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Short User's Guide

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Preface S21

What This Manual Contains

This manual provides a visual guide for installing the Reader RD21, and the Exciter EX21.

A summary of the contents of this manual is given below:

Chapter 1, *System Block Diagram*.

Chapter 2, *Reader RD21 Installation and Connections*.

Chapter 3, *Exciter EX21 Installation and Connections*.

Chapter 4, *Power Supply TRM95 Installation and Connection*.

Chapter 5, *Configuration and Operation*, provides procedures for setting up and configuring a RFID System S21.

Chapter 7, *Troubleshooting*, describes maintenance and troubleshooting procedures that you must follow when using the RFID System S21.

Chapter 8, *Drawings*, provides mechanical drawings for the RD21, EX21, and TRM95.

Appendix A, *Specifications*, gives electrical, environmental, and physical specifications for: Transponder PT21/PT23, Reader RD21, Exciter EX21, and for the complete RFID System S21.

Appendix B, *Transponder PT21/PT23 Messages*, describes the PT21/PT23 Message format.

Appendix C, *Excitation Modes*, describes the various excitation modes (signal descriptions) and their associated parameter settings.

Appendix D, *Reader Software Upgrade Procedure*, describes the procedures for upgrading Reader's RD21 main software using the serial interface.

The Glossary is an alphabetical listing of terms and acronyms used in this manual.

Related Manuals

Technical Guide	<i>RFID System S21 Technical Guide</i> . This Guide describes the RFID System S21. It includes operation principles, block diagrams and electrical schematics for all equipment and assembly parts for the RFID System S21.
Reference Guide	<i>RFID System S21 Reference Guide</i> . This Guide describes all the commands that control the RFID operating system.

Text Conventions

Helvetica is used for commands you must type exactly as it appears.

Italics is used for document titles, file names and new terms being defined.

Courier is used for messages displayed on the screen.

Chapter 1

Introduction

This chapter describes Transponders and their functions, the purpose of the Postal RFID System and its uses. It also gives information on the RFID System S21 configuration principles.

Transponder Identification System

The purpose of a data capture or identification system that uses a Transponder as an identification token is:

- To automatically identify animate or inanimate objects having attached a Transponder with an unique identifier
- To ensure that information is available in a format that can be readily accepted by a computer
- To minimize the possibility of errors in the identification process.

The concept of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) is presented in Figure 1-1.

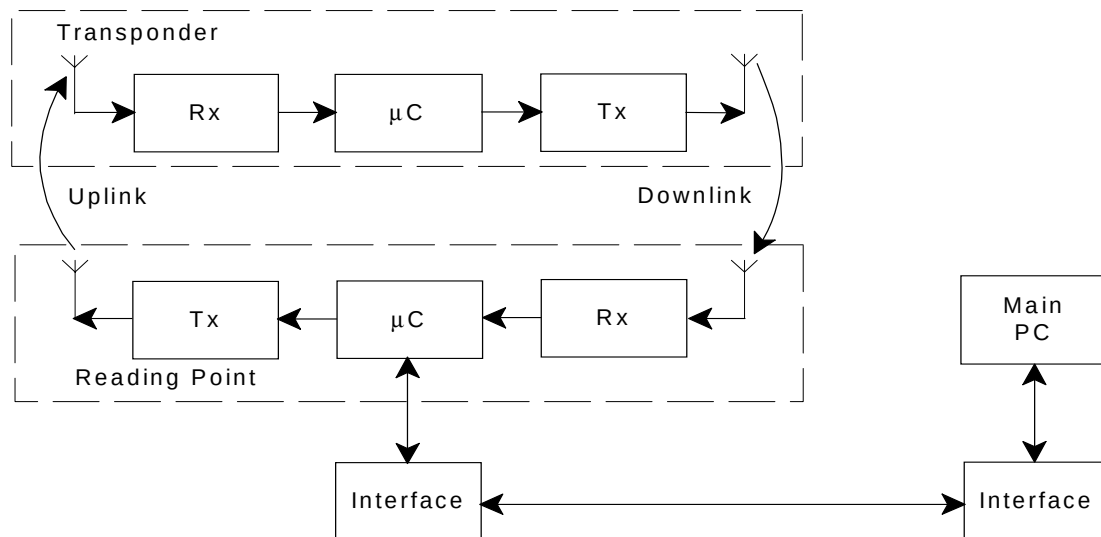


Figure 1-1: RFID Concept

RFID Specific Terms

Transponder	Transponders are devices that receive an excitation signal, and respond by transmitting back a message.
Excitation Signal	The <i>excitation signal</i> is a form of electromagnetic energy that is used to wake up the tag.
Response Signal	. The <i>response signal</i> contains information that allows you to identify: the transponder (the object to which it is attached), the reading point which excited the tag, battery status etc.
Reading Points	<i>Reading Points</i> are installed at strategic areas on the site where you want to identify objects that are passing within a specified range. .
Communication Links	When using Transponders and Reading Points, two wireless communication links exist. They are: <i>Uplink</i> - from the Reading Point to the Transponder, and <i>Downlink</i> - from the Transponder to the Reading Point.

Postal RFID System

The International Postal Corporation (IPC) required international end-to-end mail performance monitoring to implement new management and financial control systems. This monitoring and controlling is supported by an international agreement known as REIMS (Remunerating Exchanges of International Mails).

The Postal RFID System was developed in response to the IPC's requirements.

The main objective of the Postal RFID System is:

- To monitor the movement of the probe letters at key points in the system
- To supply evidence of mailing system performance
- To highlight problem areas.

By using a RFID system comprising of a population of Transponders and strategically placed Readers and Exciters, you can electronically monitor the path of test letters through the collection and delivery process, particularly at points between Postal administrations and their agents.

Each probe letter includes a RFID Transponder bearing a unique identification. The probe letters are posted, sorted, and delivered in the same way as normal letters. As they pass pre-determined points en-route (Reading Points/*identification zones*), the Transponders are identified. The collected information is then read and stored on local computers. This information is downloaded on demand to a Central Management System (CMS).

The Postal RFID System includes the following main specific equipment:

- Transponders PT21/PT23 carrying the identification data
- Exciters EX21 to generate an electromagnetic (LF) field that excites the Transponder PT21/PT23
- Readers RD21 to receive data transmitted by the Transponder PT21/PT23(UHF) and to relay this information via the RS-485 interface to the main computer
- Power Supply TRM95 to power Readers RD21 and Exciters EX21 from the local AC main supply.

IMPORTANT

This manual refers to S21 features and equipment associated with RFID System S21.

RFID System S21 Configuration Principles

Communication Links

There are several communication links between the components of the RFID System S21.

- Reader-to-Transponder: excitation (LF=125.0 kHz - uplink) - configurable; writing (LF) - fixed configuration.
- Transponder-to-Reader (UHF-433.92 MHz - downlink) - configurable.
- Reader-to-Exciter and Exciter-to-Reader (RS485_COM, RS485_SGN) - fixed configuration.
- Reader- to-Main PC and Main PC-to-Reader (RS232 or RS485) - configurable.

System Parameters

Parameters controlling the RFID System S21's configuration are logically organized in groups. For a detailed explanation on the meaning and usage of the parameters, refer to the *RFID System S21 Reference Guide*. System Code

Reader Address

When a Reader is part of a network, it must have a unique address.

Real Time Clock

The Reader RD21 has an on board Real Time Clock.

Reader Data Handling

Data that is captured from the Transponder is stored in an internal buffer.

Reader Serial Port

When setting the serial port parameters, remember that communication with the monitoring equipment can result in a bottleneck in the RFID System. We recommend, therefore, using the highest baud-rate available.

Reader Reset

There are two main ways to reset the Reader:

- Hardware reset

- Software reset.

For the hardware reset, switch off the Reader's power supply for a least 5 seconds. For the software reset, press the RESET button on the Motherboard MBD21 twice, or type the command:

:RESET<Enter>

The software reset resets the Micro controller. The hardware reset resets the Micro controller and runs a complete memory test for receiver REC21.

Exciter Address

When an Exciter EX21 is part of a network, it must have a unique address. You can set the Exciter's address in a binary format between 0001 and 1110, using the **S1** switch on the LFA21 board.

Once an address is assigned, the Exciter will only process commands with a matching address field. In this way, you can direct commands in the network to a specific Exciter EX21.

Compatibility with RFID System 95

RFID system S21 can be configured as an RFID System S95. By changing the configuration, the S21 system can completely simulate the functionality of a S95 system. To implement this the following must be done:

- ☐ ☐ •On the Exciter EX21 [board LFA21] - set jumper P1 on the S95 Position.
- ☐ ☐ •On the Reader RD21 [board CTL21] - set jumper P3 on the S95 position.
- ☐ ☐ •Upgrade Reader RD21 software to version 6.10.06 or higher.

For more information regarding communications and upgrading firmware - see Appendix D.

Chapter 2

Reader RD21 Installation and Connections

This chapter explains how to:

- Install the Reader Module Assembly into the Reader's enclosure
- Connect the serial interfaces and the power supply
- Set the jumpers for interfaces
- Connect the external devices to the Reader RD21 (optional)

Before You Begin

Before installing the Reader:

- Read Chapter 4, *Setup Guidelines* in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
- Have at your disposal, the complete approved documentation describing the RFID System configuration, equipment location, and wiring distances between the equipment (see the Site Survey Documentation).
- Check whether the Reader's enclosure, power supply and interconnection cable with the main PC are installed on the site according to the approved documentation (see the Site Survey Documentation).
- Set a color table for each interface and power supply cables. Pay special attention to the interface terminals, cable shields, and the ground wires.
- Check whether the Reader's Kit (P/N 600014) is complete according to the product shipping list.
- Check if jumper P3 on the board CTL21 is set on position S21.

Mechanical Assembling

To assembly the Reader RD21, refer to assembly drawing in Chapter 8, *Lyngsoe Industries Reader RD21 (600002)*, and complete the following steps:

1. Install the RF assembly cables (P/N 500053) on the Reader's enclosure using a 13 mm fix key.
2. Install the Reader RD21 Module Assembly (P/N 500020) into the Enclosure Base and secure it using the four 6-32x1/4 inch screws from the Reader RD21 Kit.
3. Connect the two RF cables to the Receiver REC21 - RF inputs. The REC21 is the middle board of the Reader Module Assembly.

Connecting the RS232 Communication Line

The RS232 data transmission line is used for point-to-point communication with a local PC. This connection can be used during the RFID System S21 configuration or troubleshooting. The RS232 connector and the selection jumper are located on the Motherboard MBD21. The MBD21 is the bottom board of the Reader Module Assembly.

Note For the RS232 line, use specially designed cables **only**, such as, BELDEN type 8102, or a standard PC cable used for RS232 interconnections. For more information, see the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.

To connect the RS-232 communication line to the Reader, refer to Figure 2-1 and.

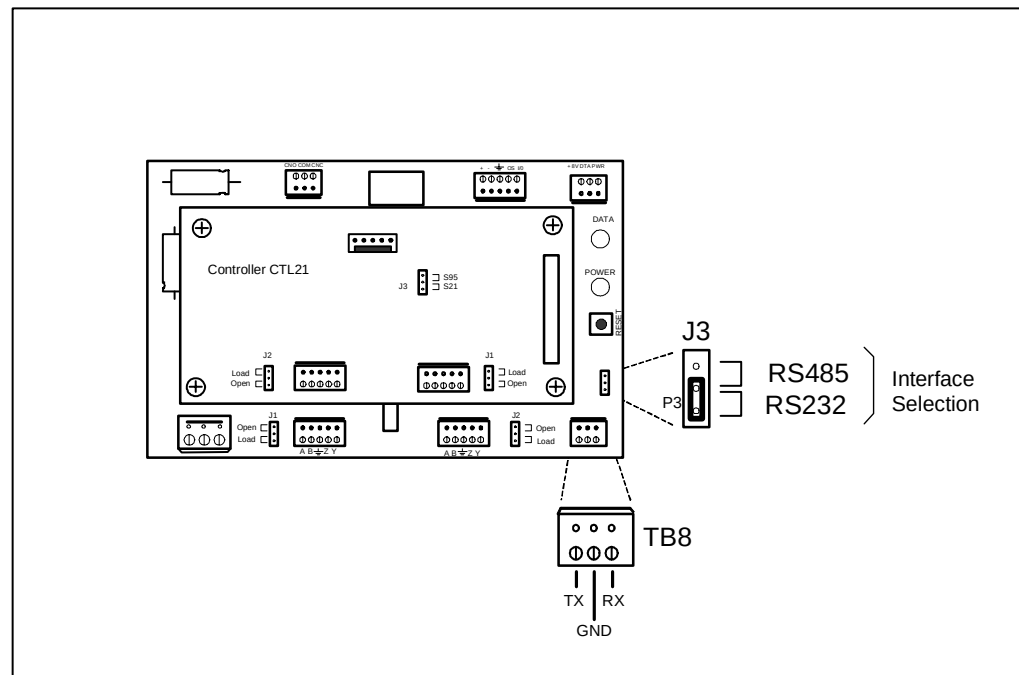


Figure 2-1: Connections and Jumper Settings for the RS232 - PC Communication Line

Complete the following steps:

1. Unplug terminal block TB8 from connector TB7.
2. Connect the communication wires TX, GND and RX to the corresponding TB8 pins. The TB7 connector pins are marked TX and RX from the Component side.
3. Place the jumper P3 between pins 1-2 of J3 (RS232 position).
4. Plug terminal block TB8 back into connector TB7.

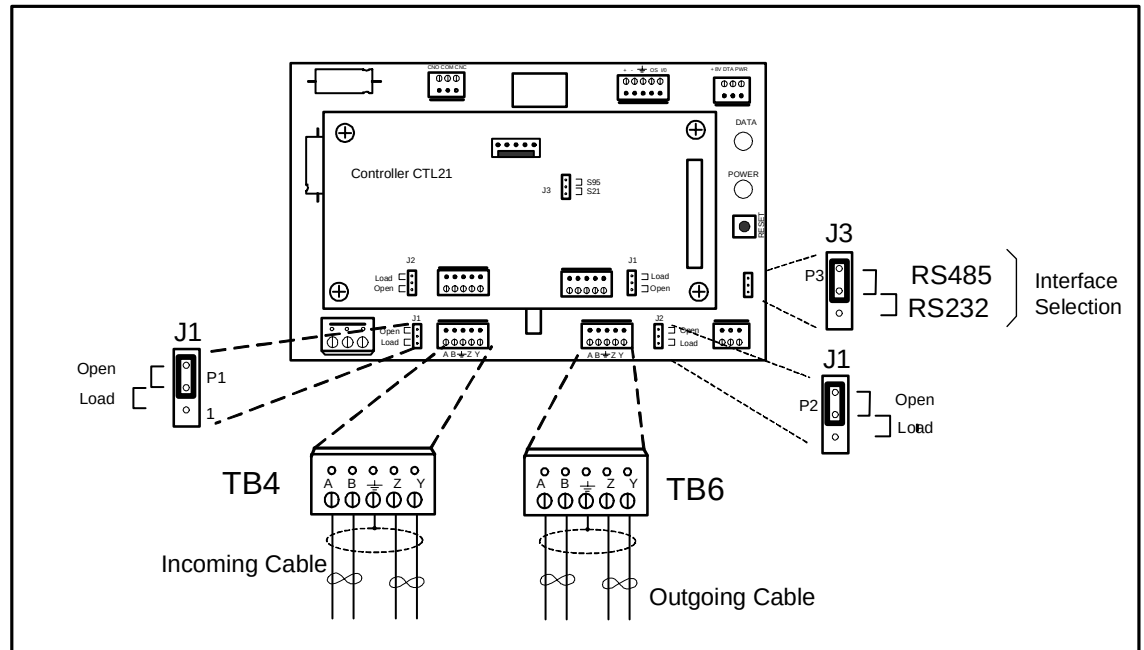
Connecting the RS485 Four-Wire Communication Line

The four-wire RS485 data-communication line must be used for connecting the Readers to the main system PC. For detailed information regarding the four-wire RS485 interface (full-duplex), see the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*. The RS485 connectors and jumper are located on the Motherboard MBD21. The MBD21 is the bottom board of the Reader Module Assembly.

