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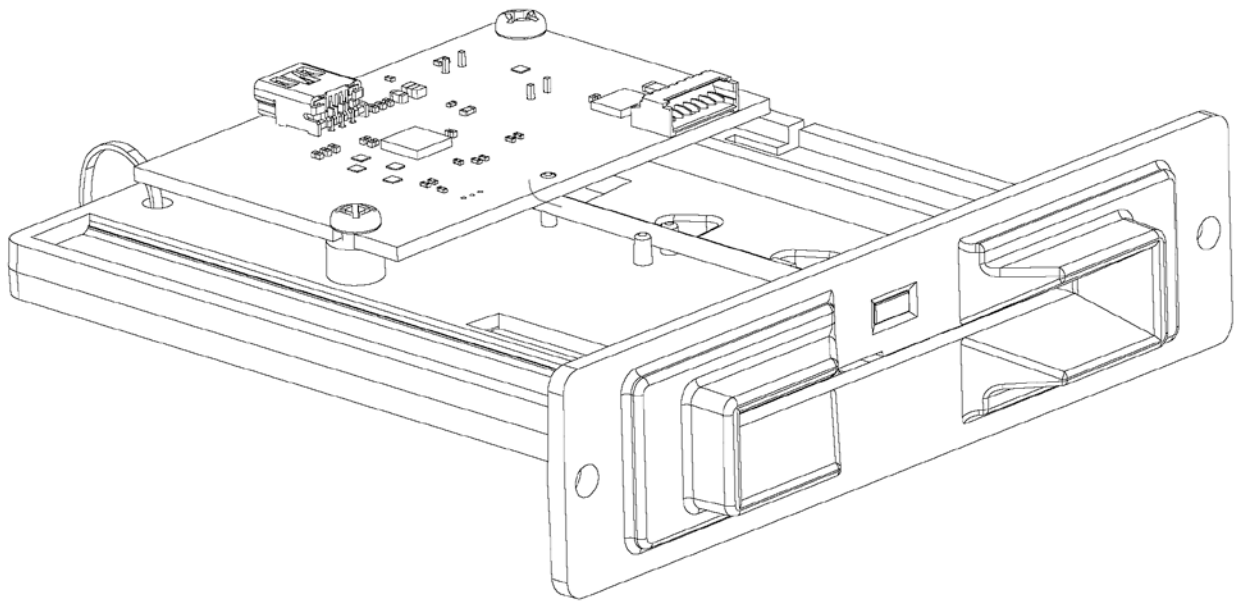


Figure 1-1. Half Card USB Insertion Reader

SECTION 1. FEATURES AND SPECIFICATIONS

The Half Card USB (Universal Serial Bus) Insertion Reader is a compact single-head, dual-track (Tracks 1 and 2) magnetic stripe card reader, which conforms to ISO standards. The magnetic stripe is down and to the right as viewed from the front of the Reader. The single head configuration can read the card on insertion and removal.

The Reader is compatible with any device with a host USB interface. A card is read by inserting it into and/or removing it out of the card slot when the card is oriented such that the card's magnetic stripe contacts a read head.

The reader conforms to the USB HID (Human Interface Device) Class specification Version 1.1. This allows host applications designed for most versions of Windows to easily communicate to the device using standard Windows API calls that communicate to the device through the HID driver that comes with Windows.

The Reader can be operated in two different modes:

- HID (herein referred to as “**HID** mode”) and
- HID with Keyboard Emulation (herein referred to as “**KB** mode”)

When operating in the HID mode, this device will not use keyboard emulation. It behaves like a vendor defined HID device so that a direct communication path can be established between the host application and the device, without interference from other HID devices.

When configured for the Keyboard Emulation (KB) mode, the Reader emulates a USB HID United States keyboard or, optionally, any international keyboard using ALT ASCII code keypad key combinations or customizable key maps. This allows host applications designed to acquire card data from keyboard input to seamlessly acquire the card data from the USB insert reader.

Caution

When in Keyboard Emulation mode, if another keyboard is connected to the same host as this device and a key is pressed on the other keyboard while this device is transmitting, then the data transmitted by this device may get corrupted.

FEATURES

Major features of the Half-card Insert Reader are as follows:

- Powered through the USB – no external power supply required (current consumption of less than one USB Unit Load)
- Hardware Compatible with PC or any computer or terminal with a USB interface
- Compatible with USB specification Revision 1.1
- Compatible with HID specification Version 1.1
- Can use standard Windows HID driver for communications; no third party device driver is required
- Programmable USB serial number descriptor
- Programmable USB Interrupt In Endpoint polling interval
- Card Present Opto-sensor – Detects if card is fully inserted in Reader
- Dual-Color LED – Red/Green colors provide visual cues to the card holder
- Open Chassis Design – provides superior debris clearing capability
- Beam-mounted Read-head – improves card tracking capabilities
- Mag-Stripe reading during insertion and/or removal of card – for reliable card reading
- Non-volatile memory for configuration storage
- The USB Insertion Reader will read cards that meet the standards defined by ISO (International Standards Organization) with the exception that track 1 can only contain up to 50 characters, track 2 up to 25 characters.

HARDWARE CONFIGURATIONS

The Configuration is as follows:

Part Number	Tracks
21066022	1,2

ACCESSORIES

The accessories are as follows:

Part Number	Description
16051430	Cable, USB- A to mini USB-B Pearl White, 6 ft.6'
21042806	USB MSR Demo Program with Source Code (CD)
99510026	USB MSR Demo Program with Source Code (WEB)

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Axelson, Jan. *USB Complete, Everything You Need to Develop Custom USB Peripherals*, 1999. Lakeview Research, 2209 Winnebago St., Madison WI 53704, 396pp., <http://www.lvr.com>.

USB Human Interface Device (HID) Class Specification Version 1.1.

USB (Universal Serial Bus) Specification, Version 1.1, Copyright 1998 by Compaq Computer Corporation, Intel Corporation, Microsoft Corporation, NEC Corporation.

USB Implementers Forum, Inc., www.usb.org

ISO 7811 Identification Cards - Mag-stripe Cards, Tracks 1-3
ISO 7810 Identification Cards - Physical Specifications (ID-1 Cards)

SPECIFICATIONS

Table 1-2 lists the specifications for the Half Card USB Insertion Reader.

Table 1-2. Specifications

Reference Standards	ISO 7810 and ISO 7811* Track 1 maximum length = 50 Characters Track 2 maximum length = 25 Characters Track 3 maximum length = 70 Characters
Power Input	5V from USB port
Recording Method	Two-frequency coherent phase (F2F)
Message Format	ASCII
Card Speed	3 to 60 ips (7.62 to 152.4 cm/s)
Magnetic Head Durability	500,000 Insertion Cycles (1,000,000 head passes)

ELECTRICAL

Current	
Normal Mode	35 ma
Suspend Mode	Meets USB 2.0 specification for a Low-power Function

MECHANICAL

Dimensions	
Length	3.86 in (98.0 mm) – Plus USB connector and cable
Width	4.00 in (101.6 mm)
Height	1.00 in (25.4 mm)
Bezel Thickness	Integrated with reader
Weight	4.1 oz (115 g)
Cable length (optional)	6ft.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Temperature	
Operating	-40° to 70° C (-40° to 158° F)
Storage	-40° to 80° C (-40° to 176° F)
Humidity	
Operating	10% to 90% noncondensing
Storage	10% to 90% noncondensing

* ISO (International Standards Organization)

SECTION 2. INSTALLATION

This section describes the cable connection, the Windows Plug and Play Setup, and the physical mounting of the unit.

USB CONNECTION

Connect the optional USB cable to a USB port on the host. The 5-pin mini USB type B to USB type A cable connector pin numbers and signal descriptions shown in the illustration are listed in Table 2-1.

Table 2-1. 4-Pin USB Type A Connector

Pin Number	Signal	Cable Color
1	V _{CC}	Red
2	- Data	White
3	+Data	Green
4	Ground	Black

WINDOWS PLUG AND PLAY SETUP

On hosts with the Windows operating system, the first time the device is plugged into a specific USB port, Windows will pop up a dialog box, which will guide you through the process of installing a device driver for the device. After this process is completed once, Windows will no longer request this process as long as the device is plugged into the same USB port. The device driver that Windows will install for this device is the driver used for HID devices and it is part of the Windows operating system. When the dialog box pops up, follow the instructions given in the dialog box. Sometimes Windows will find all the files it needs on its own without giving any prompts. Other times Windows will need to know the location of the files it needs. If Windows prompts for the file locations, insert the CD that was used to install Windows on your PC and point Windows to the root directory of the CD. Windows should find all the files it needs there.

MOUNTING

See Appendix C for product dimensions.

SECTION 3. OPERATION

This section describes the LED Indicator and Card Read.

LED INDICATOR

The LED indicator will be either off, red or green (amber is possible with a command issued by the host). When the device is not powered, the LED will be off. When the device is first plugged in, the LED will be red. As soon as the device is plugged in, the host will try to enumerate the device. Once the device is enumerated, the LED will turn green indicating that the device is ready for use. When a card is being inserted or withdrawn, the LED will turn off temporarily until the swipe is completed. If there are no errors after decoding the card data then the LED will turn green. If there are any errors after decoding the card data, the LED will turn red for approximately two seconds to indicate that an error occurred and then turn green. Anytime the host puts the device into suspend mode, the LED will turn off. Once the host takes the device out of suspend mode, the LED will return to the state it was in prior to entering suspend mode. The LED can also be controlled by the host application.

CARD READ

A card may be read by inserting it into the reader slot or removing it from the reader slot. The direction of the read that is sent to the host is controlled by the MSR DIRECTION property, which is described in the next section. The magnetic stripe must face toward a read head during the swipe. Once the card is swiped, the device will attempt to decode the data and then send the results to the host via a USB HID input report or, if in Keyboard Emulation mode, as if the data was being typed on a keyboard. After the results are sent to the host, the device will be ready to read the next swipe. To help reduce read errors, if a good read occurs when the card is inserted and a bad read occurs when the card is removed, then the read data for the card insert will be sent to the host when the card is removed instead of the bad read data from the removal.

SECTION 4. USB COMMUNICATIONS (HID)

The Reader can be operated in two different modes:

- HID (herein referred to as “**HID** mode”) and
- HID with Keyboard Emulation (herein referred to as “**KB** mode”)

When operating in the HID mode, this device will not use keyboard emulation. It behaves like a vendor defined HID device so that a direct communication path can be established between the host application and the device, without interference from other HID devices.

When configured for the Keyboard Emulation (KB) mode, the Reader emulates a USB HID United States keyboard or, optionally, any international keyboard using ALT ASCII code keypad key combinations or customizable key maps. This allows host applications designed to acquire card data from keyboard input to seamlessly acquire the card data from the USB insert reader.

This section only describes USB communications when the device is in the HID mode. See the USB communications (KB) section for a description of USB communication when the device is in the KB mode. (Refer to [Interface Type Property](#) for information on how to change modes.)

This device conforms to the USB specification revision 1.1. This device also conforms with the Human Interface Device (HID) class specification version 1.1. The device communicates to the host as a vendor defined HID device. The details about how the card data and commands are structured into HID reports follow later in this section. The latest versions of the Windows operating systems come with a standard Windows USB HID driver. Windows applications that communicate to this device can be easily developed. These applications can communicate to the device using standard windows API calls that communicate to the device using the standard Windows USB HID driver. These applications can be easily developed using compilers such as Microsoft’s Visual Basic or Visual C++. A demonstration program and its source code, written in Visual Basic, that communicates with this device is available. This demo program can be used to test the device and it can be used as a guide for developing other applications. More details about the demo program follow later in this document.

