Reference Manual for 8300, 8330, 8360, 8370

# 8300 Series Mobile Computer

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# **FCC Regulations**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a **Class B** digital device, pursuant to 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 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.

# **Important Safety Precautions**

- RISK OF EXPLOSION IF BATTERY IS REPLACED BY AN INCORRECT TYPE
- DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTIONS
- The use of any batteries or charging devices, which are not originally sold or manufactured by CipherLab, will void your warranty and may cause damage to human body or the product itself.
- The charging and communication cradle uses an AC power adaptor. A socket outlet shall be installed near the equipment and shall be easily accessible. The power adaptor should comply with L.P.S test. Make sure there is stable power supply for the mobile computer or its peripherals to operate properly.
- DO NOT disassemble, incinerate or short circuit the battery pack.
- DO NOT expose the mobile computer or the battery pack to any flammable sources.
- Under no circumstances, internal components are self-serviceable.
- Per FDA and IEC standards, the scan engines described in this manual are not given a laser classification. However, the following precautions should be observed:

#### **CAUTION**

This laser component emits FDA/IEC Class 2 laser light at the exit port. Do not stare into beam.

## **Care & Maintenance**

- The 8300 Series is intended for enterprise logistics use. The mobile computer is rated IP 65, however, it may do damage to the mobile computer when being exposed to extreme temperatures or soaked wet.
- When the body of the mobile computer gets dirty, use a clean and wet cloth to wipe off the dust. DO NOT use/mix any bleach or cleaner. Always keep the LCD dry.
- For a liquid crystal display (LCD), use a clean, non-abrasive, lint-free cloth to wipe dust off the screen. DO NOT use any pointed or sharp object to move against the surface.
- Battery disposal For green-environment issue, it is important that batteries should be recycled in a proper way.
- If you want to put away the mobile computer for a period of time, download the collected data to a host computer, and then take out the battery pack. Store the mobile computer and battery pack separately.
- When the mobile computer resumes its work, the main and backup batteries will take a certain time to become fully charged.
- If you shall find the mobile computer malfunctioning, refer to the Troubleshooting section for self help first
- If the problem persists, write down the specific scenario and consult your local sales representative.

# **Getting Started**

Below are instructions of how to have the mobile computer ready to work. This scenario makes use of a cradle, which may be replaced by the 4-slot battery charger or other specified interface to PC.

- Set up the cradle for initial charging.
- Install the battery pack to the mobile computer, and then seat the mobile computer in the cradle for charging.
- When charging is done, turn on the mobile computer and enter the **System Menu** for system configuration, downloading programs and font file, and so on.
- Before downloading, you must connect a serial cable between the cradle and a host computer.
   Refer to the System Menu > 6. Load Program for more information.
- After charging and downloading, the mobile computer is ready for use. Install the hand strap if necessary.

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## **Preface**

Answering light industrial demands, the 8300 Series Mobile Computer is specifically designed for enterprise logistics use.

This line of product comes with optional Bluetooth and 802.11b/g wireless technologies, enabling real time sharing of performance. The 8300 Series is bundled with powerful and rich features to ensure success in timely processing of information, and thus, makes an ideal choice for inventory control, shop floor management, warehousing and distribution operations. Being programmable, this handy device can run custom applications or terminal emulation applications.

This manual serves to guide you through how to install, configure, and operate the mobile computer. We recommend you to keep one copy of the manual at hand for quick reference or maintenance purposes. To avoid any improper disposal or operation, please read the manual thoroughly before use.

Thank you for choosing CipherLab products!

## **Revision History**

Version	Release Date	Notes	
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		<ul> <li>Modified: section 1.2 Options – Add direct RS-232 cable</li> </ul>	
1.07	Oct. 31, 2006	<ul> <li>Modified: section 2.1 spare battery and power-saving</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Modified: section 4.1.7 Echo Tests</li> </ul>	
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#### CHAPTER 1

# Introduction

This chapter mainly explains the hardware parts and features of the 8300 Series Mobile Computer. The 8300 family includes:

•	8300	Batch type (with RFID option)
•	8360	Bluetooth Class 1
•	8370	802.11b/g (with RFID option)
•	8330	Bluetooth Class 2 + 802.11b/g

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# 1.1 Inside the Package

The following items are included in the package. Save the box and packaging material for future use in case you need to store or ship the mobile computer.

