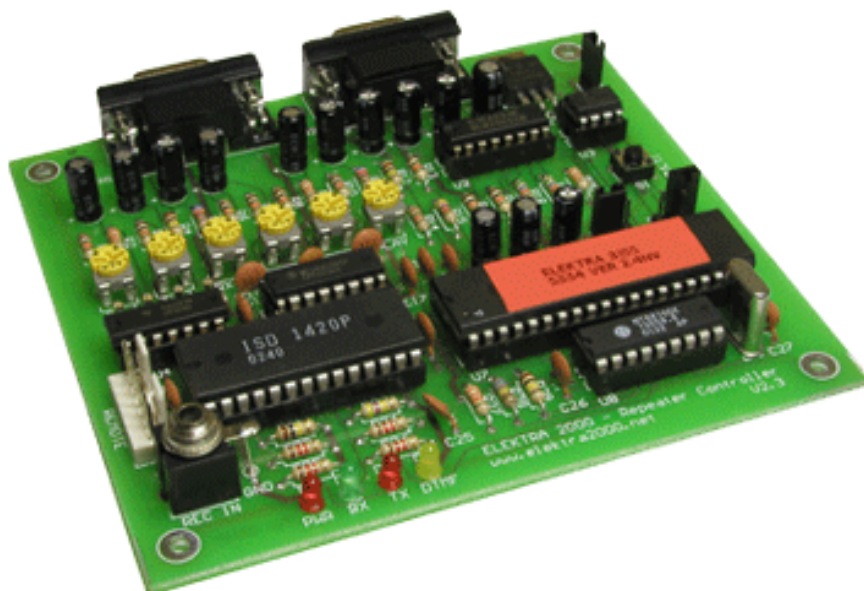


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- Verify the correct polarity of the power source. Incorrect polarity may destroy the board.
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CONNECTORS

CN1 – Repeater (RPT)

Pin	Signal	Description
1	RX	RX audio (from repeater receiver)
2	GND	Ground
3	MIC	TX audio (to repeater transmitter)
4	PTT ¹	PTT signal output (to repeater transmitter)
5	COR	COR/COS signal input (from repeater receiver)
6	TONE	CTCSS logic input (from repeater receiver or optional CTCSS decoder)
7	5V	Regulated 5V/100mA (power source for CTCSS decoder)
8	FAN ²	Fan control output
9	VCC	DC Power source (11V ~ 15V/20mA standby)

Note ¹: Open Collector - max. 100 mA (Active in low)

Note ²: Open Collector - max. 100 mA (Active in low)

CN2 – LINK

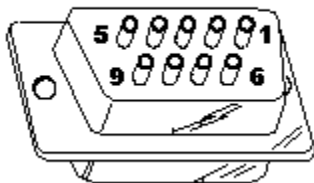
Pin	Signal	Description
1	RX	RX audio (from link transceiver)
2	GND	Ground
3	MIC	TX audio (to link transceiver)
4	PTT	PTT signal output (to link transceiver)
5	COR	COR/COS signal input (from link transceiver)
6	TONE	CTCSS logic input (from link transceiver or optional CTCSS decoder)
7	ALM	Alarm input (active high)
8	MON	Monitor input
9	-	No connected

CN3 – Remote

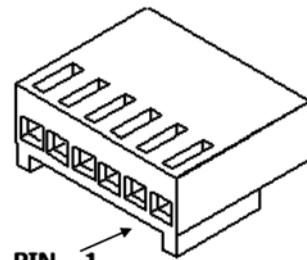
Pin	Signal	Description
1	Output 1	Remote Logic Output 1 (OV=OFF/5V=ON)
2	Output 2	Remote Logic Output 2 (OV=OFF/5V=ON)
3	Output 3	Remote Logic Output 3 (OV=OFF/5V=ON)
4	Output 4	Remote Logic Output 4 (OV=OFF/5V=ON)
5	Output 5	Remote Logic Output 5 (OV=OFF/5V=ON)
6	Output 6	Remote Logic Output 6 (OV=OFF/5V=ON)
7	GND	Ground

Note: Max. 10mA per port.

PIN OUT



CN1 and CN2



CN3

INSTALATION

It's recommended to enclose the controller board into a shielded box to avoid undesirable radio interference that may cause unstable operation¹.

Pin on CN1	Legend	Connect to
1	RX	Audio output from repeater receiver ² (discriminator or speaker)
2	GND	Ground (common for power source/receiver/transmitter)
3	MIC	Audio input on repeater transmitter ² (microphone or modulator)
4	PTT	PTT input on repeater transmitter
5	COR	COR/COS output from repeater receiver
6	TONE	CTCSS logic output from repeater receiver or optional decoder
9	VCC	13.8V power supply

Note 1: If exposed to high levels of RF without a proper shield, it may present unstable operation.

