# **VERIZON WIRELESS**

# AIRCARD<sup>®</sup> 597E EXPRESSCARD USER MANUAL



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#### Welcome

Congratulations on purchasing the Verizon Wireless BroadbandAccess/NationalAccess AirCard<sup>®</sup> 597E ExpressCard with **VZ**Access<sup>SM</sup> Manager. This dual-band ExpressCard operates over the CDMA EV-DO networks in the 800/1900 bands. This wireless ExpressCard enables you to connect at high speed to the Internet, your corporate Intranet, and your email while you're away from the office.

This document provides hardware-related information about your AirCard 597E ExpressCard.

For information on installing the AirCard 597E ExpressCard and using the **VZ**Access Manager software, please see the Quick Reference Guide or the **VZ**Access User Manual (available as a PDF file on the installation CD).

#### **Wireless communications**

#### **Important Notice**

Due to the transmission and reception properties of wireless communications, data can occasionally be lost or delayed. This can be due to the variation in radio signal strength that results from changes in the characteristics of the radio transmission path. Although data loss is rare, the environment where you operate the modem may adversely affect communications.

Variations in radio signal strength are referred to as **fading**. Fading is caused by several different factors, including signal reflection, the ionosphere, and interference from other radio channels.

Verizon Wireless or its partners will not be held responsible for damages of any kind resulting from the delays or errors in data transmitted or received with the AirCard 597E ExpressCard, or failure of the AirCard 597E ExpressCard to transmit or receive such data.

#### Safety hazards

Do not operate the AirCard 597E ExpressCard in an environment that may be susceptible to radio interference resulting in danger, specifically:

- Areas where prohibited by the law
  - Follow any special rules and regulations and obey all signs and notices. Always turn off the host device and remove the modem from the ExpressCard slot when instructed to do so, or when you suspect that it may cause interference or danger.
- Where explosive atmospheres may be present
  - Do not operate your modem in any area where a potentially explosive atmosphere may exist. Sparks in such areas could cause an explosion or fire resulting in bodily injury or even death. Be aware and comply with all signs and instructions.
  - Users are advised not to operate the modem while at a refueling point or service station. Users are reminded to observe restrictions on the use of radio equipment in fuel depots (fuel storage and distribution areas), chemical plants, or where blasting operations are in progress.
  - Areas with a potentially explosive atmosphere are often, but not always, clearly marked. Potential locations can include gas stations, below deck on boats, chemical transfer or storage facilities, vehicles using liquefied petroleum gas (such as propane or butane), areas where the air contains chemicals or particles, such as grain, dust or metal powders, and any other area where you would normally be advised to turn off your vehicle engine.

- Near medical and life support equipment
  - Do not operate your modem in any area where medical equipment, life support equipment, or near any equipment that may be susceptible to any form of radio interference. In such areas, the host communications device must be turned off. The modem may transmit signals that could interfere with this equipment.
- On an aircraft, either on the ground or airborne
  - In addition to FAA requirements, many airline regulations state that you must suspend wireless operations before boarding an airplane. Please ensure that the host device is turned off and your modem is removed from the ExpressCard slot prior to boarding aircraft in order to comply with these regulations. The modem can transmit signals that could interfere with various onboard systems and controls.
- While operating a vehicle
  - The driver or operator of any vehicle should not operate a wireless data device while in control of a vehicle. Doing so will detract from the driver or operator's control and operation of that vehicle. In some countries, operating such communications devices while in control of a vehicle is an offence.

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## AirCard 597E ExpressCard System Requirements

Operating system: Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Windows<sup>®</sup> Vista (32–bit or 64–bit), Windows XP, Windows 2000, or Mac OS<sup>®</sup> X 10.4.10 or higher.

Disk drive: CD ROM

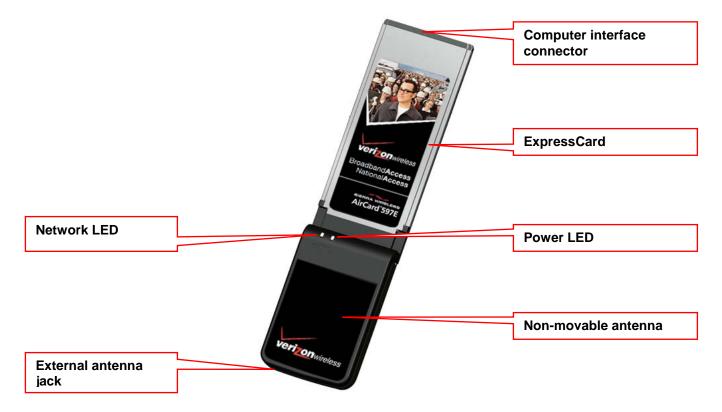
Slot: One ExpressCard/34 or ExpressCard/54 slot. Alternatively, one Type II PC Card slot and an ExpressCard/34 adapter (sold separately).

For the system requirements to run the VZAccess Manager software, please see the VZAccess User Manual.

