



OneTouch® Select™ Blood Glucose Meter RS-232 Communication Protocol

Software Developer

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The following information may be used when attempting to **upload** the OneTouch® Select™ Meter memory to a computer with the OneTouch® Interface Cable.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Meter: OneTouch® Select™

Cable: OneTouch® Interface Cable (25-pin, 9-pin or USB)

Computer: IBM® compatible personal computer

Adapter: An adaptor may be required depending on the computer and version of the OneTouch® Interface Cable. For Example: IBM® compatible personal computer: A 25-pin to 9-pin adapter if serial/com port is a 9-pin and the interface cable is a 25-pin cable.

Cable: Connect OneTouch® Interface cable to an available serial or USB port on the computer. Insert the OneTouch® Interface cable stereo plug into the data port that is located at the bottom of the meter.

Software: A communications software package, such as HyperTerminal.
Select port settings in communications software:

Baud Rate = 9600 bps

Stop Bits = 1

Flow Control = None

Data Bits = 8

Parity = none

Com Port = port # utilized

Time-out Information:

- The inter-character timeout period for the Link Layer Protocol is 10msec and the inter packet timeout period is 100mSec.
- Link Layer Timeout – this shall be 0.5 seconds.

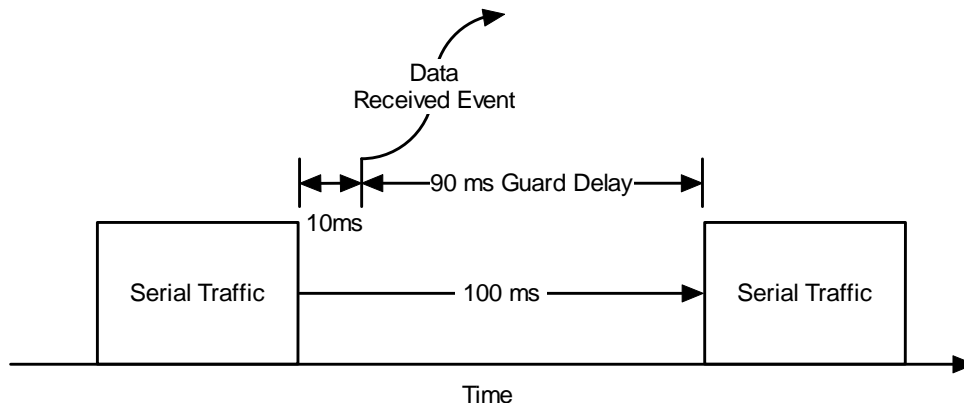


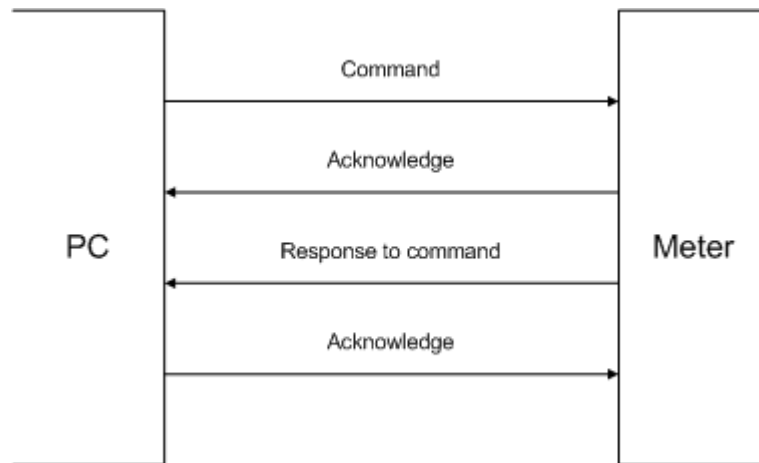
Figure 1 Inter-character timeout timing



Initiating Communications:

Initiate the terminal screen of your communications software package. Leave the meter powered **OFF**.

Communicating with the meter follows the following process flow:



Data Types:

Decimal, hexadecimal or binary numbers are used in this document.

