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LANTIME M320/TCR

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3 Presentation Conventions in this Manual

3.1 Conventions for the Presentation of Critical Safety Warnings

Warnings are indicated with the following warning boxes, using the following signal words, colors, and symbols:



Caution!

This signal word indicates a hazard with a **low risk level**. Such a notice refers to a procedure or other action that may result in **minor injury** if not observed or if improperly performed.



Warning!

This signal word indicates a hazard with a **medium risk level**. Such a notice refers to a procedure or other action that may result in **serious injury** or even **death** if not observed or if improperly performed.



Danger!

This signal word indicates a hazard with a **high risk level**. Such a notice refers to a procedure or other action that will very likely result in **serious injury** or even **death** if not observed or if improperly performed.

3.2 Secondary Symbols Used in Safety Warnings

Some warning boxes may feature a secondary symbol that emphasizes the defining nature of a hazard or risk.



The presence of an “electrical hazard” symbol is indicative of a risk of electric shock or lightning strike.



The presence of a “fall hazard” symbol is indicative of a risk of falling when performing work at height.



This “laser hazard” symbol is indicative of a risk relating to laser radiation.

3.3 Conventions for the Presentation of Other Important Information

Beyond the above safety-related warning boxes, the following warning and information boxes are also used to indicate risks of product damage, data loss, and information security breaches, and also to provide general information for the sake of clarity, convenience, and optimum operation:



Important!

Warnings of risks of product damage, data loss, and also information security risks are indicated with this type of warning box.



Information:

Additional information that may be relevant for improving efficiency or avoiding confusion or misunderstandings is provided in this form.



Security Risk

Warning boxes such as these indicate security risks that can potentially result in unauthorized persons gaining access to your device via communication interfaces and must therefore be mitigated by suitable network administration or other physical security means. Such risks may be inherent to the nature of the system or the potential result of improper system configuration.

3.4 Generally Applicable Symbols

The following symbols and pictograms are also used in a broader context in this manual and on the product.



The presence of the “ESD” symbol is indicative of a risk of product damage caused by electrostatic discharge.



Direct Current (DC) (*symbol definition IEC 60417-5031*)



Alternating Current (AC) (*symbol definition IEC 60417-5032*)



Grounding Terminal (*symbol definition IEC 60417-5017*)



Protective Earth Connection (*symbol definition IEC 60417-5019*)



Disconnect All Power Connectors (*symbol definition IEC 60417-6172*)



Read Instruction Manual (*symbol definition ISO 7000-1641*)

4 Important Safety Information



The safety information provided in this chapter as well as specific safety warnings provided at relevant points in this manual must be observed during every installation, set-up, and operation procedure of the device, as well as its removal from service.

Any safety information affixed to the product itself must also be observed.

Any failure to observe this safety information, these safety warnings, and other safety-critical operating instructions in the product documentation, or any other improper usage of the product may result in unpredictable behavior from the product, and may result in injury or death.

Depending on your specific device configuration and installed options, some safety information may not be applicable to your device.

Meinberg accepts no responsibility for injury or death arising from a failure to observe the safety information, warnings, and safety-critical instructions provided in the product documentation.

It is the responsibility of the operator to ensure that the product is safely and properly used.

Should you require additional assistance or advice on safety-related matters for your product, Meinberg's Technical Support team will be happy to assist you at any time. Simply send a mail to [✉ techsupport@meinberg.de](mailto:techsupport@meinberg.de).

4.1 Appropriate Usage



The device must only be used appropriately in accordance with the specifications of the product documentation! Appropriate usage is defined exclusively by this manual as well as any other relevant documentation provided directly by Meinberg.

Appropriate usage includes in particular compliance with specified limits! The device's operating parameters must never exceed or fall below these limits!

4.2 Product Documentation

The information in this manual is intended for readers with an appropriate degree of safety awareness.

The following are deemed to possess such an appropriate degree of safety awareness:

- **skilled personnel** with a familiarity with relevant national safety standards and regulations,
- **instructed personnel** having received suitable instruction from skilled personnel on relevant national safety standards and regulations.

Read the product manual carefully and completely before you set the product up for use.



If any of the safety information in the product documentation is unclear for you, do **not** continue with the set-up or operation of the device!



Safety standards and regulations change on a regular basis and Meinberg updates the corresponding safety information and warnings to reflect these changes. It is therefore recommended to regularly visit the Meinberg website at <https://www.meinbergglobal.com> or the Meinberg Customer Portal at <https://meinberg.support> to download up-to-date manuals.

Please keep all product documentation, including this manual, in a safe place in a digital or printed format to ensure that it is always easily accessible.

Meinberg's Technical Support team is also always available at techsupport@meinberg.de if you require additional assistance or advice on safety aspects of your Meinberg product.

4.3 Safety During Installation

This rack-mounted device has been designed and tested in accordance with the requirements of the standard IEC 62368-1 (*Audio/Video, Information and Communication Technology Equipment—Part 1: Safety Requirements*). Where the rack-mounted device is to be installed in a larger unit (such as an electrical enclosure), additional requirements in the IEC 62368-1 standard may apply that must be observed and complied with. General requirements regarding the safety of electrical equipment (such as IEC, VDE, DIN, ANSI) and applicable national standards must be observed in particular.

The device has been developed for use in industrial or commercial environments and may only be used in such environments. In environments at risk of high environmental conductivity ("high pollution degree" according to IEC 60664-1), additional measures such as installation of the device in an air-conditioned electrical enclosure may be necessary.

If the appliance has been brought into the usage area from a cold environment, moisture may develop as a result of condensation; in this case, wait until the appliance has adjusted to the temperature and is completely dry before setting it up.



When unpacking & setting up the equipment, and before operating it, be sure to read the information on installing the hardware and the specifications of the device. These include in particular dimensions, electrical characteristics, and necessary environmental conditions.

Fire safety standards must be upheld with the device in its installed state—never block or obstruct ventilation openings and/or the intakes or openings of active cooling solutions.

The device with the highest mass should be installed at the lowest position in the rack in order to position the center of gravity of the rack as a whole as low as possible and minimize the risk of the rack tipping over. Further devices should be installed from the bottom, working your way up.

The device must be protected against mechanical & physical stresses such as vibration or shock.

Never drill holes into the device to mount it! If you are experiencing difficulties with rack installation, contact Meinberg's Technical Support team for assistance!

Inspect the device housing before installation. The device housing must be free of any damage when it is installed.

4.4 Electrical Safety

This Meinberg product is operated at a hazardous voltage.

This system may only be set up and connected by skilled personnel, or by instructed personnel who have received appropriate technical & safety training from skilled personnel.

Custom cables may only be assembled by a qualified electrician.

This Meinberg product uses hot-pluggable power supply modules that can be replaced while the system is in operation. When removing a hot-pluggable power supply module, the power cable plug must **always** be disconnected beforehand!

Never work on cables carrying a live current!

Never use cables or connectors that are visibly damaged or known to be defective! Faulty, defective, or improperly connected shielding, connectors, or cables present a risk of injury or death due to electric shock and may also constitute a fire hazard!

Before operating the device, check that all cables are in good order. Ensure in particular that the cables are undamaged (for example, kinks), that they are not wound too tightly around corners, and that no objects are placed on the cables.

Cables must be laid in such a way that they do not present a tripping hazard.

The power supply should be connected using a short, low-inductance cable. Avoid the use of power strips or extension cables if possible. If the use of such a device is unavoidable, ensure that it is expressly rated for the rated currents of all connected devices.

Never connect or disconnect power, data, or signal cables during a thunderstorm! Doing so presents a risk of injury or death, as cables and connectors may conduct very high voltages in the event of a lightning strike!

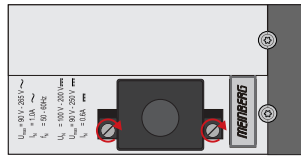
Device cables must be connected or disconnected in the order specified in the user documentation for the device. Connect all cables only while the device is de-energized before you connect the power supply.

Always pull cable connectors out at **both** ends before performing work on connectors! Improperly connecting or disconnecting this Meinberg system may result in electric shock, possibly resulting in injury or death!

When pulling out a connector, **never** pull on the cable itself! Pulling on the cable may cause the plug to become detached from the connector or cause damage to the connector itself. This presents a risk of direct contact with energized components.



5-Pin MSTB Connector



3-Pin MSTB Connector

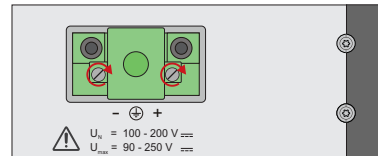


Illustration: Lock screws on an MSTB plug connector; in this case on a LANTIME M320

Ensure that all plug connections are secure. In particular, when using plug connectors with lock screws, ensure that the lock screws are securely tightened. This is especially important for power supply connectors where 3-pin or 5-pin MSTB connectors with lock screws are used (see illustration).

Before the device is connected to the power supply, the device housing must be grounded by connecting a grounding cable to the grounding terminal of the device.

When installing the device in an electrical enclosure, it must be ensured that adequate clearance is provided, minimum creepage distances to adjacent conductors are maintained, and that there is no risk of short circuits.

Protect the device from the ingress of objects or liquids!

If the device malfunctions or requires servicing (for example, due to damage to the housing, power supply cable, or the ingress of liquids or objects), the power supply may be cut off. In this case, the device must be isolated immediately and physically from all power supplies! The following procedure must be followed in order to correctly and reliably isolate the device:

- Pull the power supply plug from the power source.
- Loosen the locking screws of the MSTB power supply plug on the device and pull it out of the device.
- Contact the person responsible for your electrical infrastructure.
- If your device is connected to one or more uninterruptible power supplies (UPS), the direct power supply connection between the device and the UPS solution must be first be disconnected.



4.4.1 Special Information for Devices with AC Power Supply



This device is a Protection Class 1 device and may only be connected to a grounded outlet (TN system).

For safe operation, the installation must be protected by a fuse rated for currents not exceeding 20 A and equipped with a residual-current circuit breaker in accordance with applicable national standards.

The appliance must only ever be disconnected from the mains power supply via the mains socket and not from the appliance itself.

Make sure that the power connector on the appliance or the mains socket is readily accessible for the user so that the mains cable can be pulled out of the socket in an emergency.

Non-compliant cabling or improperly grounded sockets are an electrical hazard!

Only connect the appliance to a grounded shockproof outlet using a safety-tested mains cable designed for use in the country of operation.

4.4.2 Special Information for Devices with DC Power Supply



In accordance with IEC 62368-1, it must be possible to disconnect the appliance from the supply voltage from a point other than the appliance itself (e.g., from the primary circuit breaker).

The power supply plug may only be fitted or dismantled while the appliance is isolated from the power supply (e.g., disconnected via the primary circuit breaker).

Power supply cables must have adequate fuse protection and have an adequate wire gauge size (1 mm² – 2.5 mm² / 17 AWG – 13 AWG).

The power supply of the device must have a suitable on-demand disconnection mechanism (i.e., a switch). This disconnection mechanism must be readily accessible in the vicinity of the appliance and marked accordingly as a disconnection mechanism for the appliance.

4.5 Safety when Maintaining and Cleaning the Device



Only use a soft, dry cloth to clean the device.

Never use liquids such as detergents or solvents to clean the device! The ingress of liquids into the device housing may cause short circuits in the electronic circuitry, which in turn can cause a fire or electric shock!

Neither the device nor its individual components may be opened. The device or its components may only be repaired by the manufacturer or by authorized personnel. Improperly performed repairs can put the user at significant risk!

In particular, **never** open a power supply unit or module, as hazardous voltages may be present within the power supply device even after it is isolated from the upstream voltage. If a power supply unit or module is no longer functional (for example due to a defect), it can be returned to Meinberg for repair.

Some components of the device may become very hot during operation. Do not touch these surfaces!

If maintenance work is to be performed on the device and the device housing is still hot, switch off the device beforehand and allow it to cool.

4.6 Battery Safety



The integrated CR2032 lithium battery has a service life of at least ten years.

Should it be necessary to replace the battery, please note the following:

- The battery may only be replaced by the same type or a comparable type recommended by the manufacturer.
- The battery may only be replaced by the manufacturer or authorized personnel.
- The battery must not be exposed to air pressure levels outside of the limits specified by the manufacturer.

Improper handling of the battery may result in the battery exploding or in leakages of flammable or corrosive liquids or gases.

- **Never** short-circuit the battery!
- **Never** attempt to recharge the battery!
- **Never** throw the battery in a fire or dispose of it in an oven!
- **Never** dispose of the battery in a mechanical shredder!

5 Important Product Information

5.1 CE Marking

This product bears the CE mark as is required to introduce the product into the EU Single Market.



The use of this mark is a declaration that the product is compliant with all requirements of the EU directives effective and applicable as at the time of manufacture of the product.

These directives are listed in the EU Declaration of Conformity, appended to this manual as → [Chapter 13](#).

5.2 UKCA Marking

This product bears the British UKCA mark as is required to introduce the product into the United Kingdom (excluding Northern Ireland, where the CE marking remains valid).



The use of this mark is a declaration that the product is in conformity with all requirements of the UK statutory instruments applicable and effective as at the time of manufacture of the product.

These statutory instruments are listed in the UK Declaration of Conformity, appended to this manual as → [Chapter 14](#).

5.3 Ensuring the Optimum Operation of Your Device

- Ensure that ventilation slots are not obscured or blocked by dust, or else heat may build up inside the device. While the system is designed to shut down safely and automatically in the event of temperature limits being exceeded, the risk of malfunctions and product damage following overheating cannot be entirely eliminated.
- The device is only deemed to be appropriately used and EMC limits (electromagnetic compatibility) are only deemed to be complied with while the device housing is fully assembled in order to ensure that requirements pertaining to cooling, fire safety, electrical shielding and (electro)magnetic shielding are upheld.