It is recommended that application software developers become familiar with the HID specification and the USB specification before attempting to communicate with this device. This document assumes that the reader is familiar with these specifications. These specifications can be downloaded free from www.usb.org.

This is a full speed USB device. This device has a number of programmable configuration properties. These properties are stored in non-volatile memory. These properties can be configured at the factory or by the end user. More details about these properties can be found later in this document in the command section.

The device will go into suspend mode when directed to do so by the host. The device will wakeup from suspend mode when directed to do so by the host. The device does not support remote wakeup.

This device is powered from the USB bus. Its vendor ID is 0x0801 and its product ID is 0x0003.

HID USAGES

HID devices send data in reports. Elements of data in a report are identified by unique identifiers called usages. The structure of the device's reports and the device's capabilities are reported to the host in a report descriptor. The host usually gets the report descriptor only once, right after the device is plugged in. The report descriptor usages identify the devices capabilities and report structures. For example, a device could be identified as a keyboard by analyzing the device's report descriptor. Usages are four byte integers. The most significant two bytes are called the usage page and the least significant two bytes are called usage IDs. Usages that are related can share a common usage page. Usages can be standardized or they can be vendor defined. Standardized usages such as usages for mice and keyboards can be found in the HID Usage Tables document and can be downloaded free at www.usb.org. Vendor defined usages must have a usage page in the range 0xff00 – 0xffff. All usages for this device use vendor defined magnetic stripe reader usage page 0xff00. The usage IDs for this device are defined in the following table. The usage types are also listed. These usage types are defined in the HID Usage Tables document.

Magnetic Stripe Reader usage page 0xff00:

Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Usage Type	Report Type
1	Decoding reader device	Collection	None
20	Track 1 decode status	Data	Input
21	Track 2 decode status	Data	Input
22	Track 3 decode status	Data	Input
28	Track 1 data length	Data	Input
29	Track 2 data length	Data	Input
2A	Track 3 data length	Data	Input
30	Track 1 data	Data	Input
31	Track 2 data	Data	Input
32	Track 3 data	Data	Input
38	Card encode type	Data	Input
39	Card status	Data	Input
20	Command message	Data	Feature

REPORT DESCRIPTOR

The HID report descriptor is structured as follows:

Item	Value(Hex)
Usage Page (Magnetic Stripe Reader)	06 00 FF
Usage (Decoding reader device)	09 01
Collection (Application)	A1 01
Logical Minimum (0)	15 00
Logical Maximum (255)	26 FF 00
Report Size (8)	75 08
Usage (Track 1 decode status)	09 20
Usage (Track 2 decode status)	09 21
Usage (Track 3 decode status)	09 22
Usage (Track 1 data length)	09 28
Usage (Track 2 data length)	09 29
Usage (Track 3 data length)	09 2A
Usage (Card encode type)	09 38
Report Count (7)	95 07
Input (Data, Variable, Absolute, Bit Field)	81 02
Usage (Track 1 data)	09 30
Report Count (110)	95 6E
Input (Data, Variable, Absolute, Buffered Bytes)	82 02 01
Usage (Track 2 data)	09 31
Report Count (110)	95 6E
Input (Data, Variable, Absolute, Buffered Bytes)	82 02 01
Usage (Track 3 data)	09 32
Report Count (110)	95 6E
Input (Data, Variable, Absolute, Buffered Bytes)	82 02 01
Usage (Card Status)	09 39
Report Count (1)	95 01
Input (Data, Variable, Absolute, Bit Field)	81 02
Usage (Command message)	09 20
Report Count (24)	95 18
Feature (Data, Variable, Absolute, Buffered Bytes)	B2 02 01
End Collection	C0

CARD DATA

Card data is only sent to the host on the Interrupt In pipe using an Input Report. The device will send only one Input Report per card swipe. The MSR direction property, defined later in this section, determines the direction of the card swipe that will generate an Input Report. This property can be set to insert, withdrawal or both. If the host requests data from the device when no data is available, the device will send a Nak to the host to indicate that it has nothing to send. When a card is swiped, the Input Report will be sent even if the data is not decodable. The following table shows how the input report is structured.

Offset	Usage Name
0	Track 1 decode status
1	Track 2 decode status
2	Track 3 decode status
3	Track 1 data length
4	Track 2 data length
5	Track 3 data length
6	Card encode type
7 – 116	Track 1 data
117 – 226	Track 2 data
227 - 336	Track 3 data
337	Card Status

TRACK 1 DECODE STATUS

Bits	7-1	0
Value	Reserved	Error

This is a one-byte value, which indicates the status of decoding track 1. Bit position zero indicates there was an error decoding track 1 if the bit is set to 1. If it is zero, then no error occurred. If a track has data on it that is not noise, and it is not decodable, then a decode error is indicated. If a decode error is indicated, the corresponding track data length value for the track that has the error will be set to zero and no valid track data will be supplied.

TRACK 2 DECODE STATUS

Bits	7-1	0
Value	Reserved	Error

This is a one-byte value, which indicates the status of decoding track 2. Bit position zero indicates if there was an error decoding track 2 if this bit is set to one. If it is zero, then no error occurred. If a track has data on it that is not noise, and it is not decodable, then a decode error is indicated. If a decode error is indicated, the corresponding track data length value for the track that has the error will be set to zero and no valid track data will be supplied.

TRACK 3 DECODE STATUS

Bits	7-1	0
Value	Reserved	Error

This is a one-byte value, which indicates the status of decoding track 3. Bit position zero indicates there was an error decoding track 3 if this bit is set to one. If it is zero, then no error occurred. If a track has data on it that is not noise, and it is not decodable, then a decode error is indicated. If a decode error is indicated, the corresponding track data length value for the track that has the error will be set to zero and no valid track data will be supplied.

TRACK 1 DATA LENGTH

This one byte value indicates how many bytes of decoded card data are in the track 1 data field. This value will be zero if there was no data on the track or if there was an error decoding the track.

TRACK 2 DATA LENGTH

This one byte value indicates how many bytes of decoded card data are in the track 2 data field. This value will be zero if there was no data on the track or if there was an error decoding the track.

TRACK 3 DATA LENGTH

This one byte value indicates how many bytes of decoded card data are in the track 3 data field. This value will be zero if there was no data on the track or if there was an error decoding the track.

CARD ENCODE TYPE

This one byte value indicates the type of encoding that was found on the card. The following table defines the possible values.

Value	Encode Type	Description
0	ISO/ABA	ISO/ABA encode format
1	AAMVA	AAMVA encode format
2	CADL	No longer supported
3	Blank	The card is blank
4	Other	The card has a non-standard encode format. For example, ISO/ABA track 1 format on track 2.
5	Undetermined	The card encode type could not be determined because no tracks could be decoded.
6	None	No decode has occurred. This type occurs if no magnetic stripe data has been acquired since the data has been cleared or since the device was powered on. This device only sends an Input report when a card has been swiped so this value will never occur.

TRACK DATA

If decodable track data exists for a given track, it is located in the track data field that corresponds to the track number. The length of each track data field is fixed at 110 bytes, but the length of valid data in each field is determined by the track data length field that corresponds to the track number. Track data located in positions greater than the track data length field indicates are undefined and should be ignored. The HID specification requires that reports be fixed in size, but the number of bytes encoded on a card may vary. Therefore, the Input Report always contains the maximum amount of bytes that can be encoded on the card and the number of valid bytes in each track is indicated by the track data length field. The track data is decoded and converted to ASCII. The track data includes all data starting with the start sentinel and ending with the end sentinel.

TRACK 1 DATA

This field contains the decoded track data for track 1.

TRACK 2 DATA

This field contains the decoded track data for track 2.

TRACK 3 DATA

This field contains the decoded track data for track 3.

CARD STATUS

Bits	7-1	0
Value	Reserved	Card Inserted

This is a one-byte value, which indicates the card status. Bit position zero indicates that the card was swiped in the insertion direction if it is set to one. If it is set to zero, then the card was swiped in the withdrawal direction. All other bit positions are reserved.

COMMANDS

Most host applications do not need to send commands to the device. Most host applications only need to obtain card data from the device as described previously in this section. This section of the manual can be ignored by anyone who does not need to send commands to the device.

Command requests and responses are sent to and received from the device using feature reports. Command requests are sent to the device using the HID class specific request Set Report. The response to a command is retrieved from the device using the HID class specific request Get Report. These requests are sent over the default control pipe. When a command request is sent, the device will Nak the Status stage of the Set Report request until the command is completed. This insures that as soon as the Set Report request is completed, the Get Report request can be sent to get the command response. The usage ID for the command message was shown previously in the Usage Table.

The following table shows how the feature report is structured for command requests:

Offset	Field Name
0	Command Number
1	Data Length
2 – 23	Data

The following table shows how the feature report is structured for command responses.

Offset	Field Name
0	Result Code
1	Data Length
2 – 23	Data

COMMAND NUMBER

This one byte field contains the value of the requested command number. The following table lists all the existing commands.

Value	Command Number	Description
0	GET PROPERTY	Gets a property from the device
1	SET PROPERTY	Sets a property in the device
2	RESET DEVICE	Resets the device
6	LED STATE	Changes the LED state

DATA LENGTH

This one byte field contains the length of the valid data contained in the Data field.

DATA

This multi-byte field contains command data if any. Note that the length of this field is fixed at 22 bytes. Valid data should be placed in the field starting at offset 2. Any remaining data after the valid data should be set to zero. This entire field must always be set even if there is no valid data. The HID specification requires that Reports be fixed in length. Command data may vary in length. Therefore, the Report should be filled with zeros after the valid data.

RESULT CODE

This one byte field contains the value of the result code. There are two types of result codes: generic result codes and command specific result codes. Generic result codes always have the most significant bit set to zero. Generic result codes have the same meaning for all commands and can be used by any command. Command specific result codes always have the most significant bit set to one. Command specific result codes are defined by the command that uses them. The same code can have different meanings for different commands. Command specific result codes are defined in the documentation for the command that uses them. Generic result codes are defined in the following table.

Value	Result Code	Description
0	SUCCESS	The command completed successfully.
1	FAILURE	The command failed.
2	BAD PARAMETER	The command failed due to a bad parameter or command syntax error.

GET AND SET PROPERTY COMMANDS

The Get Property command gets a property from the device. The Get Property command number is 0.

The Set Property command sets a property in the device. The Set Property command number is 1.

The Get and Set Property command data fields for the requests and responses are structured as follows:

Get Property Request Data:

Data Offset	Value
0	Property ID

Get Property Response Data:

Data Offset	Value
0 – n	Property Value

Set Property Request Data:

Data Offset	Value
0	Property ID
1 – n	Property Value

Set Property Response Data: None

The result codes for the Get and Set Property commands can be any of the codes list in the generic result code table.

Property ID is a one-byte field that contains a value that identifies the property. The following table lists all the current property ID values:

Value	Property ID	Description
0x00	SOFTWARE ID	The device's software identifier
0x01	SERIAL NUM	The device's serial number
0x02	POLLING INTERVAL	The interrupt pipe's polling interval
0x03	MSR DIRECTION	Magnetic stripe read direction
0x04	CARD INSERTED	Card inserted indicator
0x05	MAX PACKET SIZE	The interrupt pipe's packet size
0x10	INTERFACE TYPE	Type of USB interface
0x1B	TRACK ID ENABLE	Allows Tracks to be disabled

The Property Value is a multiple byte field that contains the value of the property. The number of bytes in this field depends on the type of property and the length of the property. The following table lists all of the property types and describes them.

