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Tampa, Florida 33634
Tel: (813) 248-9220
Fax: (813) 248-6013

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ProTec AIS Introduction

1.1. General

The L-3 ProTec is an Automatic Identification System transponder which is fully compliant to the technical specifications defined by the IMO and outlined in ITU.R.M 1371-1. The transponder employs the latest radio frequency and Self Organized Time Division Multiple Access (SOTDMA) and DSC controller technology to provide a high performance, automated, and reliable identification system for commercial mariners. The Transponder is a fully automated system which ties into ship's navigational instruments to provide automatic transmission of ships identity, status, and maneuvering intentions via standard marine VHF communication techniques. Sequencing of transmission between all vessels within VHF range is provided through SOTDMA controlling software to handle high traffic volume situations.

The Transponder is a fully automated system. This means that once it is installed and turned on, no maintenance is required to keep it operational. The only time the user needs to perform any function on the transponder is to change the ship's Vessel/Voyage data as required.

1.1.1. System Overview

The L-3 ProTec is an Automatic Identification System fully compliant with the IMO specifications defined in IMO MSC.74(69) Annex 3, IEC 61993-2, and ITU.R M.1371-1. This AIS transponder has been developed using technology applied in the design of our VHF DSC Class A radio, a design which has been field tested for over a decade with over 10,000 units operational in the field. With the addition of the SOTDMA controllers, the L-3 ProTec provides a cost-effective AIS solution which will meet the needs of any vessel required to carry AIS. The compact, single-box design allows the L-3 ProTec to be easily incorporated into any bridge layout thus simplifying installation and cabling requirements.

The L-3 ProTec has been designed as maintenance-free unit which makes extensive use of surface mount technology (SMT). The repair of printed wiring assemblies (PWAs) containing SMT components requires specialized factory equipment, training, and techniques, therefore, such PWAs are not field-repairable.

As a result, maintenance philosophy for the L-3 ProTec is replacement of failed assemblies. In the case of the L-3 ProTec, the replaceable assemblies are the Faceplate Assembly (192M0093-00), the Main PWA (205M0023-12), the Channel 70 PWA (205M0003-01), the IEC PWA (205M0274-11), and the Controller PWA (205M0307-01).



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When it has been determined that one or more of these assemblies is faulty, the faulty assembly(ies) should be removed and returned to the Aviation Recorders factory for repair or replacement. Attempts to repair any of these assemblies will void the warranty. Extreme care should be used when handling these assemblies.

For repair service, ship units to:

L-3 Communications, Aviation Recorders
6000 East Fruitville Road
Sarasota, FL 34232 USA
Attn: Repair Department
Tel: (941) 377-5558
Fax #: (941) 377-5585

CAUTION: THE L-3 ProTec CIRCUIT BOARDS ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO ELECTROSTATIC DESTRUCTION (ESD). PRIOR TO HANDLING PWAs, ENSURE PROPER PERSONNEL GROUNDING TECHNIQUES ARE USED. ENSURE THAT CARDS ARE PLACED INTO STATIC SHIELDING CONDUCTIVE BAGS WHEN HANDLING OR STORING.



1.1.2. References

IMO Resolution MSC.74(69), Annex 3, Recommendation on Performance Standards for an Universal Shipborne Automatic Identification Systems (AIS)

IMO SN/Circ. 227, Guidelines for the INstallation of a Shipborne Automatic Identification System (AIS)

International Telecommunications Union Sector for Radio Communications (ITU-R) Recommendation M.1371-1, Technical Characteristics for a Universal Shipborne Automatic Identification System Using Time Division Multiple Access in the Maritime Mobile Band.

IEC 61993-2 Edition1, Maritime Navigation and Radiocommunication Requirements - Automatic Identification Systems (AIS) - Part 2: Class A shipborne Equipment of the Universal Automatic Identification System (AIS) - Operational and Performance Requirements, Methods of Test and Required Test Results

IEC 60945 Edition 4, Maritime Navigation and Radiocommunication Equipment and Systems - General Requirements - Methods of Testing and Required Test Results.

IALA Recommendation on AIS Shore Stations and Networking Aspects Relating to the AIS Service, Edition 1.0, September 5, 2002



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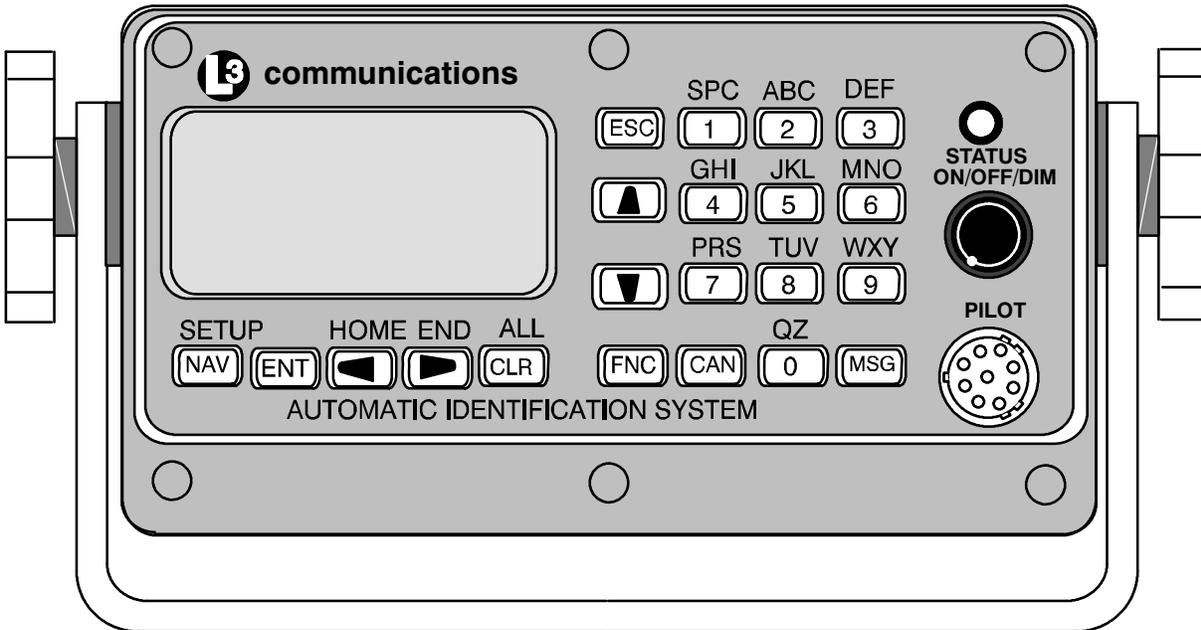
1.1.3. Acronyms

ABM	Addressed Binary Message
ABK	Acknowledgement Message
ACA	AIS Channel Assignment
ACK	Acknowledgement Message
ASPA	Automatic Radar Plotting Aid
BBM	Broadcast Binary Message
COG	Course Over Ground
DGPS	Differential Global Positioning System
GGA	Global Positioning Fix Data
GLL	Geographic Position, Latitude/Longitude
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
GPS	Global Positioning System
GSA	GPS DOP and Active Satellites
GSV	GPS Satellites in View
HDG	Heading, Deviation & Variation
HDT	Heading, True
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
IMO	International Maritime Organization
LRF	Long Range Function
LFI	Long Range Interrogation
MMSI	Maritime Mobile Service ID
NMEA	National Marine Electronics Association
RAIM	Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring
RMC	Recommended Minimum Data for GPS
ROT	Rate of Turn
SOG	Speed Over Ground
SOTDMA	Self Organized Time Division Multiple Access
SSD	Station Static Data
TDS	Target Display Software
TXT	Status/Indication Message
VBW	Dual Ground/Water Speed
VDL	VHF Data-link Other Vessel Message
VDM	VHF Data-link Message
VDO	VHF Data-link Own-vessel Message
VSD	Voyage Static Data
VTG	Track Made Good and Ground Speed
ZDA	Date and Time



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NOTE: 1.Front Panel Mating Connectors

Pilot Port - L3 PN: 063-98-02113

TYCO PN: 206485-1

Figure 1-1. AIS Transponder

1.2. Technical Specifications

Standards IMO MSC.74(69) Annex 3, IEC 61993-2 Ed. 1, ITU.R.M.1371-1

Ship reporting capacity

2,250 reports per minute, 4,500 reports per minute on two channels

TDMA Transmitter

TX Frequency: 156.025MHz - 162.025MHz, manual/automatic setting

Transmitter Power: 2W, 12.5W (see Appendix D for tolerances) manual/automatic selection

TDMA Receiver

RX Frequency: 156.025MHz - 162.025MHz, 2 channels

RX1: Default CH87B (161.975MHz), manual/automatic setting

RX2: Default CH88B (162.025MHz), manual/automatic setting

Channel Spacing: 25kHz and 12.5kHz

DSC Receiver

RX Frequency: CH70 (156.525MHz)



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Internal GPS Receiver

Twelve Channel, UTC Synchronization Jitter: $\pm 100\mu\text{s}$
[Time between slot start and transmitter on.]

Navigational data

COG/SOG, ROT, POS, Heading from external sources

Display

Integral MKD with 160 x 64 Dots backlit LCD

INTERFACE

Input ABM, ACA, ACK, AIR, BBM, DTM, GBS, GGA, GLL, GNS, HDT,
OSD, SSD, RMC, ROT, VBW, VSD, VTG

Output ABK, VDO, VDM, ACA, ACS, ALR, LRF, LR1, LR2, LR3, TXT

Power Supply

24Vdc nominal, complies with IEC 60945. Operating voltage: 11.8Vdc to 31.2Vdc.
Power consumption: 24Vdc - 0.8A (19.2W); 12Vdc - 1.6A (19.2W).

Environment

IEC 60945 Ed. 4 for Protected Environment

Frequency

VHF Marine Band



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1.3. AIS Description

1.3.1. Compact Design

The completely self-contained L-3 ProTec is the most compact AIS unit available on the market today with outside dimensions of 6.5" W (16.5cm.) x 3.4" H (8.6cm.) x 7.4" D (18.8cm.). It is easily mounted on any surface using either a trunion bracket or flush-mount bracket. The data port on the faceplate provides for easy connection to any external display in either mounting configuration.

1.3.2. Integral Minimum Keyboard Display (MKD)

In line with the compact design, the L-3 ProTec is a single-box design incorporating an integral MKD which is fully IMO compliant. The interface includes a 2.58" L (6.5cm.) x 1.16" H (2.9cm.) (160 x 64Dots) backlit LCD screen for displaying alphanumeric text and a multifunction keypad. The closest three vessels within AIS range will be displayed with each vessel identified by MMSI and ship name and will display both range and bearing to each vessel.

The interface has been designed to facilitate data entry and retrieval with a minimum of keystrokes. It also includes a Pilot port designed to allow any user to quickly and easily attach a portable AIS-compatible display system directly to the AIS transponder for display of the AIS data. This display system can consist of any system which recognizes the NMEA AIS string whether it's installed on a handheld PC, laptop PC, or dedicated display.

1.3.3. Integral GPS

The L-3 ProTec includes an internal GPS receiver card. The internal GPS provides timing data required for synchronization of transmission. By specifications, ship positional information in NMEA format is to be fed to the transponder from the ships external electronic position indicating system through the supplied data cable. The internal GPS requires a dedicated GPS antenna to be mounted on the superstructure and the appropriate connections are supplied on the transponder unit back panel.

1.3.4. Data Interface

Each transponder will be delivered with an IEC-specified NMEA standard data cable required to interface to ship's sensors and external display. The description of this interface cable is given in the Installation Section of this manual. The standard kit includes an 8ft. (2.44m) cable and a terminal block to facilitate the final linkup to the ship's navigational instruments.



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1.3.5. Equipment List

The standard AIS STEDS shipping kit (kit number 147M010090) includes the equipment noted in Table 1-1, below:

Table 1-1. AIS (STEDS) Parts List

Component	Part Number
Flush Mount Kit	147M0092-01
Trunion Mount	147M0092-02
IEC Cable	024M0088-00
Terminal Strips (Qty. 3)	2469800177
Power Cable	024M0086-00
Ground Cable	024M0043-00
Installation Manual	165M0014-90
Quick Installation Manual	165M0511-00
Protective Cap Cover	0279800037
Brown Wire for Terminal Strips	2769800094



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1.3.6. Operational Modes

The ProTec AIS is designed to operate in each of three modes: Autonomous and Continuous, Assigned and Polled which are defined below.

1.3.6.1 Autonomous and Continuous

This is the default mode. The ProTec AIS will determine its own schedule for transmission of position and identification and will automatically resolve scheduling conflicts with other stations using the SOTDMA methodology.

1.3.6.2 Assigned

The ProTec will automatically switch to assigned mode when it is commanded by a competent authority, such as a base or repeater station, to transmit on a specific transmission schedule. In this mode, the ProTec allocates the defined slots and begins transmitting on these slots. It will continue to transmit in these slots with a zero slot time-out and a zero slot offset, until those slots have been removed from the transmission schedule. The assigned slots use the SOTDMA access scheme, with the time-out value set to the assigned slot time-out. The assignment terminates when the slot time-out reaches zero of any assigned slot, and the ProTec returns to autonomous and continuous mode.

1.3.6.3 Polled

The ProTec AIS will transmit a response to DSC interrogation messages from a ship or competent authority and respond back on the same channel without interfering with either of the other two modes. When an automatic response is required, transmitted responses will be made on channel 70 unless the unit is instructed to transmit on another channel. The ProTec is inhibited from transmitting on the AIS 1 and AIS 2 channels. If and when frequency channels other than channel 70 are used for DSC transmissions, the receive capability of TDMA operations should not be impaired more than it would be if all DSC messages were transmitted on channel 70.

1.3.6.4 Initialization

The ProTec AIS will enter into an Initialization mode at Power-Up during which it will monitor the TDMA channels for one minute. During this initialization period, a dynamic directory of all users in the system will be created which includes user IDs, slot assignments, positions, and other transmitted data. After this initialization period of 1 minute, the ProTec will enter the required operational mode and begin transmission of the AIS data on the required schedule.



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1.3.7. DSC Functionality

The Assigned and Polled operational modes are activated through a DSC message transmitted by the competent authority. In order to provide for this, the ProTec AIS contains a dedicated DSC receiver that is tuned to channel 70. DSC messages originating from shore stations of competent authorities will define regional AIS frequencies, regions of coverage, required transmission schedule and/or interrogation request. The ProTec AIS will respond back to such DSC interrogations on the frequency specified in a manner such that it does not interfere with the TDMA transmissions by interleaving the transmission between TDMA transmissions. The DSC response will be made after a random delay of 0-20 seconds provided the signaling channel is clear and the TDMA transmissions are not interrupted.

1.3.8. AIS Broadcast Parameters

A Class A AIS unit broadcasts the following information every 2 to 10 seconds while underway, and every 3min while at anchor at a power level of 12.5W (see Appendix D for tolerances). The information broadcast includes:

- MMSI number - unique referenceable identification.
- Navigation status
- Speed over ground - 1/10 knot resolution.
- Position accuracy - differential GPS.
- Longitude - to 1/10000 minute and Latitude - to 1/10000 minute.
- Course over ground - relative to true north to 1/10th degree.
- True Heading - 0 to 359° derived from heading sensor.
- Time stamp - The universal time to nearest second that this information was generated.

In addition, the Class A AIS unit broadcasts the following information every 6 minutes:

- MMSI number - same unique identification used above, links the data above to described vessel.
- IMO number - unique referenceable identification (related to ship's construction).
- Radio call sign - international call sign assigned to vessel, often used on voice radio.
- Name - Name of ship, 20 alphanumeric characters are provided.
- Type of ship/cargo - there is a table of possibilities that are available.



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- Dimensions of ship - to nearest meter.
- Location on ship where reference point for position reports is located.
- Type of position fixing device - various options from differential GPS to un-defined.
- Draught of ship - 1/10m to 25.5m [note "air-draught" is not provided].
- Destination - 20 alphanumeric characters are provided.

1.3.9. AIS Frequencies

The International Telecommunications Union World Radio Conference in 1997 designated two VHF radio frequencies: 161.975MHz (AIS1, or channel 87B) and 162.025MHz (AIS2, or channel 88B) for AIS. In the US, the first channel is owned by MariTEL, a public coast station operator, and the second by the federal government. The USCG signed a Memorandum of Agreement with MariTEL for use of AIS 1, and has authority from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to use both AIS1 and AIS 2 US-wide for AIS operation. The USCG has asked the Federal Communications Commission to authorize any US vessel to operate AIS on these two channels under its existing ship station license. The FCC released a Notice authorizing operation of AIS under a ship's existing station license.

1.3.10. AIS Input Sentences

This section lists the input sentences received by the L-3 ProTec AIS Transponder. The input sentences are categorized as Pilot, Long Range, and Sensor, which are listed as follows:

Pilot

ABM, BBM, AIR, VSD, SSD, ACK, ACA, AIQ

Long Range

LRI, LRF

Sensor

RMC, VTG, ROT, HDT, GNS, GLL, GGA, GRS, GSA, GST, GSV, ZDA, GBS, DTM, VBW



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1.4. Interface Description

1.4.1. Pilot Systems Input Data and Formats

The input data and formats are shown in Table 1-2, and the details of the sentences can be found in IEC 61162-1.

Table 1-2. Pilot System High-Speed Input Data Formats

Data	IEC 61162-1 Sentences
Normal Access - Parameter Entry	
Static station information - (Vessel name) - (Call sign) - Antenna location - Length and beam	SSD - Station Static Data - (not used, field sets to null by MKD) - (not used, field sets to null by MKD) - used to set the antenna location for the MKD external GPS only (saved in MKD memory)
Voyage Information - Vessel type and cargo category - Navigational status - Draught, max. actual static - Destination - ETA date and time - Regional application flags	VSD - Voyage Static Data
Long Range Acknowledgement	
External manual LR acknowledgement	LRF - Long Range Function
Initiate VHF Data Link Broadcasts	
Safety messages	ABM - Addressed Binary Message BBM - Broadcast Binary Message
Binary messages	ABM - Addressed Binary Message BBM - Broadcast Binary Message
Interrogation message	AIR - AIS Interrogation Information
Channel Setting	
Channel assignment message (set frequency)	ACA - AIS Channel Assignment Message
BIIT Input	
Alarm / indication acknowledgement	ACK - Acknowledgement Message
Own Station Settings Queries	
Query messages	AIQ, ACA - Query AIS Channel Assignment



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1.4.2. Pilot Systems Output Data and Formats

The output data and formats are shown in Table 1-3, and the details of the sentences can be found in IEC 61162-1.

Table 1-3. Pilot System High-Speed Output Data Formats

Data	IEC 61162-1 Sentences
Prepared by AIS Transponder	
Notification that a session initiated by messages ABM, BBM, ACA, AIR is terminated	ABK - Acknowledgement Message
AIS Own-ship broadcast data (all transmissions available)	VDO - VHF Data-link Own-vessel Message
Query response messages	ACA - AIS Channel Assignment SSD - Station Static Data VSD - Voyage Static Data
BIIT Results	
AIS equipment status	ALR - Alarm Message TXT - Status / Indication Message
Received from Long Range Equipment	
LR Interrogation	LRI - Long Range Interrogation
LR Function identification	LRF - Long Range Function
Received on VHF Data Link by AIS Transponder	
All VDL AIS messages received - Broadcast or - Addressed to own station	VDM - VHF Data Link Message

1.4.3. Pilot Input / Output Port

The Pilot input/output port is a part of the AIS Class A stations. If the installation of the AIS equipment is such that a pilot cannot connect his Personal Pilot Unit (PPU) with a reasonable length of cable, an extension cable must be installed with a connector located on the bridge such that the PPU can be connected on the normal working position of the port.



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The Pilot input/output port defined by IEC 61193-2 for connections of ship's pilot equipment shall, if fitted, be connected using the pilot port cable, p/n: 024M0099-03. The Pilot input/output port meets the requirement of IEC 61162-2 and is terminated as shown in Table 1-4.