5.4 Maintenance and Modifications



Important!

Before performing any maintenance work on or authorized modification to your Meinberg system (such as installing or removing a power supply module), we recommend making a backup of any stored configuration data (e.g., to a USB flash drive from the Web Interface).

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5.4.1 Replacing the Battery

Your device's clock module is fitted with a lithium battery (type CR2032) that is used to locally storage almanac data and sustain operation of the real-time clock (RTC) in the reference clock.

This battery has a life of at least ten years. However, if the device exhibits the following unexpected behaviors, the voltage of the battery may have dropped below 3 V, and the battery will need to be replaced:

- The reference clock has the wrong date or wrong time when the system is started.
- The reference clock repeatedly starts in Cold Boot mode (i.e., upon starting, the system has no ephemeris data saved whatsoever, resulting in the synchronization process taking a very long time due to the need to rediscover all of the visible satellites).
- Some configuration options relating to the reference clock are lost every time the system is restarted.

In this case, you should not replace the battery on your own. Please contact the Meinberg Technical Support team, who will provide you with precise guidance on how to perform the replacement.

5.5 Prevention of ESD Damage



An **ESDS device** (electrostatic discharge-sensitive device) is any device at risk of damage or malfunction due to electrostatic discharge (**ESD**) and thus requires special measures to prevent such damage or malfunction. Systems and modules with ESDS components usually bear this symbol.

The following precautionary measures should be taken to protect ESDS components from damage and malfunction.

- Before removing or installing a module, ground your body first (for example, by touching a grounded object) before touching ESDS components.
- Ensure that you wear a grounding strap on your wrist when handling such ESDS components. This strap must in turn be attached to an uncoated, non-conductive metal part of the system.
- Use only tools and equipment that are free of static electricity.
- Ensure that your clothing is suitable for the handling of ESDS components. In particular, do not wear garments that are susceptible to electrostatic discharges (wool, polyester). Ensure that your shoes enable a low-resistance path for electrostatic charges to dissipate to the ground.
- Only touch or hold ESDS components by the edges. Never touch any pins or conductors on the ESDS components.
- When removing or installing ESDS components, avoid coming into contact with persons who are not grounded. Such contact may compromise your connection with the grounding conductor and thus also compromise the ESDS component's protection from any static charges you may be carrying.
- Always store ESDS components in ESD-proof 'antistatic' bags. These bags must not be damaged in any way. Antistatic bags that are crumpled or have holes cannot provide effective protection against electrostatic discharges. Antistatic bags must have a sufficient electrical resistance and must not be made of conductive metals if the ESDS component has a lithium battery fitted on it.

5.6 Disposal

Disposal of Packaging Materials



The packaging materials that we use are fully recyclable:

Material	Use for	Disposal
Polystyrene	Packaging frame/filling material	Recycling Depot
PE-LD (Low-density polyethylene)	Accessories packaging, bubble wrap	Recycling Depot
Cardboard	Shipping packaging, accessories packaging	Paper Recycling

For information on the proper disposal of packaging materials in your specific country, please inquire with your local waste disposal company or authority.

Disposal of the Device



This product falls under the labeling obligations of the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive 2012/19/EU ("*WEEE Directive*") and thus bears this WEEE symbol. The presence of this symbol indicates that this electronic product may only be disposed of in accordance with the following provisions.



Important!

Do not dispose of the product or batteries via the household waste. Inquire with your local waste disposal company or authority on how to best dispose of the product or battery if necessary.

This product is considered to be a "**B2B**" product for the purposes of the WEEE Directive and is also classified as "**IT and Telecommunications Equipment**" in accordance with Annex I of the Directive.

It can be returned to Meinberg for disposal. Any transportation expenses for returning this product (at end-of-life) must be covered by the end user, while Meinberg will bear the costs for the waste disposal itself. If you wish for Meinberg to handle disposal for you, please get in touch with us. Otherwise, please use the return and collection systems provided within your country to ensure that your device is disposed of in a compliant fashion to protect the environment and conserve valuable resources.

Disposal of Batteries

Please consult your local waste disposal regulations for information on the correct disposal of batteries as hazardous waste.

6 Introduction to Your LANTIME Server

Thank you for purchasing your new LANTIME time server.

Meinberg's LANTIME M-Series servers rely on proven, robust, and resilient technology to provide an absolute and highly precise NTP time reference in a variety of chassis types, whether for rack installation, DIN rail mounting, or desktop use.

The use of the NTP protocol allows LANTIME servers to be integrated into existing TCP/IP networks without the need to invest in additional network hardware, while maximizing the accuracy potential of this tried and trusted synchronization protocol, which has been a mainstay of computer networks for over 40 years.

If equipped with a receiver for a Stratum 0 time signal and correctly connected to directly receive such a signal, LANTIME servers can operate as Stratum 1 NTP servers, capable of serving extremely accurate time to over 15,000 NTP clients per second with accuracies of just a few milliseconds. LANTIME devices can be equipped with a variety of integrated GNSS receivers for Stratum 0 time reference sources, including the GPS, Galileo, BeiDou, and GLONASS satellite constellations, or long-wave radio signals (DCF77, MSF).

It is also possible to use external NTP servers as a time reference, or for servers to be fitted with special receivers to support other time reference sources such as IRIG timecodes.

LANTIME servers can also be fitted with a variety of custom inputs and outputs. Your LANTIME server is equipped as standard with outputs for pulse-per-second (PPS) and 10 MHz signals, and may also feature a variety of other inputs and outputs, depending on the specifications provided by the purchaser.

LANTIME servers feature a custom Linux-based operating system—the LANTIME Operating System Firmware (LTOS)—that has been specifically developed by Meinberg for timing & synchronization applications. LTOS is regularly updated by Meinberg's software developers with bugfixes, security fixes, and new features. Updates are provided free of charge for the lifetime of your Meinberg server.

The primary user interface of your LANTIME server is the fully-featured Web Interface, which provides a multitude of configuration and monitoring options. It also features eight function keys and an LCD panel for directly performing the most important configuration and monitoring tasks from the device itself, while a connection via SSH, Telnet, or a direct cable connection provides command-line access. Firmware updates can also be uploaded and log files can be downloaded directly via FTP.

This Technical Reference only provides initial guidance on setting up your LANTIME system for use. To achieve optimum results with your LANTIME server, we recommend carefully studying the LTOS Configuration and Management Manual, which is available to download at <http://www.mbg.link/doce-fw-ltos>.

7 Connecting Your LANTIME System



Important!

- Please ensure that you have read and understood the safety information at the start of this manual before you connect your LANTIME system, and that you perform the procedure in the order listed here.
- If your LANTIME system has been shipped with a DC power supply, it also assumes that the requisite power cable has been assembled for the MSTB connector by a qualified electrician.

You will need a **slotted screwdriver** (blade width 3 mm) and a **grounding cable with a ring terminal** on hand to perform the connection procedure properly.

Procedure

1. Connect the BNC connector from your signal generator or signal distributor to the timecode input of your LANTIME system. Twist the male connector in a clockwise direction to lock it into place.
2. Use an RJ45 network cable to connect the LANTIME system to the relevant router or switch via which the server is to be accessible for management access and NTP traffic.
3. Insert the MSTB plug of your power cable into the corresponding connector of your LANTIME system. Tighten the two lock screws of the plug using the slotted screwdriver mentioned above and test the plug to ensure that it is secure. If your LANTIME system is equipped with a redundant power supply module, you may also connect a second MSTB power cable to it.
4. While the power cable of the LANTIME system provides the primary connection to ground for the system, the chassis itself can also optionally be wired to a grounding busbar to further enhance device safety. If possible, connect the grounding terminal on the housing of your LANTIME system with the grounding busbar of your building using a grounding cable with a ring terminal.

The grounding screw (M4 x 8 Torx TX20, non-countersunk with flanged head), washer, and serrated lock washer necessary for mounting the grounding cable are pre-mounted on the grounding terminal of the chassis. A grounding cable is not provided with the device and must be provided by the operator. Refer to → [Chapter 11.1, “Technical Specifications: LANTIME System”](#) for more information on the grounding terminal.

Please ensure that your grounding cable has a thickness of 4 mm² – 6 mm² and that the cable is properly crimped!

5. Connect any signal input/output cables in accordance with the specifications provided in → [Chapter 10, “LANTIME M320 Rear Connectors”](#).
6. Connect the other end of the power cable (or power cables if using redundant power supplies) to your power source(s). If necessary, switch your power source(s) on. Assuming that your power source(s) are active, the green “**Power**” LED(s) for the relevant power supply module(s) should light up and the front panel display should show “Starting up ...please wait” before it indicates the progress of its startup process.

8 Configuring Your LANTIME System for Your Network

IPv4 Network Configuration

1. Press the **F2** button **twice** on the front panel to open the setup menu of your LANTIME system.
2. Press the **OK** button to select **"Interfaces"**.
3. You will be prompted to select the network interface. Select the appropriate interface and press **OK** to confirm.
4. You will be prompted to select whether you wish to configure your LANTIME system for your network using IPv4 addressing or IPv6 addressing. Select **IPv4** using the arrow keys and press the **OK** button to confirm.
5. DHCP is *"enabled"* by default, which means that with an active DHCP server in the network, your LANTIME system will automatically be assigned an IP address. If you wish to use DHCP, Steps 6–8 below may be skipped.

If you wish to disable DHCP in order to assign a fixed IP address, select the corresponding option **"DHCP"** and select *"disabled"* using the up/down arrow keys.

6. To configure the device address, use the arrow keys to navigate to the **ADDR** option and press the **OK** button. You will then be prompted to enter the intended IPv4 address of your LANTIME system. Use the up and down arrow keys to change the value of each digit, and the left and right arrow keys to navigate between the digits. For octets of less than 100, please leave trailing zeros; it is not possible to enter spaces.
7. To configure the subnet mask, use the arrow keys to navigate to the **NETM** option and press the **OK** button. You will then be prompted to enter the subnet mask. Use the up and down arrow keys to change the value of each digit, and the left and right arrow keys to navigate between the digits. As above, please leave trailing zeros for octets of less than 100.
8. If you wish to configure a gateway, use the arrow keys to navigate to the **GW** option and press the **OK** button. You will then be prompted to enter the gateway address. Use the up and down arrow keys to change the value of each digit, and the left and right arrow keys to navigate between the digits. As above, please leave trailing zeros for octets of less than 100.
9. If you are satisfied with the changes that you have made, press the **F2** button to save them. The new network configuration will take effect immediately; there is no need to restart the LANTIME system.

IPv6 Network Configuration

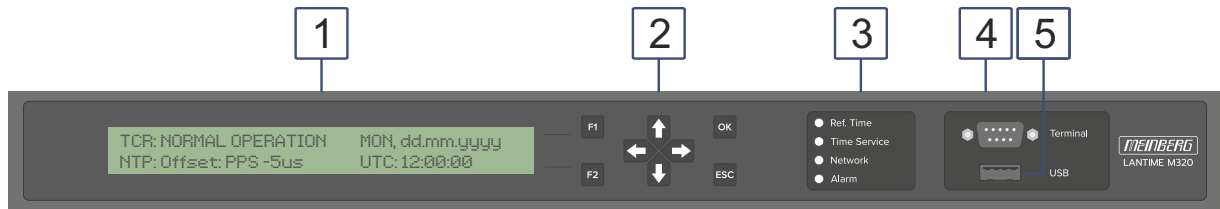
1. Press the **F2** button **twice** on the front panel to open the setup menu of your LANTIME system.
2. Press the **OK** button to select **"Interfaces"**.
3. You will be prompted to select the network interface. Select the appropriate interface and press **OK** to confirm.
4. You will be prompted to select whether you wish to configure your LANTIME system for your network using IPv4 addressing or IPv6 addressing. Select **IPv6** using the arrow keys and press the **OK** button to confirm.
5. To configure a link local or global address, use the arrow keys to navigate to the **"Link Local"** or one of the two global addresses **"glob.Addr 1"** or **"glob.Addr 2"** option and press the **OK** button to confirm. You will then be prompted to enter the intended IPv6 address of your LANTIME system. Use the up and down arrow keys to change the value of each digit, and the left and right arrow keys to navigate between the digits. Please note that colons are not entered automatically and must also be entered manually.
6. If you are satisfied with the changes that you have made, press the **F2** button to save them. The new network configuration will take effect immediately; there is no need to restart the LANTIME system.

Other Network Considerations

- Please note that UDP port 123 must be left open in your network to allow NTP traffic. This is a standard port that most routers and switches will have open by default, but if your network has a strict whitelisting policy, you may need to configure this manually.
- While the NTP protocol is designed to deal with a certain amount of network jitter, you should configure your managed switch (and any routers) to prioritize NTP traffic via QoS settings if it does not already do so. This will optimize your LANTIME system's performance by keeping latency between the NTP servers and clients consistent.

For further information regarding the network connectivity and network monitoring functions of your LANTIME system, please refer to the **LTOS Configuration and Management Manual**, which is available to download from <http://www.mbg.link/doce-fw-ltos>.

9 LANTIME M320 Front Panel



Information:

The numbering in the drawing above relates to the corresponding subsection in this chapter.

9.1 LCD Panel

The main menu is displayed after the device has booted and provides the most important status information at a glance. The top line of the display shows the operating mode of the reference clock / reference time and will normally read "TCR: NORMAL OPERATION".