Property Type	Description
Byte	This is a one byte value. The valid values depend on the property.
String	This is a multiple byte ASCII string. Its length can be zero to a maximum length that depends on the property. The value and length of the string does not include a terminating NUL character.

SOFTWARE ID PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x00
Property Type: String
Length: Fixed at 11 bytes
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: No

Description: This is an 11 byte read only property that identifies the software part number and version for the device. The first 8 bytes represent the part number and the last 3 bytes represent the version. For example this string might be “21042817C01”. Examples follow:

Example Get **Software ID** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	00

Example Get **Software ID** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	32 31 30 34 32 38 31 37 43 30 31

SERIAL NUM PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x01
Property Type: String
Length: 0 – 15 bytes
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: The default value is no string with a length of zero.
Description: The value is an ASCII string that represents the device’s serial number. This string can be 0 – 15 bytes long. This property is stored in non-volatile EEPROM memory so it will not change when the unit is power cycled. The value of this property, if any, will be sent to the host when the host requests the USB string descriptor. When this property is changed, the unit must be power cycled to have these changes take effect for the USB descriptor. If a value other than the default value is desired, it can be set by the factory upon request. Examples follow.

Example Set **Serial Num** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	04	01	31 32 33

Example Set **Serial Num** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Serial Num** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	01

Example Get **Serial Num** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	03	31 32 33

POLLING INTERVAL PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x02
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 2
Description: The value is a byte that represents the devices polling interval for the Interrupt In Endpoint. The value can be set in the range of 1 – 255 and has units of milliseconds. The polling interval tells the host how often to poll the device for card data packets. For example, if the polling interval is set to 10, the host will poll the device for card data packets every 10ms. This property can be used to speed up or slow down the time it takes to send card data to the host. The trade-off is that speeding up the card data transfer rate increases the USB bus bandwidth used by the device, and slowing down the card data transfer rate decreases the USB bus bandwidth used by the device. This property is stored in non-volatile EEPROM memory so it will not change when the unit is power cycled. The value of this property will be sent to the host when the host requests the device's USB endpoint descriptor. When this property is changed, the unit must be power cycled to have these changes take effect for the USB descriptor. If a value other than the default value is desired, it can be set by the factory upon request. Examples follow:

Example Set **Polling Interval** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	02	0A

Example Set **Polling Interval** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Polling Interval** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	02

Example Get **Polling Interval** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	0A

MSR DIRECTION PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x03
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 2 (Withdrawal)
 Description: This value is a byte that represents the devices magnetic stripe read direction. The device will generate a USB HID Input Report when a card is swiped in the direction indicated by this property. The value can be set to 1 for insert, 2 for withdrawal or 3 for both directions. If this property is set to 3 (both) then it is strongly recommended that the devices POLLING INTERVAL property is set to 2ms or less and that the devices MAX PACKET SIZE is set to 32 bytes or more so that the device can keep up with the speed of swiping in both directions. If this is not done then if a card is withdrawn quickly after inserting the card, the withdrawal may have a read error because the read will not start until the device is finished sending the USB HID Input Report to the host for the Insert read. This property is stored in non-volatile EEPROM memory so it will not change when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be power cycled to have these changes take effect. If a value other than the default value is desired, it can be set by the factory upon request. Note that this reader reads better when a card is removed from it than when a card is inserted into it.

Examples follow:

Example Set **MSR Direction** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	03	02

Example Set **MSR Direction** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **MSR Direction** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	03

Example Get **MSR Direction** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	02

CARD INSERTED PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x04
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: No
Default Value: None
Description: This value is used to determine if a card is fully inserted into the device. If a card is fully inserted into the device this property will contain one. If not, the property will contain zero. This property is intended to be used by hosts that want to check if a card is currently inserted in the device during startup. This card inserted information is also contained in the Card Status field of the Input report sent to the host during each card swipe. So there should be no need to poll the host for this information on a continuing basis. Examples follow:

Example Get **Card Inserted** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	04

Example Get **Card Inserted** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	01

MAX PACKET SIZE PROPERTY

Property ID:	0x05
Property Type:	Byte
Length:	1 byte
Get Property:	Yes
Set Property:	Yes
Default Value:	32
Description:	The value is a byte that represents the devices maximum packet size for the Interrupt In Endpoint. The value can be set in the range of 1 – 64 and has units of bytes. The maximum packet size tells the host the maximum size of the Interrupt In Endpoint packets. For example, if the maximum packet size is set to 32, the device will send HID reports in multiple packets of 32 bytes each or less for the last packet of the report. This property can be used to speed up or slow down the time it takes to send card data to the host. Larger packet sizes speed up communications and smaller packet sizes slow down communications. The trade-off is that speeding up the card data transfer rate increases the USB bus bandwidth used by the device, and slowing down the card data transfer rate decreases the USB bus bandwidth used by the device. This property is stored in non-volatile EEPROM memory so it will not change when the unit is power cycled. The value of this property will be sent to the host when the host requests the device's USB endpoint descriptor. When this property is changed, the unit must be power cycled to have these changes take effect for the USB descriptor. If a value other than the default value is desired, it can be set by the factory upon request. Examples follow:

Example Set **Max Packet Size** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	05	20

Example Set **Max Packet Size** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Max Packet Size** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	05

Example Get **Max Packet Size** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	20

INTERFACE TYPE PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x10

Property Type: Byte

Length: 1 byte

Get Property: Yes

Set Property: Yes

Default Value: 0 (HID)

Description: The value is a byte that represents the devices interface type. The value can be set to 0 for the HID interface or to 1 for the keyboard emulation interface. When the value is set to 0 (HID) the device will behave as described in the USB communications (HID) section of the manual. When the value is set to 1 (keyboard emulation) the device will behave as described in the USB communications (KB) section of the manual. This property should be the first property changed because it affects which other properties are available. After this property is changed, the device should be power cycled before changing any other properties.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Interface Type** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	10	01

Example Set **Interface Type** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Interface Type** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	10

Example Get **Interface Type** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	00

TRACK ID ENABLE PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x1B
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0x95
 Description: This property is defined as follows:

id	0	T ₃	T ₃	T ₂	T ₂	T ₁	T ₁
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Id 0 – Decodes standard ISO/ABA cards only
 1 – Decodes AAMV and 7-bit cards also

T# 00 – Track Disabled
 01 – Track Enabled
 10 – Track Enabled/Required (Error if blank)

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Track ID Enable** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	1B	95

Example Set **Track ID Enable** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Track ID Enable** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	1B

Example Get **Track ID Enable** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	95

RESET DEVICE COMMAND

Command number: 0x02

Description: This command is used to reset the device. This command can be used to make previously changed properties take affect without having to unplug and then plug in the device. When the device resets, it automatically does a USB detach followed by an attach. After the host sends this command to the device it should close the USB port, wait a few seconds for the operating system to handle the device detach followed by the attach and then re-open the USB port before trying to communicate further with the device.

Data structure: No data is sent with this command

Result codes: 0 (success)

Example Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Data
02	00	

Example Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

LED STATE COMMAND

Command number: 0x06

Description: This command changes the LED state.

Data structure: No data is sent with this command

Data	LED State
0	OFF
1	GREEN
2	RED
3	ORANGE

Result codes: 0 (success)

Example Request to set LED to green (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Data
06	01	01

Example Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

SECTION 5. USB COMMUNICATIONS (KB)

The Reader can be operated in two different modes:

- HID (herein referred to as “**HID** mode”) and
- HID with Keyboard Emulation (herein referred to as “**KB** mode”)

When operating in the HID mode, this device will not use keyboard emulation. It behaves like a vendor defined HID device so that a direct communication path can be established between the host application and the device, without interference from other HID devices.

When configured for the Keyboard Emulation (KB) mode, the Reader emulates a USB HID United States keyboard or, optionally, any international keyboard using ALT ASCII code keypad key combinations or customizable key maps. This allows host applications designed to acquire card data from keyboard input to seamlessly acquire the card data from the USB insert reader.

This section only describes USB communications when the device is in the KB mode. See the USB communications (HID) section for a description of USB communication when the device is in the HID mode. (Refer to [Interface Type Property](#) for information on how to change modes.)

This device conforms to the USB specification revision 1.1. This device also conforms with the Human Interface Device (HID) class specification version 1.1. The device communicates to the host as a HID keyboard device. The latest versions of the Windows operating systems come with a standard Windows USB HID keyboard driver.

This is a full speed USB device. This device has a number of programmable configuration properties. These properties are stored in non-volatile memory. These properties can be configured at the factory or by the end user. More details about these properties can be found later in this document in the command section.

The device will go into suspend mode when directed to do so by the host. The device will wake up from suspend mode when directed to do so by the host. The device does not support remote wakeup.

This device is powered from the USB bus. The vendor ID is 0x0801 and the product ID is 0x0001.

HOST APPLICATIONS

This device can be used with existing applications that acquire card data via keyboard input. Also, applications that communicate to this device can be easily developed. These applications can be developed using compilers such as Microsoft’s Visual Basic or Visual C++. To demonstrate this device’s card reading capabilities any application that accepts keyboard input such as Window’s Notepad can be used.

CARD DATA

The card data is converted to ASCII and transmitted to the host as if it had been typed on a keyboard. Any data with ASCII values 0 – 31 or 127 will be transmitted as their equivalent control code combination. For example a carriage return value 13 (0x0D) will be sent as (^M) where ^ represents the Ctrl key on the keyboard.

Caution

If another keyboard is connected to the same host as this device and a key is pressed on the other keyboard while this device is transmitting, then the data transmitted by this device may get corrupted.

Because of potential “data interleave” issues associated with the USB Keyboard interface, MagTek recommends that the USB Keyboard Emulation mode should only be used by customers who have previously used MagTek’s Keyboard Wedge MSR, or who are interfacing with an existing PC software application which gathers card data from the keyboard port. If previous applications were based upon RS-232 serial interface MSR’s, or if this is a brand new development effort, it is recommended that you use the HID mode).

The device’s programmable configuration options affect the format of the card data.

The card data format for the default configuration is as follows:

[Tk1 SS] [Tk1 Data] [ES] [Tk2 SS] [Tk2 Data] [ES] [Tk3 SS] [Tk3 Data] [ES] [CR]

where:

Tk1 SS	=	% (7-bit start sentinel)
Tk2 SS	=	; (ISO/ABA 5-bit start sentinel)
		@ (7-bit start sentinel)
Tk3 SS	=	+ (ISO/ABA start sentinel)
		# (AAMVA start sentinel)
		& (7-bit start sentinel)
ES	=	? (end sentinel)
CR	=	(carriage return) (0x0D)

All data will be sent in upper case regardless of the state of the caps lock key on the keyboard. If no data is detected on a track then nothing will be transmitted for that track. If an error is detected on a track the ASCII character E will be sent in place of the track data to indicate an error.

The card data format for all programmable configuration options is as follows:

[P18][P11] [P13] [Tk1 SS] [Tk1 Data] [ES] [LRC] [P14] [P5] [P13] [Tk2 SS] [Tk2 Data] [ES] [LRC] [P14] [P5] [P13] [Tk3 SS] [Tk3 Data] [ES] [LRC] [P14] [Sensor][P5] [P12][P19]

where:

ES	=	P22 (end sentinel)
LRC	=	Longitudinal redundancy check character
P5	=	Terminating character
P11	=	Pre card character
P12	=	Post card character
P13	=	Pre track character
P14	=	Post track character
P18	=	Pre card string
P19	=	Post card string
Tk1 SS	=	P20 (ISO/ABA start sentinel)
Tk2 SS	=	P21 (ISO/ABA 5-bit start sentinel) P6 (7-bit start sentinel)
Tk3 SS	=	P8 (ISO/ABA start sentinel) P9 (AAMVA start sentinel) P10 (7-bit start sentinel)
Sensor	=	Sensor status if enabled by the sensor blocked and/or sensor unblocked char properties described later in this document

All fields with the format P# are programmable configuration property numbers. They are described in detail later in this document.