- 8300 Series Mobile Computer
- Rechargeable Li-ion battery pack
- Hand strap
- Direct charging set (power adaptor and cable)
- Software & Manual CD

## 1.2 Options

Rich choices of optional accessories are available for you to enhance the total performance of the mobile computer.

- Memory Card, 4 or 8 MB
- Spare rechargeable Li-ion battery
- 4-slot Battery Charger
- Direct RS-232 Cable
- 308 USB Virtual COM Interface (convert RS-232 to USB)
- Keyboard Wedge Cable
- Charging & Communication Cradle
- Modem Cradle
- Ethernet Cradle
- Bluetooth Access Point
- 802.11b/g Access Point

## 1.3 Product Highlights

- Ergonomic design ruggedized yet streamlined, with hand strap for secure hold.
- Built tough to survive harsh environments splash, dust & drop resistant.
- Upgradeable memory optional memory card adds up to 10 MB for data storage.
- Dual mode support 1D barcode scan engine plus RFID reader.
- Flexible wireless solution connectivity options includes Bluetooth, 802.11b/g or both.
- Graphic monochrome LCD supports double-byte characters and bitmap graphics.
- Programmable feedback includes buzzer, LED indicator and vibrator.
- Quick link to any backend database through Windows-based CipherNet programs for VT100/220 and IBM 5250 emulation.
- Easy customization of AG applications through Windows-based Application Generator (AG) programs for preloaded AG Runtime.
- Programming support includes BASIC & C compilers.

## 1.4 Overview

## 1.4.1 Nomenclature

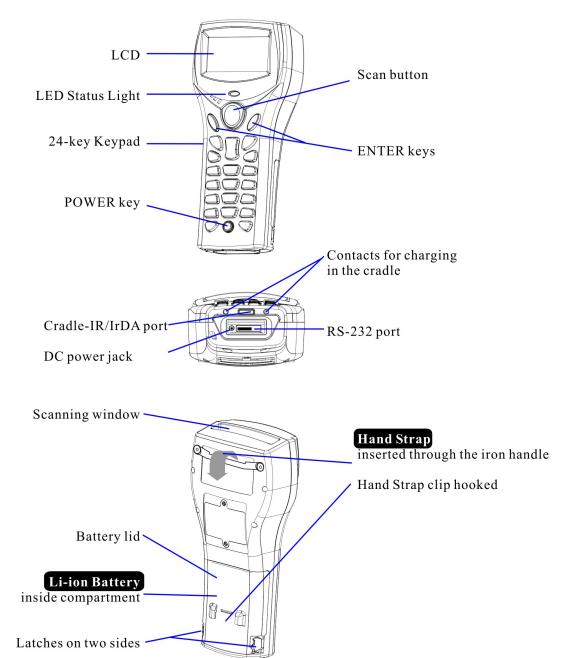


Figure 1: Nomenclature (front & back)

## 1.4.2 Dimensions

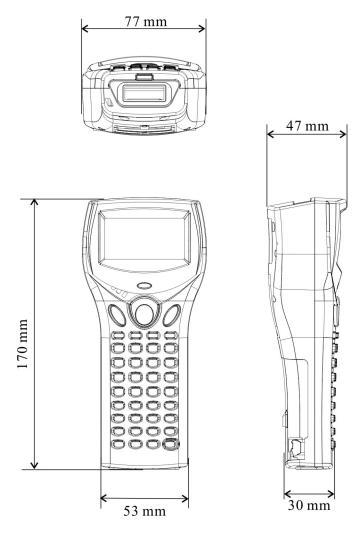


Figure 2: Dimensions

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## 1.5 Features

#### 1.5.1 Power

#### **Main Battery**

The 8300 Series is powered by a rechargeable 3.7 V/1800 mAh Li-ion battery pack, and it takes approximately four hours to fully charge it.

