

RS-232 Serial to Bluetooth Adapter User Reference Guide



Introduction

The *RS-232 to Bluetooth Converter* is designed to allow any RS-232 device to communicate wirelessly. It supports baud rate of up to 921Kb/s, wireless transmission up to 300 feet and features auto pairing and selectable Master or Slave mode.

Key Features and Benefits

- Full Bluetooth 2.0 + EDR compliant
- Selectable as Slave or Master mode
- Bluetooth Class 1- 100M (300 feet)
- Baud rate: up to 921.6Kb/s
- Frequency: 2.400 to 2.4835 GHz

System Requirements

 Windows 8 (32-/64-bit) / 7 (32-/64-bit) / Vista (32-/64-bit) / XP (32-/64-bit) / Server 2003 & 2008 (32-/64-bit) / Server 2008 R2 / 2000

Package Contents

- RS-232 Serial to Bluetooth Adapter
- External Dipole Antenna
- USB Cable
- Battery power line and connector
- Quick installation guide

Layout



Figure 1

LED Indicators

LED status	Description
Power LED off	No power supply
Power LED on	Power input is equal or larger than 3.5 Volt
Power LED blinking	Power input is lower than 3.5 Volt
Status LED off	No pairing established
Status LED on	Connection established
Status LED fast blinking	In 0.1 sec interval: Pairing (in either slave or master mode) In 0.3 sec interval: Discoverable (in slave mode)
Status LED slow blinking	In 0.9 sec interval: Inquring (in master mode) In 1.2 sec interval: Connecting (in master mode)

Table 1

Antenna Connector

Simply connect it to a 2.0dBi, 50 Ohms impedance dipole antenna to support 2.4 GHz frequency. The Antenna is changeable for high gain Antenna. See **Figure 2**.



Figure2

<u>RS-232 Serial Port</u>

Connect the RS-232 port into any computer or serial device.

Reset Button

Use a tip of a pen or other sharp object to access the reset button.

- To restore to factory default settings: press and hold down the reset button for over 3 seconds to get back to the default settings:
 - Baud rate: 19200 bps
 - Data bit: 8
 - Parity: none
 - Stop bit: 1
 - Flow control: none
 - Bluetooth PIN code is "1234"
- To disconnect and reconnect the wireless connection: press the reset button quickly.

USB Connector

Connect USB connector with your PC by using the included USB cable for external power supply.

DCE/DTE Switch

Use the DCE/DTE dip switch to switch between DCE and DTE mode. Switch to DTE mode, for Data Terminal Equipment (PCs for example); switch to DCE mode, for Data Communication Equipment (Modem for example). Move the switch in the direction of antenna for DCE, and move it in the direction of RS-232 port for DTE.

Applications



Hardware Installation

- 1. Fasten the antenna to the *Adapter*.
- 2. Connect the *Adapter* to the serial port of your PC or serial device.
- 3. Follow one method below to connect to an external power source:

A - Use the included USB cable to connect the *Adapter*'s mini USB connector to a USB port of your PC.

B - Use a *Powered DB9 connector (Pin 9)* as the power supply. This is often used in POS system.

C - Connect the included battery power line to the *Adapter*'s **Power Line Connector**, and connect the other end of the power line to batteries (three A / AA / AAA batteries, or one 3~3.7VDC Li-Polymer battery). See **Figure 5**.



Figure5

- Switch the **Power Source Switch** to "USB/Battery" when powering up the Adapter through USB or Battery. Switch the **Power Source Switch** to "DB9-Pin9 (5V)" when powering up the Adapter through powered DB9.
- 5. The Power LED shows steady red light indicating the power is on. Once power is confirmed, go to the next section for COM port configuration and connection.

COM Port Configuration

 Configure the parameters of the COM port through HyperTerminal or other terminal software. To configure the adapter, initiate HyperTerminal from the Start Menu.

Note: The configuration windows below come from software HyperTerminal. For other terminal software, the windows may be slightly different.

 Type in "Name", then click OK. See Figure 6.