- Decimal numbers are used to represent counts.
- Hexadecimal numbers are used to represent values like commands IDs and addresses.
- Binary numbers are used to describe bit patterns or bit settings within binary fields.
- Within a byte bits are numbered from 0 to 7, with 0 being the least significant bit

Commands:

The meter supports the following commands (prefixed by a unique identifier for test traceability) -

- SW01: Read Software Version String and Software Creation Date
- SW02: Read Serial Number
- SW03: Delete All Glucose Records
- SW04: Read Glucose Record
- SW05: Read Current Unit Settings
- SW06: Read Time Format
- SW07: Read/Write RTC

For each of these commands and their associated responses from the meter, the command frame layout is:

Start of message indicator	Length Byte	Control Byte	Data portion	End of message indicator	Check characters
STX	Size of packet	Link control information	Application data	ETX	CRC _{low} CRC _{high}



Elements of the command frame:

Element	Contents
Start of message indicator	The character STX (0x02)
Length Byte	A byte containing the number of bytes which make up the complete frame, from the STX character to the CRC _{high} character inclusive.
Link Control Byte	A byte containing sequencing number information, ack/nack and disconnection indications. Described below in the section Link Control Byte
Data portion	Up to 34 bytes of application specific data.
End of message indicator	The character ETX (0x03)
Check characters	These characters contain the CCITT-CRC16 of the frame. The CRC-16 is calculated on all the fields except the check characters. This is detailed in Appendix – CRC Calculation.

Link Control Byte:

The link control byte has the following format.

Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0
Unused	Unused	Unused	More	Disconnect	Acknowledge	E	S

Bit 4: More

When set this indicates that the sending party has a subsequent data frame to send. The more indication will be passed to the application. It is the application's responsibility to interpret the actions to be taken on the receipt of a more indication. This bit is only valid when the frame contains application data. Its setting is meaningless if the Disconnect bit is set.

Bit 3: Disconnect

When set this indicates that the sending party is requesting to terminate the data link. The receiving party must respond to this request by issuing a disconnect response. A full description of the disconnection procedure is provided in the next section.

Bit 2: Acknowledge

This indicates that the message packet is a link level acknowledgement packet that contains no application data. This packet is used to confirm the correct reception of a data message.

NOTE - This bit must be set to 0 when transmitting a message which contains application data, or when the disconnect bit is not set.

Bit 1: E

In order to maintain correct packet ordering and identify retries, each communicating party maintains an "Expected Receive" (E) sequence number, and a "Send" (S) sequence number. Bit 1 is used to hold the "Expected Receive" number of the sending party. On establishment of the data link this field will be set to 0. When a correctly framed message packet with a "Send" sequence number of 0 is received, this value will be set to 1. When a subsequent message packet with a "Send" sequence number of 1 is received this value will be set to 0. These alternations of the expected receive bit proceeds for the duration of the data connection.

NOTE - The value of this field is only changed on successful reception of a message packet containing application data. For this to happen, the packet must be correctly framed and check summed, with the S number in the packet being equal to the "Expected Receive" number held by the receiving party. This field is not altered by the reception of link level control packets such as acknowledgement. This field is set to 0 upon



reception of a disconnect message. It may also be used when determining whether a packet containing application data is providing an implicit acknowledgement to a previously sent packet.

Bit 0: S

This field holds the “Send” sequence number field from the sending party as described for Bit 1 above. This number is incremented when the link level receives an acknowledgement message from the receiving party. The initial value of this field is 0, when an acknowledgement is received it will be set to 1, a subsequent successful message transmission will result in the send sequence number being set to 0. These alternations of the send number proceeds for the duration of the data connection.

NOTE - The value of this field is only changed on the successful acknowledgement of the previously sent packet. For this to happen the received packet must be correctly framed and check summed, with the E number in the packet being different from the “Send” sequence number of the receiving party

Link Level acknowledgement:

A link level acknowledgement packet is sent in response to a valid message containing application data. The example below shows the format of an acknowledgement message that would be sent after reception of a message that had a send sequence number of 0, and contained application data. Note that the Acknowledge bit is set and the expected receive bit in the control byte is set to 1.

