

MDS iNET 900®

Wireless IP/Ethernet Connectivity



The MDS iNET 900® is a long-range, high-speed, industrial, wireless IP/Ethernet solution.

It allows customers to bring business information over Ethernet or a serial gateway and onto IP based networks. This includes mission-critical, revenue-generating data from fixed assets such as oil and gas wells, compressor stations, pipelines, fluid storage tanks and utility meters. It also enables mobile network access for vehicle based operation.

MDS iNET uses advanced 900 MHz FHSS technology for license-free operation in the 902-928 MHz ISM band. It is capable of up to 60 mile range (line-of-sight)² and up to 512 Kbps over-the-air data rate communications. This product is available for use in Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C & D hazardous locations.¹

WHY USE AN MDS iNET WIRELESS NETWORKING SOLUTION?

Longest range industrial product in its class. Providing lowest cost of ownership.

Secure wireless operation with multiple layers of protection, including a 900 MHz physical layer, RADIUS authentication and RC4-128 data encryption with automatic key rotation.

Reliable - Designed and built for low failure rates and reduced maintenance costs.

Resilient - The P21 protected Access Point (a chassis housing two radios in a cold standby configuration) increases the availability of mission-critical point-to-multipoint networks.

P21 Remote stations can also be used to form protected point-to-point links.

Flexible - The MDS iNET supports multiple users connecting to multiple applications via multiple protocols on the same MDS iNET unit or the same network - simultaneously!

Future proof - The MDS iNET adheres to open standards, allowing it to interface with a wide range of external devices enabling both new and old technologies to communicate.

Comprehensive Network Management - Compatible with MDS NETview MS™ and any standard off-the-shelf SNMP management system.

FEATURES / BENEFITS

- Long range – Up to 60 miles²
- High speed – Up to 512 Kbps²
- Secure – multiple layers of cyber-security including:
 - RC4-128 encryption
 - RADIUS authentication
- Ethernet and serial interfaces allow migration of existing serial devices to IP networks
- Industrial grade performance – UL Class 1 Div 2¹ & extended temperature range for extreme environments
- License free - deploy immediately
- Plug and play connectivity – configuration requires virtually no setup
- VLAN capability (802.1Q) allows multiple segregated data flows over a single radio

Applications

- Long range wireless Ethernet
- Gateway for serial/legacy networks and/or devices to IP network
- Video and/or voice-over-IP
- Mobile network access for vehicle based operation



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MDS iNET 900™ SPECIFICATIONS

General

- Data Rate: 512/256 Kbps user configurable air link 1,200-115,200 bps serial ports
- Frequency band: 902-928 MHz ISM band
- Spreading mode: frequency hopping spread spectrum
- Range (256 Kbps)²:
 - Typical fixed range: 15 miles
 - Maximum fixed range: 60 miles
 - Typical mobile range (parked): 5 miles
 - Typical mobile range (moving): 3 miles
- Range (512 Kbps)²:
 - Typical fixed range: 8 miles
 - Maximum fixed range: 15 miles
- Available configurations:
 - Access point/remote dual gateway - serial and ethernet
- Remote ethernet bridge - ethernet only
 - Remote Serial Gateway - serial only
 - P21 protected station - two radios in one chassis (cold standby)

Radio

- System gain: 141 dB @ 256 Kbps;
134 dB @ 512 Kbps
- Carrier power: 0.1 to 1 watt (20 to 30 dBm)
- Output impedance: 50 Ohms
- Occupied bandwidth: 316.5 kHz
- Modulation: CPFSK (continuous phase FSK)
- Receiver sensitivity:
 - 99 dBm @ 256 Kbps with 10⁻⁶ BER
 - 92 dBm @ 512 Kbps with 10⁻⁶ BER

Physical Interfaces

- Ethernet: 10BaseT, RJ-45
- Serial: COM1: RS-232/V.24, DB-9F, DCE
COM2: RS-232/V.24, DB-9M, DTE
- Antenna: TNC connector (female)
- LEDs: Lan, Com1, Com2, power, link