The inset image shows a close-up of the LCD display with the following text: 'TCR: NORMAL OPERATION', 'NTP: Offset: PPS -5us', 'MON, dd.mm.yyyy', and 'UTC: 12:00:00'.

TCR: no data
available

This status appears if there is no timecode signal received via the input connector. It may also indicate a mismatch between the actual input signal and the signal that the system is configured to expect.

Check the input signal settings in the Web Interface in the menu "Clock" → "State & Configuration" → "IRIG Settings".

9.2 Keypad

Security Risk

The keypad of the M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20) is **enabled** by default.

The keypad, in combination with the front-panel display, can be used **without prior user authentication** to perform the following actions:



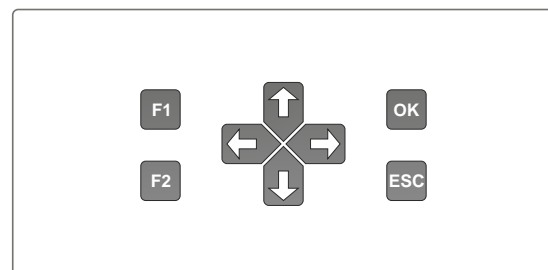
- initiate a restart of the integrated reference clock,
- modify the configuration of the signal outputs,
- initiate a restart of the internal NTP service,
- modify the NTP servers used as time references,
- modify the network configuration,
- perform a system shutdown or reboot,
- perform a factory reset.

Accordingly, Meinberg strongly recommends:

- enforcing restrictions on physical access to the system to ensure that the device cannot be accessed by unauthorized users via the front panel, and/or,
- disabling front panel access via the LTOS Web Interface ("**Security**" → "**Front Panel**").

The four arrow buttons and the "OK", "ESC", "F1", and "F2" buttons on the keypad can be used to navigate through each menu in the display.

The "ESC" button returns you to the previous menu; you can return to the main menu accordingly by pressing the "ESC" button several times, depending on the current location in the navigation tree.



9.3 Status LEDs

“Ref. Time”

Green: The reference clock (i.e., the integrated TCR receiver) is providing a valid reference time.

Red: The reference clock is not providing a valid reference time.

“Time Service”

Green: NTP is synchronized with the reference clock (e.g., TCR)

Red: NTP is not synchronized or has switched to the “local clock”.

“Network”

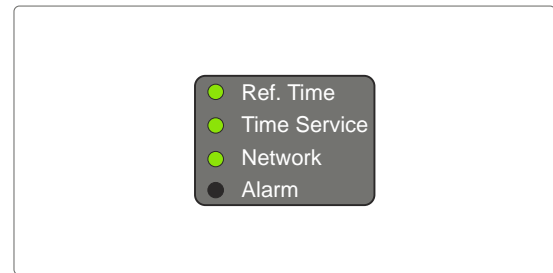
Green: All monitored network interfaces are connected and functional (link state is “up”).

Red: There is a problem with at least one of the monitored network interfaces.

“Alarm”

Off: No error

Red: General error



9.4 Serial Terminal Interface

Security Risk



The serial terminal interface of the M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20) is **enabled** by default.

The serial terminal interface can be used, **following prior authentication using a super-user account**, to gain comprehensive access to the operating system.

Accordingly, Meinberg strongly recommends enforcing restrictions on physical access to the system to ensure that the device cannot be accessed by unauthorized users via a serial terminal connection.

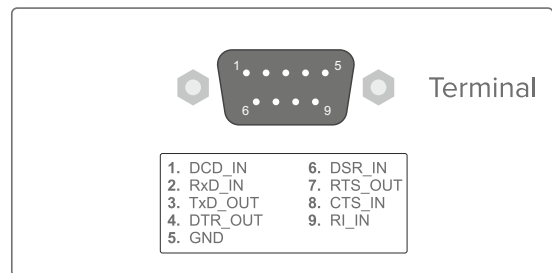
It is also possible to disable serial terminal access as appropriate via the LTOS Web Interface ("**Security**" → "**Front Panel**").

The 9-pin D-Sub RS-232 connector on the front panel allows a serial terminal connection to be established between the M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20) and a PC using a suitable null-modem cable. This connection can be used to modify the device's configuration parameters or review data via the command-line interface.

The terminal software on the PC should be configured to communicate at 38400 baud, 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit (8N1). Once connected to the time server, the login message will be displayed, where you should enter your user credentials. The following credentials are set up by default:

Default Username: `root`

Default Password: `timeserver`



9.5 USB Interface



Security Risk

The USB port itself is enabled by default.

The USB port is exclusively intended for the connection of a storage medium.

The system can be configured in such a way that, when a storage medium is connected to the USB port, it is possible **without prior user authentication** to replace the operating system configuration and install a new firmware version.

The ability to replace the operating system configuration and firmware version by inserting a prepared USB storage medium is disabled by default.

Other USB device classes such as input devices or A/V devices are detected by the system, but cannot be used to perform any input or output functionality without prior user authentication.

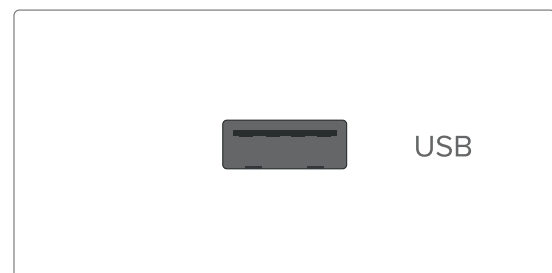
Accordingly, Meinberg strongly recommends:

- enforcing restrictions on physical access to the system to ensure that the device cannot be accessed by unauthorized users via connection of a USB storage medium, and/or,
- disabling USB support as appropriate via the LTOS Web Interface ("Security" → "Front Panel").

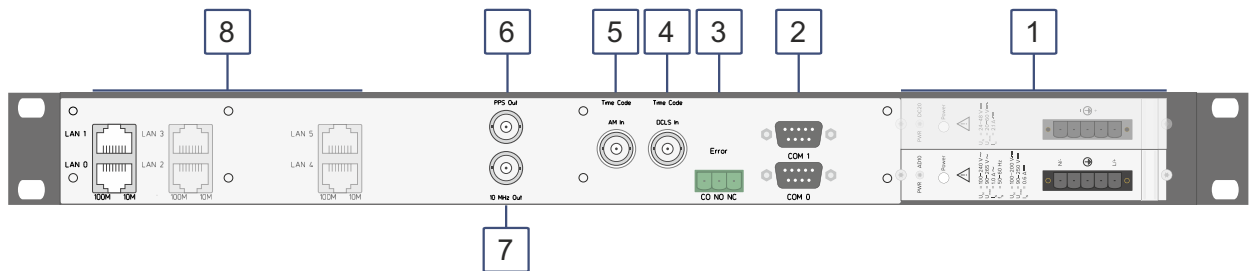
All LANTIME M-Series devices have a USB interface that allow a USB storage medium such as a USB flash drive to be connected.

USB storage media can be used for the following tasks:

- locking the keys on the LCD panel to prevent unauthorized access
- backing up/restoring the LANTIME configuration
- transferring configurations between individual LANTIME systems
- copying log files



10 LANTIME M320 Rear Connectors



Information:

The numbering above relates to the corresponding subsection in this chapter.

The drawing shows the inputs, outputs and power supply as well as the configuration options of a LAN-TIME M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20).

The following options are possible:

Network

- (LNE) 2x additional network interfaces - LAN 2 + LAN 3
- (2LNE) 4x additional network interfaces - LAN 2 + LAN 3 + LAN 4 + LAN 5

Power Supply

- (AD10) 1x AC/DC power supply
 $U_{\max} = 90-265 \text{ V} \sim$
 $90-250 \text{ V} \text{ ---}$

- (DC20) 1x power supply
 $U_{\max} = 20-60 \text{ V} \text{ ---}$

Redundant Power Supply Configurations:

- (AD10-AD10) 2x AC/DC power supply
- (DC20-DC20) 2x DC power supply
- (AD10-DC20) 1x AC/DC power supply + 1x DC power supply

10.1 AC/DC Power Connector

Danger!

This equipment is operated at a hazardous voltage.

Danger of death from electric shock!



- This device must be connected by skilled personnel or instructed personnel only.
- **Never** handle exposed terminals or plugs while the power is on.
- All connectors must provide protection against contact with live parts in the form of a suitable plug body!
- Always ensure that wiring is safe!
- The device must be grounded by means of a connection with a correctly installed protective earth conductor (PE).

AC/DC Power Supply Module Technical Specifications

Connector Type: MSTB 5-Pin, Male
(on device) with lock screws

Pin Assignment:

- 1: N/-
- 2: Not Connected
- 3: PE (Protective Earth)
- 4: Not Connected
- 5: L/+

Input Specifications

Nominal Voltage Range: $U_N = 100\text{ V} - 240\text{ V} \sim$
 $100\text{ V} - 200\text{ V} \text{ ---}$

Rated Voltage Range: $U_{\max} = 90\text{ V} - 265\text{ V} \sim$
 $90\text{ V} - 250\text{ V} \text{ ---}$

Nominal Current: $I_N = 1.0\text{ A} \sim$
 $0.6\text{ A} \text{ ---}$

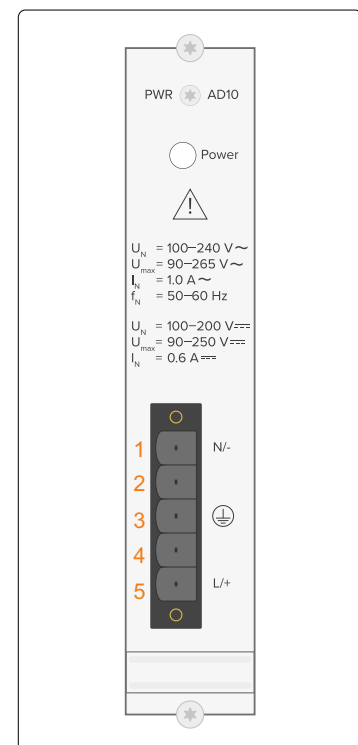
Nominal Frequency Range: $f_N = 50\text{ Hz} - 60\text{ Hz}$

Rated Frequency Range: $f_{\max} = 47\text{ Hz} - 63\text{ Hz}$

Output Specifications

Max. Power: $P_{\max} = 50\text{ W}$

Max. Heat Output: $E_{\text{therm}} = 180.00\text{ kJ/h (170.61 BTU/h)}$



DC Power Supply Module Technical Specifications

Connector Type: (on device)	MSTB 5-Pin, Male with lock screws
Pin Assignment:	1: Not Connected 2: $V_{IN} -$ 3: PE (Protective Earth) 4: $V_{IN} +$ 5: Not Connected

Input Specifications

Nominal Voltage Range: $U_N = 24\text{ V} - 48\text{ V} \text{ ---}$

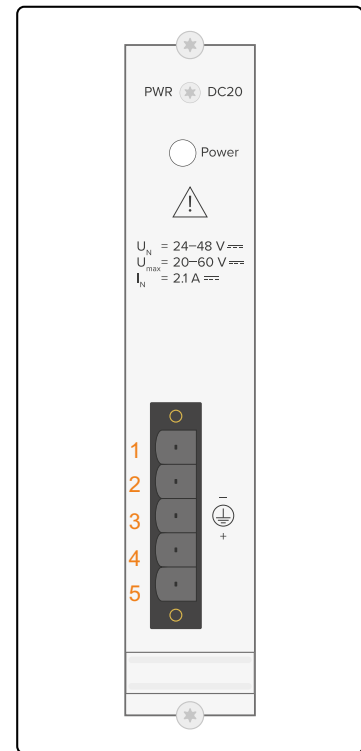
Rated Voltage Range: $U_{max} = 20\text{ V} - 60\text{ V} \text{ ---}$

Nominal Current: $I_N = 2.10\text{ A} \text{ ---}$

Output Specifications

Max. Power: $P_{max} = 50\text{ W}$

Max. Heat Output: $E_{therm} = 180.00\text{ kJ/h (170.61 BTU/h)}$



Replacing a Hot-Pluggable Power Supply Module

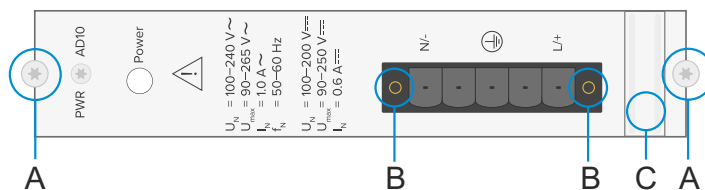


Information:

It is possible to remove or install a power supply module (e.g., due to a fault) while maintaining operation if the system is operated with redundant power supplies.

Tools Required

- Slotted Screwdriver: 0.4 mm Tip Thickness, 2.5 mm Tip Width
- Torx Screwdriver: TR8x60



1. Cut off the power supply to the module by pulling the mains plug of the power supply cable out of the mains socket.
2. Remove the 5-pin MSTB plug from the power supply module after loosening the two screws (B) using the slotted screwdriver.



Important!

Screw Torque Value (A)

When tightening the Torx screws (A) to fix the newly installed power supply module in place, please do not exceed the specified torque of 0.6 Nm.

3. Use the Torx screwdriver (TR8) to remove the two Torx screws (A) of the power supply unit to be replaced.
4. The detached power supply module can now be pulled out by the handle (C).
5. Insert the new power supply into the free slot and secure it using the two Torx fastening screws (A) that were used to secure the old power supply unit.

6. Connect the 5-pin MSTB connector of the power cable to the power supply and retighten the two slotted-head screws (B).
7. The power cable can now be reconnected to the power supply.
8. The status LED of the new power supply should now light up and an “OK” status should be displayed in the Web Interface.