PROGRAMMABLE CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

This device has a number of programmable configuration properties. These properties are stored in non-volatile memory. These properties can be configured at the factory or by the end user using a program supplied by MagTek. Programming these parameters requires low level communications with the device. During normal device operation, the device acts like a USB HID keyboard so the host operating system takes care of all low level communications with the device so that the application developer is not burdened with these low level details. Details on how to communicate with the device to change programmable configuration properties follows in the next few sections. These details are included as a reference only. Most users will not need to know these details because the device will be configured at the factory or by a program supplied by MagTek. Most users may want to skip over the next few sections on low level communications and continue with the details of the configuration properties.

LOW LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS

It is strongly recommended that application software developers become familiar with the HID specification the USB specification before attempting to communicate directly with this device. This document assumes that the reader is familiar with these specifications. These specifications can be downloaded free from www.usb.org.

HID USAGES

HID devices send data in reports. Elements of data in a report are identified by unique identifiers called usages. The structure of the device's reports and the device's capabilities are reported to the host in a report descriptor. The host usually gets the report descriptor only once, right after the device is plugged in. The report descriptor usages identify the devices capabilities and report structures. For example, a device could be identified as a keyboard by analyzing the device's report descriptor. Usages are four byte integers. The most significant two bytes are called the usage page and the least significant two bytes are called usage IDs. Usages that are related can share a common usage page. Usages can be standardized or they can be vendor defined. Standardized usages such as usages for mice and keyboards can be found in the HID Usage Tables document and can be downloaded free at www.usb.org. Vendor defined usages must have a usage page in the range 0xff00 – 0xffff. All usages for this device use the standard HID keyboard usages or vendor defined magnetic stripe reader usage page 0xff00. The vendor defined usage IDs for this device are defined in the following table. The usage types are also listed. These usage types are defined in the HID Usage Tables document.

Magnetic Stripe Reader usage page 0xff00:

Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Usage Type	Report Type
20	Command message	Data	Feature

REPORT DESCRIPTOR

The HID report descriptor is structured as follows:

Item	Value(Hex)
Usage Page (Generic Desktop)	05 01
Usage (Keyboard)	09 06
Collection (Application)	A1 01
Usage Page (Key Codes)	05 07
Usage Minimum (224)	19 E0
Usage Maximum (231)	29 E7
Logical Minimum (0)	15 00
Logical Maximum (1)	25 01
Report Size (1)	75 01
Report Count (8)	95 08
Input (Data, Variable, Absolute)	81 02
Report Count (1)	95 01
Report Size (8)	75 08
Input (Constant)	81 03
Report Count (5)	95 05
Report Size (1)	75 01
Usage Page (LEDs)	05 08
Usage Minimum (1)	19 01
Usage Maximum (5)	29 05
Output (Data, Variable, Absolute)	91 02
Report Count (1)	95 01
Report Size (3)	75 03
Output (Constant)	91 03
Report Count (6)	95 06
Report Size (8)	75 08
Logical Minimum (0)	15 00
Logical Maximum (101)	25 66
Usage Page (Key Codes)	05 07
Usage Minimum (0)	19 00
Usage Maximum (101)	29 66
Input (Data, Array)	81 00
Logical Maximum (255)	26 FF 00
Usage Page (vendor defined (MSR))	06 00 FF
Usage (command data)	09 20
Report Count	95 18
Feature (Data, Variable, Absolute, Buffered Bytes)	B2 02 01
End Collection	C0

COMMANDS

Command requests and responses are sent to and received from the device using feature reports. Command requests are sent to the device using the HID class specific request Set Report. The response to a command is retrieved from the device using the HID class specific request Get Report. These requests are sent over the default control pipe. When a command request is sent, the device will Nak the Status stage of the Set Report request until the command is completed. This insures that as soon as the Set Report request is completed, the Get Report request can be sent to get the command response. The usage ID for the command message was shown previously in the Usage Table.

The following table shows how the feature report is structured for command requests:

Offset	Field Name
0	Command Number
1	Data Length
2 – 23	Data

The following table shows how the feature report is structured for command responses.

Offset	Field Name
0	Result Code
1	Data Length
2 – 23	Data

COMMAND NUMBER

This one-byte field contains the value of the requested command number. The following table lists all the existing commands.

Value	Command Number	Description
0x00	GET PROPERTY	Gets a property from the device
0x01	SET PROPERTY	Sets a property in the device
0x02	RESET DEVICE	Resets the device
0x03	GET KEYMAP ITEM	Gets a key map item
0x04	SET KEYMAP ITEM	Sets a key map item
0x05	SAVE CUSTOM KEYMAP	Saves the custom key map
0x06	LED STATE	Changes the LED state

DATA LENGTH

This one-byte field contains the length of the valid data contained in the Data field.

DATA

This multi-byte field contains command data if any. Note that the length of this field is fixed at 22 bytes. Valid data should be placed in the field starting at offset 2. Any remaining data after the valid data should be set to zero. This entire field must always be set even if there is no valid data. The HID specification requires that Reports be fixed in length. Command data may vary in length. Therefore, the Report should be filled with zeros after the valid data.

RESULT CODE

This one-byte field contains the value of the result code. There are two types of result codes: generic result codes and command-specific result codes. Generic result codes always have the most significant bit set to zero. Generic result codes have the same meaning for all commands and can be used by any command. Command-specific result codes always have the most significant bit set to one. Command-specific result codes are defined by the command that uses them. The same code can have different meanings for different commands. Command-specific result codes are defined in the documentation for the command that uses them. Generic result codes are defined in the following table.

Value	Result Code	Description
0	SUCCESS	The command completed successfully.
1	FAILURE	The command failed.
2	BAD PARAMETER	The command failed due to a bad parameter or command syntax error.

GET AND SET PROPERTY COMMANDS

The Get Property command gets a property from the device. The Get Property command number is 0.

The Set Property command sets a property in the device. The Set Property command number is 1.

The Get and Set Property command data fields for the requests and responses are structured as follows:

Get Property Request Data:

Data Offset	Value
0	Property ID

Get Property Response Data:

Data Offset	Value
0 – n	Property Value

Set Property Request Data:

Data Offset	Value
0	Property ID
1 – n	Property Value

Set Property Response Data: None

The result codes for the Get and Set Property commands can be any of the codes list in the generic result code table.

Property ID is a one-byte field that contains a value that identifies the property. The following table lists all the current property ID values:

Value	Property ID	Description
0x00	SOFTWARE ID	The device's software identifier
0x01	SERIAL NUM	The device's serial number
0x02	POLLING INTERVAL	The interrupt pipe's polling interval
0x03	MSR DIRECTION	Magnetic stripe read direction
0x04	CARD INSERTED	Card inserted indicator
0x05	TERMINATION CHAR	Terminating char / per track or card flag
0x06	SS TK2 7BITS	Start sentinel char for track 2 – 7 bit data
0x07	Reserved for future use	
0x08	SS TK3 ISO ABA	Start sentinel char for track 3 – ISO/ABA
0x09	SS TK3 AAMVA	Start sentinel char for track 3 - AAMVA
0x0A	SS TK3 7BITS	Start sentinel char for track 3 – 7 bit data
0x0B	PRE CARD CHAR	Pre card char
0x0C	POST CARD CHAR	Post card char
0x0D	PRE TK CHAR	Pre track char
0x0E	POST TK CHAR	Post track char
0x0F	ASCII TO KEYPRESS CONVERSION TYPE	Type of conversion performed when converting ASCII data to key strokes
0x10	INTERFACE TYPE	Type of USB interface
0x11	ACTIVE KEYMAP	Selects which key map to use
0x12	PRE CARD STRING	Pre card string
0x13	POST CARD STRING	Post card string
0x14	SS TK1 ISO ABA	Start sentinel char for track 1 – ISO/ABA
0x15	SS TK2 ISO ABA	Start sentinel char for track 2 – ISO/ABA
0x16	ES	End sentinel char for all tracks/formats
0x17	ES TK1	End sentinel char for track 1
0x18	ES TK2	End sentinel char for track 2
0x19	ES TK3	End sentinel char for track 3
0x1A	TRACK DATA SEND FLAGS	Track data send flags
0x1B	TRACK ID ENABLE	Track enable / ID enable
0x1C	SENSOR BLOCKED CHAR	Sensor blocked char
0x1D	SENSOR UNBLOCKED CHAR	Sensor unblocked char

The Property Value is a multiple-byte field that contains the value of the property. The number of bytes in this field depends on the type of property and the length of the property. The following table lists all of the property types and describes them.

Property Type	Description
Byte	This is a one-byte value. The valid values depend on the property.
String	This is a multiple byte ASCII string. Its length can be zero to a maximum length that depends on the property. The value and length of the string does not include a terminating NUL character.

SOFTWARE ID PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x00
 Property Type: String
 Length: Fixed at 11 bytes
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: No
 Description: This is an 11 byte read only property that identifies the software part number and version for the device. The first 8 bytes represent the part number and the last 3 bytes represent the version. For example this string might be “21042817C01”. Examples follow:

Example Get **Software ID** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	00

Example Get **Software ID** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	32 31 30 34 32 38 31 37 43 30 31

SERIAL NUM PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x01
 Property Type: String
 Length: 0 – 15 bytes
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: The default value is no string with a length of zero.
 Description: The value is an ASCII string that represents the device’s serial number. This string can be 0 – 15 bytes long. The value of this property, if any, will be sent to the host when the host requests the USB string descriptor.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Serial Num** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	04	01	31 32 33

Example Set **Serial Num** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Serial Num** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	01

Example Get **Serial Num** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	03	31 32 33

POLLING INTERVAL PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x02

Property Type: Byte

Length: 1 byte

Get Property: Yes

Set Property: Yes

Default Value: 1

Description: The value is a byte that represents the devices polling interval for the Interrupt In Endpoint. The value can be set in the range of 1 – 255 and has units of milliseconds. The polling interval tells the host how often to poll the device for card data packets. For example, if the polling interval is set to 10, the host will poll the device for card data packets every 10ms. This property can be used to speed up or slow down the time it takes to send card data to the host. The trade-off is that speeding up the card data transfer rate increases the USB bus bandwidth used by the device, and slowing down the card data transfer rate decreases the USB bus bandwidth used by the device. The value of this property will be sent to the host when the host requests the device's USB endpoint descriptor.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Polling Interval** property to 10 Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	02	0A

Example Set **Polling Interval** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Polling Interval** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	02

Example Get **Polling Interval** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	0A

MSR DIRECTION PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x03
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 2 (Withdrawal)
 Description: This value is a byte that represents the devices magnetic stripe read direction. The device will output card data when a card is swiped in the direction indicated by this property. The value can be set to 1 for insert, 2 for withdrawal or 3 for both directions. This property is stored in non-volatile EEPROM memory so it will not change when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be power cycled to have these changes take effect. If a value other than the default value is desired, it can be set by the factory upon request.

Note that this reader reads better when a card is removed from it than when a card is inserted into it.