Notes

1. For RS485 line, use a specially designed cable **only**, such as, BELDEN type 9842, or similar. An alternate approved list of cable can be obtained from Lyngso industri A/S. For more information, see the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
2. To simplify the RS485 multidrop-type connection, the two RS485 connectors, TB4 and TB6 are wired in parallel on the MBD21. Connect the incoming RS485 cable to one connector and the out going RS485 cable to the other.

Figure 2-2: Connections and Jumper Settings for the RS485 Four-Wire Communication Line



To connect the RS485 communication lines to the Reader, refer to Figure 2-2 and:

Complete the following steps:

1. Unplug terminal blocks TB4 and TB6 from connectors TB3 and TB5 respectively.
2. Run the RS485 incoming and out going cables through the cable grips into Reader's enclosure.
3. Connect the four-wire communication line to the corresponding pins A, B, Z and Y on terminal block TB4 (or TB6). Connect the cable shield to the pin indicated by the ground symbol on terminal block TB4 (or TB6).

Caution

Before installing the RFID System, label the 4 wires on the RS485 line as A, B, Z and Y. Keep this naming convention for all connections made on this RS485 communication line.

4. Set the termination load for the RS485 communication line. The ends of a multidrop network line can be easily identified, because only one RS485 cable is connected to that equipment. To connect a 120 ohm terminating load, place the jumper P1 between pins 1-2 of J1 (load position). For any other equipment connected to this RS485 communication line, place the jumper P1 between pins 2-3 of J1 (Open position).
5. To select the RS485 interface, place the jumper P2 between pins 2-3 of J2.
6. Plug terminal blocks TB4 and TB6 into connectors TB3 and TB5 respectively.

Connecting the Exciter Communication Line

Two separate RS485 two-wire interfaces are used to communicate between Readers and Exciters. For more information regarding the communication link, see the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*. The RS485 connectors and jumpers for these lines are located on the Controller Board CTL21. The CTL21 is the top board of the Reader Module Assembly.

Notes

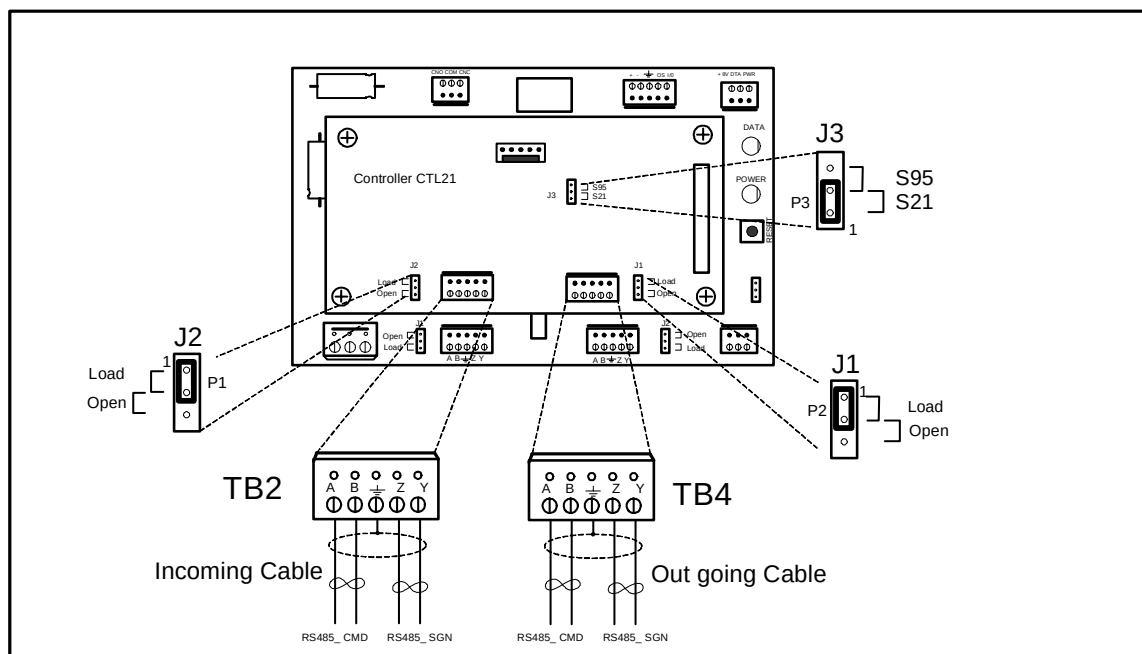
1. For the RS485 line, use specially designed cables **only**, such as, BELDEN type 9842, or similar.
2. To simplify the RS485 multidrop-type connection, the two RS485 connectors, TB4 and TB6, are wired in parallel on the MBD21. Connect the incoming RS485 cable to one connector and the out going RS485 cable to the other.

To connect Exciter communication lines to the Reader, refer to Figure 2-3 and:

Complete the following steps:

1. Unplug terminal blocks TB2 and TB4 from connectors TB1 and TB3 respectively.
2. Run the RS485 incoming and out going cables through the cable grips into the Reader's enclosure.
3. Connect the four-wire communication line to the corresponding pins A1, B1, A2, and B2 on terminal block TB2 (or TB4). Connect the cable shield to the pin marked **G** on terminal block TB2 (or TB4).

Figure 2-3: Connections and Jumper Settings for the Exciter Communication Line



Caution

Before installing the RFID System, label the two wires of one line of RS-485 as **A1** and **B1**, and the other two wires of RS485 as **A2** and **B2**. Keep this naming convention for all connections made on this communication line.

4. Set the termination load RS485 communication line for each two-wire line. The ends of a multidrop network line can be easily identified, because only one communication cable is connected to that equipment. To connect an 100 ohm terminating load on each separate RS485 line, place jumper P1 between pins 1-2 of J1 (Load position), and jumper P2 between pins 1-2 of J2 (Load position). For any other equipment connected to this communication line, place jumpers P1 between pins 2-3 of J1, and P2 between pins 2-3 of J2 respectively (open position).
5. Plug terminal blocks TB2 and TB4 into connectors TB1 and TB3 respectively.

Connecting the Power Supply

The Reader RD21 requires a 12Vac or 13 to 16Vdc power source, and a maximum current of 0.3A. For more information on the Reader, see Appendix A, *Specifications*. The power supply connector is located on the Motherboard MBD21. The MBD21 is the bottom board of the Reader Module Assembly (P/N 500020).

Notes

1. To connect the power supply, use electrical wire gauge 16 AWG (minimum).
2. The main ground connection of the Reader is on the power supply connector. It is indicated by the ground symbol. Use an electrical wire with at least gauge 16AWG for the main ground connection.
3. To power up Reader RD21 we recommend using Power Supply, model TRM95 120V or

TRM95 230V, as required by the local AC power line voltage.

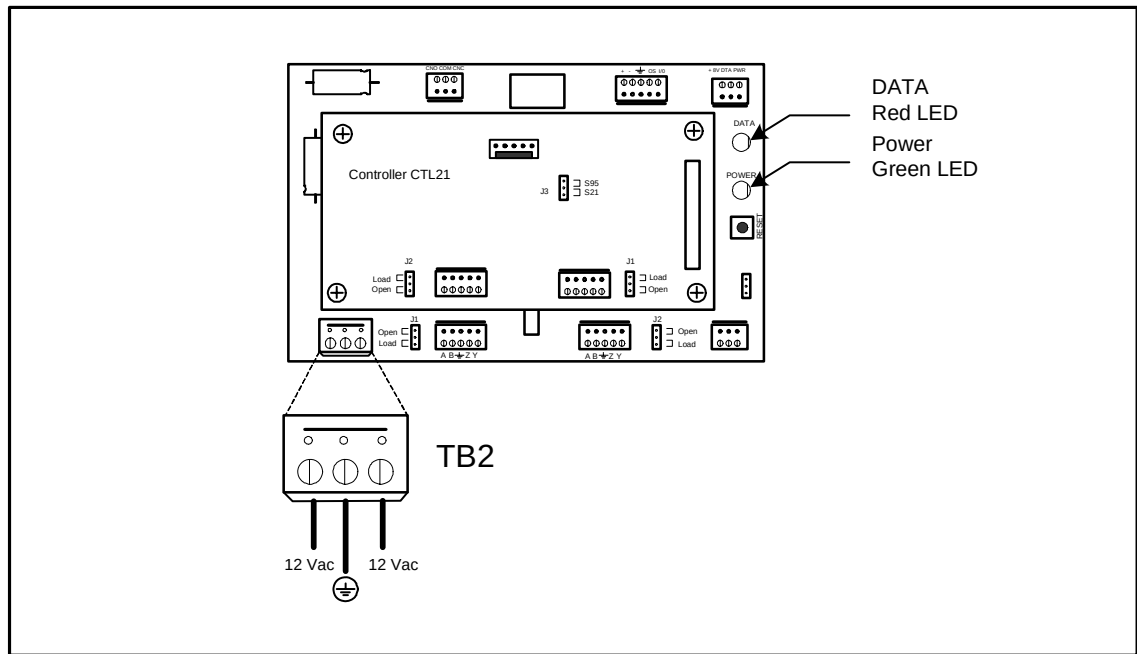


Figure 2-4: Power Supply Connections

To connect the power supply to Reader RD21, refer to Figure 2-5 and complete the following steps:

1. Unplug terminal block TB2 from its connector TB1.
2. Run the power supply cable through the cable grip into the Reader's enclosure.
3. Connect the power wires to the TB2 pins marked with the “~” symbol.
4. Connect the main ground connection to the TB2 pin marked with the ground symbol.
5. Switch on the power supply TRM95.
6. Check the voltage on terminal block TB2 (between pins marked with the “~” symbol).
7. Plug terminal block TB2 into its connector TB1.
8. Re-check the voltage on the terminal block TB2 in Step 6.
9. Check the MBD21 to see whether the green POWER LED goes ON, and the red DATA LED stays ON continuously for 6-7 seconds and then turns OFF.
10. Switch off the power supply.

Connecting External Devices

Figure 2-5 shows you how to connect external devices to the Reader.

Caution

Do not exceed the maximum ratings for the relay contacts and Motion Sensor input as stated in Appendix A, *Specifications*.

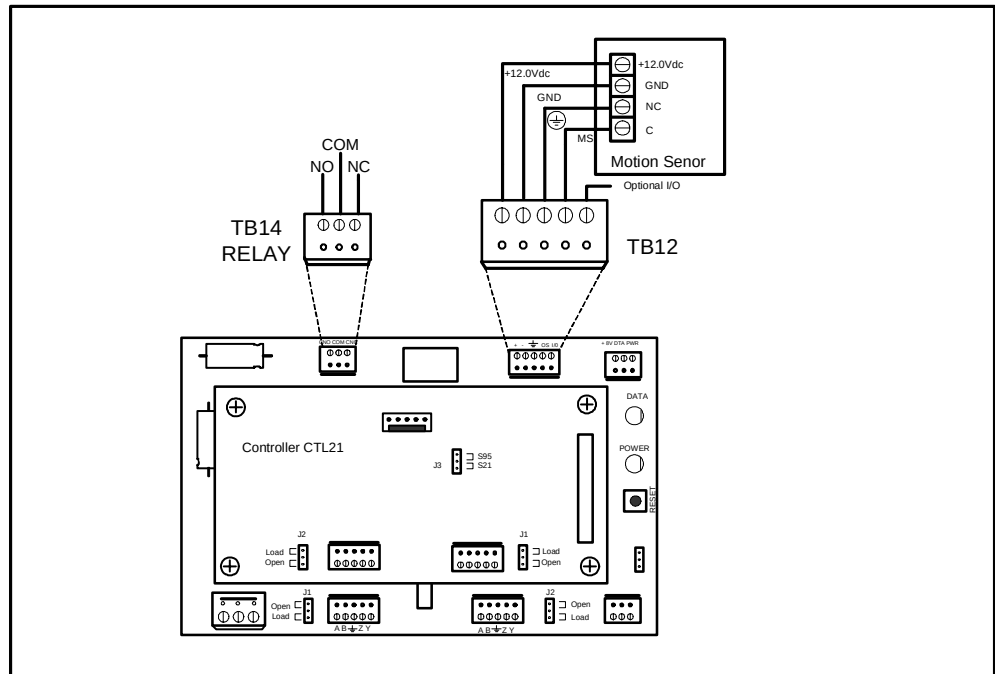


Figure 2-5: External Devices Connections

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Chapter 3

Exciter EX21 Installation and Connections

This chapter explains how to:

- Assemble the Exciter EX21 using LF EX21 Antenna Kit (P/N 600007) and EX21 Enclosure Kit (P/N 600005)
- Make the LF antenna connections
- Connect serial interfaces and power supply
- Set the jumpers for interfaces

Before You Begin

Before starting the installation:

- Read Chapter 4, *Setup Guidelines* in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
- Have at your disposal, the complete approved documentation describing the RFID System configuration, equipment location, and wiring distances between equipment (see the Site Survey Documentation).
- Check whether the mechanical supports for the Exciters are installed on the site according to the approved documentation (see the Site Survey Documentation).
- Set a color table for the serial interfaces and power supply cables. Pay special attention to the interface terminals, cable shield, and the ground wires.
- Check whether the EX21 Antenna Kit (P/N 600007) and EX21 Enclosure Kit (P/N 600005) are complete, according to the product shipping list.
- Check if jumper P1 on LFA21 board is set on the S21 position.

Tools

To install the Exciter EX21, you will need the following tools:

- Screwdriver SR1 (square recess # 1)
- Rubber mallet
- Hexagonal fix key # 10

Mechanical Assembling

Assembling the LF Antenna for EX21

To assemble the Exciter EX21, refer to the assembly drawing (900061), and complete the following steps.

The antenna frame consists of five separate segments, each with the following dimensions: two pieces - 0.4m long, two pieces - 2.0m long, and one piece - 1.0m long. Each segment includes an aluminum tube with an internal rubber hose. The segments are joined together using plastic corners. The antenna cable (7-wire cable) runs through the rubber hose spacers inside the aluminum tubes.

To assemble the antenna, do the following:

1. Starting with one side of the antenna frame that is beside the plastic enclosure (0.4 m segment), place the corresponding rubber hose inside the aluminum tube, and run the antenna cable through the rubber hose. Run the cable through a plastic corner, and secure the plastic corner inside the aluminum tube using a rubber mallet.
2. Repeat Step 1 for each side of the frame, finishing with the last short segment (0.4m). You should have a 1x2m rectangular aluminum frame with the antenna cable inside.
3. Terminate the antenna frame with the plastic base connectors.
4. Place the 90° brackets on each ends of the frame, and secure the frame against the plastic enclosure using M6 screws, washers and nuts.
5. Connect the antenna frame to the LFA21 ground using the cable provided. Place one terminal lug of the cable on the M6 screw and the other under one screw which holds the LFA21 board in place as shown on the assembly drawing.

Note

Always ensure that the ends of the antenna cable inside the plastic enclosure have at least - 110mm respective - 360mm long. For more information, see the drawing 900061.

6. Use the self-drill screws (M3.5x9.5) to secure the 1 inch square aluminum tube in each corner of the LF antenna frame, and to secure the 90° brackets against the aluminum tubes.

For tuning procedures refer to procedure 950031.