Checking the Status of the Power Supply Unit

The status of the power supply units can be viewed in the Web Interface under “**System**” → “**Redundant Power Supply**”. This status is dependent on the system, i.e., the status displayed in the Web Interface will reflect whether one or two power supply units are installed.

10.2 COMx Time String: RS-232

Connector Type: D-Sub 9-pin, Female
(on device)

Data Transfer Mode: Serial I/O

RS-232 Baud Rates: 19200 (*Default*), 9600, 4800, 2400, 1200, 600, 300

Framing: 7N2, 7E1, 7E2, 8N1 (*Default*), 8N2, 8E1, 7O1, 7O2, 8O1, 8E2

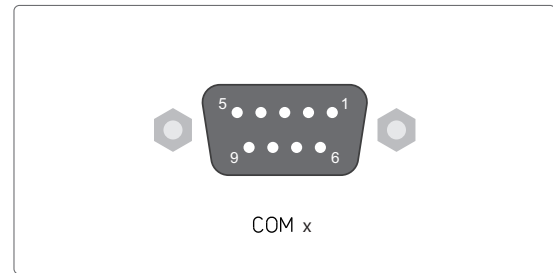
Time String Formats: Meinberg Standard (*Default*)
(Output) Meinberg Capture
Meinberg GPS

A complete list of supported time string formats is provided in
→ [Chapter 11.3, "Time String Formats"](#).

Pin Assignment:

Pin 2: RS-232 TxD (*Transmit*)
Pin 3: RS-232 RxD (*Receive*)
Pin 5: GND (*Ground*)

Cable Type: Standard RS-232 Cable (Shielded)



Information:



Please note that the pin assignment of the device receiving the time string output will dictate whether you require a "straight-through" or a null-modem cable to connect your system to a time string receiver. A null-modem cable has Pins 2 and 3 'crossed over', so that Pin 2 at one end leads to Pin 3 at the other, and vice versa.

If Pins 2 and 3 have identical assignments on both devices, you will require a null-modem cable. If they are opposite to one another, you will require a "straight-through" cable. Either way, it is important that the transmitter pin (TxD) of each device is connected to the receiver pin (RxD) of the other device.

10.3 Error Relay

Danger!

This equipment is operated at a hazardous voltage.

Danger of death from electric shock!



- Never handle exposed terminals or plugs while the power is on.
- When handling the connectors of the error relay cable, always disconnect **both ends** of the cable from their respective devices!
- Hazardous voltages may be passing through the terminal of the fault signal relay! **Never** handle the error relay terminal while the signal voltage is present!

The device features a 3-pin relay output labeled with “Error”. This 0 V (“dry”) relay output is connected directly to the reference clock (GPS, GNS, GNS-UC, etc.) Normally, when the reference clock has been synchronized to its source, this relay will switch to “NO” (Normally Open) mode. However, if there is a poor antenna signal or the device has been switched off, the relay will fall back to “NC” (Normally Closed) mode.

This relay can also be switched to a “NO” (normally open) state using messages, providing a variety of switch states at this output.

Technical Specifications

Connector Type: MSTB 3-Pin, Male
(on device) with lock screws

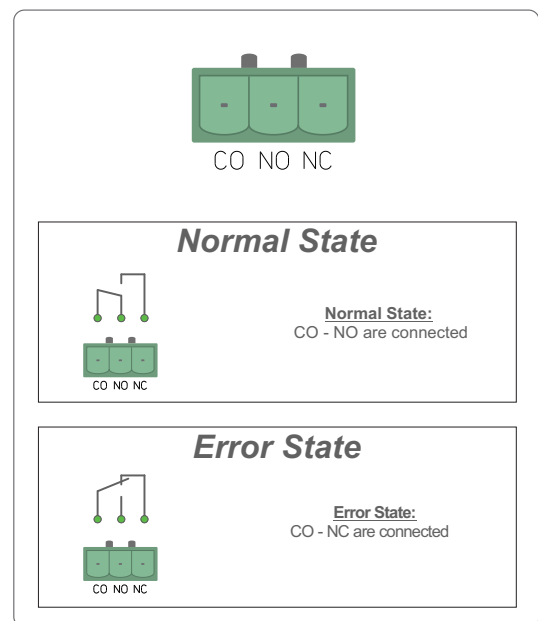
Max. Switching Voltage: 125 V \equiv
140 V \sim

Max. Switching Current: 1 A

Max. Switching Load: DC 30 W
AC 60 VA

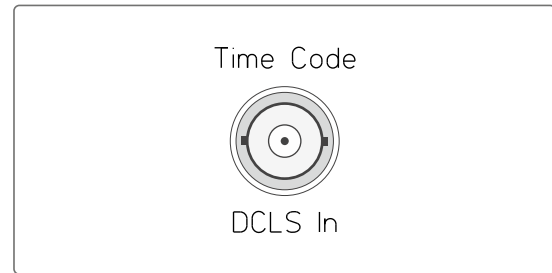
UL/CSA Switching Load: 0.46 A 140 V \sim
0.46 A 65 V \equiv
1 A 30 V \equiv

Response Time: Approx. 2 ms



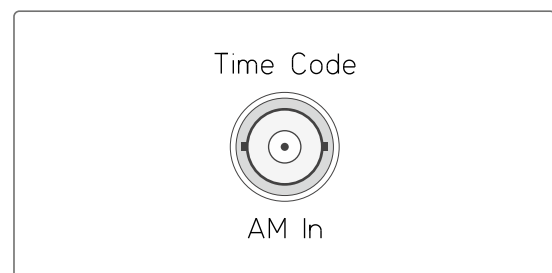
10.4 DCLS Timecode Input

Connector Type: (on device)	BNC, Female, Insulated
Input Signal:	DCLS-Timecode, Pulse-Width Modulated (e.g., IRIG-B00x) Timecode Options: B002/003, B006/007 A002/003, A006/007 IEEE1344 (DCLS) C37.118 (DCLS) AFNOR NFS 87-500 (DCLS)
Insulation Voltage:	3750 V _{rms}
Typical Input Voltage:	5 V DC
Max. Input Current:	60 mA
Internal Series Resistor:	220 Ω
Cable Type:	Coaxial Cable, Shielded



10.5 AM Timecode Input

Connector Type: (on device)	BNC, Female, Insulated
Input Signal:	Unbalanced Sine-Wave Signal
Signal Level:	800 mV _{pp} / 8 V _{pp} (MARK/SPACE) (600 Ω load) Timecode Options: B122/123, B126/127 A132/133, A136/137 IEEE1344 C37.118 AFNOR NFS 87-500
Insulation Voltage:	3000 V DC
Cable Type:	Coaxial Cable, Shielded



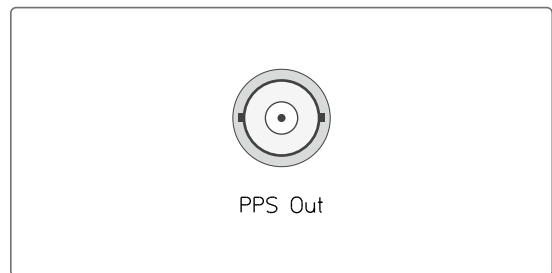
10.6 10 MHz Frequency Output

Connector Type: (on device)	BNC, Female
Output Signal:	10 MHz Frequency
Signal Level:	TTL = 5 V (no load), 2.5 V (with 50 Ω load)
Rise Time:	Typically 2.6 ns
Fall Time:	Typically 2.6 ns
Cable Type:	Coaxial Cable, Shielded



10.7 Pulse-per-Second Output

Connector Type: (on device)	BNC, Female
Output Signal:	PPS (Pulse per Second)
Signal Level:	TTL = 5 V (no load), 2.5 V (with 50 Ω load)
Rise Time:	Typically 2.6 ns
Fall Time:	Typically 2.6 ns
Pulse Width:	200 ms
Cable Type:	Coaxial Cable, Shielded



10.8 10/100BASE-T (Fast Ethernet) Network Interface

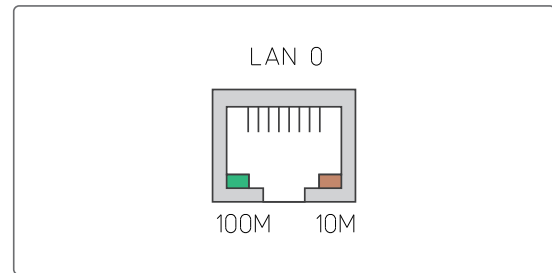
Ethernet Standard: 100BASE-T

Data Transmission Rate: 10/100 Mbit/s

Connector Type: 8P8C (RJ45)
(on device)

Cable Type: RJ45 (Copper, Twisted Pair)

Duplex Modes: Half/Full/Autonegotiation



11 Technical Appendix

11.1 Technical Specifications: LANTIME System

Chassis Type: 19" Multipac Chassis, 1U

Chassis Material: Sheet Steel

Power Consumption of Device: Typically 20 W, Maximum 30 W

Actual power consumption is dependent on customized configuration of device.

(Number and type of signal inputs/outputs, relays, network interfaces, serial interfaces, etc.)

Temperature Range

Operating Temperature: 0 °C to 50 °C (32 °F to 122 °F)

Storage Temperature: -20 °C to 70 °C (-4 °F to 158 °F)

Supported Relative Humidity

Operation: Max. 95 % (non-condensing) at 40 °C (104 °F)

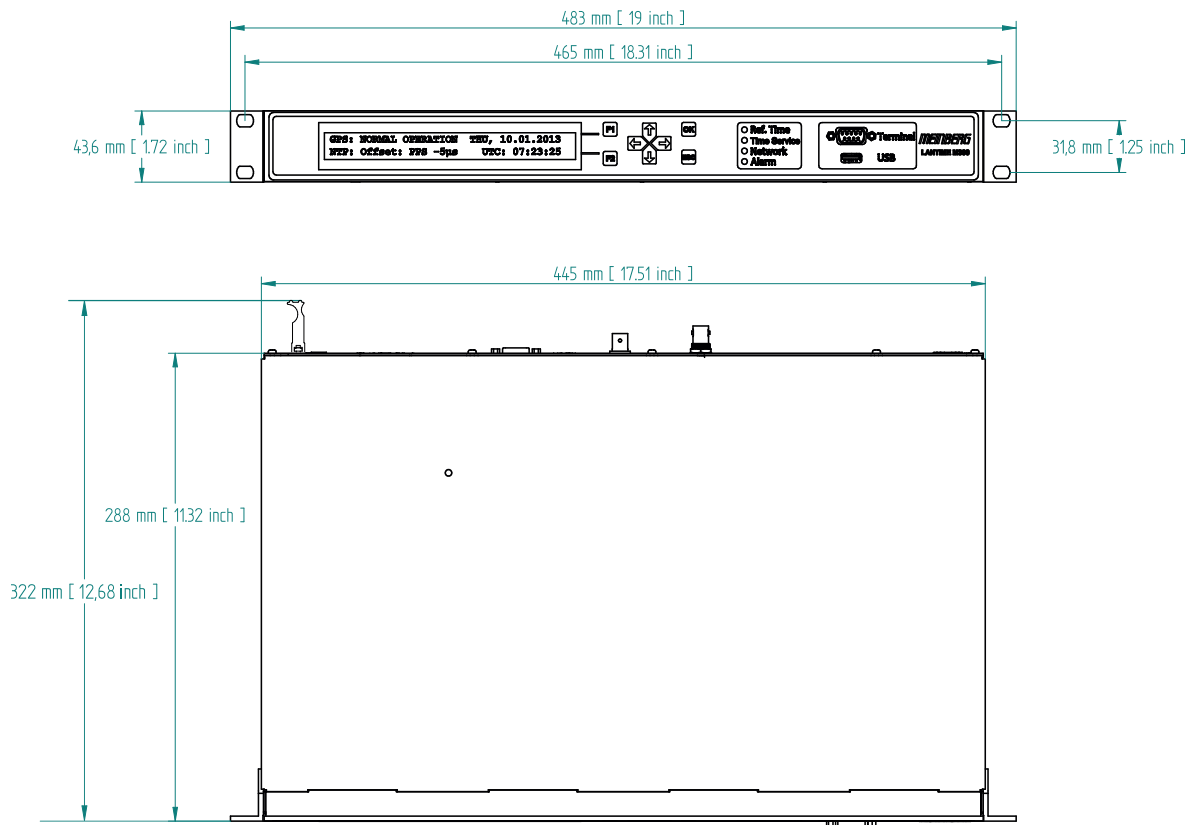
Supported Operating Altitude

Operation: Max. 4,000 m above sea level (13,123 ft)

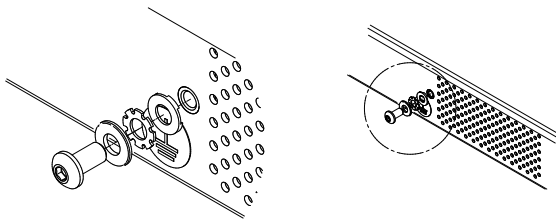
Acoustic Emissions: 0 dB (A)

IP Rating: IP30

LANTIME M320 Chassis Dimensions



External Ground Conductor Terminal on Chassis



Information:

For information on how to connect the grounding cable, see
 → Chapter 7, "Connecting Your LANTIME System".