Examples follow:

Example Set **MSR Direction** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	03	02

Example Set **MSR Direction** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **MSR Direction** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	03

Example Get **MSR Direction** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	02

CARD INSERTED PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x04
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: No
Default Value: None
Description: This value is used to determine if a card is fully inserted into the device. If a card is fully inserted into the device this property will contain one. If not, the property will contain zero. This property is intended to be used by hosts that want to check if a card is currently inserted in the device during startup. This card inserted information is also optionally present in the Sensor field of the card data sent to the host during each card swipe. So there should be no need to poll the host for this information on a continuing basis. Examples follow:

Example Get **Card Inserted** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	04

Example Get **Card Inserted** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	01

TERMINATION CHAR PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x05
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0x0D (carriage return)
Description: This property is defined as follows:

mod	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
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mod 0 – Send c after card data
 1 – Send c after each track

c 1-127 – 7 bit ASCII char code
 0 – send nothing

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

SS TK2 7BITS PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x06
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0x40 '@'
 Description: This character is sent as the track 2 start sentinel for cards that have track 2 encoded in 7 bits per character format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

SS TK3 ISO ABA PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x08
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0x2B '+'
 Description: This character is sent as the track 3 start sentinel for cards that have track 3 encoded in ISO/ABA format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

SS TK3 AAMVA PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x09
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0x23 '#'
 Description: This character is sent as the track 3 start sentinel for cards that have track 3 encoded in AAMVA format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

SS TK3 7BITS PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x0A
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0x26 '&'
Description: This character is sent as the track 3 start sentinel for cards that have track 3 encoded in 7 bits per character format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

PRE CARD CHAR PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x0B
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0
Description: This character is sent prior to all other card data. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

POST CARD CHAR PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x0C
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0
Description: This character is sent after all other card data. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

PRE TK CHAR PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x0D
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0
 Description: This character is sent prior to the data for each track. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

POST TK CHAR PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x0E
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0
 Description: This character is sent after the data for each track. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

ASCII TO KEYPRESS CONVERSION TYPE PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x0F
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0 (keymap)
 Description: The value is a byte that represents the devices ASCII to keypress conversion type. The value can be set to 0 for keymap (the active keymap is set with the ACTIVE KEYMAP property) or to 1 for ALT ASCII code (international keyboard emulation). When the value is set to 0 (keymap), data will be

transmitted to the host according to the active keymap which defaults to the United States keyboard keymap. For example, to transmit the ASCII character '?' (063 decimal), the character is looked up in a keymap.

For a United States keyboard keymap, the '/' (forward slash) key combined with the left shift key modifier are stored in the keymap to represent the key press combination that is used to represent the ASCII character '?' (063 decimal). When the value is set to 1 (ALT ASCII code), instead of using the key map, a international keyboard key press combination consisting of the decimal value of the ASCII character combined with the ALT key modifier is used. For example, to transmit the ASCII character '?' (063 decimal), keypad '0' is sent combined with left ALT key modifier, next keypad '6' is sent combined with the left ALT key modifier, last keypad '3' is sent combined with the left ALT key modifier. In general, if this device only needs to emulate United States keyboards then this property should be set to 0 (keymap).

If this device needs to be able to emulate all country's keyboards then this property should be set to 1 (ALT ASCII code). The tradeoff is that the ALT ASCII code mode is slightly slower than keymap mode because more key presses need to be transmitted. Some applications are not compatible with ALT ASCII code mode.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **ASCII To Keypress Conversion Type** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	0F	00

Example Set **ASCII To Keypress Conversion Type** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **ASCII To Keypress Conversion Type** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	0F

Example Get **ASCII To Keypress Conversion Type** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	00

INTERFACE TYPE PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x10
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 1 (keyboard emulation)
 Description: The value is a byte that represents the devices interface type. The value can be set to 0 for the HID interface or to 1 for the keyboard emulation interface. When the value is set to 0 (HID) the device will behave as described in the USB communications (HID) section of the manual. When the value is set to 1 (keyboard emulation) the device will behave as described in the USB communications (KB) section of the manual. This property should be the first property changed because it affects which other properties are available. After this property is changed, the device should be power cycled before changing any other properties.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Interface Type** property to HID Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	10	00

Example Set **Interface Type** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Interface Type** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	10

Example Get **Interface Type** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	00

ACTIVE KEYMAP PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x11
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0 (United States)
Description: The value is a byte that represents the device's active key map. The value can be set to 0 for the United States key map or to 1 for the custom key map. The active key map will be used by the device to convert ASCII data into key strokes. The United States key map should be used will all hosts that are configured to use United States keyboards. The custom key map can be used to set up the device to work with hosts that are configured to use other countries keyboards. The default custom key map is the same as the United States key map. The key map can be modified to another countries key map by using commands "Get Key Map", "Set Key Map" and "Save Custom Key Map".

See the command section of this manual for a complete description of these commands. To set up a device to use a custom key map, select the appropriate key map to be modified using the active key map property, reset the device to make this change take affect, use the "Get Key Map" and "Set Key Map" commands to modify the active key map, use the "Save Custom Key Map" command to save the active key map as the custom key map, set the active key map property to custom to use the custom key map, reset the device to make these changes take affect.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Active Keymap** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	11	00

Example Set **Active Keymap** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Active Keymap** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	11

Example Get **Active Keymap** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	00

PRE CARD STRING PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x12
 Property Type: String
 Length: 0 – 7 bytes
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: The default value is no string with a length of zero.
 Description: The value is an ASCII string that represents the device's pre card string. This string can be 0 – 7 bytes long. This string is sent prior to all other card data.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Pre Card String** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	04	12	31 32 33

Example Set **Pre Card String** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Pre Card String** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	12

Example Get **Pre Card String** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	03	31 32 33

POST CARD STRING PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x13
 Property Type: String
 Length: 0 – 7 bytes
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: The default value is no string with a length of zero.
 Description: The value is an ASCII string that represents the device's post card string. This string can be 0 – 7 bytes long. This string is sent after all other card data.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Post Card String** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	04	12	31 32 33

Example Set **Post Card String** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Post Card String** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	12

Example Get **Post Card String** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	03	31 32 33

SS TK1 ISO ABA PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x14
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0x25 ‘%’
Description: This character is sent as the track 1 start sentinel for cards that have track 1 encoded in ISO/ABA format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

SS TK2 ISO ABA PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x15
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0x3B ‘;’
Description: This character is sent as the track 2 start sentinel for cards that have track 2 encoded in ISO/ABA format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

ES PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x16
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0x3F '?'
 Description: This character is sent as the end sentinel for all tracks with any format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

ES TK1 PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x17
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0xFF (use ES property)
 Description: This character is sent as the end sentinel for track 1 with any format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent. If the value is 0xFF then the value of the ES property will be used instead of this property.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

ES TK2 PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x18
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0xFF (use ES property)
 Description: This character is sent as the end sentinel for track 2 with any format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent. If the value is 0xFF then the value of the ES property will be used instead of this property.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

ES TK3 PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x19
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0xFF (use ES property)
Description: This character is sent as the end sentinel for track 3 with any format. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent. If the value is 0xFF then the value of the ES property will be used instead of this property.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

TRACK DATA SEND FLAGS PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x1A
Property Type: Byte
Length: 1 byte
Get Property: Yes
Set Property: Yes
Default Value: 0x63
Description: This property is defined as follows:

ICL	SS	ES	LRC	0	LC	Er	Er
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ICL 0 – Changing the state of the caps lock key will not affect the case of the data
1 – Changing the state of the caps lock key will affect the case of the data

SS 0 – Don't send Start Sentinel for each track
1 – Send Start Sentinel for each track

ES 0 – Don't send End Sentinel for each track
1 – Send End Sentinel for each track

LRC 0 – Don't send LRC for each track
1 – Send LRC for each track

Note that the LRC is the unmodified LRC from the track data. To verify the LRC the track data needs to be converted back from ASCII to card data format and the start sentinels that were modified to indicate the card encode type need to be converted back to their original values.

- LC 0 – Send card data as upper case
 1 – Send card data as lower case

Note that the state of the Caps Lock key on the host keyboard has no affect on what case the card data is transmitted in unless the ICL bit in this property is set to 1.

- Er 00 – Don't send any card data if error
 01 – Don't send track data if error
 11 – Send 'E' for each track error

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

TRACK ID ENABLE PROPERTY

Property ID: 0x1B
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0x95
 Description: This property is defined as follows:

id	0	T ₃	T ₃	T ₂	T ₂	T ₁	T ₁
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- Id 0 – Decodes standard ISO/ABA cards only
 1 – Decodes AAMVA, CA DL/ID and 7-bit cards also

- T# 00 – Track Disabled
 01 – Track Enabled
 10 – Track Enabled/Required (Error if blank)

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Example Set **Track ID Enable** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	1B	95

Example Set **Track ID Enable** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Track ID Enable** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	1B

Example Get **Track ID Enable** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	95

SENSOR BLOCKED CHAR

Property ID: 0x1C

Property Type: Byte

Length: 1 byte

Get Property: Yes

Set Property: Yes

Default Value: 0

Description: This character is sent in the sensor field of the card data when the sensor is blocked. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled. When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Examples follow:

Example Set **Sensor Blocked Char** property to ASCII “1” Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	1C	31

Example Set **Sensor Blocked Char** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Sensor Blocked Char** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	1C

Example Get **Sensor Blocked Char** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	31

SENSOR UNBLOCKED CHAR

Property ID: 0x1D
 Property Type: Byte
 Length: 1 byte
 Get Property: Yes
 Set Property: Yes
 Default Value: 0
 Description: This character is sent in the sensor field of the card data when the sensor is unblocked. If the value is 0 no character is sent. If the value is in the range 1 – 127 then the equivalent ASCII character will be sent.

This property is stored in non-volatile memory, so it will persist when the unit is power cycled.
 When this property is changed, the unit must be reset (see Command Number 2) or power cycled to have these changes take effect.

Examples follow:

Example Set **Sensor Unblocked Char** property to ASCII “0” Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID	Prp Value
01	02	1D	30

Example Set **Sensor Unblocked Char** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

Example Get **Sensor Unblocked Char** property Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Prp ID
00	01	1D

Example Get **Sensor Unblocked Char** property Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Prp Value
00	01	30

RESET DEVICE COMMAND

Command number: 0x02
 Description: This command is used to reset the device. This command can be used to make previously changed properties take affect without having to unplug and then plug in the device. When the device resets it automatically does a USB detach followed by an attach. After the host sends this command to the device it should close the USB port, wait a few seconds for the operating system to handle the device detach followed by the attach and then re-open the USB port before trying to communicate further with the device.
 Data structure: No data is sent with this command
 Result codes: 0 (success)

Example Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Data
02	00	

Example Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

GET KEYMAP ITEM COMMAND

Command number: 0x03

Description: This command is used to get a key map item from the active key map. The active key map is determined by the active key map property. Data from a magnetic stripe card is a sequence of ASCII characters. These ASCII characters are mapped to key strokes and these key strokes are sent to the host to represent the ASCII character. The key map maps a single ASCII character to a single USB key usage ID and USB key modifier byte. The key usage ID and the key modifier byte are transmitted to the host via USB to represent the ASCII character. The ASCII value is the value of the ASCII character to be transmitted to the host. See an ASCII table for the values of the ASCII character set. The USB key usage ID is a unique value assigned to every keyboard key. For a list of all key usage IDs see Appendix A. The key modifier byte modifies the meaning of the key usage ID. The modifier byte indicates if any combination of the right or left Ctrl, Shift, Alt or GUI keys are pressed at the same time as the key usage ID. For a list and description of the key modifier byte see Appendix B.

When both the key usage ID and the key modifier byte are set to 0xFF for a given ASCII value, the ALT ASCII code is sent instead of the key map values. The ALT ASCII code is a key press combination consisting of the decimal value of the ASCII character combined with the ALT key modifier. For example, to transmit the ASCII character '?' (063 decimal), keypad '0' is sent combined with left ALT key modifier, next keypad '6' is sent combined with the left ALT key modifier, last keypad '3' is sent combined with the left ALT key modifier.

