VHF POCSAG Paging Data Receiver

The RFI-148 OAD is a VHF POCSAG Paging Off-Air-Decoder used for paging message confirmation in large paging systems.

The receiver provides decoded POCSAG messages and performance statistics for the purpose of diagnosing paging network performance. It can also be used to log or forward received messages in rebroadcast applications.

Features

- Switching Bandwidth 148 MHz – 174 MHz
- Capcode and Group Independent decoded POCSAG output
- Serial and Ethernet Communications Ports
- Multi-mode LED front panel display for diagnostics, including RSSI meter
- Forward Error Correction (FEC) for high decode integrity
- High receive isolation and adjacent channel blocking for RF-noisy environments
- Windows-based GUI support for configuration and diagnostics
- Two configurable relay outputs

Applications

The RFI-148 OAD is a multifunction POCSAG receiver which increases the functionality of paging networks. The unit can decode POCSAG messages off-air and perform a number of user functions from message confirmation, rebroadcast messages, detailed statistics reporting or message translation for third party systems.

The receiver is built on the successful Crescendo series with more than a decade of proven reliable performance in harsh applications in the Utilities, Mining, Agriculture and Transport industries.

The receiver is specifically suited for high interference environments with exceptional selectivity and blocking performance.
### Specifications

**Switching Bandwidth**
The user can select any 6.25kHz or 5kHz raster frequencies with the easy-to-use inbuilt menu or Windows configuration software.

**Data Reliability**
Superior receiver sensitivity and blocking performance for critical applications.

**Diagnostics at a Glance**
The front panel LEDs display diagnostic information such as Receive Signal Strength (RSSI), transmit power, radio temperature, RS232 port status and message decode progress.

**Customisation**
The receiver has a high speed processor which can run customised firmware. So the unit can be changed to operate to specific customer requirements.

**Advanced Performance Diagnostics**
The receiver can be configured to report the RSSI level and integrity of the decoded message including whether FEC was used to reconstruct bit errors.

**Relay Outputs**
Two relay outputs can be activated on configurable capcode received, or internal diagnostics.

**Easy Network Configuration**
The Cruise Control software allows the user to configure, save and upload radio configuration settings. This allows for numerous receivers to be configured more efficiently.

### PHYSICAL
- **Dimensions:** 188mm x 102mm x 47mm
- **Weight:** 900g
- **Construction:** Chromate coated aluminium

### MODEM
- **Serial Data:** RS-232 Asynchronous with handshaking
- **Interface Speed:** 110bps to 115200bps software selectable
- **Error Rate:**
  - -119 dBm for 99% decode (512 bps)
  - -117 dBm for 99% decode (1200 bps)
  - -114 dBm for 99% decode (2400 bps)

### GENERAL
- **Operating Voltage:** 10V to 30V DC (negative ground)
- **Operating Current:**
  - Receive @12.5V: 78mA nominal
  - Transmit @12.5V: 300mA nominal
- **Operating Temp:** -20 to +60°C
- **Operating Temp Stability:** < 2 ppm
- **Operating Humidity:** Up to 90% non-condensing relative humidity

### CONNECTORS
- **Antenna:** BNC Female (50 Ohm)
- **Serial:** 1 x DB9 RS-232 Female
- **Ethernet:** RJ45
- **Power:** Amphenol MS3102R 10SL-35

### RADIO
- **Frequency Range:** 148 MHz to 174 MHz software programmable
- **Air Data Rate:** 512 to 2400bps (FSK)
- **Duty Cycle:** 100%
- **Channel Bandwidth:** 12.5kHz or 25kHz (model specific)
- **Sensitivity:** Better than -120dBm 12dB SINAD
- **Spurious Response:** > 60 dB
- **Adjacent Channel:** > 60 dB
- **Blocking:** > 77dB
- **Compliance:** Designed to ACA, and FCC
- **RSSI:** -116 dBm to -46dBm within +/- 3dB

### DATA
- **FEC:** Selectable 0, 1 or 2 bits for sync and messages

### RELAY
- **Output:** 2 x Normally Open and Common Terminals
- **Voltage:** 5V output provided

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![Diagram of communication system](image)