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BMD-300 Series Module for Bluetooth 4.2 LE

The BMD-300 Series from Rigado is a line of powerful, highly flexible, ultra-low power Bluetooth Smart modules based on the nRF52832 SoC from Nordic Semiconductor. With an ARM® Cortex™ M4F CPU, embedded 2.4GHz transceiver, and integrated antenna, they provide a complete RF solution with no additional RF design, allowing faster time to market. Providing full use of the nRF52832's capabilities and peripherals, the BMD-300 Series can power the most demanding applications, all while simplifying designs and reducing BOM costs. With an internal DC-DC converter and intelligent power control, the BMD-300 Series provide class-leading power efficiency, enabling ultra-low power sensitive applications. Regulatory pre-approvals reduce the burden to enter the market, and the included BMD Software Suite provides access to great features like a secure BLE & UART bootloader, iOS & Android Bluetooth libraries, and more.













1. Features

- Based on the Nordic nRF52832 SoC
- Complete RF solution with integrated antenna (BMD-300) or U.FL connector (BMD-301)
- Integrated DC-DC converter
- No external components required
- ARM® Cortex™-M4F 32-bit processor
- Serial Wire Debug (SWD)
- Nordic SoftDevice ready
- Over-the-Air (OTA) firmware updates
- 512kB embedded flash memory
- 64kB RAM
- 32 General Purpose I/O Pins
- 12-bit/200KSPS ADC
- -40C to +85 Temperature Range
- BMD Software Suite included
- FCC: **2AA9B04** (BMD-300/BMD-301)

- Three SPI Master/Slave (8 Mbps)
- Low power comparator
- Temperature sensor
- Random Number Generator
- Two 2-wire Master/Slave (I2C compatible)
- 12S audio interface
- UART (w/ CTS/RTS and DMA)
- 20 channel CPU independent Programmable Peripheral Interconnect (PPI)
- Quadrature Demodulator (QDEC)
- 128-bit AES HW encryption
- 5 x 32bit, 3 x 24bit Real Timer Counters (RTC)
- NFC-A tag interface for OOB pairing
- Dimensions: 14 x 9.8 x 1.9mm
- IC: 12208A-04 (BMD-300/BMD-301)
- Japan: 210-106799 (BMD-300) 210-107153 (BMD-301)

2. Applications

- App-cessories
- Beacons iBeacon™, AltBeacon, Eddystone, etc.
- **Low-Power Sensors**
- **Connected Appliances**
- **Lighting Products**
- Fitness devices
- Wearables













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3. Ordering Information

Email modules@rigado.com for quotes and ordering or visit www.rigado.com/BMD-300

Part Number	Description
BMD-300-A-CT	BMD-300 module, Rev A, Cut Tape
BMD-300-A-R	BMD-300 module, Rev A, Tape & Reel, 1000 piece multiples
BMD-301-A-CT	BMD-301 module, Rev A, Cut Tape
BMD-301-A-R	BMD-301 module, Rev A, Tape & Reel, 1000 piece multiples
BMD-300-EVAL-S	BMD-300 Evaluation Kit with Segger J-Link programmer
BMD-301-EVAL-S	BMD-301 Evaluation Kit with Segger J-Link programmer w/antennas

Table 1 – Ordering Part Numbers

4. Block Diagram

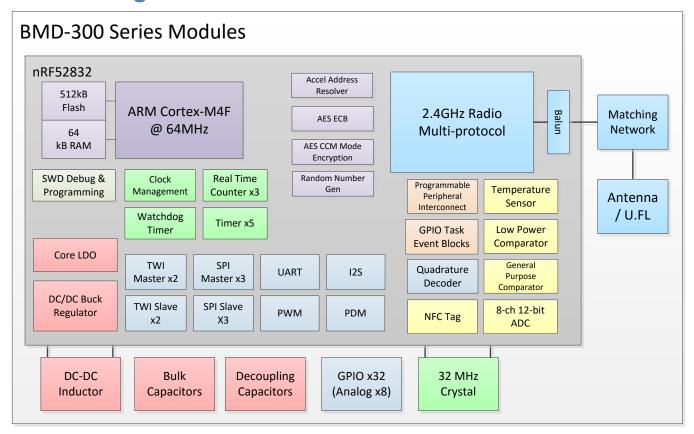


Figure 1 – Block Diagram

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5. Quick Specifications

Bluetooth				
Version	4.2 (Bluetooth Smart) Concur	rent Centr	ral & Peripheral (S132)	
Security	AES-128			
LE connections	Up to 8 as Central, 1 as Peripl	heral. Obse	erver. Broadcaster (S132)	
Radio		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
Frequency	2.360GHz to 2.500GHz			
Modulations	GFSK at 1 Mbps, 2 Mbps data	a rates		
Transmit power	+4 dBm			
Receiver sensitivity	-96 dBm (BLE mode)			
Antenna	Integrated			
Current Consumption	integrateu			
TX only @ +4 dBm, 0 dBm @	3V_DCDC enabled	7.5 m/s	A, 5.3 mA	
TX only @ +4 dBm, 0 dBm	3v, bebe chabica		nA, 11.6 mA	
RX only @ 1 Mbps @ 3V, DCI	OC enabled	5.4 m/	•	
RX only @ 1 Mbps		11.7 m	nA	
CPU @ 64MHz from flash, fro			A, 6.7 mA	
CPU @ 64MHz from flash, fro	om RAM @ 3V, DCDC		A, 3.3 mA	
System Off , On	0.7μΑ, 1.2 μΑ			
Additional current for RAM retention 20 nA / 4K block Dimensions				
	44.0			
Length	14.0 mm ± 0.3mm			
Width	9.8 mm ± 0.3mm			
Height	1.9 mm ± 0.1mm			
Hardware				
	SPI Master/Slave x 3		125	
Interfaces	UART Two-Wire Master/Slave (I2C)	v 2	PWM	
	GPIO x 32	X Z	FDIVI	
Power supply	1.7V to 3.6V			
Temperature Range	-40 to +85°C			
Certifications				
500	FCC part 15 modular certifica	ition		
FCC	BMD-300/BMD-301 FCC ID: 2	2AA9B04		
IC	Industry Canada RSS-210 mod		fication	
	BMD-300/BMD-301 IC: 12208			
			th and Safety of the User (pending)	
CE	EN 301 489-1 V1.9.2 & 3.1 (b): Electromagnetic Compatibility EN 301 489-17 V2.2.1			
	EN 300 328 V1.9.1 3.2: Effective use of spectrum allocated			
	Ministry of Internal Affairs an		nications (MIC) of Japan pursuant to	
Japan (MIC)	the Radio Act of Japan			
	BMD-300: 210-106799 BMD-301: 210-107153 AS/NZS 4268 :2012+AMDT 1:2013, Radio equipment and systems – Short			
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	RF-PHY Component (Tested) – DID: D030629; QDID: 81876			