Note 2: Use shielded cables for audio signals to avoid undesirable noises on repeater audio.

DETERMINING COR LOGIC

Locate your repeater receiver's COR output. This line has a DC voltage that changes state when a signal is being received. If the COR line is 0 volts and goes to a positive voltage when a signal is received it is said to be (positive logic) or active HIGH. If the COR line is a positive voltage, and goes to 0 volts when a signal is received it is said to be (negative logic) or active LOW. Note: 0 volts is any voltage less than 0.8VDC. A positive voltage is any voltage greater than 2.0VDC.

POSITIVE COR (+)

If you receiver has positive COR, jumper J2 should be at 1-2 position.

NEGATIVE COR (-)

If you receiver has negative COR, jumper J2 should be at 2-3 position.

Note: COR for link port works the same way using at jumper J3.

AUDIO QUALITY

The fidelity of retransmitted audio won't depend just of the controller's audio circuit, but from where you get the audio from the receiver and where you inject on the transmitter

De-emphasis and Pre-emphasis

Before an FM transmitter transmits the audio on the air, the audio coming from the microphone has to pass through a pre-emphasis circuit. This circuit boosts the audio at 6dB per octave. Pre-emphasis is needed in FM to maintain a good signal to noise ratio. At the receiver side, a de-emphasis circuit takes the unnatural sounding pre emphasized audio and turns it back into its original response. Pre emphasized (discriminator) audio is available directly from the audio demodulation (discriminator) circuitry.

Plain Audio

The main idea is your repeater gets the discriminator audio from the receiver (pre emphasized at origin) and retransmits without any modification injecting this audio at modulator's transmitter (after pre-emphasis circuitry). That way your repeater audio response will be more natural.

The configuration "receiver speaker output"/"transmitter microphone input" can be used, but will required some equalization to allow a natural sound. You can modify the controller's flat audio response using capacitors in your audio circuits. See more details on this on page 5.

TURNING YOUR CONTROLLER ON FOR THE FIRST TIME

Place jumper J1 (ON). A melody should be heard if all transmitter connections were made correctly. Key up on repeater input frequency to check if the received signal is being retransmitted. If the receiver connections were made correctly, you should be able to hear the courtesy tone after transmitter drops. If you hear no melody at power up or you can't access the repeater receiver, remove J1 and check all connections on the CN1.

AUDIO ADJUSTS

Trimpot	Adjust	Description	Where Act
VR1	RX-1	RPT RX input level	Repeater audio coming from repeater receiver
VR2	TX-1	RPT TX output level	Repeater audio going to repeater transmitter
VR3	RX-2	LINK RX input level	Link audio coming from link transceiver
VR4	TX-2	LINK TX output level	Link audio going to link transceiver
VR5	BEEP	Courtesy tone/CW audio level	All tones generated by microcontroller chip
VR6	PLAY	Voice ID playback level	Voice recorded message

Note: Ideally the level of a coming signal should be retransmitted with the same level. Ask for someone to transmit a tone or a DTMF tone (turn off mute function for this approach) at repeater input frequency. Using a radio with REV/MON/Reverse switch, check the AC voltage at radio speaker or discriminator output. Adjust RX-1 and TX-1 to obtain the same level.

LEDS

Legend	Color	What means
PWR	Red	The controller is powered
RX	Green	A signal is present at repeater or link receiver
TX	Red	The repeater or link is transmitting
DTMF	Yellow	DTMF tones presence

FAN CONTROL OUTPUT

When the repeater transmits, this output will be on (active low) and will remain on for 2 additional minutes after the TX drops. Use this output to control a fan relay to cool the repeater's transmitter. This is an open collector output and can drive 500mA max. ID messages are not considered for fan control.

AUDIO EQUALIZATION

If you need some audio equalization, experiment with capacitors at C11 for repeater audio and C12 for link audio. A start point could be 1nF until 10uF.

When getting audio from discriminator's receiver and sending that audio directly to the transmitter, equalization maybe unnecessary.

