SPECIFICATIONS

Physical
Size (with mounting brackets)
Length: 9.5″
Height: 7.7″
Depth: 3.2″
Weight
2.6 lb.

Environmental
Storage
Temperature: -50 °C to 85 °C
Humidity: 0 to 95 %, non-condensing
Operating
Temperature: -40 °C to 72 °C
Humidity: 0 to 95 %, non-condensing

Mounting
Shelf or backboard, includes mounting brackets

Construction
Chassis
Fully enclosed, anodized aluminum
Externally accessible keypad, LEDs and connectors
Electrical
All components mounted on conformal coated, internal PCBs

Power
Voltage
Range: 9 to 36 Vdc
Consumption
Maximum: 3 W

Isolation
Power
Minimum: 3800 Vdc from B and N terminals to chassis and inputs
Digital Inputs
Minimum: 3800 Vdc to any terminal
Analog Inputs
Minimum: 3800 Vdc to any terminal
Input to Adjacent Input
Digital: minimum 3800 Vdc
Analog: minimum 3200 Vdc
Ethernet Port
Minimum: 3800 Vdc to any terminal
USB Host and Device Ports
Minimum: 3800 Vdc to any terminal

Alarms
Quantity: 20 total, appropriate for crossing applications, user-defined
Types: Set, Cleared and periodic Health Check

Alarms (continued)
Definitions
User-assigned inputs and input states qualify each Alarm
Transmission
Sent to Union Pacific message processing server via Union Pacific VPN or LAN
Operating Modes
Automatic: messages sent via VPN or LAN using DNS or fixed IP Addressing
Maintainer Mode: disables Alarm transmission while crossing is being tested or repaired
Validation Time
As defined by Alarm Configuration Table, 0 to 99,999 seconds

Capacities
Inputs
Digital: 20, all optically isolated
Analog: 4, voltage or current (optional)
Virtual: 16, user-assigned
Timer: 16, user-assigned
Train Speed Monitor: 4, user-assigned
Outputs
Relay: 1, form C, rated for 2 A at 24 Vdc or 1 A at 125 Vac, maximum switching capacity of 125 VA or 60 W, service life 1 million electrical (typical)
Event Storage
Standard: 302,084 records
Maximum: 1,269,572 records
Liquid Crystal Display
Characters: 80 total on 4 lines
Viewing Area: 2.8″ by .8″
Front Panel Keypad
Quantity: 20 keys

Physical Inputs
Input Impedance
Digital: minimum 10 KOhms, optically isolated
Analog: minimum 10 MOhms
Range
Digital Input-On: 9 to 36 Vdc
Digital Input-Off: 0 to 2 Vdc
Analog DC Voltage: 3 scales, ±25.5 Vdc, +51.1 Vdc, ±255 Vdc
Analog AC Voltage: 2 scales, 25.5 Vac, 255 Vac
Analog Current: 2 scales, ±25.5 Adc, 25.5 Aac
Event Validation Times
Digital: .001 to 32.767 seconds, compatible with fixed rate flashing circuits
Analog: fast and slow filter settings

Analog Limit Values
Voltage
High and Low Limits: in multiples of .1 V or 1 V
Current
High and Low Limits: in multiples of .1 A

Analog Input Accuracy
Typical Voltage: ±.15 V or ±1.5 V
Typical Current: ±.2 A

Virtual Inputs
Definitions
Any logical association shared by 1 to 4 variables (i.e., Digital, Analog or other Virtual Inputs)
Assigned by defining the state of the Virtual Input for each combination of variable states
Alarm Usage
Can be used to Set or Clear an Alarm as defined within the Alarm Configuration Table
Recording Usage
Creates standard Event Records
Relay can be controlled by each Virtual Input

Timer Inputs
Programming
Any input can be assigned as a trigger or terminating source
On or Off events can be assigned as a trigger or terminating source
Limit Values
High and Low Limits: in multiples of .1 seconds
Range: 0.0 to 999.9 seconds
Reporting
Measured Time is reported in each Timer Input Event Record
Violation of Limit Values are also reported

Temperature Sensing
Usage: measures and reports internal temperature of Reporter
High and Low Limits: -67 °F to 257 °F

Train Speed Monitor
Operation
Reports excessive train speed
Logs standard Event Record
Sensors
Digital Inputs: 2 required
Distance: 36″ to 99″ or 8′ to 5280′
Limit Values
5 to 99 mph or 5 to 180 mph

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Memory

Type
Non-volatile, Event Records and Setup Database are stored in flash memory chip

Newest data over-writes oldest data, 129th day over-writes first day

Storage Longevity
Infinite with power off

Rated for 100,000 write operations

Ports

RS-232
Quantity: 1, for use with a PC

Terminal Emulation: ANSI

Baud Rates: 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19,200, 38,400, 57,600, 115,200

Bit Format: 8-N-1

USB Host
Compatible with any FAT-32 formatted flash drive

Can create a text file of Event Record data from any time span

Can be used to update firmware

USB Device
Eliminates need for serial comm port

Data transfer rates of 4.71 Mbps

Ethernet
Type: 10/100 Base-T, typically connected to cellular modem or directly to LAN

Protocols: HTTP-Get, TCP/IP, Telnet, SNTP-Unicast, SNTP-Multicast

User Interface: provides remote or local access via TCP/IP connection

Settings: user-assignable IP Address, port, subnet mask, dual IP Addresses for time server