## Your AirCard 597E ExpressCard

Your AirCard 597E ExpressCard fits into the ExpressCard slot of Windows-based notebook computers. The AirCard 597E ExpressCard uses the **VZ**Access Manager software and enhanced EV-DO Rev. A technology capable of operating in Verizon Wireless Broadband**Access** coverage areas at average download speeds of 600 to 1400 kbps and download speeds of 500 to 800 kbps\*.

\* Speeds based on our network tests with 5MB FTP data files, without compression. Actual speeds and coverage may vary.



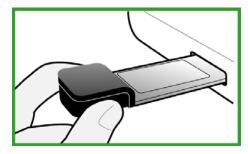
- **ExpressCard**: this is the device that, when plugged into a Personal Computer, provides wireless data solutions
- Computer interface connector: connects to your Personal Computer via the computer's ExpressCard slot
- Service LEDs: visual indicators that show you service and data modes. The ExpressCard has two LED light bars. The LED light bars operate as described in the table on the following page.
- **External antenna jack**: allows you to connect an optional external antenna to your ExpressCard for improved performance (sold separately).

LED	LED behavior	Indicates	
$\bigcirc$	Off	The card has no power. The card is not completely inserted into the computer, or the computer is in suspend mode (which powers down the card), or you have powered of the card.	
	Blue, not blinking	The card has power and is working properly.	
	Blue, blinking	The card's firmware is being updated. Do not remove the card.	
	Amber, blinking	The card is searching for service.	
	Amber, not blinking	An error has occurred. Eject the card and reinsert it.	
Til	Off	No service is available.	
	Amber, blinking	National Access service is detected. Ready to connect to the network.	
	Amber, not blinking	The card is connected to the National Access network, and can send or receive data.	
	Blue, blinking	BroadbandAccess service is detected. Ready to connect to the network.	
	Blue, not blinking	The card is connected to the Broadband <b>Access</b> network, and can send or receive data.	

#### Care of Your AirCard 597E ExpressCard

Verizon Wireless recommends the following guidelines in handling your ExpressCard:

- Do not apply adhesive labels to the ExpressCard.
- The ExpressCard should fit easily into your ExpressCard slot. Forcing the ExpressCard into a slot may damage connector pins.
- When inserting or removing your ExpressCard, always grip it by the sides (see the drawings below). Never insert or remove the ExpressCard while holding the antenna, as this action may damage the ExpressCard.





- Protect the ExpressCard from liquids, dust, and excessive heat.
- When storing or transporting your computer, remove the ExpressCard.
- When not installed in your computer, store the ExpressCard in a safe place.
- Do not use the ExpressCard with a handheld computer; it is designed only for notebook computers running Windows Vista, Windows XP, Windows 2000, or Mac OS X.

#### **Package contents**

The Verizon Wireless AirCard 597E ExpressCard package includes:

- AirCard 597E ExpressCard
- VZAccess Manager CD (includes the VZAccess Manager software, VZAccess User Manual, and AirCard 597E ExpressCard User Manual [this document] with warranty information)
- Quick Reference Guide

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IMPORTANT: Do not insert the AirCard 597E ExpressCard into the ExpressCard slot until you have installed **VZ**Access Manager and have activated a Broadband**Access**/National**Access** service for your AirCard 597E ExpressCard. For instructions on installing the software, see the **VZ**Access User Manual.

## **Technical Support**

For additional information and technical support, visit Verizon's Data Technical Support page at: <a href="http://www.verizonwireless.com/b2c/support/data.jsp">www.verizonwireless.com/b2c/support/data.jsp</a>.

## Troubleshooting

#### AirCard 597E ExpressCard

The following tips may help solve problems encountered while using the AirCard 597E ExpressCard and the **VZ**Access Manager software:

- Make sure you are using the appropriate ExpressCard in the correct geographic region: a BroadbandAccess/NationalAccess ExpressCard in the US.
- Ensure that the wireless network's coverage extends to your current location.
- Ensure that the 🗥 LED is either amber and blinking, or blue.
- Confirm that you have an up-to-date version of VZAccess Manager. To download the latest version of VZAccess Manager, visit <u>www.vzam.net</u>.

For more troubleshooting information, see the **VZ**Access User Manual and online Help.

## **Product Specification**

#### Table 1 General specifications

Name	Verizon Wireless AirCard 597E ExpressCard
Model	AirCard 597E ExpressCard
Approvals	FCC, IC (North America)
Dimensions	Length: 134.6mm Width: 34mm Height 5mm (14mm - ExpressCard extension)
Wireless network – dual mode	CDMA 1X/EV-DO
ExpressCard standard	ExpressCard/34 form factor

#### Table 2 Radio frequency and electrical specifications

Technology	CDMA
Band designation	1X/EV-DO: 800/1900 MHz
Current	Maximum: 1 A
	Typical data call current (talk mode):
	• 370 mA (1X)
	• 420 mA (1xEV-DO)
	Standby: 50 mA (1X/1xEV-DO hybrid mode)
Transmitter power	200 mW (+23 dBm)
Transmit band	PCS: 1805 to 1870 MHz
	Cellular: 824 to 849 MHz
Receive band	PCS: 1715 to 1780 MHz
	Cellular: 868 to 894 MHz
	GPS: 1575.42 MHz
Channel spacing	1.25 MHz
Frequency stability	±150 Hz