11.2 General Information about Timecode

11.2.1 Introduction: Abstract of Time Code

The need to transmit encoded time information became a topic of some importance as early as the 1950s. The U.S. space program in particular was a key driver of advancement in this field, using time code information to correlate different sets of measurements. However, the formats and usage of these signals were defined arbitrarily at the whims of the specific users. This resulted in the development of hundreds of different time code formats, some of which were standardized by the "Inter Range Instrumentation Group" (IRIG) in the early 1960s. These standardized time code formats are referred to as "IRIG Time Codes" today.

In addition to these, there are also other codes in use designed for specific applications, among them NASA36, XR3, or 2137. These differ in terms of the data transmission rates and the type of data actually transmitted. The M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20), however, limits itself to the output of IRIG-A, IRIG-B, IEEE1344, C37.118, and AFNOR NF S87-500 formats.

The AFNOR time code is a variant of the IRIG-B format that replaces the "control functions" of the IRIG time string with full date information.

Visit our homepage to get detailed information about IRIG time codes:

<https://www.meinbergglobal.com/english/info/irig.htm>

11.2.2 Description of IRIG Timecodes

Each IRIG timecode format is denoted by an alphabetical character followed by a three-digit number sequence as specified in IRIG Standard 200-04. Each character in a timecode format designation has the following meaning:

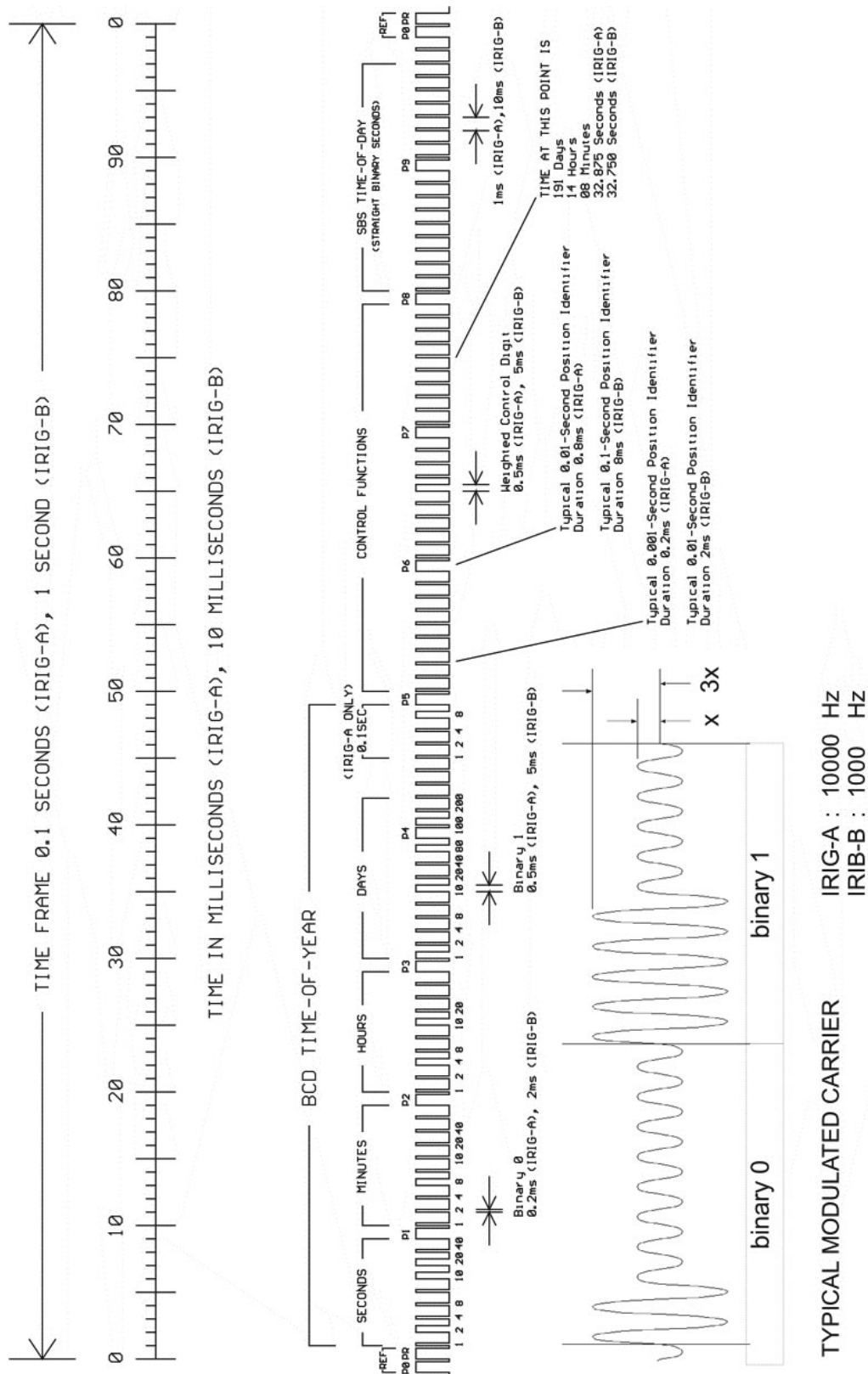
Character	Bit Rate	A	1000 pps
		B	100 pps
		E	10 pps
		G	10000 pps
1 st Character	Pulse Wave	0	DC Level Shift (DCLS), pulse-width modulated
		1	Sine-wave carrier, amplitude-modulated
2 nd Character	Carrier Frequency	0	No carrier (DC Level Shift)
		1	100 Hz, time resolution 10 ms
		2	1 kHz, time resolution 1 ms
		3	10 kHz, time resolution 100 μ s
3 rd Character	String Content	0	BCD ^(TOY) , CF, SBS
		1	BCD ^(TOY) , CF
		2	BCD ^(TOY)
		3	BCD ^(TOY) , SBS
		4	BCD ^(TOY) , BCD ^(YEAR) , CF, SBS
		5	BCD ^(TOY) , BCD ^(YEAR) , SBS
		6	BCD ^(TOY) , BCD ^(YEAR)
		7	BCD ^(TOY) , BCD ^(YEAR) , SBS

BCD: Time and day-of-year in BCD format
 CF: Control Functions (for unspecified use)
 SBS: Number of seconds in the day since midnight (binary)

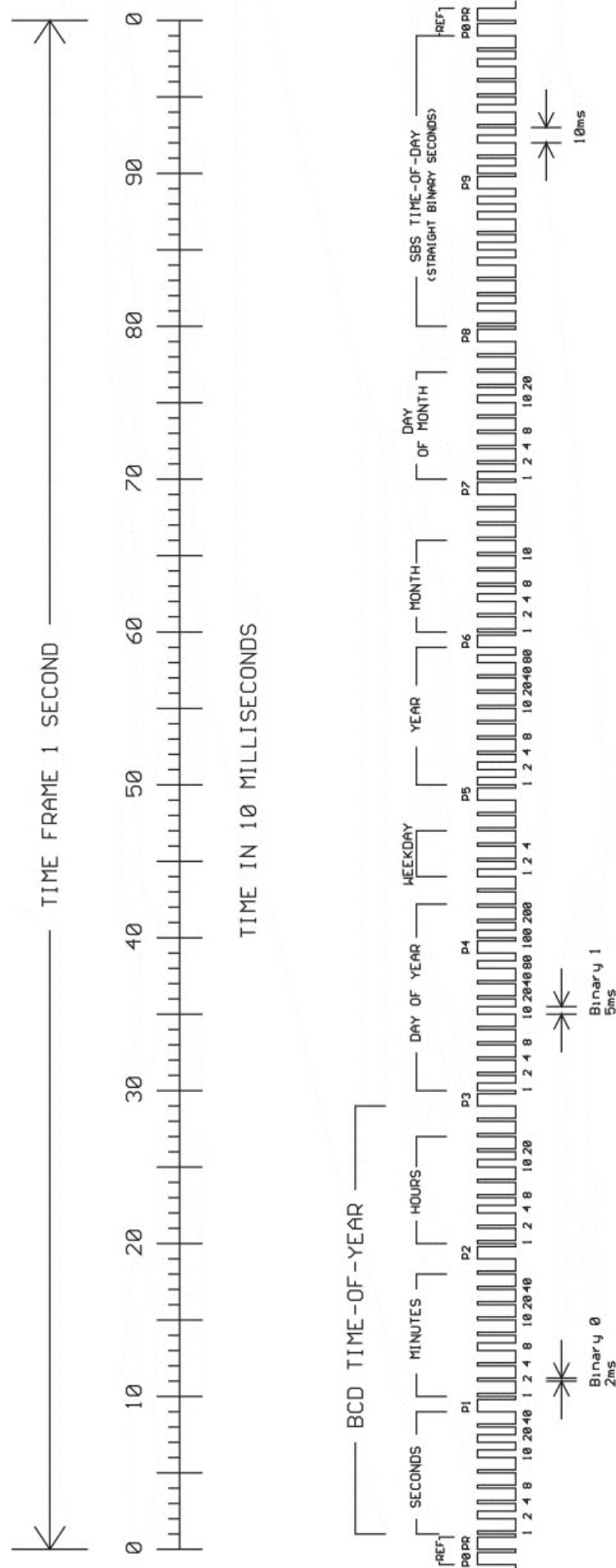
In addition to the original IRIG standards, there are other specifications issued by other bodies that define specific extensions.

AFNOR:	Code according to NF S87-500, 100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year, complete date, SBS time-of-day, signal level specified by standard.
IEEE 1344:	Code according to IEEE 1344-1995, 100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year, SBS time-of-day, IEEE 1344 extensions for date, time zone, Daylight Saving Time, and leap seconds in Control Functions (CF) segment. (See also table " Structure of CF Segment in IEEE 1344 Code ")
IEEE C37.118:	Identical to IEEE 1344, but with UTC offset +/- sign bit reversed
NASA 36:	100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, Time Resolution: 10 ms (DCLS), 1 ms (AM carrier) BCD time-of-year: 30 bits – seconds, minutes, hours, and days

11.2.3 Timecode Format According to IRIG Standard



11.2.4 Timecode Format According to AFNOR Standard



11.2.5 Overview of TCR

The TCR timecode reader is used to receive and decode amplitude-modulated and pulse-width modulated IRIG, IEEE, and AFNOR timecode. With AM timecode, the time information is transmitted by modulating the amplitude of a sine-wave carrier. Pulse-width modulated timecode conveys time data by varying the width of the pulses.

The automatic gain control of the receiver allows AM timecode with an amplitude of between 800 mVpp and 8 Vpp to be decoded. The receiver's floating input can be terminated with 50 Ω , 600 Ω , or around 5 k Ω as required. The system is typically shipped with the jumper set to 600 Ω .

The BNC connectors for AM and DCLS timecode inputs are located on the connector panel of the LANTIME system.

11.2.6 Functionality

Incoming IRIG timecode is used to synchronize the software clock, the battery-backed real-time clock, and the master oscillator of the TCR reference clock. Each received timecode undergoes a consistency check. If the timecode is found to be faulty, the system clock switches to free-run mode. Depending on the configured code, IRIG timecode may only contain the day-of-the-year, a single number representing the day in the current year (1–366).

The internal time base is compared against the incoming IRIG timecode each second. If a discrepancy is identified, the clock will switch to free-run mode.

The date and time of the real-time clock can also be set manually via the Web Interface using the menu "Clock" → "Miscellaneous" → "Initialize Receiver".



Information:

Daylight saving time changes are applied with a one second delay by the TCR reference clock because IRIG timecodes do not contain announcement bits for daylight saving time changes or for the addition of a leap second. When applying a leap second, the system clock is set to zero seconds for two consecutive seconds.

The time distributed to the outputs and display is governed by the selected time zone, and we therefore recommend ensuring that the offset of the time received via the timecode input is accounted for via the menu option "Clock → IRIG Settings → UTC Offset". This ensures that the internal clock is always synchronized to UTC time.



Important!

It is not necessary to specify the UTC offset when using IEEE timecode as this format already incorporates the offset.

You can then select the local time zone or any other desired offset for the outputs via the menu “Clock → Time Zone → Time Zone for External Outputs”. The time shown on the display is governed by the time zone setting under “System → Display and Time Zone”.