Table 2 – Quick Specifications

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6. Pin Descriptions

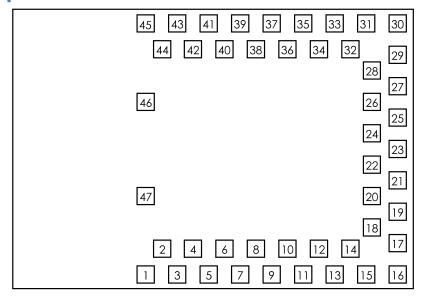


Figure 2 – Pin out (Top View)

Pin description

Pin	Name	Direction	Description
6	P0.25	In/Out	GPIO ²
7	P0.26	In/Out	GPIO ²
8	P0.27	In/Out	GPIO ²
9	P0.28	In/Out	GPIO/AIN4 ²
10	P0.29	In/Out	GPIO/AIN5 ²
11	P0.30	In/Out	GPIO/AIN6 ²
12	P0.31	In/Out	GPIO/AIN7 ²
13	P0.00	In/Out	GPIO/XTAL1 (32.768kHz)
14	P0.01	In/Out	GPIO/XTAL2 (32.768kHz)
15	P0.02	In/Out	GPIO/AIN0
19	P0.03	In/Out	GPIO/AIN1
20	P0.04	In/Out	GPIO/AIN2
21	P0.05	In/Out	GPIO/AIN3
22	P0.06	In/Out	GPIO
23	P0.07	In/Out	GPIO
24	P0.08	In/Out	GPIO
25	P0.09	In/Out	GPIO/NFC1
26	P0.10	In/Out	GPIO/NFC2
27	P0.11	In/Out	GPIO
28	P0.12	In/Out	GPIO
31	P0.13	In/Out	GPIO
32	P0.14	In/Out	GPIO/TRACEDATA[3]
33	P0.15	In/Out	GPIO/TRACEDATA[2]
34	P0.16	In/Out	GPIO/TRACEDATA[1]
35	P0.17	In/Out	GPIO

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Pin	Name	Direction	Description
36	P0.18	In/Out	GPIO/TRACEDATA[0]/SWO
37	P0.19	In/Out	GPIO
38	P0.20	In/Out	GPIO/TRACECLK
39	P0.21	In/Out	GPIO/RESET
40	P0.22	In/Out	GPIO ²
41	P0.23	In/Out	GPIO ²
42	P0.24	In/Out	GPIO ²
43	SWCLK	In	SWD Clock
44	SWDIO	In/Out	SWD IO
17	VCC	Power	+1.7V to +3.6V ¹
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 16, 18, 29, 30, 45, 46, 47	GND	Power	Electrical Ground

Note 1: An internal $4.7\mu F$ bulk capacitor is included on the module. However, it is good design practice to add additional bulk capacitance as required for your application, i.e. those with heavy GPIO usage and/or current draw.

Note 2: These pins are in close proximity to the nRF52 radio power supply and antenna pins. Radio performance parameters, such as sensitivity, may be affected by high frequency digital I/O with large sink/source current on these pins. Nordic recommends using only low frequency, low-drive functions when possible.

Table 3 – Pin Descriptions

6.1 RigDFU Pin Functions

Rigado RigDFU is programmed on the BMD-300 Series at the factory. Two GPIO pins are configured as UART pins for transferring new firmware images to the BMD-300. Pins are configured only when bootloader is running, and are fully available to the application firmware. RigDFU can be removed from the BMD-300 by performing a full-chip erase.

Pin	Name	Direction	RigDFU Functions
22	P0.06	Out	UART TX for bootloader Hi-Z until bootloader activation message received on UART RX.
24	P0.08	In	UART RX for bootloader Internal $12k\Omega$ pull-down enabled

Table 4 - RigDFU Functions

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6.2 BMDware Pin Functions

Rigado BMDware is programmed on the BMD-300 Series at the factory. BMDware provides UART-to-BLE Bridge, beaconing, and Direct Test Mode (DTM) functionality. The pins in Table 5 below describe the pin functionality in BMDware. DTM Mode, Beacon-Only Mode, and AT Command Mode pin states are checked at BMDware start-up to configure BMDware as required by the user, and are then set to Hi-Z to conserve power. For further details on BMDware operation, please see the BMDware Datasheet that can be found at www.rigado.com. BMDware can be overwritten by RigDFU with custom application firmware, or removed along with RigDFU by a full chip erase.

