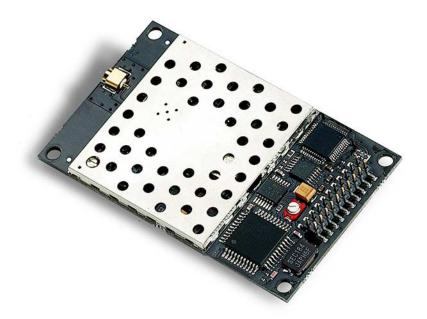


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AC4424 Features

- ✓ Simple 5V TTL level serial interface for fast integration
- ✓ Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum for security and interference rejection
- ✓ Cost Efficient for high volume applications
- ✓ Low power consumption for battery powered implementations
- ✓ Small size for portable and enclosed applications
- ✓ Very Low latency and high throughput
- ✓ Industrial temperature (-40°C to 80°C)

1. Overview

The AC4424 is a member of AeroComm's ConnexRF OEM transceiver family. It is designed for integration into OEM systems operating under FCC part 15.247 regulations for the 2.4 GHz ISM band.

The AC4424 is a cost-effective, high performance, 2.4 GHz frequency hopping spread spectrum transceiver. It provides an asynchronous TTL level serial interface for OEM Host communications. Communications include both system and configuration data. The Host supplies system data for transmission to other Host(s). Configuration data is stored in an on-board EEPROM. All frequency hopping, synchronization, and RF system data transmission/reception is performed by the transceiver.

The AC4424 transceivers can be used as a direct serial cable replacement – requiring no special Host software for operation. They also feature a number of On-the-Fly Control Commands providing the OEM Host with a very versatile interface for any situation.

AC4424 transceivers operate in a Point-to-Point or Point-to-Multipoint, Client-Server or Peerto-Peer architecture. One transceiver is configured as a Server and there can be one or many Clients. To establish synchronization between transceivers, the Server emits a beacon. Upon detecting a beacon, a Client transceiver informs its Host and a RF link is established.

There are two data rates the OEM should be aware of:

- Serial Interface Data Rate All transceivers can be configured to common PC serial port baud rates from 110 bps to 288,000 bps.
- Effective Data Transmission Rate The AC4424 is a highly efficient, low-latency transceiver. The RF baud rate of the AC4424 is fixed at 576kbps and is independent of the serial interface data rate.

This document contains information about the hardware and software interface between an AeroComm AC4424 transceiver and an OEM Host. Information includes the theory of operation, specifications, interface definition, configuration information and mechanical drawing.

The OEM is responsible for ensuring the final product meets all FCC and/or appropriate regulatory agency requirements listed herein before selling any product.

2. AC4424 Specifications

	GENERAL		
Interface	20 pin mini-connector		
Serial Interface Data Rate	PC baud rates from 110 bps to 288,000 bps		
Power Consumption (typical)	Duty Cycle (TX=Transmit; RX=Receive)		
	10%TX 50%TX 100%TX 100%RX Pwr-Down		
	AC4424-9AJ: 100mA 160mA 235mA 85mA		
	15mA AC4424-10:90mA 115mA 140mA		
	85mA 15mA		
	AC4424-100: 100mA 160mA 235mA 85mA		
	15mA		
	AC4424-200: 115mA 235mA 385mA 85mA		
	15mA		
Channels (used to create independent	US/Canada (10mW, 100mW, 200mW): 16		
networks)	Europe & Japan Low Band(100mW, 9AJ): 20		
2	Europe & Japan High Band(100mW, 9AJ): 20		
Security	One byte System ID		
Interface Buffer Size	Input/Output: 256 bytes each		
	RADIO		
Frequency Band	US/Canada (10mW, 100mW, 200mW): 2.402 – 2.478		
	GHz		
	Europe & Japan Low Band(100mW, 9AJ): 2.406 – 2.435		
	GHz Europe & Japan High Band(100mW, 9AJ): 2.444 – 2.472		
	GHz		
Radio Type	Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum		
Output Power (conducted, no antenna)	AC4424-9AJ: 9mW typical		
	AC4424-10: 10mW typical		
	AC4424-100: 50mW typical		
	AC4424-200: 200mW typical		
Effective Isotropic Radiated Power (EIRP with	AC4424-9AJ: 9mW typical (integral antenna)		
3dBi gain antenna)	AC4424-10: 20mW typical		
	AC4424-100: 100mW typical		
	AC4424-200: 400mW typical		
Voltage	5V nominal ±2%, ±50mV ripple		
Sensitivity	-90dBm typical @ 576kbps		
Range (based on 3dBi gain antenna)	AC4424-9AJ: Indoors to 150 ft., Outdoors to 1000 ft.		
	AC4424-10: Indoors to 300 ft., Outdoors to 3000 ft.		
	AC4424-100: Indoors to 400 ft., Outdoors to 6000 ft.		
AC4424-200: Indoors to 500 ft., Outdoors to 10000 ft.			
Temperature (Operating) Industrial:	-40°C to 80°C		
Temperature (Storage)	-50°C to +85°C		
Humidity (non-condensing) 10% to 90%			
Dimensions	PHYSICAL		
Dimensions	1.65" x 2.65" x 0.20"		
Antenna	AC4424-9AJ: Integra Antenna		
	AC4424-10: MMCX Jack or Integral Antenna		

	AC4424-100: MMCX Jack AC4424-200: MMCX Jack
Weight	Less than 0.7 ounce

3. Specifications

3.1 INTERFACE SIGNAL DEFINITIONS

The AC4424 has a simple interface that allows OEM Host communications with the transceiver. **Table 1 – Pin Definitions**, shows the connector pin numbers and associated functions. The I/O direction is with regard to the transceiver. All I/O is 5VDC TTL level signals except for RSSI. All inputs are weakly pulled High and may be left floating during normal operation.

Pin	Туре	Signal Name	Function	
1		NC	No Connect	
2	0	TXD	Transmitted data out of the transceiver	
3	1	RXD	Data input to the transceiver	
4		NC	No Connect	
5	GND	GND	Signal Ground	
6	0	Hop Frame	HOP FRAME – Active Low when the transceiver is hopping.	
7	0	CTS	Clear to Send – Active Low when the transceiver is ready to accept data for transmission.	
8	Ι	RTS	Request to Send – When enabled in EEPROM, active Low when the OEM Host is ready to accept data from the transceiver. NOTE: Keeping RTS High for too long can cause data loss.	
9		NC	No Connect	
10	PWR	VCC	5V ± 2%, ± 50mV ripple	
11	PWR	VCC	5V ± 2%, ±50 mV ripple	
12	1/0	9600_BAUD/ Packet Frame	 9600_BAUD - When pulled logic Low before applying power or resetting the transceiver's serial interface is forced to a 9600, 8, N, 1 rate. To exit, transceiver must be reset or power-cycled with 9600_Baud logic High. *Note: 9600_BAUD should only be used to recover the radio from an unknown baud rate and should not be used during normal operation. Packet Frame - When programmed in EEPROM, Packet Frame will transition logic Low at the start of a received RF packet and transition logic High at the completion of the packet. 	
13	0	RSSI	Received Signal Strength Indicator - An analog output giving a relative indication of received signal strength while in Receive Mode.	
14	I	WR_ENA	EEPROM Write Enable – When pulled logic Low, it allows the Host to write the on-board EEPROM. Resetting the transceiver with this pin pulled Low may corrupt EEPROM data.	
15	I	UP_RESET	RESET – Controlled by the AC4424 for power-on reset if left unconnected. After a Stable power-on (250ms) a 50us logic High pulse will reset the AC4424. Do not power up the transceiver with this pin tied Low.	
16	GND	GND	Signal Ground	
17	Ι	Command/Dat a	When logic Low, transceiver interprets Host data as command data. When logic High, transceiver interprets Host data as transmit data.	
18		NC	No Connect	

