

TCF-142 Series

RS-232/422/485 to Fiber Converters



Features

- “Ring” or “Point to Point” transmission
- Extends RS-232/422/485 transmission distance:
 - Up to 20 km with Single mode—TCF-142-S
 - Up to 2 km with Multi mode—TCF-142-M
- Converts RS-232/422/485 signal:
 - To ST Single-mode fiber with TCF-142-S
 - To ST Multi-mode fiber with TCF-142-M
- Compact size
- Decreases signal interference
- Protects against electronic degradation/chemical corrosion
- Supports baudrate up to 921.6 Kbps
- Extended operating temperature from -40 to 75°C



Introduction

The TCF-142 Series converter is equipped with a multiple interface circuit that can handle RS-232, or RS-422/485 serial interfaces and multi-mode or single-mode fiber. TCF-142 converters are used to extend serial transmission distance up

to 2 km (TCF-142-M multi-mode fiber) or up to 20 km (TCF-142-S single-mode fiber). Note that the RS-232 and RS-422/485 interfaces cannot be used on a single TCF-142 at the same time to convert to fiber.

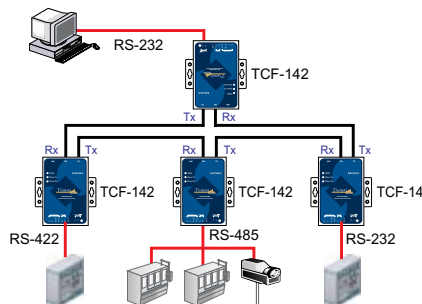
Auto Baudrate Detection

TCF-142 Series incorporates a method for automatically detecting the serial signal baudrate by hardware. This is an extremely convenient feature for the user. Even if a device's

baudrate is changed, the signal will still be transmitted through the RS-232 or RS-422/485 to fiber converter without any problem.

Ring Operation

To allow one serial device to communicate with multiple devices connected to a fiber ring, you can configure TCF-142 for “ring mode” by setting DIP switch “SW4” to the “On” position. The Tx port of a particular TCF-142 unit connects to the neighboring converter's Rx port to form the ring. Note that when one node transmits a signal, the signal travels around the ring until it returns back to the transmitting unit, which then blocks the signal. Users should ensure that the total fiber ring length is less than 100 km.



Ordering Information

- TCF-142-M:** RS-232/422/485 to Multi-mode Fiber Optical Converter, fiber ring
- TCF-142-S:** RS-232/422/485 to Single-mode Fiber Optical Converter, fiber ring
- TCF-142-M-T:** RS-232/422/485 to Multi-mode Fiber Optical Converter, fiber ring, -40 to 75°C
- TCF-142-S-T:** RS-232/422/485 to Single-mode Fiber Optical Converter, fiber ring, -40 to 75°C

All items include

- TCF-142 Series Converter and User's Manual

Optional Accessories

- DK35A:** DIN-Rail Mounting Kit (35 mm)

Automatic Data Direction Control (ADDCTM)

ADDCTM is a leading MOXA technology that uses a clever hardware solution to take care of the RS-485 data direction control problem. The TCF-142 Series converter

uses embedded ADDCTM technology, a hardware data flow solution, to sense and control data direction automatically, making the hand shaking signal method unnecessary.

Dimensions

The technical drawing shows the MOXA TCF-142-M converter from three perspectives: a side view, a front view, and a top view. Dimensions are provided in millimeters and inches. The side view shows a height of 100.4 mm (3.95 in) and a width of 42.3 mm (1.67 in). The front view shows a width of 78 mm (3.07 in) and a height of 67 mm (2.64 in). The top view shows a width of 90.2 mm (3.55 in) and a height of 22.0 mm (0.87 in). A table on the right lists DIP switch settings for serial connections, built-in terminators, and fiber modes.

DIP Switch Setting		
Serial Connection	SW1	SW2
RS-232	ON	OFF
RS-422	OFF	OFF
RS-485 4 wire	OFF	OFF
RS-485 2 wire	OFF	ON

Built-in 120 Terminator	
SW3	
Enable	ON
Disable	OFF

Fiber mode	
SW4	
Ring mode	ON
Point to Point mode	OFF

Specifications

Serial Communications

- RS-232 Signals:** Tx, Rx, GND
- RS-422 Signals:** TxD+, TxD-, RxD+, RxD-, GND
- 4-wire RS-485 Signals:** TxD+, TxD-, RxD+, RxD-, GND
- 2-wire RS-485 Signals:** Data+, Data-, GND
- Baudrate:** 300 bps to 921.6 Kbps
- Surge Protection:** 15 KV ESD

Fiber Communication

- Connector Type:** ST
- Distance:**
 - TCF-142-S: Single mode fiber for 20 km
 - TCF-142-M: Multi mode fiber for 2 km
- Support Cable:**
 - TCF-142-S: 8.3/125, 8.7/125, 9/125 or 10/125 μm
 - TCF-142-M: 50/125, 62.5/125, or 100/140 μm
- Wavelength:**
 - TCF-142-S: 1310 nm
 - TCF-142-M: 820 nm
- TX Output:**
 - TCF-142-S: -9 dBm to -6 dBm
 - TCF-142-M: -16 dBm to -7 dBm
- Rx Sensitivity:**
 - TCF-142-S: -25.4 dBm to -9.2 dBm
 - TCF-142-M: -34 dBm to -30 dBm

Point-to-Point Transmission: half or full-duplex

Ring Transmission: half duplex, fiber ring

Environmental

- Operating Temperature:**
 - 0 to 60°C (32 to 142°F)
 - 40 to 75°C (-40 to 167°F), for -T models

Storage Temperature: -40 to 85°C (-40 to 185°F)

Humidity: 5 to 95% RH

Power

- Input Power Voltage:** 12 to 48 VDC
- Power Consumption:**
 - TCF-142-S: 145 mA@12V
 - TCF-142-M: 70 mA@12V

Reverse Power Protection:

Protects against V+ and V- reverse protection

Over Current Protection:

Protects against 2 signals shorted together: 1.1A

Mechanical

Dimensions (W x D x H):

- 67 x 100 x 22 mm
- 90 x 100 x 22 mm (including ears)

Material: Aluminum (1 mm)

Regulatory Approvals

- UL/CUL:** UL60950-1
- TÜV:** EN60950-1
- FCC:** Part 15 sub Class B
- EMI:** EN55022 1998, Class B
- EMS:**
 - EN61000-4-2 (ESD), Criteria A, Level 2
 - EN61000-4-3 (RS), Criteria A, Level 2
 - EN61000-4-4 (EFT), Criteria A, Level 2
 - EN61000-4-5 (Surge), Criteria A, Level 3
 - EN61000-4-6 (CS), Criteria A, Level 2
 - EN61000-4-11(DIPS), Criteria A, Level2

Warranty: 5 years