Start of message indicator	Length	Control Byte	End of message indicator	Check-characters
STX	0x06	00000110	ETX	CRC _{low} CRC _{high}

It is possible for link layer acknowledgements to be lost, in which case out of sequence packets can be received. In this case, the data packet should be acknowledged by sending the link layer ACK, however the data message should not be passed to the application.

Link Level Timeout:

The link level timeout is used by the sender to recover from transmission failures of application data frames and disconnect messages. There is no failure recovery implemented for acknowledgement messages.

The sender of the frame sets its transmission counter to 1 and starts the timer when the last byte of the frame is sent. If the timer expires before a response is received the sender interprets this as an error and increments its transmission counter. If the transmission counter exceeds 3 then the link layer discards the message and reports to the application that it failed to send. It is up to the application to take the appropriate recovery action.

If the sender receives a link level acknowledgement packet OR a message packet whose control byte acknowledges the message has been received, then the sender informs its local application of the successful transmission of the message.

Link Level Disconnection:

In case of serious line error, or when the dialogue is completed, either party can issue a link-level disconnect request. Disconnect requests have no attached data. After sending the disconnect request, it waits for the receiving party to issue a disconnect response. The format is as follows:

Start of message indicator	Length	Control Byte	End of message indicator	Check-characters
STX	0x06	000010ES	ETX	CRC _{low} CRC _{high}



After sending the disconnect request, the originator waits for the other party to acknowledge by issuing a link level disconnect response in the following format.

Start of message indicator	Length	Control Byte	End of message indicator	Check-characters
STX	0x06	000011ES	ETX	CRC _{low} CRC _{high}

Where

- E : Indicates the sending parties expected receive sequence number.
 S : Indicates the sending parties current send number.

The link level terminates the data connection as soon as it receives a disconnect response.

Time-Out Information

- The inter-character timeout period for the packets is a maximum of 1msec.
- The inter packet minimum time period between packets is 40msec.
- Link Layer Timeout – maximum shall be 600msec. For example, the time the meter waits for an ACK before resending a packet is 600msec.

Commands:

To start a session it is recommended that an initial disconnect command is sent to get the meter into a known state. This is achieved by issuing the disconnect command listed above.

An example of the data exchange is shown below:

Command from PC: Disconnect

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC _{low}	CRC _{high}
0x02	0x06	0x08	0x03	0xC2	0x62

Reply from Meter: Disconnected and Acknowledged

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC _{low}	CRC _{high}
0x02	0x06	0x0C	0x03	0x06	0xAE

Note: The meter will display "PC" on its LCD display at this point.

SW01: Command: Read Software Version String and Software Creation Date:

This command allows the PC to read the meters software version string and that version's assigned creation date.

Below is an example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter):



Command Message from PC: Read Software Version String and Software Creation Date

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	CM3	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x09	0x00	0x05	0x0D	0x03	0x03	0xEB	0x42

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: S/W Version String and Creation Date: "P02.00.0009/03/07"

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	RM3	'P'	'0'	'2'	'.'	'0'	'0'	'.'
0x02	0x1C	0x02	0x05	0x06	0x13	0x50	0x30	0x32	0x2E	0x30	0x30	0x2E
'0'	'0'	'0'	'9'	'/'	'0'	'3'	'/'	'0'	'7'			ETX
0x30	0x30	0x30	0x39	0x2F	0x30	0x33	0x2F	0x30	0x37	0x00	0x00	0x03

CRC low	CRC high
0x1D	0x44

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

SW02: Command: Read Serial Number

This command allows the PC to read the meters serial number.