Figure 6

3. Scroll to choose the COM port you are using to connect with the *Adapter*, and click **OK**.

	Connect To	
ок ——	Enter details for the phone number that you want to dat Country/hegion: Underd States (1) Avea code: Phone number: Connect using 00001 OK Cancel	Select the COM port

Figure 7

4. Confirm the parameters as the following, then click **OK**. To pair two devices for an exclusive connection between them.

	COM1 Properties		? 🔀
	Port Settings		
Baud rate: 19200 bps	Bits per second	19200	×
Data bit: 8	Data bits:	8	~
Parity: none	Parity:	None	~
Stop bit: 1	Stop bits:	1	~
Flow control: None	Flow control	Hardware	~
		Restore [Defaults Apply

Figure 8

- 4. Follow the instructions in the next section: "Master/Slave Mode Setup" to set the *Adapter* mode.
- 5. Enable the bluetooth function of the PC, search the *Serial Adapter* and make a connection to it.

Master/Slave Mode Setup

Set the *Adapter* to be in "Master" mode or "Slave" mode through terminal software-ROLE command or DIP command.

Note: Slave mode is the default setting.

ROLE Command

 Type **ROLE=M** to set the *Adapter* to the master role. (Type **ROLE=S** to set back to the default.)



Figure9

2. Press Enter to see "OK". This means the setup is successful.





DIP Command

 The default is DIP=N. Type **DIP=Y** to turn on the function of the DIP switch, then you can manually adjust the S/M switch to change it to master or slave mode.

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Group Mode Setup

The adapter is in N/G mode by default. The adapter can be set to G mode if you have more than two *RS-232 Serial to Bluetooth Adapters,* meaning this adapter is able to perform single to multiple transmission.

Follow the steps to set the adapter to Group mode by terminal software:

Type **DIP=Y** to turn on the function of the DIP switch.

After the function of DIP switch has turned on, you can adjust the switch to "G".

Setup commands reference table

Refer to the following table for more applications: **Note**: Use all capital or all lowercase letters, do not mix, when typing the commands.

Command	Value	Description
<<<		Set the local adapter change the data mode into command mode.
<<<		Switch the data mode to the command. The time interval between each character will be more than the time: [500ms] "<" [500ms] "<" [500ms]
<<<=	?	Inquire the current setting.
(Default)	Y	Turn on the "<<<" command
	Ν	Turn off the "<<<" command
>>>		Set the remote adapter change the data mode into command mode from the local adapter in connecting status. The command is available after 500 ms when data transferring finished.
>>>		Switch the remote adapter from the data mode to the command. The time interval between each character will be more than the time: [1 sec] ">" [1 sec] ">" [1 sec] ">" [2 sec]
>>>=	?	Inquire the setting status of the ">>>" command.
(Default)	Y	Turn on the ">>>" command
	Ν	Turn off the ">>>" command

ADDRESS=		Used to display the Bluetooth address of t he local adapter.
	?	Inquire the Bluetooth address of the local adapter.
AT		Check the connection status between control terminal and the RS-232 adapter. Response: "ERROR" when the connection is not correct.
AT		Test the RS-232 status when first connect the adapter with the controller.
AUTO=		Used to enable/disable auto-connection feature. It's available only when the adapter is in master mode. The command is available when DIP=N. The system will not restart after the change.
	Y	The Master role adapter will connect the latest paired Bluetooth device automatically.
(Default)	Ν	The user will connect the Bluetooth device manually.
	?	Inquire the current setting.
BAUD=		Used to specify the baud rate of COM port. The command will have 200ms delay.
	1200	1200 bps
	2400	2400 bps
	4800	4800 bps
	9600	9600 bps
(Default)	19200	19200 bps
	38400	38400 bps
	57600	57600 bps
	115200	115200 bps
	230400	230400 bps
	460800	460800 bps
	921600	921600 bps
	R	Restore the default settings. (Baud rate= 19200bps)
	?	Inquire the current baud rate.