Pin	Name	Direction	BMDware Functions
21	P0.05	Out	Bridge UART RTS
21	F0.03	Out	Disabled in Beacon-Only & DTM modes, N/C if not used.
22	P0.06	Out	Bridge UART TX
22	FU.00	Out	Disabled in Beacon-Only & DTM modes, N/C if not used.
23	P0.07	In	Bridge UART CTS
25	FU.07	111	Disabled in Beacon-Only & DTM modes, N/C if not used.
2.4	DO 00	lo.	Bridge UART RX
24	P0.08	In	Disabled in Beacon-Only & DTM modes, N/C if not used.
27	DO 11	Out	DTM UART TX
27	P0.11	Out	Only enabled in DTM mode; N/C if not used.
			DTM UART RX / DTM Mode
28			Only enabled in DTM mode; N/C if not used.
20	P0.12	In	On BMDware Start-up:
			High = Enter DTM mode; Low = Enter Normal Operation
			Internal 12k Ω pull-down during BMDware start-up, then Hi-Z
			Beacon Only Mode
31	P0.13	In	On BMDware Start-up:
	10.13	'''	High = Bridge UART enabled; Low = Bridge UART disabled
			Internal 12k Ω pull-up during BMDware start-up, then Hi-Z
			UART AT Command Mode
32	P0.14	In	On BMDware Start-up:
			High = Full pass-through mode; Low = AT command mode
			Internal 12k Ω pull-up during BMDware start-up, then Hi-Z

Table 5 – BMDware Functions at Start-up

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7. Electrical Specifications

7.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Max.	Unit
V _{CC_MAX}	Voltage on supply pin	-0.3	3.9	V
V _{IO_MAX}	Voltage on GPIO pins (V _{CC} > 3.6V)	-0.3	3.9	V
V _{IO_MAX}	Voltage on GPIO pins (V _{CC} ≤ 3.6V)	-0.3	V _{CC} + 0.3V	V
Ts	Storage Temperature Range	-40	125	°C

Table 6 - Absolute Maximum Ratings

7.2 Operating Conditions

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V_{cc}	Operating supply voltage	1.7	3.0	3.6	V
T _{R_VCC}	Supply rise time (0V to 1.7V)	-	-	60	ms
T _A	Operating Ambient Temperature Range	-40	25	85	°C

Table 7 – Operating Conditions

7.3 General Purpose I/O

The general purpose I/O is organized as one port enabling access and control of the 32 available GPIO pins through one port. Each GPIO can be accessed individually with the following user configurable features:

- Input/output direction
- Output drive strength
- Internal pull-up and pull-down resistors
- Wake-up from high or low level triggers on all pins
- Trigger interrupt on all pins
- All pins can be used by the PPI task/event system; the maximum number of pins that can be interfaced through the PPI at the same time is limited by the number of GPIOTE channels
- All pins can be individually configured to carry serial interface or quadrature demodulator signals

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V _{IH}	Input High Voltage	0.7 x V _{cc}	-	V_{cc}	V
V_{IL}	Input Low Voltage	V_{SS}	-	0.3 x V _{cc}	V
V _{OH}	Output High Voltage	V _{cc} - 0.4	-	V_{CC}	V
V_{OL}	Output Low Voltage	V_{SS}	-	V _{SS} + 0.4	V
R_{PU}	Pull-up Resistance	11	13	16	kΩ
R_{PD}	Pull-down Resistance	11	13	16	kΩ

Table 8 - GPIO

7.4 Module RESET

GPIO pin P0.21 may be used for a hardware reset. In order to utilize P0.21 as a hardware reset, the UICR registers PSELRESET[0] and PSELRESET[1] must be set alike, to the value of 0x7FFFFF15. When P0.21 is programmed as RESET, the internal pull-up is automatically enabled. Rigado and Nordic example applications and development kits program P0.21 as RESET.

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7.5 Debug & Programming

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The BMD-300 support the two pin Serial Wire Debug (SWD) interface and offers flexible and powerful mechanism for non-intrusive debugging of program code. Breakpoints, single stepping, and instruction trace capture of code execution flow are part of this support.

The BMD-300 also supports ETM and ITM trace. Trace data from the ETM and the ITM is sent to an external debugger via a 4-bit wide parallel trace port. In addition to parallel trace, the TPIU supports serial trace via the Serial Wire Output (SWO) trace protocol.

7.6 Clocks

The BMD-300 module requires two clocks, a high frequency clock and a low frequency clock.

The high frequency clock is provided on-module by a high-accuracy 32-MHz crystal as required by the nRF52832 for radio operation.

The low frequency clock can be provided internally by an RC oscillator or synthesized from the fast clock; or externally by a 32.768 kHz crystal. An external crystal provides the lowest power consumption and greatest accuracy. Using the internal RC oscillator with calibration provides acceptable performance for BLE applications at a reduced cost and slight increase in power consumption.

32.768 kHz Crystal (LFXO)

Symbol	Parameter	Тур.	Max.	Unit
F _{NOM_LFXO}	Crystal frequency	32.768	-	kHz
F _{TOL_LFXO_BLE}	Frequency tolerance, BLE applications	-	±250	ppm
C_{L_LFXO}	Load Capacitance	-	12.5	pF
C _{0_LFXO}	Shunt Capacitance	-	2	pF
R _{S_LFXO}	Equivalent series resistance	-	100	kΩ
C _{pin}	Input Capacitance on XL1 & XL2 pads	4	-	pF

Table 9 - 32.768 kHz Crystal

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32.768 kHz Oscillator Comparison

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
I _{LFXO}	Current for 32.768kHz Crystal Oscillator	-	0.25	-	μΑ
I _{LFRC}	Current for 32.768kHz RC Oscillator	-	0.6	1	μΑ
I _{LFSYNT}	Current for 32.768kHz Synthesized Oscillator	-	100	-	μΑ
f _{TOL_LFXO_BLE}	Frequency Tolerance, 32.768kHz Crystal Oscillator (BLE Stack) ¹	-	-	±250	ppm
f _{TOL_LFXO_ANT}	Frequency Tolerance, 32.768kHz Crystal Oscillator (ANT Stack) ¹	-	-	±50	ppm
f _{TOL_LFRC}	Frequency Tolerance, 32.768kHz RC Oscillator	-	-	±2	%
f _{TOL_CAL_LFRC}	Frequency tolerance, 32.768kHz RC after calibration	-	-	±250	ppm
f _{TOL_LFSYNT}	Frequency Tolerance, 32.768kHz Synthesized Oscillator	-	-	±48	ppm

Note 1: $f_{TOL_LFXO_BLE\ and}\ f_{TOL_LFXO_ANT}$ are the max allowed for BLE and ANT applications. Actual tolerance depends on the crystal used.

