Dragon™ reader series

Industrial Hand-Held Laser Scanners

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Datalogic renews its range of industrial laser scanners introducing the Dragon™ family: Dragon™ Desk and Dragon™ Mobile. Based on the same rugged and reliable mechanics of the well-established DLL6000 series, they have been completely renewed inside. Robustness and ergonomics, the main driver of our original project, remain unsurpassed: clearly audible beeper and bright ‘good read’ LEDs for areas where noise levels are normally high; the aim mode, which helps point to the right code, has now been extended to the whole Dragon™ family. Optical parts are completely suspended on shock absorbers and a careful choice of the body materials, such as the co-moulded rubber, protect the Dragon™ from damage due to “falls”.

New enhanced architecture, based on a M16 high-speed microprocessor, enables exceptional performance for promptness and reading speed of standard codes as well as the ability to read poorly printed and damaged codes. Puzzle Solver Technology™, a patent from Datalogic, adds further strength to the Dragon™ powerful engine.

In all applications where mobility is a value, the new Dragon™ M represents the key to increase productivity and flexibility in the working area. Dragon™ M communicates through a low power, licence free radio in the 433 Mhz band (910 Mhz for USA version) and allows bi-directional communication between the base station and the host. Dragon™ M also includes a display and a 3 push-button keypad. Thanks to these features, the operator can receive information from the host, actively interact with the central system and visualise the code read. The cordless system offers scalable solutions to solve simple applications and complex projects:
- Point to point: each gun is associated with its own base station;
- Multipoint: many guns (up to 32) transmit data to one base station;
- Network: to cover a wide area, connecting up to 16 bases and 512 guns in automatic roaming simultaneously working.

Dragon™ M is 100% compatible with STAR-System™, the new Datalogic RF narrow band solution for mobile applications that provides the widest family of narrow band devices on the market.

FEATURES

Dragon™ Desk:
- 2 meter drop resistance
- 3 optics available
- Man/machine interface: high tone beeper and strong illuminating LEDs

Dragon™ Mobile:
- Several models available:
  - With or without display
  - High Performance or Long Range optics system
  - 433Mhz or 910Mhz radio systems
- Point-to-Point & Multipoint transmission
- 100% compatible with STAR-System™
- 100% compatible with DLL6xxx-R
- Protective case and Desk/Wall holder included

APPLICATIONS

- Work-in-progress control
- Warehouse management
- Shipping and receiving control
- Cash & carry retail applications
- Fork lifts
- General use in harsh environments
The basic configuration of the Dragon™ M system consists of one gun (Dragon™ M) and one cradle (OM-Dragon™). In this case, the configuration is called point-to-point (fig. 1) and in terms of use, has the same functionality of a standard gun without cable constraint. When more than one gun (up to 32), is connected to a single cradle, a multi-point configuration is created (fig. 2). Multiple user data collection is available in the range of 50 mt with no cabling requirements.

The system can be completed with gun battery chargers, called C Dragon™, to make the whole system less expensive. In addition, different cradles can be connected to each other in a local area network configuration (fig. 3). In this case, the first cradle becomes the master, and can work together with up to 16 cradles, over a maximum length of 1200 meters. This possibility is available both with point-to-point and multipoint configurations.

Regarding communication between a remote gun and a cradle/host, two typical modes can be identified: the first with audible feedback from the cradle the second with visible and audible feedback from the host. The first mode is typical of the gun model without display (connection A - fig. 4). When a code is read the data is sent to the cradle and then to the host. The user hears a beep tone signaling that the code has been read and transmitted. A second short beep confirms that the CRADLE has correctly received the data (acknowledge). The cradle, offered with an integrated multistandard interface, immediately sends the data to the host (connection B) through the selected interface (WEDGE, PEN EMULATION or RS232). The second communication mode is possible when RS232 is selected (connection B). It provides the greatest advantage when used with the DRAGON™ M 101/D (with display). In this case, the system performs a virtual connection C, where the host can talk directly to the gun.

Furthermore, the new Dragon™ M is 100% compatible with the old DLL6xxx-R radio system. Simply by reading the "DLL6xxx-R compatible mode" command the Dragon™ M is made to behave like a DLL6xxx-R, therefore the existing configuration sequence and installation procedure can be applied without changes.
One of the main features of the new Dragon™ M is the compatibility with the STAR-System™, the new Datalogic RF narrow band solution for mobile applications that includes all the RF system components: RF data collection devices, RF base station and software tools. In fact, STAR-System™ provides the widest range of narrow band devices for data collection ever seen on the market. The STAR-System™ is the ideal solution to satisfy and improve the performance of most common data collection applications requiring mobile automatic data capture (e.g. bar code) and real-time feed-back (e.g. price, description, location, etc.) from the ERP/WMS system such as Inventory, Picking, Shipping/Receiving, etc. STAR-System™ provides the most flexible wireless connection between data and business: 'RS232 stand-alone' configurations as well as 'RS485 network' solutions easily integrate the Datalogic wireless solution with any custom software application running on a standard Windows based PC. STAR-System™ conforms to the European ETSI standard EN300 220-3 and boasts a large number of benefits. It has a wide area coverage, and real-time connection with the user application. Large ranges of devices are able to solve various applications in different markets. Integration is easy in Windows-based applications, and no operating license is required. Furthermore it is a reliable, fast and cost-effective system with minimal installation costs. To fully support sales offers and complete equipment installations an entire set of professional hardware & software instruments have been developed: with these tools it is very easy to design a successful RF solution as well as to perform a qualified site-survey service. It’s clear how the STAR-System™ can improve the throughput of the Dragon™ M, combining the Cordless System opportunities with the Dragon™ M features, it gives you economic and business benefits such as productivity improvement, lower costs and a substantial competitive advantage for the company.