Below is an example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter):

Command Message from PC: Read Serial Number

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	CM3	CM4	CM5	CM6	CM7	CM8	CM9	CM10
0x02	0x12	0x00	0x05	0x0B	0x02	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00

CM11	CM12	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x00	0x00	0x03	0x19	0xE7

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Serial Number = "KDG15001"

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	'K'	'D'	'G'	'1'	'5'	'0'	'0'	'1'
0x02	0x11	0x02	0x05	0x06	0x4B	0x44	0x47	0x31	0x35	0x30	0x30	0x31



0	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x00	0x03	0xEF	0xDF

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

SW03: Command: Delete All Glucose Records

This command deletes all glucose records in the meter.

Below is an example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter):

Command Message from PC: Delete All Glucose Records

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x08	0x00	0x05	0x1A	0x03	0x56	0xB0

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Command Executed

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x08	0x02	0x05	0x06	0x03	0x20	0x1B

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

SW04: Command: Read Glucose Record

This command allows the PC to read a specified record. Records are indexed from 0 to 349. Record 0 is the most recent glucose record recorded.

To use this facility to read one or more records successfully, the PC must first establish how many records are present in the meter. This is achieved by requesting to read record 351 (which is an invalid request) but the meter will reply with the number of records that are available.

Below is an example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter) where the meter contains 3 records with the values and time stamps:

1. 76 mg/dL 16:05 20 June 2025
2. 89 mg/dL 10:50 26 April 2012
3. 79 mg/dL 16:30 25 Dec 2007



Note: The time returned by the meter is the number of elapsed seconds since January 1st, 1970.

First the PC requests the number of records available by requesting an invalid record (351):

Command Message from PC: Read Glucose Record 351

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	351	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0A	0x00	0x05	0x1F	0x5F, 0x01	0x03	0x65	0xD0

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Invalid Record + Number of Records = 3

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	Number Of Records	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0A	0x02	0x05	0x0F	0x03, 0x00	0x03	0x1C	0x58

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

The PC has now established there are 3 records available on the meter. It now requests to read all 3 records:

READ RECORD 1

Command Message from PC: Read Glucose Record 1 (offset = 000)

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	Record 1	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0A	0x03	0x05	0x1F	0x00, 0x00	0x03	0x4B	0x5F

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x05	0x03	0x9E	0x14

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Record glucose value + date stamp

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	GR1	GR2	GR3	GR4
0x02	0x10	0x01	0x05	0x06	0xAC	0x86	0x55	0x68	0x4C	0x00	0x00	0x00

ETX	CRC Low	CRC high
0x03	0x86	0x0B

This result can be interpreted as follows:

- date and time in hex is 685586AC¹ (from DT4 to DT1) = 16:05 20 June 2025

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¹ The time returned by the meter is the number of elapsed seconds since January 1st, 1970



- glucose value in hex is 004C (from GR2 to GR1) = 76 in decimal.
- GR3 is the control solution flag = 0 in this instance which indicates this is not a control solution result. The only other possible value is 1 which indicates it is a control solution result.
- GR4 is the meal flag = 0 in this instance which indicates no meal flag. The only other possible values are 1 which indicates the meal flag is set to "Before Meal" and 2 which indicates the meal flag is set to "After Meal".

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x04	0x03	0xAF	0x27

READ RECORD 2

Command Message from PC: Read Glucose Record 2 (offset = 001)

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	Record 2	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0A	0x00	0x05	0x1F	0x01, 0x00	0x03	0x9B	0xA6

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Record glucose value + date stamp

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	GR1	GR2	GR3	GR4
0x02	0x10	0x02	0x05	0x06	0x58	0x28	0x99	0x4F	0x59	0x00	0x00	0x00

ETX	CRC low	CRC High
0x03	0x5D	0x60

This result can be interpreted as follows:

- date and time in hex is 4F992858 (from DT4 to DT1) = 10:50 26 April 2012
- glucose value in hex is 0059 (from GR2 to GR1) = 89 in decimal.
- GR3 is the control solution flag = 0 in this instance.
- GR4 is the meal flag = 0 in this instance.