Table 1 – Pin Definitions

	19		NC	No Connect
	20	0	IN_RANGE	In Range – Active Low when a Client radio is in range of a Server on same Channel with the
L				same System ID.

I = Input to the transceiver 0 = Outp

O = Output from the transceiver

3.2 ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Pin	Туре	Name	High Min.	High Max.	Low Min.	Low Max.	Unit
3	I	RXD	0.2Vcc+0.9	Vcc+0.5	-0.5	0.2Vcc- 0.1	V
8	I	RTS	0.2Vcc+0.9	Vcc+0.5	-0.5	0.2Vcc- 0.1	V
12	I	9600_Baud	0.2Vcc+0.9	Vcc+0.5	-0.5	0.2Vcc- 0.1	V
14	I	WR_ENA	0.7Vcc	Vcc+1	-0.3	0.5	V
15	I	UP_RESET	0.7Vcc	Vcc+0.5	-0.5	0.2Vcc- 0.1	V
17	I	Command/Data	0.2Vcc+0.9	Vcc+0.5	-0.5	0.2Vcc- 0.1	V

Table 2 – DC Input Voltage Characteristics

 Table 3 – DC Output Voltage Characteristics

Pin	Туре	Name	High Min.	Low Max.	Unit
2	0	TXD	Vcc-0.7 @ -	0.4 @	V
			30µA	1.6mA	
6	0	Hop Frame	Vcc-0.7 @ -	0.4 @	V
			30µA	1.6mA	
7	0	CTS	Vcc-0.7 @ -	0.4 @	V
			30µA	1.6mA	
12	0	Packet Frame	Vcc-0.7 @ -	0.4 @	V
			30µA	1.6mA	
13	0	RSSI	See Figure 1	See Figure 1	V
20	0	IN_RANGE	Vcc-0.7 @ -	0.4 @	V
			30µA	1.6mA	

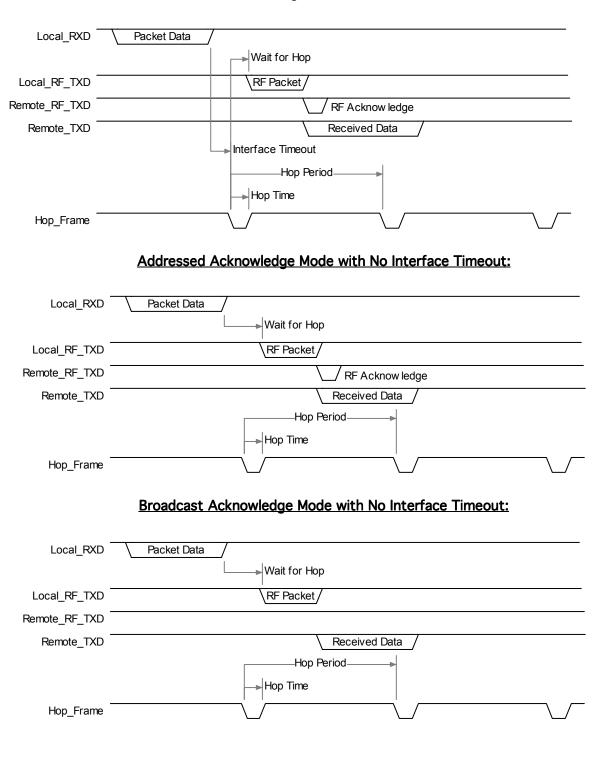
3.3 SYSTEM TIMING

Care should be taken when selecting transceiver architecture as it can have serious effects on data rates, latency timings, and Overall System Throughput. The importance of these three characteristics will vary from system to system and should be a strong consideration when designing the system.

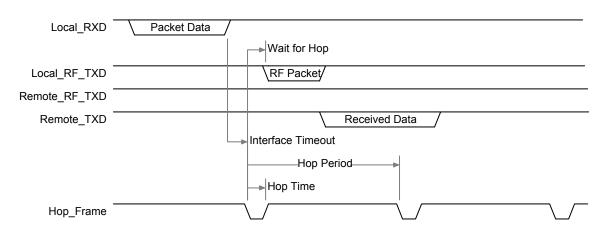
3.3.1 Serial Interface Data Rate

The Serial Interface Data Rate is programmable by the Host. This is the rate the Host and transceiver communicate over the serial bus. Possible values range from 110 bps to 288,000 bps. The only supported mode is asynchronous – 8-bit, No Parity, 1 Start Bit, and 1 Stop Bit.

3.3.2 Timing Diagrams



Addressed Acknowledge Mode with Interface Timeout:



Broadcast Acknowledge Mode with Interface Timeout:

Table 4 – Timing Parameters

Parameter	Typical Time (ms)
Hop Time	1
Hop Period	8

3.3.3 Maximum Overall System Throughput

When configured as shown in the table below, an AC4424 transceiver is **capable** of achieving the listed throughput. However, in the presence of interference or at longer ranges, the transceiver may not be able to meet these specified throughputs.

Table 5 – Maximur	n Overall System	Throughputs
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RF Mode	Interface Baud Rate	Duplex	Direction	Throughput (bps)
Acknowledge	115,200	Half	One way	80k
Acknowledge	115,200	Full	Both ways	40k

4. Configuring the AC4424

4.1 EEPROM PARAMETERS

A Host can program various parameters that are stored in EEPROM and become active after a power-on reset. **Table 6 - EEPROM Parameters**, gives the locations and descriptions of the parameters that can be read or written by a Host. Factory default values are also shown. <u>Do</u> not write to any EEPROM addresses other than those listed below. Do not copy a transceiver's EEPROM data to another transceiver. Doing so may cause the transceiver to malfunction.