Table 10 – 32.768 kHz Oscillator

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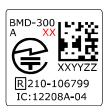


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8. Firmware

8.1 Factory Image

All modules are shipped with factory programmed firmware. The factory programmed firmware version is indicated on the label.



Factory Firmware Version Code: XX

8.1.1 Firmware Version 'AA'

Factory firmware version 'AA' contains the Rigado RigDFU OTA and Serial bootloader v3.2.0 (42), Nordic S132 SoftDevice v2.0.0, and Rigado BMDware v3.1.0 (50). Modules can be programmed with customer code via BLE and UART interfaces using the bootloader and Rigado provided tools, or with a full-chip erase via the SWD interface. Examples apps for iOS and Android are provided that utilize the Rigablue Library for easy OTA updates. Visit the BMD Software Suite page at www.rigado.com for more information.

Note: A full chip erase will clear the Rigado assigned MAC address from memory; see section 8.3 "MAC

8.1.2 Firmware Version 'AB'

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Factory firmware version 'AB' contains the Rigado RigDFU OTA and Serial bootloader v3.2.1 (43), Nordic S132 SoftDevice v2.0.0, and Rigado BMDware v3.1.1 (51). Modules can be programmed with customer code via BLE and UART interfaces using the bootloader and Rigado provided tools, or with a full-chip erase via the SWD interface. Examples apps for iOS and Android are provided that utilize the Rigablue Library for easy OTA updates. Visit the BMD Software Suite page at www.rigado.com for more information.

Note: A full chip erase will clear the Rigado assigned MAC address from memory; see section 8.3 "MAC

8.1.3 Module Programming and Read-Back Protection

RigDFU allows for UART and OTA updates to RigDFU, the SoftDevice and application firmware. Read-back protection of the BMD-300 Series modules is enabled which prevents unauthorized access to the firmware and optional encryption keys through the SWD debug port.

If the SWD port is required, for example when developing custom firmware, the nRF52 must be erased and recovered. This is accomplished with the Rigado BMD-300 Eraser and Recovery Utility at www.rigado.com, or with nrfjprog, which is provided with the Nordic Semiconductor command line utilities:

```
nrfjprog -f NRF52 --recover
```

A full chip erase is performed, so all components will need re-loaded (RigDFU Bootloader, SoftDevice and application Firmware). The rigado/bootloader-tools repository on GitHub contains the utilities to load these items. Procedures are described in the RigDFU Datasheet at www.rigado.com for programming, firmware preparation, and update procedures.

The BMD-300 Series modules may also be restored to the factory firmware versions noted above with the utilities available at the rigado/programming repository on GitHub.

Access to the Rigado BMD Software Suite may be requested on the Rigado Website.

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8.2 SoftDevices

Nordic Semiconductor protocol stacks are known as SoftDevices. SoftDevices are pre-compiled, pre-linked binary files. SoftDevices can be programmed in nRF52 series SoCs and are downloadable from the Nordic website. The BMD-300 with the nRF52832 SoC supports the S132 (BLE Central & Peripheral), S212 (ANT) and S312 (ANT and BLE) SoftDevices.

8.2.1 S132

The S132 SoftDevice is a Bluetooth® low energy (BLE) Central and Peripheral protocol stack solution supporting up to three Central and one Peripheral simultaneous connections and concurrent Observer and Broadcaster roles. It integrates a low energy Controller and Host, and provides a full and flexible API for building Bluetooth low energy System on Chip (SoC) solutions.

Key Features

- Bluetooth 4.2 compliant low energy single-mode protocol stack suitable for Bluetooth Smart products
- Concurrent Central, Observer, Peripheral, and Broadcaster roles with up to:
 - Three connections as a central
 - One connection as a peripheral
 - Observer
 - Broadcaster
- Link layer
- L2CAP, ATT, and SM protocols
- GATT and GAP APIs
- GATT Client and Server
- Complementary nRF52 SDK including Bluetooth profiles and example applications
- Master Boot Record for over-the-air device firmware update

- Memory isolation between application and protocol stack for robustness and security
- Thread-safe supervisor-call based API
- Asynchronous, event-driven behavior
- No RTOS dependency
 - Any RTOS can be used
- No link-time dependencies
 - Standard ARM® CortexTMM4F project configuration for application development
- Support for concurrent and non-concurrent multiprotocol operation
 - Concurrent with the Bluetooth stack using concurrent multiprotocol timeslot API
- Alternate protocol stack in application space

8.2.2 S212

The S212 SoftDevice is an ANT protocol stack solution that provides a full and flexible Application Programming Interface (API) for building ANT System on Chip (SoC) solutions for the nRF52832 chip. The S212 SoftDevice simplifies combining the ANT protocol stack and an application on the same CPU.

Key Features

Advanced ANT stack

- Simple to complex network topologies:
 - Peer-to-peer, Star, Tree, Star-to-star and more
- Up to 15 logical channels, each with configurable:
 - Channel type, ID and period
 - RF frequency
 - Networks
- Broadcast, Acknowledged, and Burst Data modes
- Device search, pairing and proximity support
- Enhanced ANT features:

- Advanced Burst Transfer mode (up to 60 kbps)
- Up to 15 channels encryption (AES-128) support
- Additional networks up to 8
- Event Filtering and Selective Data Updates
- Asynchronous Transmission
- Fast Channel Initiation

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- Any RTOS can be used
 - No link-time dependencies
 - Standard ARM® Cortex™ -M4F project
 - configuration for application development
 - Support for concurrent and non-concurrent multiprotocol operation
 - Concurrent multiprotocol timeslot API
 - Alternate protocol stack running in application space

SoftDevice features

- Built-in NVM access and radio coexistence management
- Master Boot Record for over-the air device firmware
- Memory isolation between application and protocol stack for robustness and security
- Thread-safe supervisor-call based API
- Asynchronous, event-driven behavior
- No RTOS dependency

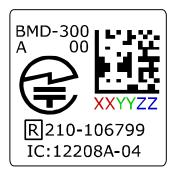
8.2.3 S332

The S332 SoftDevice is a combined ANT™ and Bluetooth® low energy (BLE) protocol stack solution. It supports all four Bluetooth low energy roles (central, peripheral, observer, broadcaster) and ANT.

