# **Bluetooth Adapter**



## **Product Reference Guide**

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## **About This Guide**

This guide provides information about setting up and using the Bluetooth Adapter.

The Bluetooth Adapter provides Bluetooth capability to a host computer. Zebra scanners pair with the Bluetooth Adapter, allowing data to pass directly between the scanner and host computer.

This guide also lists relevant 1D programming barcodes relevant to the Bluetooth Adapter. Sample barcodes are provided for configuring the adapter.

### **Service Information**

If you have a problem with your equipment, contact Zebra Global Customer Support for your region. Contact information is available at: <u>zebra.com/support</u>.

When contacting support, please have the following information available:

- Serial number of the unit
- Model number or product name
- · Software type and version number

Zebra responds to calls by email, telephone, or fax within the time limits set forth in support agreements.

If your problem cannot be solved by Zebra Customer Support, you may need to return your equipment for servicing and will be given specific directions. Zebra is not responsible for any damages incurred during shipment if the approved shipping container is not used. Shipping the units improperly can possibly void the warranty.

If you purchased your Zebra business product from a Zebra business partner, contact that business partner for support.

### **Firmware Requirements**

Minimum firmware requiements for each compatible scanner.

| Table 1 | Scanner | Firmware | Requirements |
|---------|---------|----------|--------------|
|---------|---------|----------|--------------|

| Scanner Name | Minimum Firmware Required |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| RS5100       | CAAEXS001-R07 or later    |
| RS6100       | All firmware versions     |

## **Getting Started**

This chapter describes the Bluetooth Adapter's features, connecting the adapter to a host computer, and pairing it with a Zebra scanner.

## Unpacking

Unpack and examine the device.

Save the shipping container for storing or shipping. Inspect all equipment for damage. If anything is damaged or missing, call an authorized Zebra Support Center immediately.

## Features



| 1 | Mounting holes for screws     |
|---|-------------------------------|
| 2 | Mounting holes for cable ties |
| 3 | Interface port                |
| 4 | LED indicator                 |
| 5 | Page button                   |
| 6 | Pairing barcode               |

## **Connecting the Adapter**

Connect the Bluetooth Adapter to the host computer to provide a Bluetooth connection.

Use cable CBA-U46-S07ZAR.

**1.** Connect the latching end of the cable to the Bluetooth adapter port.

Press the cable firmly until you hear a click to ensure it is fully inserted into the port.



2. Connect the USB end of the cable to the host computer.

## Pairing

To pair a Zebra scanner with the adapter:

Use a Zebra scanner in factory default mode<sup>1</sup> to scan the pairing barcode (1) on the adapter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to the scanner's product reference guide at <u>zebra.com</u> for the factory default configuration barcode.



The LED indicator blinks blue, indicating that the scanner is attempting to establish a connection with the adapter. When a connection is established, the LED indicator turns off, and the scanner emits an alert to signal successful pairing.

#### Using the Page Button

Activate the Page Button to help find paired scanners.

The Page Button () is a touch-sensitive sensor.

**1.** Press Page for approximately one second.

The adapter LED indicator turns blue and all connected scanners emit an alert. Based on scanner capability and configuration, the alert may be visual (flashing LED), auditory (beeping), or haptic (vibration).

2. Repeat as needed until the missing scanners are located.



**NOTE:** An unconnected scanner (such as one that is out of radio range) will not alert when paged.

## **123Scan and Software Tools**

This chapter describes the Zebra software tools available for customizing scanner operation.

#### 123Scan

123Scan is a software tool that simplifies scanner setup and more.

Intuitive enough for first time users, the 123Scan wizard guides users through a streamlined setup process. Settings are saved in a configuration file that can be printed as a single programming barcode for scanning, emailed to a smart phone for scanning from its screen, or downloaded to the scanner using a USB cable.

Through 123Scan a user can:

- Configure a scanner using a wizard.
  - Program the following scanner settings.
    - Beeper tone / volume settings.
    - Enable / disable symbologies.
    - Communication settings.
  - Modify data before transmission to a host using:
    - Advanced Data Formatting (ADF) Scan one barcode per trigger pull.
    - Multicode Data Formatting (MDF) Scan many barcodes in one trigger pull (select scanners).
    - Preferred Symbol Single out one barcode on label of many (select scanners).
- Load parameter settings to a scanner via the following.
  - Barcode scanning.
    - Scan a paper barcode.
    - Scan a barcode from a PC screen.
    - Scan a barcode from a smart phone screen.
  - Download over a USB cable.
    - Load settings to one scanner.
    - Stage up to 10 scanners simultaneously (Powered USB Hub recommended with 0.5 amp / port).