Table 1-4. Pilot Port Pinout

J1 Pin	Name	Description	Pair Color	P2 Pin
1	PILOT_TXA	RS4-22 Compliant Output A	Blue	2
2	GND	Signal/Power 0V Reference	Black	5
3	+8V	+8.0V ($\pm 5\%$) Output Used to Power External Test Equipment. External Equipment should be Current Limited to 300mA		
4	PILOT_TXB	RS-422 Compliant Output B	Black	7
5	PILOT_RXA	RS-422 Compliant Input A	Green	8
6	PILOT_RXB	RS-422 Compliant Input B	Black	3
7	TRACE/BOOT_TX	TTL-Level RS-232 Serial Output (Trace Message/Bootload Output)		
8	RX_SINAD	TDMA / DSC FM Discriminator Output used to Test Receiver Performance during Special Test Modes.		
9	NO CONNECT	Not Used		

NOTE: Some early transponders had incorrect Pilot Port wiring. See factory for more details.

1.4.4. Long Range Equipment Interface

The range of operation of standard AIS is limited to the range of VHF transmissions which is approximately thirty miles. The Long Range mode is intended to allow the exchange of ships position information from ship to a competent authority via a satellite interface such as Inmarsat-C which is already onboard many ships. This port is intended to interface with the Long Range equipment.

The Long Range reply can be set in either:

- automatic mode (AUTO)
- manual mode L-3 ProTec (MANUAL)
- manual mode external application (EXT APPL).

The Long Range reply, when in AUTO mode, is made as soon as a request is received on the Long Range communication port.



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The Officer of the Watch must approve the Long Range reply when in MANUAL mode, by a means of pressing a keyboard button on the L-3 ProTec before the reply is performed.

The Long Range reply, when in EXT APPL mode, is made by the L-3 ProTec upon reception of confirmation / acknowledgement from the external application via the high-speed ports. The external application acknowledges the interrogation by returning the LRF sentence (updated with reply information).

1.4.5. Long Range Input Data and Formats

The input data and formats are in the form of two Long Range interrogation sentences, LRI and LRF, refer to Table 1-5.

- The LRI -sentence contains the information needed to determine if a reply needs to be constructed.
- The LRF-sentence identifies the information items that are being requested. Details of each sentence can be found in IEC 61162-1.

Table 1-5. Long Range Input Data and Formats

Data	IEC 61162-1 Sentences
Long Range Interrogation Type of request: - Geographic area request - AIS transponder request	LRI - Long Range Interrogation
Long Range Function identification Requestor MMSI and Name Request for: - Ship's name, call sign and IMO number (A) - Date and time of message composition (B) - Position (C) - Course over ground (E) - Speed over ground (F) - Destination and ETA (I) - Draught (O) - Ship / Cargo (P) - Ship's length, breadth and type (U) - Number of persons on board (W)	LRF - Long Range Function



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1.4.6. Long Range Output Data and Formats

The output data and formats are in the form of four Long Range reply sentences, LRF, LR1, LR2, and LR3, refer to Table 1-6.

- The LRF sentence provides the “Function Reply Status” for the requested information. Following is a list of “Function Reply Status” characters with the status:
 - 2 = Information available and provided in the following LR1, LR2, and LR3 sentences.
 - 3 = Information not available from the AIS system.
 - 4 = Information is available but not provided (i.e. restricted access determined by ship’s master).
- The LR1 sentence identifies the destination for the reply and contains the information items requested by the “A” function identification character in the LRF sentence.
- The LR2 sentence contains the information items requested by the “B, C, E, and F” function identification characters in the LRF sentence.
- The LR3 sentence contains the information items requested by the “I, O, P, U, and W” function identification characters in the LRF sentence.



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Table 1-6. Long Range Output Data and Formats

Data	IEC 61162-1 Sentences
Long Range Function identification Requestor MMSI and Name Request for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ship's name, call sign and IMO number (A)- Date and time of message composition (B)- Position (C)- Course over ground (E)- Speed over ground (F)- Destination and ETA (I)- Draught (O)- Ship / Cargo (P)- Ship's length, breadth and type (U)- Number of persons on board (W)	LRF - Long Range Function
MMSI of Responder MMSI of Requestor Ship's name Ship's call sign IMO number	LR1 - Long Range Response, Line 1
MMSI of Responder Date and time of message composition Position Course over ground Speed over ground	LR2 - Long Range Response, Line 2
MMSI of Responder Destination and ETA Draught Ship / Cargo Ship's length, breadth and type Number of persons on board	LR3 - Long Range Response, Line 3



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1.4.7. Sensor Input Data and Formats

The L-3 ProTec Shipborne Class A Transponder supports input data sentences from various ship sensors, refer to Table 1-7.

Table 1-7. Sensor Input Data and Formats

Sensor	Data	IEC 61162-1 Sentences
GNSS	Positions system: - Time of position - Latitude /Longitude - Accuracy (and integrity status) Course Over Ground (COG) Speed Over Ground (SOG) RAIM Indicator	DTM, GBS, GGA, GLL, GNS, GRS, GSA, GST, GSV, HDT, RMC, ROT, VBW, VTG, ZDA
Log	Course Over Ground (COG) Speed Over Ground (SOG)	VBW
Gyro	Heading Rate of Turn (ROT)	HDT, ROT

1.5. Data Field Assignments

1.5.1. GPS and Sensor Input Sentences

1.5.1.1 DTM - Datum Reference

If Local and Reference Datum codes are not WGS84, then the positions report from that sensor is discarded.

<u>Field</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Local Datum Code	Check for WGS84
Local Datum Subdivision Code	Ignored
Lat Offset (2 fields)	Ignored
Long Offset (2 fields)	Ignored
Altitude Offset	Ignored
Reference Datum Code	Check for WGS84



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1.5.1.2 GBS - GNSS Satellite Fault Detection

If this sentence is received from the position source, with Latitude error or Longitude error specified, the RAIM flag will be set to TRUE. If both are Null or 60 seconds goes by without a GBS sentence, RAIM flag goes to False

Field	Notes
UTC Time of GGA or GNS	Ignored
Expected Error in Latitude	Check for Null
Expected Error in Longitude	Check for Null
Expected Error in Altitude	Ignored
ID Number of Most Likely Failed Satellite	Ignored
Probability of Missed Detection	Ignored
Estimate of Bias in Meters	Ignored
Standard Deviation of Bias Estimate	Ignored

1.5.1.3 GGA - Global Positioning System Fix Data

Field	Notes
UTC of Position	UTC Second is used to indicate Time Stamp
Latitude (2 fields)	Used
Longitude (2 fields)	Used
GPS Quality Indicator	Used
Number of Satellites in Use	Ignored
Horizontal Dilution of Precision (HDOP)	Ignored
Altitude RE: Main Sea Level (2 fields)	Ignored
Geoidal Separation (2 fields)	Ignored
Age of Diff Data	Ignored
Diff Reference Station	Ignored

1.5.1.4 GLL - Geographic Position - Latitude / Longitude

Field	Notes
Latitude (2 fields)	Used
Longitude (2 fields)	Used
UTC of Position	UTC Second is used to indicate Time Stamp
Status	Used
Mode Indicator	Used



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1.5.1.5 GNS - GNSS Fix Data

If the Mode Indicator is a NULL field, the sentence is ignored.

Field	Notes
UTC of Position	UTC Second is used to indicate Time Stamp
Latitude (2 fields)	Used
Longitude (2 fields)	Used
Mode Indicator	Used
Total Number of Satellites in Use	Ignored
HDOP	Ignored
Antenna Altitude	Ignored
Geoidal Separation	Ignored
Age of Diff Data	Ignored
Diff Reference Station ID	Ignored

1.5.1.6 HDT - Heading True

Message is ignored if Talker is "HC".

Field	Notes
Heading	Used if Valid indicator is "T"
Valid Indicator	Used

1.5.1.7 RMC - Recommended Minimum Specific GNSS Data

Field	Notes
UTC of Position Fix	UTC Second is used to indicate Time Stamp
Status	Must be "A"
Latitude (2 fields)	Used
Longitude (2 fields)	Used
SOG, knots	Used
COG, degrees	Used
Date	Ignored
Magnetic Variation (2 fields)	Ignored
Mode Indicator	Used



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1.5.1.8 ROT - Rate of Turn

The rate of turn value is only used if the talker identifier is "TI". Otherwise the value will only be used to determine if the vessel is "Moving Right" or "Moving Left".

Field	Notes
Rate of Turn	Used when status is "A". If Talker is "TI", value is converted ascending to 1371 msg 1, 2, 3 spec. If talker is not "TI", value is set to - 127, 0, or + 127, based on ROT value.
Status	Must be "A"

1.5.1.9 VBW - Dual Ground / Water Speed

The current position source must be external GPS, and heading must be available for the transponder to accept this sentence.

Field	Notes
Longitudinal Water Speed	Ignored
Transverse Water Speed	Ignored
Status: Water Speed	Ignored
Longitudinal Ground Speed	Used if Status is set to "A"
Transverse Ground Speed	Used if Status is set to "A"
Status: Ground Speed	Used
Stern Transverse Water Speed	Ignored
Status Stern Water Speed	Ignored
Stern Transverse Ground Speed	Ignored
Status Stern Ground Speed	Ignored

1.5.1.10 VTG - Course Over Ground and Ground Speed

Field	Notes
GOG, degrees True (2 fields)	Used
COG, degrees Magnetic (2 fields)	Ignored
SOG, knots (2 fields)	Used
SOG, km/h (2 fields)	Ignored
Mode Indicator	Used



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1.5.1.11 ZDA - Time and Date

This message is only processed if it is received from the internal GPS (the time synchronization source).

Field	Notes
UTC	Used
Day	Used
Month	Used
Year	Used
Local Zone Hours	Ignored
Local Zone Minutes	Ignored

1.5.2. AIS Specific Input Sentences

1.5.2.1 ABM - Addressed Binary and Safety-Related Message

Field	Notes
Total Number of Sentences	Used if in interval 1..9, otherwise the sentence is ignored.
Sentence Number	Used if in interval 1..total sentence, otherwise the sentence is ignored.
Sequential Message Identifier	Used if in interval 0..3, otherwise the sentence is ignored.
MMSI of Destination	Used
AIS Channel	Used
Message ID	Used if in 6 or 12, otherwise the sentence is ignored.
Encapsulated Data	Used
Number of Filled Bits	Used



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1.5.2.2 ACA - AIS Regional Channel Assignment Message

The zone created of this sentence must be accepted by the channel management rules (size of zone, distance to own position, etc.) If the zone isn't accepted, the zone will be ignored.

Field	Notes
Sequence Number	Ignored
NE Latitude (2 fields)	Used
NE Longitude (2 fields)	Used
SW Latitude (2 fields)	Used
SW Longitude (2 fields)	Used
Transitional Zone Size	Used
Channel A	Used
Channel A Bandwidth	Used
Channel B	Used
Channel B Bandwidth	Used
Tx/Rx Mode	Used
Power Level	Used
In Use Flag	Ignored
Time of In Use Change	Ignored

1.5.2.3 ACK - Acknowledge Alarm

Field	Notes
ID of the Alarm Source	Used

1.5.2.4 AIQ - Query Sentence

Field	Notes
Approved Sentence Formatter of Data being Requested	It is possible to query the ACA Sentence



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1.5.2.5 AIR - AIS Interrogation Request

Field	Notes
MMSI 1	Used
Message ID 1.1	Used
Message Subsection	Ignored
Message ID 1.2	Used, may be NULL
Message Subsection	Ignored
MMSI 2	Used, may be NULL
Message ID 2.1	Used, may be NULL
Message Sub Section	Ignored

1.5.2.6 BBM - Broadcast Binary Message

Field	Notes
Total Number of Sentences	Used if in interval 1..9, otherwise rejected.
Sentence Number	Used if in interval 1..total number of sentences, otherwise rejected.
Sequential Message Identifier	Used if in interval 0..9, otherwise rejected.
AIS Channel	Used
Message ID	Used if 8 or 14
Encapsulated Data	Used
Number of Filled Bits	Used

1.5.2.7 SSD - Ship Static Data

Field	Notes
Call Sign	Ignored, use the proprietary password protected sentence instead (used by the MKD)
Name	<i>Same as Call Sign</i>
Pos Ref A	This is the EXTERNAL Position reference, use proprietary sentence for the internal Position reference. May be NULL
Pos Ref B	<i>Same as Pos Ref A</i>
Pos Ref C	<i>Same as Pos Ref A</i>
Pos Ref D	<i>Same as Pos Ref A</i>
DTE	Used
Source Identifier	Ignored



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1.5.2.8 VSD - Voyage Static Data

Field	Notes
Type of Ship and Cargo	Used
Maximum Present Draught	Used
Persons On-Board	Used
Destination	Used
Estimated UTC of Arrival	Used
Estimated Day of Arrival	Used
Estimated Month of Arrival	Used
Navigational Status	Used
Regional Application Flags	Used



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ProTec AIS Operation

2.1. Operation

The L-3 ProTec has been designed to require minimal user interaction during normal operation. The interface consists of an integral alphanumeric display with alphanumeric keypad providing for data entry, retrieval and display.

2.1.1. Minimum Keyboard Display (MKD)

The L-3 ProTec includes an integral MKD which is fully International Maritime Organization (IMO) compliant. The MKD is designed to be used for configuration of the hardware, entry of vessel and voyage specific data, and be used to monitor the AIS system. The MKD provides numerous functions, which can be accessed via the controls located on the front face of the ProTec AIS system. The MKD provides a fully functional menu structure that allows the user to Logon / Logoff, configure System Information, Vessel / Voyage data, and the Antenna Position. The user may also view Alarm Status, General Status, Down-Time Log, and the Safety Text Log. In addition, the AIS Channels can be configured, along with changing user passwords, setting Baud rate, adjust the liquid crystal display (LCD) viewing angle, and managing the Change Management Settings. The front face of the L-3 ProTec contains the following controls.

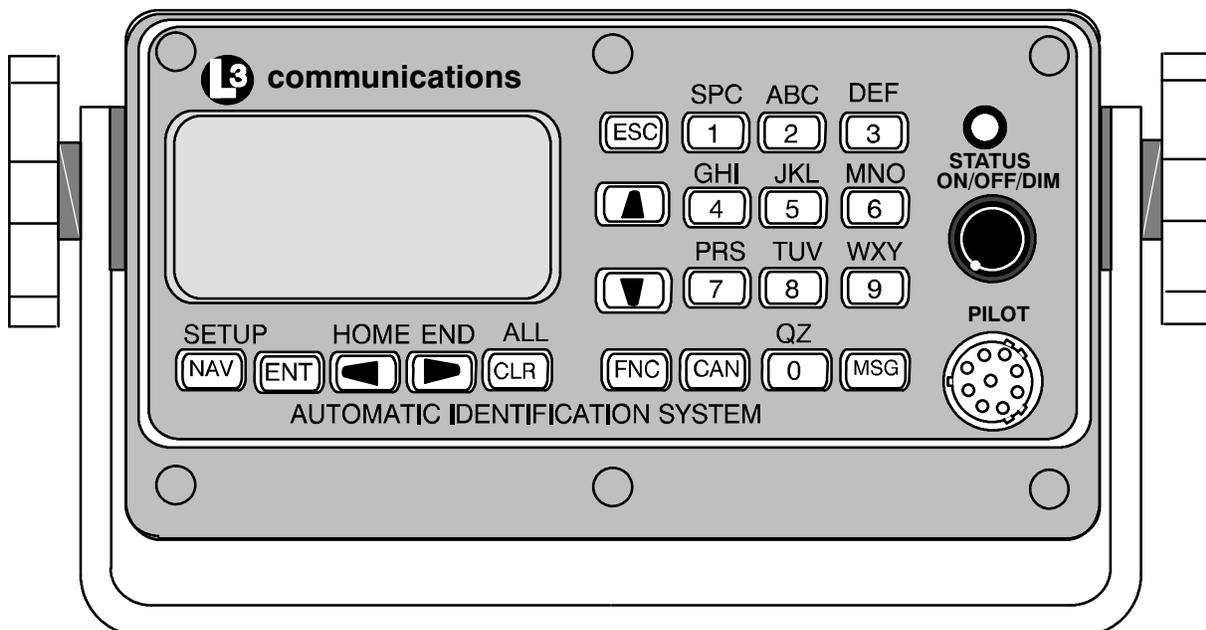


Figure 2-1. AIS Transponder



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NOTE: When the AIS is in operation it is normal for the housing to be warm to the touch.

2.1.1.1 Power/Dim Control

A single control knob controls both the on/off function and backlighting level for the LCD. To turn the unit 'On', rotate the knob clockwise. To turn unit 'Off' rotate counterclockwise fully. The degree of rotation determines the brightness of the LCD backlight and rotation to the right will dim the backlighting.

2.1.1.2 Liquid Crystal Display

The display is an alphanumeric LCD with backlighting which will display data entry forms and AIS target data for the nearest three vessels.

2.1.1.3 Key Pad

The keypad contains dedicated function buttons and alphanumeric buttons which allow for data entry and retrieval.

2.1.1.4 Pilot Port

The Pilot Port is an IEC high speed (38400 Kbs), RS422, data port which can be used to connect any external display such as an ECS, or other PC-based software package.

2.1.2. Keypad Description

The keypad allows the user to access the menu system built into the transponder interface. The keys are defined below:

NAV	AIS Target Data Display Pressing this button will bring the user to the main default screen which will display the AIS target data for the nearest three vessels, or allows the user to switch back to the "Own Ship" display if the nearest three vessels are already displayed.
ENT	Enter Key Allows user to enter Edit mode, or to save data if already performing an Edit operation.
CLR	Clear Key Used to clear data from a data entry field before entering new data . Pressing once will clear the entire field.



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Directional Arrow Keys

Used to navigate between data entry fields on a data entry form and scroll right/left and up/down in an alphanumeric display field. When in Closest Vessel (default) screen, the Left or Right Arrow Keys will allow the user to toggle between the Ship Name display and the MMSI screen. (The MMSI screen will always be displayed for a vessel if the ship name is not known.

FNC **Function Key**

Used as the initial key in a key sequence to access the various secondary functions of the interface.

CAN **Cancel Key**

Used to cancel any edit made in a data entry field and revert data back to preexisting data.

MSG **Message Key**

Used to access the text messaging window, in order to send Safety Text Messages.

ESC **Escape Key**

Will bring user up one level on the menu system.

The blue text above some of the keys identify the secondary definitions for each button. These secondary definitions are activated by pressing of the FNC button in a key sequence.

SETUP **Enters the AIS Main System Menu menu system.**

HOME **Returns cursor to start position in a data entry field**

END **Moves cursor to last position in a data entry field**

ALL **System Information Menu**

The alphanumeric keypad is used to enter both numbers and letters. When alphanumeric text entry is expected, the nonnumerical options are presented before the numeric value of the key. For example, the number 2 key provides for entry of A, B, and C. When the cursor is positioned in a display field location that expects an alphanumeric character, the first press of the 2 key will result in the display of an A. Another press (in less than one second) will cause a B to be displayed. The next press shows a C while the forth press shows a 2.



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Repeated key presses will result in cycling through the character options. When the operator stops pressing keys for longer than the preset timeout, the last value is retained and the cursor moves to the next location in the field. Pressing a different key forces acceptance of the last character for the field and moves the cursor along.

FNC-ENT Own Ship display
(NAV Key will also bring up this screen if already showing the Closest Vessel display.)

2.1.3. Data Display Screens

The AIS interface consists of the following display screens each of which is accessed using the defined key sequence.

2.1.3.1 NAV Display Screen (Default Screen)

Ship Name/MMSI	RG-NM	BRG
MMSI 0123456789	0.35	265°
MMSI 1234567890	1.64	173°
Targets: 002		
27-June-2004	+ 01:43:30	I

Figure 2-2. NAV Display Screen

MKD will default to this screen after 30 seconds when the unit is idle.

This display shows closest three targets by MMSI number or ship name, the range in nautical miles, and bearing of each target. Using the up (↑) or down (↓) arrow keys you may scroll through every target that is detected.

Targets xxx: Number of targets detected by the transponder.
Date: Current date.
Time: Current time derived by the internal GPS receiver.

GPS status can be found in lower right corner of display.

I = Internal Time: Valid time from the internal GPS (normal operating condition).

S = Slot Time: Lost internal GPS time but is deriving timing information from the slot timing on the VHF Data Link (VDL).

