# **Bluetooth RS-232 Adapter**

User manual for BT-232B and BT-232B-E models

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**BT Adapter** Model

BT-232B-E Bluetooth RS-232 Adapter with External Antenna



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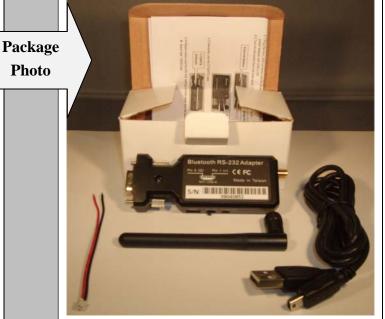
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### 1. Packing Contents

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Package

**Check List** 

### 2. Quick Guide

(Note: For BT-232B-E model, fasten the external antenna to the adapter before performing Quick Guide 2.1)

2.1 Using the USB cable provided in the package, plug the mini USB connector into the Bluetooth RS-232 adapter then connect it to the power adapter with USB or PC

2.2 Turn on the power from the slide switch. The red LED power is on.



2.3 In most cases, use the CTS/RTS as the type of signal flow control



- 2.4 Check the RS-232 setting on 2 sides if they both have the following values:
  - Baud rate: 19200 bps
  - Data bit: 8Parity: none
  - Stop bit: 1
  - Flow control: H/W or none

If not, please modify the setting by using hyper terminal software and the setup command via COM port. (See section 11 for the setup commands.)

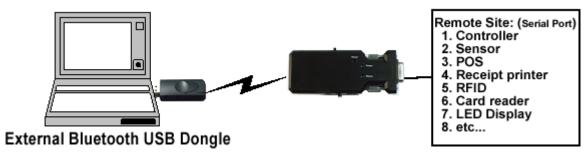
- 2.5 Two RS-232 adapter connections in a master-slave environment (See section 3.3 for illustration). Upon first connection, it is in slave-mode by default and can be set to master-mode using the setup command (See "ROLE" command in section 11).
- 2.6 If you are using PC or NB, start the IVT software or the built in Bluetooth management software, like Toshiba.

## 3. Connection scenarios

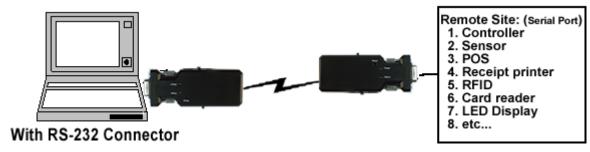
3.1 Built in Bluetooth and RS-232 adapter



3.2 USB Bluetooth dongle and RS-232 adapter



3.3 Two RS-232 adapters: One is master and the other one is slave (default). Take note that in this scenario the PC or NB is equipped with RS-232 connector.



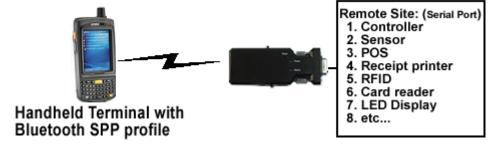
3.4 Two RS-232 adapters: without RS-232 but with USB connector



3.5 Two RS-232 adapters for micro controller.



3.6 Handheld terminal with SPP profile



- 4. How to use external battery
- 4.1 Options:
- Standard A, AA or AAA battery: 3 units for each model.



 Li-Polymer Battery: 3~3.7 VDC. The capacity depends on the applications. General working power consumption: 100 mAh (for reference)



## 4.2 Example:



## 5. Factory Settings for COM port and Bluetooth:

• Baud rate: 19200 bps

Data bit: 8Parity: noneStop bit: 1

Flow control: H/W or noneBluetooth PIN code is "1234"

Bluetooth default setting: To inquire default values, see section 11 for the setup command.

#### 6. Reset Button

- 6.1 Disconnect and reconnect a wireless connection (after a short press).
- 6.2 Restore the factory settings (after over three seconds' press).

#### 7. Slide Switch

Use the slide switch to swap between TXD/RXD and CTS/RTS signals.

By switching, you can set the adaptor either as a DTE (towards antenna connector) or a DCE (towards RS232 connector).