- Validate scanner setup.
  - View scanned data within the utility's Data view screen.
  - Capture an image and save to a PC within the utility's Data view screen.
  - Review settings using the Parameter Report.
  - Clone settings from an already deployed scanner from the Start screen.
- Upgrade scanner firmware.
  - Load settings to one scanner.
  - Stage up to 10 scanners simultaneously (Powered USB Hub recommended with 0.5 amp / port).
- View statistics such as:
  - Asset tracking information.
  - Time and usage information.
  - Barcodes scanned by symbology.
- Generate the following reports.
  - Barcode Report Programming barcode, included parameter settings, and supported scanner models.
  - Parameter Report Parameters programmed within a configuration file.
  - Inventory Report Scanner asset tracking information.
  - Validation Report Scanned data from the Data view.
  - Statistics Report All statistics retrieved from the scanner.

For more information go to: <u>zebra.com/123Scan</u>.

#### **Communication with 123Scan**

Use a USB cable to connect the scanner to a Windows host computer running 123Scan.

#### **123Scan Requirements**

- Host computer running Windows 10 or 11
- Scanner
- USB cable

#### **123Scan Information**

For more information on123Scan, go to: <u>zebra.com/123Scan</u> For a 1 minute tour of 123Scan, go to: <u>zebra.com/ScannerHowToVideos</u> To see a list of all of our software tools, go to: <u>zebra.com/scannersoftware</u>

#### Scanner SDK, Other Software Tools, and Videos

Tackle all your scanner programming needs with our diversified set of software tools. Whether you need to simply stage a device, or develop a fully featured application with image and data capture as well as asset management, these tools help you every step of the way.

To download any of the following free tools, go to: <u>zebra.com/scannersoftware</u>.

- 123Scan configuration utility
- SDKs
  - Scanner SDK for Windows
  - Scanner SDK for Linux
  - Scanner SDK for Android
  - Scanner SDK for iOS
- Drivers
  - OPOS driver
  - JPOS driver
  - USB CDC driver
- Scanner Management Service (SMS) for Remote Management
  - Windows
  - Linux
- Mobile Apps
  - Scanner Control App
    - Android
    - iOS
  - Scan-To-Connect Utility
    - Android
    - Windows
- How-To-Videos



**NOTE:** For a list of SDK supported scanner functionality by communication protocol, see Communication Protocol Functionality

## **Bluetooth Communications**

Configure adapter-specific parameters using the barcodes provided.

This section provides information about the adapter's wireless communication options. While different scanners may have additional parameters and settings, the adapter only provides the host computer access to the parameters in the Bluetooth Communication Defaults table. If the default values suit requirements, programming is not necessary.

To set feature values, scan a single barcode or short barcode sequence. The settings are stored in nonvolatile memory and are preserved even when the scanner is powered down.

#### **Errors While Scanning**

Unless otherwise specified, to correct an error during a scanning sequence, re-scan the correct parameter.

### **Bluetooth Communications Parameter Defaults**

Default parameters are listed in the following table. If you wish to change any option, scan the appropriate barcode(s).

| Parameter           | Parameter<br>Number | Default            |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Radio Output Power  | 1324                | High (0)           |
| Modes of Operation  | 538                 | Point-to-Point (0) |
| Parameter Broadcast | 148 (Scanner)       | Enable (1)         |
| Page Button         | 746                 | Enable (1)         |
| Page Mode           | 1364                | Page Simple (0)    |
| Page State Timeout  | 1365                | 30 seconds (30)    |
| USB Device Type     | N/A                 | USB HID Keyboard   |

#### Table 2 Bluetooth Communication Defaults

### **Radio Output Power**

Parameter # 1324

The scanner uses a configurable radio which can be configured to operate in:

- Low power mode as a Class 2 device.
  - Low power mode reduces the effect on neighboring wireless systems.
- High power mode as a Class 1 device.

Increase the radio output power to increase range. Scan a barcode to select the desired power mode.



**NOTE:** Changing the power level resets the Bluetooth stack and terminates all Bluetooth connections to other devices.



\*High Power (0)



\*Low Power (1)

### **Modes of Operation**

#### Parameter # 538 (SSI # F1h A1h)

The Bluetooth Adapter supports two radio communication modes of scanner operation for wireless communication.