F= Flywheel: Transponder is depending on the internal central processing unit (CPU) clock for timing, after losing internal and slot timing. It will run for approximately one minute and then go to "N".

N= No time available



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The AIS can be set to use its internal GPS by pressing the FNC → 4 button. When using the internal GPS a + symbol will appear in the lower center area of the display window (as shown in Figure 2-2).

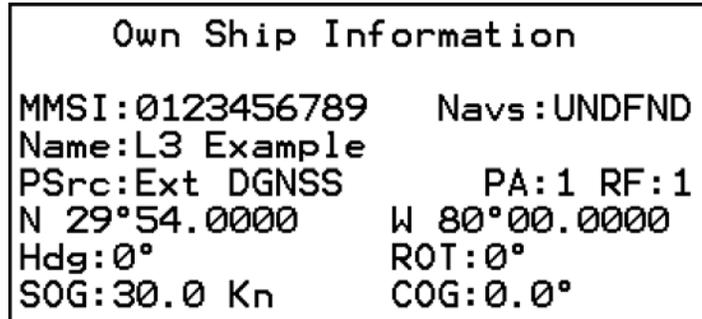


Figure 2-3. Own Ship Data Display

2.1.3.2 Own Ship Information

Press the NAV button repeatedly from any menu to cycle the displays until the Own Ship Information menu appears. The data that is displayed is as follows:

MMSI: Maritime Mobile Service ID: Nine digit unique identification number that registers the boat information in the U.S. Coast Guard's national distress database for use in emergency situations

NavS: Navigational Status:

UNDFND	Undefined
UW-ENG	Underway Using Engine
AANCHR	At Anchor
NOCMD	Not Under Command
RMANUV	Restricted Maneuverability
CBDRFT	Constrained by Draught
MOORED	Moored
AGRND	Aground
FISHNG	Engaged in Fishing
SAILNG	Underway sailing

Name: Vessel Name: Up to 20 alphanumeric characters.



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- PSrc: Positional Data Source: The following options may be seen in the order of their priority:
Ext DGNSS - External GPS in use (corrected).
Int M17Corr - Internal GPS in use (corrected, message 17).
Int Bcncorr - Internal GPS in use (corrected, beacon).
Ext Uncorr - External GPS in use (uncorrected).
Int Uncorr - Internal GPS in use (uncorrected).
No Pos Src - No sensor position in use.
- PA: Positional Accuracy: 0 = uncorrected, 1 = corrected.
- RF: RAIM Flag: (Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring)
0 = normal operation, 1 = in use.
- Lat: Latitude: North or South in degrees.
- Lon: Longitude: East or West in degrees.
- Hdg: Heading: in degrees true from Gyrocompass.
- ROT: Rate of turn: in degrees/sec (- denotes port, + denotes starboard).
- COG: Course Over Ground: in degrees true from dGPS.
- SOG: Speed Over Ground: in knots from dGPS.

2.1.4. Data Entry Screens

The AIS interface provides the following three data entry screens for completing input of required vessel and voyage data and for modifying the administrator password. The required data entry screen can be accessed from the main AIS Main System Menu menu. This menu is accessed by the key sequence FNC SETUP. The required screen can be selected by using the DOWN / UP arrow keys to scroll through the list and pressing ENT to select the highlighted screen name. This will open and display the screen and free all fields for editing.

Use the LEFT, RIGHT, UP, and DOWN arrows to navigate between fields. Use the ENT key to select a field to edit. Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter the required data into the field. Use ENT to save the data entered into the field. Use CAN to cancel any changes made to edited fields and revert to preexisting data. Once the data entry is completed, pressing ESC will exit the user to the AIS Main System Menu screen, allowing the user to go to another menu selection.

2.1.4.1 AIS Main System Menu

Press FNC → NAV button from any menu to access this screen.



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The AIS Main System Menu contains the following options:

- Logon / Logoff
- System Information and Config
- Vessel / Voyage Setup
- Antenna Position Setup
- View Alarm Status
- View General Status
- View Down-Time Log
- View Safety Text Log
- Set AIS Channels
- Edit Channel Mgmt Settings
- Change Password
- Set Baud Rates
- LCD Viewing Angle

NOTE: Figure 2-4 shows the AIS Main System Menu screen as it appears as the user initially enters this menu. Not shown is the Logon option.

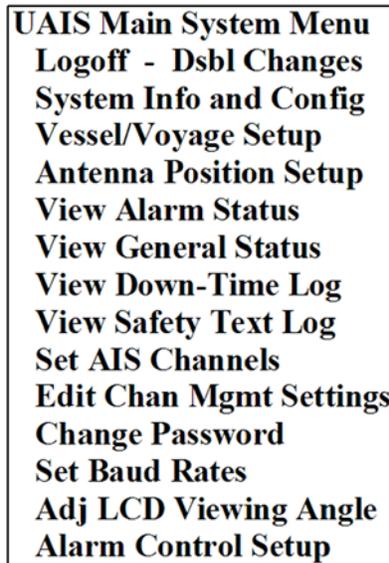


Figure 2-4. AIS Main System Menu

2.1.4.2 Logon / Logoff Screen

Passwords allow the user to change the information contained within the AIS Transponder. Users with an Administrative password can change any of the information



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contained within the AIS Transponder; however, users with a User password, cannot change the MMSI number, IMO number, Name of the ship, Call Sign, passwords, or anything contained in the Channel management screen.

Press FNC → NAV button from any menu and use the up (↑) or down (↓) arrow keys.

This screen will appear prior to entry of any menu besides the NAV menu. After entering the proper password, press ESC to continue.

Table 2-1. ProTec AIS Default Passwords

Default Passwords	
Administrative	L3AIS
User	L3USR

Table 2-2. Password Type Menu Screen Access

Menu Item	Read Access	Write Access	Comments
Logon - Password Entry	G, U, A	G, U, A	
System Info and Config	G, U, A	A	
Vessel/Voyage Setup	G, U, A	U, A	Update of MMSI, IMO No, Call Sign, and Name of Ship Limited to A
Antenna Position Setup	G, U, A	A	
View Alarm Status	G, U, A	Not Applicable	
View General Status	G, U, A	Not Applicable	
View Down-Time Log	G, U, A	Not Applicable	
View Safety Text Log	G, U, A	Not Applicable	
Set AIS Channels	G, U, A	A	
Edit Chan Mgmt Settings	G, U, A	U, A	
Change Password	G, U, A	A	
Set Baud Rates	G, U, A	A	
Adj LCD Viewing Angle	G, U, A	A	

(G)eneral Access, (U)ser Access, (A)dmin Access



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To log on perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Select Logon, and press the ENT key. The System Password Entry screen will appear.
- (4) Press the ENT key, and enter the password, and press the ENT again.
- (5) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

To log off from any menu other than the UAIS Main System menu perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Select Logoff, and press the ENT key. The user is now logged off of the AIS Transponder.

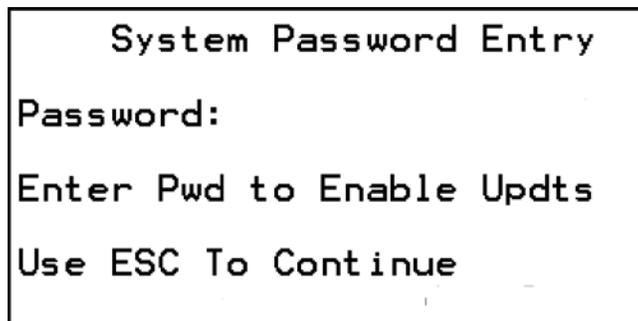


Figure 2-5. Password Entry Screen

2.1.4.3 System Information and Configuration

Press FNC → CLR button from any menu.

Powerup: Number of power-ups and length of current power up.
ChkSums: Checksums of internal processors. Used for information and troubleshooting.

NOTE: To be compatible with older versions of NMEA 0183 (version 1.X and lower) the checksum requirement must be disabled. This can be done by setting the ChkSmRqd (Checksum Required) field to “NO” by using the up and down arrows.



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SW Rev: Software Revision of transponder.
Pwd Rqrd: Password required. Determines whether or not a password is required at power up.
Al Popup: Alarm Popups. Yes = popups enabled, No = disabled.
Scrn Tmt: Screen Timeout. Yes = default to NAV screen after thirty seconds, No = disable
LR RsPns: Long Range Response. All long range requests cause an alarm to be displayed.
IEC Trc: IEC Trace. Turns on up to five levels of troubleshooting messages, 0 = off.
VDL Trc: VDL Trace. Turns on up to five levels of troubleshooting messages, 0 = off.

To enter System Information and Configuration information, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key, press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (2) Using the down Arrow key, select System Info and Config, and press the ENT key. (Refer to Figure 2-6.)
- (3) Using the arrow keys, highlight an entry point, and press the ENT key.
- (4) Enter the data by using the arrow keys, press the ENT key, and move to the next data entry point.
- (5) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

```
Powerup: 171-016:35:22  
Chksums: FA15I 714FV C343F  
SW Rev: V1.2.08  
  
Pwd Rqrd: YES   LR Rspns: Auto  
Al Popup: NO    IEC TRC: 0  
Scrn Tmt: NO    VDL TRC: 0  
ChksmRqd: YES
```

Figure 2-6. System Information and Configuration Screen

NOTE: Figure 2-6 shows a typical screen -- software revision level and checksums may be different than what is shown.



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2.1.4.4 Vessel/Voyage Setup

The Vessel/Voyage Setup screen allows the user to enter the following information, which is required to be completed during the installation of the AIS.

MMSI:	Maritime Mobile Service ID: Maximum of nine numbers.
NavS:	Navigational Status: UNDFND Undefined UW-ENG Underway Using Engine AANCHR At Anchor NOCMD Not Under Command RMANUV Restricted Maneuverability CBDRFT Constrained by Draught MOORED Moored AGRND Aground FISHNG Engaged in Fishing SAILNG Underway sailing
IMO#:	IMO Number: Official IMO designation ID for Vessel. 0 = default = not available.
MaxD:	Maximum Draft: Maximum draft in meters from 0.1 to 25.5m.
CSgn:	Radio Call Sign: Maximum of seven characters.
Type:	Vessel Type: (Refer to Table 2-3.)
Name:	Vessel Name: Up to 20 alphanumeric characters.
AsT	Asset Type: (Enter a value between 0 and 1023)
Dest:	Destination. The current destination of this voyage.
POB:	People on Board. The number of persons currently on board the vessel.
ETA:	Estimated Time of Arrival.

To enter vessel and voyage information, perform the following:

- (1) Press FNC and then NAV to get to the AIS Main System Menu screen. (Refer to Figure 2-4.)
- (2) Use DOWN ARROW key to scroll down to Vessel Voyage Setup. Press ENT.

Use the following instructions to enter data for Steps (3) through (9). (Refer to Figure 2-7.)

- Use the LEFT, RIGHT, UP, and DOWN arrows to navigate between fields.
- Use the ENT key to select a field to enter.
- Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter the required data into the field.
- Use ENT to save the data entered into the field.



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- (3) Enter Data in MMSI Field (MMSI).
- (4) Enter Data in Navigational Status Field (NavS).
- (5) Enter Data in IMO Number Field (IMO#).
- (6) Enter Data in Maximum Sailing Draft Field (MaxD).
- (7) Enter Data in Radio Callsign Field (CSgn).
- (8) Enter Data in Vessel Type Field (Type). (Refer to Table 2-3.)
- (9) Enter Data in Vessel Name Field (Name).
- (10) Enter Data in Asset Type Field (AsT).

NOTE: Destination (Dest), ETA, and POB are optional fields and can be entered at this time if known.

- (11) Press ESC to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

```
Vessel/Voyage Setup
MMSI:12345679  N:UNDEFINED
IMO#:01234567  MaxD:1.0
CSgn:LOCAL    SType:55
Name:L-3 GABY  AsT:0
Dest:Home     POB:3
ETA :MMDD>10-08 HHMM>22:30
```

Figure 2-7. Vessel Data Setup



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Table 2-3. Vessel Type Codes

Special Crafts	Other Ships	
	First Digit	Second Digit
50 Pilot boats	1 Reserved for future use	0 All ships of this type
51 Search and rescue vessels	2 WIG	1 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category A
52 Tugs	3 See below	2 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category B
53 Port tenders	4 HSC	3 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category C
54 Vessels with anti-pollution facilities or equipment	5 See Special Crafts	4 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category D
55 Law Enforcement Vessel	6 Passenger ships	5 Reserved for future use
56 Spare - for assignment to local vessels	7 Cargo ships	6 Reserved for future use
57 Spare - for assignment to local vessels	8 Tankers	7 Reserved for future use
58 Medical Transport (as defined in the 1949 Geneva Conventions)	9 Other types of ships	8 Reserved for future use
59 Spare - Ships according to RR Resolution No. 18 (Mob-83)		9 No additional information
	First Digit	Second Digit
	3 Vessel	0 Fishing
		1 Towing
		2 Towing and length of the tow exceeds 200m or breadth exceeds 25m
		3 Engaged in dredging or underwater operations
		4 Engaged in diving operations
		5 Engaged in military operations
		6 Sailing
		7 Pleasure craft
		8 Reserved for future use
		9 Reserved for future use

DG: Dangerous Goods
HS: Harmful Substances
MP: Marine Pollutants



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2.1.4.5 Channel Management

This page displays all of the relevant information regarding the regions established either by manual entry, a governing authority’s VTS station broadcasting region information, or another Universal AIS broadcasting the data. These regions determine the authorized operating frequencies for the coverage area. The user can set these different configurations at the initial setup; however, the L-3 ProTec Transponder will acquire the data for a new region once it has entered the region.

Edit Chan Mgmt Settings
NE: N 91'00.0 E 181'00.0
SW: N 91'00.0 E 181'00.0
ChA: 2087 Bw0 ChB:2088 Bw0
PLvl:H Md:TxRxAB TZn: Nm
Src:Intrnl MMSI:-----
FNC: ← Prv. → Nxt. FNC Save

Press FNC → NAV button from any menu and use the up (↑) or down (↓) arrow keys.

- NE: Indicates the North East corner of the region.
- SW: Indicates the South West corner of the region.
- ChA: Channel Frequency for Channel A.
- Bw: Bandwidth 0 = 25kHz, 1 = 12.5kHz.
- ChB: Channel Frequency for Channel B.
- Bw: Bandwidth 0 = 25kHz, 1 = 12.5kHz.
- PLvl: Power Level H = high power (12.5W (see Appendix D for tolerances)), L = low power (2W)
- Md: TxRxAB, TARxAB, TBRxAB, RxAB, RAOnly, and RBOOnly.
- TZn: Transition zone size, defined in nautical miles.
- Src: Intrnl = Internal command, Extrnl = External command (governing authority).
- MMSI: MMSI of the authority that has issued the command (blank if internal).

For the initial setup perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Using the down Arrow key, select “Edit Chan Mgmt Settings”, and press the ENT key. The Channel Management Table Entry screen will appear. (Refer to Figure 2-8.)



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- (4) Use the up and down arrow keys and the left and right arrow keys to highlight an entry point, and press the ENT key.
- (5) Enter the data, press the ENT key, and move to the next data entry point.
- (6) After all of the data is entered for that region, press the FNC key twice and then press the ENT key to save the data.
- (7) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

```
High Seas Region Actv
NE: N 91°00.0 E 181°00.0
SW: N 91°00.0 E 181°00.0
ChA:2087 Bw0 ChB:2088 Bw0
PLvl:H Md:TxRxAB TZn:5 Nm
Src:Intrnl MMSI:0123456789
Fnc:< Prv. > Nxt. Fnc Save
```

Figure 2-8. Channel Management Settings Screen

2.1.4.6 Antenna Position

This setup provides for data entry of location of the antenna for each of the GPS antennas required for the system. The 'Int' refers to the antenna dedicated to the AIS' internal GPS and the 'Ext' refers to the antenna dedicated to the ship's external GPS. The screen layout is as follows:

```
Antenna Position Ref
INT A:47 B:14 C:3 D:5
EXT A:250 B:250 C:50 D:50
Dimensions in Meters
See ITU-R M.1371 Doc
```

Figure 2-9. Antenna Position Screen



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To enter the antenna position, perform the following:

(Refer to Figure 2-9 and Figure 2-10)

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Using the down Arrow key, select “Antenna Position Setup”, and press the ENT key. The Antenna Position Reference screen will appear.
- (4) Use the up and down arrow keys and the left and right arrow keys to highlight an entry point, and press the ENT key.
- (5) Enter the data, press the ENT key, and move to the next data entry point.
- (6) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

NOTE: The INT antenna is the antenna dedicated to the GPS receiver internal to the AIS. The EXT antenna is the antenna dedicated to the ship’s dGPS. The dimensions are to be entered in Meters and are defined as follows: (Refer to Figure 2-10.)

- A Distance in meters from Forward Perpendicular (FP)
- B Distance in meters from After Perpendicular (AP)
- C Distance in meters inboard from port side
- D Distance in meters inboard from starboard side

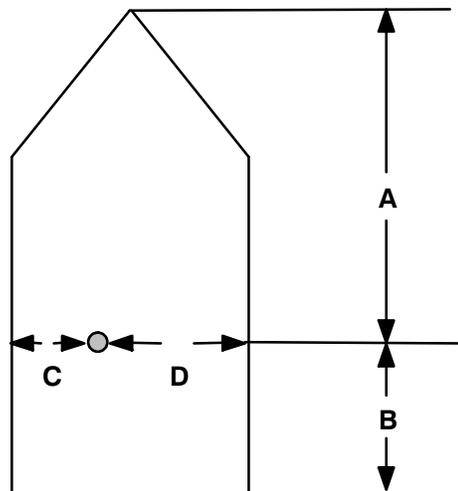


Figure 2-10. Antenna Position Measurements



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2.1.4.7 Text Messaging

Text messages include specific addressed messages, broadcast messages, and safety messages. To send a particular type of message perform the steps as described below:

MMSI: Maritime Mobile Service ID: 9 digit unique identification number
Mode: Mode:
Broadcast: 0 = Default
Addressed: Enter MMSI
TXch: Transmit Channel:
Auto Select: Default
ChanA: Send on channel A
ChanB: Send on channel B
Chan A and B: Send on both channels
Text: Safety Message Text to be Sent: Up to 156 alphanumeric characters

To send an addressed message, perform the following:

- (1) Press MSG key (From any menu).
- (2) Ensure the MMSI is highlighted.
- (3) Press the ENT key, and enter the MMSI number of the ship to be addressed, press the ENT key.
- (4) Press the down arrow key to highlight "Mode" and press the ENT key.
- (5) Using the down arrow key, highlight "Addressed", and press the ENT key.
- (6) Using the down arrow key, highlight the text portion of the screen, press the ENT key, and type in the message.
- (7) Press the MSG key to broadcast the message.

To broadcast a message, perform the following:

- (1) Press MSG key.
- (2) Verify that the MMSI number is a zero.
- (3) If the MMSI is not a zero, press the down arrow key until the MMSI is highlighted.
- (4) Press the ENT key, and press the CLR key.
- (5) Press the down arrow key to highlight "Mode" and press the ENT key.



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- (6) Using the down arrow key, highlight “Broadcast”, and press the ENT key.

NOTE: Unless instructed, leave TxCh to Auto Select.

- (7) Using the down arrow key, highlight the text portion of the screen, press the ENT key, and type in the message.
- (8) Press the MSG key to broadcast the message.

NOTE: “Successful Transmission” should be displayed at the bottom of the screen.

```
Safety Text Entry Form
MMSI:0123456789
MODE:ADDRESSED
TxCh:Auto Select
TEXT:Msg from 0123456789
Use Msg Key to Send Text
```

Figure 2-11. Safety Text Message

2.1.4.8 View Safety Text Log

This log shows any safety text messages that have been received during the present power up.

To review Safety Text Messages that have been received, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Using the down Arrow key, select “View Safety Text Log”, and press the ENT key. The Safety Text Review screen will appear.
- (4) Use the left and right arrows to view previous or next messages respectively.
- (5) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.



