

# Zebra TC-21 QR Scanner Set-Up

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Documentation to set-up a Zebra TC21 to scan QR Barcodes in hexadecimal, store in a .csv or .xlsx file, send the files into an SMB network, and parse in decimal to determine item codes from that scanned QR code. Note: *Italicized Text* means it can be seen in the Zebra Device.

## 1 Zebra TC-21 Configurations

Requirements to scan QR code:

- Zebra TC21 [Model:TC210K], Android Version 10
- Scanning Application
- File Explorer Application
- Server Message Block (SMB) configuration skills

### *Data Wedge* Application

*Data Wedge* is a built in application for Zebra devices, In order to have the scanning function to perform quickly and efficiently, the following changes needs to made:

- In the *Data Wedge* application, Profile:Profile0 (default) should be selected
- Scroll down to *Keystroke output* section, 'Inter character delay' is up to [10 ms]
- Scroll down and select *Basic Data formatting* section
- 'Send ENTER key' should be ☒, not unchecked

## 2 'Orca Scan' Android Package (APK)

*Orca Scan* is an application created by Cambridge App Lab Limited. *Orca Scan* will make the TC21 device: scan, export .csv, .xlsx to a file manager application that connects to an Server Message Block (SMB) service.

- Download *Orca Scan v5.7.8* APK from a web browser
- Be sure to accept permissions on third-party downloads
- *CAUTION*: downloading APK that is not from 'Google Play Store' is dangerous
- Install the 'Orca Scan v5.7.8.apk' file

### *Orca Scan* Versions

Orca Scan App 6.2.0 Update  
2021-06-05

- Added support for Honeywell barcode scanners
- Fixed bug extracting weight from GS1 barcodes (thanks Jonas)
- Restored 'Scan into field' button when manually entering a barcode
- Remove Orca yellow from light theme

### 3 Parsing QR Bar-code

```
1  #include <iostream>
2  #include <string.h>
3  ...
4  string GetBinaryStringFromHexString(string);
5
6  int main(int argc, char *argv[]) // input is a 32
    character string
7
8  {
9      unsigned int encodeVer, printArea, itemCode, packingDiv,
        productionYear, quantity, serialNumber, checksum;
10     string inHex, inBinary;
11
12     for (int i = 1; i < argc; ++i)
13     {
14         inHex = argv[i];
15         inBinary = GetBinaryStringFromHexString(inHex);
16         //cout << inHex << "\n";
17         ...
18     }
19     return 0;
20 }
21
22 string GetBinaryStringFromHexString(string sHex)
23 {
24     string sReturn = "";
25     for (unsigned int i = 0; i < sHex.length(); ++i)
26     {
27         switch (toupper(sHex[i]))
28         {
29             case '0': sReturn.append("0000"); break;
30             case '1': sReturn.append("0001"); break;
31             case '2': sReturn.append("0010"); break;
32             case '3': sReturn.append("0011"); break;
33             case '4': sReturn.append("0100"); break;
34             case '5': sReturn.append("0101"); break;
35             case '6': sReturn.append("0110"); break;
36             case '7': sReturn.append("0111"); break;
37             case '8': sReturn.append("1000"); break;
38             case '9': sReturn.append("1001"); break;
39             case 'A': sReturn.append("1010"); break;
40             case 'B': sReturn.append("1011"); break;
41             case 'C': sReturn.append("1100"); break;
42             case 'D': sReturn.append("1101"); break;
43             case 'E': sReturn.append("1110"); break;
44             case 'F': sReturn.append("1111"); break;
45         }
46     }
47     return sReturn;
48 }
```

Listing 1: Snippet of the C++ to decode the bar-code

## I. Decode Bar-Code: *Visual Studio*

"*Visual Studio* dev tools & services make app development easy for any platform & language."

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## II. Decode Bar-Code: Future Updates

Future updates regarding to the parser is a built in application for Zebra devices, In order to have the scanning function to perform quickly and efficiently, the following changes needs to made:

## 4 Server Message Block (SMB) Configuration

"In computer networking, Server Message Block (*SMB*), one version of which was also known as Common Internet File System (CIFS), is a communication protocol for providing shared access to files, printers, and serial ports between nodes on a network."

### Using *FE File Explorer* for SMB

'FE File Explorer' can be installed via 'Google Play Store'

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