

2166 *Bluetooth*[®] Rugged UHF RFID Reader

Extra-Tough, High Performance, Long Range RFID reading with ePop-Loq[®] connectivity and charging



Instantly Connect Your Devices

The 2166 UHF RFID Reader features the new TSL[®] ePop-Loq[®] connector. The patented ePop-Loq[®] system allows data and charge connections to be passed from the reader to an attached device, such as a smartphone or handheld terminal.

The ePop-Loq[®] system is designed to safely separate when the reader is subject to large impacts, such as when dropped.

Single Point Charge Solution

The 2166 Docking Station allows charging of both the 2166 UHF RFID Reader and a smartphone or handheld terminal attached via an ePop-Loq[®] mount. The unique design can accommodate a wide range of devices from many handheld and smartphone manufacturers. The 2166 Docking Station Kit is supplied separately and includes the docking station, power supply unit and a Mini USB data cable.

A Tough-Enough UHF RFID Reader

The new 2166 *Bluetooth*[®] Rugged UHF RFID reader from TSL[®] provides high performance UHF RFID reading in a tough and rugged form factor. The reader is highly resistant to water, dust and mechanical trauma. A high capacity battery enables non-stop operation of the reader over the full working day. Designed to read and write to EPC Class 1 Gen 2 (ISO18000-6C) tags, the 2166 can also be configured with class leading high performance 2D data scanning to bring unparalleled data collection capabilities to any host it is connected to.

Platform Independence

Use existing *Bluetooth*[®] wireless technology enabled¹ host devices including Enterprise Handhelds, Consumer Phones, Touchscreen MP3 players, Tablets and PC's – the 2166 will bring high performance RFID and 2D scanning to all these devices running a wide range of Operating Systems.

Extensive software support is available for a wide range of platforms including code samples, demonstration applications and source code.

Batch Mode

Transponder EPC readings can optionally be stored on the embedded Micro SD card, meaning that the 2166 UHF RFID Reader can be used independently of a host device. The 2166 can store over 60 million transponder EPCs - date and time stamped by the on-board Real Time Clock. The internal storage can be directly mounted in a Windows environment using the 2166 Docking Station Kit (separate purchase).

Speedy integration - ASCII 2 Protocol

The new 2166 Rugged *Bluetooth*[®] UHF RFID reader incorporates TSL's unique ASCII protocol for faster and easier application development. This sophisticated parameterised ASCII protocol provides the developer a powerful set of commands that carry out multiple actions locally within the reader. This approach enables multiple tag operations executed using simple pre-configured ASCII commands which not only speeds integration of the reader into applications but also abstracts the developer from some of the complexities of the underlying Native API and ultimately results in un-paralleled levels of performance.

Features:

High Performance *Bluetooth*[®]

Multi-modal Data Capture

UHF RFID and 2D barcode data capture in one integrated *Bluetooth*[®] device.

Hardware Platform Independence

Operates with wide variety of *Bluetooth*[®] wireless technology enabled host devices including touchscreen MP3 players, phones, tablets, Enterprise Handhelds and PC's.

OS Independence

Operates with iOS, Windows Mobile, Windows Phone 8, WinCE, Windows 10/8/7/Vista/XP and Android™.

Batch Mode Operation

Real time clock for extended batch data collection independent of host connection. Store millions of tags and barcodes with date and time stamping

High Performance barcode scanning

A range of optional barcode engines can be specified to provide 2D data capture up to 15m



2166 Preliminary Specifications

Physical and Environmental Characteristics

Dimensions:	177x94x170 mm (LxWxH).
Weight:	860g (inc. battery).
User input:	Single stage trigger.
User feedback:	Speaker, vibration motor, LEDs.
Power:	Rechargeable Lithium Ion removeable battery pack (11.25V, 2950mAh, 33.2Wh).
Input Rating:	15.0Vdc, 4.34A.
Enclosure materials:	Polycarbonate and TPU.

Performance Characteristics

RFID engine:	TSL [®] custom module with embedded Impinj R2000.
Communication protocols:	TSL [®] ASCII 2.0 parameterised command set.
Memory:	Stores up to 62 million date and time stamped EPCs on an embedded 4GB NAND storage card.
Compatible Host devices (Bluetooth [®]):	Any Bluetooth [®] Host ¹ supporting the Serial Port Profile (SPP) or Human Interface Device (HID) profile (Android, iOS, Linux, Mac, Windows). Comparison of Bluetooth[®] modes for TSL[®] UHF Readers.
Compatible Host devices (USB):	Any USB host with FTDI VCP driver support (Windows, Linux, Mac, Android).

Environmental

Operating Temp.:	-10°C to 55°C (14°F to 131°F).
Charging Temp.:	5°C to 40°C (41°F to 104°F).
Storage Temp.:	Less than 1 month at at -20 to +60°C (-4°F to 140°F). Less than 3 months at -20°C to +45°C (-4°F to 113°F). Less than 1 year at -20°C to +20°C (-4°F to 68°F).
Humidity:	5% to 85% non-condensing.
Drop Spec:	1.8m.
Tumble:	1500 0.5 metre tumbles at room temperature (3,000 cycles).
Environmental Sealing:	IP67.
Electrostatic Discharge (ESD):	± 15kVdc air discharge; ± 8kVdc contact discharge.