Data structure:

Request Data:

Offset	Field Name	Description
0	ASCII value	Value of the ASCII character to be retrieved from the key map. This can be any value between 0 and 127 (0x7F). For example, to retrieve the key map item for ASCII character '?' (card data end sentinel) use the ASCII value of '?' which is 63 (0x3F).

Response Data:

Offset	Field Name	Description
0	Key Usage ID	The value of the USB key usage ID that is mapped to the given ASCII value. For example, for the United States keyboard map, usage ID 56 (0x38) (keyboard / and ?) is mapped to ASCII character '?'. ?
1	Key Modifier Byte	The value of the USB key modifier byte that is mapped to the given ASCII value. For example, for the United States keyboard map, modifier byte 0x02 (left shift key) is mapped to ASCII character '?'. ?

Result codes: 0 (success)

Example Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Data
03	01	3F

Example Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	02	38 02

SET KEYMAP ITEM COMMAND

Command number: 0x04

Description: This command is used to set a key map item of the active key map. The active key map is determined by the active key map property. Data from a magnetic stripe card is a sequence of ASCII characters. These ASCII characters are mapped to key strokes and these key strokes are sent to the host to represent the ASCII character. The key map maps a single ASCII character to a single USB key usage ID and USB key modifier byte. The key usage ID and the key modifier byte are transmitted to the host via USB to represent the ASCII character. The ASCII value is the value of the ASCII character to be transmitted to the host. See an ASCII table for the values of the ASCII character set. The USB key usage ID is a unique value assigned to every keyboard key. For a list of all key usage IDs see Appendix A. The key modifier byte modifies the meaning of the key usage ID. The modifier byte indicates if any combination of the right or left Ctrl, Shift, Alt or GUI keys are pressed at the same time as the key usage ID. For a list and description of the key modifier byte see Appendix B. Once a key map item is modified, the changes take affect immediately. However, the changes will be lost if the device is reset or power cycled. To make the changes permanent, the save custom key map command must be issued. To use the new custom key map after a reset or power cycle, the active key map property must be set to custom.

When both the key usage ID and the key modifier byte are set to 0xFF for a given ASCII value, the ALT ASCII code is sent instead of the key map values. The ALT ASCII code is a key press combination consisting of the decimal value of the ASCII character combined with the ALT key modifier. For example, to transmit the ASCII character '?' (063 decimal), keypad '0' is sent combined with left ALT key modifier, next keypad '6' is sent combined with the left ALT key modifier, last keypad '3' is sent combined with the left ALT key modifier.

Data structure:

Request Data:

Offset	Field Name	Description
0	ASCII value	Value of the ASCII character to be set in the key map. This can be any value between 0 and 127 (0x7F). For example, to set the key map item for ASCII character '?' (card data end sentinel) use the ASCII value of '?' which is 63 (0x3F).
1	Key Usage ID	The value of the USB key usage ID that is to be mapped to the given ASCII value. For example, for the United States keyboard map, usage ID 56 (0x38) (keyboard / and ?) is mapped to ASCII character '?'. To change this to the ASCII character '>' use usage ID 55 (0x37) (keyboard . and >).
2	Key Modifier Byte	The value of the USB key modifier byte that is to be mapped to the given ASCII value. For example, for the United States keyboard map, modifier byte 0x02 (left shift key) is mapped to ASCII character '?'. To change this to the ASCII character '>' use modifier byte 0x02 (left shift key).

Response Data: None

Result codes: 0 (success)

The following example maps the card ASCII data end sentinel character '?' to the '>' keyboard key.

Example Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Data
04	03	3F 37 02

Example Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

SAVE CUSTOM KEYMAP COMMAND

Command number: 0x05

Description: This command is used to save the active key map as the custom key map in non volatile memory. The active key map is determined by the active key map property. Once a key map item is modified, the changes take affect immediately. However, the changes will be lost if the device is reset or power cycled. To make the changes permanent, the save custom key map command must be issued. To use the new custom key map after a reset or power cycle, the active key map property must be set to custom.

Data structure:

Request Data: None

Response Data: None

Result codes: 0 (success)

Example Request (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Data
05	00	

Example Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

LED STATE COMMAND

Command number: 0x06

Description: This command changes the LED state.

Data structure: No data is sent with this command

Data	LED State
0	OFF
1	GREEN
2	RED
3	ORANGE

Result codes: 0 (success)

Example Request to set LED to green (Hex):

Cmd Num	Data Len	Data
06	01	01

Example Response (Hex):

Result Code	Data Len	Data
00	00	

SECTION 6. DEMO PROGRAM

The demo program, which is written in Visual Basic, can be used to do the following:

- Send command requests to the device and view the command responses.
- Guide application developers in their application development by providing examples, in source code, of how to properly communicate with the device using the standard Windows APIs. For the keyboard emulation interface type, typically an existing application is used to read card data and no commands need to be sent to the device after the initial configuration so the developer would probably not have to review this source code.
- Read cards from the device and view the card data. The keyboard emulation interface type can also use other common applications to view card data such as Windows Notepad.

The part numbers for the demo program can be found in this document in Section 1 under Accessories.

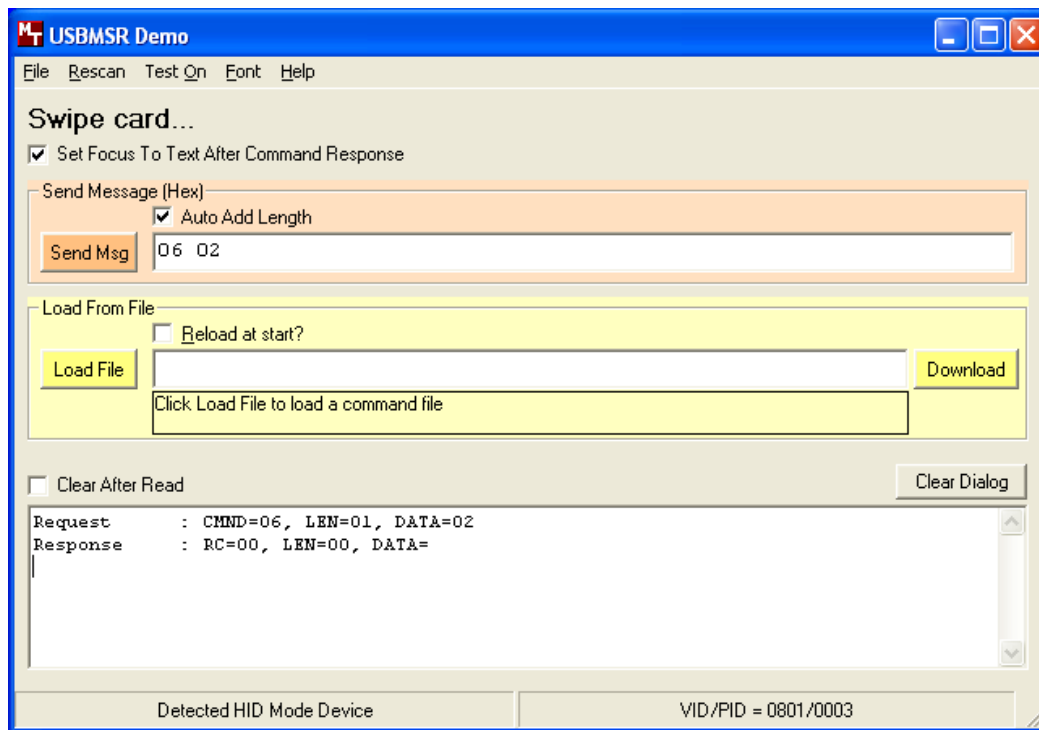
INSTALLATION

To install the demo program, run the setup.exe file and follow the instructions given on the screen.

OPERATION

To operate the demo program perform the following steps:

- Attach the device into a USB port on the host.
- If this is the first time the device has been plugged into the host, follow the instructions on the screen for installing the Windows HID device driver. This is explained in more detail in the installation section of this document.
- Run the demo program.



- To send commands to the device, click the **Send Commands** tab (if not already selected).
- Enter a command in the Message edit box. All data entered should be in hexadecimal bytes with a space between each byte. Enter the command number followed by the command data if there is any. **The application will automatically calculate and send the command data length for you** if the *Auto Add Length* box is checked. For example, to send the GET PROPERTY command for property SOFTWARE ID enter 00 00.
- Press Enter or click **Send Msg** to send the command and receive the result.
- The command request and the command result will be displayed in the Communications Dialog edit box.
- The **Clear Dialog** button clears the Communication Dialog edit box.
- To read cards and view the card data when, click the **Read Cards** tab and swipe a card.

SOURCE CODE

Source code is included with the demo program. It can be used as a guide for application development. It is described in detail, with comments, to assist developers. The book *USB Complete* by Jan Axelson is also a good guide for application developers, especially the chapter on Human Interface Device Host Applications (see “Reference Documents” in Section 1).

APPENDIX A. USAGE ID DEFINITIONS

This appendix is from the following document found on www.usb.org: Universal Serial Bus HID Usage Tables, Version 1.12 and specifically for this manual, Section 10, Keyboard/Keypad Page (0x07).

KEYBOARD/KEYPAD PAGE (0X07)

This section is the Usage Page for key codes to be used in implementing a USB keyboard. A Boot Keyboard (84-, 101- or 104-key) should at a minimum support all associated usage codes as indicated in the “Boot” column below.

The usage type of all key codes is Selectors (Sel), except for the modifier keys Keyboard Left Control (0x224) to Keyboard Right GUI (0x231) which are Dynamic Flags (DV).

Note. A general note on Usages and languages: Due to the variation of keyboards from language to language, it is not feasible to specify exact key mappings for every language. Where this list is not specific for a key function in a language, the closest equivalent key position should be used, so that a keyboard may be modified for a different language by simply printing different keycaps. One example is the Y key on a North American keyboard. In Germany this is typically Z. Rather than changing the keyboard firmware to put the Z Usage into that place in the descriptor list, the vendor should use the Y Usage on both the North American and German keyboards. This continues to be the existing practice in the industry, in order to minimize the number of changes to the electronics to accommodate other languages.