Protocols

- Wireless: CSMA/CA (Collision Avoidance)
- Ethernet: IEEE 802.3, Ethernet II, Spanning Tree (Bridging), IGMP
- TCP/IP: DHCP, ICMP, UDP, TCP, ARP, Multicast, SNMP, TFTP
- Serial: PPP, Encapsulation over IP (tunneling) for serial async multidrop protocols including Modbus, DNP.3, DF1, BSAP
- Optional: Allen-Bradley EtherNet/IP* - Modbus/TCP

MDS Cyber Security Suite, Level 2

- Encryption: RC4-128 with automatic key rotation
- Authentication: 802.1x, RADIUS, EAP/TLS, PKI, PAP, CHAP
- Management: SSL, SSH, HTTPS
- Traffic segregation: 802.1Q VLAN

Management

- HTTP, HTTPS, SSH, TELNET, local console
- SNMPv1/v2/v3, MIB II, Enterprise MIB
- SYSLOG
- MDS NETview MSTM

Environmental

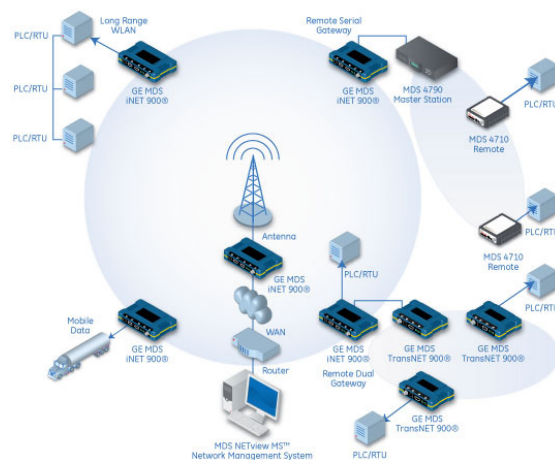
- Temperature: -30°C to +60°C (-22°F to +140°F)
- Humidity: 95% at 40°C (104°F) non-condensing

Electrical

- Input Power: 10.5-30 Vdc
- Current Consumption (nominal):

Mode	Power	13.8 Vdc	24 Vdc
Transmit	7 W	510 mA	290 mA
Receive	2.8 W	200 mA	120 mA

Mechanical



- Case: Die Cast Aluminum
- Dimensions: 3.15 H x 17.2 W x 11.2 D cm.
(1.25 H x 6.75 W x 4.5 D in.)
- Weight: 908 g (2 lb.)
- Mounting options: Flat surface mount brackets, DIN rail, 19" rack tray
- P21 Option:
 - Case: Steel (rack mountable 2U)
 - Dimensions: 8.9 H x 48.3 W x 35.6 D cm.
(3.5 H x 19 W x 14 D in.)
 - Weight: 7.6 kg, (14.7 lbs) with transceivers

Agency Approvals

- FCC Part 15.247
- UL/CSA Class 1 Div. 2¹
- IC

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¹ The transceiver is not acceptable as a stand-alone unit for use in the hazardous locations described above. It must either be mounted within another piece of equipment, which is certified for hazardous locations, or installed within guidelines, or conditions of approval, as set forth by the approving agencies.

² Typical fixed range calculation assumes a 6 dBd gain Omni on a 100 ft tower at the AP, a 10 dBd gain Yagi on a 25 ft mast at the remote with output power decreased to yield maximum allowable EIRP (36 dBm), a 10 dB fade margin, and a mix of agricultural and commercial terrain with line of sight.

Typical mobile range calculation assumes a 6 dBd gain Omni on a 100 ft tower at the AP, a 5 dBd gain Omni with 1 watt output power at 6 ft height, a 10 dB fade margin, and 90% reliability with near line-of-sight in a mix of agricultural and commercial terrain. Maximum range achieved with a clear line-of-sight path, and fresnel zone clearance. Actual performance is dependent on many factors including antenna height, blocked paths and terrain.



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