	EEPROM	Length (Bytes			
Parameter	Address)	Range	Default	Description
Product ID	00H	40			40 bytes - Product identifier string. Includes revision information for software and hardware.
Channel Number	40H	1	00 – 27h	00h	Refer to Table 10
Server/Client Mode	41H	1	01 – 02h	02h	01h = Server 02h = Client
Baud Rate Low	42H	1	00 – FFh	05h	Low Byte of the interface baud rate.
Baud Rate High	43H	1	00 – FFh	00h	High Byte of the interface baud rate.
Control 0	45H	1		b (14h)	Settings are: Bit 7 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 6 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 5 - Sync to Channel 0 = Don't Sync to Channel 1 = Sync to Channel Bit 4 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 3 - Packet Frame 0 = Disable Packet Frame 1 = Use pin 12 as Packet Frame Bit 2 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 1 - RF Delivery 0 = Addressed 1 = Broadcast Bit 0 - AeroComm Use Only
Transmit Retries	4CH	1	01 - FFh	10h	Maximum number of times a packet is sent out when using Addressed packets.
Broadcast Attempts	4DH	1	01 – FFh	04h	Maximum number of times a packet is sent out when using Broadcast packets.
API Control	56H	1			Settings are: Bit 7 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 6 - RF Architecture 0 = Server-Client 1 = Peer-to-Peer Bit 5 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 4 - Auto Destination

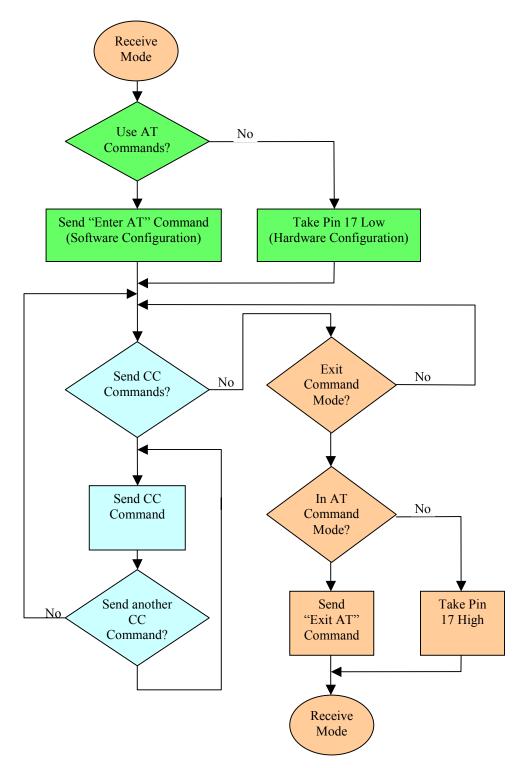
Table 6 – EEPROM Parameters

0 = Use Destination Address
1 = Automatically set Destination
to Server
Bit 3 - AeroComm Use Only
Bit 2 – RTS Enable
0 = RTS Ignored
1 = Transceiver obeys RTS
Bit 1 – Duplex Mode
0 = Half Duplex
1 = Full Duplex
Bit 0 – Auto Config
0 = Use EEPROM values
1 = Auto Configure Values

Parameter	EEPROM Address	Length (Bytes)		Default	Description
Transmit Retries	4CH	1	01 - FFh		Maximum number of times a packet is sent out when Addressed packets are selected.
Broadcast Attempts	4DH	1	01 – FFh		Maximum number of times a packet is sent out when Broadcast packets are selected.
API Control	56H	1		b = 43h	Settings are: Bit 7 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 6 - RF Architecture 0 = Server-Client 1 = Peer-to-Peer Bit 5 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 4 - Auto Destination 0 = Use Destination Address 1 = Automatically set Destination to Server Bit 3 - AeroComm Use Only Bit 2 - RTS Enable 0 = RTS Ignored 1 = Transceiver obeys RTS Bit 1 - Duplex Mode 0 = Half Duplex 1 = Full Duplex Bit 0 - Auto Config 0 = Use EEPROM values 1 = Auto Configure Values
Interface Timeout	58H	1	01 – FFh		Specifies a byte gap timeout, used in conjunction with RF Packet Size to determine when a packet coming over the interface is complete (160 us per

					incromont)
Sync Channel	5AH	1	00 – 3Fh	01h	increment). Used to synchronize the hopping of
Sync Channel	JAH	I	00 - 5111	UIII	collocated systems to minimize
					interference.
RF Packet Size	5BH	1	01 – 40h	40h	Used in conjunction with Interface
	5011			TOT	Timeout; specifies the maximum size
					of an RF packet.
CTS On	5CH	1	01 – FFh	C0h	CTS will be deasserted (High) when
	••••	-	• • • • • •	••••	the transmit buffer contains at least
					this many characters.
CTS On	5DH	1	01 – FFh	80h	Once CTS has been deasserted, CTS
Hysteresis					will be reasserted (Low) when the
					transmit buffer is contains this many
					or less characters.
Destination ID	70H	6		6 Bytes	Specifies destination for RF packets
System ID	76H	1	00 – FFh	01h	Similar to network password. Radios
					must have the same system ID to
					communicate with each other.
MAC ID	80H	6		6 Bytes	Unique IEEE MAC Address
					Onique IEEE MAG Address
		Length			
	EEPROM	_			
Parameter	Address	(Bytes)	Range	Default	Description
Random					Description 00h = Disable Random Backoff
	Address	(Bytes)	Range	Default	Description 00h = Disable Random Backoff 01h = Wait 1-2 packet times, then
Random	Address	(Bytes)	Range	Default	Description 00h = Disable Random Backoff 01h = Wait 1-2 packet times, then retry
Random	Address	(Bytes)	Range	Default	Description 00h = Disable Random Backoff 01h = Wait 1-2 packet times, then retry 03h = Wait 1-4 packet times, then
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Random	Address	(Bytes)	Range	Default	Description 00h = Disable Random Backoff 01h = Wait 1-2 packet times, then retry 03h = Wait 1-4 packet times, then retry 07h = Wait 1-8 packet times, then
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Random	Address	(Bytes)	Range	Default	Description O0h = Disable Random Backoff O1h = Wait 1-2 packet times, then retry O3h = Wait 1-4 packet times, then retry O7h = Wait 1-8 packet times, then retry OFh = Wait 1-16 packet times, then retry 1Fh = Wait 1-32 packet times, then retry 3Fh = Wait 1-64 packet times, then retry
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4.2 CONFIGURING THE AC4424 ¹



¹ Resetting the AC4424 at any time will exit Configuration or CC Command mode.