- 8. Power Supply: The adaptor can be powered via the following source.
- 8.1 USB cable
- 8.2 External Battery: Please refer to section 4.
- 9. LED Status:

Status	Description	
Power LED off	No power supply.	
Power LED on	Firmware is running OK.	
Link LED off	No pairing established.	
Link LED fast (0.1 sec) blinking	Pairing (slave or master mode).	
Link LED fast (0.3 sec) blinking	Discoverable and waiting for a	
Link LED last (0.3 sec) billiking	connection (slave mode).	
Link LED slow (0.9 sec) blinking	Inquiring (master mode).	
Link LED very slow (1.2 sec) blinking	Connecting (master mode).	
Link LED steadily on	Connection established.	

## 10. Configuration the parameters of the COM port

10.1 Configure via Hyper terminal or Telnet

10.2 Use 3<sup>rd</sup> Party COM port tools: PuTTYtel, Hypertrm, Terminal, Virtual Serial Ports Driver XP or etc...

# 11. Setup Command set (Please type in all capital letter)

Command	Value	Description			
ADDRESS=		This command is used to display the Bluetooth address of the local			
		adaptor.			
	?	Inquire the Bluetooth address of the local adaptor.			
AT		Check the connection status between control terminal and the			
		RS-232 adapter. Response: "OK" when the connection is ok.			
		Response: "ERROR" when the connection is not ok.			
AUTO=		This command is used to enable/disable auto-connection feature. It			
		is available only when the adaptor is in the master role.			
(Default)	Y	Automatically connect the adaptor to a device specified by			
		"DEVICE" or any available device if "DEVICE=xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx is not			
		executed.			
	N	Disable auto-connection feature. After it is executed, you need to			
		execute "CONNECT" to manually connect a remote device.			
54445	?	Inquire the current setting.			
BAUD=	4000	This command is used to specify the baud rate of COM port.			
	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			
DIT	?	Inquire the current baud rate.			
BIT=		Setup the data bit of the COM port			
(Default) 8		8 data bit			
00111505	?	Inquire the current data bit.			
CONNECT=		This command is used to establish a connection. It is available only when the adaptor is in the master role.			
	DEVICE	Connect the adaptor to a specified Bluetooth device.			
		It is available only when "DEVICE=xxxxxxxxxxxx" is executed.			
		Please forget the blank space of the address shown on the window			
		of hyper terminal.			
	1~8	Connect the adaptor to a Bluetooth device in the neighborhood found through "SEARCH=?"			
DEFAULT=		This command is used to restore the default settings and originate			
		a warm start.			
	Υ	Restore the default settings (e.g. 19200 bps).			
DEVICE=		For security purpose, this command is used to specify a unique			
		remote Bluetooth serial adaptor to be connected.			
		In the master role, the adaptor pairs and connects with the			
		designated remote slave address. If the adaptor is in the slave			
		mode, this command is a filter condition to accept the inquiry of the			
		master device.			
	XXXX XX	"xxxx xx xxxxxxx" is a string of 12 hexadecimal digits.			
	XXXXXX				
	R	Restore the status in which the adaptor can connect with any			

		remote address.	
	I	Inquiry the designated address that can be paired and connected.	
DISCOVER=		This command is used to specify whether the adaptor can be discovered or connected by remote devices.	
	N	The adaptor enters the undiscoverable mode. If a pair has been	
		made, the original connection can be resumed. But other remote	
		master device cannot discover this adaptor.	
(Default)	Υ	The adaptor enters the discoverable mode.	
	?	Inquire the current setting.	
ECHO=		This command is used to specify whether the adaptor echoes	
		characters received from the UART back to the DTE/DCE.	
	N	Command characters received from the UART are not echoed	
		back to the DTE/DCE.	
(Default)	Υ	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.	
	N	Disable flow control.	
(Default)	Υ	Enable flow control.	
	?	Inquire the current setting	
NAME=		This command is used to specify a name for the adaptor.	
		You can specify a friendly name using 0 to 9, A to Z, a to z, space	
		and –, which are all valid characters. Note that "first space or -, last	
		space or – isn't permitted". The default name is "Serial Adaptor".	
	xxxxx	"xxxxx" is a character string with a maximal length of 16.	
	?	Inquire the name of the local adaptor.	
PARITY=		This command is used to specify parity bit setting of COM port.	
(Default)	N	None parity bit	
	0	Odd parity	
	E	Even parity	
	?	Inquire the current setting.	
PIN=		This command is used to specify a PIN. The default PIN is "1234".	
		Paired adaptors should have a same PIN.	
	XXXXX	"xxxxx" is a 4~8-digit string.	
	N	Cancel authentication by PIN.	
	?	Inquire the current PIN.	
PROMPT=		The command is 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 for connection status.	
(Default) Y Prompt result messages.		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	N	Not prompt result messages.	
	?	Inquire the current setting.	
ROLE=		This command is used to specify whether the adaptor is in the	
		master or slave role. If the device role is changed, the adaptor will	
		reboot and all paired addresses will be cleared.	
	M	Set the adaptor to the master role.	
(Default)	S	Set the adaptor to the slave role.	

