K1 8 Safe Digital Outputs, High-Side Switching menTCS Safe I/O Board SIL 2 to SIL 4

- » 8 digital outputs, 24 V, 48 V, 72 V, 96 V, 110 V
- » 300 mA per channel
- » High-side switch outputs (load to ground)
- » Optical isolation from other cards
- » Fail-safe board architecture
- » Certifiable up to SIL 4 (with report from TÜV SÜD)
- » Developed according to EN 50129, EN 50128 and IEC 61508
- » Extensive supervision functions
- » Full EN 50155 compliance
- » -40 to +85°C qualified
- » Conformal coating

Digital Outputs for menTCS

The K1 is a safe digital output card for use in a modular MEN Train Control System. menTCS is a platform to perform safe train control functions, focusing on rolling stock applications like Automated Train Operation (ATO) or Automated Train Protection (ATP). It usually consists of the MH50C menTCS controller system and safe remote I/O boxes, e.g., KT8. The K1 can be a part in any of these systems, with one card providing 8 digital outputs.

Safe, Certified Railway I/O

Developed according to EN 50129/EN 50128, K1 boards can be used for SIL 1, SIL 2, SIL 3 and SIL 4 applications. All menTCS I/O components come with dedicated SIL 4 certification packages from TÜV SÜD, reducing the integrator's certification effort and risk, and resulting in lower integration costs.

Functional Safety Design

With a dedicated onboard supervisor and FSoE features (Fail Safe over Ethernet), the I/O board is equipped with all the mechanisms required to provide protection in functionally safe systems. The I/O card reacts to be failsafe: it enters the safe state if it detects an error.



In-System Connection using Real-Time Ethernet

menTCS I/O boards are physically shorter than a 3U CompactPCI board. Inside a menTCS system, these cards connect to the backplane using an extension. This links them to the menTCS EBUS, power supply, and address lines, allowing safe real-time Ethernet communication within the system.

Front I/O is connected via spring cage terminal blocks for fast installation thanks to reduced wiring.

EN 50155 Rolling Stock Compliance

The K1 supports the voltage ranges defined by EN 50155 for railway applications. Being usable in all types of different trains optimizes the I/O board's interoperability. Its operating temperature complies with the class TX specifications of -40 to +70 °C (10 minutes up to +85 °C). Standard boards include conformal coating. Along with its full EN 50155 compliance and long-term availability of a minimum 10 years, the K1 is a rail-ready I/O component.

Safe Software Concept

All menTCS components are supported by certified QNX BSP and driver software.







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Digital Outputs	 Output voltage 24 V, 48 V, 72 V, 96 V, 110 V nom. (EN 50155) Output current 300 mA per channel max. Output type High-side switch outputs (load to ground)
Front Interfaces	 Digital I/O One spring cage terminal block Eight output channels Status LEDs Binary channel status, one LED per channel I/O error FSoE activity Real-time Ethernet error Real-time Ethernet state indication
Rear Interfaces	 EBUS Two real-time Ethernet channels, ETG.1000 menTCS FSoE Slot ID and chassis ID for unique FSoE address
Supervision and Control	 Safe supervisor Check for overvoltage, undervoltage, excess temperature Watchdog Monitor self-test
Backplane Standard	ETG.1000 EBUS
Electrical Specifications	 Supply voltage +12 V (10.8 to 13.2 V) Power consumption tbd. W Isolation voltage 1500 V AC
Mechanical Specifications	 Dimensions 100 mm x 100 mm, 4 HP
Environmental Specifications	 Classification for railway applications EN 50155: Rolling stock, vehicle body Temperature range (operation) -40°C to +85°C (qualified components) (EN 50155, class TX) Temperature range (storage): -40°C to +85°C Cooling concept Air-cooled, natural convection Humidity EN 50155: Rolling stock, vehicle body Vibration/Shock EN 50155: Rolling stock, vehicle body class B Altitude: -300 m to +3000 m Conformal coating



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Safety	 Functional Safety Certifiable to SIL 2, SIL 3 or SIL 4 according to EN 50129 ("safety case" document and certificate from TÜV SÜD) Hazard rate (THR) for safety functions <= 1E-8 / h Board maintains safe state after a failure Electrical Safety EN 50155: Rolling stock, vehicle body Flammability UL 94V-0 Fire Protection EN 45545
ЕМС	EN 50155: Rolling stock, vehicle body
Software Support	 PACY (Process Data Framework for Cyclic Applications) QNX For more information on supported operating system versions and drivers see Software.





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