4.3 COMMAND REFERENCE

Command	Command (All Bytes in Hex)							Return (Al	l Bytes in He	x)
AT Enter Command Mode	41h	54h	2Bh	2Bh	2Bh	0Dh	CCh	43h	4Fh	4Dh
Exit AT Command Mode	CCh	41h	54	4h	4Fh	0Dh	CCh	44h	41h	54h
Status Request	CCh	00h	00	Dh		-	CCh	Firmware Version	00h: Server In 01h: Client In 02h: Server 0 03h: Client Ou	Range ut of Range
Change Channel with Forced Acquisition	CCh	02h		New _ nannel _			CCh	New Channel	-	-
Server/Client	CCh	03h	01h - 02h -	00h – Server in Normal Operation 01h – Client in Normal Operation 02h – Server in Acquisition Sync 03h – Client in Acquisition Sync				Firmware Version	00h – Server Operation 01h – Client i Operation 02h – Server Acquisition S 03h – Client ir Sync	in Normal in ync
Sync Channel	CCh	05h	New Cha	-	-	-	CCh	New Sync Channel	-	-
Power-Down	CCh	06h		-	-	-	CCh	Channel	-	-
Power-Down Wake-Up	CCh	07h		-		-	CCh	Channel	-	-
Broadcast Mode	CCh	08h		Addresse Broadcas			CCh	00h or 01h	-	-
Write Destination Address	CCh	10h	Byte destin M/		Byte 5 of destination's MAC	Byte 6 of destination's MAC	CCh	Byte 4 of destination's MAC	Byte 5 of destination's MAC	Byte 6 of destination's MAC
Read Destination Address	CCh	11h		-	-		CCh	Byte 4 of destination's MAC	Byte 5 of destination's MAC	Byte 6 of destination's MAC
EEPROM Byte Read	CCh	C0h		art ress		Length (01h - 80h)		Start Address	Length	Data at Addresses
EEPROM Byte Write	CCh	C1h	Add	ress	Length (01h)	Data to be Written	Address	Length (01h)	Last byte of	Data Written
Soft Reset	CCh	FFh		-	-	-	-	-	-	-

4.4 AC4424 AT COMMANDS

The AT Command mode implemented in the AC4424 creates a virtual version of the Command/Data pin. The "Enter AT Command Mode" Command asserts this virtual pin Low (to signify Command Mode) and the "Exit AT Command Mode" Command asserts this virtual pin High (to signify Data). Once this pin has been asserted Low, all On-the-Fly CC Commands documented in the manual are supported.

When in AT Command Mode, the user cannot send or receive RF packets. However, an ambiguity of approximately 10ms exists where, if the "Enter AT Command Mode" command has been sent to the transceiver at the same time an RF packet is being received, the RF packet could be sent to the OEM Host before the "Enter AT Command Mode" command response is sent to the OEM Host.

NOTE: The RF packet size must be set to a minimum of 6 bytes in order to enter Command mode using the Enter AT Command mode command.

4.4.1 Enter AT Command Mode

Prior to sending the "Enter AT Command Mode" command to the transceiver, the OEM Host must ensure that the RF transmit buffer of the transceiver is empty (if the buffer is not empty, the "Enter AT Command Mode" command will be interpreted as packet data and will be transmitted out over the RF). This can be accomplished by waiting up to one second between the last transmit packet and the AT Command. **The OEM Host must also ensure that the RF Packet Size for the transceiver is set to a minimum of six.** The Enter AT Command is as follows:

OEM Host Command:

41h 54h 2Bh	2Bh	2Bh	0Dh
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Transceiver Response:



4.4.2 Exit AT Command Mode

To exit AT Command Mode, the OEM Host should send the following command to the transceiver:

OEM Host Command:



Transceiver Response:

CCh	44h	41h	54h
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4.5 ON-THE-FLY CONTROL COMMANDS (CC COMMAND MODE)

The AC4424 transceiver contains static memory that holds many of the parameters that control the transceiver operation. Using the "CC" command set allows many of these parameters to be changed during system operation. Because the memory these commands affect is static, when the transceiver is reset, these parameters will revert back to the settings stored in the EEPROM.

While in CC Command mode using pin 17 (Command/Data), the RF interface of the transceiver is still active. Therefore, it can receive packets from remote transceivers while in CC Command mode and forward these to the OEM Host. While in CC Command mode using AT Commands, the RF interface of the transceiver is active, but packets sent from other transceivers will not be received. The transceiver uses **Interface Timeout/RF Packet Size** to determine when a CC Command is complete. Therefore, there should be no delay between each character as it is sent from the OEM Host to the transceiver or the transceiver will not recognize the command. If the OEM Host has sent a CC Command to the transceiver and an RF packet is received by the transceiver, the transceiver will send the CC Command response to the OEM Host before sending the packet. However, if an RF packet is received before the Interface Timeout expires on a CC Command, the transceiver will send the packet to the OEM Host before sending the CC Command response.

When an invalid command is sent, the radio scans the command to see if it has a valid command followed by bytes not associated with the command, in which case the radio discards the invalid bytes and accepts the command. In all other cases, the radio returns the first byte of the invalid command back to the user and discards the rest.

The EEPROM parameters and a Command Reference are available in **Section 4, Configuring the AC4424**, of this manual.

4.5.1 Status Request

The Host issues this command to request the status of the transceiver.

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CChByte 2 = 00hByte 3 = 00h

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = Firmware version number Byte 3 = Data1

Where:

Data1 =

00 for Server in Normal Operation

01 for Client in Normal Operation

02 for Server in Acquisition Sync

03 for Client in Acquisition Sync

4.5.2 Change Channel with Forced Acquisition Sync

The Host issues this command to change the channel of the transceiver and force the transceiver to actively begin synchronization.

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = 02h Byte 3 = RF Channel Number (Hexadecimal)

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = RF Channel Number (Hexadecimal)

4.5.3 Server/Client

The Host issues this command to change the mode (Server or Client) of the transceiver and can force the transceiver to actively begin synchronization.

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = 03hByte 3 = Data1

Where:

Data1 =

00 for Server in Normal Operation

01 for Client in Normal Operation

02 for Server in Acquisition Sync

03 for Client in Acquisition Sync

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh

Byte 2 = Firmware Version Number

Byte 3 = Data1

Where:

Data1 = Data1 from Host Command

4.5.4 Sync Channel

The Sync Channel command can be sent to a Server that already has Sync-to-Channel enabled. This will change the Server's Sync Channel setting.

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = 05h Byte 3 = New Channel to Synchronize to

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = New Channel to Synchronize to

4.5.5 Power-Down

After the Host issues the power-down command to the transceiver, the transceiver will deassert the In_Range line after entering power-down. A Client transceiver in power-down will remain in sync with a Server for a minimum of 2 minutes. To maintain synchronization with the Server, this Client transceiver should re-sync to the Server at least once every 2 minutes. This re-sync is accomplished by issuing the **Power-Down Wake-Up Command** and waiting for the In Range line to go active. Once this occurs, the Client transceiver is in sync with the Server and can be put back into power-down.

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CChByte 2 = 06h

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = RF Channel Number (Hexadecimal)

4.5.6 Power-Down Wake-Up

The Power-Down Wake-Up Command is issued by the Host to bring the transceiver out of power-down mode.

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CChByte 2 = 07h

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = RF Channel Number (Hexadecimal)

4.5.7 Broadcast Mode

The Host issues this command to change the transceiver operation between **Addressed Mode** and **Broadcast Mode**. If addressed mode is selected the transceiver will send all packets to the radio designated by the **Destination Address** programmed in the transceiver.

