ELEMENT One Release Notes

V1.5 (26th October 2026)

Bugfixes and Improvements

- Freeze shortly after switching on, often while turning Tempo: fixed.
  The synth could stop responding and play a constant tone or hold a note. The same fault could occasionally load or export the wrong patch (a809db8).
- Freeze with a modulated Drive effect: fixed.
  Drive read the slot of the last Reverb V2 used since power-on instead of its own, which could crash the synth. No factory patch modulates Drive (8acf2d4).
- Hang at restart after a MODALapp update: fixed (a6b1605).
- Rare panel lockup at power-on or when starting an update: fixed in the panel bootloader, so factory-flashed units only (10c348d).
- New Ver page: Settings → Ver shows the bootloader and firmware version of each chip (P panel, M master, V1/V2 voice chips). Turn the value encoder to step through them. The same report is available to MODALapp over SysEx (6ce7f5f).

Known issues

- Units updated by MODALapp keep the old panel bootloader and can still, rarely, lock up at the start of an update ("UPDATE Waiting for MODALapp connection"). Switch the synth off and on, then run the update again.

V1.4 (25th June 2026)

More reliable preset and patch handling

- Fixed a bug that could occasionally corrupt a patch while copying it.
- Saving, moving, and renaming patches now work correctly — the move tool puts patches in the right slot, and the save/rename steps no longer get skipped by accident.
- Deleting the patch you currently have loaded no longer leaves stale, incorrect patch info on screen.
- Added the ability to change a patch's category without having to re-save the whole patch.

New playing and performance features (front panel)

- Reworked sustain/latch controls, with octave LEDs that flash while sustain is active, and a quick button combo to turn sustain on/off.
- The octave buttons can now reset the octave back to centre.
- Added tap tempo (via a button combo) and better arpeggiator control — hold the arp, and use the tempo knob to change the arp's note division.
- The display now switches pages more intelligently by default, and a knob can toggle between the graphic view and the text/parameter view.

- Patch categories are now listed in alphabetical order.
- The panel LEDs now have a minimum brightness so they can never appear completely off.

Stability

- Fixed cases where the screen could freeze if you interrupted a setup wizard or dialog partway through.

V1.1 – V1.3 Internal Firmware Releases

V1.0 Initial Release (26th April 2026)