For power-saving purpose, always turn off the backlight while working in a well-lit area. When the backlight is on for extended periods of time, the main battery will become low sooner than expected.

The smart battery icon on the LCD screen shows the status of power consumption. There are two ways to monitor a low battery charge or discharged battery from the screen.

- Examine the level of the battery icon
- Monitor voltage level (see section 4.1.5 Power)

## **Backup Battery**

In addition, one 3.0 V/7 mAh rechargeable Lithium button cell on the main board retains data in SRAM and maintains the running of the real-time clock and calendar. It takes at least twenty-four hours to fully charge the backup battery.

For a fully charged backup battery, it can last for at least 36 days. However, it is not necessary to fully charge the backup battery for the mobile computer to work.

Monitor voltage level (see section <u>4.1.5 Power</u>)

## **Initial Charging**

The main battery must be fully charged before using the mobile computer for the first time. Because the internal backup battery is constantly charged from the main battery, the initial charging requires installing the battery pack to the mobile computer and then seating the mobile computer in the cradle for charging. This will have both the main and backup batteries charged at the same time.

Note: For initial charging, it takes approximately 4 hours to fully charge the main battery.

#### **Caution of Low Battery Charge**

The battery pack is the only power source for the mobile computer to work. It also charges the backup battery on the main board so that the data stored in SRAM can be retained properly. Therefore, when the main battery charge goes low, replace the battery pack with a charged one or charge it as soon as possible. And, always save data before it is too late.

Warning: Data loss may occur with SRAM during low battery condition. Always save data before running out of power or keep a fresh battery for

replacement.

#### 1.5.2 CPU

A 16-bit CMOS type CPU is utilized, low power consumption.

## **1.5.3 Memory**

The collected data can be sent back to a host computer immediately or stored in memory (SRAM).

#### **Program Memory**

• 2 megabytes flash memory for core, OS, application programs, font, etc.

#### **Data Memory**

- 2 megabytes SRAM with contents backup by a 7 mAh rechargeable Lithium button cell.
- An optional memory card provides additional 4 or 8 megabytes.

#### Calendar

A calendar chip is equipped for accurate time/date logging.

## **Caution of Data Loss**

When the main battery is removed or drained, the backup battery on the main board is to retain the contents of SRAM and maintain the running of the calendar for at least 36 days, on condition that the backup battery has already been fully charged.

If you want to put away the mobile computer for a couple of days, you should be aware that data loss occurs when both the main and backup batteries discharge completely. Therefore, it is necessary to save data in a host computer before putting away the mobile computer!

## 1.5.4 Keypad

The mobile computer can be equipped with a keypad of 24 keys or 39 keys for system setup, user entry and so on. The keypad comes with programmable LED backlight, like the screen. Silicon rubber has been chosen for their durability and prompt feedback. The key click can be configured through programming or the **System Menu**.

#### 24-key layout

It consists of the following keys:

- one scan button, the yellow one at top
- two [ENTER] keys, the blue ones next to the scan button
- four arrow keys, an alphanumeric keypad and assorted characters
- one [POWER] key, the red one at bottom

By default, it is set to numeric mode. Press the [ALPHA] key to enter alpha mode, capital or small letters.

#### 39-key layout

Similar to the 24-key keypad except the alphanumeric keys and assorted characters.

A complete set of full alphabetical letters is available when you press the  $[\alpha]$  key to enter alpha mode, capital or small letters.



Figure 3: Keypad layout - 24-key (left), 39-key (right)

#### Alpha (α) Key

This alphanumeric keypad is set to numeric mode by default. The Alpha key serves as a toggle among numeric, alpha (lower-case alphabetic), and ALPHA (upper-case alphabetic) modes.

Note: It is not necessary to hold down the [Alpha] key.

When using the 24-key keypad, each numeric key can be used to generate one of the three letters. For example, the numeric key [2] can be used to produce the letter [A], [B] or [C]. When you press the same key without halting longer than one second, the three letters will be displayed in a circulating way. Only when you stop pressing the key or hold it for more than one second or press another key, will the system send the real key code to the application program.