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```
*** Safety Text Review ***  
  
Br 08:12:56 MMSI:0123456789  
EXAMPLE MESSAGE  
  
< for Prev. > for Next
```

Figure 2-12. Safety Text Review Screen

2.1.4.9 Change Password

NOTE: Only users with an administrative password can change passwords

To change the transponder's access password, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Using the down Arrow key, select Change Password, and press the ENT key. The System Password Change screen will appear.
- (4) Enter the new password, and press the ENT key.
- (5) Enter the new password in the Verify field, and press the ENT key. This will save the new password.
- (6) Use the Up (↑) and Down (↓) keys too select type of access, and press the ENT key.

PassWd:	New password.
Verify:	Confirmation of new password
Access:	ADMIN = administrator, USER = user.

- (7) Press the ESC key to go back to the AIS Main System Menu screen.



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```
System Password Change  
PassWd:  
Verify:  
Access:ADMIN  
  
Put New Pwd in Both Fields
```

Figure 2-13. Password Change Screen

2.1.4.10 System Alert Screen

This screen will appear when a system alert is received. Press the ENT key to acknowledge the alert.

```
*** System Alert Page ***  
  
*** Alarm 030 Active ***  
  
No valid COG Information  
  
*** Press ENT to ACK ***
```

Figure 2-14. System Alert Screen

2.1.4.11 Alarm Status

The ProTec AIS unit does not support a “General Failure” alarm since all detected failures are reported with an explicit discrete alarm message. Refer to Table 2-4 for an explanation of the alarm codes. Table 2-4 explains the codes that are referenced on this page.



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To display alarm status, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Using the down Arrow key, select "View Alarm Status", and press the ENT key.
- (4) Use the up (↑) or down (↓) arrow keys to view previous or next messages respectively.
- (5) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

```
*** Alarm Status ***  
025 AA 18:32:43 EPFS Lost  
026 AA 18:32:43 No Postn  
029 AA 18:32:43 No SOG  
030 AA 18:32:43 No COG  
032 AA 18:32:43 Hdg Lost  
035 AA 18:47:58 No ROT
```

AA: Alarm is active and has been acknowledged.
AV: Alarm is active and has not been acknowledged.

Figure 2-15. Alarm Status Screen



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Table 2-4. Integrity Alarm Conditions Signalled Using ALR Sentence Formatter

As per IEC 61193-2

Alarm's Description Text	Alarm condition threshold exceeded	Alarm condition exceeded	Alarm ID Text Identifier	Reaction of the System to the Alarm Condition Threshold Exceeded
AIS: Tx malfunction	A	V	001	Stop transmission
AIS: Antenna VSWR exceeds limit	A	V	002	Continue operation
AIS: Rx channel 1 malfunction	A	V	003	Stop transmission on affected channel
AIS: Rx channel 2 malfunction	A	V	004	Stop transmission on affected channel
AIS: Rx channel 70 malfunction	A	V	005	Stop transmission on affected channel
AIS: general failure	A	V	006	Stop transmission
AIS: MKD connection lost	A	V	008	Continue operation with "DTE" set to "1" ¹
AIS: external EPFS lost	A	V	025	Continue operation
AIS: no sensor position in use	A	V	026	Continue operation
AIS: no valid SOG information	A	V	029	Continue operation using default data ²
AIS: no valid COG information	A	V	030	Continue operation using default data ²
AIS: Heading lost/invalid	A	V	032	Continue operation using default data ²
AIS: no valid ROT information	A	V	035	Continue operation using default data ²
AIS: IEC Com Error	A	V	051	Indicates miswired NMEA port, continue operation
AIS: Encryption failed selftest	A	V	052	Continue operation, disable STEDS encryption/decryption

¹ If applicable

² When so configured



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2.2. Setting the Alarms Control Preferences

For each of the six monitored navigation inputs, as well as for the VSWR measurement, the user can define how the unit handles alarm messages from those inputs. The procedure is as follows:

From Page 2 of the “STEDS Setup” menu (Figure B-2),

Alarms Control Setup	
EPFS Lost	Enabled
No Postn	Auto Ack
No SOG	Disable
No COG	Auto Ack
Hdg Lost	Disable
No ROT	Enabled
VSWR Limit	Enabled

- (6) Use the down arrow key or up arrow key to select a monitored input, then press ENT.
- (7) Use the left arrow key or right arrow key to change the message-handling mode for the selected input. There are three available modes: Enabled, Disable and Auto Ack. Consult the table on the following page to determine how the three modes operate.

Alarm Mode	Alarm message displayed?	Alarm message acknowledged:	Alarm logged to “Alarm Status” Screen?*
Enabled	Yes	Manually	Yes
Auto Ack	No	Automatically	Yes
Disable	No	Not applicable	No

*See Section 2.1.4.11 “Alarm Status.”



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2.2.1. General Status Screen

This menu page displays a table of events describing the general status of the operating unit along with a time stamp of when each automatic entry was made. Table 2-5 explains the codes that are referenced on this page. Refer to Table 2-5 for an explanation of the General Status codes.

To review the ProTec General status, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Using the Down arrow key, select "View General Status", and press the ENT key. The General Status screen will appear. (Refer to Figure 2-16.)
- (4) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

```
*** General Status ***  
025 14:01:52  Int  GNSS  
028 14:01:52  Int  SOG/COG
```

Figure 2-16. General Status Screen



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Table 2-5. Sensor Status Indications Signalled Using TXT Sentence Formatter

As per IEC 61193-2

Text Message	Text Identifier	Reaction of the System
AIS: UTC clock lost	007	Continue operation using indirect or semaphore synchronization
AIS: external DGNSS in use	021	Continue operation
AIS: external GNSS in use	022	Continue operation
AIS: internal DGNSS in use (beacon)	023	Continue operation
AIS: internal GNSS in use (message 17)	024	Continue operation
AIS: internal GNSS in use	025	Continue operation
AIS: external SOG/COG in use	027	Continue operation
AIS: internal SOG/COG in use	028	Continue operation
AIS: Heading valid	031	Continue operation
AIS: Rate of Turn Indicator in use	033	Continue operation
AIS: Other ROT source in use	034	Continue operation
AIS: Channel management parameters changed	036	Continue operation



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2.2.1.1 Down-Time Log

This screen shows the date, time and duration that the transponder has been powered off.

To review Down-Time Log, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key.
- (2) Press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (3) Using the Down arrow key, select "View Down-Time Log", and press the ENT key.
- (4) Use the Down arrow to view the down times that are further down the list.
- (5) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

*** Down-Time Log ***		
23-Aug-04	14:29	30.5 Mins
19-Aug-04	09:13	3.8 Days
17-Aug-04	12:54	1.7 Days

Figure 2-17. Down-Time Log Screen

2.2.1.2 LCD Viewing Angle Adjustment

This menu page allows the user to adjust the contrast of the LCD display on all pages and screens.

Use the up (↑) or left (←) arrow keys to decrease the viewing angle.

Use the down (↓) or right (→) arrow keys to increase the viewing angle.

To enter adjust the LCD viewing angle, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key, press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (2) Using the Down arrow key, select Adj LCD Viewing Angle, and press the ENT key. The LCD Viewing Angle Adjust screen will appear. (Refer to Figure 2-18.)
- (3) Use the Left or Up arrows to decrease the viewing angle, or use the Right or Down arrows to increase the viewing angle.



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- (4) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

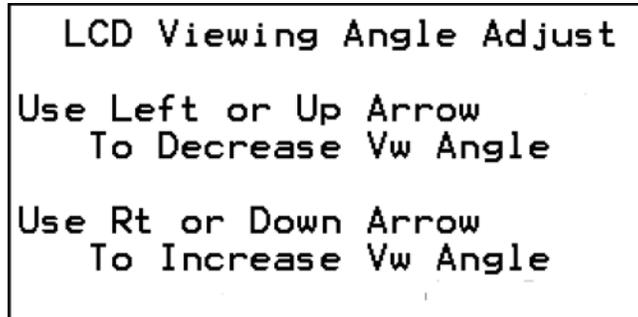


Figure 2-18. LCD Viewing Angle Adjust Screen

2.2.1.3 Baud Rate Setup

IEC Sensor Input Channels: Valid baud rates for CH1, CH2, and CH3 - 4,800, 9,600, 19,200, and 38,400. (Default = 4,800)

IEC Bidirectional Channels: Valid baud rates for CH4, CH5, CH8, and Pilot (front panel) are 4,800, 9,600, 19,200, 38,400. (Default = 38,400)

To setup the Baud Rate, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key, press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (2) Using the Down arrow key, select Set Baud Rate, and press the ENT key. The Baud Rate Setup screen will appear. (Refer to Figure 2-19.)
- (3) Using all of the arrow keys, highlight an entry point, and press the ENT key.
- (4) Enter the data, press the ENT key, and move to the next data entry point.
- (5) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

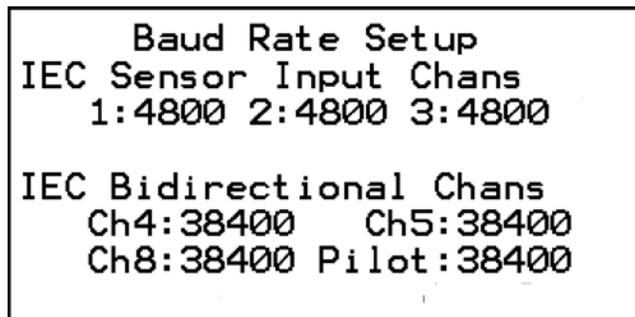


Figure 2-19. Baud Rate Setup Screen



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2.2.1.4 Set AIS Channels

This menu page allows the administrator to set the default, Open Seas, transmit and receive frequencies as well as the operating power level.

AIS Channel A: 2,087 should be default (Channel 87B, 161.975MHz)

AIS Channel B: 2,088 should be default (Channel 88B, 162.025MHz)

Power Level: Hi = high power, Lo = low power

To enter System Information and Configuration information, perform the following:

- (1) Press the FNC key, press the NAV key. The AIS Main System Menu screen will appear.
- (2) Using the down Arrow key, select Set AIS Channels, and press the ENT key. The AIS Channel Setup screen will appear. (Refer to Figure 2-20.)
- (3) Using all of the arrow keys, highlight an entry point, and press the ENT key.
- (4) Enter the data, press the ENT key, and move to the next data entry point.
- (5) Press the ESC key to return to the AIS Main System Menu screen.

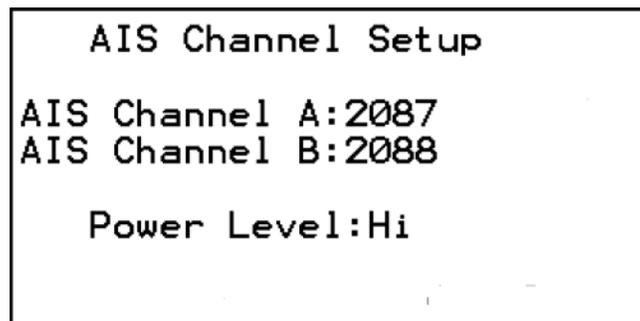


Figure 2-20. AIS Channel Setup Screen



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SECTION 3

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AUTOMATIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (AIS)

INSTALLATION



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3.1. Installation

The L-3 ProTec Transponder has been designed for easy installation into any existing bridge layout. Figure 3-1 gives a general representation of the system layout. Installation can be broken down into five distinct operations as follows:

- Transponder
- VHF Antenna
- GPS Antenna
- Data Interface
- Power-up and Configuration

Each operation will be discussed in detail below. With regard to third-party components such as VHF and GPS antennas and gyro interfaces, it is suggested that the installation procedures suggested by the manufacturer be followed in lieu of these procedures.

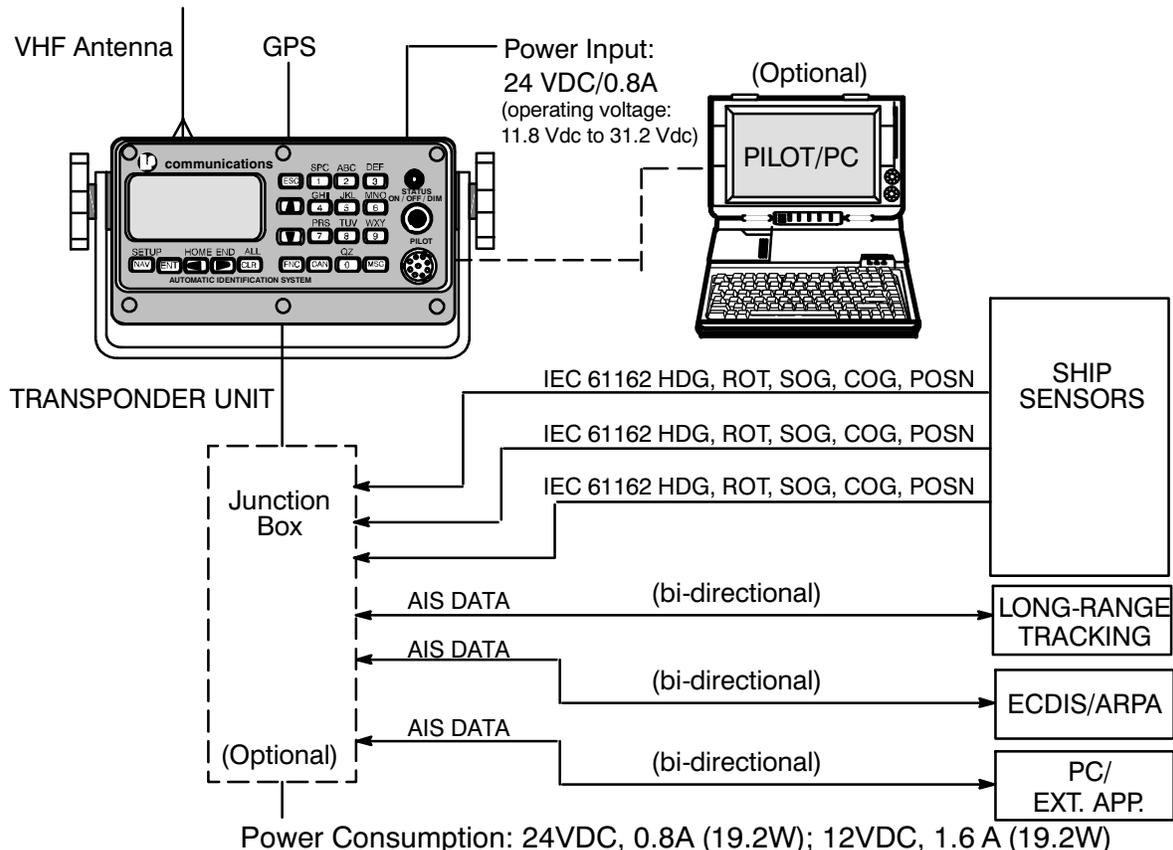


Figure 3-1. AIS Transponder Interconnection Diagram



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3.1.1. Transponder

The L-3 ProTec is a single box design which is easily installed into any existing bridge layout. The compact design requires minimal clearance (refer to Section 4 Figure 4-1 and Figure 4-2) and can be mounted in a trunion bracket or flush using the available flush-mount bracket.

- Mount the transponder in a position which provides easy access to the keyboard and display.
- If using the trunion bracket, the mount itself may be used to mark the screw holes on the mounting surface. When locating the transponder, consider that the IMO mandates that the AIS keyboard and display be easily accessed from a navigable position on the bridge.
- If used, Mount the transponder in the trunion utilizing the trunion knobs provided, otherwise mount transponder in flush mount bracket.
- Locate and mount the terminal block or junction box in a position near the transponder. The IEC cable provided with the unit is 100in (2.54m) long. Locate the terminal block in a fashion which allows for easy access to the terminals for making the connections to required input/output feeds.
- When connecting the power cable, the Red lead goes to positive and Black to negative. Ensure proper ground wire attachment to ships structure. The other two leads can be used to connect to an external alarm system. This alarm system can provide an audio and/or visual alarm in the event of an internal system malfunction, or if the AIS loses power or is turned off.

Install the transponder, and complete the AIS Installation Checklist found in Appendix A, as follows:

- (1) Mount the transponder. (In trunion, if used.)

NOTE: A junction box may be used in place of the terminal block.

- (2) Locate an ideal position for the terminal block.
 - Protected from weather.
 - Protected from high heat.
 - Protected from accidental contact with conductive material.
 - Within 100in (2.5m) of the transponder due to IEC data cable length.
 - Grounding of terminal block to ship's structure.
 - Need to feed cables from navigational sensors.
- (3) Mount terminal block or junction box with self tapping screws.
- (4) Ground terminal block to ship's structure using grounding cable provided.



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For steps (5) through (9) refer to Paragraph 3.1.2.

- (5) Connect the IEC cable to data port on back of Transponder.

NOTE: If an interface adapter must be used to convert either Gyro output and/or dGPS output to IEC (NMEA 0183) standard, the output from the interfaces should be located as near as possible to the sending unit (Gyro or dGPS) and the output cables led to the IEC terminal block.

- (6) Lead data cables from Gyrocompass data output port to terminal block.

- (7) Lead data cables from ship's DGPS data output port to terminal block.

- (8) Feed the IEC data cable to the terminal block.

NOTE: The metallic shielding of each of the three shielded cables containing the twisted pairs must be connected to the terminal block using the shield drain wire connected to the shield. The shields from Cables 1 and 2 do not have to be connected. The shield from Cable 3 must be connected to TB pin 30, which is grounded to the ship's hull.

- (9) Connect each wire in the IEC data cable to the terminal block. (Refer to Table 3-2.)

- (10) Connect power cable to transponder. (Refer to Figure 3-7.)

- (11) Connect the power cable to the ship's power supply, 24Vdc, 0.8A. (Red + , Black -)



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- (12) Connect the other two leads to external alarm system if desired (see Figure 3-2).

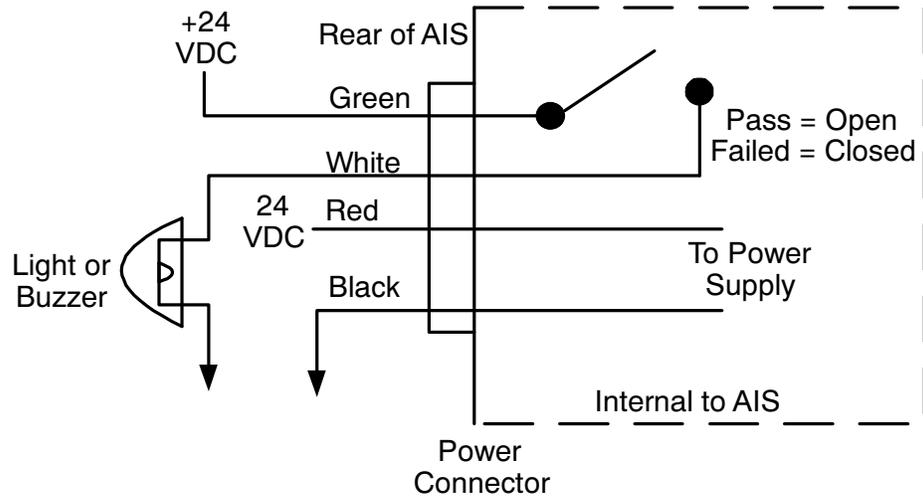


Figure 3-2. Sample Alarm Setup

- (13) If an external display system is to be connected, lead the pilot port cable from the display unit to the terminal block. (Refer to Figure 3-8.)

CAUTION: Do not power up the unit at this time.

- (14) Go to Paragraph 3.1.3. for VHF antenna installation steps.



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3.1.2. Connecting the IEC Data Interface Cable

The AIS Transponder receives data from the ship's sensors through a data interface cable which is connected to the back of the transponder through a data port. IMO regulations require that the ship heading, speed-over-ground (SOG), course-over-ground (COG), rate-of-turn (ROT) and position be transmitted from the AIS. In order to meet these requirements, the L-3 ProTec provides six data channels to allow the AIS to be connected to the ships Gyrocompass and DGPS system in accordance with NMEA 0183.