#### **Point-to-Point**

Only one scanner can connect to the adapter at a time. Pair the scanner with the adapter by scanning the pairing code on the Bluetooth Adapter. Communication can be locked, unlocked (default), or in a lock override state (see Pairing Modes). In locked mode, you must set a connection maintenance interval to set the locking interval.

#### **Multipoint-to-Point**

Pair up to seven scanners with one Bluetooth Adapter. To set this mode,

- **1.** Pair a scanner with the adapter.
- **2.** Scan the Multipoint-to-Point barcode.
- 3. Pair up to six more scanners with the adapter.

This mode allows a parameter broadcast feature that forwards parameter barcode settings to all connected digital scanners. In this mode, programming one digital scanner applies the settings to all connected digital scanners.



\*Point-to-Point Mode (0)



Multipoint-to-Point Mode (1)

## Parameter Broadcast (Host Only)

#### Parameter # 148 (SSI # 94h)

When in Multipoint-to-Point mode, you can enable Parameter Broadcast to broadcast all parameter barcodes scanned to all other connected scanners.

If disabled, only the individual scanner processes parameter barcodes, and the scanner ignores parameters broadcast from other scanners or from the adapter.



**NOTE:** This parameter is programmed into the scanner, not the adapter. However, the adapter enables the parameter to activate and change. When programming the Bluetooth Adapter's settings on a host computer, this parameter will not appear.



\*Enable Parameter Broadcast (1)



Disable Parameter Broadcast (0)

## **Lock Override**

Lock Override overrides a locked scanner base pairing and connects a new scanner. In Multipoint-to-Point mode, this unpairs any disconnected (out of range) scanner first to connect the new scanner.

To use Lock Override, scan Lock Override and then pair the scanner.



Lock Override

## **Pairing Modes**

#### Parameter # 542 (SSI # F1h 1Eh)

The Bluetooth Adapter and scanner support two modes of pairing.

- **Unlocked Pairing Mode** In Point-to-Point mode only, pair a new scanner to an adapter at any time by scanning the pairing barcode. This unpairs the previously connected scanner from the adapter.
- Locked Pairing Mode When an adapter is paired to a scanner (or up to seven scanners in Multipointto-Point mode), it rejects any attempt to connect a different scanner.





Locked Pairing Mode (1)

## Unpairing

Choose Unpair to unpair the scanner, to make the host available for pairing with another scanner.



Unpair

## **Page Button**

#### Parameter # 746 (SSI # F1h EAh)

This parameter enables the Bluetooth Adapter to cause paired scanners to emit an alert sequence when the Page Button is touched.

Choose the following:

- Enabled Touching the Page Button causes a paired scanner to beep.
- Disabled Touching the Page Button does not cause a paired scanner to beep.

To use the Page Button, press Page () for approximately one second. The LED indicator turns blue. The paired scanner beeps five times. If multiple scanners are paired to the adapter, all scanners beep five times.



**NOTE:** Scanners out of radio range do not beep when paged.



\*Enable Page Button (1)



Disable Page Button (0)

## Page Mode

#### Parameter # 1364 (SSI # F8h 05h 54h)

The adapter and scanner support two page modes, Page State and Page Simple.

- Page State The adapter sends a page state request to each scanner. It remains in this state until every
  scanner sends an acknowledgment. The scanner enters Page State when the LED indicator blinks
  blue and the vibrator and beeper are enabled. When you press the trigger or the Page State Timeout
  expires, the scanner sends the acknowledgment to the adapter and returns to its normal state.
- Page Simple The adapter sends a page indication request to each scanner, and returns to idle state. Each scanner issues a single Page State indication.



Page State (1)



\*Page Simple (0)

### **Page State Timeout**

#### Parameter # 1365 (SSI # F8h 05h 55h)

This parameter enables you to set a page timeout.

The Page State Timeout is programmable in one-second increments from 1 to 99 seconds.



**NOTE:** Page State Timeout only applies to Page State mode.

To set a page timeout, scan the Page State Timeout barcode and then enter the two numeric barcodes listed in the Numeric Barcodes section that corresponds to the desired timeout duration. Enter a leading zero for single-digit numbers.

For example, to set a five-second page timeout, enter barcode zero and then five. To correct an error or change the selection, scan the Cancel code.



Page State Timeout

## **USB** Device Type

Scan one of the following barcodes to select the USB device type.

• When changing USB device types, the scanner resets and issues the standard startup beep sequences.