CONNEC- T=		Used to establish a connection manually. It is available only
1=		when the adapter is in the master mode.
	DEVICE	Connect the adapter to a specified Bluetooth manually. It's available only when "DEVICE=xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
	1~8	Connect the adapter to a Bluetooth device in the Environment which found by "SEARCH=?"
	XXXXXX- XXXXXX	Connect the remote adapter by typing the MAC address directly without searching.
	?	Display the MAC address of the latest paired device.
	Υ	Recover the latest connection in the command mode.
	Ν	Disconnect the two adapters in the command mode.
	Р	Connect the previous connected adapter.
DEFAULT=		Used to detect the Voltage of the power supply and set the alert value of low power.
	Y	Restore the default settings (e.g. 19200bps) The command will restart the system for 1 second.
DETECT=		Used to detect the Voltage of the power supply and set the alert value of low power.
(Default)	Ν	Disable the Voltage detection.
	Y	Enable the Voltage detection.
	R	Restore the default value (3.5 Volt)
	xx	Setup the range of Voltage detection from 3.0 to 3.7 Volt. The "X" indicates the number.
	?	Inquire the setting status.
DEVICE=		For security purpose, this command is used to specify a unique remote Bluetooth serial adapter to be connected. In the master role, the adapter pairs and connects with the designated remote slave address. If the adapter is in the slave mode, this command is a filter used to accept the inquiry of the master device.
	XXXXXX- XXXXXX	"xxxxxxxxxxx" is a string of 12 hexadecimal digits.

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	R	Restore the status in which the adapter can connect with any remote address.
	?	Inquiry the designated address that can be paired and connected.
DIP=		Set the DIP switch function.
	?	Inquire the setting status of the DIP switch function.
	Y	Turn on the function of the DIP switch. The "ROLE" and "AUTO" command are not available to set the "Master" or "Slave".
(Default)	Ν	Turn off the function of the DIP switch. The "ROLE" and "AUTO" command are available when the DIP=N.
DISCOVER- =		Used to specify whether the adapter can be discovered or connected by remote devices. This command is available only when the adapter is in the slave role.
	N	The adapter enters the undiscoverable mode. If a pair has been made, the original connection can be resumed. But other remote master device cannot discover this adapter.
(Default)	Y	The adapter enters the discoverable mode.
	?	Inquire the current setting.
ECHO=		This command is used to specify whether the adapter echoes characters received from the UART back to the DTE/DCE.
	Ν	Command characters received from the UART are not echoed back to the DTE/DCE.
(Default)	Y	Command characters received from the UART are echoed back to the DTE/DCE.
	?	Inquire the current setting.
FLOW=		This command enable or disable flow control signals (CTS/RTS) of the UART port. Note: the setting is not affected by DEFAULT. The command will need 1 second delay.
(Default)	Ν	Disable flow control.
	Y	Enable flow control.
	?	Inquire the current setting

NAME=		Used to specify a name for the adapter. You can specify a friendly name using 0 to 9, A to Z, a to z, space and -, which are all valid characters. (Note: Using Space or - as first or last space isn't permitted.) The default name is "Serial Adapter".
(Default)	Serial Adapter	Default device name
	xxxx	"xxxx" is a character string with the length from 2 to 30.
	R	Restore the default settings name="Serial Adapter".
	?	Inquire the name of the local adapter.
PARITY=		This command is used to specify parity bit setting of COM port. The command will need 200 ms delay.
(Default)	Ν	None parity bit
	0	Odd parity
	Е	Even parity
	?	Inquire the current setting.
PIN=		Used to designate a PIN. The default PIN is "1234". Paired adapters should have the same PIN. This command is used to designate a PIN. The default PIN is "1234" and the digits should not be less than 4. Paired adapters should have the same PIN. The PIN can be set up with combinations of numbers, English characters or both.
(Default)	1234	
	xxxx	"xxxx" is a 4~16 digit string or English character (with capital or lower case characters)
	Ν	Cancel authentication by PIN.
	R	Restore the default settings PIN="1234".
	?	Inquire the current PIN.
PROMPT=		Used to decide whether result messages are prompted when Setup commands are executed. The result messages are: OK/ERROR for command execution, or CONNECT/DISCONNECT/Try Connect Device for connection status.