The L3 AIS is shipped with one IEC interface cable P/N 024M0088-00. All IEC/Pilot communications with the AIS is referenced with the L-3 ProTec considered the "MASTER" in that transmit data is OUTPUT from the L-3 ProTec, and receive data is INPUT to the L-3 ProTec. All channels are isolated with individual shielded twisted pair cables. The IEC connector (J4) is located on the back of the L-3 ProTec. (Refer to IEC 61993-2 annex D. and NMEA 0183) IEC channels 1, 2, and 3 are RECEIVE ONLY sensor inputs. Differential data (RS422) is received on each of these channels and internally converted to TTL for input to a standard UART. Channels 4, 5, and 8 are all RS422 interfaces. IEC channels 4 and 5 are TRANSMIT/RECEIVE channels for AIS data. IEC channel 8 is the AIS long range port.

3.1.2.1 Data Channels

Data enters the Transponder through six available data channels. Three data channels are low speed unidirectional (4,800 baud) channels suitable for data input to the transponder. The other three data channels are high speed bidirectional channels (38,400 baud) which support both input and output to/from the transponder.

The channels are described below by channel number and type. Suggested uses of each channel are provided but it is not required that a user define the channels in this fashion. The internal software in the transponder is able to distinguish the type of data feeding from each channel provided all data streams subscribe to the IEC 61162 format (NMEA 0183).

Table 3-1. Data Channels

Channel	BAUD	Type	Suggested Use
1	4800	Receive	dGPS (COG, SOG, LAT, LON)
2	4800	Receive	Rate of Turn
3	4800	Receive	Heading (Gyro)
4	38400	Transmit / Receive	PC Application
5	38400	Transmit / Receive	ARPA/ECDIS
8	38400	Transmit / Receive	Long Range Tracking (Dedicated)



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The IEC I/O electrical characteristics are as follows:

The A, B and C leads are as defined in IEC 61162-1, 61162-2 and V.11.

A and B are both signal leads with C being the effective return for both the A and B leads.

A and B operate differentially to each other.

High-level output voltage is 4V minimum from the A lead to the C lead and from the B lead to the C lead. Low-level output voltage is 0.4V maximum.

Recommended maximum output current capability is 110mA.

Input is differential from A to B. Effective input resistance is 4.9kohm across A and B and 96k from A or B to C.

Differential input voltage threshold is 250mV maximum.

Inputs will meet the requirement of withstanding +/-15V between any two leads, A, B or C.

3.1.2.2 Data Cable

Each transponder will come shipped with a 2.5 M-long IEC data cable (P/N 024M0088-00) terminated at one end by a J4 connector. (Refer to Figure 3-3, Figure 3-3, and Figure 3-4.) The cable may either have a white covering (ECS cable), or a grey covering (Alpha cable), and it is important to recognize the wire color changes between the two cables to insure a proper installation. No matter which of these IEC data cables is used, it is shielded and contains three smaller diameter cables, each of which is also shielded. Each of these smaller cables contains three shielded twisted pairs (STP) each and each STP includes a drain wire. A low speed unidirectional (input only) data channel (4,800 Kbs) is carried through one STP, and a high speed bidirectional (input/output) data channel (38,400 Kbs) will require two pairs.

3.1.2.3 Terminal Block

A terminal block is the preferred installation method for completing the data interface (NMEA) because data output from a ship sensor (dGPS, ROT, Gyro) may not subscribe to a standard pinout definition. As such, each installation may require that the installer identify and cross reference the sensor pinouts with the IEC pinouts, which is a well defined standard pinout description. The terminal block allows for greater flexibility in completing the connection to the ship's sensors.

A junction box may be made available which terminates the data cable on the terminal block and provides serial connectors to allow for easy connection to ship sen-



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sors. However, the installer will need to confirm the pinout definitions for the sensor outputs before completing the connection correctly.

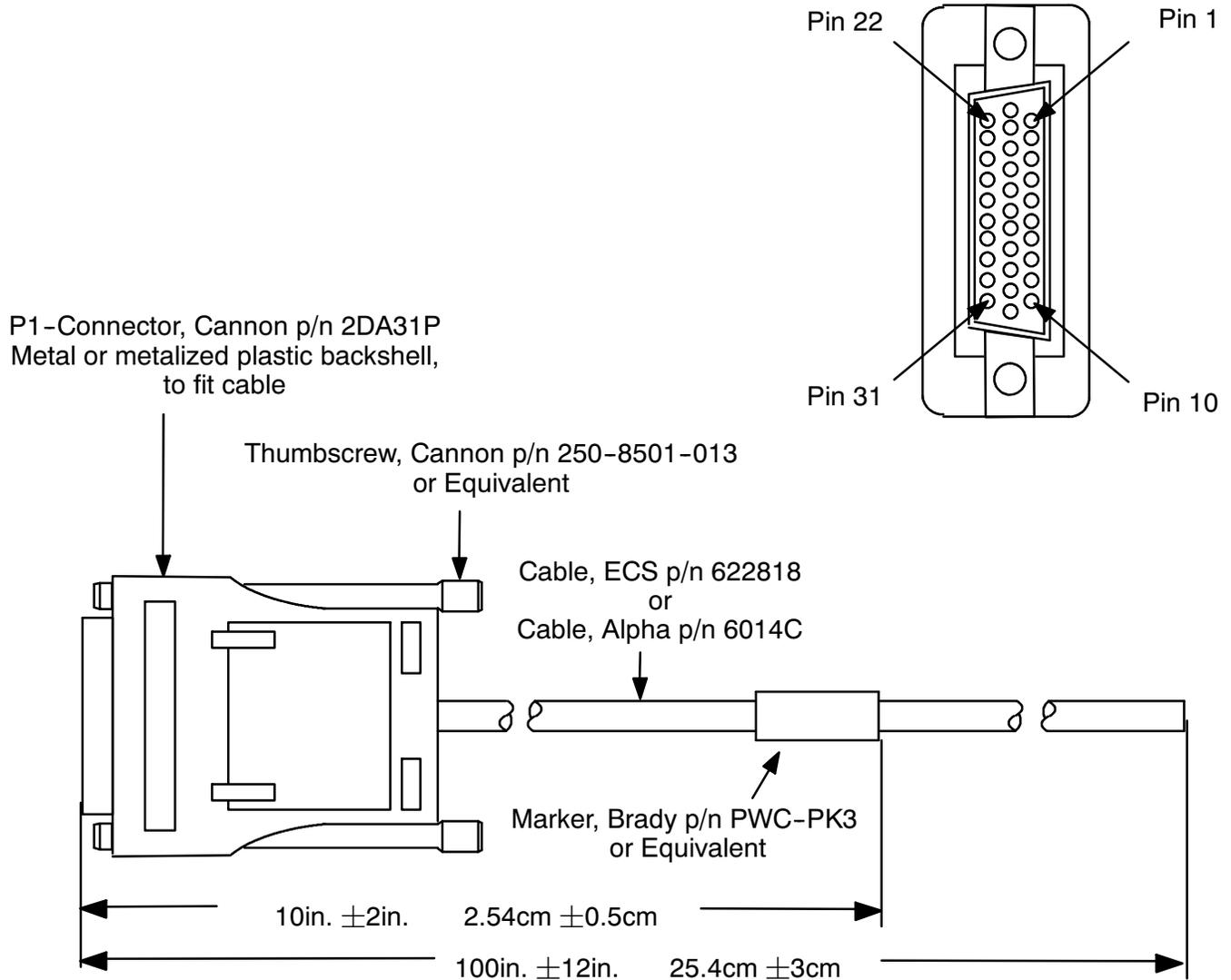


Figure 3-3. AIS Transponder IEC Data Cable



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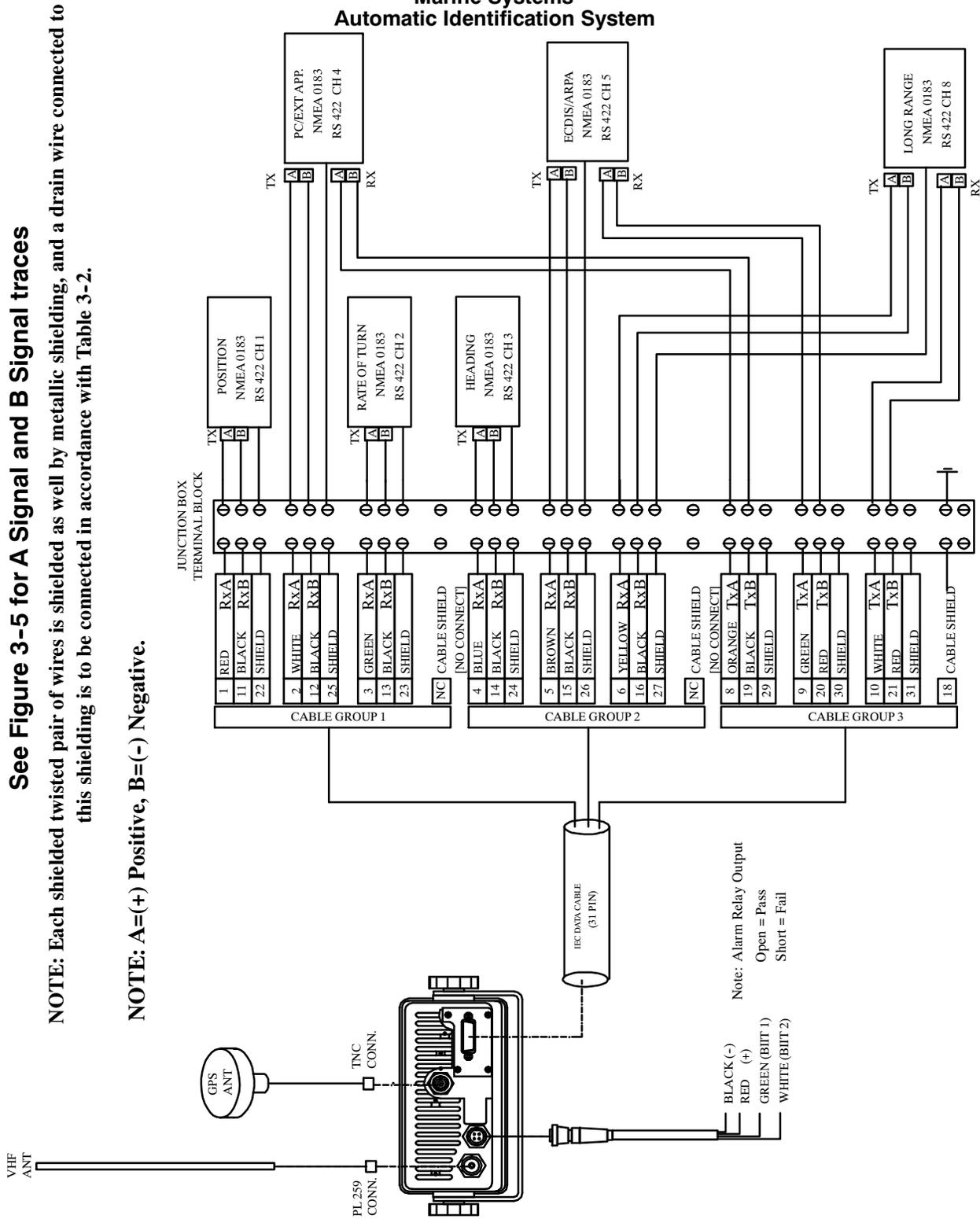


Figure 3-4. IEC Data Cable (Alpha Cable (Grey Covering)) External Wiring Diagram with L-3 Communications-provided Junction Box



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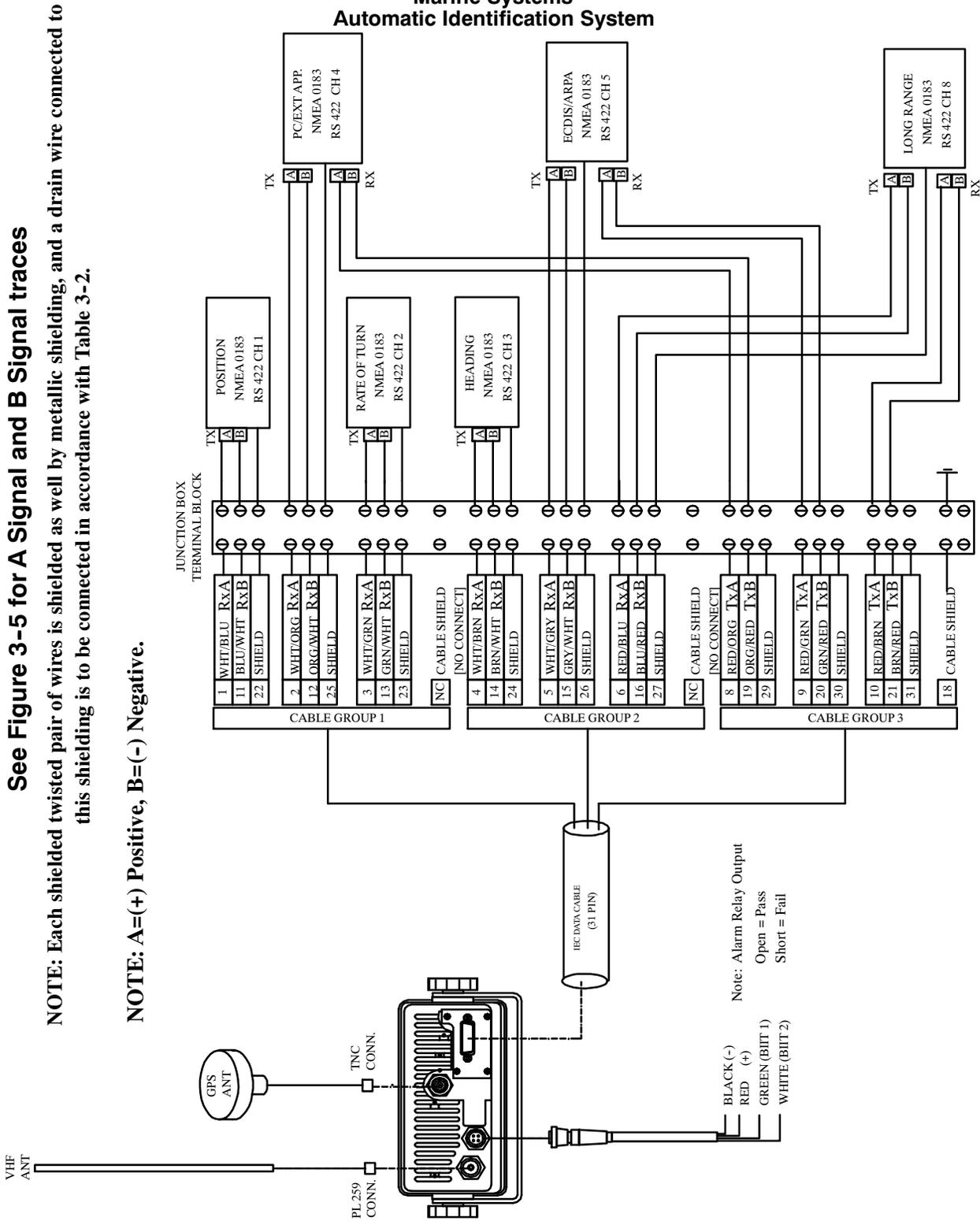


Figure 3-5. IEC Data Cable (ECS Cable (White Covering)) External Wiring Diagram with L-3 Communications-provided Junction Box



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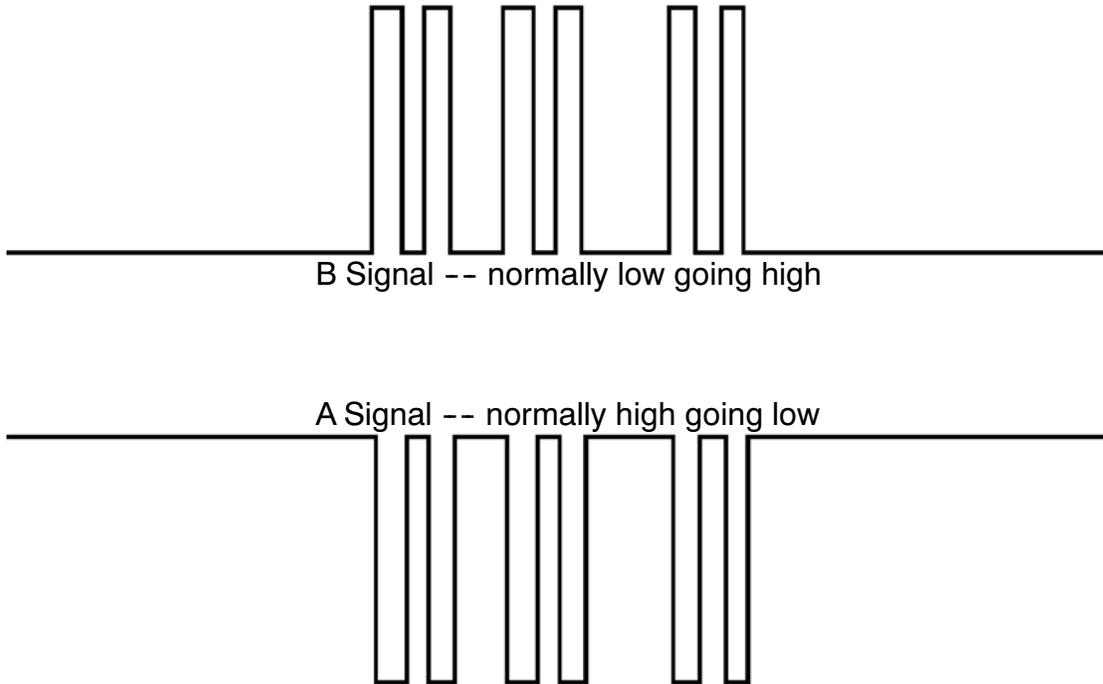


Figure 3-6. B Signal and A Signal Traces



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Table 3-2. IEC Cable and L-3 Communications-Provided Junction Box Pinouts

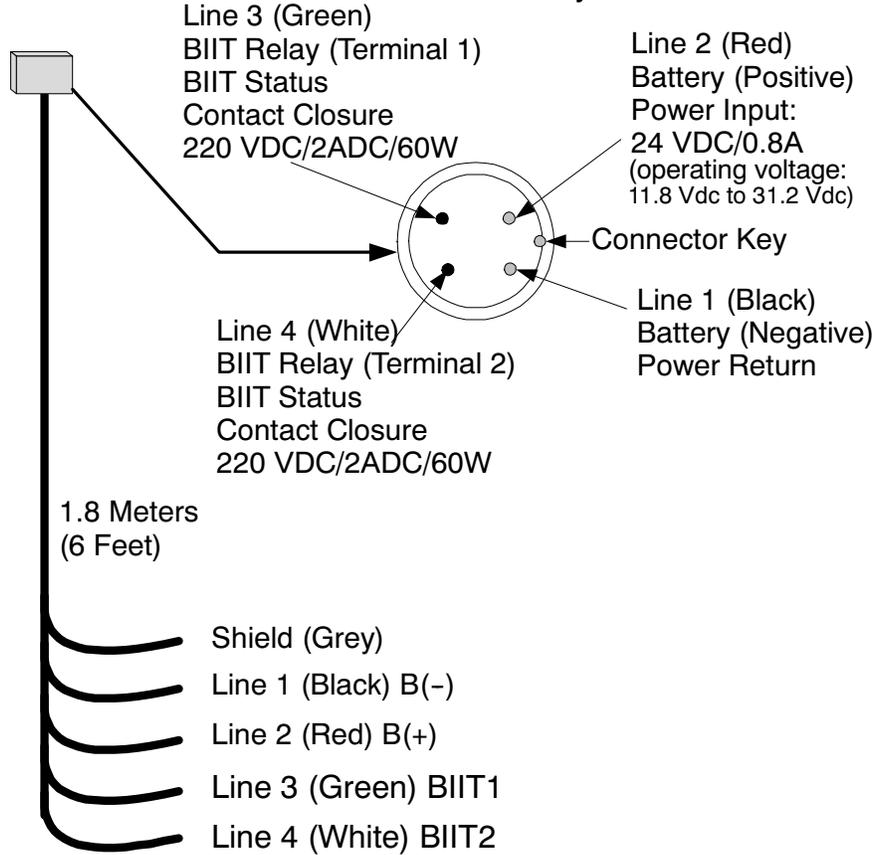
Cable	STP	ECS Cable Wire Color (White Cable)	Alpha Cable Wire Color (Grey Cable)	IEC Pin	TB Pin
Cable Group 1	1	White / Blue	Red	1	1
		Blue / White	Black	11	2
		Shield	Shield	22	3
	2	White / Orange	White	2	10
		Orange / White	Black	12	11
		Shield	Shield	23	12
	3	White / Green	Green	3	4
		Green / White	Black	13	5
		Shield	Shield	24	6
			Shield Drain	Shield Drain	NC
Cable Group 2	4	White / Brown	Blue	4	7
		Brown / White	Black	14	8
		Shield	Shield	25	9
	5	White / Gray	Brown	5	17
		Gray / White	Black	15	18
		Shield	Shield	26	19
	6	Red / Blue	Yellow	6	24
		Blue / Red	Black	16	25
		Shield	Shield	27	26
			Shield Drain	Shield Drain	NC
Cable Group 3	7	Red / Orange	Orange	8	13
		Orange / Red	Black	19	14
		Shield	Shield	29	15
	8	Red / Green	Green	9	20
		Green / Red	Red	20	21
		Shield	Shield	30	22
	9	Red / Brown	White	10	27
		Brown / Red	Red	21	28
		Shield	Shield	31	29
			Shield Drain	Shield Drain	18