- When connecting two scanners to a host, IBM does not allow selecting two of the same device type. If you require two connections, select an IBM Table-top USB for one scanner and an IBM Hand-held USB for the second scanner.
- Select OPOS (IBM Hand-held with Full Disable) to completely shut off the scanner when an IBM register issues a Scan Disable command, including aim, illumination, decoding, and data transmission.
- Before selecting USB CDC Host, ensure your host OS has a USB CDC driver installed. For reference, Windows 10 includes a native (built-in) USB CDC driver. To recover a scanner stalled (non-functional) in USB CDC mode:
  - Install a USB CDC Driver
- Select USB HID POS to communicate over a USB cable with Microsoft's Universal Windows Platform (UWP) applications running on Windows 10 devices.



\*USB HID Keyboard



IBM Table-top USB



IBM Hand-held USB



OPOS (IBM Hand-held with Full Disable)



USB CDC Host



SSI over USB CDC



Symbol Native API (SNAPI) with Imaging Interface



Symbol Native API (SNAPI) without Imaging Interface



USB HID POS (Windows 10 devices only)

## Symbol Native API (SNAPI) Status Handshaking

After selecting a SNAPI interface as the USB device type, select an option to enable or disable status handshaking.



\*Enable SNAPI Status Handshaking



Disable SNAPI Status Handshaking

## **Numeric Barcodes**

For parameters requiring specific numeric values, scan the appropriately numbered barcode(s).



















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### Cancel

To correct an error or change a selection, scan the barcode below.



Cancel

# Bluetooth Adapter Technical Specifications

Physical specifications and requirements for the Bluetooth Adapter.

| Item                          | Description   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Dimensions                    | Height: 113 mm (4.45 in.)   |
|                               | Width: 60.1 mm (2.37 in.)   |
|                               | Depth: 31mm (1.22 in.)  |
| Weight                        | 98 g (3.46 oz)  |
| Input Power Requirements      | 5 V DV, 200 mA  |
| Operating Temperature         | -20°C to 50°C (-4°F to 122°F)   |
| Storage Temperature           | -40°C to 70°C (-40°F to 158°F)  |
| Humidity                      | 5 to 95% non-condensing   |
| Drop                          | 75 cm (30 in.) drops to concrete at room temperature.   |
| Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) | +/- 15 kV air discharge   |
|                               | +/- 8 kV contact discharge  |
| Bluetooth                     | Class 1 and 2, Bluetooth v 5.2  |
|                               | Supported profiles: Serial Port Profile (SPP),<br>Human Interface Device Profile (HID), Simple Serial<br>Interface (SSI). |

 Table 3
 Bluetooth Adapter Technical Specifications

## Troubleshooting

If the adapter does not work after following the previous procedures:

- Check the system power.
- Check for loose cable connections.
- Check that the host computer settings are correct and that the adapter is connected to the appropriate port.

# **Communication Protocol Functionality**

#### Table 4 Communication Interface Functionality

| Communication Interfaces                               | Functionality     |                   |                                 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
|  | Data Transmission | Remote Management | Image and Video<br>Transmission |
| USB  |                   |                   |                                 |
| HID Keyboard Emulation                                 | Supported         | Not Available     | Not Available                   |
| CDC COM Port Emulation                                 | Supported         | Not Available     | Not Available                   |
| SSI over CDC COM Port<br>Emulation                     | Supported         | Supported         | Not Available                   |
| IBM Table-Top USB                                      | Supported         | Supported         | Not Available                   |
| IBM Hand-Held USB                                      | Supported         | Supported         | Not Available                   |
| USB OPOS Hand-Held                                     | Supported         | Supported         | Not Available                   |
| Symbol Native API (SNAPI)<br>without Imaging Interface | Supported         | Supported         | Not Available                   |
| Symbol Native API (SNAPI)<br>with Imaging Interface    | Supported         | Supported         | Supported                       |

#### Table 5 Communication Interface Functionality

| Communication Interfaces  | Scanner Functionality             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Simple Serial Interface   | SSI BT Classic (non-discoverable) |
|                           | SSI BT Classic (discoverable)     |
|                           | SSI BT Low Energy                 |
|                           | SSI BT with MFi (iOS Support)     |
| HID (Keyboard Emulation)  | HID BT Classic                    |
|                           | HID BT LE (discoverable)          |
| Serial Port Profile (SSP) | SPP BT Classic (non-discoverable) |
|                           | SPP BT Classic (discoverable)     |



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