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = 08h Byte 3 = 00 for addressed mode, 01 for broadcast mode

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = 00 for addressed mode, 01 for broadcast mode

4.5.8 Write Destination Address

The Host issues this command to the transceiver to change the Destination Address. This is a **very powerful** command that provides the OEM Host with a means for ad-hoc networking. **Only the three Least Significant Bytes of the MAC Address are used for packet delivery.**

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = 10h Bytes 3 - 5 = 00 - FFh corresponding to the three LSB's of the destination MAC Address

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Bytes 2 - 4= 00 - FFh corresponding to the three LSB's of the destination MAC Address

4.5.9 Read Destination Address

The Host issues this command to the transceiver to read the Destination Address. This is a **very powerful** command that provides the OEM Host with a means for ad-hoc networking. **Only the three Least Significant Bytes of the MAC Address are used for packet delivery.**

Host Command:

Byte 1 = CChByte 2 = 11h

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Bytes 2 - 4= 00 - FFh corresponding to the three LSB's of the destination MAC Address

4.5.10 EEPROM Byte Read

Upon receiving this command, a transceiver will respond with the desired data from the address requested by the OEM Host.

OEM Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = COh Byte 3 = Start Address Byte 4 = Length (01 - 80h)

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = Start Address Byte 3 = Length Byte 4...n = Data at requested addresses

4.5.11 EEPROM Byte Write

Upon receiving this command, a transceiver will write the data byte to the address specified but will not echo it back to the OEM Host until the EEPROM write cycle is complete. The write can take as long as 10ms to complete. Following the write cycle, a transceiver will transmit the data byte to the OEM Host. Multiple byte EEPROM writes are not allowed. <u>Caution: The maximum number of write cycles that can be performed is 100,000.</u>

OEM Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = C1h Byte 3 = Address Byte 4 = Length (01h) Byte 5...n = Data to store at Address

Transceiver Response:

Byte 1 = Address Byte 2 = Length (01h) Byte 3 = Last byte of data byte written by this command

4.5.12 Reset

The OEM Host issues this command to perform a soft reset of the transceiver (same effect as using the Reset pin). <u>Any transceiver settings modified by CC Commands (excluding EEPROM writes) will be overwritten by values stored in the EEPROM.</u>

OEM Host Command:

Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = FFh **Transceiver Response:** Byte 1 = CCh Byte 2 = FFh

5. Theory of Operation

5.1 HARDWARE INTERFACE

Below is a description of all hardware pins used to control the AC4424.

5.1.1 TXD (Transmit Data) and RXD (Receive Data) (pins 2 and 3 respectively)

The AC4424 accepts 5V TTL level asynchronous serial data in the RXD pin and interprets that data as either Command Data or Transmit Data. Data is sent from the transceiver to the OEM Host via the TXD pin. The data must be of the format 8-N-1 (8 data bits, No Parity bits, One stop bit).

5.1.2 Hop Frame (pin 6)

The AC4424 is a frequency hopping spread spectrum radio. Frequency hopping allows the system to hop around interference in order to provide a better wireless link. Hop Frame transitions logic Low at the start of a hop and transitions logic High at the completion of a hop. The OEM Host is not required to monitor Hop Frame.

5.1.3 CTS Handshaking (pin 7)

The AC4424 has an interface buffer size of 256 bytes. If the buffer fills up and more bytes are sent to the transceiver before the buffer can be emptied, data corruption will occur. The transceiver prevents this corruption by asserting CTS High as the buffer fills up and taking CTS Low as the buffer is emptied. **CTS On** in conjunction with **CTS On Hysteresis** control the operation of CTS. CTS On specifies the amount of bytes that must be in the buffer for CTS to be disabled (High). Even while CTS is disabled, the OEM Host can still send data to the transceiver, but it should do so carefully. Once CTS is disabled, it will remain disabled until the buffer is reduced to the size specified by CTS On Hysteresis. The following equation should always be used for setting CTS On, CTS On Hysteresis and **RF Packet Size**:

CTS On – CTS On Hysteresis = RF Packet Size

5.1.4 RTS Handshaking (pin 8)

With **RTS Mode** disabled, the transceiver will send any received packet to the OEM Host as soon as the packet is received. However, some OEM Hosts are not able to accept data from the transceiver all of the time. With RTS Mode Enabled, the OEM Host can keep the transceiver from sending it a packet by disabling RTS (logic High). Once RTS is enabled (logic Low), the transceiver can send packets to the OEM Host as they are received. **Note:**

Leaving RTS disabled for too long can cause data loss once the transceiver's receive buffer fills up.

5.1.5 9600 Baud/Packet Frame (pin 12)

9600_BAUD – When pulled logic Low before applying power or resetting, the transceiver's serial interface is forced to a 9600, 8-N-1 (8 data bits, No parity, 1 stop bit) rate. To exit, transceiver must be reset or power-cycled with 9600_Baud logic High.

9600_BAUD should only be used to recover the radio from an unknown baud rate and should not be used during normal operation. When 9600_BAUD is pulled logic Low, Broadcast Mode is disabled.

Packet Frame – When enabled in EEPROM, Packet Frame will transition logic Low at the start of a received RF packet and transition logic High at the completion of the packet.

5.1.6 RSSI (pin 13)

Received Signal Strength Indicator is used by the Host as an indication of instantaneous signal strength at the receiver. The Host must calibrate RSSI without a RF signal being presented to the receiver. Calibration is accomplished by following the steps listed below to find a minimum and maximum voltage value.

- 1) Power up only one Client (no Server) transceiver in the coverage area.
- 2) Measure the RSSI signal to obtain the minimum value with no other signal present.
- 3) Power up a Server. Make sure the two transceivers are in close proximity and measure the Client's peak RSSI once the Client reports In Range to obtain a maximum value at full signal strength.

Figure 1 shows approximate RSSI performance. There are two versions of receivers used by the AC4424. As of January of 2003 forward, only the new revision receiver will be shipped. The RSSI pin of the former revision requires the Host to provide a 27k pull-down to ground. A table of board revision history is provided below. **No RSSI pull-down should be used with the new revision**.

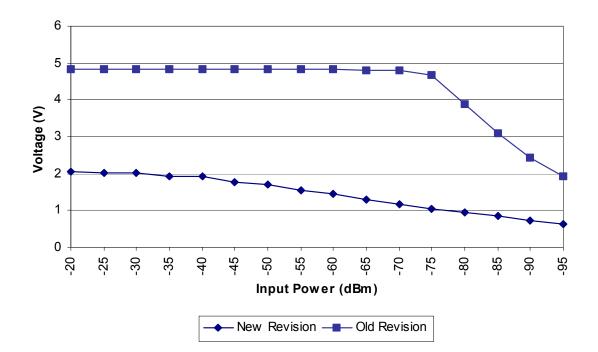


Figure 1 - RSSI Voltage vs. Received Signal Strength

Table 7 – RSSI Board Rev History

Radio Type	Old RSSI Board Number	New RSSI Board Number
AC4424-10	0050-00025	0050-00036
AC4424-10A	N/A	0050-00029
AC4424-100	N/A	0050-00037 or 0050-00075
AC4424-200	0050-00030	0050-00045

5.1.7 Wr_ENA(EEPROM Write Enable) (pin 14)

Wr_ENA is a direct connection to the Write Enable line on the EEPROM. When logic Low, the EEPROM's contents may be changed. When logic High, the EEPROM is protected from accidental and intentional modification. It is recommended that this line only be Low when an EEPROM write is desired to prevent unintentional corruption of the EEPROM.