LF Antenna Connections

The LF antenna is a 7-turn loop coil with the tap at the first turn. To create this multiturn loop and the proper tap connection, complete the following steps:

1. Position the antenna cable inside the plastic box as shown in the assembly drawing 900061. Cut the end closest to the terminal block - 110mm long, and the other - 360mm long.
2. Remove 80mm of the outside cable jacket, and strip about 8mm from each conductor isolation.
3. Using a screwdriver, connect the antenna cable conductors in the terminal block as shown in Figure 3-1.

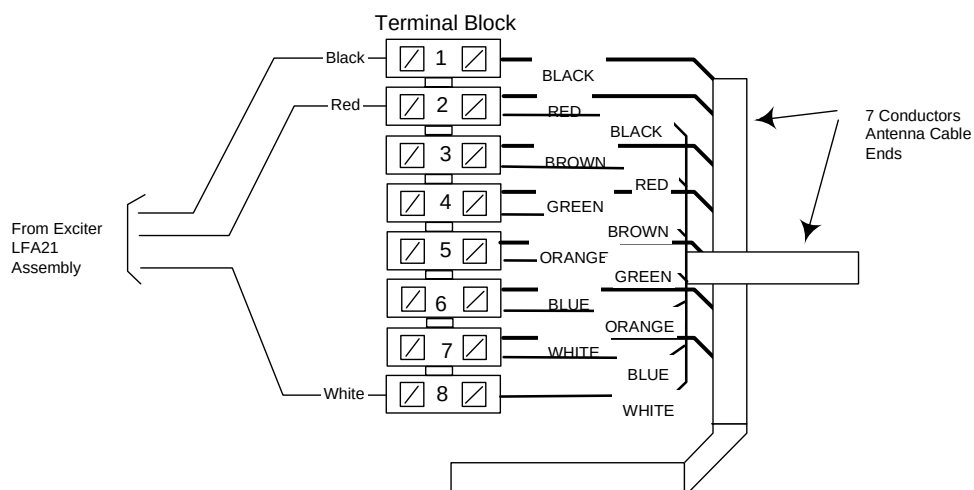


Figure 3-1: LF Antenna Connections

Connecting the RS485 Communication Lines

The RS485 connectors and jumpers are located on the LFA21 assembly placed inside the plastic enclosure (see the assembly drawing 900061). Two separate RS485 two-wire lines are used to transmit data from/to the Reader. For detailed information on the RS485 two-wires interface (half-duplex), see the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.

Notes

1. For the RS485 line, use specially designed cables **only**, such as BELDEN type 9842, or similar. For more information, see the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
2. To simplify the RS485 multidrop-type connection, the two RS485 connectors, TB4 and TB6 are wired in parallel on the LFA21 board. Connect the RS485 incoming cable to one connector and the RS485 out going cable to the other.

To connect RS485 communication lines to the LFA21, refer to Figure 3-2 below.

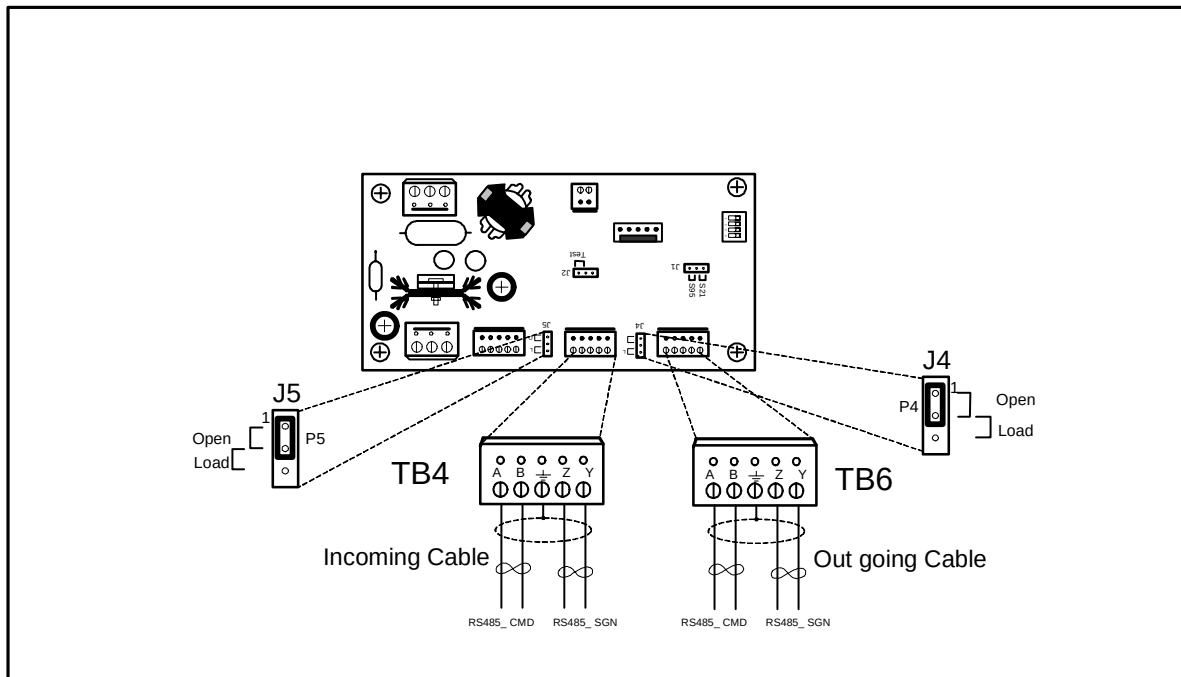


Figure 3-2: Connections and Jumper Settings for the RS485 Communication Lines

complete the following steps:

1. Unplug terminal blocks TB4 and TB6 from connectors TB3 and TB5 respectively.
2. Run the RS485 incoming and out going cables through the cable grips into the plastic enclosure.
3. Connect the RS485_CMD line to pins A1, B1, and RS485_SGN line to the pins A2, B2 on terminal block TB4 (or TB6). Connect the cable shield to the pin marked **G** on terminal block TB4 (or TB6).

Caution

Before installing the RFID System, label the 2 wires on the RS485_CMD line **A1** and **B1**; label the 2 wires on the RS485_SGN line **A2** and **B2**. Keep this naming / wire colour convention for all connections made on these RS-485 communication lines.

4. Set the terminating load for the each RS485 communication line. The ends of a multidrop-network line could be easily identified, because only one cable is connected to the equipment. To connect a 100 ohm terminating load to the RS485_CMD line, place the jumper P2 between pins 1-2 of J4. When connecting any other equipment to this RS485 communication line, place the jumper P2 between pins 2-3 of J4.

To connect a 100 ohm terminating load to the RS485_SGN line, place the jumper P3 between pins 1-2 of J5 (Load position). When connecting any other equipment to this RS-485 communication line, place the jumper P3 between pins 2-3 of J5 (Open position).

5. Plug terminal blocks TB4 and TB6 into connectors TB3 and TB5 respectively.

Connecting the Power Supply

Power Supply Connections

The Exciter requires an 22 Vac or 23 to 28 Vdc power source, and a maximum current of 0.5 A. For more information, refer to Appendix A, *Specifications*.

Notes

1. The power connector is located on the LFA21 assembly.
2. Use an electrical wire with at least a 16 AWG gauge to connect the power supply.
3. The Exciter's main ground connection is on the power supply connector. It is indicated by the ground symbol. Use an electrical wire with at least a 16 AWG gauge for the main ground connection.
4. To power the LFA21, we recommend using Lyngsoe's Power Supply, model TRM95/120V or TRM95/230V, as required by the local AC power line voltage.

To connect the power supply to the Exciter, refer to Figure 3-3 below.

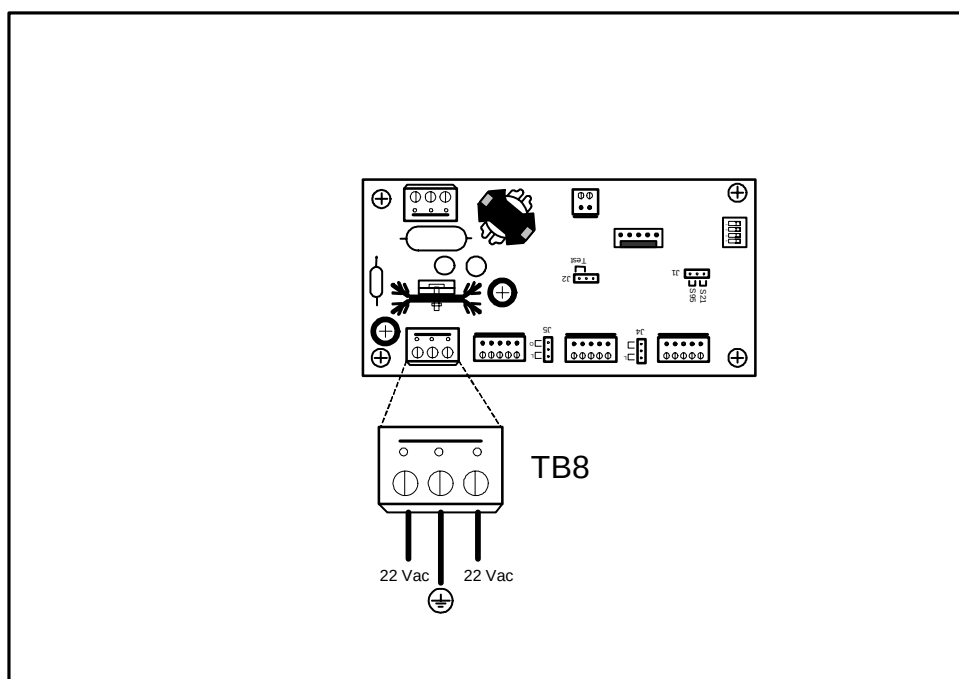


Figure 3-3: Exciter EX21 Power Supply Connections

Complete the following steps:

1. Remove terminal block TB8 from connector TB7 on the LFA21 board.
2. Run the power supply cable through the cable grip into the plastic enclosure.
3. Connect power wires to the TB8 pins marked with the “~” symbol.
4. Connect the main ground connection to the TB8 pin marked with the ground symbol.

5. Switch on the power supply.
6. Check the voltage on the terminal block TB8 (between pins 1-3).
7. Plug terminal block TB8 into connector TB7.
8. Re-check the voltage in Step 6.
9. Check whether the voltage between pins 1 of J2 and Ground is 5.0 ± 0.2 V.
10. Switch off the power supply.

Assembling Other Models of Exciters

Lyngsoe provides other models of Exciters with different antenna frame sizes for particular installations. For mechanical assembling and electrical connections, use a similar procedure as described in the previous paragraphs.

Chapter 4

Power Supply TRM95 Installation and Connection

This chapter explains how to:

- Install the Power Supply
- Make the input line and output connections

All data provided in this chapter apply to both Power Supply models TRM95/120V (P/N 600579) and TRM95/230V (P/N 600626).

Before you Begin

Before installing the Power Supply:

- Read Chapter 4, *Setup Guidelines* in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
- Have at your disposal, the complete approved documentation describing the RFID System configuration, equipment location, and wiring distances between equipment (see the Site Survey Documentation).
- Check whether the mechanical supports for the Power Supply is installed on the site according to the documentation.
- Check whether all cables are installed on the site according to the documentation (type, protection, routing, etc.).
- Check whether the Power Supply unit has the correct rating (120V or 230V) that is suitable for the local AC power lines voltage.

Tools

To install the Power Supply, you will need the following tools:

- Phillips screwdriver size # 1)
- Slotted screwdriver 2mm

Installing Power Supply TRM95

For mechanical details, refer to the Power Supply assembly drawing (600579).

Placement

The Power Supply unit can be installed either horizontally or vertically, but must be secured against its mechanical support with 4 screw (dia. 1/8"). It must be installed in such a way that the front is easily accessible and visible for inspection. This unit is designed for indoor use only. You should avoid installing the Power Supply unit in locations where there is water or excessive humidity. To reduce the risk of overheating, avoid exposing the Power Supply unit to direct sunlight or near any heat-emitting devices, such as a room heater or a stove.

Safety

Please adhere to the following safety precautions:

1. Only authorized personnel are qualified to install and repair the Power Supply unit.

Caution

To reduce the risk of an electrical shock, disconnect the AC main supply before removing the unit's cover.

2. Use only approved (CSA,UL, IEC) fuses, size 5x20mm, Type "T" (slow-blow), with appropriate rating (1A for 120Vac, or 0.5A for 230Vac). The correct fuse rating is marked on the front panel of the Power Supply unit.
3. Ensure that the Power Supply unit is properly grounded. Always connect the unit to the 3-wire (with grounding) power systems.
4. Ensure that no water or foreign objects get inside the unit.

Wiring Connections and Supply

For access inside the equipment for connection, first unscrew the two screws that secure the cover. Remove the screws and lift the cover from the chassis.

Note

To completely detach the cover, you must also remove the cover's ground connection. Remember the ground connections must be in place when the unit is operating normally.

All unused knockout-punch holes (front and back panels) must be plugged with plugs or similar stoppers. Lyngsoe recommends using the Hole Plug PG11 (P/N 400617) with a Polyamid Nut (P/N 400645). You have to order these parts separately.

You must secure all cables passing through the front or back panel with cable grips or connectors (these are not provided). The connectors must match the conduit type used to protect the cable outside the Power Supply unit. For more information on these parts, contact Lyngsoe Industries.

For all interconnections (power line, equipment), Lyngsoe recommends using cable type SJT, PVC jacketed, 3-conductors with a minimum gauge of 16 AWG (0.75 mm² - conductor nominal cross-sectional area). Lyngsoe recommends BELDEN cable type 19353.

An external disconnecting device will be provided as part of the building's installation. The disconnecting device will have an appropriate rating for the AC power line voltage (minimum 1A for 120Vac or 0.5A for 230Vac). Installation of the external wiring will comply with the national wiring rules (code) applicable to the site.

Connecting Equipment to the Power Supply Unit

The TRM95 unit has 2 separate outputs (12Vac/1A and 22Vac/2A) to power up Readers RD21 and Exciters EX21. Inputs AC mains and output voltages must be connected to the terminal block placed inside TRM95 and clearly marked.

Attention

Do not exceed the load ratings specified for each output: 1A for the 12Vac, and 2A for the 22Vac. On the 22Vac source, the 2 terminal blocks are connected in parallel for each output terminal. Always use a 3-wire cable to connect the equipment to the Power Supply unit. Always connect the

ground wire of each cable to the terminal block that is indicated by 

Connecting the AC Mains Supply

Connect the power lines cable to the internal terminal block of the TRM95 unit as follows:

- Live (phase) - to the terminal marked **L**
- Neutral - to the terminal **N**

- Ground - to the terminal marked 

For more information, see Chapter 8, *Lyngsoe Industries TRM95 Power Supply (600579) & (600626)*.

IMPORTANT

Before you connect power to the Power Supply unit, re-check the following:

- The Power Supply model and rating against the installation plan and line voltage
- The Power Supply fuse rating
- All cable connections to the Power Supply's internal terminal block
- All cable access into the Power Supply's enclosure, making sur that they are properly secured and protected.

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Chapter 5

Configuration and Operation

This chapter explains how to set-up and configure a RFID System S21. The IPC implementation is a practical example of the RFID System S21 configuration. For more information about the RFID System S21 configuration, refer to the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.

Before You Begin

Before starting the RFID System S21 configuration, do the following:

1. Check whether all equipment is correctly installed and interconnected according to the requirements stated in Chapter 2, *Reader RD21 Installation and Connections* and Chapter 3, *Exciter EX21 Installation and Connections* in this guide.
2. Check if each Reader and Exciter has a unique address according the approved documentation describing the RFID System configuration (see the specific Site Survey documentation).
3. Familiarize yourself with the instructions format described in the *RFID System S21 Reference Guide*, and the system's functionality described in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
4. Refer to the section, *RFID System S21 Configuration Principles* on page 1-3, for some general explanations on configuring the RFID System S21. Pay special attention that the jumpers on the CTL21 and LFA21 are set for S21 operation.