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

READ RECORD 3

Command Message from PC: Read Glucose Record 3 (offset = 002)

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	Record 3	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0A	0x03	0x05	0x1F	0x02, 0x00	0x03	0x2B	0x31

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge



STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x05	0x03	0x9E	0x14

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Record glucose value + date stamp

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	GR1	GR2	GR3	GR4
0x02	0x10	0x01	0x05	0x06	0x08	0x30	0x71	0x47	0x4F	0x00	0x00	0x00

ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x03	0x58	0x05

This result can be interpreted as follows:

- date and time in hex is 47713008 (from DT4 to DT1) = 16:30 25 December 2007
- glucose value in hex is 004F (from GR2 to GR1) = 79 in decimal.
- GR3 is the control solution flag = 0 in this instance.
- GR4 is the meal flag = 0 in this instance.

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x04	0x03	0xAF	0x27

Read Glucose Record Outside Normal Glucose Limits

These examples show reading of two different records which contain glucose values outside the normal glucose limits. The normal lower glucose limit is 20 mg/dL and the upper glucose limit is 600 mg/dL. The first example shows reading a glucose record with the glucose value 12 mg/dL, the second example shows reading a glucose record with the glucose value 720 mg/dL.

Read Glucose Record 2 Which Contains Value Below Normal Limit

Below is the example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter):

Command Message from PC: Read 2nd Glucose Record (offset = 001)

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	Record 2	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0A	0x00	0x05	0x1F	0x01, 0x00	0x03	0x9B	0xA6

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Record glucose value of 12 mg/dL + date stamp

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	GR1	GR2	GR3	GR4
0x02	0x10	0x02	0x05	0x06	0xD0	0x0A	0x44	0x68	0x0C	0x00	0x00	0x00

ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x03	0x96	0x62

This result can be interpreted as follows:

- date and time in hex is 68440AD0 (from DT4 to DT1) = 07 June 2025 9:48



(Note: conversion is number of seconds since 1-Jan-1970 00:00:00)

- glucose value in mg/dL in hex is 000C (from GR2 to GR1) = 12 in decimal.
- GR3 is the control solution flag = 0 in this instance which indicates this is not a control solution result. The only other possible value is 1 which indicates it is a control solution result.
- GR4 is the meal flag = 0 in this instance which indicates no meal flag. The only other possible values are 1 which indicates the meal flag is set to "Before Meal" and 2 which indicates the meal flag is set to "After Meal".

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

Read Glucose Record 2 Which Contains Value Above Normal Limit

Below is the example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter):

Command Message from PC: Read 2nd Glucose Record (offset = 001)

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	Record 2	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0A	0x00	0x05	0x1F	0x01, 0x00	0x03	0x9B	0xA6

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Record glucose value of 720 mg/dL + date stamp

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	GR1	GR2	GR3	GR4
0x02	0x10	0x02	0x05	0x06	0xD0	0x0A	0x44	0x68	0xD0	0x02	0x00	0x00

ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x03	0x37	0x33

This result can be interpreted as follows:

- date and time in hex is 68440AD0 (from DT4 to DT1) = 07 June 2025 9:48
(Note: conversion is number of seconds since 1-Jan-1970 00:00:00)
- glucose value in mg/dL in hex is 02D0 (from GR2 to GR1) = 720 in decimal.
- GR3 is the control solution flag = 0 in this instance which indicates this is not a control solution result. The only other possible value is 1 which indicates it is a control solution result.
- GR4 is the meal flag = 0 in this instance which indicates no meal flag. The only other possible values are 1 which indicates the meal flag is set to "Before Meal" and 2 which indicates the meal flag is set to "After Meal".

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72



SW05: Command: Read Current Unit Settings

This command allows the PC to read the current unit settings (mg/dL or mmol/L).

Below is an example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter):

Command Message from PC: Read Current Unit Settings

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	CM3	CM4	PM1	PM2	PM3	PM4	ETX
0x02	0x0E	0x00	0x05	0x09	0x02	0x09	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x03

CRC low	CRC high
0xCE	0xE7

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Current Unit Settings

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	PM1	PM2	PM3	PM4	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0C	0x02	0x05	0x06	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x03	0x20	0xC1

This result is interpreted as follows:

PM1 = 0, unit setting is mg/dL.