The S332 SoftDevice provides a full and flexible Application Programming Interface (API) for building concurrent ANT and BLE System on Chip (SoC) solutions. It simplifies combining an ANT and BLE protocol stack and an application on the same CPU, therefore eliminating the need for an added device to support concurrent multiprotocol.

8.3 MAC Address Info

The BMD-300 module comes preprogrammed with a unique MAC address from the factory. The MAC address is also printed on a 2D barcode on the top of the module.



MAC Address: 94:54:93:XX:YY:ZZ

Figure 3 - MAC Address on Label

The 6-byte BLE Radio MAC address is stored in the nRF52832 UICR at NRF UICR BASE+0x80 LSB first. Please read the MAC Address Provisioning application note if you are not using the built in bootloader to avoid erasing/overwriting the MAC address during programming. Important: The BMD-300 comes with full memory protection enabled, not allowing the UICR to be read via the SWD interface. If performing a full-erase, the MAC can then only be recovered from the 2D barcode and human-readable text.

UICR Register:

NRF UICR + 0x80 (0x10001080): MAC Addr [0] (0xZZ) NRF UICR + 0x81 (0x10001081): MAC Addr [1] (0xYY) NRF UICR + 0x82 (0x10001082): MAC Addr [2] (0xXX) NRF_UICR + 0x83 (0x10001083): MAC_Addr [3] (0x93) NRF_UICR + 0x84 (0x10001084): MAC_Addr [4] (0x54) NRF_UICR + 0x85 (0x10001085): MAC_Addr [5] (0x94)

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9. Mechanical Data

9.1 BMD-300 Dimensions

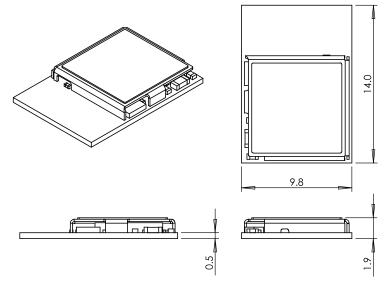


Figure 4 – Module Dimensions

(All dimensions are in mm)

9.2 BMD-301 Dimensions

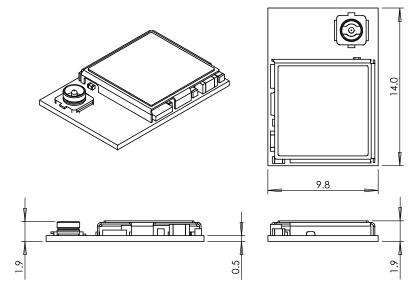


Figure 5 – Module Dimensions

(All dimensions are in mm)

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The BMD-300 and BMD-301 have identical PCB layout footprints.

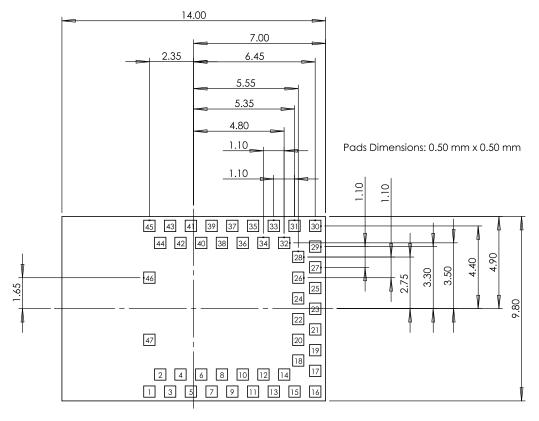


Figure 6 – Module Dimensions

(All dimensions are in mm)

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10. Module Marking

10.1 BMD-300 Module Marking

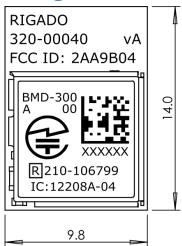


Figure 7 – Module Marking – Rev A – BMD-300

10.2 BMD-301 Module Marking

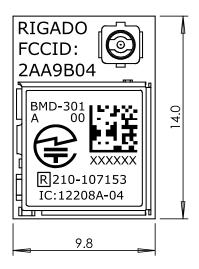


Figure 8 – Module Marking – Rev A – BMD-301

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11. RF Design Notes

Board.

11.1 Recommended RF Layout & Ground Plane

For the BMD-300, the integrated antenna requires a suitable ground plane to radiate effectively. The area under and extending out from the antenna portion of the module should be kept clear of copper and other metal. The module should be placed at the edge of the PCB with the antenna edge facing out. Reducing the ground plane from that shown in Figure 9 will reduce the effective radiated power. For example, a 27mm x 29mm board (about the size of a coin cell) has approximately 3dB lower output than the BMD-300 Evaluation

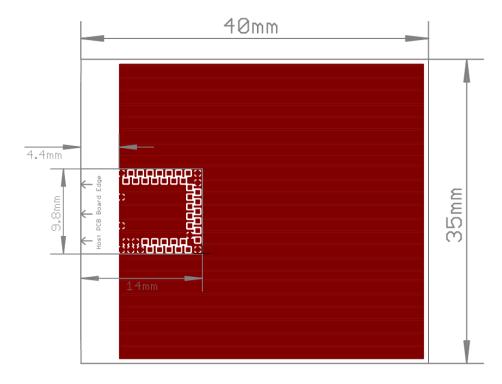


Figure 9 – Recommended RF Layout

For the BMD-301, refer to the external antenna datasheet for antenna placement and grounding recommendations.