General Procedure Rules

Each Reader and Exciter in the RFID System must be configured individually.

Lyngsoe recommends that you follow the general rules listed below:

1. Configure each *Reading Point*, one by one. *Each Reading Point* is defined and controlled by a reader. Configuration of the Reader and interconnected Exciters is accomplished by connecting a PC to the serial communication link.
2. Follow the step-by-step instructions described in this chapter.
3. If you do not obtain the expected results, refer to Chapter 7, *Troubleshooting*.

Setting Up the Reader/PC Connection

To connect the Reader to a PC, do the following:

1. Use the RS232 or RS485 communication line to connect the Reader to the PC. For more information on these communication lines, see *Connecting the RS232 Communication Line*, and *Connecting the RS485 Four-Wire Communication Line* in Chapter 2.

For the initial set-up, Lyngsoe recommends using the RS232 connection with a local, mobile PC (Laptop), as shown in Figure 5-1 below.

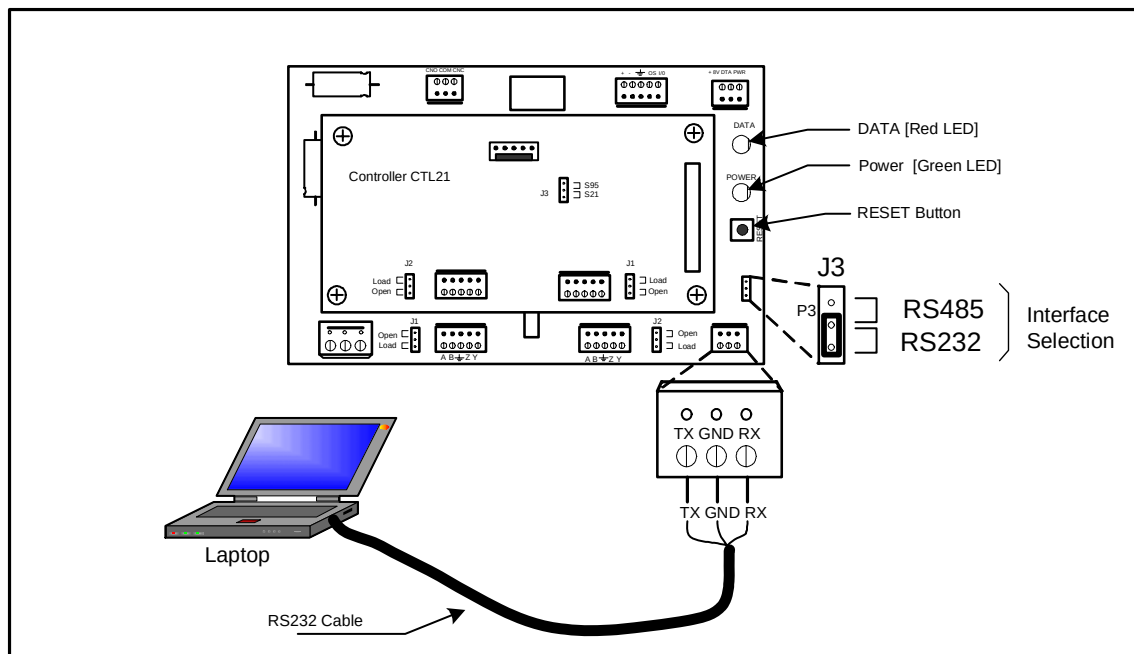


Figure 5-1: Connecting the Reader to a PC/Laptop

2. Run a terminal emulation program on the PC, such as, Hyper Terminal in MS Windows. The recommended configuration for the PC's port is:
 - Data rate - 19200 bps
 - Data bits - 8 bits
 - Parity - none
 - Stop bits - 1
 - Flow control - none

Reader's Power-up Sequence

To verify the Reader's power-up sequence, do the following:

1. Connect the power supply to the Reader.
2. Check whether the relay on the MBD21 board immediately clicks, and the green POWER LED is on (See Figure 5.1).
3. Check whether the Reader performs the following power-on test sequence: the red DATA LED on the MBD21 board remains ON for 6-7 seconds. Afterwards, the following sign-on message is displayed on the PC's screen:

Receiver REC21 (C) Copyright Lyngsoe Industries Ltd 2002.

- Notes**
1. If you did not assign a System Code identification number (SC) to the Reader, the DATA LED will flash On and Off at a rate of 1.4 Hz. To set the System Code, type:

ISC=[your SC] <Enter>

2. If a string of unrecognizable characters appears on the PC's screen, it means that the communication link between the Reader and the PC is not set properly. Run the *Learning Procedure*, as described below, to establish the correct settings.

Learning Procedure (Optional)

This is a special mode of operation, specifically designed to allow a Reader to communicate with the PC to which it is attached, by adapting itself to the serial frame format that the PC is using.

To force the Reader into the *learning* mode, follow the steps below. (See Figure 5-1).

1. Press the RESET button once.
2. Verify whether the DATA LED flashes at a rate of 2 Hz. This means that the Reader is in the learning mode, and is waiting to determine the frame format sent by the PC.
3. Send a few characters to the Reader, for example, LYNGSOE.
4. When the learning process is finished, the DATA LED will start flashing at 1.4 Hz rate and the following message will be displayed on the PC:

Learned: *rate*, *parity*, *bits*

where:

rate: is the serial data rate (baud) expressed as a numeric value, for example, **19200**.

parity: is a single character that reports the parity bit: **N** for no parity, **Y** for parity.

bits: is a single digit (7 or 8) that reports the number of bits per character.

5. Check the Reader's current serial communication configuration parameters by using the group of S parameters. You can change the settings for the PC or Reader so that the settings match each other. If you modify the Reader's parameters, you must save them before leaving the

learning mode. For more information on this procedure, see *Storing the Reader's Configuration* on page 5-14.

6. Press the RESET button again to exit from the learning mode.
7. The DATA LED will stop flashing.

Notes

1. The serial communication configuration for an IPC application has the default values for the group of S parameters. For more information on the group of S parameters, refer to the *RFID System S21 Reference Guide*.
2. If the noise and interference level on the UHF channel exceeds the carrier threshold or a Transponder is transmitting information, the DATA LED will start flashing at a faster rate.

Resetting the Reader

There are 2 ways to reset the Reader (see Figure 5-1):

- By resetting the hardware
- By resetting the software

For a hardware reset, switch off the Reader's power supply for a least 5 seconds.

For a software reset, you can:

1. Press the RESET button twice.
- or
2. Type the following command at the prompt:

:RESET <Enter>

Checking the Reader's Basic Parameters

To check basic parameters of the Reader, do the following:

1. Check the software version number by typing:

IVN <Enter>

The response should be:

IVN=REC21 V5.00.01., BUILT: __/__/__ __:__:__.

Note

You can upgrade the Reader software, if necessary. For more information on upgrading the software, refer to Appendix D, *Reader Software Upgrade Procedure*.

2. Check the System Code (SC), by typing:

ISC <Enter>

The response should be:

ISC= [your SC]

If the displayed System Code is not identical with the application system code number, replace the Reader and report the problem to Lyngsoe.

3. Check the Receiver's Serial Number (SN), by typing:

ISN [your SN]<Enter>

If the displayed serial number is not equal to the serial number on the Receiver's REC21 board, set it to the correct value. For example, if the SN is U123456, then type:

ISN=U123456<Enter>

4. Store the new SN and/or SC parameter values, by typing:

:CONFIG:STORE <Enter>

:RESET <Enter>

5. Check if the IVN, ISC, and ISN parameters have correct values, by repeating Steps 1 to 3.

6. Switch off the LF field, by typing:

C<Enter>

Setting Up the Exciter's Address

Your next step is to setup an address for each Exciter by using the **S1** slide switch on the LFA21 board, as shown in Figure 5-2.

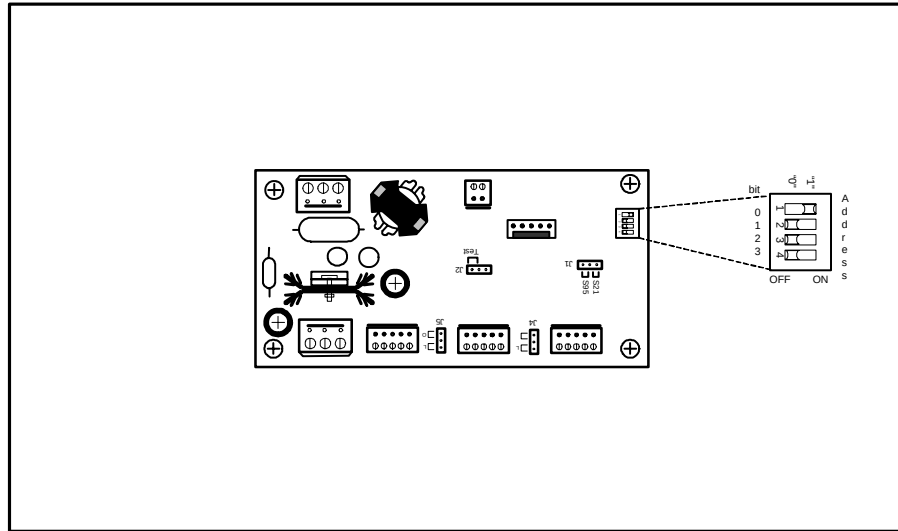


Figure 5-2: Setting Up the Exciter's Address

The addresses must be sequential between 1 and 14. For example, if there are 4 Exciters, they must be assigned addresses 1, 2, 3, and 4. Use the **S1** switch to set the address to binary format. For example, in binary format:

- address 1 is 0001_2
- address 2 is 0010_2
- address 3 is 0011_2
- address 4 is 0100_2

If the switch is in the ON position, the bit is set to “1”. Otherwise, the bit is set to “0”. The factory default address setting is address 1 [0001_2]

Note Figure 5.2 displays the S1 setting for address 1.

LF Transmitter Output

The type of LF excitation signals generated by the S21 depends on the parameter settings and the position of “System” jumpers on the LFA21 and CTL21.

For “System S21” jumpers J1 (LFA21) and J3 (CTL21) are to be set on S21 position. The LF excitation signal generated is of type EXID. This signal is a continuous OOK signal on 125 KHz. The modulation is a fixed repetitive frame [Excitation ID] containing the address of the reading point. (Reader Address).

For “System 95” jumpers J1 (LFA21) and J3 (CTL21) are to be set on S95 position. The LF excitation signal generated is of type CSAC. This is a continuous signal as defined in the Appendix C of the 95 Series RFID Systems User’s Guide.

To check the LF signal, refer to Figure 5-3 below, and do the following:

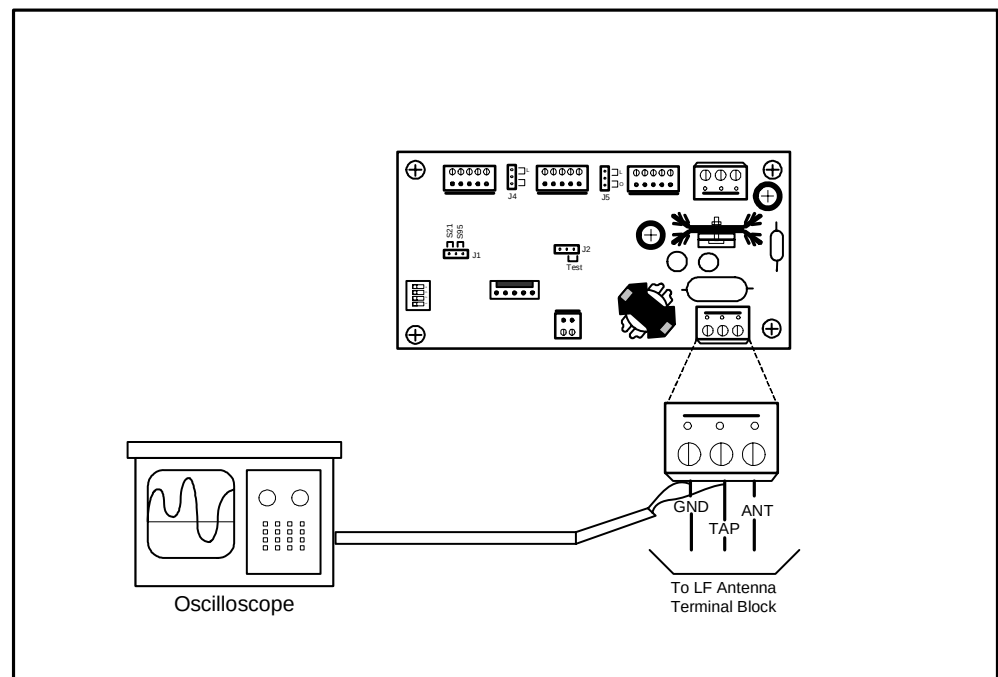


Figure 5-3: LF Signal Measurement

1. Connect the power to the Exciter.
2. To determine the Exciter mode of operation following the field application note instructions provided with the equipment. For additional information or questions contact Lyngsoe Industries.
3. For checking of LF signal integrity refer to the field application notes provided with the equipment or contact Lyngsoe Industries.

Note

When more than one Exciter EX21 is used to create a wider excitation zone, a magnetic coupling can appear. The phenomenon is explained in Chapter 4, *Setup Guidelines* in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*. The coupling generates an unwanted amplitude modulation with a frequency of several Hertz, the modulation depth depending directly on the coupling. The installer has to monitor the **TAP** signal and adjust the position of the EX21 frames to obtain a minimum unwanted modulation depth. The installer can increase the distance between frames, level the frames in the same plane, or place the frames with the shorter sides (1m) in parallel. The minimum amplitude of V_{TAP} due to unwanted modulation must be larger than $60V_{pp}$.

4. Turn off the excitation field, by typing:

C<Enter>

The **TAP** voltage amplitude should be zero.

5. Turn on the LF field again, by typing:

B <Enter>

The **TAP** voltage signal should have the same value as measured in Step 4.

6. Set the wanted excitation mode.

To set a specific excitation mode, refer to Appendix C, *Excitation Modes*. If you want to return to the initial excitation mode as determined in Step 2, you have to restore the values of the parameters modified in Step 3.

For example, Lyngsoe recommends the following parameter values for the Conditional Switching AC mode (CSAC) for the IPC installation:

RCS=Y; RES=Y; REM=C; RET=A; HCC=8; HCS=7; HE0=18; HE1=6

These parameters all have the default values.

7. Check the excitation field pattern as set in Step 7, by monitoring the **TAP** voltage.

For example, if the IPC's CSAC mode was set and the Reader did not receive a valid message, the **TAP** voltage has the following repetitive pattern: a carrier of 125.00 kHz *modulated ON/OFF with 610Hz for 60 ms*, followed by no signal for 180 ms.

8. Save the excitation mode set in Step 7, by typing:

:CONFIG:STORE <Enter>

:RESET <Enter>

9. Check the parameter values set in Step 7 again.

10. Check the auto-diagnostic feature, by typing:

:DAR=Y <Enter>

:TEST:EXCITER *k* <Enter>

where *k* is the decimal address (1, 2, 3,...) of the Exciter that you want to test.

The response should be 00, followed by a number (between IP-2 and IP) of messages from the Test Tag.

11. Turn off the excitation field again, by typing:

C<Enter>

12. Check the auto-diagnostic feature, by typing:

:TEST:EXCITER k <Enter>

The response should be C9.

13. Repeat Steps 1 to 13 (inclusive) for each Exciter that is connected to the Reader.

Configuring the Reader

The Reader's receiving configuration is controlled by the following group of parameters:

- Data buffering/reporting configuration - Group D parameters
- Hardware configuration - Group H parameters
- Instrument generic configuration - Group I parameters
- Tag data reading configuration - Group R parameters

For more information on these parameters, see the *RFID System S21 Reference Guide* and the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.