Table A-1. Keyboard/Keypad

Usage ID (Dec)	Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Ref: Typical AT-101 Position	PC-AT	Mac	UNIX	Boot
0	00	Reserved (no event indicated) ⁹	N/A	√	√	√	4/101/104
1	01	Keyboard ErrorRollOver ⁹	N/A	√	√	√	4/101/104
2	02	Keyboard POSTFail ⁹	N/A	√	√	√	4/101/104
3	03	Keyboard ErrorUndefined ⁹	N/A	√	√	√	4/101/104
4	04	Keyboard a and A ⁴	31	√	√	√	4/101/104
5	05	Keyboard b and B	50	√	√	√	4/101/104
6	06	Keyboard c and C ⁴	48	√	√	√	4/101/104
7	07	Keyboard d and D	33	√	√	√	4/101/104
8	08	Keyboard e and E	19	√	√	√	4/101/104
9	09	Keyboard f and F	34	√	√	√	4/101/104
10	0A	Keyboard g and G	35	√	√	√	4/101/104
11	0B	Keyboard h and H	36	√	√	√	4/101/104
12	0C	Keyboard i and I	24	√	√	√	4/101/104
13	0D	Keyboard j and J	37	√	√	√	4/101/104
14	0E	Keyboard k and K	38	√	√	√	4/101/104
15	0F	Keyboard l and L	39	√	√	√	4/101/104
16	10	Keyboard m and M	52	√	√	√	4/101/104

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Usage ID (Dec)	Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Ref: Typical AT-101 Position	PC-AT	Mac	UNIX	Boot
17	11	Keyboard n and N	51	√	√	√	4/101/104
18	12	Keyboard o and O ⁴	25	√	√	√	4/101/104
19	13	Keyboard p and P ⁴	26	√	√	√	4/101/104
20	14	Keyboard q and Q ⁴	27	√	√	√	4/101/104
21	15	Keyboard r and R	20	√	√	√	4/101/104
22	16	Keyboard s and S ⁴	32	√	√	√	4/101/104
23	17	Keyboard t and T	21	√	√	√	4/101/104
24	18	Keyboard u and U	23	√	√	√	4/101/104
25	19	Keyboard v and V	49	√	√	√	4/101/104
26	1A	Keyboard w and W ⁴	18	√	√	√	4/101/104
27	1B	Keyboard x and X ⁴	47	√	√	√	4/101/104
28	1C	Keyboard y and Y ⁴	22	√	√	√	4/101/104
29	1D	Keyboard z and Z ⁴	46	√	√	√	4/101/104
30	1E	Keyboard 1 and ! ⁴	2	√	√	√	4/101/104
31	1F	Keyboard 2 and ! ⁴	3	√	√	√	4/101/104
32	20	Keyboard 3 and # ⁴	4	√	√	√	4/101/104
33	21	Keyboard 4 and \$ ⁴	5	√	√	√	4/101/104
34	22	Keyboard 5 and % ⁴	6	√	√	√	4/101/104
35	23	Keyboard 6 and ^ ⁴	7	√	√	√	4/101/104
36	24	Keyboard 7 and & ⁴	8	√	√	√	4/101/104
37	25	Keyboard 8 and * ⁴	9	√	√	√	4/101/104
38	26	Keyboard 9 and (⁴	10	√	√	√	4/101/104
39	27	Keyboard 0 and) ⁴	11	√	√	√	4/101/104
40	28	Keyboard Return (ENTER) ⁵	43	√	√	√	4/101/104
41	29	Keyboard ESCAPE	110	√	√	√	4/101/104
42	2A	Keyboard DELETE (Backspace)	15	√	√	√	4/101/104
43	2B	Keyboard Tab	16	√	√	√	4/101/104
44	2C	Keyboard Spacebar	61	√	√	√	4/101/104
45	2D	Keyboard - and (underscore) ⁴	12	√	√	√	4/101/104
46	2E	Keyboard = and + ⁴	13	√	√	√	4/101/104
47	2F	Keyboard [and { ⁴	27	√	√	√	4/101/104
48	30	Keyboard] and } ⁴	28	√	√	√	4/101/104
49	31	Keyboard \ and	29	√	√	√	4/101/104
50	32	Keyboard Non-US # and ~ ²	42	√	√	√	4/101/104
51	33	Keyboard ; and : ⁴	40	√	√	√	4/101/104
52	34	Keyboard ' and " ⁴	41	√	√	√	4/101/104
53	35	Keyboard Grave Accent and Tilde ⁴	1	√	√	√	4/101/104
54	36	Keyboard, and < ⁴	53	√	√	√	4/101/104
55	37	Keyboard. and > ⁴	54	√	√	√	4/101/104
56	38	Keyboard / and ?	55	√	√	√	4/101/104
57	39	Keyboard Caps Lock ¹¹	30	√	√	√	4/101/104

Usage ID (Dec)	Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Ref: Typical AT-101 Position	PC-AT	Mac	UNIX	Boot
58	3A	Keyboard F1	112	√	√	√	4/101/104
59	3B	Keyboard F2	113	√	√	√	4/101/104
60	3C	Keyboard F3	114	√	√	√	4/101/104
61	3D	Keyboard F4	115	√	√	√	4/101/104
62	3E	Keyboard F5	116	√	√	√	4/101/104
63	3F	Keyboard F6	117	√	√	√	4/101/104
64	40	Keyboard F7	118	√	√	√	4/101/104
65	41	Keyboard F8	119	√	√	√	4/101/104
66	42	Keyboard F9	120	√	√	√	4/101/104
67	43	Keyboard F10	121	√	√	√	4/101/104
68	44	Keyboard F11	122	√	√	√	101/104
69	45	Keyboard F12	123	√	√	√	101/104
70	46	Keyboard PrintScreen ¹	124	√	√	√	101/104
71	47	Keyboard Scroll Lock ¹¹	125	√	√	√	4/101/104
72	48	Keyboard Pause ¹	126	√	√	√	101/104
73	49	Keyboard Insert ¹	75	√	√	√	101/104
74	4A	Keyboard Home ¹	80	√	√	√	101/104
75	4B	Keyboard PageUp ¹	85	√	√	√	101/104
76	4C	Keyboard Delete Forward ^{1;14}	76	√	√	√	101/104
77	4D	Keyboard End ¹	81	√	√	√	101/104
78	4E	Keyboard PageDown ¹	86	√	√	√	101/104
79	4F	Keyboard RightArrow ¹	89	√	√	√	101/104
80	50	Keyboard LeftArrow ¹	79	√	√	√	101/104
81	51	Keyboard DownArrow ¹	84	√	√	√	101/104
82	52	Keyboard UpArrow ¹	83	√	√	√	101/104
83	53	Keypad Num Lock and Clear ¹	90	√	√	√	101/104
84	54	Keypad / ¹	95	√	√	√	101/104
85	55	Keypad *	100	√	√	√	4/101/104
86	56	Keypad -	105	√	√	√	4/101/104
87	57	Keypad +	106	√	√	√	4/101/104
88	58	Keypad ENTER5	108	√	√	√	101/104
89	59	Keypad 1 and End	93	√	√	√	4/101/104
90	5A	Keypad 2 and Down Arrow	98	√	√	√	4/101/104
91	5B	Keypad 3 and PageDn	103	√	√	√	4/101/104
92	5C	Keypad 4 and Left Arrow	92	√	√	√	4/101/104
93	5D	Keypad 4 and Left Arrow	97	√	√	√	4/101/104
94	5E	Keypad 4 and Left Arrow	102	√	√	√	4/101/104
95	5F	Keypad 7 and Home	91	√	√	√	4/101/104
96	60	Keypad 8 and Up Arrow	96	√	√	√	4/101/104
97	61	Keypad 9 and PageUp	101	√	√	√	4/101/104
98	62	Keypad 0 and Insert	99	√	√	√	4/101/104
99	63	Keypad and Delete	104	√	√	√	4/101/104

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Usage ID (Dec)	Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Ref: Typical AT-101 Position	PC-AT	Mac	UNIX	Boot
100	64	Keyboard Non-US \ and ^{3,6}	45	√	√	√	4/101/104
101	65	Keyboard Application ¹⁰	129	√		√	104
102	66	Keyboard Power ⁹ =			√	√	
103	67	Keypad =			√		
104	68	Keyboard F13	62		√		
105	69	Keyboard F14	63		√		
106	6A	Keyboard F15	64		√		
107	6B	Keyboard F16	65				
107	6C	Keyboard F17					
109	6D	Keyboard F18					
110	6E	Keyboard F19					
111	6F	Keyboard F20					
112	70	Keyboard F21					
113	71	Keyboard F22					
114	72	Keyboard F23					
115	73	Keyboard F24					
116	74	Keyboard Execute				√	
117	75	Keyboard Help				√	
118	76	Keyboard Menu				√	
119	77	Keyboard Select				√	
120	78	Keyboard Stop				√	
121	79	Keyboard Again				√	
122	7A	Keyboard Undo				√	
123	7B	Keyboard Cut				√	
124	7C	Keyboard Copy				√	
125	7D	Keyboard Paste				√	
126	7E	Keyboard Find				√	
127	7F	Keyboard Mute				√	
128	80	Keyboard Volume Up				√	
129	81	Keyboard Volume Down				√	
130	82	Keyboard Locking Caps Lock ¹²				√	
131	83	Keyboard Locking Num Lock ¹²				√	
132	84	Keyboard Locking Scroll Lock ¹²				√	
133	85	Keypad Comma ²⁷	107				
134	86	Keypad Equal Sign ²⁹					
135	87	Keyboard International1 ¹⁵⁻²⁸	56				
136	88	Keyboard International2 ¹⁶					
137	89	Keyboard International3 ¹⁷					
138	8A	Keyboard International4 ¹⁸					
139	8B	Keyboard International5 ¹⁹					
140	8C	Keyboard International6 ²⁰					
141	8D	Keyboard International7 ²¹					

Usage ID (Dec)	Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Ref: Typical AT-101 Position	PC-AT	Mac	UNIX	Boot
142	8E	Keyboard International ²²					
143	8F	Keyboard International ⁹²²					
144	90	Keyboard Lang ¹²⁵					
145	91	Keyboard Lang ²²⁶					
146	92	Keyboard Lang ³³⁰					
147	93	Keyboard Lang ⁴³¹					
148	94	Keyboard Lang ⁵³²					
149	95	Keyboard Lang ⁶⁸					
150	96	Keyboard Lang ⁷⁸					
151	97	Keyboard Lang ⁸⁸					
152	98	Keyboard Lang ⁹⁸					
153	99	Keyboard Alternate Erase ⁷					
154	9A	Keyboard Sys/Req Attention ¹					
155	9B	Keyboard Cancel					
156	9C	Keyboard Clear					
157	9D	Keyboard Prior					
158	9E	Keyboard Return					
159	9F	Keyboard Separator					
160	A0	Keyboard Out					
161	A1	Keyboard Oper					
162	A2	Keyboard Clear/Again					
163	A3	Keyboard Cr/Sel/Props					
164	A4	Keyboard Ex Sel					
165-175	A5-CF	Reserved					
176	B0	Keypad 00					
177	B1	Keypad 000					
178	B2	Thousands Separator ³³					
179	B3	Decimal Separator ³³					
180	B4	Currency Unit ³⁴					
181	B5	Currency Sub-unit ³⁴					
182	B6	Keypad (
183	B7	Keypad)					
184	B8	Keypad {					
185	B9	Keypad }					
186	BA	Keypad Tab					
187	BB	Keypad Backspace					
188	BC	Keypad A					
189	BD	Keypad B					
190	BE	Keypad C					
191	BF	Keypad D					
192	C0	Keypad E					
193	C1	Keypad F					

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Usage ID (Dec)	Usage ID (Hex)	Usage Name	Ref: Typical AT-101 Position	PC-AT	Mac	UNIX	Boot
194	C2	Keypad XOR					
195	C3	Keypad ^					
196	C4	Keypad %					
197	C5	Keypad <					
198	C6	Keypad >					
199	C7	Keypad &					
200	C8	Keypad &&					
201	C9	Keypad					
202	CA	Keypad					
203	CB	Keypad :					
204	CC	Keypad #					
205	CD	Keypad Space					
206	CE	Keypad @					
207	CF	Keypad !					
208	D0	Keypad Memory Store					
209	D1	Keypad Memory Recall					
210	D2	Keypad Memory Clear					
211	D3	Keypad Memory Add					
212	D4	Keypad Memory Subtract					
213	D5	Keypad Memory Multiple					
214	D6	Keypad Memory Divide					
215	D7	Keypad +/-					
216	D8	Keypad Clear					
217	D9	Keypad Clear Entry					
218	DA	Keypad Binary					
219	DB	Keypad Octal					
220	DC	Keypad Decimal					
221	DD	Keypad Hexadecimal					
222-223	DE-DF	Reserved					
224	E0	Keyboard LeftControl	58	√	√	√	
225	E1	Keyboard LeftShift	44	√	√	√	
226	E2	Keyboard LeftA;t	60	√	√	√	
227	E3	Keyboard Left GUI ^{10;23}	127	√	√	√	
228	E4	Keyboard RightControl	64	√	√	√	
229	E5	Keyboard RightShift	57	√	√	√	
230	E6	Keyboard RightAlt	62	√	√	√	
231	E7	Keyboard Right GUI ^{10;24}	128	√	√	√	
232 – 65535	E8-FFFF	Reserved					

