GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The G3 proprietary expansion slot provides a high speed, parallel architecture that extends the functionality and flexibility of the G3 series HMI. This approach allows the G3 series to evolve concurrently with the latest advances in communications and standards, without sacrificing performance. This high bandwidth channel has significantly greater throughput when compared to the traditional (external) serial gateway approach.

The G3RS option card is easily installed by removing the rear cover of your G3 operator interface, attaching the card using three screws and connecting a single cable. Adding this card gives the operator interface another RS232 port and RS422/485 port. It is built with isolation to protect equipment from potentially harmful ground loops, and provides high speed RS232, RS422, RS485, and DH485 communications for many different types of hardware.

SAFETY SUMMARY

All safety related regulations, local codes and instructions that appear in the literature or on equipment must be observed to ensure personal safety and to prevent damage to either the instrument or equipment connected to it. If equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

Do not use the controller to directly command motors, valves, or other actuators not equipped with safeguards. To do so can be potentially harmful to persons or equipment in the event of a fault to the controller.

CONTENTS OF PACKAGE

- G3RS Option Card
- Cable already attached to G3RS option card
- Hardware pack consisting of three screws
- This hardware bulletin

ORDERING INFORMATION

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MODEL NO.</th>
<th>DESCRIPTION</th>
<th>PART NUMBER</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>G3RS</td>
<td>RS232/485 option card for G3 operator interfaces with isolated high speed communications ports</td>
<td>G3RS0000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CBL</td>
<td>Communications Cables ¹</td>
<td>CBLxxxxx</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DR</td>
<td>DIN Rail Mountable Adapter Products ²</td>
<td>DRxxxxxx</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SFCRM2</td>
<td>Crimson 2.0 ³</td>
<td>SFCRM200</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

¹ Contact your Red Lion distributor or visit www.redlion.net/g3 for complete selection.
² Red Lion offers RJ modular jack adapters. Refer to the DR literature for complete details.
³ Use this part number to purchase Crimson on CD with a printed manual, USB cable, and RS-232 cable. Otherwise, download from www.redlion.net/g3.

WARNING - EXPLOSION HAZARD - DO NOT DISCONNECT EQUIPMENT WHILE THE CIRCUIT IS LIVE OR UNLESS THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE FREE OF IGNITABLE CONCENTRATIONS.

WARNING - EXPLOSION HAZARD - SUBSTITUTION OF ANY COMPONENT MAY IMPAIR SUITABILITY FOR CLASS I, DIVISION 2.
1. **POWER REQUIREMENTS:**
   Power is supplied to the option card from the main board of your G3 operator interface.

2. **COMMUNICATIONS:**
   **Serial Ports:** Format and Baud Rates for each port are individually software programmable up to 115,200 baud and are isolated to help prevent ground loops. The RS422/485 and DH485 port via RJ45 and the RS232 port via RJ12 share the same hardware. The G3RS option card multiplexes the ports to communicate via two protocols. These ports may be used to configure different master protocols, but only one port may be used if configuring a slave protocol or AB DH485.

   - **DH485 TXEN:** Transmit enable; open collector, $V_{OH} = 15$ VDC, $V_{OL} = 0.5$ Isolation from G3RS Communication ports to G3 operator interface: 1000 VDC for 1 minute.

3. **CERTIFICATIONS AND COMPLIANCES:**
   **ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY**
   Emissions and Immunity to EN 61326: Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory use.

   - **Immunity to Industrial Locations:** Reference G3 unit for emissions and immunity specifications

4. **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:**
   **Operating Temperature Range:** 0 to 50 °C
   **Storage Temperature Range:** -20 to 80 °C
   **Operating and Storage Humidity:** 80% maximum relative humidity (non-condensing) from 0 to 50 °C.
   **Altitude:** Up to 2000 meters.

5. **CONSTRUCTION:**
   Installation Category I, Pollution Degree 2.

6. **INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS:** Card must be installed inside the rear cover of a G3 operator interface with the hardware provided. See “Installing the G3RS Option Card” for more details.

---

**INSTALLING THE G3RS OPTION CARD**

**INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**Caution:** The option and main circuit boards contain static sensitive components. Before handling the cards, discharge static charges from your body by touching a grounded bare metal object. Ideally, handle the cards at a static controlled clean workstation. Also, handle the cards by the edges only. Dirt, oil, or other contaminants that may contact the cards can adversely affect circuit operation.

**Warning:** Depending upon the G3 operator interface, high voltage may be present inside the operator interface. Be sure to remove all power before removing the rear cover of the operator interface.