Note You can set these parameters for each particular application to optimize the functionality of the Reader and the RFID System.

Setting Up the Carrier Threshold

Warning

Before starting this procedure, you have to enable the auto-report mode for the reader and set the data report in ASCII format, by typing the following:

DAR=Y<Enter>

DHX=N<Enter>

To setup the Reader's carrier threshold, do the following:

1. Switch off the excitation field, by typing:

C<Enter>

2. Set the Receiver's signal-to-noise ratio, by typing:

RSS=10<Enter>

Note You can set other values for the RSS parameter. Lyngsoe recommends using a value between 10 and 20 for the RSS parameter.

3. If you are using Diversity, enable it by typing:

HAD=Y<Enter>

Ensure that both UHF antennas are connected. If you are not using Diversity, disable it by typing:

HAD=N<Enter>

Ensure that **only** the right UHF antenna is selected (see the HAS parameter).

4. Check the noise level on the UHF channel, by typing:

HNL<Enter>

The HNL value should be between -107 to -95dBm.

If the HNL value is higher than -95dBm, check if there are unwanted transmissions on the UHF channel (433.9 MHz). Pay special attention to Transponders or Exciters in close proximity to the Reader; these can accidentally transmit data that can be received by the Reader.

If the HNL value is lower than -105dBm, check its value without the UHF antennas attached. The difference between these two readings must be greater than 3dB.

5. Set the carrier threshold, by typing:

S <Enter>

or

:CONFIG:THRESHOLD<Enter>

Note If the Reader resets itself, repeat the procedure from Step 1.

6. Monitor the DATA LED for at least 10 seconds. The LED must not flicker. If it does flicker occasionally, increment the RSS parameter value by one. Go to Step

In installations where random interference is observed please contact Lyngso Industri A/S for assistance.

IMPORTANT

- * For a normal setup, the sum of (HNL+RSS) must be less than - 85 dBm.
 - * If the noise level is higher than -95 dBm, disconnect the UHF antennas from the Reader, and check whether the HNL value drops below -107 dBm. If this occurs, it means that there is unwanted transmission on the UHF channel. To correct this situation, refer to Chapter 4, *Setup Guidelines* in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
7. Place your Test Transponder PT21/PT23 1-2 m away from an Exciter that is controlled by the Reader you are configuring. For more information about identification zones and the Test Transponders, refer to Chapter 4, *Setup Guidelines* in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.
 8. Start the excitation field, by typing:

B<Enter>
 9. Verify that the DATA LED is flickering, and check whether the Test Transponder's messages are displayed on the PC's screen.

If data is not displayed, check the Reader's parameter configuration, and follows the troubleshooting instructions in Chapter 7, *Troubleshooting*.

If the number of displayed messages is below $n=IP-2$, check the carrier threshold and try to adjust it again. Go to Step 1.

10. Remove the Test Transponder from the field and make sure that it is no longer transmitting by ensuring that the DATA LED is not flickering.

Setting Up the Exciter's Test-Tag

To set up the Exciter's Test-Tag, do the following:

1. Set the parameters you want for the Test-Tag using the Group W parameters.

Example

For an IPC application, you have to program the following parameters, by typing:

```
WDR=4 <Enter>
WEC=Y <Enter>
WEN=N <Enter>
WHF=N <Enter>
WID=0 <Enter>
WIP=15 <Enter>
WLT=Y <Enter>
WRC=0 <Enter>
WRS=0 <Enter>
WSD=15 <Enter>
WSM=Y <Enter>
WTF=Y <Enter>
WTS=N <Enter>
WWP=Y <Enter>
WUD=$43FEnrrkk <Enter>
```

where:

nn is the PC's address. If PC's address is 1, or there is only one PC/site, *nn*=01.

rr is the Reader's address. If Reader's address is 1, *rr* = 01.

kk is the Exciter's address. If the Exciter's address is 1, *kk* = 01.

2. Turn off the LF field, by typing:

```
C<Enter>
```

3. Program the Exciter Test-Tag, by typing:

```
:TAG:MATCH:EXCITER k<Enter>
```

where *k* is the address of the Exciter you want to program.

If the response is not 00, the Exciter is not programmed. Repeat this command several times, waiting at least 3 seconds between retries.

Note

If you cannot program the Test Tag, see Chapter 7, *Troubleshooting*.

4. Turn on the LF field, by typing:

```
B<Enter>
```

5. Test the Exciter Test-Tag, by typing:

```
:TEST:EXCITER k<Enter>
```

where *k* is the address of the Exciter you want to test. The correct response is 00, followed by a number of messages between IP-2 and IP. If less messages are received, verify whether the UHF channel is jammed or replace the LFA21 board.

Note If you do not see the expected number of messages on your PC, (13-15 messages for an IPC site), see Chapter 7, *Troubleshooting* and check the following parameters:

DAR=Y; DCI=0, DRI=0

6. Repeat Steps 1 to 5 for each Exciter that is connected to the Reader.

Setting Up the Real Time Clock

You can set the Reader's date and time by using the IUT parameter. For more information on setting up the Real Time Clock, refer to the *RFID System S21 Reference Guide*.

Example For an IPC application, you should set the IUT parameter to GMT time. To set it, type:

IUT=YYMMDDhhmmssZ<Enter>

where YYMMDDhhmmss is the year, month, day, hour, minute and second respectively.

Note: The parameter DTS must be set to "Y" in order for the reader to report time in seconds.

Configuring the Reader's Application Parameters

You can configure the Reader's application parameters by setting the appropriate values for the parameters in the following groups:

- Data buffering/reporting configuration (D)
- Hardware configuration (H)
- Instrument generic configuration (I)
- Tag data reading/excitation configuration (R)
- Serial communication configuration (S)

For example, for an IPC application, do the following:

1. Set the data filtration on the Reader, by typing:

DCI=10 <Enter>

DRI=30 <Enter>

2. Set the reported data format as ANS.1 format, by typing:

DHX=Y <Enter>

3. Set the Tag data character count, by typing:

RCC=5 <Enter>

4. For System S21 operation set RMY =Y, DTS=Y, IUM = Y, and PME=Y

5. Use the default values for all the other parameters.

Configuring the Reader's Network Parameters

To configure the Reader's network parameters, do the following:

1. Set the reporting mode, by typing:

DAR=N<Enter>.

2. Set the Reader's address, by typing:

IAD=r<Enter>

where r is the Reader's address. The lowest value for this address is 1. For example, if there are 4 Readers in a network, they must be assigned the following addresses 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Storing the Reader's Configuration

To store the Reader's configuration, do the following:

1. Store the Reader's parameters, by typing:

:CONFIG:STORE<Enter>

2. Reset the Reader, by typing:

:RESET<Enter>

Note

The:CONFIG:STORE command stores the current Reader's configuration in the non-volatile memory.

The:RESET command updates the contents of the working memory from the non-volatile memory.

3. Check whether the Reader is operating properly, by typing:

@r IVN<Enter>

where r is the Reader's address. The Reader must respond with its software version number.

Reader - Final Setup

To verify whether the Reader is responding, do the following:

1. Disconnect the PC from the Reader (See Figure 5-1 on page 5-2).
2. For network installations set jumper (P3) on the Motherboard MBD21 for “RS485” position. For more information on communication lines used by the Reader RD21, refer to Chapter 2, *Reader RD21 Installation and Connections*.
3. Verify the connections between the Reader and the rest of the equipment (shorts, loose connections, etc.)
4. Close the Reader’s enclosure.

S21 RFID System - Final Test

IMPORTANT

- * These tests must be done after all Readers and the Main PC are connected to the network according to the site documentation.
- * The PC must be connected using an appropriate serial communication interface.
- * To communicate with the Reader, either use a terminal emulation program, such as Hyper Terminal or Procomm in MS Windows applications, or the dedicated service module of the application software running on the Main PC.
- * All commands to the Reader must include the address field **@r** where **r** is the Reader’s address (an integer followed by a blank).

You must repeat the following procedure for each Reader that is connected to the Main PC.

For the final test, do the following:

1. Verify that the Reader is communicating with the Main PC, by typing:

@r IVN <Enter>

where **r** is the Reader’s address. The Reader must respond with the software’s version number.

2. Set up the Carrier Threshold for the Reader as follows:

- a) Switch on the excitation field, by typing:

@r B <Enter>

- b) Check the noise level, by typing:

@r HNL<Enter>

If there is no unwanted transmission on the UHF channel, the Reader must respond with a value lower than -95dBm for the HNL parameter. If not, refer to *Setting Up the Carrier Threshold* on page 5-9.

- c) Check and record the value for the existing Reader's Carrier Threshold level, by typing:

@r HTL<Enter>

The Reader should respond with the value for this parameter. For example, HTL=95.

- d) If the HNL level measured in Step b) is lower than -95dBm, set the Reader's Carrier Threshold level again, by typing:

@r S<Enter>

or

@r :CONFIG:THRESHOLD<Enter>

The Carrier Threshold level setting is correct if the new HNL level displayed is smaller than or equal to the level displayed in Step c. If not, check for unwanted transmission on the UHF channel. You should also refer to Chapter 4, *Setup Guidelines* in the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*.

3. Verify that an Exciter that is controlled by a Reader communicates with the Main PC:

- a) Delete all Tag records from the Reader's buffer, by typing:

@r :DATA:PURGE<Enter>

- b) Confirm that the Reader's buffer is empty, by typing:

@r D<Enter>

or

@r :DATA:REPORT<Enter>

The Reader must report a Null value.

Note

For an IPC application, the data structure conforms to the ANS.1 standard. If the Reader's buffer is empty, the Reader sends a Null value of \$0500. In ASCII format, the Null value is { }.

- c) Switch on the LF field, by typing:

@r B<Enter>

- d) Send a Test Exciter command, by typing:

@r :TEST:EXCITER k<Enter>

where r is the Reader's address and k is the Exciter's address. The correct Exciter's response is 00.

- e) Check the received messages, by typing:

@r D<Enter>

or

@r :DATA:REPORT<Enter>

The Reader must respond with the oldest record sent by the Exciter k's Test-Tag, in the format set by the DHX parameter. For more information on this parameter, refer to the *95 Series RFID System Reference Guide*.

Note

If the equipment is connected to the Lyngso Industri EDECS Module all setup parameters are set automatically.

For an IPC application, the Reader's Tag Record Buffer contains 13-15 identical messages sent by the Exciter Test Tag in ANS.1 format. To read all messages, you have to repeat the commands:

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@r D<Enter>
@r E<Enter>
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until you get the Null value \$0500.

- f) Empty the Reader's Tag record buffer, by typing:

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@r :DATA:PURGE<Enter>
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- g) Confirm that the Reader's buffer is empty, by typing:

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@r :D<Enter> or @r :DATA:REPORT<Enter>
```

The Reader must report the Null value (\$0500) in ANS.1 format.

4. Repeat Step 3 for all Exciters controlled by the Reader r.
5. Repeat Steps 1 to 4 for all Readers that are connected to the same PC.

Chapter 6

Programming and Testing the Transponder PT21/PT23

This chapter explains how to setup a programming site and gives the procedure for programming the Transponders PT21/PT23. This chapter does not, however, explain how to choose parameter values. Transmission parameters are defined and set in the programming software provided by Lyngso Industri A/S. For more information parameter configurations for the Transponder PT21/PT23, see the *RFID System 21 Reference Guide*. The PT21/PT23 Transponder is programmed using the Tag Qualifier TQ21.

TQ21 - Tag Qualifier General Description

Tag Qualifier TQ21 can be used to test PT21/PT23/T96/T95 tags and to program tags PT21/PT23/T96. The TQ21 is part of the RFID System S21 developed and marketed by Lyngsoe Industries. This Chapter gives you a short presentation of the equipment TQ21 and basic information of how to control it through its parameters.

A general overview of the commands and parameters used for TQ21 is presented in the Reference Guide for RFID System S21 (or S95).

TQ21 Installation and Setup

To power up and interconnect the Tag Qualifier TQ21 with your computer see Figure 6-1 which presents a typical installation.

WARNING Before you start the installation, check if the Power Supply provides the specified output voltage - 12Vac or 12-16Vdc, and min. 0.3A; any polarity can be used for the dc output.

PC Software Configuration

The simplest way to control TQ21 is by using a Terminal Emulation program on the PC. The general configuration procedure consists of:

- Open a Terminal Emulation program on your computer (Procomm, Hyper Terminal, etc.).
- Configure the computer's COM port to which the TQ21 is connected. The recommended PC configuration for the COM port is: COM port - COM1; Data rate - 19200 bps; Data bits - 8 bits; Parity - none; Stop bits - 1; Flow control - none.
- From the PC send commands to TQ21 and observe the responses on the PC.

Other dedicated software can be used to control TQ21 as long as the correct commands are provided for TQ21. Programming software can be purchased from Lyngso Industri A/S.

Setup the programming site, as shown in Figure 6.1:

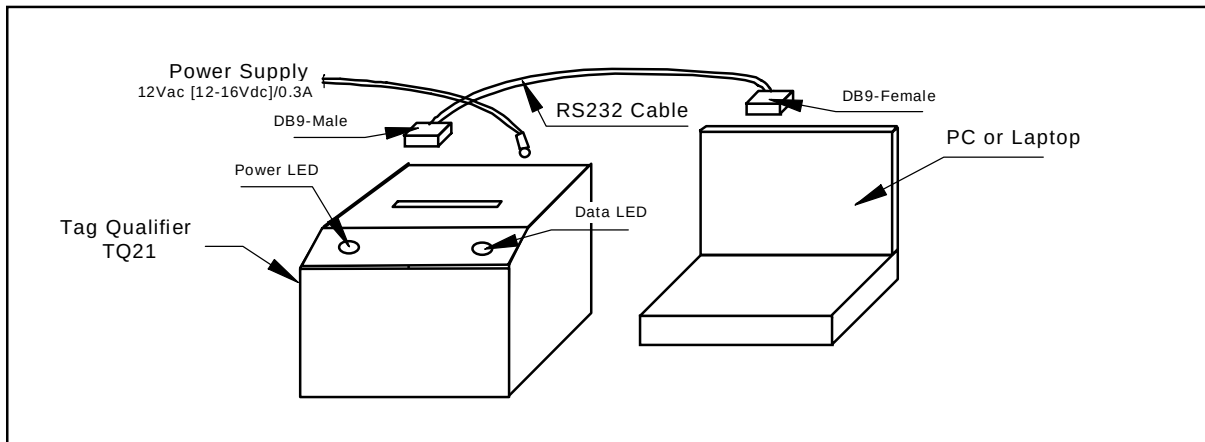


Figure 1-4: P TQ21 Tag Qualifier Setup

TQ21 Connections

1. **Connect the RS232 cable.** Plug one end of the cable (DB9-Male) into the 9-pins connector on the TQ21 (marked as **RS232**). Plug the other end of the cable (DB9-Female) into the serial port (typical COM1) of your computer.
2. **Connect the power adapter.** Plug the power adapter output into the connector marked as **12Vac**.
3. **Turn on the TQ21** by connecting the power adapter into an available electrical outlet. The **POWER LED** (green) goes ON, and the TQ21 performs a brief startup sequence, during which the **DATA LED** (red) stays ON continuously for 5-7 seconds. After finishing the startup sequence the **DATA LED** must turn OFF and the sign-on message Tag Qualifier TQ21 (c) Copyright Lyngsoe Industries Ltd. 2001 will be displayed on the PC.
4. **TQ21 Sensitivity Threshold.** Set the carrier threshold of TQ21 by sending the command **S**, then save the setting by sending the commands **CONFIG:STORE** and **RESET**.

IMPORTANT NOTE

- The **Power LED** (green) lights to signalize that the power is connected to the TQ21.
- The **DATA LED** (red) lights continuously during the startup sequence and flashes when UHF signals are received.
- The TQ21 cannot be used for testing if the **Data LED** randomly flashes after the startup sequence is finished. In this case the sensitivity threshold must be set again and/or the source of unwanted transmission eliminated.

Configuration

The functionality of the Tag Qualifier TQ21 can be configured by parameters. These parameters can be set from a PC connected through a standard serial interface RS232 to the TQ21. The parameters and commands supported by TQ21 are quite similar with those listed in the Reference Guide for System S21 with the following modifications.

New parameters and commands

Parameter:DFA

Type:Bit (Read/Write)

Range:Y/N

Default value:Y

Description:Enable (Y) or disable (N) the transmission of the flags using S21/S96 format. When enabled, TQ21 transmits the received messages using the S21/S96 format for the flags field (including the ReceivedID information). If disabled, TQ21 transmits the received messages using S95 format for the flags field.

Parameter:DFI

Type:Bit (Read/Write)

Range:Y/N

Default value:Y

Description:Enable (Y) or disable (N) the frequency measurement for the UHF received signal. When enabled, TQ21 transmits together with the received messages data about the carrier frequency and frequency deviation of the received UHF signal (CF and DF). If disabled, TQ21 transmits the received messages using the format defined by DFA parameter.

Parameter:PME

Type:Bit (Read/Write)

Range:Y/N

Default value:Y

Description:Enable (Y) or disable (N) the transmission of the excitation signals using a Manchester encoding format. When disabled, TQ21transmits the excitation signal using the S95 format. If enabled, TQ21 ignores the status of the parameters REN and RTF (it operates with the default values REN=N and RTF=Y).

Parameters and commands disabled

Considering the S95 as a reference, the parameters PTA, PTT, PTV and RSM were disabled for TQ21.

Firmware

For the command IVN, TQ21 will display its firmware version TQ21 v3.01.06. or a higher version.

Hardware configuration parameters

Several parameters are used to set (configure) the hardware and must not be changed. If the TQ21's firmware is going to be updated, these parameters must be first written down and reprogrammed if were accidentally erased by the upgrading process.

These parameters are: HA0, HA1, HA2, HA3, HA4, HA5, HA6, HA7, HA8, HA9, HAA, HV0, HV1, ISC and ISN.

NOTE: Do not use the command:CONFIGURE:DEFAULT without saving first the values of all hardware parameters. This command will set all parameters to their default values, this way erasing the factory settings for the hardware parameters. If you erase by accident these hardware parameters, TQ21 loses its calibration (capability to measure carrier and deviation frequencies) and must be recalibrated again.

Software configuration parameters

For an optimum operation of TQ21 we recommend the following setting: DFI=Y, DHX=N, DAR=Y, RCC=0, REC=Y.

Operation

General conditions

In order to minimize the measurement errors the following conditions must be met before you can start testing transponders:

- Power-up TQ21 for at least 15 minutes;
- Transponders to be kept at the room temperature (22 ± 5 °C) for at least 2 hours.
- The Data LED to be steady Off (no flickering); see also sensitivity threshold, par.2.2.
- TQ21 to measure the "Reference Tags" with errors smaller than ± 3 kHz.

Testing Tags

Using TQ21 it's possible to test the following performances of a tag:

- Carrier frequency of the UHF transmission for modulation logic level "1". Field CF displays the difference in kHz between the measured carrier frequency and 433.800MHz.
- Dynamic frequency deviation of the UHF transmission. Field DF displays the difference in kHz between the measured carrier frequency for modulation logic "1" and logic "0".
- User data content; field UD.
- Number of transmitted messages. This number can be determined by counting the number of

received messages following an excitation.

- Flags status. Field FG gives you information regarding the battery status and the type of excitation recognized by the tag.

Remember: To enable the frequency measurement function for the TQ21 parameter DFI must be set as DFI=Y and the command B must be active (LF excitation field enabled).

The recommended procedure for testing a tag is the following:

- Check if the tag to be tested (EUT) was outside an LF excitation field for at least 10 s before testing, and the command C is active for TQ21 (LF excitation disabled).
- Place the EUT inside the slot marked "Postal Tag" on the TQ21, with the battery side first (battery to be at the bottom of the TQ21's slot).
- Send the command B.
- Check the content of the received messages on the PC. Dedicated software can be provided in order to automatically process this information and to give just the "Pass" or "Fail" mark.
- Send the command C.

Remember: Tag PT21/PT23 must be kept at least 10 s outside the LF excitation field before it can accept a new excitation.

Programming Tags

TQ21 is capable of programming and querying tag PT21/PT23/T96.

The procedure of programming and querying is identical with the procedure used for tags T95 described in the User's Guide RFID S9. It includes the commands :TAG:MATCH (shortcut M), :TAG:CLONE and :TAG:QUERY (shortcut Q), setting the "wanted" parameters (group W) and querying the parameters (parameters from group T).

There are several particularities regarding the query/programming procedure.

- The tag programming function is performed without being necessary to change the status of parameter DFI (works with DFI=Y and DFI=N).
- Tag PT21/PT23 must be kept at least 10 s outside the LF excitation field (command C active for at least 10 s) between two consecutive commands M and/or Q.
- Tag must be inside the TQ21's slot for the whole duration of the query or programming process; these processes are finished when the Data LED on the TQ21 stop flickering.

Chapter 7

Troubleshooting

This chapter describes maintenance and troubleshooting procedures that you must follow when using the RFID System 21. These procedures complete the troubleshooting information given in Chapter 5, *Configuration and Operation*, for the initial system installation and configuration.

Preventive Maintenance

By using special commands, built-in Self Diagnostic circuits can check any part of the system and report an error code, if necessary. Depending on the error code received, the service technician will know the piece of hardware that is malfunctioning, and can immediately take corrective action to remedy the situation.

All units have a warranty seal placed on their enclosures. Removal of this seal will void the warranty.

General Guidelines

Below is a list of some assumptions and guidelines:

1. The chapter assumes that repairs for any electronic assemblies are not made on site. Unless otherwise stated, if a specified condition cannot be met, the electronic assembly must be replaced and returned to the manufacturer for repairs.
2. For a complete technical description of the RFID System S21, refer to the *RFID System S21 Technical Guide*. For a detailed description of the commands and parameters used to configure or to control the 95 Series RFID System, refer to the *RFID System S21 Reference Guide*.