Footnotes

1. Usage of keys is not modified by the state of the Control, Alt, Shift or Num Lock keys. That is, a key does not send extra codes to compensate for the state of any Control, Alt, Shift or Num Lock keys.
2. Typical language mappings: US: \ Belg: µ`£ FrCa: <> Dan: * Dutch: < Fren: *µ Ger: #` Ital: ù\$ LatAm: }` Nor:,* Span: }Ç Swed: ,* Swiss: \$£ UK: #~.
3. Typical language mappings: Belg:<> FrCa:«°» Dan:<> Dutch:]] Fren:< Ger:<> Ital:< LatAm:< Nor:< Span:< Swed:<> Swiss:<> UK:\ Brazil: \.
4. Typically remapped for other languages in the host system.
5. Keyboard Enter and Keypad Enter generate different Usage codes.
6. Typically near the Left-Shift key in AT-102 implementations.
7. Example, Erase-Eaze™ key.
8. Reserved for language-specific functions, such as Front End Processors and Input Method Editors.
9. Reserved for typical keyboard status or keyboard errors. Sent as a member of the keyboard array. Not a physical key.
10. Windows key for Windows 95, and "Compose."
11. Implemented as a non-locking key; sent as member of an array.
12. Implemented as a locking key; sent as a toggle button. Available for legacy support; however, most systems should use the non-locking version of this key.
13. Backs up the cursor one position, deleting a character as it goes.
14. Deletes one character without changing position.
- 15-20. See additional foot notes in Universal Serial Bus HID Usage Tables, Copyright © 1996-2005, USB Implementers Forum.
21. Toggle Double-Byte/Single-Byte mode.
22. Undefined, available for other Front End Language Processors.
23. Windowing environment key, examples are Microsoft Left Win key, Mac Left Apple key, Sun Left Meta key
24. Windowing environment key, examples are Microsoft® RIGHT WIN key, Macintosh® RIGHT APPLE key, Sun® RIGHT META key.
25. Hangul/English toggle key. This usage is used as an input method editor control key on a Korean language keyboard.
26. Hanja conversion key. This usage is used as an input method editor control key on a Korean language keyboard.
27. Keypad Comma is the appropriate usage for the Brazilian keypad period (.) key. This represents the closest possible match, and system software should do the correct mapping based on the current locale setting.
28. Keyboard International1 should be identified via footnote as the appropriate usage for the Brazilian forward-slash (/) and question-mark (?) key. This usage should also be renamed to either "Keyboard Non-US / and ?" or to "Keyboard International1" now that it's become clear that it does not only apply to Kanji keyboards anymore.
29. Used on AS/400 keyboards.
30. Defines the Katakana key for Japanese USB word-processing keyboards.
31. Defines the Hiragana key for Japanese USB word-processing keyboards.
32. Usage 0x94 (Keyboard LANG5) "Defines the Zenkaku/Hankaku key for Japanese USB word-processing keyboards.
33. The symbol displayed will depend on the current locale settings of the operating system. For example, the US thousands separator would be a comma, and the decimal separator would be a period.
34. The symbol displayed will depend on the current locale settings of the operating system. For example the US currency unit would be \$ and the sub-unit would be ¢.

APPENDIX B. MODIFIER BYTE DEFINITIONS

This appendix is from the following document found on www.usb.org: Device Class Definition for Human Interface Devices (HID) Version 1.11, and specifically for this manual, Section 8.3 Report Format for Array Items.

The modifier byte is defined as follows:

Table B-1. Modifier Byte

Bit	Key
0	LEFT CTRL
1	LEFT SHIFT
2	LEFT ALT
3	LEFT GUI
4	RIGHT CTRL
5	RIGHT SHIFT
6	RIGHT ALT
7	RIGHT GUI

APPENDIX C. DRAWINGS

The drawing shown in this section show the mounting dimensions of the Half Card Reader plus the model of the Reader.

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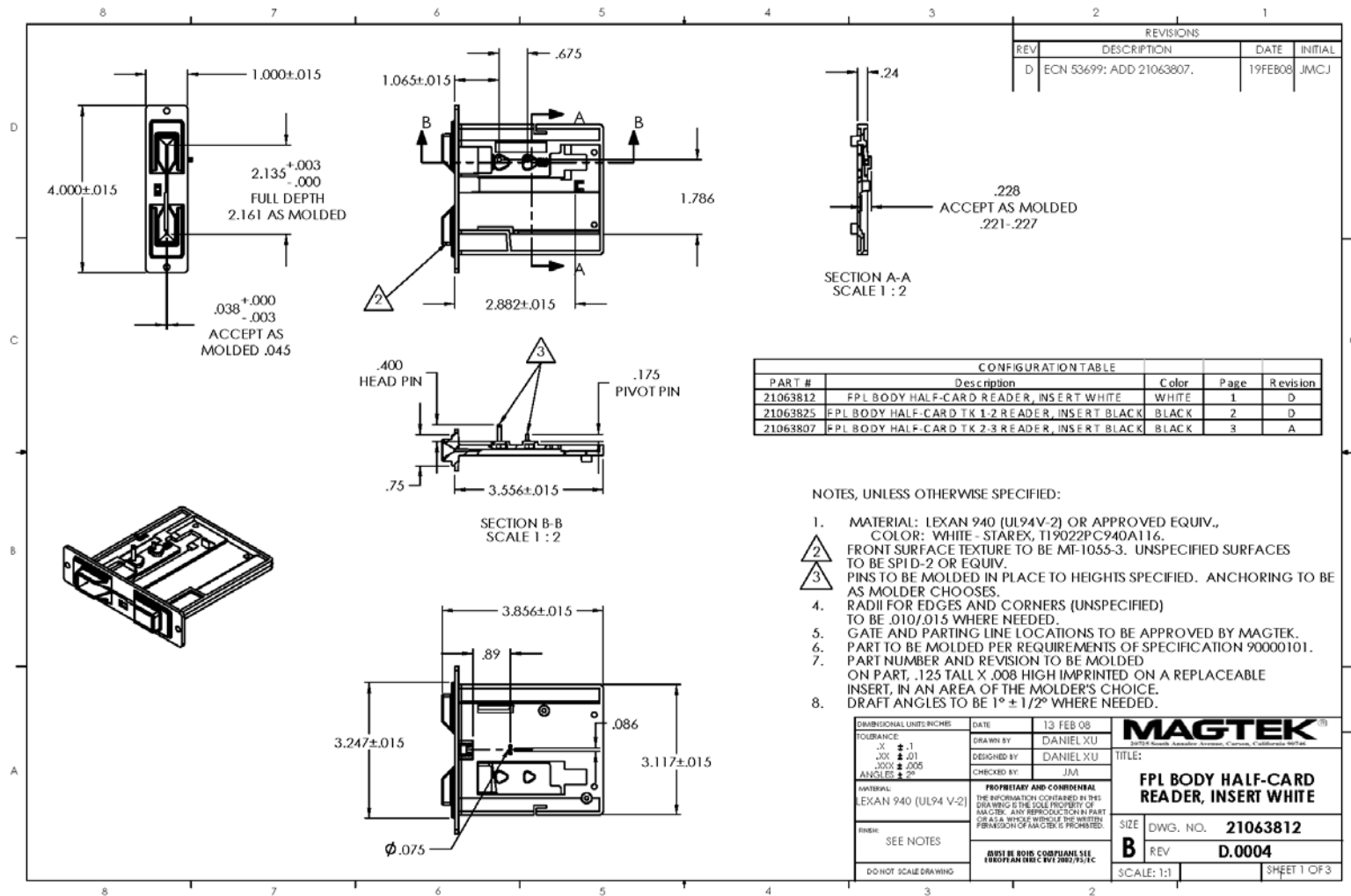
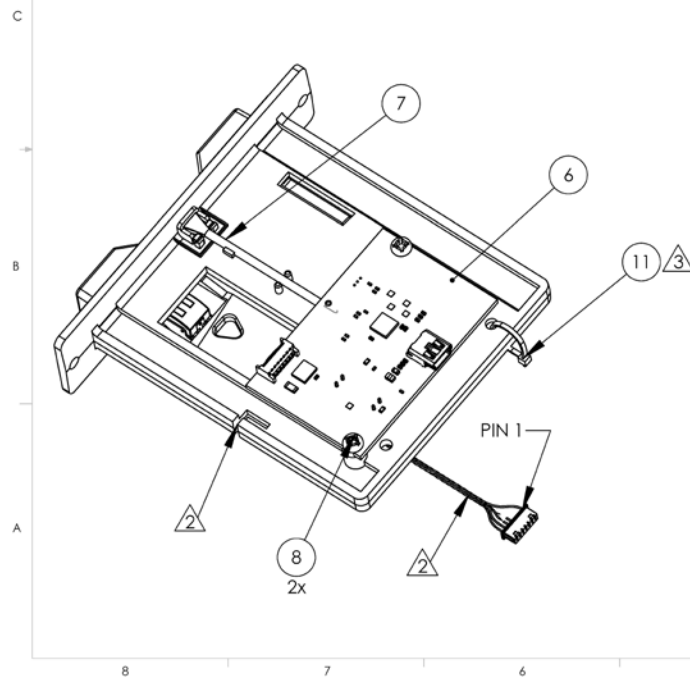
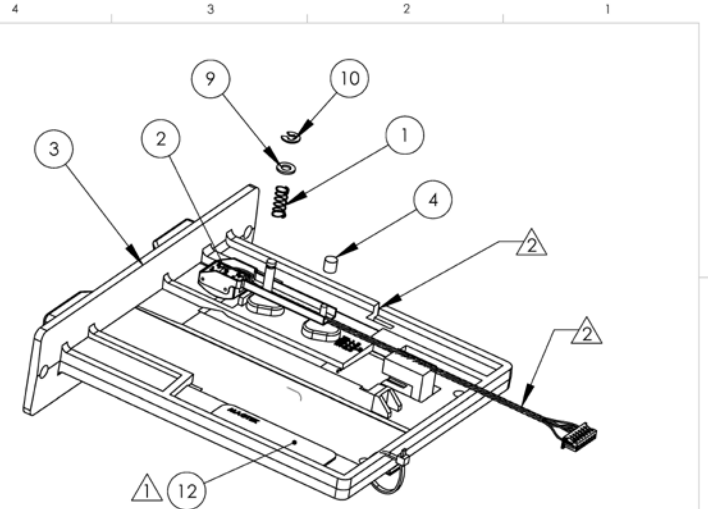


Figure C-1. Dimensions for Half Card Insert Reader



PC HEAD WIRING

J3 HDR	SIGNAL	COLOR
1	TK1	RED
2	TK1	RED
3	TK2	GREEN
4	TK2	GREEN
5	NC	
6	NC	
7	GND	BLACK



1. PLACE LABEL P/N 93400012 IN APPROXIMATE POSITION AS SHOWN.
2. INSERT HEAD WIRES THROUGH CUT IN CHASSIS. HEAD WIRES TO J3 MUST NOT INTERFERE WITH CARD ENTRY.
3. INSERT CABLE TIE THROUGH HOLE IN CHASSIS. LOOP AND ENGAGE CABLE TIE AS SHOWN.
4. (P/b) MARK TO BE LOCATED ON OR NEAR LABEL.

DIMENSIONAL UNITS:	DATE	O8APR08
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SCALE: 1:2	SHEET 1 OF 1	

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