If PM1 = 1, then unit setting is mmol/L.

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

SW06: Command: Read Time Format

This command allows the PC to read the time format (24 hour or AM/PM).

Below is an example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter):

Command Message from PC: Read Time Format

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	CM3	CM4	PM1	PM2	PM3	PM4	ETX
0x02	0x0E	0x00	0x05	0x09	0x02	0x24	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x03

CRC low	CRC high
0x85	0x9C



Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: Time Format

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	PM1	PM2	PM3	PM4	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0C	0x02	0x05	0x06	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x03	0x20	0xC1

This result is interpreted as follows:

PM1 = 0, meter has AM/PM hour time format.

If PM1 = 1, then meter has 24 hour time format.

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

SW07: Command: Read/Write RTC

This command allows the PC to read and write the RTC of the meter.

Below is an example communication between the PC and Meter (following a disconnect/acknowledge between the PC and Meter) where the PC reads the RTC and then writes a new RTC value to the meter:

Command Message from PC: Read RTC

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	CM3	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0D	0x00	0x05	0x20	0x02	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x03	0xEC	0x61

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x06	0x03	0xCD	0x41

Reply Message 2 from Meter: RTC Current Setting

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0C	0x02	0x05	0x06	0x6B	0xFA	0x40	0x40	0x03	0x84	0xD3

This result is interpreted as follows:

- date and time in hex is 4040FA6B (from DT4 to DT1) = 28 Feb 2004 20:30:35

(Note: conversion is number of seconds since 1-Jan-1970 00:00:00)

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x07	0x03	0xFC	0x72

Command Message from PC: Write RTC = 20:26:00 13 Jan 2007

STX	Len	Link	CM1	CM2	CM3	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0D	0x03	0x05	0x20	0x01	0x58	0x40	0xA9	0x45	0x03	0xFF	0x2A

This command is interpreted as follows:



- date and time in hex is 45A94058 (from DT4 to DT1) = 13 Jan 2007 20:26:00
(Note: conversion is number of seconds since 1-Jan-1970 00:00:00)

Reply Message 1 from Meter: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x05	0x03	0x9E	0x14

Reply Message 2 from Meter: RTC Current Setting

STX	Len	Link	RM1	RM2	DT1	DT2	DT3	DT4	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x0C	0x01	0x05	0x06	0x58	0x40	0xA9	0x45	0x03	0xE2	0xA1

Reply from PC: Acknowledge

STX	Len	Link	ETX	CRC low	CRC high
0x02	0x06	0x04	0x03	0xAF	0x27



1. APPENDIX

Calculating the CRC:

The CCITT-CRC16 is employed: $X^{16} + X^{12} + X^5 + X^1$ where the algorithm seed is 0xffff and input is the string to be transmitted from the first character up to but not including the CRC bytes.

The following C function will return the CRC when: initial_crc set to 0xffff, the buffer pointer set to the start of the string to be transmitted and the length set to the number of bytes in the string not including the two bytes for the CRC.

```
unsigned short crc_calculate_crc (unsigned short initial_crc, const unsigned char *buffer, unsigned short length)
{
    unsigned short index = 0;
    unsigned short crc = initial_crc;

    if (buffer != NULL)
    {
        for (index = 0; index < length; index++)
        {
            crc = (unsigned short)((unsigned char)(crc >> 8) | (unsigned short)(crc << 8));
            crc ^= buffer [index];
            crc ^= (unsigned char)(crc & 0xff) >> 4;
            crc ^= (unsigned short)((unsigned short)(crc << 8) << 4);
            crc ^= (unsigned short)((unsigned short)((crc & 0xff) << 4) << 1);
        }
    }

    return (crc);
}
```

A test case of this is shown below:

Given the array:

```
unsigned char test_crc[4] = {02,06,06,03};
```

The function call:

```
unsigned short crc = crc_calculate_crc( 0xffff, test_crc, 4 );
```

yields the resultant CRC of 0x41CD.