3. Information regarding the RFID System S21 configuration and operation is described in Chapter 5, *Configuration and Operation*.
4. The locations of the DATA LED, the POWER LED, and the RESET button are shown in Figure 5-1.
5. All the reference to commands are made assuming that the Reader's address is 0.

The following table describes several possible failures for the 95 Series RFID System, and the troubleshooting steps to correct them.

Problem	Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
No communication with a Reader.	Reader does not respond to any command.	1. Reader has an incorrect address. 2. Faulty communication line between the Reader and PC.	1. Check whether the Reader responds to commands using different addresses, by typing the following: @1 IVN<Enter>, @2 IVN<Enter>, @3 IVN<Enter>. When a correct address is sent, the Reader will respond with its version number. 2. If, by using a specific address, you are able to communicate with Reader, use this address or change the address to another value. 3. If after checking all possible addresses (up to 31), you still cannot communicate with the Reader, check Probable Cause 2. 1. Open the Reader's enclosure and connect the PC directly to the Reader using the RS-232 communication line. See <i>Connecting the RS232 Communication Line</i> on page 2-2. 2. Switch off the Reader's power supply for at least 5 seconds, then perform the steps in the <i>Reader's Power-up Sequence</i> on page 5-3. 3. If the Reader performs the power-on test successfully, press the RESET button once. Check whether the DATA LED starts flashing at the rate of 2 Hz. 4. Press the RESET button again. Check whether the DATA LED stops flashing. 5. Check whether the Reader is responding to local commands by typing: @<i>r</i> IVN, and pressing <Enter>, where <i>r</i> is the Reader's address. The Reader must respond with its version number.

Problem	Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
		3. Reader lost its System Code Identification number and other configuration parameters.	6. If you are able to communicate with the Reader from the local PC, check the integrity of the communication line between the Reader and the PC. 7. After fixing the communication line's integrity, reconfigure the 95 Series RFID System and check whether the Reader can communicate with the PC. 8. If you cannot communicate with the Reader (Step 5), check Probable Cause 3. 1. Open the Reader's enclosure and connect the PC directly to the Reader using the RS-232 communication line. See <i>Connecting the RS232 Communication Line</i> on page 2-2. 2. Switch off the Reader's power supply for at least 5 seconds, then perform the steps in the <i>Reader's Power-up Sequence</i> on page 5-3. 3. If the power-on test is successful, the DATA LED should start flashing continuously at the rate of 1.4 Hz. 4. Check the System Code number by typing: ISC, and pressing <Enter>. If the Reader responds with ISC = 0, setup the Reader's System code again by typing: ISC = <i>your SC</i>, and pressing <Enter>. 5. If the Reader restored one of its parameters to the default value, all other parameters are also reset to their default values. Check and reset all the application- specific parameters to their original values. 6. Check the HV0 and HV1 parameter values. If these parameters have default values 73 and 105 respectively, you must set them again using the correct values from Lyngsoe's database.

Problem	Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
			7. Store the Reader's configuration by following the steps in the section, <i>Storing the Reader's Configuration</i> on page 5-14. Note The HV0 and HV1 parameters are set at the factory during the adjusting procedure and recorded for each Reader. If you know the Reader's serial number, Lyngsoe can supply you with the values.
Reader does not record the Transponder's messages.	After the power-on test is finished, the sign-on message is displayed on the PC, but the DATA LED is flashing continuously at a random rate.	An improper carrier threshold was set, or there is an unwanted transmission on the UHF channel.	1. Check whether the Reader is receiving information that has been accidentally transmitted from other Transponders in its vicinity. If you eliminate the unwanted transmission, the DATA LED will stop flickering. 2. Check whether an Exciter's Test Tag is transmitting accidentally. Switch off the power supply of all Exciters surrounding the Reader and monitor the DATA LED. If the DATA LED stops flickering, the unwanted transmission originated in one of the Exciters. 3. Run the procedure, <i>S21 RFID System - Final Test</i> on page 5-15. Step 2 - Set up the Carrier Threshold for the Reader. 4. If the Reader reports a channel noise level below -95dBm, but you are still not receiving the Transponders' messages, check the noise level reported by the Reader with and without UHF antennas connected. If the noise level is identical or varies slightly (± 1 dBm), replace the Reader. 5. If the Reader reports a noise level (HNL) above -95 dBm, the unwanted transmission is on the UHF channel. For procedures on eliminating the unwanted transmission, refer to Chapter 4, <i>Setup Guidelines</i> in the <i>95 Series RFID System Technical Guide</i>.

Problem	Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
	After the power-on test is finished, the sign-on message is displayed on the PC, and the DATA LED is flashing only when a Transponder is activated.	The configurations of the Transponder and the Reader do not match.	1. Using a Test Transponder TST95 that has been programmed for your application, test the Reader's receiving capability. 2. If you can receive transmitted messages from the TST95, the Transponders are either not correctly configured for your application, or they are out of specifications. Reprogram the Transponders and check whether the Reader can receive messages. 3. If you cannot receive transmitted messages from the TST95, the Reader has an incorrect configuration. Go to Steps 4 and 5. 4. Check whether the DAR parameter and the Group R parameters are set according to the application's specifications. 5. With this new set of parameters, check whether the Reader can receive transmitted messages from the TST95. If the Reader can receive the messages, save its configuration, by typing the following commands and pressing <Enter> after each command: :CONFIG:STORE, :RESET.
	After the power-on test is finished, the sign-on message is displayed on the PC, but the DATA LED is not flashing when a Transponder is activated.	The carrier threshold value is too high.	1. Run the procedure, <i>S21 RFID System - Final Test</i> on page 5-15. Step 2 - Set up the Carrier Threshold for the Reader. 2. If the Reader reports a channel noise level below -95dBm, but you are still not receiving the Transponders' messages, check the noise level reported by the Reader with and without connected UHF antennas. If the noise level is identical or varies slightly (± 1 dBm), replace the Reader. 3. Check the HNL and RSS parameter values.

Problem	Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
			4. If the value of (HNL + RSS) is higher than -85dBm, there is either an unwanted transmission on the UHF channel, or the value of the RSS parameter is too high. The value for the RSS parameter must be between 10 and 20. 5. Check whether there are Transponders or an Exciter's Test Tag in the immediate vicinity that transmit messages accidentally. 6. Run the procedure, <i>Setting Up the Carrier Threshold</i> again, and monitor the value for the HNL parameter after each setup. 7. For procedures on eliminating the unwanted transmission, refer to Chapter 4, <i>Setup Guidelines</i> in the <i>95 Series RFID System Technical Guide</i>.
Reader does not record all transmitted messages.	Reader does not record all transmitted messages by the Transponder.	The receiving zone is too small because of either a high carrier threshold, or there is random interference on the UHF channel.	1. Run the procedure, <i>S21 RFID System - Final Test</i> on page 5-15. Step 2 - Set up the Carrier Threshold for the Reader. 2. If you observe a random variation of noise and interference on the UHF channel, either increase the value of the RSS parameter, or set the HTL parameter to a higher value than the one that was automatically set by the Reader. 3. If the receiving zone is too small after you set a higher carrier threshold, follow the setup guidelines recommended in Chapter 4, <i>Setup Guidelines</i> in the <i>95 Series RFID System Technical Guide</i>. Note A UHF channel is subject to random noise and interference. The Reader disregards the messages with data errors. For an optimal channel, free of interference and industrial noise, the Reader must be able to receive all messages transmitted by a single Transponder placed in its reading

Problem	Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
Time-out error. (At the command :TEST:EXCITER k, the response is 00, but the Main PC does not receive a message, or a correct message from the Test Tag of the Exciter k after a predetermined period of time).	DATA LED is flickering, the Reader's Tag Record Buffer contains messages from the Test Tag.	Test tag was incorrectly programmed.	range. When using multiple Transponders, some messages are lost due to the inherent collision between them. 1. Query the Test Tag programming parameters using :TAG:QUERY:EXCITER k. 2. Check the value of all group T parameters. 3. Correct the values using the group W parameters. 4. Reprogram the Test TAG using the command :TAG:MATCH:EXCITER k.
	DATA LED is flickering, but the Reader's Tag Record Buffer is empty.	Test tag was incorrectly programmed.	1. Query the Test Tag programming parameters using :TAG:QUERY:EXCITER k. 2. Check the value of all group T parameters. 3. Correct the values using the group W parameters. 4. Reprogram the Test Tag using the command :TAG:MATCH:EXCITER k.
	DATA LED is not flickering	Exciter's Test Tag is placed beyond the limits of the receiving zone, or there is a random interference on the UHF channel, or the Test Tag is out of specifications.	1. Run the procedure, <i>S21 RFID System - Final Test</i> on page 5-15. Step 2 - Set up the Carrier Threshold for the Reader. 2. Check the RF level of the messages received from the Test Tag; it must be higher than (RSS+HNL+3)dBm, that means 3dB above the carrier threshold value. Note The Reader reports the RF level of the received message only if the parameter DLI=Y. 3. If the RF level of the Test Tag's received messages is lower than -85dBm, either reposition the Reader or Exciter, or use a higher gain UHF antenna for the Reader.

Problem	Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
Excitation field generated by the Exciter is below Specifications.	LF Transmitter Output is low ($V_{TAP} < 80 V_{pp}$).	The LF antenna loop has a loose connection, or the LF antenna is detuned by a metallic object.	1. Check whether the LF antenna wires are connected to the terminal block (See <i>LF Antenna Connections</i> on page 3-3). 2. Check the 3-wire connection between the LF antenna terminal block and the EXT95SC assembly (terminal block TB2). 3. Check whether the recommended setup guidelines for the Exciter's location are met. Pay special attention to metallic surfaces surrounding the Exciter, short-circuit loops, and the spacing between adjacent Exciters.