	?	Inquire the current role of the adaptor.	
SEARCH=		This command is used to search for any Bluetooth device in the	
		neighborhood within one minute. If any device is found, its name	
		and 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.	
	?	Inquire Bluetooth devices in the neighborhood, listing 8 devices th	
		maximum	
STOP=		This command is used to specify one or two stop bits of COM port.	
(Default)	1	One stop bit.	
	2	Two stop bits.	
	?	Inquire the current setting.	
VERSION=		This command is used to inquiry the firmware version.	
	?	Inquire the version codes.	

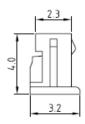
# Appendix 1: Specifications:

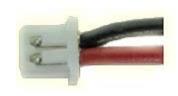
Specification	Description		
Baud Rate	Supports 1.2/2.4/4.8/9.6/19.2/38.4/57.6/115.2 Kbps		
Coverage	Up to 100 m		
Connection	Point-to-point (pico net)		
Signal	TxD, RxD, GND, CTS/RTS and DSR/DTR		
RS-232 Interface	D_SUB 9-pin female		
Standard	Bluetooth specification version 2.0+EDR		
Profiles	Serial Port Profile(SPP)		
Data Bit	8 bit		
Frequency	2.400 to 2.4835 GHz		
Hopping	1,600/sec, 1MHz channel space		
Modulation	GFSK-1 Mbps, DQPSK-2 Mbps, and 8-DPSK-3 Mbps		
Tx. Power	Max. 18 dBm (Class 1)		
Rx. Sensitivity	-86 dBm typical		
Antenna	Chip antenna (Default), SMA or Dipole (optional)		
Antenna Gain	in Chip antenna max. 1 to 2 dBi		
Power Supply	+5 to +6 V DC		
Current Consumption	n Max. 90 mA		
Operation Temperature	-20°C to +75°C		
External Battery Input	3~5 VDC input 3.3 VDC Rechargeable Li-Polymer Battery or AAA x 3		
Dimensions 35 mm (W) x 45 mm (H) x 15 mm (D)			
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# Appendix 2: External Battery Connector Specification

# 1. Figures:







### 2. Electric Specification:

• Pitch Between Poles: 1.25 mm

Current Rating: 1A AC/DC

Voltage Ration: 100V AC/DC

Contact Resistance: 20mΩ Max.

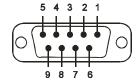
Withstand Voltage: 500V AC/Minute

• Insulation Resistance: 100MΩ Min.

Temperature Range: -25°C To +85°C

### Appendix 3: RS232 Interface

#### 1. Pin-out:



### 2. Signals:

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Pin	Signal	DTE Direction	DCE Direction	Description
1	CD	Input	Output	Not connected
2	TxD	Output	Input	Transmitted data
3	RxD	Input	Output	Received data
4	DSR	Input	Output	Not connected
5	GND	N/A	N/A	Signal ground
6	DTR	Output	Input	Not connected
7	CTS	Input	Output	Clear to send (Remarks)
8	RTS	Output	Input	Request to send (Remarks)
9	Vcc	Input	Input	Power supply

Remarks: The default hardware configuration is for using CTS/RTS. The DSR/DTR is rarely used.

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This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try correcting the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into and outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

**Warning:** A shielded-type power cord is required in order to meet FCC emission limits and also to prevent interference to the nearby radio and television reception. It is essential that only the supplied power cord be used.

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