5.1.8 UP_RESET (pin 15)

UP_RESET provides a direct connection to the reset pin on the AC4424 microprocessor. To guarantee a valid power-up reset, this pin should never be tied Low on power-up. For a valid power-on reset, reset must be High for a minimum of 50us.

5.1.9 Command/Data (pin 17)

When logic High, transceiver interprets Host data as transmit data to be sent to other transceivers and their Hosts. When logic Low, transceiver interprets Host data as command data (see Section 4, Configuring the AC4424).

5.1.10 In Range (pin 20)

The IN_RANGE pin at the connector will be driven logic Low when a Client is in range of a Server on the same **RF Channel** and **System ID**. If a Client cannot hear a Server for 5s, it will drive the IN_RANGE pin logic High and enter a search mode looking for a Server. As soon as it detects a Server, the IN_RANGE pin will be driven logic Low. A Server Host can determine which Clients are in range by the Server's Host software polling a Client's Host.

5.2 SOFTWARE PARAMETERS

Below is a description of all software parameters used to control the AC4424.

5.2.1 RF Architecture (Server-Client/Peer-to-Peer)

The Server controls the system timing by sending out regular beacons (transparent to the transceiver Host), which contain system timing information. This timing information synchronizes the Client radios to the Server.

Each network should consist of only one Server. There should never be two Servers on the same **RF Channel Number** in the same coverage area, as the interference between the two Servers will severely hinder RF communications.

In Server-Client architecture, the Server communicates with the Clients and the Clients **only** communicate with the Server. Enabling **Peer-to-Peer Mode** will allow all radios on the network to communicate with each other. **Note:** All transceivers on the same network must have the same setting for Peer-to-Peer and there must still be one, and only one, Server present in a Peer-to-Peer network.

5.2.2 RF Mode

Acknowledge Mode

In Addressed Acknowledge Mode, the RF packet is sent out to the receiver designated by the **Destination Address**. **Transmit Retries** are used to increase the odds of successful delivery to the intended receiver. Transparent to the OEM Host, the sending transceiver will send the RF packet to the intended receiver. If the receiver receives the packet free of errors, it will tell the sender. If the sender does not receive this acknowledge, it will assume the packet was never received and retry the packet. This will go on until the packet is successfully received or the transmitter exhausts all of its retries. The received packet will only be sent to the OEM Host if and when it is received free of errors.

In Broadcast Acknowledge Mode, the RF packet is broadcast out to all eligible receivers on the network. In order to increase the odds of successful delivery, **Broadcast Attempts** are used to increase the odds of successful delivery to the intended receiver(s). Transparent to the OEM Host, the sending transceiver will send the RF packet to the intended receiver. If the receiver detects a packet error, it will throw out the packet. This will go on until the packet is successfully received or the transmitter exhausts all of its attempts. Once the receiver successfully receives the packet it will send the packet to the OEM Host. It will throw out any duplicates caused by further Broadcast Attempts. The received packet will only be sent to the OEM Host if it is received free of errors.

5.2.3 Random Back Off

Random Back Off – If multiple AC4424 transceivers try to send packets out over the RF at the exact same time, the packets will collide and will not be received by the intended receiver. In fact, if after a collision occurs, both transceivers retry at the same time, the retry will also fail. To avoid further collisions, a transceiver can be programmed to wait a random number of packet times (hops) before resending its data. The amount of randomness is controlled by this parameter and this feature is not valid in broadcast mode. Keep in mind that selecting a larger value for Random Back Off will increase the overall latency of the AC4424. The latency calculation becomes:

Worst Case Latency = 8ms Hop * # of retries * Maximum Random Value

[multiply by 16ms if using Full Duplex mode]

Latency is a very important consideration when using a wireless device. The AC4424 has a 256 byte interface buffer. If, due to latency, the radio cannot send the data out over the RF as fast as data is coming into the radio over the serial interface, the buffer will eventually fill up. If data continues coming into the radio once the buffer is full, the buffer will overflow and the new incoming data will be lost. It is strongly recommended that the radio host monitor the CTS pin to avoid this situation. The transceiver asserts this pin high as the buffer is filling to signal the OEM Host to stop sending data. The transceiver will take CTS Low once the buffer becomes less full.

Random Backoff Settings:

- 00h Wait 1 packet time, then retry (Random Back Off is disabled)
- 01h Wait 1 2 packet times, then retry
- 03h Wait 1 4 packet times, then retry
- 07h Wait 1 8 packet times, then retry
- OFh Wait 1 16 packet times, then retry
- 1Fh Wait 1 32 packet times, then retry
- 3Fh Wait 1 64 packet times, then retry
- 7Fh Wait 1 128 packet times, then retry
- FFh Wait 1 256 packet times, then retry

<u>5.2.55.2.4</u> Duplex Mode

In Half Duplex mode, the AC4424 will send a packet out over the RF when it can. This can cause packets sent at the same time by a Server and a Client to collide with each other over the RF. To prevent this, Full Duplex Mode can be enabled. This mode restricts Clients to transmitting on odd numbered frequency "bins" and the Server to transmitting on even

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frequency bins. Though the RF hardware is still technically half duplex, it makes the radio seem full duplex. This can cause overall throughputs to be cut in half. **Note: All transceivers on the same network must have the same setting for Full Duplex.**

<u>5.2.65.2.5</u> Interface Timeout/RF Packet Size

Interface timeout, in conjunction with **RF Packet Size**, determines when a buffer of data will be sent out over the RF as a complete RF packet based on whichever condition occurs first.

Interface Timeout – Interface Timeout specifies a maximum byte gap in between consecutive bytes. When that byte gap is exceeded, the bytes in the transmit buffer are sent out over the RF as a complete packet. Interface timeout is adjustable in 160uS decrements. The actual timeout created by Interface Timeout is equal to the 2's complement of Interface Timeout times 160uS. The default value for Interface Timeout is FOH or 2.56ms.

RF Packet Size – When the amount of bytes in the transceiver transmit buffer equals RF Packet Size, those bytes are sent out as a complete RF packet.