#### Table 3 Environmental specifications

Operating temperature	-30 to +60°C
Storage temperature	-20 to +85°C
Humidity	95%, non-condensing
Vibration	147 m/s <sup>2</sup> (15 G) sinusoidal vibration, 10 to 2000 Hz, 20 minute sweep, 12 cycles per axis, 3 axes for 36 cycles. (12 hours total test time [non-operating])
Drop	30" (76.2 cm) onto vinyl-covered concrete

## **Regulatory Notices**

The design of the AirCard 597E ExpressCard complies with U.S. Federal Communications Commission (FCC) guidelines respecting safety levels of radio frequency (RF) exposure for portable devices, which in turn are consistent with the following safety standards previously set by U.S. and international standards bodies:

- ANSI / IEEE C95.1-1999, IEEE Standard for Safety Levels with Respect to Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields, 3kHz to 300 GHz
- National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) Report 86, 1986, *Biological Effects* and *Exposure Criteria for Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields*
- Health Canada, Safety Code 6, 1999, *Limits of Human Exposure to Radio frequency Electromagnetic Fields in the Frequency Range from 3 kHz to 300 GHz*
- International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) 1998, Guidelines for limiting exposure to time-varying electric, magnetic, and electromagnetic fields (up to 300 GHz)

#### FCC ID: N7NAC597E

**CAUTION**: The AirCard 597E ExpressCard has been tested for compliance with FCC / IC RF exposure limits in the notebook computer(s) configurations with the side loading ExpressCard slot and can be used in notebook computers with substantially similar physical dimensions, construction, and electrical and RF characteristics. This ExpressCard must not be co-located or operated in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. Use of this device in any other configuration may exceed the FCC RF Exposure compliance limit. **Note:** If this ExpressCard is intended for use in any other portable device, you are responsible for separate approval to satisfy the SAR requirements of Part 2.1093 of FCC rules.

#### Federal Communications Commission Notice (FCC -- United States)



Electronic devices, including computers and wireless modems, generate RF energy incidental to their intended function and are therefore subject to FCC rules and regulations.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B computing device peripheral, pursuant to Part 15, 22, and 24 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation.

If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for help

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- This device may not not cause harmful interference, and
- This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesirable operation.

FCC guidelines stipulate that the antenna should be more than 1.8 cm from the user.

The highest reported SAR values of the AirCard 597E ExpressCard by Sierra Wireless are:

1. Separation distance of at least 1.8 cm needs to be maintained to user's lap with the AirCard 597E ExpressCard inserted into the bottom ExpressCard slot of the notebook computer (1.0 mW/g).

**CAUTION**: Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by Sierra Wireless could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

**WARNING (EMI) - Canada:** This digital apparatus does not exceed the Class B limits for radio noise emissions from digital apparatus as set out in the interference causing equipment standard entitled "Digital Apparatus," ICES-003 of the Department of Communications.

Cet appareil numérique respecte les limites de bruits radioélectriques applicables aux appareils numériques de Classe B préscrites dans la norme sur le materiel brouilleur: "Appareils Numériques," NMB-003 édictée par le ministre des Communications.

If you have purchased this product under a United States Government contract, it shall be subject to restrictions as set forth in subparagraph (c)(1)(ii) of Defense Federal Acquisitions Regulations (DFARs) Section 252.227-7013 for Department of Defense contracts, and as set forth in Federal Acquisitions Regulations (FARs) Section 52.227-19 for civilian agency contracts or any successor regulations. If further government regulations apply, it is your responsibility to ensure compliance with such regulations.

WARNING: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SERVICE THE WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE YOURSELF. SUCH ACTION MAY VOID THE WARRANTY. THE AIRCARD 597E EXPRESSCARD IS FACTORY TUNED. NO CUSTOMER CALIBRATION OR TUNING IS REQUIRED. CONTACT VERIZON WIRELESS TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SERVICING YOUR WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE.

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During the Warranty Period, if Vendor determines that a Product is defective under a proper warranty claim, then Vendor will, at its sole discretion, either (a) pay parts and labor charges for the repair of the Product, or (b) replace the Product with a new or rebuilt unit (which unit may use refurbished parts of similar quality and functionality), provided that the defective Product is returned to a Vendor-authorized service center for the Product, transportation charges prepaid, and is accompanied by written proof of purchase in the form of a bill of sale or receipted invoice indicating that the Product was purchased by you and is within the Warranty Period. After the Warranty Period, you are responsible for paying all parts, labor, and shipping charges.

The warranty described above shall apply to all repaired or replaced Product for a period of 90 days from the date of return to you, or the balance of the Warranty Period, whichever is greater.

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This limited warranty is not transferable to any third party including, but not limited to, any subsequent purchaser or owner of the Products. Any transfer or resale of any of the Products will automatically terminate Vendor's warranty coverage of such Products.

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