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04	Duration of Courtesy Tone	[0] ~ [9] X 50ms	8
05	Tone Frequency	[0] ~ [D] X 100Hz starting at 300Hz	8
06	Tipo do Beep	[0]=Single Tone, [1] ~ [D] Multi Tone	8
07	Roller Beep	[0]=OFF, [1]=1, [2]=10, [3]=20, [4]=40, [5]=60...	9
08	Courtesy Tone Type	[0]=No confirmation, [1]=2 Beeps and [2] melody	9
09	Time-out Action	[0]=No Action and [1]=transmitter drop	9
10	ID Test	[1]=Msg 1,[2]=Msg 2,[3]=CW and [4]=Hw.Version	9
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14	ID Timer	[0] ~ [9] X 5min	9
15	ID Selection	[0]=CW, [1]=Msg1 e [2]=Smart	10
16	CW ID Frequency	[0] ~ [9] X 100Hz starting at 300Hz	10
17	CW ID Speed	[1] ~ [5] (1 slower/5 faster)	10
18	CW ID Setup	See details on page 10	10
19	Voice ID Setup	[1]=Message 1 and [2]= message 2	11
20	Alarm	[0]=OFF and [1]=ON	11
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22	Repeater Port	[0]=OFF and [1]=ON	11
23	Link Port	[0]=OFF, [1]=Aux,[2]=Ctrl, [3]=Link and [4] Cross	11
24	Transmission Test	[0]=OFF, [1]=Carrier and [2]= Carried with Tone	11
25	Simplex Repeater	[0]=OFF,[1]=ON, [2]=ON+beep	12
26	Repeater Time-out	[0] ~ [9] X 30s	12
27	Output 1	[0]=OFF, [1]=ON, [2]=Pulse	12
28	Output 2	[0]=OFF, [1]=ON, [2]=Pulse	12
29	Output 3	[0]=OFF, [1]=ON, [2]=Pulse	12
30	Output 4	[0]=OFF, [1]=ON, [2]=Pulse	12
31	Output 5	[0]=OFF, [1]=ON, [2]=Pulse	12
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40	Voice Message Duration	[1]=One 20s Messages and [2]=Two 10s messages	13
41	Voice ID Priority	[0]= Low Priority and [1] High Priority	13
42	Super User Mode	[0]=Password Required and [1]= No Password Required	13
43	Courtesy Tone Editor	[Freq] [Dur] [Int] [Freq] [Dur] [Int] [Freq] [Dur]	13

CONVENTIONS FOLLOWED IN THIS MANUAL

Instruction	What To Do
Press 1.	Press and hold PTT switch, press key 1 momentarily, release PTT switch.
Press 12.	Press and hold PTT switch, press key 1 momentarily, press key 2 momentarily and release PTT switch.

BASIC OPERATION

CONTROLLING YOU REPEATER REMOTELY

With exception of audio levels, all functions are controlled remotely with your radio DTMF keypad.

COMMAND SINTAXES

Commands are as following:

PPPPFFO#

Where:	PPPP	4 digits password
	FF	2 digits function
	O	1 digit option
	#	Enter

See the command for change the sound of courtesy tone:

1234066#

Your controller will answer valid commands with two high frequency confirmation beeps (function 08 must be enabled). If the entered command is invalid, a long, low frequency tone will be heard. The command must be entered completely in one transmission. If you release PTT switch before you complete a command, the entered numbers will be discarded.

You can enter more than one command without having to release PTT between them. # acts like a command separator. If entering a command and you made a mistake, just press * to clear the entered string and start over.

Note 1: DTMF commands without a correct password will not generate an error message. They will just be discarded.

Note 2: Some commands don't require an option or may require extra procedures. These exceptions will be explained in details at function description.

Note 3: Default password is 1234. After get acquainted with the controller commands, change this password.

WARNING

To get a correct decoding of DTMF tones, the signal must be free of noises or jamming. If the repeater is busy, wait until it becomes free prior to sending commands.

07 - ROLLER BEEP (Default = 0)

Determine after how many key ups the type of courtesy tone will automatically change.

- | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 Disable | 2 every 10 | 4 every 40 | 6 every 80 |
| 1 Each transmission | 3 every 20 | 5 every 60 | 7 every 100 |

Note: Options 0 and 1 should only be used for demo purposes, since the constant change of courtesy tones can cause some users to key up all the time and bother others. If function 06 is used, Roller Beep will be disabled.

08 – CONFIRMATION TONE (Default = 1)

Determine the type of confirmation sound.

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 0 No confirmation sound | 1 Two high frequency tones | 2 Melody |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|

09 – TIME-OUT ACTION (Default=1)

When time-out is exceeded, you can choose between transmitter drop until the signal that caused the drop disappears or just a melody sound of warning.

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 0 Timer-out warning sound | 1 Transmitter drop |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|

Note: If the transmitter drops and the signal that caused the drop is still blocking the repeater, if you have a strong signal you can press * to bring the transmitter back.