APPLICATIONS AND TARGET MARKETS

**Dragon™ Desk**
Manufacturing:
- Shop floor (WIP, Tracking, Quality Control)
- Warehousing
The Dragon™ D is particularly useful in all activities that take place on the shop floor in manufacturing environments; typically consisting of assembly line material tracking, quality control and work-in-progress. These processes are performed at the highest level of accuracy and speed thanks to the new Dragon™ D reader. Its high mechanical resistance guarantees product duration and investment protection.

**Dragon™ Mobile**
Transportation & Logistics: Sorting
Distribution & Retail: Cash & Carry (POS)
Manufacturing: Shop floor (WIP, Tracking); Warehousing (Fork-lift truck, picking and loading, inventory, shipping and receiving, back store)
The Dragon™ M system is designed for tough industrial use: in factory or warehouse applications is a winning card: loading docks, shipping and receiving, inventory control and work in progress are the main activities that gain an incredible advantage with freedom from cable constraint. Forklift truck applications also based on vehicle RF terminals receive advantages in using the Dragon™ M system as a local extension of their data capturing capability.
**MODELS AND ACCESSORIES**

**SPECIFICATIONS**

**LEGAL DISCLAIMER**

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**SPECIFICATIONS**

**MODELS AND ACCESSORIES**

**DRAGON™ M101**

**POWER SUPPLY**

- **CONSUMPTION**: 250 mA @ 4 V, 100 mA @ 5 V, 40 mA @ 10 V
- **STORAGE TEMPERATURE**: -20 to 50 °C (14 to 122 °F)
- **DROP RESISTANCE**: Withstands repeated drops from 1,5 m (M101) or 2,0 m (M101 LR) onto a concrete surface
- **WEIGHT**: Approx. 340 g (12 oz)

**ACCESSORIES**

- **OM Dragon™ RF (433 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with multistandard interface
- **OM Dragon™ RF (910 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with multistandard interface
- **OM Dragon™ RF 433 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **OM Dragon™ RF 910 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **C Dragon™**
  - Smart battery charger

**DRAGON™ D**

**POWER SUPPLY**

- **CONSUMPTION**: Max. 8 W
- **STORAGE TEMPERATURE**: -20 to 50 °C (-4 to 122 °F)
- **DROP RESISTANCE**: Withstands repeated drops from 2 m onto a concrete surface
- **WEIGHT**: Approx. 270 g (9.53 oz)

**ACCESSORIES**

- **OM Dragon™ RF (433 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **OM Dragon™ RF (910 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **OM Dragon™ RF 433 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **OM Dragon™ RF 910 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **C Dragon™**
  - Smart battery charger

**DRAGON™ M**

**POWER SUPPLY**

- **CONSUMPTION**: Max. 8 W
- **STORAGE TEMPERATURE**: -20 to 50 °C (-4 to 122 °F)
- **DROP RESISTANCE**: Withstands repeated drops from 2 m onto a concrete surface
- **WEIGHT**: Approx. 600 g (21.1 oz)

**ACCESSORIES**

- **OM Dragon™ RF (433 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with multistandard interface
- **OM Dragon™ RF (910 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with multistandard interface
- **OM Dragon™ RF 433 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **OM Dragon™ RF 910 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **C Dragon™**
  - Smart battery charger

**DRAGON™**

**POWER SUPPLY**

- **CONSUMPTION**: Max. 8 W
- **STORAGE TEMPERATURE**: -20 to 50 °C (-4 to 122 °F)
- **DROP RESISTANCE**: Withstands repeated drops from 1,8 m (M101), 1,5 m (M101 LR) onto a concrete surface
- **WEIGHT**: Approx. 600 g (21.1 oz)

**ACCESSORIES**

- **OM Dragon™ RF (433 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with multistandard interface
- **OM Dragon™ RF (910 MHz)**
  - Base station/charger with multistandard interface
- **OM Dragon™ RF 433 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **OM Dragon™ RF 910 MHz**
  - Base station/charger with Echelon Network
- **C Dragon™**
  - Smart battery charger

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**READING DIAGRAMS**

- **DRAGON™ M101 High Performance model**
  - **Radio Frequency**: 433.05-434.79 Mhz (Europe), 909.94-910.06 Mhz (USA)
  - **Power/Data (yellow)**
  - **Skew**: +/-60; Pitch: 5 to 55, -5 to -55; Tilt: +/-20

- **DRAGON™ D101 High Density model**
  - **Radio Frequency**: 433.05-434.79 Mhz (Europe), 909.94-910.06 Mhz (USA)
  - **Power/Data (yellow)**
  - **Skew**: +/-60; Pitch: 5 to 55, -5 to -55; Tilt: +/-20

- **DRAGON™ M101 Long Range model**
  - **Radio Frequency**: 433.05-434.79 Mhz (Europe), 909.94-910.06 Mhz (USA)
  - **Power/Data (yellow)**
  - **Skew**: +/-60; Pitch: 5 to 55, -5 to -55; Tilt: +/-20

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**REASONS FOR REPLACEMENT**

- **Datalogic**
  - High performance laser gun, with multi-standard decoder and trigger
  - High Density laser gun, with multi-standard decoder and trigger
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad
- **OM Dragon™**
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad
- **OM Dragon™ RF 433 MHz**
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad
- **OM Dragon™ RF 910 MHz**
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad
- **OM Dragon™ RF 433 MHz**
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad
- **OM Dragon™ RF 910 MHz**
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad
- **OM Dragon™ RF 433 MHz**
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad
- **OM Dragon™ RF 910 MHz**
  - Cordless laser gun, High Performance scanning engine, with display and keypad

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