11.2 Mechanical Enclosure

For the BMD-300, care should be taken when designing and placing the module into an enclosure. Metal should be kept clear from the antenna area, both above and below. Any metal around the module can negatively impact RF performance.

The module is designed and tuned for the antenna and RF components to be in free air. Any potting, epoxy fill, plastic over-molding, or conformal coating can negatively impact RF performance and must be evaluated by the customer.

For the BMD-301, refer to the external antenna datasheet for placement in or on a mechanical enclosure.

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11.3 Antenna Patterns

Antenna patterns are based off of the BMD-300 Evaluation Kit Version A with a ground plane size of 82mm x 56mm. X-Y-Z orientation is shown in Figure 10:

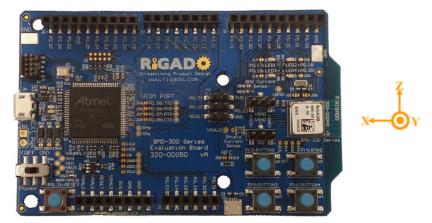


Figure 10 – X-Y-Z Antenna Orientation

11.3.1 X-Y Plane

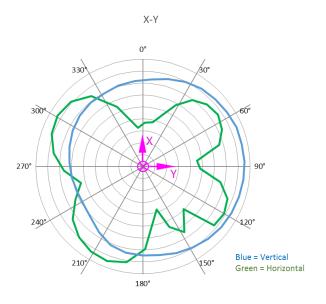


Figure 11 – X-Y Plane Antenna Pattern

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11.3.2 Y-Z Plane

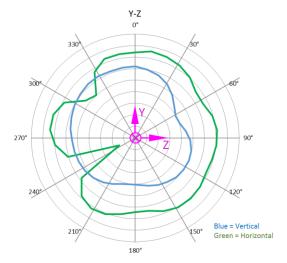


Figure 12 – Y-Z Plane Antenna Pattern

11.3.3 Z-X Plane

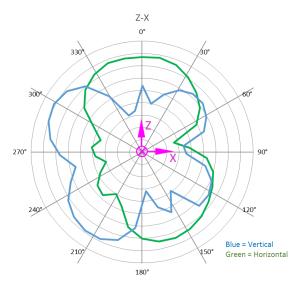


Figure 13 – Z-X Plane Antenna Pattern

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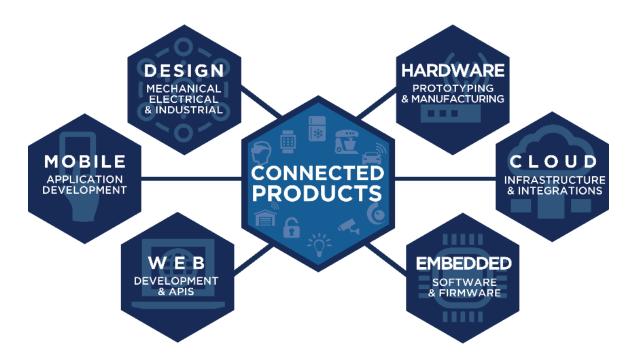
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12. Evaluation Boards

Rigado has developed full featured evaluation boards that provide a complete I/O pin out to headers, on-board programming and debug, 32.768 kHz crystal, power & virtual COM port over USB, 4 user LEDs, and 4 user buttons. The evaluation boards also provide the option to be powered from a CR2032 coin cell battery, and have current sense resistors and headers to allow for convenient current measurements. An Arduino Uno R3 style header is provided for easy prototyping of additional functions. The evaluation boards also support programming off-board BMD-300 modules.

13. Custom Development

Rigado is a full-service design house offering end-to-end product development from concept to manufacturing. We can provide custom modules and do electrical and mechanical design, end product manufacturing, firmware and mobile development, and web and cloud integration. Please contact Rigado at info@rigado.com or 1-866-6-RIGADO for custom engineering options and fees.



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14. Bluetooth Qualification

The BMD-300 Series modules are qualified as a Bluetooth Component (tested) for RF-PHY with Declaration ID **D030629** / QDID **81876**. This allows customers to use different SoftDevices that have been qualified by Nordic without the need to complete additional RF-PHY testing. To achieve Bluetooth End Product qualification, the Rigado RF-PHY QDID can be combined with Nordic QDIDs for the SoftDevice used when filing on the Bluetooth SIG website. The only testing required is for the Bluetooth profiles supported by the customer's product. Products with only custom profiles do not require any additional testing.

15. Regulatory Statements

15.1 FCC Statement:

This device has been tested and found to comply with part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Operation is subjected to the following two conditions: (1) This device may no cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. Note: Modification to this product will void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

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15.2 FCC Important Notes:

(1) FCC Radiation Exposure Statement

This equipment complies with FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. This equipment complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

The devices must be installed and used in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions as described in this document.

Caution!

The manufacturer is not responsible for any radio or TV interference caused by unauthorized modifications to this equipment. Such modification could void the user authority to operate the equipment.

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(2) Co-location Warning:

This device and its antenna(s) must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other transmitter antenna.

(3) OEM integration instructions:

This device is intended only for OEM integrators under the following conditions:

The antenna and transmitter must not be co-located with any other transmitter or antenna. The module shall be only used with the integral antenna(s) that has been originally tested and certified with this module.

As long as the two (2) conditions above are met, further transmitter testing will not be required. However, the OEM integrator is still responsible for testing their end-product for any additional compliance requirements with this module installed (for example, digital device emission, PC peripheral requirements, etc.)

In the event that these conditions cannot be met (for example certain laptop configuration or co-location with another transmitter), then the FCC authorization for this module in combination with the host equipment is no longer considered valid and the FCC ID of the module cannot be used on the final product. In these and circumstance, the OEM integrator will be responsible for re-evaluating. The end product (including the transmitter) and obtaining a separate FCC authorization.

Caution!