Connectors

Power
Detachable, screw-down, 4-position, 12 to 22 AWG

Dual B and N terminals

Digital Inputs
Detachable, screw-down, 10-position, 12 to 22 AWG

Connectors (continued)

Analog Inputs
Detachable, screw-down, 8-position, 12 to 22 AWG

Relay
Detachable, screw-down, 3-position, 12 to 22 AWG

Normally open, normally closed and common terminals

Terminal Port
DE-9 male, configured as modified DCE

Can also serve as Terminal Port to alternate device

USB Host Port
USB Type A female

USB Device Port
USB Type B female

Ethernet Port
RJ-45 female

Indicators

LCD Panel
Includes LED back lighting for enhanced visibility

Displays numerous command menus for configuring the Reporter and retrieving data

Front Panel LEDs (3)
Active Alarm: red, illuminates when one or more Alarms are active

Message Sent: green, illuminates for 5 seconds when message is sent

Terminal: green, flashes with send and receive data

Ethernet Port LEDs (2)
Green: link established

Yellow: data activity

Controls

Keypad
Located on front panel, below LCD

Keys: 0-9, Browse, Alpha, Setup, Esc/Maintainer Mode, Enter, Save/., left, right, up, down/-

LCD Contrast Adjust
Single-turn pot., accessible from front panel

Internal Clock

Accuracy
Typical: ±8 seconds per month (3 ppm) when not synchronized

Volatility: maintains accuracy for minimum of 30 days with loss of power

Resolution: .001 seconds for all Event Records

Sync
SNTP-Unicast: via primary or secondary time servers, once per day at 00:05:00

SNTP-Multicast: per time server schedule

Operation
Time Zones: selectable from 7 different North American settings

Daylight Saving Time: enable or disable automatic adjustment

Leap Year: automatically adjusted

Password Protection

Administrative Level
Access: unrestricted to all functions

Length: 8 characters

Restricted Level
Access: modifications restricted to site-specific parameters of Setup Database, unrestricted viewing of all data and Setup Database parameters

Length: 8 characters

Passcode
Access: limited modifications to Setup Database via front panel

Length: 8 digits

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TRANSFER RATES

lists typical bit transfer rates for each of the CAR-24's user-accessible ports. In each case the same 20,000 Event Records with no-detail formatting were either dumped to a PC file or saved directly to a flash drive. The times listed are normalized relative to 1,000 Event Records. If speed is a concern, using the USB Device Port is highly recommended.

Port	Time to transfer 1,000 Event Records (sec)	Actual transfer rate (bps)	Relative speed compared to 38,400
Terminal Port (38,400)	19.0	38,396	Used as reference
Terminal Port (115,200)	6.4	114,845	3.0 times faster
USB Host	2.8	n/a	6.7 times faster
Ethernet Port	.2	4,704,075	122.5 times faster
USB Device Port	.2	4,714,063	122.8 times faster

Table 16: Bit Transfer Rates by Port
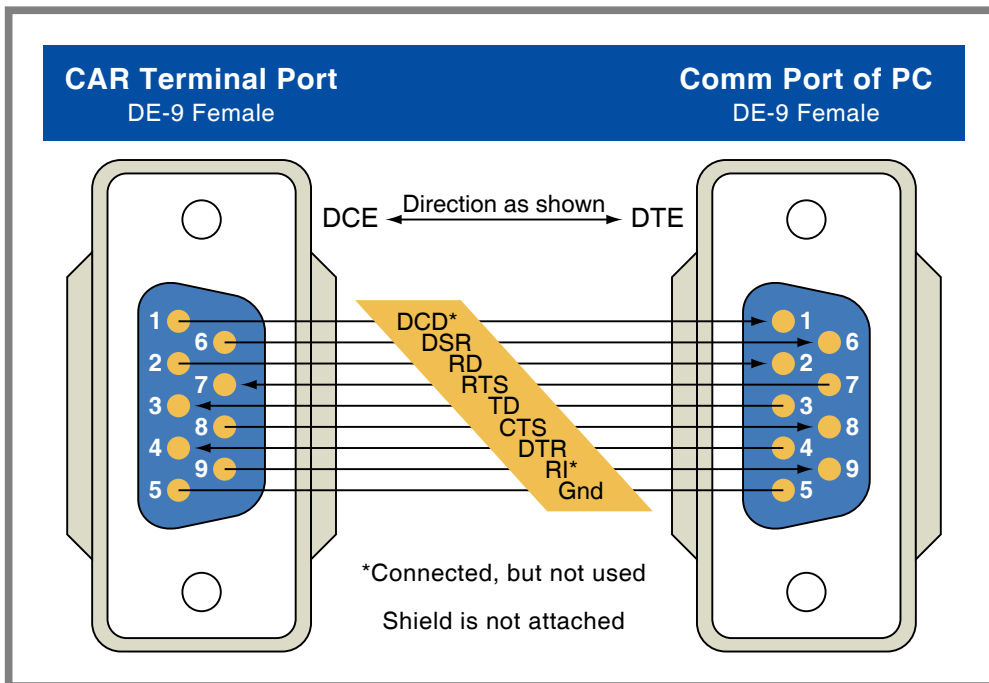
TERMINAL PORT CABLE

The following cable is included with every CAR-24.

Figure 10: Terminal Port Cable - Wiring Diagram