Each G3RS option card comes with a cable for communications and three screws for attaching the option card to the inside of the G3 operator interface’s rear cover.

To install the option card remove all power and I/O communications cables from the unit. The G3 operator interface literature contains instructions for removing the rear cover, refer to the “Battery & Time Keeping” section.

Using the three screws provided connect the option card to the rear cover as shown in Figure 1.

---

**THE OPTION CARD LABEL**

Place the option card label on your rear cover in the space indicated by the dashed lines and labeled “COMMS EXPANSION MODULE.”

---

**POWER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS**

**NEW AND EXISTING INSTALLATIONS**

The G3RS option card draws all of its power from the main board of your G3 operator interface. The specifications of your G3 operator interface account for the power needs of an option card.
CONFIGURING A G3RS OPTION CARD

The G3RS is configured using Crimson software. Crimson is available as a free download from www.redlion.net/g3, or it can be ordered on CD. Updates to Crimson for new features and drivers are posted on the website as they become available. By configuring the G3RS using the latest version of Crimson, you are assured that your unit has the most up-to-date feature set. Crimson software can configure the G3RS through the RS232 PGM port, USB port, Ethernet port, or CompactFlash socket on your G3 operator interface. Additional information can be found in your G3 hardware bulletin and the Crimson user manual.

CABLES AND DRIVERS

Red Lion has a wide range of cables and drivers for use with many different communication types. A list of these drivers and cables along with pin outs is available from www.redlion.net/g3. New cables and drivers are added on a regular basis. If making your own cable, refer to the “G3RS Port Pin Outs” for wiring information.

RS232 PORTS

The G3RS option card has one RS232 port. The port can be used for either master or slave protocols with any G3 configuration. The RS232 port and RS422/485 port on the G3RS option card are multiplexed because they share the same hardware. Both ports can be used with master protocols. However, when the RS232 port is used with a slave protocol, the RS422/485 port is not available.

For examples of RS232 communications refer to your G3 operator interface literature.

RS422/485 COMMS PORT

The G3RS option card has one RS422/485 port. This port can be configured to act as either RS422 or RS485.

The RS422/485 port and RS232 port are multiplexed because they share the same hardware. Both ports can be used with master protocols. However, when the RS422/485 port is used with a slave protocol, the RS232 port is not available.

DH485 COMMUNICATIONS

The G3RS option card’s RS422/485 port can also be used for Allen Bradley DH485 communications. When this port is configured to communicate DH485, the RS232 port can not be used because the ports share the same hardware and the G3RS option card multiplexes the ports to communicate via two protocols.

WARNING: DO NOT use a standard DH485 cable to connect this port to Allen Bradley equipment doing so may cause irreparable damage to the equipment connected. A cable and wiring diagram are available from Red Lion.

G3 to AB SLC 500 (CBLAB003)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Connections</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>RJ45: RLC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3, 8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4, 7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4, 7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3, 8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
SOFTWARE/ UNIT OPERATION

LEDS
The transmit LED(TX) will flash when information is transmitted from the G3RS card. The receive LED(RX) will flash when information is received.

Crimson Software
Crimson 2.0 software is available as a free download from www.redlion.net or it can be purchased on a CD, see “Ordering Information” for part number. The latest version of the software is always available from the web site, and updating your copy is free.

Troubleshooting your G3RS Option Card
If for any reason you have trouble operating, connecting, or simply have questions concerning your new G3RS option card, contact Red Lion’s technical support. For contact information, refer to the back page of this bulletin for phone and fax numbers.

Email: techsupport@redlion.net
Web Site: http://www.redlion.net

Limited Warranty
The Company warrants the products it manufactures against defects in materials and workmanship for a period limited to two years from the date of shipment, provided the products have been stored, handled, installed, and used under proper conditions. The Company’s liability under this limited warranty shall extend only to the repair or replacement of a defective product, at The Company’s option. The Company disclaims all liability for any affirmation, promise or representation with respect to the products.

The customer agrees to hold Red Lion Controls harmless from, defend, and indemnify RLC against damages, claims, and expenses arising out of subsequent sales of RLC products or products containing components manufactured by RLC and based upon personal injuries, deaths, property damage, lost profits, and other matters which Buyer, its employees, or sub-contractors are or may be to any extent liable, including without limitation penalties imposed by the Consumer Product Safety Act (P.L. 92-573) and liability imposed upon any person pursuant to the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act (P.L. 93-637), as now in effect or as amended hereafter.

No warranties expressed or implied are created with respect to The Company’s products except those expressly contained herein. The Customer acknowledges the disclaimers and limitations contained herein and relies on no other warranties or affirmations.