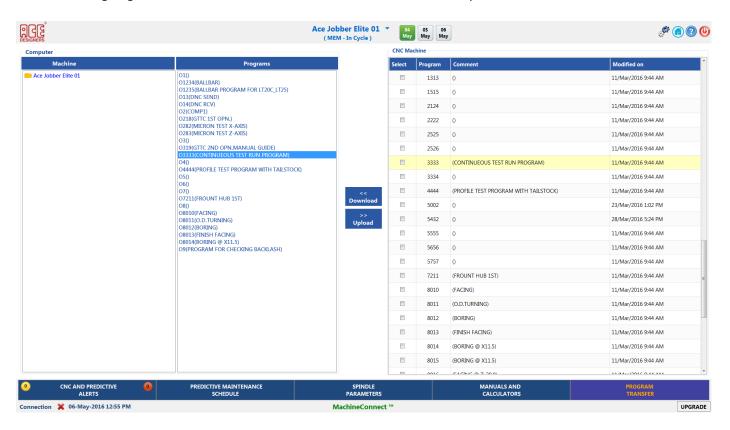






## **Program Transfer**

Program transfer module of MachineConnect is used for transferring the programs from CNC to Computer and viceversa without going near the machine. All the activities are done at the Computer.



As shown in above screen, the box on the left hand side of the screen will list Machines (folder with machine name should exist), and the programs available for each machine in the computer. The box on the right hand side of the screen will display the program directory of the machine.

To transfer the program from Machine to Computer, the program number needs to be selected and by clicking the 'Download' button the program will be transferred to the computer and will be available as a text file in the computer.

To upload the program from Computer, the program which is in .txt (text/notepad) format should be available in designated folder (Reference: **Programs Folder Path** under **Application Settings**). The programs available in the designated folder will be displayed under Computer/Programs (second column in the left hand box). After selecting the program, user should click 'Upload' button to transfer the program to the machine. A confirmation message will appear; if the program already exists, then the same message will be communicated through a pop-up.