(Default)	Y	Prompt result messages.
	Ν	Don't prompt result messages.
	?	Inquire the current setting.
RECONNE- CT=		Used to re-connect the lost link for the Master adapter.
	?	Inquire the current setting.
(Default)	Ν	Re-connect is disable
	Y	Re-connect is Enable
ROLE=		Used to specify whether the adapter is in the master or slave role. If the device role is changed, the adapter will reboot and all paired addresses will be cleared. The command is available when the adapter is in DIP=N status. The command will have 1 second delay.
	М	Set the adapter to the master role.
(Default)	s	Set the adapter to the slave role.
	?	Inquire the current role of the adapter.
RSSI=		Received signal strength indication.
	?	Display the strength of signal received in command mode when connected. 1. Strong: RSSI>-9 2. Medium:-9>RSSI>-20 3.Weak:RSSI<-20
SEARCH=		Used to search for any Bluetooth device in the environment within one minute. If any device is found, its name and its 12- digit-address will be listed. The search ends with a message "Inquiry ends. xx device(s) found." This command is available only when the adaptor is in the master role by manual.
	?	Inquire Bluetooth devices in the environment, listing 8 devices maximum
STATUS=		Inquire all the current setting of the adapter.
	Y	Inquire the inner temperature of the IC in centigrade
	?	Display the current setting of the adapter

STOP=		Used to specify one or two stop bits of COM port. (Will have 200ms delay.)
(Default)	1	One stop bit.
	2	Two stop bits.
	?	Inquire the current setting.
VERSION=		Used to inquire the firmware version.
	?	Inquire the version codes.

Command is not available under following status:

1	ROLE=S	SEARCH=? , CONNECT=?, CONNECT=P , CONNECT=XXXXXXXXXX , CONNECT=DEVICE
2	AUTO=Y	SEARCH=? , CONNECT=? , CONNECT=P , CONNECT=XXXXXXXXXX , CONNECT=DEVICE
3	DIP=Y	ROLE=M, ROLE=S , AUTO=Y , AUTO=N ,DISCOVER=Y,DISCOVER=N
4	<<<	SEARCH=? , CONNECT=? , CONNECT=P , CONNECT=XXXXXXXXXX , CONNECT=DEVICE
5	>>>	SEARCH=? , CONNECT=? , CONNECT=P , CONNECT=XXXXXXXXXX , CONNECT=DEVICE
6	Not connection	RSSI=? , CONNECT=Y , CONNECT=N

Pin Assignment



Pin	Signal	DTE Direction	DCE Direction	Description
1	CD	Input	Output	Not connected
2	TxD	Output	Input	Transmitting data
3	RxD	Input	Output	Receiving data
4	DSR	Input	Output	Contact manufacturer for set up
5	GND	N/A	N/A	Signal ground
6	DTR	Output	Input	Contact manufacturer for set up
7	CTS	Input	Output	Clear to send
8	RTS	Output	Input	Request to send (Default)
9	Vcc	Input	Input	Power supply (5VDC, 1.5A Max.)

DSR/DTR Connection



FAQ

- Q: My RS-232 device is not connecting to the Bluetooth adapter.
- A: Follow the steps below to check if the connections between 2 PCs work well or not. One PC should be equipped with Bluetooth function, and another one needs one available RS-232 port.

(1) Connect the Serial to Bluetooth Adapter to the PC with RS-232 port. Configure the parameters of *RS-232 Serial to Bluetooth Adapter* as following: Role=Slave, Dip switch=DCE(F). Baud rate, parity, stop bits values should be set to the same values as your RS-232 device.

(2) After the connection between the 2 PCs are established, PC with bluetooth will show 2 COM ports. Only one of the COM port can work normally.

(3) If the connection between 2 PCs works well, change the connection to your RS-232 devices. (**Note**: Please don't forget to change *Adapter* back to DTE)

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