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Power Consumption: 24VDC, 0.8A (19.2W); 12VDC, 1.6 A (19.2W)

Figure 3-7. AIS Transponder Power Cable

Signal Table for "Cable Assembly, Power/BIIT, External"					
Line	Color	Name	Description	Function	Power
1	Black	B(-)	Battery, negative	Power return	--
2	Red	B(+)	Battery, positive	Power input	Operating voltage: 11.8 Vdc to 31.2 Vdc 24Vdc-0.8A (19.2 W) 12Vdc-1.6A (19.2 W)
3	Green	BIIT 1	BIIT relay, terminal 1	BIIT Status	Contact closure 220Vdc-2A-60W maximum
4	White	BIIT 2	BIIT relay, terminal 2		



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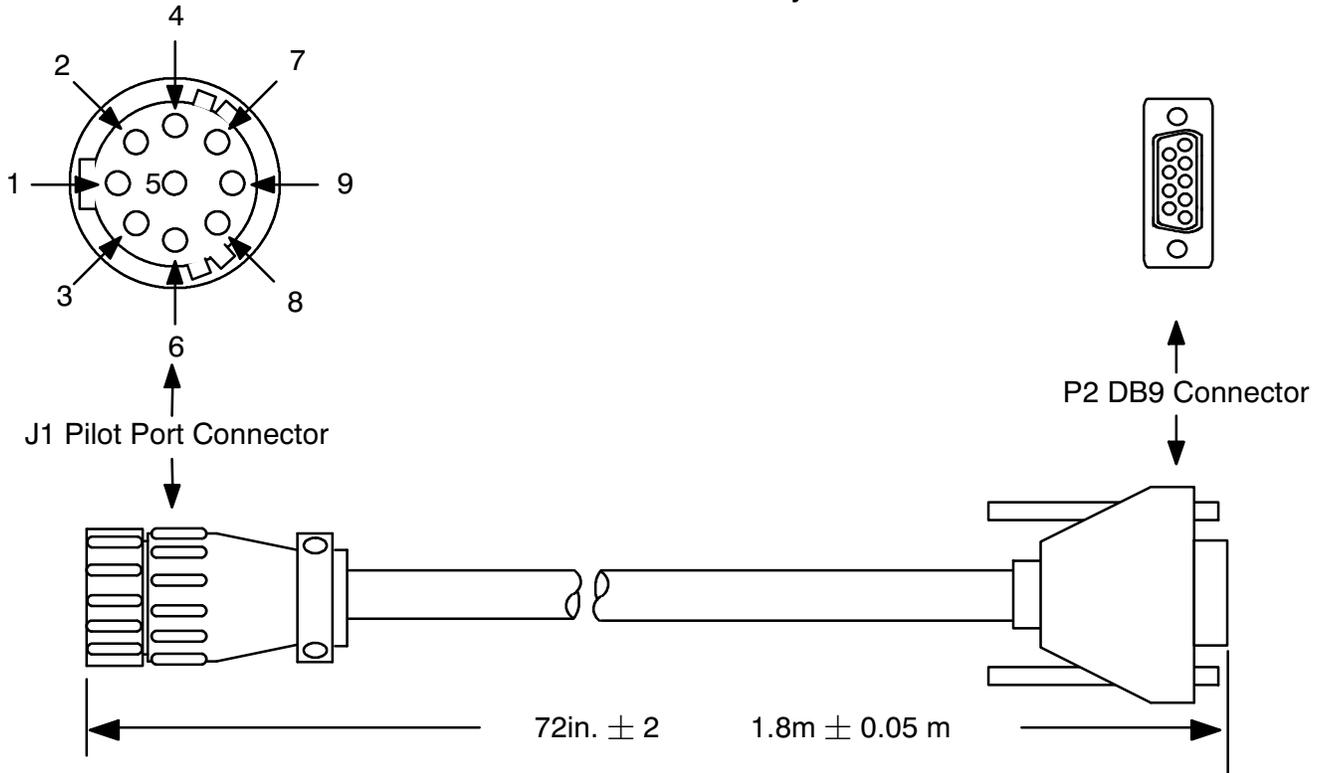


Figure 3-8. Pilot Port Cable

Table 3-3. Pilot Port Pinout

J1 Pin	Name	Description	Pair Color	P2 Pin
1	PILOT_TXA	RS4-22 Compliant Output A	Blue	2
2	GND	Signal/Power 0V Reference	Black	5
3	+ 8V	+ 8.0V (+/-5%) Output Used to Power External Test Equipment. External Equipment should be Current Limited to 300mA		
4	PILOT_TXB	RS-422 Compliant Output B	Black	7
5	PILOT_RXA	RS-422 Compliant Input A	Green	8
6	PILOT_RXB	RS-422 Compliant Input B	Black	3
7	TRACE/BOOT_TX	TTL-Level RS-232 Serial Output (Trace Message/Bootload Output)		
8	RX_SINAD	TDMA / DSC FM Discriminator Output used to Test Receiver Performance during Special Test Modes.		
9	NO CONNECT	Not Used		



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3.1.3. Installing the VHF Antenna

Installation of a VHF antenna is as important to reliable communications as the transceiver itself. It is recommended that a high quality antenna be purchased from an established source and that all manufactures instructions be followed with particular attention to cable routing and connector installation. Some important considerations in antenna installation are:

- In general, VHF antennas should be located as high as practical on the vessel and separated as much as possible from each other.
- The VHF antenna should be placed in an elevated position with a minimum of 2m clearance from any construction that is made with conductive material. In addition, it should not be installed close to any large vertical obstruction, and the VHF antenna should have a 360° line of sight to the horizon.
- It is preferable that the VHF antenna is installed at least 3m away from high power energy sources such as radar and other transmitting radio antennas, and out of the transmitting beam.
- Ideally, there should not be more than one antenna on the same level. The AIS VHF antenna should be mounted directly above or below the ship's primary VHF radiotelephone antenna, and with a minimum of 2m vertical separation. If the VHF antenna is located on the same level as other antennas, the distance between them should be at least 10m.

To install the VHF antenna, perform the following:

(Refer to Figure 3-9 and Figure 3-10.)

- (1) Position the antenna mounting bracket on a rigid and structurally sound surface.
- (2) Install the antenna on the antenna mount.

NOTE: Use only high quality RG213/RG214 coaxial cable and keep cable length as short as possible to reduce signal attenuation.

- (3) Run the coaxial cable from the antenna to the transponder location.
- (4) Trim cable to length leaving a few inches slack at the transponder.
- (5) Attach the connectors to the end of the coaxial cable.
- (6) Connect the cables to the transponder. Soldering the connection is recommended.



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3.1.4. Installing the GPS Antenna

The correct installation of a GPS antenna is crucial to the operation of the transponder because the internal transmission synchronization relies on the accuracy of the time signal obtained from the GPS. It is recommended that a high quality GPS antenna be purchased from an established source and that all manufactures instructions be followed with particular attention to cable routing and connector installation. Some important considerations in GPS antenna installation are:

- GPS antennas should be located to provide a clear, unobstructed view of the sky.
- GPS signals can be affected by RADAR and SATCOM transmissions. As such, GPS antennas should be positioned below and at least 5m away from RADAR and SATCOM antennas and outside of the beam path.
- GPS signals can also be affected negatively by VHF and HF transmissions, and the GPS antenna should be positioned at least 3m from these types of antennas.
- The GPS antennas can be flat mounted onto any surface but it is recommended that it be elevated from the deck surface (20–30cm.) to prevent ice or spray from negatively impacting the signal reception.
- Recently, it has been identified that certain makes/models of TV antennas can drastically interfere with GPS reception. As such, the installer should place the GPS antenna as far away from any shipboard TV antennas as possible and confirm that any antennas used on board are not ones which have been exhibited GPS interference problems.

To install the GPS antenna, perform the following:

(Refer to Figure 3–9 and Figure 3–10.)

- (1) Position the antenna mounting bracket and/or antenna mast on a rigid and structurally sound surface.
- (2) Install the antenna on the antenna mount.

NOTE: Use only high quality RG213/RG214 coaxial cable and keep cable length as short as possible to reduce signal attenuation.

- (3) Run the coaxial cable from the antenna to the transponder location through an existing throughhull.
- (4) Trim cable to length leaving a few inches slack at the transponder.
- (5) Attach the connectors to the end of the coaxial cable.
- (6) Connect the cable to the transponder. Soldering the connection is recommended.



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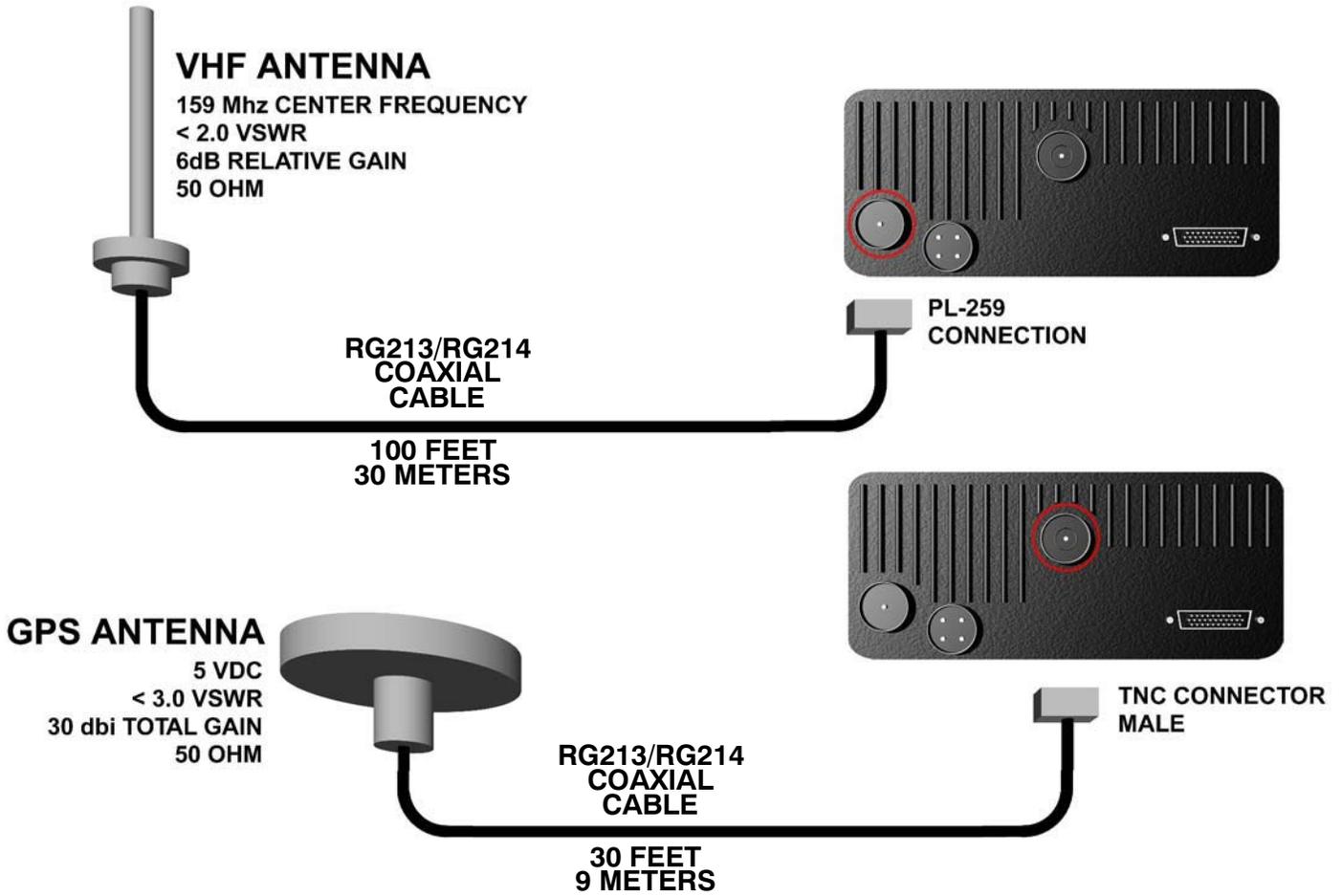
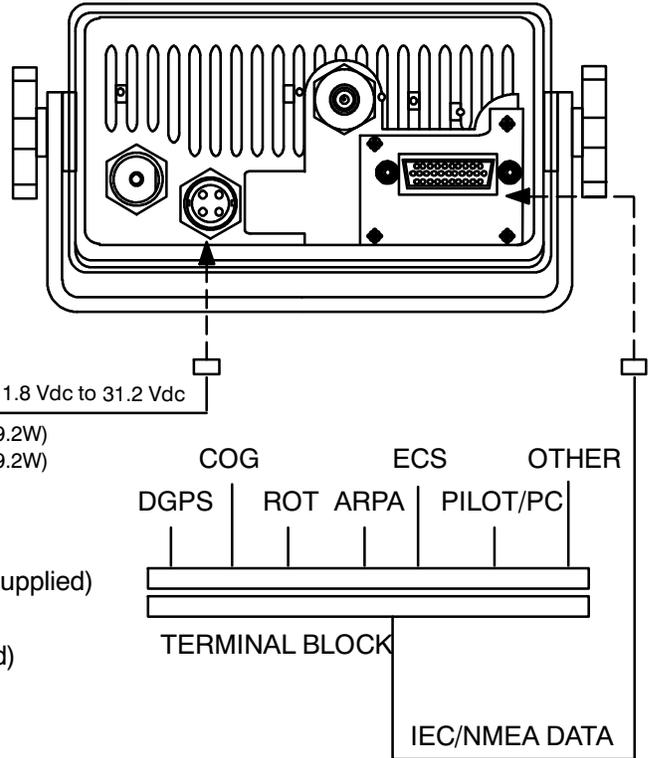


Figure 3-9. AIS Transponder Antenna Diagram



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Power: Operating voltage: 11.8 Vdc to 31.2 Vdc

24Vdc – 0.8A (19.2W)
12Vdc – 1.6A (19.2W)

NOTES:

Back Panel Mating Connectors

VHF Antenna - L3 PN: PL-259 (Generic) (20ft. cable supplied)
TELEGARTNER J01041A0004

Power BIIT - L3 PN: 063-98-02108 (6ft. cable supplied)
CONXALL PN: 6382-4SG-522

GPS - L3 PN: TNC (Generic) (20ft. cable supplied)

IEC NMEA - L3 PN: 063-98-02106 (100in. cable supplied)
HIROSE PN: HR22-12TPD-20S

Figure 3-10. AIS Transponder Rear View



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3.1.5. Power Up and Configuration

At this stage you should have the following steps completed:

- Transponder installed and 12 - 24VDC / 10 A (nominal) power supply connected.
- VHF antenna installed and connected to transponder.
- GPS antenna installed and connected to transponder.
- IEC data cable installed and connected to transponder and terminal block.

The next step in the installation of the AIS transponder involves setup and configuration. A complete description of the interface and menu system is previously given in Section 2. Figure 3-11 presents a view of the layout of the integral Minimum Keyboard Display. This display includes a backlit LCD screen and keypad which allows the user to enter the required static and voyage related vessel data. A complete description of the user interface and menu system is presented in Section 2. The configuration process is summarized below.

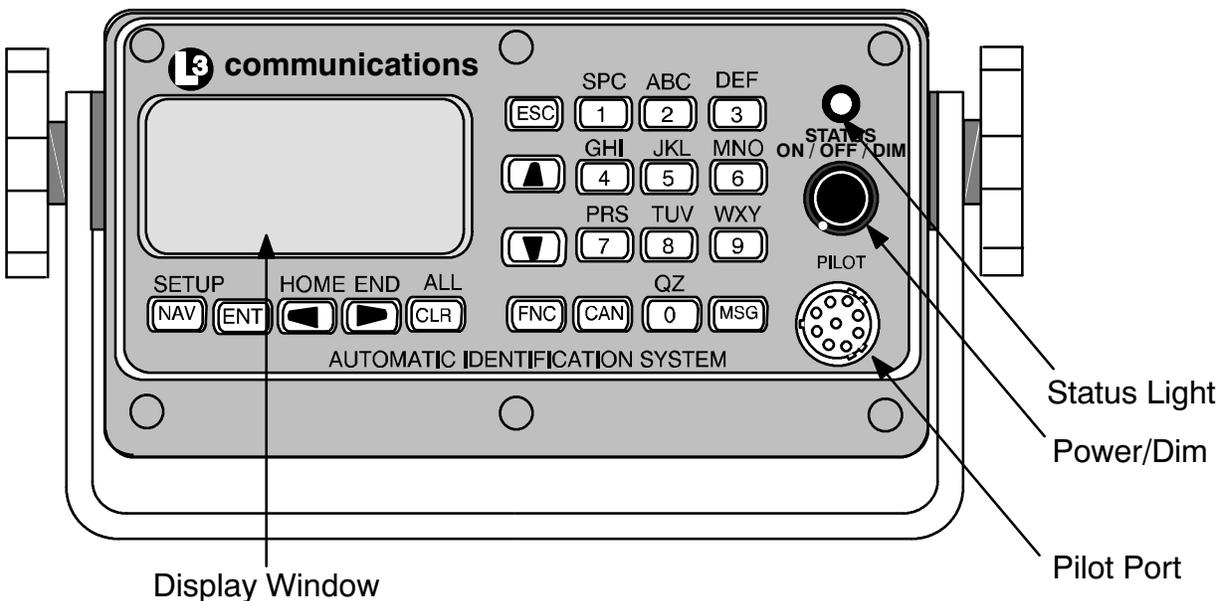


Figure 3-11. AIS Transponder MKD

3.1.5.1 Power Up the Transponder

The following procedure should be followed to carry out final setup and testing of the AIS Transponder.

- (1) Rotate the POWER button clockwise to turn on the transponder.
- (2) Check the STATUS light for a steady light to ensure power is supplied to unit.



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Table 3-4. ProTec AIS Default Passwords

Default Passwords	
Administrative	L3AIS
User	L3USR

- (3) Press FNC and then the NAV button.
- (4) Enter Password. Press ENT.
- (5) Verify password entry confirmation message is present.
- (6) Press ESC to continue.

3.1.5.2 Vessel / Voyage Setup

The Vessel Data Setup screen allows the user to enter the following information which is required to be completed during the installation of the AIS.

- MMSI: Maritime Mobile Service ID: Maximum 9 numbers.
- NavS: Navigational Status:
 - UNDFND Undefined
 - UW-ENG Underway Using Engine
 - AANCHR At Anchor
 - NOCMD Not Under Command
 - RMANUV Restricted Maneuverability
 - CBDRFT Constrained by Draught
 - MOORED Moored
 - AGRND Aground
 - FISHNG Engaged in Fishing
 - SAILNG Underway sailing
- IMO#: IMO Number: Official IMO designation ID for Vessel. 0 = default = not available.
- MaxD: Maximum Draft: Maximum draft in meters from 0.1 to 25.5m.
- CSgn: Radio Call Sign: Maximum seven characters.
- Type: Vessel Type: (Refer to Table 3-5.)
- Name: Vessel Name: Up to 20 alphanumeric characters.
- Dest: Destination. The current destination of this voyage.
- POB: People on Board. The number of persons currently on board the vessel.
- ETA: Estimated Time of Arrival.