RFID Performance

Standards supported:	EPC Class 1 Gen 2 and EPC C1G2 (TBD).
Nominal read range ² :	Up to 9 m (29.5 ft).
Nominal write range ² :	Up to 4 m (13.1 ft).
Field:	110-degree forward facing (approx.) measured from front of device.
Antenna:	Circularly Polarized.
Frequency Range:	EU: 865-868MHz; US: 902-928MHz.
Maximum Output Power:	34dBm EIRP ³ .

¹Please note; that this IP rating only applies to units with serial numbers ending in -000800 or higher

³34 dBm EIRP or maximum for regulatory region

Barcode Scanning

Barcode module:	Optional 2D imager.		
Imager Specifications:	Sensor Resolution:	752 x 480 pixels	
	Field of View:	Horizontal: 40°, Vertical: 25°	
	Focal Distance:	SR: 8 in. DL: 5.3 in. HD: 2.9 in.	
	Aiming LED (VLD):	655 ±10 nm Laser	
	Illumination:	625 ±5 nm LEDs (2x)	
	Min. Print Contrast:	Minimum 25%	
	Symbologies Supported:	1D: All major codes 2D: PDF417, MicroPDF417, Composite, RSS, TLC-39, Datamatrix, QR code, Micro QR code, Aztec, MaxiCode Postal Codes: US PostNet, US Planet, UK Postal, Australian Postal, Japan Postal Dutch Postal (KIX)	
Ranges ³ :	DL Focus	Near	Far
	5 mil Code 39	36 mm	185 mm
	100% UPC	41 mm	305 mm
	5 mil PDF417	71 mm	114 mm

Communication

Bluetooth [®] :	Bluetooth [®] Version 4.2.
Bluetooth [®] Profiles:	SPP Profile, HID Profile, Apple iAP2, Bluetooth [®] Low Energy.
Bluetooth [®] Range ⁴ :	Up to 100m.
Bluetooth [®] Pairing:	Simple Secure Pairing, NFC OOB Pairing.
Direct USB	Connection via ePop-Loq [®] cases (separate purchase).

Peripherals and Accessories

External interface:	8-way sealed connector with gold plated contacts.
Bundled items:	Battery.
Other accessories available:	Docking Station with power supply and Mini USB cable. Adapter mounts for a variety of smartphones and handheld terminals.

Regulatory

General:	Approved for use in the EU, US and Canada.
EMI/EMC FCC:	47 CFR Part 15B 15.107, 15.109 ICES-003 Issue 6 EN 55032:2015 +AC:2016, EN 55024:2010 +A1:2015, EN 301 489-1 V2.1.1
Electrical Safety:	IEC 62368-1:2014 CB EN 62368-1:2014 +AC:2015
RF Exposure:	47 CFR Part 2.1091, OET Bulletin 65 RSS-102 EN 50566:2017
RFID/Bluetooth:	47 CFR Part 15C 15.247 RSS-247 EN 300 328 V2.1.1, EN 302 208 V3.1.1, EN 301 489-17 V3.1.1, EN 301 489-3 V2.1.1

¹ Compatible Bluetooth[®] stack required in the Host device

² Tag Read/Write performance is dependent on tag type, items tagged, number of tags in the field and other radio and environmental factors

³ Artificial lighting can affect scanning performance

⁴ Open field

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Part Numbers

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2166-EX1 (ETSI/Europe) 2166-AX1 (FCC/North America)	2166 Bluetooth® Rugged UHF Reader, no imager, includes battery.
2166-ES1 (ETSI/Europe) 2166-AS1 (FCC/North America)	2166 Bluetooth® Rugged UHF Reader, 2D imager, includes battery.
1166-CRD-01-KIT	1166/2166 Docking Station, 65W PSU and Mini USB cable.
IEC-1M-UK (UK Plug, 1m) IEC-1.8M-US (US Plug, 1.8m) IEC-1.8M-EU (EU Plug, 1.8m)	Region-specific mains power cable.



Mounts

Connect Enterprise Hand-Held Terminals using ePop-Loq® mounts:



TSL® RFID Apps



RFID Explorer
www.tsl.com/apps/rfid-explorer



RFID Tag Finder
www.tsl.com/apps/rfid-tag-finder



RFID Web Wedge
www.tsl.com/apps/rfid-web-wedge



RFID Scan Scan Write
www.tsl.com/apps/rfid-scan-scan-write



TSL® Reader Configuration
www.tsl.com/apps/tsl-reader-configuration

Warranty

The TSL® 2166 reader is warranted against defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one year (12 months) from date of shipment, provided the product remains unmodified and is operated under normal and proper conditions.

Terms

"Made for iPod," "Made for iPhone," and "Made for iPad" mean that an electronic accessory has been designed to connect specifically to iPod, iPhone, or iPad, respectively, and has been certified by the developer to meet Apple performance standards. Apple is not responsible for the operation of this device or its compliance with safety and regulatory standards. Please note that the use of this accessory with iPod, iPhone, or iPad may affect wireless performance.

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About TSL®

Technology Solutions UK Ltd (TSL®) is a leading manufacturer of high performance mobile RFID readers used to identify and track products, assets, data or personnel.

For over two decades, TSL® has delivered innovative data capture solutions to Fortune 500 companies around the world using a global network of distributors and system integrators. Specialist in-house teams design all aspects of the finished products and software ecosystems, including electronics, firmware, application development tools, RF design and injection mould tooling.

TSL® is an ISO 9001:2015 certified company.



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