The Exciter responds with C9 at the Self-Diagnostic Procedure.	Exciter k responds with C9 at the command: :TEST:EXCITER k sent by the Main PC (k is the Exciter's address).	A faulty Exciter or a loose connection in the power cable or communication cable between the Reader and the Exciter. A large magnetic coupling between 2 adjacent Exciter EX21 frames The LF antenna is detuned by metallic objects that are in close proximity.	1. Check the power cable and the communication cable between the Reader and the Exciter. 2. Check the Exciter's address setting. 3. Check the LF Transmitter's output. (See <i>LF Antenna Connections</i> on page 3-3). 1. Check the Exciter's TAP voltage. (See <i>LF Transmitter Output</i> on page 5-7). 2. Reposition the EX21 frames to minimize the unwanted modulation; the amplitude of $V_{TAPmin} > 60 V_{pp}$. 1. Check the Exciter's V_{TAP}. 2. Reposition the EX21 frames to minimize the detuning; the amplitude of $V_{TAP} > 80 V_{pp}$.

Chapter 8

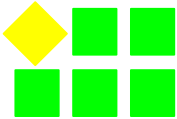
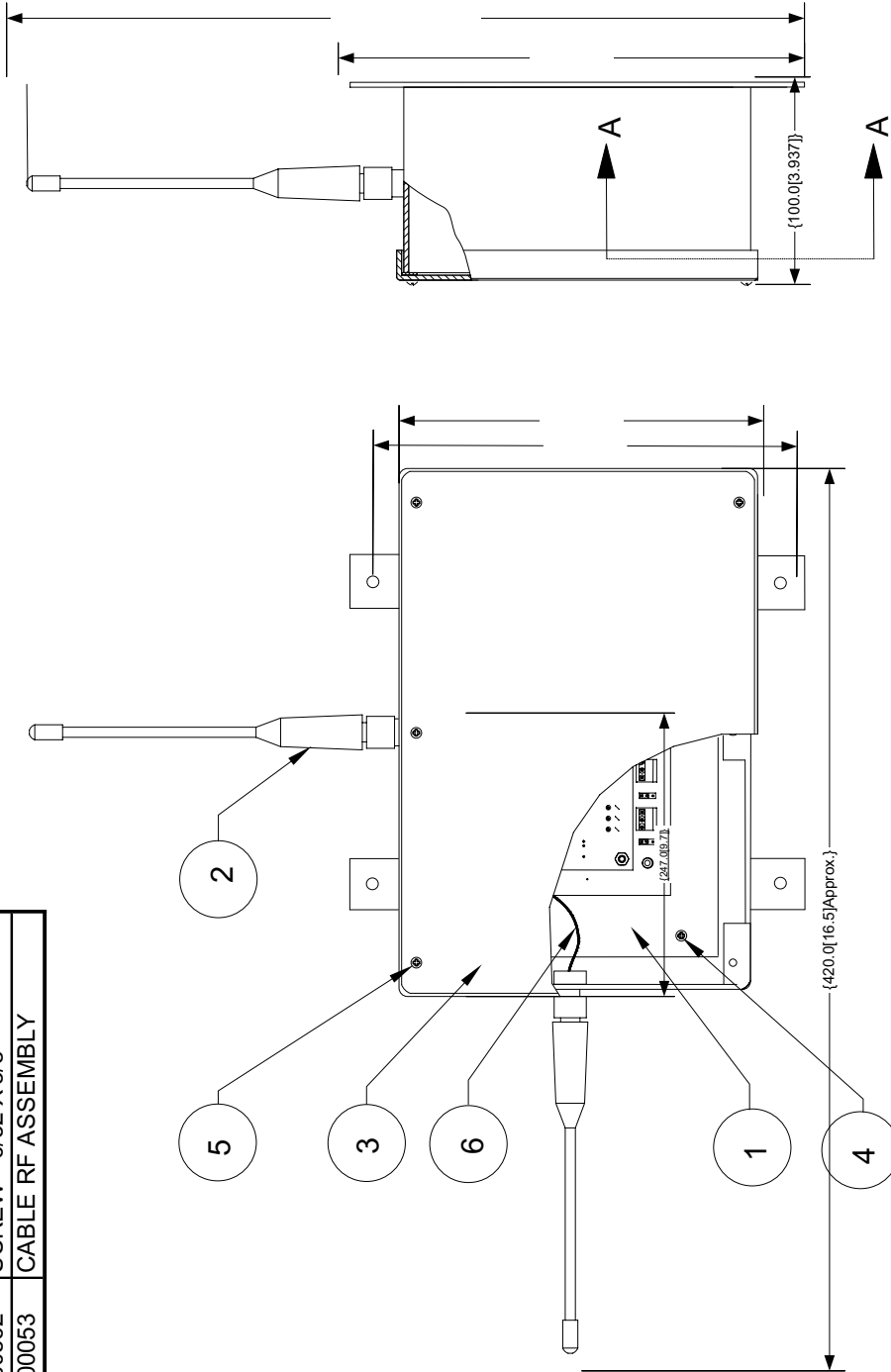
Drawings

Overview

This chapter contains drawings for the following:

- Lyngsoe Industries Reader RD21 (600002)
- Lyngsoe Industries Exciter EX21 (600003)
- Lyngsoe Industries TRM95 Power Supply (600579) & (600626)

ITEM	QTY	PART NO:	DESCRIPTION
1	1	500020	R21 MODULE
2	2	350873	433 MHZ ANTENNA
3	1	400847	ENCLOSURE - BASE & LID
4	4	400561	SCREW - 6/32 X 1/4"
5	6	400562	SCREW - 6/32 X 3/8"
6	2	500053	CABLE RF ASSEMBLY

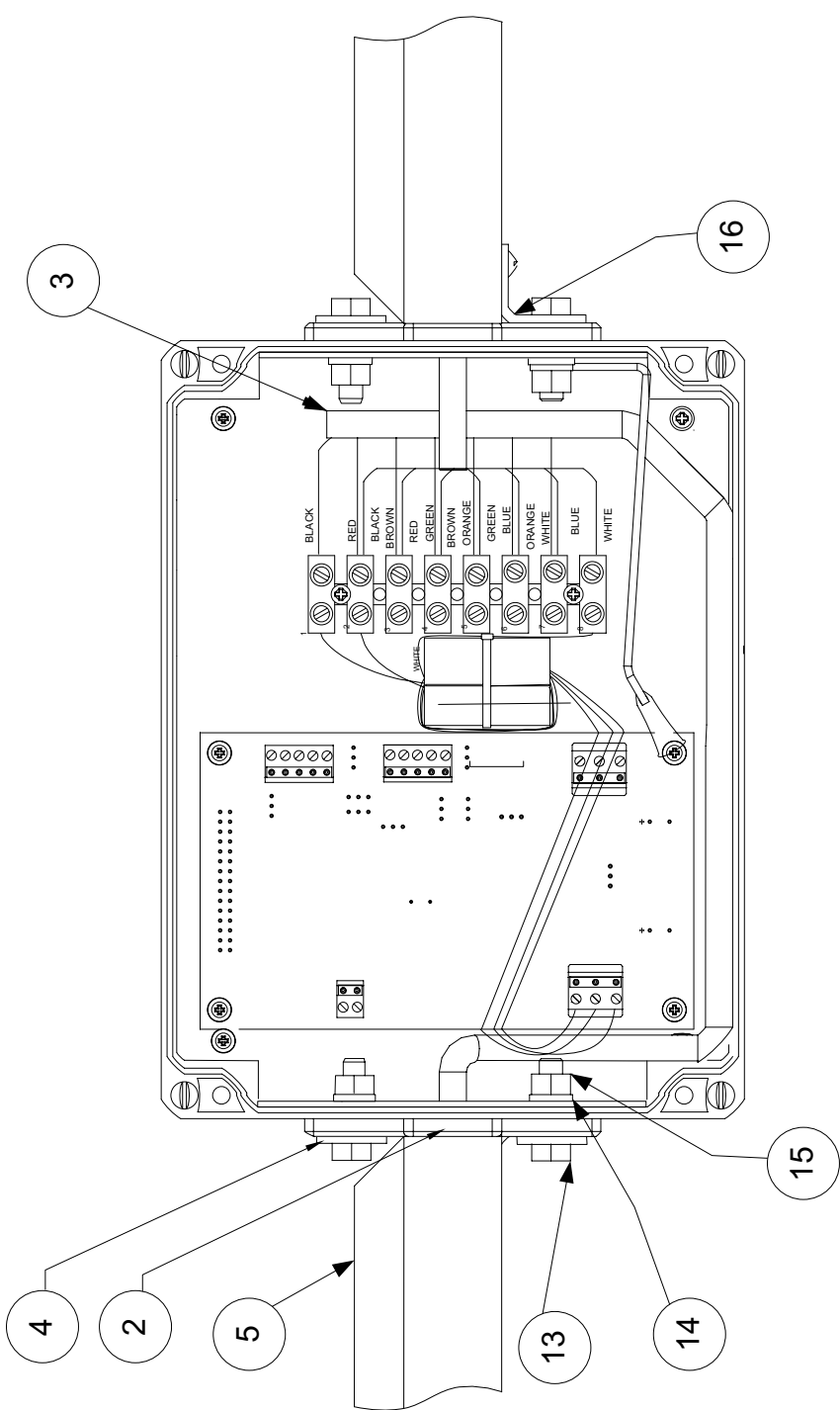


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Exciter RD21 General Assembly

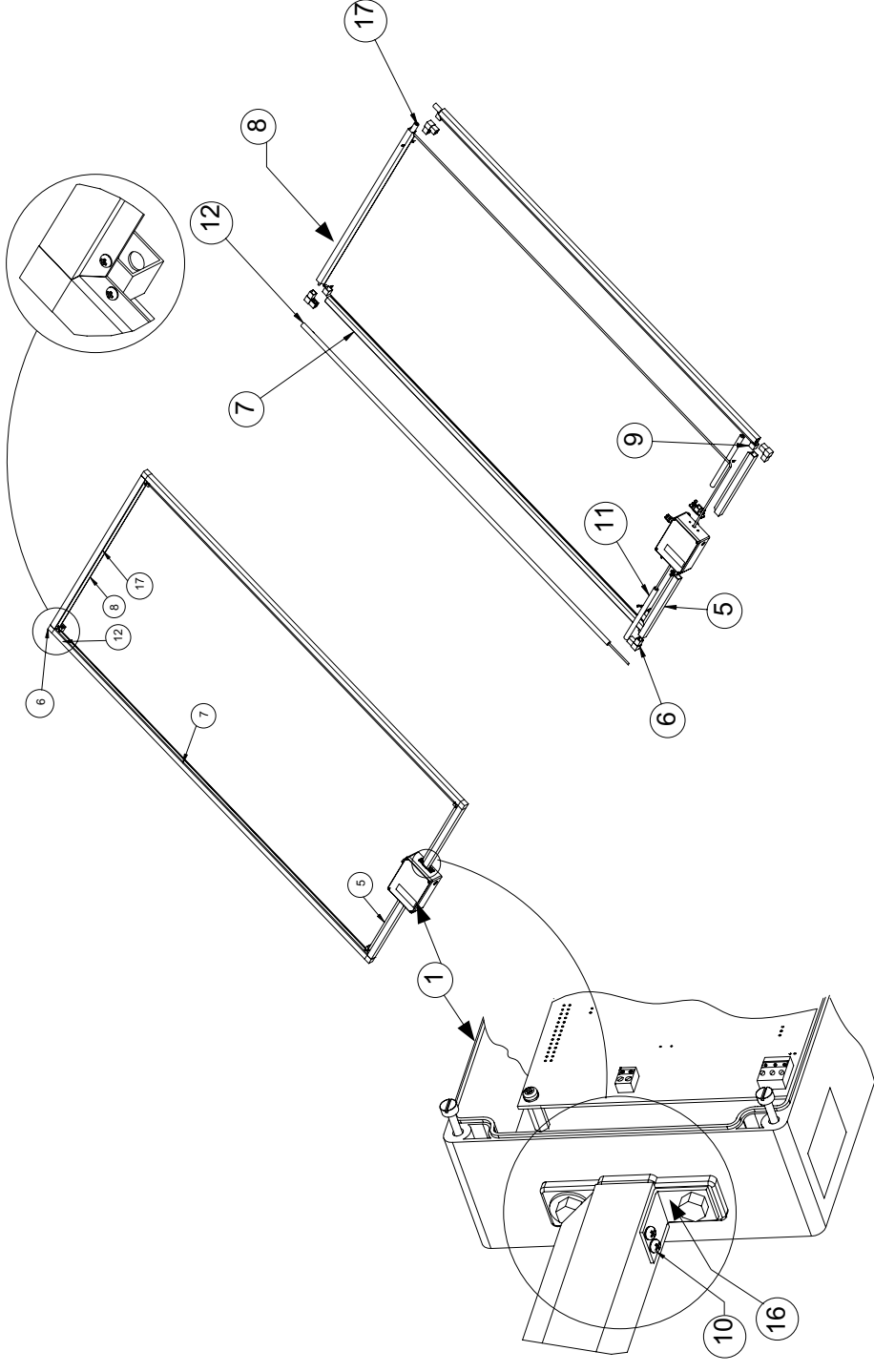
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Item	LI	PN	Part	Description	Qty
1	500010		Subassy	PCB/Enclosure Exciter EX21	1
2	400596		Mech Part	Base Connector with Hole	2
3	350324		Hardware	Cable 7 Conductors, L=6.7m	1
4	400692		Washer	M6, Flat, SS	3
5	400641		Mech Part	1" Sq. Single Flanged Tube, 0.37m	2
6	400682		Mech Part	Two Way Corner with Hole	4
7	400640		Mech Part	1" Sq. Single Flanged Tube, 1.949m	2
8	400642		Mech Part	1" Sq. Single Flanged Tube, 0.949m	1
9	400644		Mech Part	1" Sq. Single Tube with Hole	4
10	400667		Screw	M3.5x9.5, Self Drill, Philips, FH, Steel/Zn	10
11	400648		Mech Part	Robber Hose 3/4 OD, 0.3m	2
12	400647		Mech Part	Robber Hose 3/4 OD, 1.88m	2
13	400664		Screw	M6x20, Hexagon Head, SS	4
14	400691		Washer	M6, Serrated Lock, SS	4
15	400639		Nut	M6, Hexagon, SS	4
16	400600		Mech Part	Bracket 90 Degree	4
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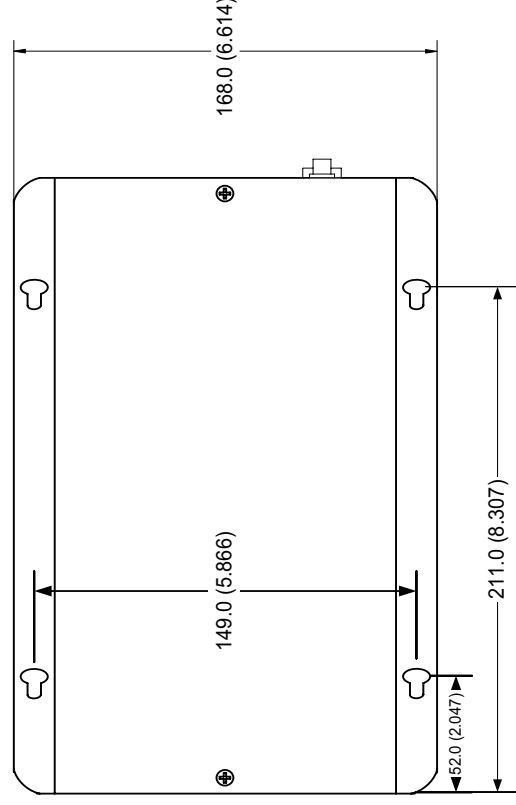
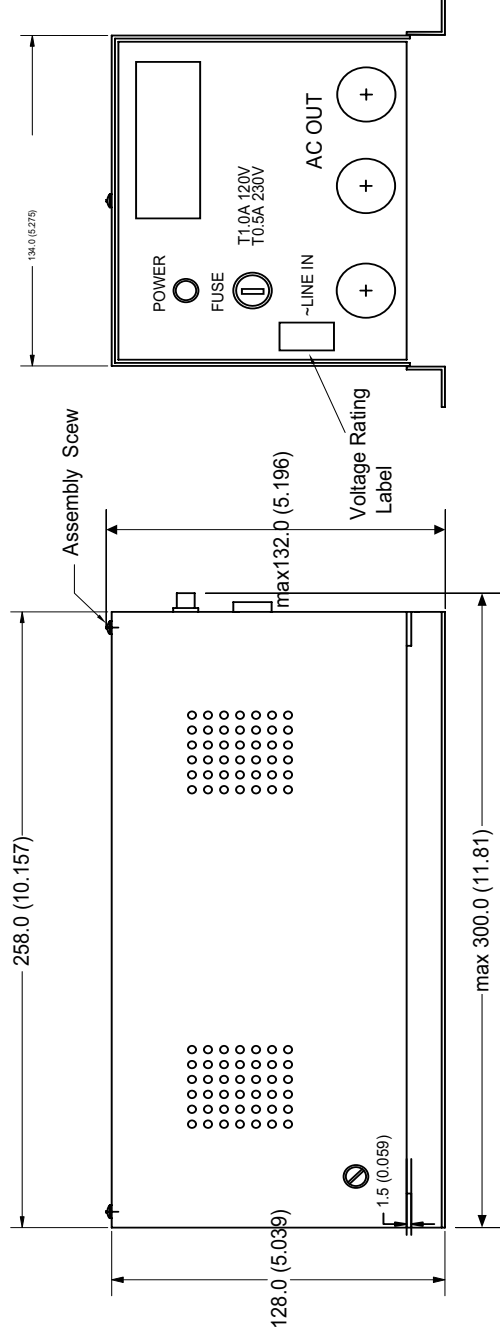


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Exciter EX21 General Assembly



PN: 600003

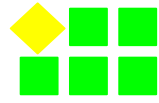


NOTES (unless otherwise specified)

1. Dimensions: mm(inch).

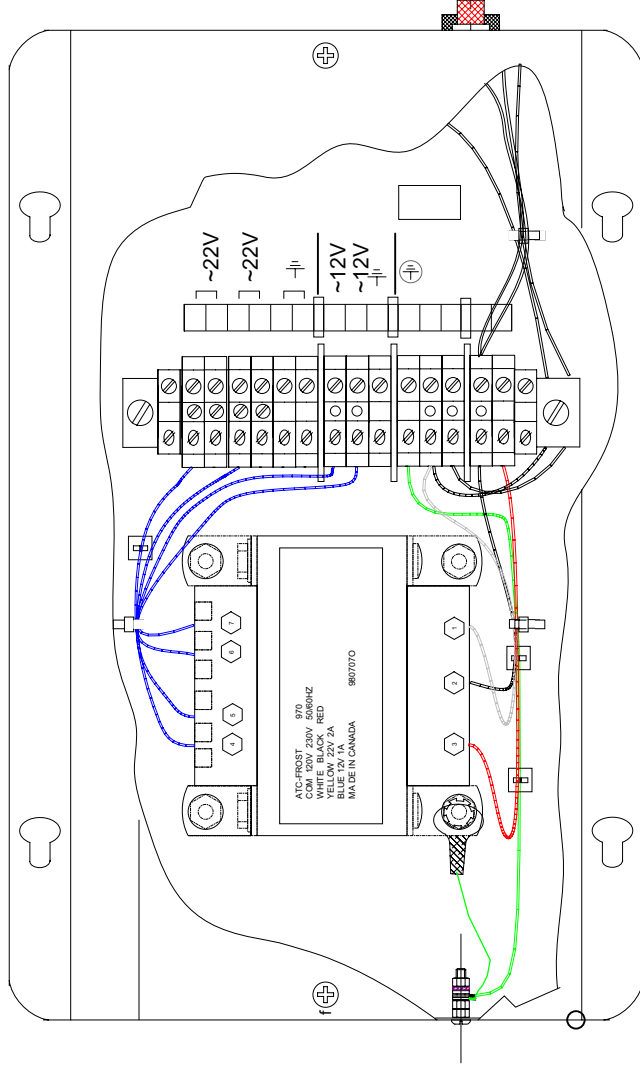
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240 Volt Version - PN:600626



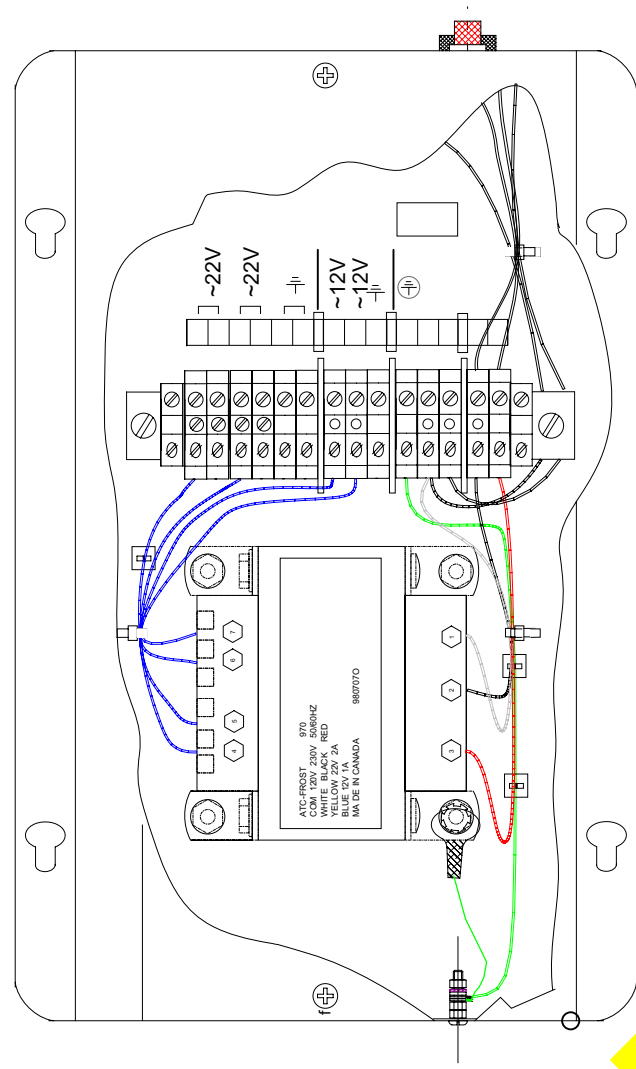
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Power Supply TRM 95



120 Volt Version

To T1-4 (yellow)
To T1-5 (yellow)
To T1-6 (blue)
To T1-7 (blue)
To Ground (yellow/green)
To DS1-2 (brown)
To T1-1 (white)
To F-1 (blue)
To T1-2 (black)
To T1-3 (red)



240 Volt Version

To T1-4 (yellow)
To T1-5 (yellow)
To T1-6 (blue)
To T1-7 (blue)
To Ground (yellow/green)
To DS1-2 (brown)
To T1-1 (white)
To F-1 (blue)
To T1-2 (black)
To T1-3 (red)

NOTES (unless otherwise specified)

120 Volt Version - PN:600579

240 Volt Version - PN:600626

Appendix A

Specifications

This appendix gives technical specifications for the Transponder PT21/PT23, the Reader RD21, the Exciter EX21, and the AC Source TRM95. It also gives information on system performances and special features.

Transponder PT21/PT23

LF Receiver	• Configuration: Direct detection for 125.0 kHz signals modulated On/Off (OOK) with 610 Hz. • Minimum LF excitation duration: 150 ms. • Carrier Frequency (125.0 kHz) Bandwidth @3dB: 12 to 18 kHz. • Sensitivity: better than $H = 10\text{mA/m}[80\text{ dB}\mu\text{A/m}]$ for optimum excitation.
UHF Transmitter	• Carrier Frequency, nominal: 433.92 MHz ± 50 kHz, stabilized by a SAW resonator. • Carrier Frequency, max. variation: ± 100 kHz, due to temperature and aging • Modulation Type: Frequency-Shift Keying (FSK). • Total Frequency Deviation, nominal: 15 ± 3 kHz. • Total Frequency Deviation, max. variation: 8 to 40 kHz. • Radiated Power (ERP): less than 10 μW. • Data Rate: 19.2 or 38.4 kbps.
Excitation Signal	The Transponder is only awoken by signals accepted by the LF Receiver that have a duration of at least 150ms with a determined pattern of modulation.
Programming	• Mode: LF field. • Data Rate: 1.2 kbps. • Parameters: see the <i>RFID System S21 Reference Guide</i>.
Writing and Transmitting Data	Asynchronous, NRZ, using a specially developed protocol.
Message Format	For more information, see Appendix B, <i>Transponder PT21/PT23 Messages</i> .
Power Supply	3 V/150 mAh, lithium cell battery.
Power Consumption	Maximum 3 μA in sleep mode; 2.5mA in transmission mode.

Transponder Lifetime	More than 5 years under normal use (1000 transmission/year).
Environmental	
Operation Temperature	- 20°C to +55°C.
Storage Temperature	- 40°C to +70°C.
Relative Humidity	Maximum 95%, non-condensing at +40°C
Mechanical	• Dimensions, max Length: 143.0 mm Width: 107 mm Height: max. 2.8 mm • Weight: max 12 g • Survives at least 1000 times through the automatic mail sorting machine.
Approvals	Approved under I-ETS 300 220, I-ETS 300 330, RS-210 and FCC Part 15.

Reader RD21

Configuration	Superheterodyne receiver for 433.92 MHz signals modulated FSK.
Sensitivity	Better than -105 dBm at 12 dB SINAD for 1 kHz modulation and 15 kHz total deviation.
Successful Message Ratio (Throughput)	Better than 98% for any of the following conditions: • RF Input Signal: -90 dBm to -10 dBm • Frequency Range: 433.92 MHz $\pm$ 75 kHz. • Total Frequency Deviation: 7 to 45 kHz. • Data Rate: 19.2, or 38.4 kbps.
Object Sensor Input	• Voltage limits: -0.5 to 5.5V • Current: max 50μA
Relay Driving Capabilities	• Max. Switching Current: 1A • Max. Switched Voltage: 150Vdc or 300Vac • Max. Switched Power: 30 W or 60 VA • UL Rating: 1A @ 30Vdc 0.5A @ 120Vdc

Additional Features

- RF antenna diversity.
- RF input signal level measurement. This information is attached to every received message.
- Programmable carrier threshold. Only input RF signals above this threshold are processed.
- Real time clock: a time stamp (Month/Day/Hour/Minute) can be added to every received message.
- Reads data with or without error checking and encryption in hexadecimal or ASCII format.
- Received messages can be filtrated by time, RF signal level, system code, and data content.
- Stores over 50 kbytes of received messages in an internal buffer.
- Interfaces with a PC through the RS-232 or RS-485 interface. The RS-485 can be configured for half-duplex (2 wires) or full-duplex (4 wires).
- Controls up to 15 Exciters EX21 through a dedicated RS-485 interface.
- Reader's firmware can be upgraded using the serial interface.

Power Supply

12Vac $\pm$ 10%, 50/60 Hz, or 14.8 to 18.2 Vdc.

Power Consumption

Maximum 0.4 A (Typical 0.3 A).

Environmental

Operation
Temperature

- 20°C to +55°C.

Storage
Temperature

- 40°C to +70°C.

Relative
Humidity

Maximum 95%, non-condensing at +40°C.

Mechanical

- Dimensions (without UHF antennas)

Length: 250 $\pm$ 5 mm

Width: 210 $\pm$ 5 mm

Height: 100 $\pm$ 5 mm

- Weight: max 4 kg

Approvals

Approved under I-ETS 300-220, I-ETS 300-330, RS-210 and FCC Part 15.

Exciter EX21

LF Transmitter

- Carrier Frequency: 125.0 kHz, quartz crystal generated.
- Modulation type: On/Off Keying (OOK).
- Modulation Frequency: 600 $\pm$ 10 Hz.
- Carrier and modulation frequency tolerance: $\pm$ 50 ppm ($\pm$ 6.6 kHz).
- Carrier and modulation frequency stability: better than 100 ppm ($\pm$ 13.2 kHz) over the temperature range.
- Carrier and modulation frequency aging: maximum 3 ppm/year (0.4 Hz/year).
- Maximum radiated E-field at 10 m: 116 dB μ V/m.

Additional Features

- Exciter EX21 incorporates a UHF transmitter that simulates the Transponder PT21/PT23 to check the Reader's capability.
- Test Transponder can be programmed and activated from the main PC.
- Self diagnostic for LF-Transmitter output level.
- Self diagnostic for power supply voltage level.
- Output relay driving
- Input Object Sensor

Power Supply

22 Vac $\pm$ 10%, 50/60 Hz; or 25.2 - 30.8 Vdc.

Power Consumption

Maximum 0.5 A (Typical 0.3 A).

Environmental

Operation Temperature

- 20°C to +55°C.

Storage Temperature

- 40°C to +70°C.

Relative Humidity

Maximum 95%, non-condensing at +40°C.

Mechanical

- Dimensions

Length: 2060 $\pm$ 10 mm

Width: 1000 $\pm$ 10 mm

Height: 75 $\pm$ 5 mm

- Weight: max 5.5 kg

Approvals

Approved under I-ETS 300 330, I-ETS 300 220, RSS-210 and FCC Part 15.

Power Supply TRM95

Input

- AC line voltage: 120Vac - model TRM95/120V
230Vac - model TRM95/230V
- Ratings: Model TRM95/120V - 0.7A, 60 Hz
Model TRM95/230V - 0.35A, 50 Hz
- Voltage tolerance: $\pm 10\%$
- Fusing: Type T ("Slo-Blo"), 5x20mm; 1A for TRM95/120V; 0.5A for TRM95/230V

Output

- Dual: 12 Vac/1A, 22Vac/2A
- Frequency: 50/60Hz
- Voltage tolerance: $\pm 10\%$

EnvironmentalOperation
Temperature

- 30°C to +50°C.

Storage
Temperature

- 40°C to +70°C.

Relative
Humidity

Maximum 95%, non-condensing at +40°C.

Mechanical

- Dimensions

Length: 300 ± 5 mmWidth: 168 ± 5 mmHeight: 132 ± 5 mm**Approvals**

Approved under CSA, UL, and CE.

System Performance

Excitation Range

Larger than 4.0 m in open space conditions.

Reading Range

Larger than 20.0 m in open space conditions.

**Identification
Capability**

Transponders can be identified (excited and recorded) when they are placed inside standard mail trays and bags, or collated on roller cages when they are moving through the RFID system at the normal operational speed (less than 5 m/s).

Readers can simultaneously identify up to 15 Transponders present in the excitation field. The level of accuracy is greater than 95%.

System Capacity

Up to 31 Readers RD21 can be connected through the RS-485 interface to the main PC.

Up to 15 Exciters EX21 can be controlled by any Reader RD21. More Exciters EX21 can be used to generate a specific shape for the excitation gate.

Self Testing Capabilities

At the request of the main computer, the RFID System automatically reports the status of the LF excitation field generated by each Exciter EX21, and the receiving capability of each Reader RD21.

Object Sensor Monitoring

An external object sensor device can switch the excitation field On and Off.

Driving Output

A Single Pole Double Throw (SPDT) relay contact is available to drive external devices. The relay