NOTE: Destination, ETA, and POB are optional fields.



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Perform the following to setup the Vessel/Voyage data:

- (1) If already on the UAIS Main System Menu screen, go to Step (2).

Otherwise, press FNC and then NAV to get to the UAIS Main System Menu screen. (Refer to Figure 3-12.)

NOTE: Figure 3-12 shows the UAIS Main System Menu screen as it appears as the user initially enters this menu. Not shown is the Logon option.

<p>UAIS Main System Menu Logoff - Dsbl Changes System Info and Config Vessel/Voyage Setup Antenna Position Setup View Alarm Status View General Status View Down-Time Log View Safety Text Log Set AIS Channels Edit Chan Mgmt Settings Change Password Set Baud Rates Adj LCD Viewing Angle Alarm Control Setup</p>

Figure 3-12. UAIS Main System Menu



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- (2) Use DOWN ARROW key to scroll down to Vessel/Voyage Setup. Press ENT.

Vessel/Voyage Setup	
MMSI:12345679	N:UNDEFINED
IMO#:01234567	MaxD:1.0
CSgn:LOCAL	SType:55
Name:L-3 GABY	AsT:0
Dest:Home	POB:3
ETA :MMDD>10-08	HHMM>22:30

Figure 3-13. Vessel/Voyage Setup

**Use the following instructions to enter data for Steps (3) through (9).
(Refer to Figure 3-13.)**

- Use the LEFT, RIGHT, UP, DOWN arrows to navigate between fields.
- Use the ENT key to select a field to enter.
- Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter the required data into the field.
- Use ENT to save the data entered into the field.

- (3) Enter Data in MMSI Field (MMSI).
- (4) Enter Data in Navigational Status Field (NavS).
- (5) Enter Data in IMO Number Field (IMO#).
- (6) Enter Data in Maximum Sailing Draft Field (MaxD).
- (7) Enter Data in Radio Callsign Field (CSgn).
- (8) Enter Data in Vessel Type Field (Type). (Refer to Table 3-5.)
- (9) Enter Data in Vessel Name Field (Name).
- (10) Enter Data in Asset Type Field (AsT).

NOTE: Destination (Dest), ETA, and POB are optional fields and can be entered at this time if known.

- (11) Press ESC to return to the UAIS Main System Menu screen.



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Table 3-5. Vessel Type Codes**

Special Crafts	Other Ships	
	First Digit	Second Digit
50 Pilot Boats	1 Reserved for future use	0 All ships of this type
51 Search and Rescue Vessels	2 WIG	1 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category A
52 Tugs	3 See below	2 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category B
53 Port Tenders	4 HSC	3 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category C
54 Vessels with anti-pollution facilities or equipment	5 See Special Crafts	4 Carrying DG HS or MP IMO hazard or pollutant category D
55 Law Enforcement Vessel	6 Passenger ships	5 Reserved for future use
56 Spare - for assignment to local vessels	7 Cargo ships	6 Reserved for future use
57 Spare - for assignment to local vessels	8 Tankers	7 Reserved for future use
58 Medical Transport (as defined in the 1949 Geneva Conventions)	9 Other types of ships	8 Reserved for future use
59 Spare - Ships according to RR Resolution No. 18 (Mob-83)		9 No additional information
	First Digit	Second Digit
	3 Vessel	0 Fishing
		1 Towing
		2 Towing and length of the tow exceeds 200m or breadth exceeds 25m
		3 Engaged in dredging or underwater operations
		4 Engaged in diving operations
		5 Engaged in military operations
		6 Sailing
		7 Pleasure craft
8 Reserved for future use		
9 Reserved for future use		

DG: Dangerous Goods
HS: Harmful Substances
MP: Marine Pollutants



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3.1.5.3 Antenna Position Configuration

- (1) On the UAIS Main System Menu screen, use DOWN arrow key to scroll down to Antenna Position. Press ENT to select. (Refer to Figure 3-14.)

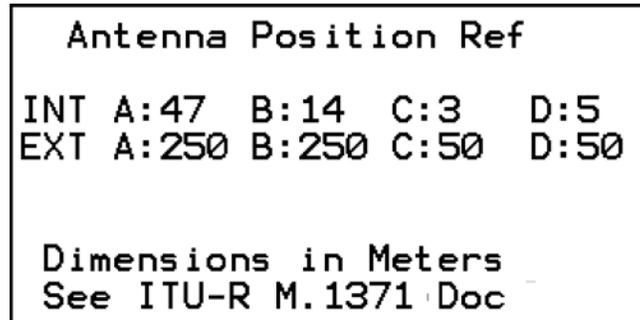


Figure 3-14. Antenna Position

NOTE: The INT antenna is the antenna dedicated to the GPS receiver internal to the AIS. The EXT antenna is the antenna dedicated to the ship's dGPS. The dimensions are to be entered in Meters and are defined as follows: (Refer to Figure 3-15.)

- A Distance in meters from Forward Perpendicular (FP)
- B Distance in meters from After Perpendicular (AP)
- C Distance in meters inboard from port side
- D Distance in meters inboard from starboard side

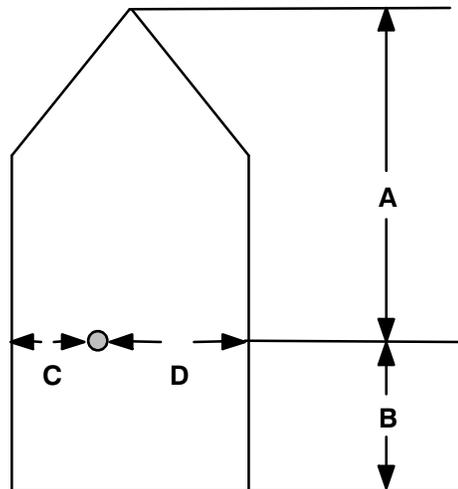


Figure 3-15. Calculating Antenna Position

- (2) Enter AIS Internal GPS Position. (Refer to Figure 3-15.)
 - Enter AIS Internal GPS "A" Position
 - Enter AIS Internal GPS "B" Position
 - Enter AIS Internal GPS "C" Position
 - Enter AIS Internal GPS "D" Position



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- (3) Press ENT to save data.
- (4) Enter External GPS Antenna Position. (Refer to Figure 3-15.)
 - Enter External GPS Antenna "A" Position
 - Enter External GPS Antenna "B" Position
 - Enter External GPS Antenna "C" Position
 - Enter External GPS Antenna "D" Position
- (5) Press ENT to save data.
- (6) Press ESC to return to the UAIS Main System Menu screen.
- (7) Press ESC again to return to the Navigational Display Screen.

3.1.5.4 Verify Transponder Linkup to Ship's dGPS & GYRO

- (1) Press NAV to go to the Own Ship Information Screen.
- (2) Confirm ship positional data, heading and SOG/COG/ROT data is correct by referencing the equipment repeater display.
- (3) Confirm that there are no alarms after one minute.
- (4) Press ESC to return to the Navigational Display Screen.

The AIS is now placed in service. It is to remain operational at all times when the vessel is operating unless given specific authorization to discontinue operation by local maritime authorities. The only interaction with the interface will be to view surrounding ship traffic identification information and to enter voyage specific data at the start of each voyage.



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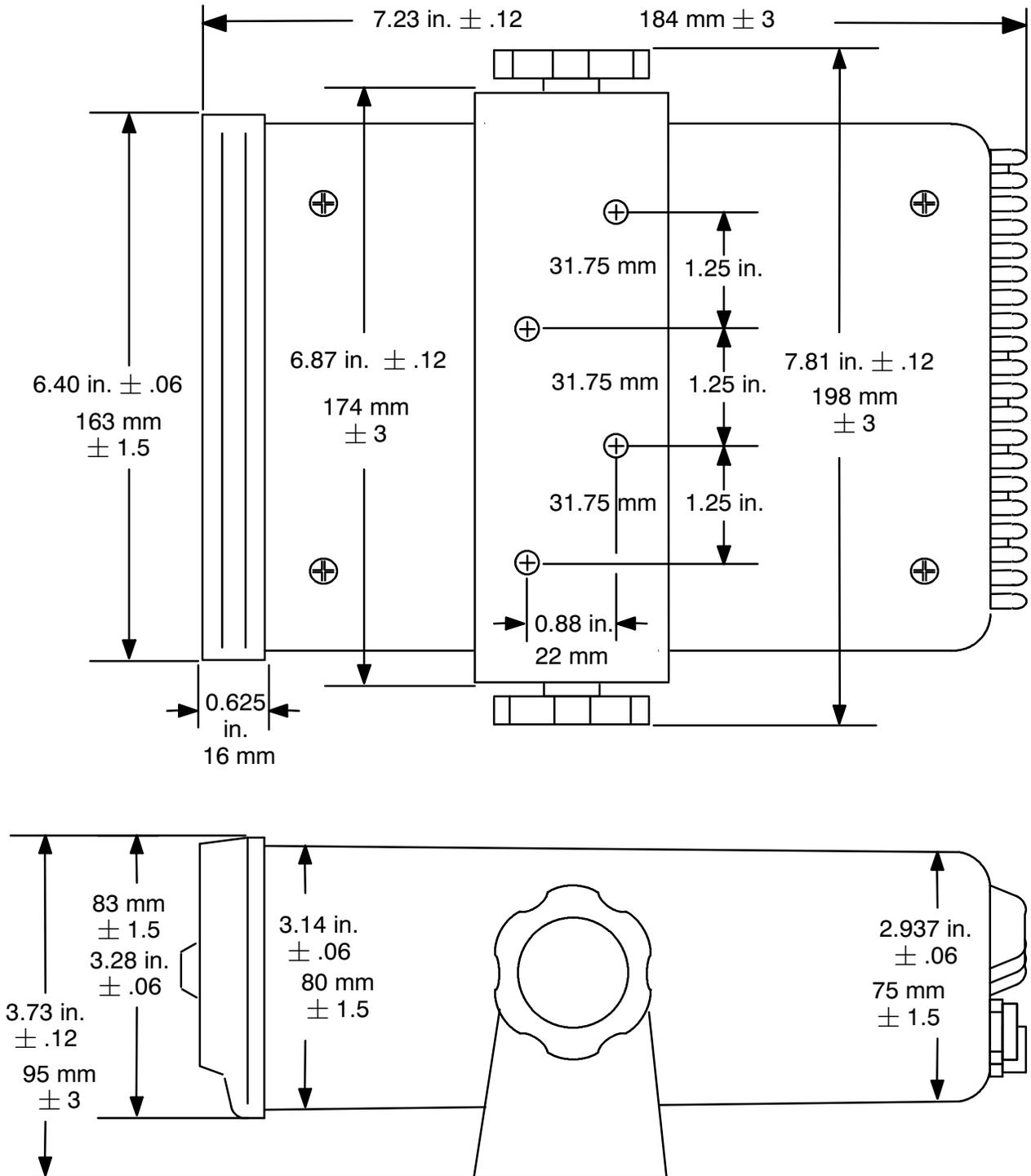


Figure 4-1. AIS Transponder O&D Drawing with Trunion Bracket



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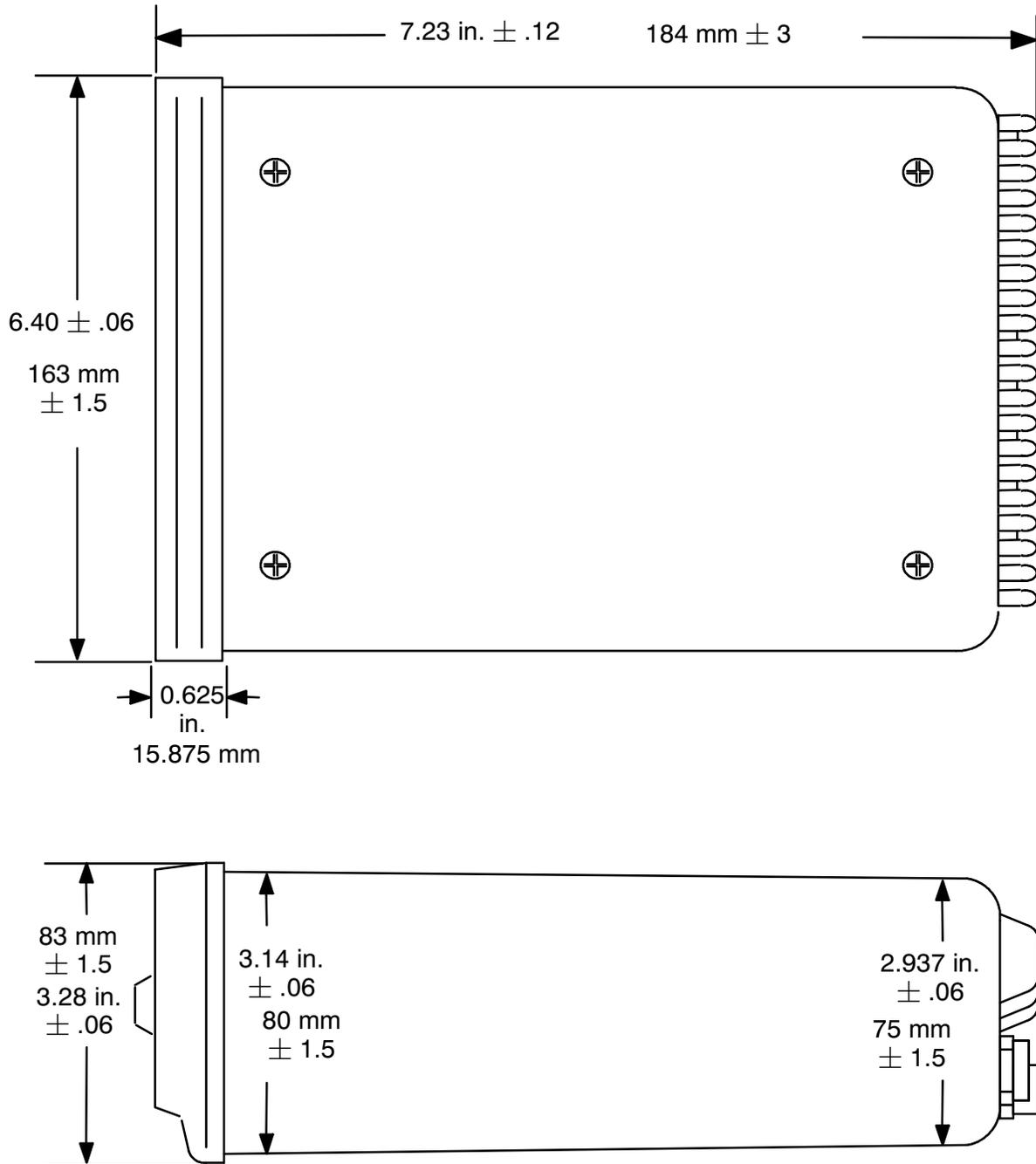


Figure 4-2. AIS Transponder O&D Drawing



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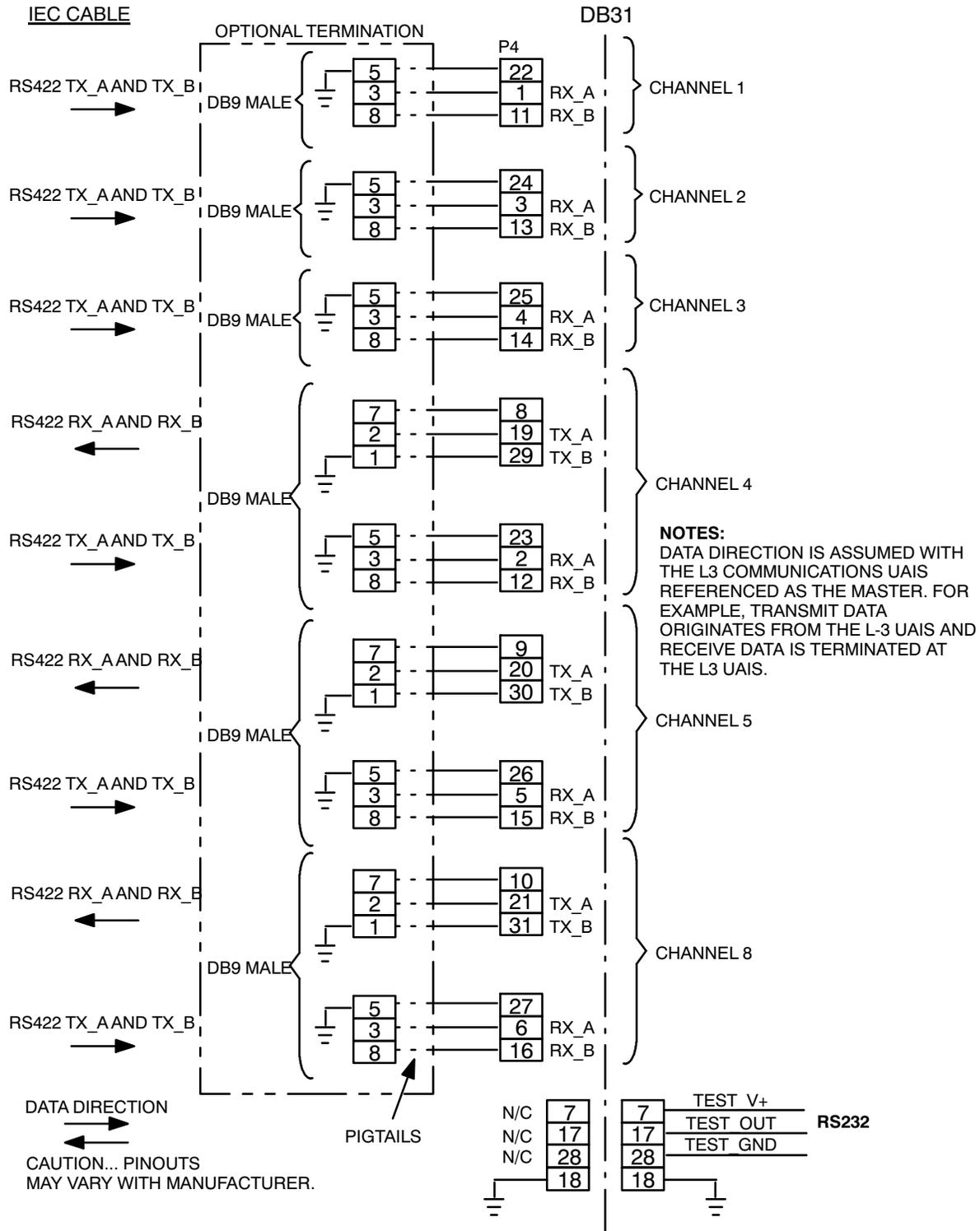


Figure 4-3. IEC Data Cable Interconnect Diagram



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INSTALLATION CHECKLIST



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ProTec AIS INSTALLATION CHECKLIST

Installation Tasks	Completed (Yes / No)	Date
1. Transponder Installed	_____	_____
2. IEC Cable Connected	_____	_____
3. VHF Antenna Installed and Connected	_____	_____
4. GPS Antenna Installed and Connected	_____	_____
Power Up and Configuration Tasks		
1. Transponder Powered Up	_____	_____
2. MMSI Number Entered	_____	_____
3. Navigational Status Entered	_____	_____
4. IMO Number Entered	_____	_____
5. Maximum Sailing Draft Entered	_____	_____
6. Radio Callsign Entered	_____	_____
7. Vessel Type Entered	_____	_____
8. Vessel Name Entered	_____	_____
9. Destination Entered (Optional)	_____	_____
10. POB Entered (Optional)	_____	_____
11. ETA Entered (Optional)	_____	_____
Antenna Configuration Tasks		
1. AIS Internal GPS Position Entered	_____	_____
2. External GPS Antenna Position Entered	_____	_____
3. Transponder Linkup to Ship's dGPS & GYRO Verified	_____	_____
4. No Alarms Verified	_____	_____



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STEDS FUNCTIONALITY



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ProTec M AIS STEDS Functionality

B.1. Background

The ProTec-M AIS transponder is a modified version of the L-3 ProTec AIS Transponder. The ProTec-M complies fully with the internationally adopted specifications for a Class A AIS transponder and provides the user with additional control over the standard messaging capability of the AIS protocol. This additional control required by the USCG for this product has been defined in document HSCG23-05-Q-TED088, "U.S. COAST GUARD COMMAND AND CONTROL ENGINEERING CENTER'S (C2CEN) UNIVERSAL SHIPBORNE AUTOMATIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM, SPECIFICATION/STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW)." This document will describe how the user can access these additional functions.