The menu “Edit Time Zone Table” can also be accessed here to add any missing time zones. Each line in the list represents a time zone with the following columns (fields) separated by commas:

Example: CET/CEST

(UTC+1) - CET/CEST,CEST,0,25.03.***,+,02:00,02:00:00,CET,0,25.10.***,+,01:00,03:00:00

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| 1: (UTC+1) - CET/CEST | Plaintext name of the time zone; this is the name that is displayed in the drop-down box showing the available time zones. |
| 2: CEST | Abbreviation of time zone during daylight saving time/summer time (max. 4 characters) |
| 3: 0 | Day of the week on which clocks switch to daylight saving time/summer time (0 = Sunday) |
| 4: 25.03.*** | Date of change to daylight saving time/summer time (dd.mm.***) |
| 5: + | Prefix sign (+ oder -) - Determines whether offset to UTC is added or subtracted |
| 6: 02:00 | Offset relative to UTC (+ daylight saving time/summer time) |
| 7: 02:00:00 | Time at which switch to daylight saving time/summer time is applied |
| 8: CET | Abbreviation of standard/winter time zone |
| 9: 0 | Day of the week on which clocks switch to standard time/summer time (0 = Sunday) |
| 10: 25.10.*** | Date of change to winter/standard time (dd.mm.***) |
| 11: + | Prefix sign (+ oder -) - Determines whether offset to UTC is added or subtracted |
| 12: 01:00 | Offset relative to UTC |
| 13: 03:00:00 | Time at which switch to standard/winter time is applied |

As standard, the TCR is capable of processing the following timecode formats:

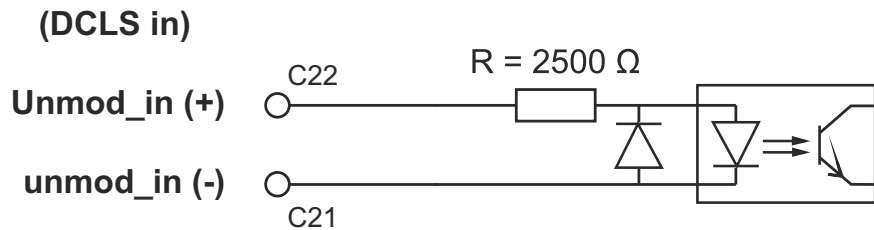
A002:	1000 pps, DCLS signal, pulse-width modulated, no carrier BCD time-of-year
A132:	1000 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 10 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year
A003:	1000 pps, DCLS signal, pulse-width modulated, no carrier BCD time-of-year, SBS time-of-day
A133:	1000 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 10 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year, SBS time-of-day
B002:	100 pps, DCLS signal, no carrier BCD time-of-year
B122:	100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year
B003:	100 pps, DCLS signal, no carrier BCD time-of-year, SBS time-of-day
B123:	100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year, SBS time-of-day
B006:	100 pps, DCLS signal, no carrier BCD time-of-year, year
B126:	100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year, year
B007:	100 pps, DCLS signal, no carrier BCD time-of-year, year, SBS time-of-day
B127:	100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year, SBS time-of-day
AFNOR:	Code according to NF S87-500, 100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier signal, BCD time-of-year, complete date, SBS time-of-day, output level adjusted.
IEEE 1344:	Code according to IEEE 1344-1995, 100 pps, AM sine-wave signal, 1 kHz carrier frequency, BCD time-of-year, SBS time-of-day, IEEE 1344 extensions for date, time zone, daylight saving time, and leap seconds in Control Functions (CF) segment. (See also table “ Structure of CF Segment in IEEE 1344 Code ”)
IEEE C37.118:	Identical to IEEE 1344, but with UTC offset +/- sign bit reversed

11.2.7 Input Signals

Both amplitude-modulated and pulse-width modulated IRIG timecode or other timecode formats (e.g., AFNOR) are input via the female BNC connector on the rear of the device. The transmission cable should be shielded. The input IRIG timecode must be configured in the Web Interface menu "Clock" → "State & Configuration" → "Input Timecode".

11.2.8 Input for Pulse-Width Modulated Timecode

Pulse-width modulated IRIG timecode, also known as DC level shift timecode (DCLS), is input via an insulated female BNC connector on the rear of the device. This input is galvanically isolated by means of an optocoupler. This input is wired as follows:



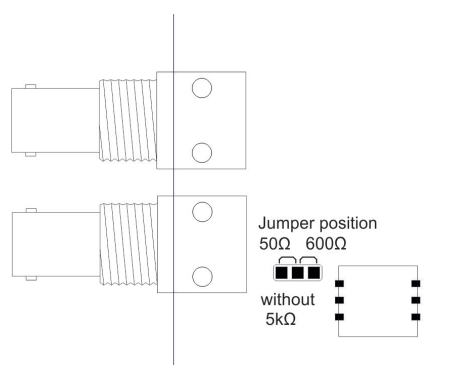
11.2.9 Input for Amplitude-Modulated Timecode

Amplitude-modulated (AM) timecode is input via a female BNC connector. The automatic gain control allows signals with amplitudes ranging from around 800 mV_{pp} to 8 V_{pp} to be decoded.

Modifying Input Impedance

The IRIG (Inter Range Instrumentation Group) standards provide no fixed specifications regarding the output or input impedance values of a receiver for AM timecode. As a result, manufacturers of IRIG components choose their own impedance values, which means that not all devices are compatible with one another. If, for example, a timecode generator has a large output impedance and the corresponding timecode receiver has a low input impedance, this may result in the signal level arriving at the receiver input being too low to be processed.

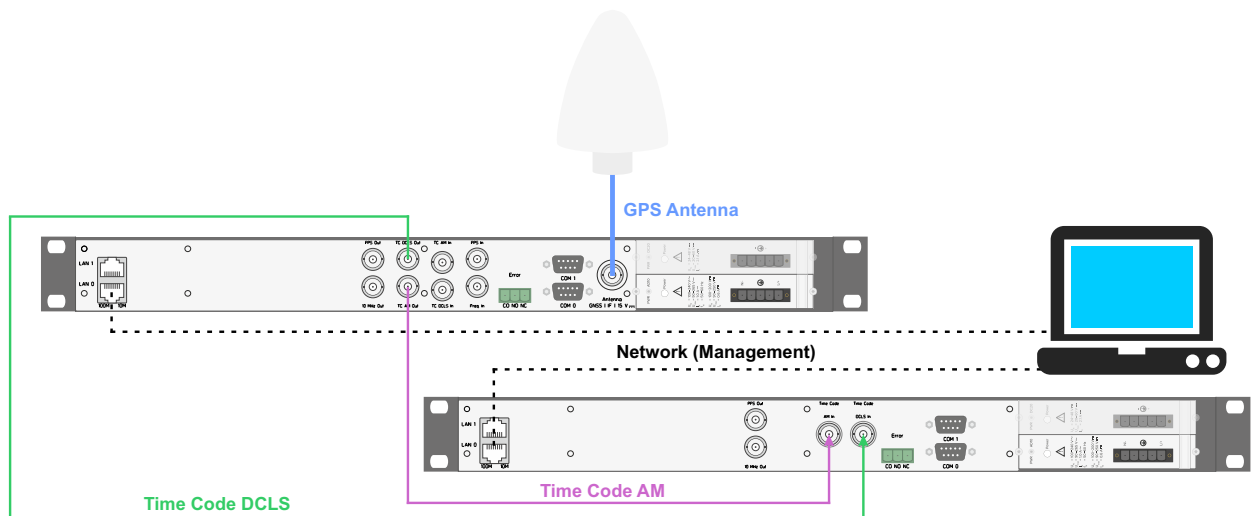
This is why the TCR features a jumper that allows the input impedance to be adapted to a variety of timecode generators. It can be used to change the input impedance for AM timecode to one of three values (50 Ω, 600Ω, or 5 kΩ). By default, the jumper on the TCR is set to an input impedance of 600 Ω.



11.2.10 Sample Configuration: Synchronizing an M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20) with an M320/MRS

The example below illustrates how the M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20) is synchronized by a LANTIME M320/MRS/TC-1-1 server. The M320/MRS system is synchronized by a GPS receiver which receives its reference time via the connected GPS antenna and can continue to deliver accurate time (and, by extension, accurate timecode) over a certain period of time to the M320/TCR even in the absence of an adequate signal. The length of this time is dependent on the integrated oscillator.

The diagram below illustrates a setup in which the LANTIME M320/MRS/TC-1-1/AD10 serves as the timecode generator, outputting both DCLS and AM timecode via the BNC outputs, as well as the M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20) as the timecode reader.



LANTIME M320/MRS		M320/TCR/(LNE)/AD10(-DC20)
TC DCLS Out	→	TC DCLS In
TC AM Out	→	TC AM In

The configuration of the timecode sent by the generator must match that expected by the timecode reader. The direct wired connections between the timecode outputs and timecode inputs must also be established between the correct connectors.

Configuring the Output Timecode

Once the timecode input of the receiver has been connected to the timecode output of the generator, the configuration for the correct timecode format can be performed via the section “Clock” in the Web Interface. First, open the Web Interface of the time server acting as the timecode generator in this scenario (M320/MRS/TC-1-1), then navigate to the menu option “Clock” → “State & Configuration” → “IRIG Settings”. In the example below, the IRIG output is set to “B003+B123”. This option impacts both signal types: B003 is delivered via the DCLS timecode output, while B123 is delivered via the AM timecode output.

State & Configuration

GPS Clock [CLK1 - Sync to GPS]:

MRS State

MRS Settings

IRIG Settings

Serial Ports

Programmable Pulses

Synthesizer

Time Zone

Enable Outputs

Miscellaneous

Initialize Receiver

Input Timecode

B122/B123

UTC Offset

+ -

00

Hours

00

Minutes

UTC offset not required when using IEEE codes.

Utilize TFOM

Disabled

Max. TFOM (acceptable)

0

Output Timecode

B003+B123

Time Scale

UTC

Utilize TFOM

Disabled

Max. TFOM (if not sync)

0

B003+B123

B002+B122

B003+B123

AFNOR NF S87-500

IEEE 1344

B006+B126

B007+B127

IEEE C37.118

Configuring the Input Timecode

The second step is to open the Web Interface of the timecode reader (in this case the M320/TCR); once again, navigate to the menu option “Clock” → “State & Configuration” → “IRIG Settings”. Once on this page, you should select the option to match, in this case “B122/B123”. The selected option in this example establishes that the timecode reader will synchronize to an AM IRIG timecode signal. The selection of the input signal determines whether the system is to be synchronized by a signal input via the AM timecode input connector or via the DCLS timecode input connector.

▼ State & Configuration

TCR Clock [CLK1 - Sync to TCR]:		MRS State	MRS Settings	IRIG Settings	Serial Ports
		Programmable Pulses	Synthesizer	Time Zone	
		Enable Outputs	Miscellaneous	Initialize Receiver	

Input Timecode	
<div>B122/B123</div>	
UTC Offset	
<div>+ -</div>	<div>00 -</div> Hours <div>00 -</div> Minutes
UTC offset not required when using IEEE codes.	
Utilize TFOM	Max. TFOM (acceptable)
<div>Disabled</div>	<div>0</div>

11.3 Time String Formats

11.3.1 Meinberg Standard Time String

The Meinberg Standard time string is a sequence of 32 ASCII characters, starting with the character <STX> (Start of Text, ASCII code 02h) and terminated with the character <ETX> (End of Text, ASCII code 03h). The format is as follows:

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<STX>D:dd.mm.yy;T:w;U:hh.mm.ss;uvxy<ETX>
```

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<STX>	Start of Text, ASCII code 02h sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second		
dd.mm.yy	The date:		
dd	Day of the month	(01–31)	
mm	Month	(01–12)	
yy	Year of the	(00–99)	Century
w	The day of the week		(1–7, 1 = Monday)
hh.mm.ss	The time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)	
uv	Clock status characters (depending on clock type):		
u:	"#"	GPS: Clock is in free-run mode (no exact synchronization)	
		PZF: Time frame not synchronized	
		DCF77: Clock has not synchronized since last reset	
	" "	(Space, 20h)	
		GPS: Clock is synchronized (base accuracy is reached)	
		PZF: Time pattern synchronized	
		DCF77: Clock has synchronized since last reset	
v:	"*"	GPS: Receiver has not yet verified its position	
		PZF/DCF77: Clock currently in free-run mode	
	" "	(Space, 20h)	
		GPS: Receiver has determined its position	
		PZF/DCF77: Clock is synchronized with transmitter	
x	Time zone indicator:		
	"U"	UTC	Universal Time Coordinated, formerly GMT
	" "	CET	European Standard Time, Daylight Saving Time active
	"S"	(CEST) Central European Summer Time, Daylight Saving Time inactive	
y	Announcement of clock jump during last hour before jump enters effect:		
	"!"	Announcement of start or end of Daylight Saving Time	
	'A'	Announcement of leap second insertion	
	" "	(Space, 20h) nothing announced	
<ETX>	End of Text, ASCII code 03h		

11.3.2 Meinberg GPS Time String

The Meinberg GPS time string is a sequence of 36 ASCII characters, starting with the <STX> (Start of Text) character and ending with the <ETX> (End of Text) character. Unlike the Meinberg Standard time string, it does not contain UTC time or time adjusted to any local time zone. Instead, it contains GPS time without the UTC adjustments. The format is as follows:

```
<STX>D:dd.mm.yy;T:w;U:hh.mm.ss;uvGy;lll<ETX>
```

The letters printed in *italics* are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<STX>	Start of Text, ASCII code 02h		
dd.mm.yy	The date:		
dd	Day of the month	(01–31)	
mm	Month	(01–12)	
yy	Year of the	(00–99)	
	Century		
w	The day of the week	(1–7, 1 = Monday)	
hh.mm.ss	The time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 while leap second)	
uv	Clock status characters:		
u:	"#"	Clock is in free-run mode (no exact synchronization)	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h)	
		Clock is synchronized (base accuracy is achieved)	
	v:	"*"	Receiver has not yet verified its position
		" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h)
			Receiver has determined its position
G	Time zone identifier "GPS Time"		
y	Announcement of clock jump during last hour before discontinuity comes into effect:		
	"A"	Announcement of leap second insertion	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h) nothing announced	
lll	Number of leap seconds between GPS time and UTC (UTC = GPS time + number of leap seconds)		
<ETX>	End of Text, ASCII code 03h		

11.3.3 Meinberg Capture Time String

The Meinberg Capture time string is a sequence of 31 ASCII characters, terminated with the sequence <CR> (Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh) and <LF> (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah). The format is as follows:

CHx<SP>dd.mm.yy_hh:mm:ss.fffffff<CR><LF>

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<i>x</i>	0 or 1, number of input
<i><SP></i>	Space (ASCII code 20h)
<i>dd.mm.yy</i>	Capture date:
<i>dd</i>	Day of the month (01–31)
<i>mm</i>	Month (01–12)
<i>yy</i>	Year without century (00–99)
<i>hh:mm:ss.fffffff</i>	Capture Time:
<i>hh</i>	Hours (00–23)
<i>mm</i>	Minutes (00–59)
<i>ss</i>	Seconds (00–59, or 60 during leap second)
<i>fffffff</i>	Fractions of second, 7 digits
<i><CR></i>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh
<i><LF></i>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah

11.3.4 ATIS Time String

The ATIS standard Time String is a sequence of 23 ASCII characters terminated with a <CR> (Carriage Return) character. The standard interface configuration for this string type is 2400 Baud, 7E1. The format is as follows:

<GID><ABS><TSQ><CC><CS><ST>*yymmddhhmmsswcc*<GID><CR>

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters are as defined below:

<GID>	Address of the Receiver, ASCII code 7Fh
<ABS>	Originator of Message, '0', ASCII code 30h
<TSQ>	Telegram Number, '0', ASCII code 30h
<CC>	Command Code 'S' (for 'SET'), ASCII code 53h
<CS>	Command Code 'A' (for 'ALL'), ASCII code 41h
<ST>	Time Status 'C' (for valid time), ASCII code 43h
<i>yymmdd</i>	The current date: <i>yy</i> Year of the Century (00–99) <i>mm</i> Month (01–12) <i>dd</i> Day of month (01–31)
<i>hhmmss</i>	the current time: <i>hh</i> hours (00–23) <i>mm</i> minutes (00–59) <i>ss</i> seconds (00–59, or 60 during leap second)
<i>w</i>	Day of the Week (1–7, 1 = 31h = Monday)
<i>cc</i>	Checksum in hexadecimal, generated from all characters including GID, ABS, TSQ, CC, ST, etc.
<CR>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh

11.3.5 SAT Time String

The SAT time string is a sequence of 29 ASCII characters, starting with the character <STX> (Start of Text, ASCII code 02h) and terminated with the character <ETX> (End of Text, ASCII code 03h). The format is as follows:

<STX>*dd.mm.yy*/w/*hh:mm:ssxxxxuv*<ETX>

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<STX>	Start of Text, ASCII code 02h sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second		
dd.mm.yy	The date:		
dd	Day of the month	(01–31)	
mm	Month	(01–12)	
yy	Year without century	(00–99)	
w	The day of the week (1 = Monday)		
hh:mm:ss	The current time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)	
xxxx	Time zone identifier:		
	"UTC"	Universal Time Coordinated, formerly GMT	
	"CET"	European Standard Time, daylight saving disabled	
	"CEST"	Central European Summer Time, Daylight Saving Time active	
u	Clock status characters:		
	"#"	Clock has not synchronized since last reset	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h) Clock has synchronized since last reset	
v	Announcement for time jump during last hour before event:		
	"!"	Announcement of start or end of Daylight Saving Time	
	" "(Space, ASCII code 20h)	nothing announced	
<CR>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh		
<LF>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah		
<ETX>	End of Text, ASCII code 03h		

11.3.6 Uni Erlangen Time String (NTP)

The Uni Erlangen time string (NTP) is a sequence of 66 ASCII characters, starting with the character <STX> (Start of Text, ASCII code 02h) and terminated with the character <ETX> (End of Text, ASCII code 03h). The format is as follows:

```
<STX>dd.mm.yy; w; hh:mm:ss; voo:oo; acdfg i;bbb.bbbbn lll.lllle hhhhm<ETX>
```

The letters printed in *italics* are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<STX>	Start of Text, ASCII code 02h sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second		
dd.mm.yy	The date:		
dd	Day of the month	(01–31)	
mm	Month	(01–12)	
yy	Year (without century)	(00–99)	
w	The day of the week		(1–7, 1 = Monday)
hh.mm.ss	The time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)	
v	Positive/negative sign for offset of local time zone relative to UTC		
oo:oo	Offset of local time zone relative to UTC in hours and minutes		
ac	Clock status:		
a:	"#"	Clock has not synchronized since reset	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h) Clock has synchronized since reset	
c:	"*"	GPS receiver has not verified its position	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h) GPS receiver has determined its position	
d	Time zone identifier:		
	"S"	CEST	Central European Summer Time
	" "	CET	Central European Time
f	Announcement of clock jump during last hour before discontinuity comes into effect:		
	"I"	Announcement of start or end of Daylight Saving Time	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h) nothing announced	
g	Announcement of clock jump during last hour before discontinuity comes into effect:		
	"A"	Announcement of leap second	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h) nothing announced	
i	Leap second		
	"L"	Leap second is currently to be inserted (only active in 60th second)	
	" "	(Space, ASCII code 20h) No leap second announced	
bbb.bbbb	Geographical latitude of the receiver position in degrees Leading zeroes are padded with spaces (ASCII code 20h)		

n	Geographical hemisphere, possible characters are: "N" North of Equator "S" South of Equator
lll, llll	Geographical longitude of the receiver position in degrees Leading zeroes are padded with spaces (ASCII code 20h)
e	Prime meridian hemisphere, possible characters are: "E" East of Greenwich Meridian "W" West of Greenwich Meridian
hhhh	Altitude in meters of receiver position above WGS84 ellipsoid Leading zeroes are padded with spaces (ASCII code 20h)
<ETX>	End of Text, ASCII code 03h

11.3.7 NMEA 0183 String (RMC)

The NMEA 0183 RMC time string is a sequence of 65 ASCII characters, starting with the string "\$GPRMC" and terminated with the sequence <CR> (Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh) und <LF> (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah). The format is as follows:

```
$GPRMC, hhmmss.ss, A, bbbb.bb, n, lllll.ll, e, 0.0, 0.0, ddmmyy, 0.0, a*hh<CR><LF>
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The letters printed in *italics* are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

\$	Start character, ASCII code 24h sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second
GP	Device ID, in this case "GP" for GPS
RMC	Message type ID, in this case "RMC"
hhmmss.ss	The current time: hh Hours (00–23) mm Minutes (00–59) ss Seconds (00–59, or 60 during leap second) ff Fractional seconds (1/10 ; 1/100)
A	Status (A = Time data valid, V = Time data not valid)
bbbb.bb	Geographical latitude of the receiver position in degrees Leading zeroes are padded with spaces (ASCII code 20h)
n	Geographical hemisphere, possible characters are: "N" North of Equator "S" South of Equator
lllll.ll	Geographical longitude of the receiver position in degrees Leading zeroes are padded with spaces (ASCII code 20h)
e	Prime meridian hemisphere, possible characters are: "E" East of Greenwich Meridian "W" West of Greenwich Meridian
0.0, 0.0	Speed over the ground in knots and track angle in degrees. With a Meinberg GPS clock, these values are always 0.0, with GNS clocks, the values are calculated by the receiver for mobile applications.
ddmmyy	Current Date: dd Day of the month (01–31) mm Month (01–12) YY Year of Century (00–99)
a	Magnetic variation E/W
hh	Checksum (XOR sum of all characters except "\$" and "*")
<CR>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh
<LF>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah

11.3.8 NMEA 0183 Time String (GGA)

The NMEA 0183 GGA string is a sequence of characters starting with the string "\$GPGGA" and ending with the characters <CR> (Carriage Return) and <LF> (Line Feed). The format is as follows:

```
$GPGGA, hhmmss.ff, bbbb.bbbbbb, n, lllll.ll, e, A, vv, hhh.h, aaa.a, M,  
ggg.g, M, , 0*cs<CR><LF>
```

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

\$	Start character, ASCII code 24h sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second
GP	Device ID, in this case "GP" for GPS
GGA	Message type ID, in this case "GGA"
hhmmss.ss	The current time: <i>hh</i> Hours (00–23) <i>mm</i> Minutes (00–59) <i>ss</i> Seconds (00–59, or 60 while leap second) <i>ff</i> Fractional seconds (1/10 ; 1/100)
bbbb.bbbbbb	Geographical latitude of receiver position in degrees Leading zeroes are padded with spaces (ASCII code 20h)
n	Geographical hemisphere, possible characters are: "N" North of Equator "S" South of Equator
lllll.lllll	Geographical longitude of the receiver position in degrees Leading zeroes are padded with spaces (ASCII code 20h)
e	Prime meridian hemisphere, possible characters are: "E" East of Greenwich Meridian "W" West of Greenwich Meridian
A	Position determined (1 = yes, 0 = no)
vv	Number of satellites used (0–12)
hhh.h	HDOP (Horizontal Dilution of Precision)
aaa.h	Mean Sea Level Altitude (MSL Altitude = WGS84 Altitude – Geoid Separation)
M	Meters (unit as fixed value)
ggg.g	Geoid Separation (WGS84 Altitude – MSL Altitude)
M	Meters (unit as fixed value)
cs	Checksum (XOR sum of all characters except "\$" and "*")
<CR>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh
<LF>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah

11.3.9 NMEA 0183 Time String (ZDA)

The NMEA 0183 ZDA time string is a sequence of 38 ASCII characters starting with the string "\$GPZDA" and ending with the characters <CR> (Carriage Return) and <LF> (Line Feed). The format is:

*\$GPZDA, hhmmss.ss, dd, mm, yyyy, HH, II *cs<CR><LF>*

ZDA - Time and Date: UTC, day, month, year, and local time zone.

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters are as defined below:

\$	Start character, ASCII code 24h sent with one-bit accuracy at change of second		
hhmmss.ss	UTC time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)	
HH, II	The local time zone (offset to UTC):		
HH	Hours	(00–±13)	
II	Minutes	(00–59)	
dd, mm, yy	The date:		
dd	Day of Month	(01–31)	
mm	Month	(01–12)	
yyyy	Year	(0000–9999)	
cs	Checksum (XOR of all characters except "\$" and "*")		
<CR>	Carriage Return (ASCII code 0Dh)		
<LF>	Line Feed (ASCII code 0Ah)		

11.3.10 ABB SPA Time String

The ABB SPA string is a sequence of 32 ASCII characters, starting with the string ">900WD:" and terminated with the character <CR> (Carriage Return). The format is as follows:

>900WD:yy-mm-dd[[lt]SP>hh.mm;ss.fff:cc<CR>

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII numbers whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

yy-mm-dd	Current Date:
yy	Year without century (00–99)
mm	Month (01–12)
dd	Day of the month (01–31)
<SP>	Space (ASCII code 20h)
hh.mm;ss.fff	Current Time:
hh	Hours (00–23)
mm	Minutes (00–59)
ss	Seconds (00–59, or 60 during leap second)
fff	Milliseconds (000–999)
cc	Checksum. This is calculated as the XOR sum of the preceding characters. The resultant 8-bit value is reported as a hex value in the form of two ASCII characters (0–9 or A–F)
<CR>	Carriage Return (ASCII code 0Dh)

11.3.11 Computime Time String

The Computime time string is a sequence of 24 ASCII characters, starting with the character **T** and terminated with the character **<LF>** (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah). The format is as follows:

`T:yy:mm:dd:ww:hh:mm:ss<CR><LF>`

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII numbers whereas the other characters are unalterable parts of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

T	Start character Sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second
<i>yy:mm:dd</i>	The current date: yy Year without century (00–99) mm Month (01–12) dd Day of the month (01–31) ww Day of the week (01–07, 01 = Monday)
<i>hh:mm:ss</i>	The current time: hh Hours (00–23) mm Minutes (00–59) ss Seconds (00–59, or 60 during leap second)
<CR>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh
<LF>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah

11.3.12 RACAL Time String

The RACAL time string is a sequence of 16 ASCII characters started by a X character and terminated by the <CR> (Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh) character. The format is as follows:

XGUyymmddhhmmss<CR>

The letters printed in *italics* are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters are as defined below:

X	Start character (ASCII code 58h) Sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second		
G	Control character (ASCII code 47h)		
U	Control character (ASCII code 55h)		
yymmdd	Current date:		
yy	Year of Century	(00–99)	
mm	Month	(01–12)	
dd	Day of Month	(01–31)	
hh:mm:ss	Current time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)	
<CR>	Carriage Return (ASCII code 0Dh)		

11.3.13 SYSPLEX-1 Time String

The SYSPLEX 1 time string is a sequence of 16 ASCII characters, starting with the character <SOH> (Start of Header, ASCII code 01h) and terminated with the character <LF> (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah).



Important!

To ensure that the time string can be correctly output and displayed through your terminal software of choice, a "C" must be sent (once, without quotes).

The format is as follows:

<SOH>*ddd:hh:mm:ss*q<CR><LF>

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII numbers whereas the other characters are unalterable parts of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<SOH>	Start of Header (ASCII code 01h) sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second		
ddd	Day of the Year		(001–366)
hh:mm:ss	The current time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)	
q	Clock Status:	Space (ASCII code 20h)	Time Sync (GPS Lock)
		"?" (ASCII code 3Fh)	No Time Sync (GPS Fail)
<CR>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh		
<LF>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah		

11.3.14 ION Time String

The ION time string is a sequence of 16 ASCII characters, starting with the character <SOH> (Start of Header, ASCII code 01h) and terminated with the character <LF> (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah). The format is as follows:

<SOH>*ddd:hh:mm:ssq*<CR><LF>

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<SOH>	Start of Header (ASCII code 01h) sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second		
ddd	Day of Year	(001–366)	
hh:mm:ss	Current time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 while leap second)	
q	Quality Indicator	Space (ASCII code 20h) “?” (ASCII code 3Fh)	Time Sync (GPS Lock) No Time Sync (GPS Fail)
<CR>	Carriage Return (ASCII code 0Dh)		
<LF>	Line Feed (ASCII code 0Ah)		

11.3.15 ION Blanked Time String

The ION time string is a sequence of 16 ASCII characters, starting with the character <SOH> (Start of Header, ASCII code 01h) and terminated with the character <LF> (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah). The format is as follows:

<SOH>*ttt:hh:mm:ss*q<CR><LF>



Important!