The OEM is still responsible for verifying compliance with FCC Part 15, subpart B limits for unintentional radiators through an accredited test facility.

(4) End product labeling:

The final end product must be labeled in a visible area with the following:

- BMD-300: "Contains FCC ID: 2AA9B04"
- BMD-301: "Contains FCC ID: 2AA9B04"

Any similar wording that expresses the same meaning may be used.

The FCC Statement below should also be included on the label. When not possible, the FCC Statement should be included in the User Manual of the host device.

"This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions. (1) This device may not cause harmful interference. (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation."

(5) Information regarding the end user manual:

The OEM integrator has to be aware not to provide information to the end user regarding how to install or remove this RF module in the user's manual of the end product which integrates this module. The end user manual shall include all required regulatory information/warning as show in this manual (Section 15.2(4)).

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15.3 IC Statement:

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

RF exposure warning: The equipment complies with RF exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. The antenna(s) used for this transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

Avertissement d'exposition RF: L'équipement est conforme aux limites d'exposition aux RF établies pour un incontrôlés environnement. L'antenne (s) utilisée pour ce transmetteur ne doit pas être co-localisés ou onctionner en conjonction avec toute autre antenne ou transmetteur.

15.4 IC Important Notes:

- 1. The OEM integrator has to be aware not to provide information to the end user regarding how to install or remove this RF module in the user manual of the end product.
- The user manual which is provided by OEM integrators for end users must include the following information in a prominent location.
- 2. To comply with IC RF exposure compliance requirements, the antenna used for this transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter, except in accordance with IC multi-transmitter product procedures.
- 3. The final system integrator must ensure there is no instruction provided in the user manual or customer documentation indicating how to install or remove the transmitter module except such device has implemented two-ways authentication between module and the host system.
- 4. The host device shall be properly labelled to identify the module within the host device. The final end product must be labeled in a visible area with the following:
 - BMD-300: "Contains IC: 12208A-04"
 - BMD-301: "Contains IC: 12208A-04"

Any similar wording that expresses the same meaning may be used.

The IC Statement below should also be included on the label. When not possible, the IC Statement should be included in the User Manual of the host device.

"This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

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15.5 CE Regulatory:

This device is tested and compliant against the following standards. OEM integrators should consult with qualified test house to verify all regulatory requirements have been met for their complete device.

From Directive 2006/95/EC:

• EN 60950-1: 2006 + A11: 2009 + A1: 2010 + A12: 2011 (pending)

From R&TTE Directive 1999/5/EC:

• ETSI EN 300 328 V 1.9.1

From Directive 2004/108/EC:

- ETSI EN 301 489-1 V1.9.2
- ETSI EN 301 489-17 V2.2.1

Declarations of Conformity and supporting test reports are available at www.rigado.com.

15.6 Japan (MIC)

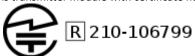
The BMD-300 Series modules have received type certification and is labeled with its own technical conformity mark and certification number as required to conform to the technical standards regulated by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC) of Japan pursuant to the Radio Act of Japan. Integration of this module into a final end product does not require additional radio certification provided installation instructions are followed and no modifications of the module are allowed. Additional testing may be required:

- If the host product is subject to electrical appliance safety (for example, powered from an AC mains), the host product may require Product Safety Electrical Appliance and Material (PSE) testing. The integrator should contact their conformance laboratory to determine if this testing is required.
- There is a voluntary Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) test for the host product administered by VCCI: http://www.vcci.jp/vcci_e/index.html

The label on the final end product which contains a BMD-300 Series module must follow the MIC marking requirements. Labeling requirements for Japan available at the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC) website: http://www.tele.soumu.go.jp/e/index.htm.

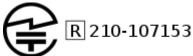
The BMD-300 module is labeled with its assigned technical conformity mark and certification number. The final end product in which this module is being used must have an external label referring to the type certified module inside:

Contains transmitter module with certificate number:



The BMD-301 module is labeled with its assigned technical conformity mark and certification number. The final end product in which this module is being used must have an external label referring to the type certified module inside:

Contains transmitter module with certificate number:



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15.7 Australia / New Zealand

The BMD-300 Series modules have been tested to comply with the AS/NZS 4268 :2012+AMDT 1:2013, Radio equipment and systems – Short range devices – Limits and methods of measurement. The report may be downloaded from www.rigado.com, and may be used as evidence in obtaining permission to use the RCM. Information on registration as a Responsible Party, license and labeling requirements may be found at the following websites:

Australia: http://www.acma.gov.au/theACMA/radiocommunications-short-range-devices-standard-2004
New Zealand: http://www.rsm.govt.nz/compliance

The A-Tick and C-Tick marks are being migrated to the Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM). Only Australian-based and New Zealand-based companies who are registered may be granted permission to use the RCM. An Australian-based or New Zealand-based agent or importer may also register as a Responsible Party to use the RCM on behalf of a company not in Australia or New Zealand.

15.8 Approved External Antennas

The antennas listed below were tested for use with the BMD-301.

#	Manufacturer	Part Number	Max Gain	Туре	Size	Approvals
1	Pulse	W1030	2 dBi	1/4 Wave Dipole – Whip	Length: 108.3mm	FCC, IC, MIC
2	Taoglas	FXP73.07.0100A	2.5dBi	1/4 Wave Dipole – Flex	7mm x 47mm x 0.1mm	FCC, IC, MIC
3	Pulse	W1027	3.2 dBi	1/4 Wave Dipole – Whip	Length: 136.8mm	FCC, IC, MIC
4	Kinsun	6670113050-145	2.0 dBi	1/4 Wave Dipole – PCB	12mm x 65mm x 0.46mm	FCC, IC, MIC
5	Kinsun	6610103081	5.0 dBi	1/2 Wave Dipole – Whip	Length: 196.6mm	FCC, IC, MIC

Table 11 - Approved External Antennas

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16. Solder Reflow Temperature-Time Profile

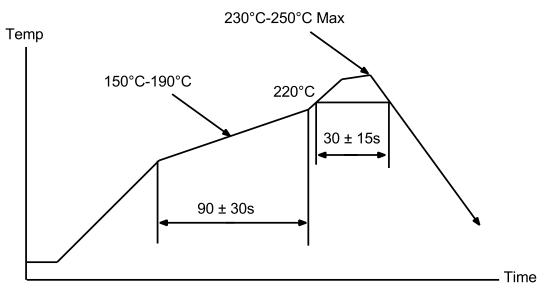


Figure 14 – Reflow Profile for Lead Free Solder

16.1 Moisture Sensitivity Level

The BMD-300 Series is rated for MSL 3, 168-hour floor life after opening.