B.2. Modes of Operation

The USCG STEDS specification calls for three modes of operation which are defined below as they are defined in HSCG23-05-Q-TED088.

- **Receive-Only Mode (TX Disable)**

The AIS shall have a receive-only mode of operation to support Coast Guard missions. In this mode of operation, radio transmission shall be completely disabled, preventing the AIS from initiating VHF data link messages, responding to interrogation (polled) messages or changing to other modes of operation without manually initiating it from the MKD or other onboard controlling device. This shall be the default mode of operation at power-on.

- **Restricted Mode**

The AIS system shall have a restricted mode of operation that provides the capability to toggle the transmission of ITU-R M.1371-1 messages 6 and 8, and 25 and 26. Transmission could be initiated via the AIS MKD, or other onboard controlling device upon receipt of a binary message in accordance with IEC PAS 61162-100. In this mode, broadcast of any message other than messages 6 and 8, or messages 25 and 26, shall not be allowed.

- **Standard Mode**

The Standard mode refers to a mode which complies with the internationally accepted mode of operation for a Class A AIS Transponder. It is a mode which enables the transmitter and enables transmission of all defined AIS messages (including 6 and 8, and 25 and 26).



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B.2.1. Controlling Mode of Operation.

The mode of operation can be changed by the user either through the integral MKD of the transponder or through an external application (such as an ECS or ECDIS). To change mode of operation through the MKD the user selects the required mode from the “STEDS Setup” menu (Figure B-1). The procedure is as follows:

- (1) Press the “Function” [FNC] button and then numeric key [6]. The following screen will appear:

STEDS Setup Pg 1	
STEDS Mode:	Class A
NV Persist:	YES
Use VDL Msg:	Msg 25/26
Mobile Type:	Vessel
Key:	Enter on Page 3
Key Bits:	128

Figure B-1. STEDS Setup Screen Page 1

- (2) The “STEDS Mode” field will be highlighted. Press ENT to select this field.
- (3) Use the down arrow key to select the required mode. There are three available modes: Class A, TX Disabled (listen only), and Secured TX.

NOTE: The MSG button only functions while the unit is in STEDS Mode Class A. In all other modes the MSG button is non-functional.

NOTE: If the unit is placed in NV Persist Mode it will return to its previous STEDS Mode at last power-down. This means that the unit may not power-up in Silent Mode.

- (4) Press ENT to switch to the mode selected
- (5) Press ENT again to save
- (6) Press ESC to exit the “STEDS Setup” menu

NOTE: Upon power-up, the unit automatically performs a self-test of the encryption algorithm. If the test fails, the alarm, “AES Failed,” will be generated, and the restricted mode is locked out. If the unit is already in restricted mode at power-up (i.e., the unit was last powered down when in restricted mode), and if the self-test fails, the unit automatically defaults to listen-only mode.



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B.2.2. Display of Mode of Operation

The selected mode of operation will be confirmed through a text message displayed on the main “NAV” screen. This message will be displayed on the upper right corner of the screen and references the selected mode as follows:

Standard	The transponder is in “Class A” mode
Tx-Disabled	The transponder is in “TX-only (listen-only)” mode
Restricted	The transponder is in “Secured TX” mode

B.3. Setting the NV Persist Preference

The default mode of operation for the ProTec-M is Tx Disabled (listen-only) Mode. The transponder will be in this mode at power-up. The user can also define another mode of operation as the default with the “NV Persist” option. This option allows the user to set the currently selected mode of operation as the default mode by defining the “NV Persist” as “YES.” The procedure is as follows:

From the “STEDS Setup” menu (Figure B-1),

- (1) Use the down arrow key to highlight the “NV Persist” field and press ENT
- (2) Use the down arrow key to select either “Yes” or “No” as follows:

“YES”	Make the current mode the default mode.
“NO”	Do not make the current mode the default mode. While in NV Persist-No mode, the unit will always power up in Silent Mode.

NOTE: If the unit is placed in NV Persist-Yes Mode it will return to its previous STEDS Mode at last power-down. This means that the unit may not power-up in Silent Mode.

- (3) Press ENT again to save
- (4) Press ESC to exit the “STEDS Setup” menu

If no mode is selected to be the default mode through the “NV Persist” option, the transponder will default back to the “Tx Disabled (listen-only)” mode as the default mode. It is not anticipated that a user will ever have to make use of the “NV Persist” option for this application.

B.4. Selecting the VDL Message

The VHF Data Link (VDL) message is selectable by the user. The procedure is as follows:



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From the “STEDS Setup” menu (Figure B-1),

- (1) Use the down arrow key to highlight the “Use VDL Msg” field and press ENT
- (2) Use the down arrow key to toggle between the two pairs of available VDL messages, 6 and 8, and 25 and 26.
- (3) Press ENT again to save
- (4) Press ESC to exit the “STEDS Setup” menu

B.5. Selecting Installation Type

The type of ProTec-M installation, is selectable by the user. The procedure is as follows:

From the “STEDS Setup” menu (Figure B-1),

- (1) Use the down arrow key to highlight the “Mobile Type” field and press ENT
- (2) Use the down arrow key to select the the appropriate installation type, either “Vessel” or “Aircraft.”
- (3) Press ENT again to save
- (4) Press ESC to exit the “STEDS Setup” menu

B.6. Selecting the Key Bit Size

The key bit size is selectable by the user. The procedure is as follows:

From the “STEDS Setup” menu (Figure B-1),

- (1) Use the down arrow key to highlight the “Key Bits” field and press ENT
- (2) Use the up and down arrow keys to increase or decrease the interval. The encryption rate defaults to 128, but can also be set to 192 or 256.
- (3) Press ENT again to save
- (4) Press ESC to exit the “STEDS Setup” menu

B.7. Selecting the VDM TalkID

The VDM TalkID (“AI” or “EI”) is selectable by the user. The procedure is as follows:

- (1) Press the “Function” [FNC] button and then numeric key [6]. Page 1 of the “STEDS Setup” menu is displayed (Figure B-1).



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- (2) Use the left and right arrow keys to toggle among Page 1, Page 2 and Page 3 of the “STEDS Setup” menu, and display Page 2 (illustrated below, Figure B-2).
- (3) The “VDM TalkID” field will be highlighted. Press ENT to select this field.
- (4) Use the left or right arrow key to toggle between “AI” and “EI.”
- (5) Press ENT again to save.

B.8. Selecting the IEC PI Protocol

The IEC PI Protocol (“Standard” or “Allow COTS”) is selectable by the user. The procedure is as follows:

STEDS Setup Pg 2			
VDM TalkID:	AI		
IEC PI:	Allow COTS		
Sensor 1:	Echo	▶	Pilot
Sensor 2:	Input Only		
Sensor 3:	Echo	▶	PI 4
Internal GPS:	Echo	▶	ALL

Figure B-2. STEDS Setup Screen Page 2

- (1) Use the down arrow key to highlight the “IEC PI” field and press ENT
- (2) Use the down arrow key to toggle between “Allow COTS” or “Standard.” When “Allow COTS” is selected, the unit converts encrypted position reports to standard messages for the PI interface. When “Standard” is selected, data remains encrypted.
- (3) Press ENT again to save
- (4) Press ESC to exit the “STEDS Setup” menu

B.9. Selecting Sensor Outputs for Interface Inputs

Output from sensors and the unit’s internal GPS is switched to the PI interface inputs as selected by the user. The procedure is as follows:

From Page 2 of the “STEDS Setup” menu (Figure B-2),

- (1) Use the down arrow key to highlight one of the three sensors or the internal GPS, then press ENT



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- (2) Use the down arrow key to highlight select the PI interface to which the data should be sent. Available choices are: "Input Only," "Echo to PI 4," "Echo to PI 5," "Echo to Pilot," and "Echo to All."
- (3) Press ENT again to save
- (4) Press ESC to exit the "STEDS Setup" menu

B.10. Entering the Key

The encryption key for the ProTec-M can be modified by the user. The procedure is as follows:

- (1) Press the "Function" [FNC] button and then numeric key [6]. Page 1 of the "STEDS Setup" menu is displayed (Figure B-1).
- (2) Use the left and right arrow keys to toggle among Page 1, Page 2 and Page 3 of the "STEDS Setup" menu, and display Page 3 (illustrated below, Figure B-3).

STEDS Setup Pg 3

Key : -----

Verify : -----

Enter Key Field

Figure B-3. STEDS Setup Screen Page 3

- (3) The "Key" field will be highlighted. Press ENT to select this field.
- (4) Use the keypad to enter the appropriate key into the field. This field uses standard ASCII characters.
- (5) Press ENT. The key must now be entered again -- use the down arrow key to select the "Verify" field, press ENT, then enter the appropriate key into the field as in Step (4), then press ENT. If both entries of the key match each other, the unit accepts the new key, and the message, "Key accepted," is displayed (Figure B-4). If the two entries of the key do not match each other, the message, "Key mismatch," is displayed (Figure B-5). Press ENT and the "Verify" field accepts another try at the key input until the key is entered identically two successive times.
- (6) Press ESC to exit the "STEDS Setup" menu. If a new key was not successfully entered in Step 5, the unit continues to use the old key upon pressing ESC.



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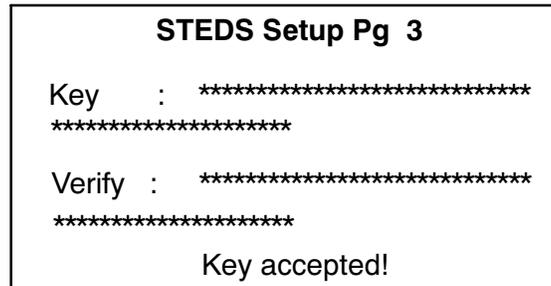


Figure B-4. STEDS Key Accepted Confirmation

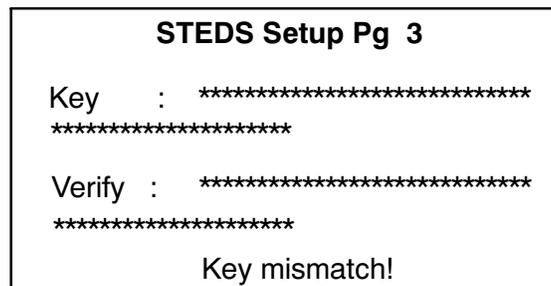


Figure B-5. STEDS Key Mismatch Message

B.11. Interfacing an External Application to the Transponder

B.11.1. General

The configuration for a ProTec-M transponder can be controlled by any external application which complies with the interface definitions for an IMO-compliant AIS transponder (IEC 61162).

The formats of the configuration messages delivered to the transponder through the IEC interface must subscribe to the formats defined in the following subsections, as specified in HSCG23-05-Q-TED088.

B.11.2. STEDS Mode Configuration String

NOTE: Any time the power is cycled, the following message is generated: \$AIRST,,,4,R*17 This message indicates a reset.

The STEDS Mode configuration string follows the form:

\$PL3A,STEDS,<action>,<mode>,<message selection>,<NV persist>,<unit type>,<asset type>*hh

Where <action> is:

- S= Set the data in the AIS
- R= Reply from the AIS
- Q= Query the information from the AIS



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Where <mode> is:

The following modes correspond to Coast Guard modes of operation, which for this SOW will be named “Sensitive But Unclassified Tactical Information Exchange and Display System” (STEDS):

Mode 0: Normal Class “A” operation.

Mode 1: Transmit disabled.

Mode 2: Secure transmission (only selected messages from the PI will be transmitted, and the AIS will generate the encrypted position reports and static data reports as required).

Where <message selection> is:

0: Use VDL messages 25/26 for encrypted transmissions.

1: Use VDL messages 6/8 for encrypted transmissions.

Where <NV persist> is:

When NV Persist is enabled, the AIS will remember the STEDS transmit mode when power is cycled. If not enabled, the AIS will always power-on with the mode set to “Transmit Disabled.”

0: Disable the NV Persist.

1: Enable the NV Persist.

Where <unit type> is:

Type of AIS transponder.

0: Vessel.

1: Aircraft.

Where <asset type> is:

Asset type (this field has a valid range of 0 to 1023).

B.11.3. AES Key Configuration String

The AES Key configuration string follows the form:

\$PL3A,KEY,<query, set, reply status>,<key bits>,<AES key>*hh

Where <query, set, reply status> is:



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S= Set the data in the AIS
R= Reply from the AIS
Q= Query not supported

The <query, set, reply status> field is used to indicate if this is a command sent to the AIS or if this is a reply from the AIS. The query is not supported for the key entry, but when the command is sent to the AIS, the AIS automatically sends a reply sentence - this should be used to verify that the AIS received the key correctly.

Valid sizes for the <key bits> field are 128, 192 and 256.

The AES Key is entered in the <AES key> field as an ASCII string which represents the HEX value of the key. The string lengths should be limited by the key bits size, with a maximum string length of 64. Example: "4142435A" translates into a key value of 0x4142435A.

B.11.4. Baud Rate Configuration String

The Baud Rate configuration string follows the form:

\$PL3A,BAUD,<query, set, reply status>,<sensor 1, baud rate>,<sensor 2, baud rate>, <sensor 3, baud rate>,<IEC Ch4, baud rate>,<IEC Ch5, baud rate>,<IEC Ch8, baud rate>,<pilot port, baud rate>*hh

Where the <query, set, reply status> field is used to indicate if this is a command sent to the AIS, a query for the information, or if this is a reply from the AIS, thus:

S= Set the data in the AIS
R= Reply from the AIS
Q= Query the information from the AIS

Where <sensor, IEC channel, or pilot port baud rate> is the new baud rate setting for the desired port. Valid baud rates are 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600 and 115200.

B.11.5. IEC Port Operations Configuration String

The IEC Port Operations configuration string follows the form:

\$PL3A,IECFG,<query, set, reply status>,<IEC PI, COTS control for STEDS>,<sensor 1, echo control>, <sensor 2, echo control>,<sensor 3, echo control>,<internal GPS, echo control>*hh

Where the <query, set, reply status> field is used to indicate if this is a command sent to the AIS, a query for the information, or if this is a reply from the AIS, thus:



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S= Set the data in the AIS

R= Reply from the AIS

Q= Query the information from the AIS

Where <IEC PI, COTS control for STEDS> sets the COTS operation for all IEC PI ports. When set to COTS operation, the received STEDS messages for position (FID 0) and static data (FID 1) are converted to standard VDL messages, thus:

0= Turns COTS mode off

1= Turns COTS mode on

Note that the conversion to standard VDL only happens when the STEDS message is decrypted correctly.

Where <sensor, echo control> or <internal GPS, echo control> forces all messages received on the desired port to be echoed from the desired IEC PI ports, thus:

0= Input only

1= Echo on PI 4

2= Echo on PI 5

3= Echo on pilot port

4= Echo on all PI ports



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INSTALLATION ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE



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ProTec M AIS Installation Alignment Procedure

C.1. Alignment Procedure

C.1.1. Purpose

This section describes how to view the radio board settings and perform an installation-specific alignment of the ProTec AIS transponder.

C.1.2. Setting Low and High Power

Low power for the ProTec AIS transponder is 2W and high power is 12.5W (see Appendix D for tolerances). These power configurations are set by entering unitless values in the two power fields of the Radio Board Adjustments screen. Although these values are specific to the transponder and its particular installation (and must be determined by trial and error), a good starting point is to use 052 as the value for the low power setting of 2W, and 100 as the value for the high power setting of 12.5W (see Appendix D for tolerances).

NOTE: Due to high current consumption during this test, a power supply of 3A minimum @ 24Vdc is required.

NOTE: For optimum operation, do not perform this procedure until the antenna system has been tuned for best VSWR.

NOTE: NOTE: A properly calibrated RF power meter must be connected between the AIS and antenna before continuing.

The procedure is as follows:

- A. Press the Function [FNC] button and then [CLR], then press the [FNC] button and then numeric key [1]. The following screen will appear:



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Radio Board Adjustments	
Hi Pwr: 100	Gain: AUTO
Low Pwr: 052	Gain Rx1: ON
	Gain Rx2: ON
VSWR: 005	
Bad ANT:000	Noise Rx 1: 307
F: 279 R: 254	Noise Rx2: 477

Figure C-1. Radio Board Adjustments Screen

- B. If the Hi and Low Pwr settings of the AIS are different than those shown above use the up, down, left, and right arrow keys to select the Hi Pwr field, then press ENT.
- C. In the Hi Pwr field enter 100 and in the Low Pwr field enter 052 (as an initial value), then press ENT to save.
- D. Return to the System Info and Config page by pressing the Function [FNC] button and then [SETUP].
- E. Press FNC and then 8 – this is the Test Mode menu. Arrow down to the MD field, press ENT, press the down arrow key to select CW, press ENT and the unit will continuously transmit for 15 seconds.

NOTE: Limit the number of transmissions. Repeated CW transmission could damage the transmitter.

- F. Note the power measured by the RF power meter. If the measured power is less than 12.5W (see Appendix D for tolerances), repeat Steps A through C and ADD one or two units to the value currently displayed for Hi Pwr on the Radio Board Adjustments screen. If the measured power is greater than 12.5W (see Appendix D for tolerances) then repeat Steps A through C and SUBTRACT one or two units from the value currently displayed for Hi Pwr on the Radio Board Adjustments screen.
- G. Repeat Step F until an output power of 12.5 (see Appendix D for tolerances) is obtained.
- H. Repeat step E, but first arrow over to PWR selection, press ENT on HI, press the right arrow to select LO, and press ENT to save. Left arrow back to MD, press ENT, down arrow to CW, press ENT.
- I. Note the power measured by the RF power meter. If the measured power is less than 2W (see Appendix D for tolerances), repeat Step F adding one or two units to the value currently displayed for Low Pwr on the Radio Board Adjustments screen. If the measured power is greater than 2W (see Appendix D for tolerances) then repeat Step E and SUBTRACT one or two units from the value currently displayed for Low Pwr on the Radio Board Adjustments screen.



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- J. Repeat Step I until an output power of 2W (see Appendix D for tolerances) is obtained.
- K. Press ESC to exit the Radio Board Adjustments screen.

C.1.3. Setting the Noise Floor for RX1 and RX2

The Noise Floor is automatically set by the PROTEC AIS firmware. There is no need to adjust the noise floor of the unit.

C.1.4. Setting VSWR and the Bad ANT Threshold Level

The procedure is as follows:

- A. Press the Function [FNC] button and then [CLR], then press the [FNC] button and then numeric key [1]. The screen shown in Figure C-1 is displayed.
- B. Use the up, down, left or right arrow keys to select the VSWR field, press ENT, then CLR
- C. In the VSWR field enter the value 005 using the MKD
- D. Press ENT again to save
- E. Use the up, down, left or right arrow keys to select the Bad ANT field, press ENT, then press CLR
- F. In the Bad ANT field enter the value 000 using the MKD
- G. Press ENT again to save
- H. Press ESC twice to exit the Radio Board Adjustments screen



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APPENDIX D

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AUTOMATIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (AIS)

TRANSMIT OUTPUT POWER AND ERROR



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PROTEC AIS Transmit Output Power and Error

D.1. Transmit Output Power and Error

The transmit output power of this unit is specified in International Telecommunication Union – Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R) 1371-3, Table 3, as follows:

Low Tx Power:

Nominal: 33 dBm = 2.0 watt
Maximum: 34.5 dBm = 2.8 watt
Minimum: 31.5 dBm = 1.4 watt

High Tx Power:

Nominal: 41 dBm = 12.5 watt
Maximum: 42.5 dBm = 17.8 watt
Minimum: 39.5 dBm = 8.9 watt

The acceptable high and low tolerances, above, are based on ITU-R 1371-3, Table 5, which specifies a carrier power error of +/- 1.5 dBm.



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