10 – ID TEST

This function will allow you to test the IDs and check the controller's version.

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Voice Message 1 playback | 2 Voice Message 2 playback | 3 CW ID | 4 Software version |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|

11 – REPEATER CTCSS ENABLE (Default = 0)

When enabled, will require a correct CTCSS to operate the repeater port.

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 0 Disable | 1 Enable |
|------------------|-----------------|

Note: This function should only be activated if a CTCSS decoder (optional) is installed and its logic output is connected to CN1-6. The logic must be low (0V) when a CTCSS is present otherwise high (5V). If the Hamtronix TED200 generic decoder is used, you can remotely change CTCSS codes using remote control outputs. TED200 has 8 extra CTCSS tones not available in all amateur radios for a better security in private or commercial repeaters use.

12 - LINK CTCSS ENABLE (Default = 0)

When enabled, will require a correct CTCSS to activate the repeater link port.

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 0 Disable | 1 Enable |
|------------------|-----------------|

Note: This function should only be activated if a CTCSS decoder (optional) is installed and its logic output is connected to CN2-6. The logic must be low (0V) when a CTCSS is present otherwise high (5V). If the Hamtronix TED200 generic decoder is used, you can remotely change CTCSS codes using remote control outputs. TED200 has 8 extra CTCSS tones not available in all amateur radios for a better security in private or commercial repeaters use.

14 – ID TIMER (Default = 1)

Determine how often the ID (voice or CW) will be transmitted.

- | | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 0 No ID | 2 Every 10 min | 4 Every 20 min | 6 Every 30 min | 8 Every 1h |
| 1 Every 5 min | 3 Every 15 min | 5 Every 25 min | 7 Every 45 min | |

19 – VOICE ID MESSAGE RECORDING

The maximum recording time is 20s. If you choose Smart ID (function 15-2), this time will be split in two, resulting in two 10s messages each. After sending the command, release PTT switch and the next key up will be recorded and played back after recording. The voice ID time interval is the same as function 14.

1 – Message 1 record

2 – Message 2 record

Ex: To record a message press: **1234191#**

Note: Don't exceed the maximum time selected or the messages may become overlapped. Function 38 (Voice Message Lock) must be disabled in order to record the voice message or you will get an error.

20 – ALARM INPUT (Default = 0)

This alarm input is available for violation detection for windows, doors or repeater cabinet. Using any kind of detector or sensor, a GND signal must be present all the time connected to alarm input (CN2-7) in order to not trigger the alarm. If this ground signal is missing, the alarm will be triggered and stay in alarm until a command is sent to turn it off. A siren sound will be transmitted over the air.

0 Disable

1 Enable

Note: Even with alarm activated the repeater will still be available for communication, but the siren sound will return as soon as the communication ends.

21 – MONITOR INPUT (Default = 0)

A monitor input is available for lost AC voltage or logic state monitoring. When this input (CN2-6) is open or high (5V), a short tone will precede the regular courtesy tone otherwise (low) nothing happens.

0 Disable

1 Enable

Note: Due to a pull-up resistor this input will be considered high if not connected.

22 – REPEATER PORT (Default = 1)

If disabled, the repeater will only accept signals coming from link port.

0 Disable

1 Enable

Note: This function only can be disabled if link port is enabled.

23 - LINK PORT (Default = 0)

0 – Disable	Signals from link port will be discarded
1 – Auxiliary	Allow access to repeater coming from another frequency (high priority)
2 – Control	Allow control access coming from another frequency (high priority)
3 – Link	Link operation (no hang time for signals coming through this port)
4 – Cross	Cross repeater operation

24 – TRANSMITTER TEST (Default = 0)

0 Disable

1 Carrier

2 Carrier with Tone

Note: This option has no time-out. Make sure your transmitter can stay keyed up for extended periods without overheating. The tone frequency will be the same as simple courtesy tone (function 5)

25 – SIMPLEX REPEATER (Default = 0)

Restart the microcontroller with default values. Acts the same way as FULL RESET (Function 37), but can be done even without the programmed password.

Press: **NNNN123#**

Where NNNN is a 4 digit password available at the back cover of this manual

Example of command: 6986123#

Note: *This password is not user programmable, so keep it secret. The voice message and CW programming are not affected.*

FULL RESET

Restart the microcontroller with default values. Acts the same way as FULL RESET (Function 37), but can be done even without the programmed password or MASTER RESET password.

- Remove J1 to power off;
- Press and hold button S1
- Place J1 to power on;
- When green led (RX) become light release button S1;
- A melody will be heard and the microcontroller will restart with all default values.

Note: *The voice message and CW programming are not affected.*

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