<u>5.2.75.2.6</u> Serial Interface Baud Rate

This two-byte value determines the baud rate used for communicating over the serial interface to a transceiver. Table 9 - Baud Rate lists values for some common baud rates. Baud rates below 110 baud are not supported. For a baud rate to be valid, the calculated baud rate must be within $\pm 3\%$ of the OEM Host baud rate. If the 9600_BAUD pin (Pin 12) is pulled logic Low at reset, the baud rate will be forced to 9,600. For Baud Rate values other than those shown in Table 9 - Baud Rate, the following equation can be used:

BAUD = (18.432E+06/(32*desired baud rate))

BaudH= High 8 bits of BAUD (base16) BaudL = Low 8 bits of BAUD (base16)

Baud Rate	BaudL (42h)	BaudH (43h)	Minimum Interface Timeout (58h)
288,00 0	02h	00h	FFh
192,00 0	03h	00h	FFh
115,20 0	05h	00h	FEh
57,600	0Ah	00h	FDh
38,400	0Fh	00h	FCh
28,800	14h	00h	FBh
19,200	1Eh	00h	F9h

Table 8 - Baud Rate

14,400	28h	00h	F7h
9,600	3Ch	00h	F2h
4800	78h	00h	E5h
2400	F0h	00h	CBh
1200	EOh	01h	97h
300	80h	07h	01h
110	74h	14h	01h

5.2.85.2.7 Network Topology

RF Channel Number – RF Channel Number provides a physical separation between co-located networks. The AC4424 is a spread spectrum frequency hopping radio with a fixed hopping sequence. Without synchronizing the different networks to each other, different channel numbers could possibly interfere with each other and create "cross-talk." To avoid cross-talk interference, co-located networks should use **Sync-to-Channel**. A Server radio with Sync-to-Channel enabled will synchronize its frequency hop timing to a system located on the RF Channel specified by **Sync Channel**. The only requirement is that Sync Channel be numerically less than RF Channel. Therefore, every co-located network will be synchronizing to the network with the lowest RF Channel. Three Channel sets are provided for the AC4424 (refer to Table 10 below). **Co-located networks must use the same Channel Set**.

Channel Set	RF Channel Number Range (40h)	Frequency Range	Countries		
0	00h – 0Fh	2402 – 2478MHz	10mW, 200mW: US,Canada		
3	00h – 13h	2406 – 2435MHz	100mW, 9AJ: Europe,France,US,Canada		
4	14h – 27h	2444 – 2472MHz	100mW, 9AJ: Europe,US,Canada		

Table 9 – US and International RF Channel Number Settings

Note: The AC4424-100 & AC4424-9AJ are CE approved for use in Europe. The AC4424-10 and AC4424-200 are <u>not</u> CE approved and cannot be used in Europe.

System ID – System ID is similar to a password character or network number and makes network eavesdropping more difficult. A receiving radio will not go in range of or communicate with another radio on a different System ID.

<u>5.2.95.2.8</u> Auto Config

The AC4424 has several variables that control its RF performance and vary by **RF Mode** and **RF Architecture**. Enabling Auto Config will bypass the value for these variables stored in EEPROM and use predetermined values for the given Interface Baud Rate. **Auto Config has been optimized for 115,200 baud Acknowledge Mode and all lower baud rates**. It should only **be disabled with recommendation from AeroComm.** Below is a list containing some of the variables affected by Auto Config and their respective values:

Description ²	EEPROM Address	Default	Acknowledge Mode
	47	5	5
	48	60	60
	4E	8	9
	50	FD	FD
	51	2	2
	52	0	0
	53	E4	E4
	54	5	5
	55	50	50
	57	7	7
	59	4	4
RF Packet Size	5B	40	40
CTS On	5C	CO	CO
CTS Hysteresis	5D	80	80
	5E	0E	OE
	5F	3	3

Table 10 – Auto Config Parameters

² Parameters without a Description are undocumented protocol parameters and should only be modified to a value other than shown in this table when recommended by AeroComm.

6. Dimensions

All AC4424 products measure 1.65"W x 2.65"L. Critical parameters are as follows:

- **J1** 20 pin OEM interface connector (Samtec TMM-110-01-L-D-SM, mates with Samtec SMM-110-02-S-D)
- **MMCX Jack** Antenna connector (Johnson Components P/N 135-3711-822) mates with any manufacturer's MMCX plug

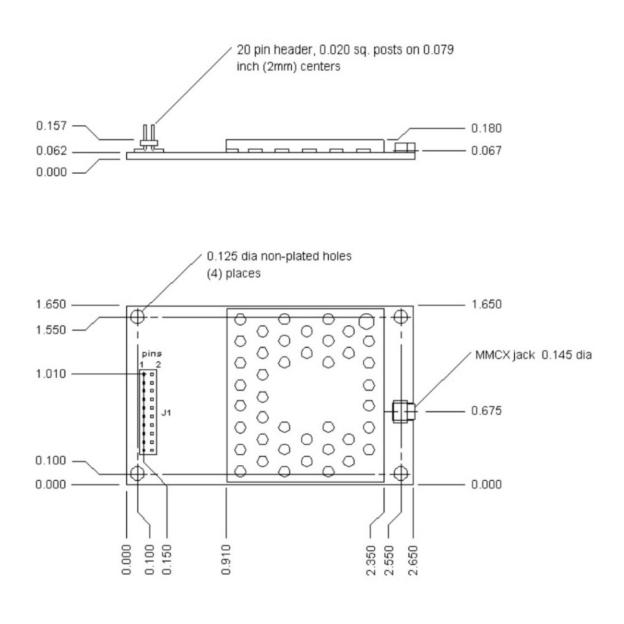


Figure 2 – AC4424 with MMCX

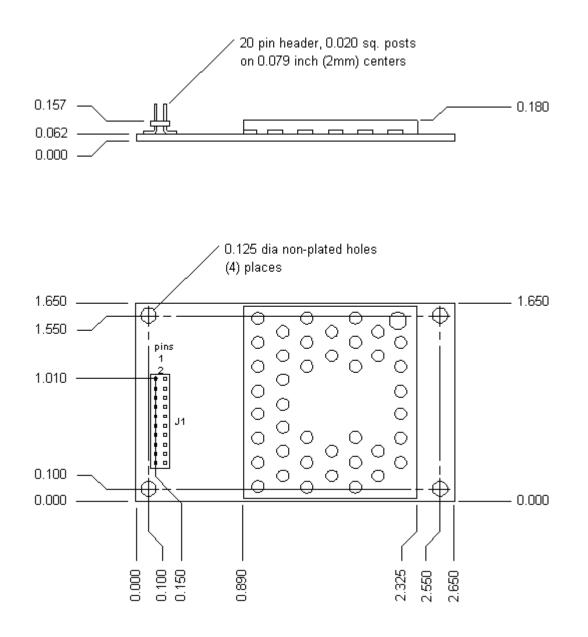


Figure 3 – AC4424 with Integral Antenna

7. Ordering Information

7.1 PRODUCT PART NUMBERS

- <u>AC4424-9AJ</u>: AC4424 with 9mW output power, interface data rates to 288Kbps, integral microstrip antenna, -40°C to 80°C
- <u>AC4424-10</u>: AC4424 with 10mW output power, interface data rates to 288Kbps, MMCX antenna connector, -40°C to 80°C
- <u>AC4424-10A</u>: AC4424 with 10mW output power, interface data rates to 288Kbps, integral microstrip antenna, -40°C to 80°C
- <u>AC4424-100</u>: AC4424 with 50mW output power, interface data rates to 288Kbps, MMCX antenna connector, -40°C to 80°C
- <u>AC4424-200</u>: AC4424 with 200mW output power, interface data rates to 288Kbps, MMCX antenna connector, -40°C to 80°C