17. Packaging and Labeling

17.1 Carrier Tape Dimensions

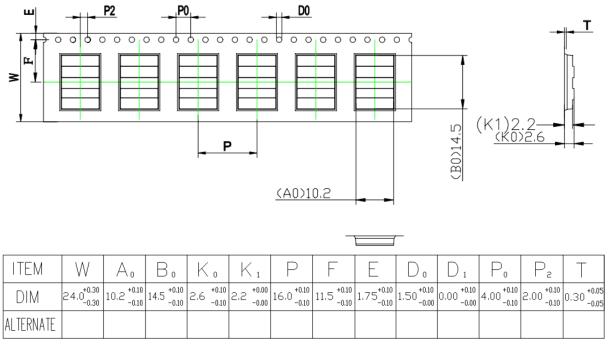


Figure 15 – Carrier Tape Dimensions

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17.2 Reel Packaging

Modules come on 330mm reels loaded with 1000 modules. Each reel is placed in an antistatic bag with a desiccant pack and humidity card and placed in a 340x350x65mm box. On the outside of the bag an antistatic warning and reel label are adhered.

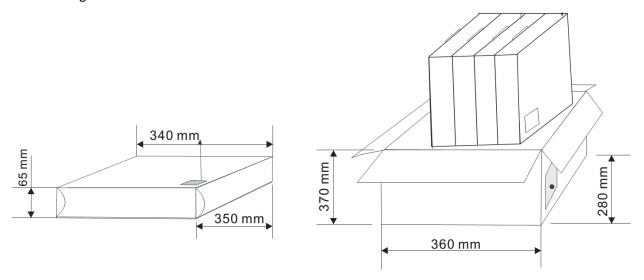


Figure 16 – Reel Cartons

17.3 Packaging Label

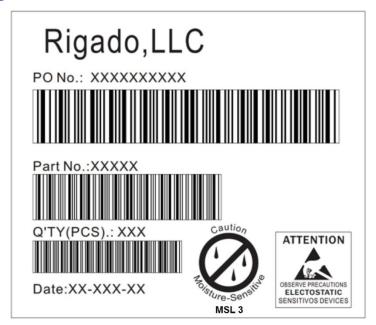


Figure 17 – Packaging Label

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18. Cautions

- 1) The guidelines of this document should be followed in order to assure proper performance of the module.
- 2) This product is for use in office, business, and residential applications, but not medical devices.
- 3) This module may short-circuit. If a short circuit can result in serious damage or injury then failsafe precautions should be used. This could be accomplished by redundant systems and protection circuits.
- 4) Supply voltage to the module should not be higher than the specified inputs or reversed. Additionally, it should not contain noise, spikes, or AC ripple voltage.
- 5) Avoid use with other high frequency circuits.
- 6) Use methods to eliminate static electricity when working with the module as it can damage the components.
- 7) Contact with wires, the enclosure, or any other objects should be avoided.
- 8) Refer to the recommended pattern when designing for this module.
- 9) If hand soldering is used, be sure to use the precautions outlined in this document.
- 10) This module should be kept away from heat, both during storage and after installation.
- 11) Do not drop or physically shock the module.
- 12) Do not damage the interface surfaces of the module.
- 13) The module should not be mechanically stressed at any time (storage, handling, installation).
- 14) Do not store or expose this module to:
 - Humid or salty air conditions
 - High concentrations of corrosive gasses.
 - Long durations of direct sunlight.
 - Temperatures lower than -40°C or higher than 125°C.

19. Life Support Policy

This product is not designed to be used in a life support device or system, or in applications where there is potential for a failure or malfunction to, directly or indirectly, cause significant injury. By using this product in an application that poses these risks, such as described above, the customer is agreeing to indemnify Rigado for any damages that result.

20. Document History

Revision	Date	Changes / Notes
0.8	11/06/2015	Initial preliminary release
0.8.1	11/10/2015	Updated Table 5, Figure 5, Section 7.5 Corrected antenna references
0.8.2	11/11/2015	Updated Figure 1
0.8.3	11/20/2015	Updated current ratings from nRF52832 OPC v0.6.3 Corrected Table 3
0.9	03/17/2016	Added BMD-301, GPIO notes, MSL, updated certifications, updated electrical specifications
0.9.4	03/23/2016	Added BMD-301 antennas
1.0	05/04/2016	Production Release; removed pending for FCC, Japan (MIC), & Bluetooth
1.1	05/20/2016	Removed pending for IC, MIC (BMD-301)
1.2	06/03/2016	Added Factory Firmware Version AB information
1.3	06/06/2016	Updated Module Programming and Read-Back Protection section

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21. Related Documents

Rigado Documents:

- BMD-300-Series-EVAL-UG: Evaluation Kit User Guide
- RIGDFU-DS-1: RigDFU Secure Bootloader Datasheet
- BMDWARE-DS-1: BMDware Datasheet

Nordic Documents:

Visit infocenter.nordicsemi.com for a comprehensive library of Nordic technical documentation.

- nRF52832-PS: <u>nRF52832 Product Specification</u>
- S132-SDS nRF52832 S132 Soft Device Specification
- S212-SDS nRF52832 S132 Soft Device Specification
- S332-SDS nRF52832 S132 Soft Device Specification

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