The blanking interval lasts for 2 minutes and 30 seconds and is inserted every five minutes.

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII numbers whereas the other characters are unalterable parts of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<SOH>	Start of Header (ASCII code 01h) sent with one-bit accuracy at the change of each second		
ddd	Day of the year	(001–366)	
hh:mm:ss	The current time:		
hh	Hours	(00–23)	
mm	Minutes	(00–59)	
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)	
q	Clock Status:	Space (ASCII code 20h)	Time Sync (GPS Lock)
		“?” (ASCII code 3Fh)	No Time Sync (GPS Fail)
<CR>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh		
<LF>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah		

11.3.16 IRIG-J Timecode

The IRIG-J timecode consists of a string of ASCII characters sent in “701” format, i.e.,:

- 1 start bit
- 7 data bits
- 1 parity bit (odd)
- 1 stop bit

The start of the second is marked by the leading edge of the start bit of the string. The string is 15 characters long and is sent once a second at a baud rate of 300 or greater. The format is as follows:

`<SOH>DDD:HH:MM:SS<CR><LF>`

The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII numbers whereas the other characters are unalterable elements of the string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<code><SOH></code>	Start of Header (ASCII code 01h)
<code>DDD</code>	Day of the year (ordinal date, 1–366)
<code>HH, MM, SS</code>	Time of the start bit in hours (<i>HH</i>), minutes (<i>MM</i>), seconds (<i>SS</i>)
<code><CR></code>	Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh
<code><LF></code>	Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah

11.3.17 6021 Time String

The 6021 time string is a sequence of 18 ASCII characters starting with the <STX> (Start of Text, ASCII code 02h) ASCII control character and terminated with the sequence <LF> (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah), <CR> (Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh), <ETX> (End of Text, ASCII code 03h).

It is broadly identical to the → “[Freelance Time String](#)”, but with a different order to the termination sequence.

The format is as follows:

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<STX>C9

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The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII numbers whereas the other characters are part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<STX> Start of Text, ASCII code 02h

C Clock status. This is represented as an ASCII nibble*, whereby each bit in the binary sequence has the following meaning:

Bit 0 (LSB)	Leap second announced (1) / not announced (0)
Bit 1	Leap second active (1) / not active (0)
Bit 2	Real-time clock time valid (1) / invalid (0)
Bit 3 (MSB)	Clock is synchronized (1) / not synchronized (0)

Example: If the clock outputs C (ASCII code 0x43h) at this position, this corresponds to a binary value of *1100*, indicating that the RTC time is valid and the clock is synchronized, and that no leap second has been announced, nor is one in effect.

9 UTC status of clock and day of the week. This is represented as an ASCII nibble*, whereby the three least significant bits represent the day of the week and may be any value between 1 and 7 (corresponding to Monday to Sunday). The most significant bit represents the UTC state and will be 1 if set to UTC and 0 if it is a local time zone. Thus, if the clock is outputting local (non-UTC) time, this will be in a range of 1–7, whereas if the clock is outputting UTC time, this value will be in a range of 9–F.

Example: If the clock outputs 9 (ASCII code 0x39h) at this position, this corresponds to a binary value of *1001*. The most significant bit of *1* here indicates that the clock is running on UTC time, while the 3-bit value represented by the least significant bits *001* indicates that the day is Monday.

hhmmss Current time:

hh	Hours	(00–23)
mm	Minutes	(00–59)
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)

ddmmyy Current date:

dd	Day	(01–31)
mm	Month	(01–12)
yy	Last two digits of year	(00–99)

<LF>	Line Feed (ASCII code 0Ah)
<CR>	Carriage Return (ASCII code 0Dh)
<ETX>	End of Text (ASCII code 03h)

* With ASCII nibbles, the actual ASCII character itself (0–9, A–F, ASCII codes *0x30h–0x39h* and *0x41h–0x46h*) represents the hexadecimal equivalent of a 4-bit binary sequence. For example, if the clock outputs “A” at these positions, this is equivalent to a binary sequence of *0x1010b*. Please note that it is not the binary equivalent of the ASCII code (*0x41h*) itself.

11.3.18 Freelance Time String

The Freelance time string is a sequence of 18 ASCII characters starting with the <STX> (Start of Text, ASCII code 02h) ASCII control character and terminated with the sequence <CR> (Carriage Return, ASCII code 0Dh), <LF> (Line Feed, ASCII code 0Ah), <ETX> (End of Text, ASCII code 03h).

It is broadly identical to the → “6021 Time String”, but with a different order to the termination sequence.

The format is as follows:

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<STX>C9hhmmssddmmyy<CR><LF><ETX>
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The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII numbers whereas the other characters are part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

<STX> Start of Text, ASCII code 02h

C Clock status. This is represented as an ASCII nibble*, whereby each bit in the binary sequence has the following meaning:

Bit 0 (LSB)	Leap second announced (1) / not announced (0)
Bit 1	Leap second active (1) / not active (0)
Bit 2	Real-time clock time valid (1) / invalid (0)
Bit 3 (MSB)	Clock is synchronized (1) / not synchronized (0)

Example: If the clock outputs C (ASCII code 0x43h) at this position, this corresponds to a binary value of *1100*, indicating that the RTC time is valid and the clock is synchronized, and that no leap second has been announced, nor is one in effect.

9 UTC status of clock and day of the week. This is represented as an ASCII nibble*, whereby the three least significant bits represent the day of the week and may be any value between 1 and 7 (corresponding to Monday to Sunday). The most significant bit represents the UTC state and will be 1 if set to UTC and 0 if it is a local time zone. Thus, if the clock is outputting local (non-UTC) time, this will be in a range of 1–7, whereas if the clock is outputting UTC time, this value will be in a range of 9–F.

Example: If the clock outputs 9 (ASCII code 0x39h) at this position, this corresponds to a binary value of *1001*. The most significant bit of *1* here indicates that the clock is running on UTC time, while the 3-bit value represented by the least significant bits *001* indicates that the day is Monday.

hhmmss Current time:

hh	Hours	(00–23)
mm	Minutes	(00–59)
ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 during leap second)

ddmmyy Current date:

dd	Day	(01–31)
mm	Month	(01–12)
yy	Last two digits of year	(00–99)

<CR>	Carriage Return (ASCII code 0Dh)
<LF>	Line Feed (ASCII code 0Ah)
<ETX>	End of Text (ASCII code 03h)

* With ASCII nibbles, the actual ASCII character itself (0–9, A–F, ASCII codes *0x30h–0x39h* and *0x41h–0x46h*) represents the hexadecimal equivalent of a 4-bit binary sequence. For example, if the clock outputs “A” at these positions, this is equivalent to a binary sequence of *0x1010b*. Please note that it is not the binary equivalent of the ASCII code (*0x41h*) itself.

11.3.19 ITU-G8271-Y.1366 Time-of-Day Message

The ITU-G8271-Y.1366 standard stipulates the transmission of this time message at 9600 Baud with framing of 8N1. The message data should be sent no sooner than 1 ms after the rising edge of the PPS signal and transmission must be completed within 500 ms. The message should be sent once a second and mark the rising edge of the PPS.

The ITU-G8271-Y.1366 time message itself output by Meinberg clocks is always a sequence of 21 bytes. While the standard briefly references the use of two ASCII characters for the first two characters, it should be noted that this message is not an ASCII string in the typical sense. Multi-octet values are transmitted as big-endian values, while each byte is transmitted with the least-significant bit **first**. Accordingly, while the first two characters are deemed to represent the ASCII characters "C" (ASCII code 0x43h, binary 00101011) and "M" (ASCII code 0x4Dh, binary 01001101) respectively, these are transmitted as 11010100 and 10110010.

The standard byte sequence (least significant bit first in each byte) is as defined below:

Byte No.	Meaning																
0–1	Always 0x43h followed by 0x4Dh. These are Sync Characters 1 & 2 respectively and are used as a delimiter between messages.																
2	The message class. This will always carry a value of 0x01h.																
3	The message ID. In the time-of-day messages provided by Meinberg clocks this will always be 0x01h.																
4–5	The payload length, expressed as an unsigned 16-bit integer, not including the sync characters, message class, message ID, or checksum. In the time-of-day messages provided by Meinberg clocks this will always be 0x0Eh.																
6–11	PTP time, or the number of seconds in the TAI timescale. This is expressed as an unsigned 48-bit integer.																
12	This byte is reserved for future use and is set to 0x00h.																
13	Contains a number of time status flags: <table data-bbox="438 1377 1220 1646"> <tr> <td>Bit 0:</td><td>Positive leap second pending</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 1:</td><td>Negative leap second pending</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 2:</td><td>UTC offset valid</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 3:</td><td>Reserved</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 4:</td><td>Time is traceable to a primary frequency standard</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 5:</td><td>Frequency is traceable to a primary frequency standard</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 6:</td><td>Reserved</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bit 7:</td><td>Reserved</td></tr> </table>	Bit 0:	Positive leap second pending	Bit 1:	Negative leap second pending	Bit 2:	UTC offset valid	Bit 3:	Reserved	Bit 4:	Time is traceable to a primary frequency standard	Bit 5:	Frequency is traceable to a primary frequency standard	Bit 6:	Reserved	Bit 7:	Reserved
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Bit 2:	UTC offset valid																
Bit 3:	Reserved																
Bit 4:	Time is traceable to a primary frequency standard																
Bit 5:	Frequency is traceable to a primary frequency standard																
Bit 6:	Reserved																
Bit 7:	Reserved																
14–15	Current offset between TAI and UTC in seconds, expressed as an unsigned 32-bit integer.																
16–19	This byte is reserved for future use and is set to 0x00h.																
20	An 8-bit cyclic redundancy check value calculated on the basis of bytes 2–19.																

11.3.20 CISCO ASCII Time String

The CISCO ASCII time string is a sequence of at least 73 ASCII characters. The format is as follows:

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*.A.mjdxx,yy/mm/dd,hh:mm:ss,+3600.0,12N34.567,123W45.678,+1234,
EV<SP>GPS<SP>FLT
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The letters printed in italics are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

*	Sync state of clock: *: Clock is synchronized to reference !: Clock is not synchronized
A	The format revision. With Meinberg clocks, this will always be 'A'.
mjdxx	The current date in Modified Julian Date format.
yy/mm/dd	The current date in Gregorian <i>yy/mm/dd</i> format.
hh:mm:ss	The current time in 24-hour format.
+3600	The current local time offset in seconds. If the clock is outputting UTC time, this will be 00000.0. If the clock is outputting local time, however, the first character will be the sign (– or +) and the subsequent digits up to the period character are the offset. For example, if CET is set as the time zone, this will show +3600.
0	Indicator of a pending leap second.
12N34.567	The current latitude of the GNSS receiver. If the time reference is not a GNSS receiver, this will show 00 00.000.
123W45.678	The current longitude of the GNSS receiver. If the time reference is not a GNSS receiver, this will show 000 00.000
+1234	The current altitude above sea level of the GNSS receiver. If the time reference is not a GNSS receiver, this will show +0000.
EV	Indicates the level of any current alarm state of the clock: EV: Non-error event MN: Minor error MJ: Major error CL: Critical error
GPS	Indicates the source of the current error (e.g., 'GPS' for GPS receiver).
FLT	Indicates the cause of the current error (e.g., 'FLT' for hardware fault).

11.3.21 NTP Type 4 Time String

The NTP Type 4 time string is a sequence of 24 ASCII characters. The format is as follows:

?<SP>yy<SP>ddd<SP>hh:mm:ss.SSSL<SP>S

The letters printed in *italics* are replaced by ASCII-formatted numbers, whereas the other characters are directly part of the time string. The groups of characters as defined below:

?	Sync state of clock:		
	Space:	Clock is synchronized to reference	
	'?':	Clock is not synchronized	
yy	Year of the century		(00–99)
ddd	Day of the year		(001–366)
hh:mm:ss.SSS	Current time:		
	hh	Hours	(00–23)
	mm	Minutes	(00–59)
	ss	Seconds	(00–59, or 60 while leap second)
	SSS	Milliseconds	(000–999)
L	Leap second announcement:		
	Space:	No leap second announcement	
	'L':	Leap second pending	
S	Daylight Savings Time indicator:		
	'S':	Standard Time (wintertime)	
	'D':	Daylight Savings Time (summertime)	

12 RoHS Conformity

Conformity with EU Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS)

We hereby declare that this product is compliant with the European Union Directive 2011/65/EU and its delegated directive 2015/863/EU "Restrictions of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment" and that no impermissible substances are present in our products pursuant to these Directives.

We warrant that our electrical and electronic products sold in the EU do not contain lead, cadmium, mercury, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyls (PBBs), polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalat (DEHP), benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP), or diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP) above the legal limits.



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	M320/TCR/LNE/AD10-AD10
	M320/TCR/LNE/AD10-DC20
	M320/TCR/LNE/DC20
	M320/TCR/LNE/DC20-DC20
	M320/TCR/2LNE/AD10
	M320/TCR/2LNE/AD10-AD10
	M320/TCR/2LNE/AD10-DC20
	M320/TCR/2LNE/DC20
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Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016 (as amended) <i>SI 2016/1101</i>	EN IEC 62368-1:2020/A11:2020
The Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2012 (as amended) <i>SI 2012/3032</i>	EN IEC 63000:2018

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	M320/TCR/LNE/AD10-AD10
	M320/TCR/LNE/AD10-DC20
	M320/TCR/LNE/DC20
	M320/TCR/LNE/DC20-DC20
	M320/TCR/2LNE/AD10
	M320/TCR/2LNE/AD10-AD10
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