7.2 DEVELOPER KIT PART NUMBERS

- **SDK-4424-9AJ**: Includes (2) AC4424-9AJ transceivers, (2) RS232 Serial Adapter Boards, (2) 6Vdc unregulated power supplies, (2) Serial cables, configuration/testing software, Integration engineering support
- <u>SDK-4424-10</u>: Includes (2) AC4424-10 transceivers, (2) RS232 Serial Adapter Boards, (2) 6Vdc unregulated power supplies, (2) Serial cables, (2) S151FL-5-RMM-2450S dipole antennas with 5" pigtail and MMCX connector, configuration/testing software, Integration engineering support
- <u>SDK-4424-10A</u>: Includes (2) AC4424-10A transceivers, (2) RS232 Serial Adapter Boards, (2) 6Vdc unregulated power supplies, (2) Serial cables, configuration/testing software, Integration engineering support
- **SDK-4424-100**: Includes (2) AC4424-100 transceivers, (2) RS232 Serial Adapter Boards, (2) 6Vdc unregulated power supplies, (2) Serial cables, (2) S151FL-5-RMM-2450S dipole antennas with 5" pigtail and MMCX connector, configuration/testing software, Integration engineering support
- <u>SDK-4424-200</u>: Includes (2) AC4424-200 transceivers, (2) RS232 Serial Adapter Boards, (2) 6Vdc unregulated power supplies, (2) Serial cables, (2) S151FL-5-RMM-2450S dipole antennas with 5" pigtail and MMCX connector, configuration/testing software, Integration engineering support

8. Regulatory Information

Part Number	US/FCC	CAN/IC	EUR/EN	
AC4424-9AJ	KQL-44249AJ	2268C-44249AJ	CE	
AC4424-10	KQL-PKLR2400	CAN2268391158A		
AC4424-100	KQL-AC4424	CAN2268C391190A	CE	
AC4424-200	KQL-PKLR2400- 200	CAN2268391180A		

Agency Identification Numbers

8.1 FCC

The user is responsible for all labeling and ensuring the module complies with FCC regulations (see 47CFR2 for exact regulations).

- The FCC identifier proceeded by "FCC ID:" and the FCC Notice found below must be clearly visible on the outside of the equipment.
- The RF Exposure Warning (next page) also must be printed inside the equipment's user manual.

The FCC/IC approval was granted with the module classified as mobile (ie. the antenna is >20 cm from the human body with the exception of hands, wrists, feet, and ankles). The end user needs to ensure that the antenna location complies with this or retest for portable classification (less than 2.5 cm with the same exceptions as mobile) at their own expense.

FCC regulations allow the use of any antenna of the same type and of equal or less gain. However the antenna is still required to have a unique antenna connector such as MMCX or reverse SMA. On the following page is a table of antennas available through AeroComm. Any different antenna type or antenna with gain greater than those listed must be tested to comply with FCC Section 15.203 for unique antenna connectors and Section 15.247 for emissions at user's expense.

Caution: Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by AeroComm could void the FCC compliancy of the AC4424.

FCC Notice

WARNING: This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

FCC Labeling Requirements

WARNING: The Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) must ensure that FCC labeling requirements are met. This includes a clearly visible label on the outside of the OEM enclosure specifying the appropriate AeroComm FCC identifier for this product as well as the FCC Notice above.

FCC RF Exposure AC4424

WARNING: To satisfy FCC RF exposure requirements for mobile type transmitting devices, a separation distance of 20 cm or more should be maintained between the antenna of this device and persons during operation, with exception of hands wrist, feet, and ankles. To ensure compliance, operations at closer distance than this distance is prohibited. The preceding statement must be included as a CAUTION statement in manuals for OEM products to alert users on FCC RF Exposure

compliance.

8.2 CE

The AC4424-100 is a Class 2 transceiver that is harmonized everywhere except France. Therefore, the end product will have to be marked with a "CE(!)" (the ! is encircled). For complete rules and regulations on labeling in Europe refer to the R&TTE Directive Article 12 and Annex VII.

And the country or countries that the end user intends to sell product in be notified prior to shipping product. Further information about this regulation can be found in Article 6.4 of the R&TTE Directive.

Caution: Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by AeroComm could void the CE compliancy of the AC4424.

WARNING: The Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) must ensure that CE labeling requirements are met. This includes a clearly visible label on the outside of the OEM enclosure specifying the appropriate CE marking. Further information can be found in the R&TTE Directive Article 12 and Annex VII.

CE Labeling Requirements

8.3 APPROVED ANTENNA LIST

ltem	Part Number	Mfg.	Туре	Gain (dBi)	AC4424X-10	AC4424X-100	AC4424X-100 US/Canada	AC4424X-200
1	WCP-2400-ММСХ	Centurion	1⁄2 Wave Dipole	2	Х	Х	Х	Х
2	WCR-2400-SMRP	Centurion	1/2 Wave Dipole	2	Х	Х	Х	
3	MFB24008RPN	Maxrad	Omni- Directional	8	Х			
4	BMMG24000MSMARP12'	Maxrad	Omni- Directional	1	Х			
5	BMMG24005MSMARP12'	Maxrad	Omni- Directional	5	Х			
6	MP24013TMSMARP12	Maxrad	Panel	13	Х			
	MUF24005M174MSMARP1 2	Maxrad	Omni- Directional	5	Х			
8	MC2400	Maxrad	Patch	2.5	Х			
9	NZH2400-MMCX (External)	AeroComm	Microstrip	1	Х			Х
10	NZH2400-I (Integral)	AeroComm	Microstrip	1	Х			Х
11	S131CL-5-RMM-2450S	Nearson	1/2 Wave Dipole	2	Х	Х	Х	Х
12	S181FL-5-RMM-2450S	Nearson	1/2 Wave Dipole	2	Х	Х	Х	Х
13	S191FL-5-RMM-2450S	Nearson	1/2 Wave Dipole	3	Х	Х	Х	Х
14	S151FL-5-RMM-2450S	Nearson	Collinear	5	Х			Х
15	S152AH-2450S	Nearson	Collinear	4			Х	
16	S171AH-2450S	Nearson	Collinear	7			Х	
17	MLPV1700	Maxrad	Omni- Directional	4	х			
18	R380.500.127	Radial Larsen	1/4 Wave Dipole	2	х	x	х	х
19	ANT-DB1-RMS-RPS	Linx	Monopole	3		Х	Х	
20	ANT-DB2-916/2.4-RP-SMA	Linx	Dual Band Patch	3		x	х	
21	ANT-YG12-N	Linx	Yagi	12			Х	

****AC4424-9AJ is only approved for operation with the integral antenna layed out on the board.