

Astra

Enterprise UHF RFID Reader



Astra is an easy to install, unobtrusive, integrated reader/antenna designed for office and commercial environments. Driven by ThingMagic's powerful Mercury5e UHF RFID reader module, Astra's Power over Ethernet (PoE) and WiFi options allow for flexible, low cost, single cable installations. With full support for ThingMagic's enterprise-class MercuryOS software, Astra blends in well with corporate IT infrastructures and office lay outs.

Ordering Information

Astra Reader with AC power & Wi-Fi - (North America)	A5-NA-WIFI
Astra Reader POE - (North America)	A5-NA-POE
Astra Reader with AC power & Wi-Fi - (Europe)	A5-EU-WIFI
Astra Reader POE - (Europe)	A5-EU-POE

Tag / Transponder Protocols

RFID Air-Interface Protocol	EPCglobal Gen2 (ISO 18000-6C) with Anti-Collision, DRM, and advanced anti-jamming
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RF Interface

Antenna(s)	Integrated 6dbi, monostatic, circularly polarized antenna, plus 1 RP TNC connector to support optional external antenna
RF Power Output	Separate read and write levels, configurable from 5 dBm to 30 dBm (1 W), +/-1.0 dBm accuracy*
Frequency	Hop table with up to 62 entries, configurable in 50KHz steps, accommodating the following ranges: FCC 902-928 MHz ETSI 865.6-867.6 MHz MIC 910-914 MHz

Data/Control Interface

Connectors	10/100 Base-T Ethernet interface, Serial RS232 port; 12-pin screw terminal connector
Wireless	802.11 b/g (optional) WEP 40-bit and 104-bit keys; WPA & WPA2 with TKIP and AES algorithms with preshared keys or EAP-TLS
Indicators and GPIOs	1 LED indicator; Opto-isolated GPIOs: 4 Inputs & 4 Outputs

Physical

Dimensions	26 cm L x 26 cm W x 7.6 cm H (10.2 in L x 10.2 in W x 3.0 in H)
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Power

Power Over Ethernet	Power over Ethernet 802.3af in both modes A and B (Supports 100m cable)
External DC Power (optional)	10- 30 VDC supply voltage. Maximum DC power: 15 W

Environment

Operating Temp	-20C to +60C
Storage Temp	-40C to +85C
Humidity	Relative humidity 0-90% non-condensing

Architecture

Processor	Intel IXP420 Network Processor
DRAM Memory	64MB
Flash Memory	32MB
Tag Buffer	65,000 tags

Performance

Max Tag Read Rate	Over 190 tags/second
Max Tag Read Distance	Over 30 feet (9 m) with integrated 6 dBi antenna (36 dBm EIRP)
Max EPC ID length	256 bits

MercuryOS features

Networking	Cisco-certified DHCP & DNS-based configuration and firmware management, TCP/IP networking stack
Security	SSL/SSH-based security
Web based applications	Configuration and Monitoring from a web browser; HTTP/HTTPS
Protocol	Reader Query Language (RQL) and MercuryOS C API
Communication	Supports thread safe local applications, and remote applications on Windows and Linux (x86 and ARM).

Regulatory & Safety

Regulatory	FCC 47 CFR Ch. 1 Part 15; Industrie Canada RSS-210 ETSI EN 302 208 V1.1.1 and V1.2.1 (Planned); ETSI EN 300 220 V2.1.1 (Planned)
Other	ROHS Compliant, UL Listed

*Maximum power may have to be reduced to meet regulatory limits, which specify the combined effect of the module, antenna, cable, and enclosure shielding of the integrated product.

Specifications subject to change without notice.



Develop

Create RFID-enabled solutions
using industry-standard tools

Deploy

Enable rapid deployment and reliable
operation of RFID solutions within a wide
variety of new and existing environments

Optimize

Maximize productivity, improve ROI,
and lower operating costs



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