The alpha icon will appear on the lower-right corner of the device screen.

Status Icon	Alpha Key	Input Mode
None	N/A	Numbers
"A"	Press [Alpha] key one time	Capital letters
"a"	Press [Alpha] key two times	Small letters

## Function (FN) Key

The [Func] (function) key serves as a modifier key. When you press a set of function keys, the system will send the associated key codes to the application program, and it is up to the application program to interpret the key codes.

- **1.** To enable this modifier key, press [FN] on the keypad.
  - An italic "F" will appear on the lower-right corner of the device screen. This modifier key is hold down as long as the icon is displayed.
- **2.** Now press another key to get the value of key combination (say, press [1] to get the value of F1). The icon will go off now.
- **3.** To get the value of another key combination modified by the [FN] key, repeat the above steps. To abort the key modification, press [FN] again, and the icon will go off.

Note: It is not necessary to hold down the [FN] key.

The functionality of each key combination is application-dependent. Below is a list of the factory setting for a variety of key combinations.

Press and hold [FN], and then press one of the following keys for a specific function:

Key Combination	Action
[ENTER]	Toggle ON/OFF the backlight of LCD and keypad at the same time
[UP]	Adjust LCD to high contrast
[DOWN]	Adjust LCD to low contrast

## 1.5.5 LCD

The mobile computer comes with a FSTN graphic LCD, 128 by 64 pixels resolutions, which can be programmed to display text or graphics, such as specific font and company logo, to meet varying application needs.

Options	Font Size (pixels)	Characters by lines
English font	Font size 6×8 (pixels)	20 characters by 8 lines
	Font size 8×16 (pixels)	15 characters by 4 lines
Chinese font	Font size 16×16 (pixels)	7 characters by 4 lines
Other language fonts, company logo	Programmable	

Note: Normally, the last column (ICON\_ZONE) is reserved to display status icons, such as the battery icon.

The backlight of screen and keypad helps ease reading under dim environments. Relevant settings can be configured or adjusted by pressing the following key combinations:

Settings	Key Combination	
Backlight ON/OFF	[FN] + [Enter]	
LCD Contrast	[FN] + [Up] or [FN] + [Down]	

#### 1.5.6 Status LED

The dual-color LED above the [Scan] trigger can be programmed to provide information that helps diagnosing.

For example, if you are using **AG Runtime**, you will be informed of the scanning result immediately by this LED indicator:

- Red LED Error
- Green LED Good Read

## 1.5.7 Buzzer

The buzzer is a low power transducer type and can be programmed for status feedback. Its pitch and duration are software programmable.

#### 1.5.8 Vibrator

The mobile computer is integrated with a vibrator. It is software programmable and especially useful when working in a noisy environment.

## 1.5.9 Reader

A wide variety of scan engines is available for delivering flexibility to meet different requirements.

Types of Reader	Scan Engine			
1D Barcode Reader	CCD (Long Range)	CCD (Long Range Imager)		
	• Laser scan engine	• Laser scan engine		
	Long Range Laser	◆ Long Range Laser scan engine		
RFID	Tags supported have be	Tags supported have been verified and listed below.		
	Standard	Labels		
	ISO 14443A	Mifare Standard 1K		
		Mifare Standard 4K		
		Mifare Ultralight		
		Mifare DESFire		

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		◆ Mifare S50
		• SLE44R35
		◆ SLE66R35
	ISO 14443B	◆ SRIX 4K
	ISO 15693	ICODE SLI
		◆ SRF55V02P
		◆ SRF55V02S
		◆ SRF55V10P
		◆ TI Tag-it HF-I
	ICODE® (Phillips)	• ICODE

Note: The RFID reader is not available on 8330 and 8360 because of the Bluetooth module installed.

### **Dual Mode Support**

For Model 8300/8370, you can choose to have both the barcode scan engine and RFID reader installed by factory. It supports dual mode operation for a scan task. When you present a barcode or an RFID tag, it will activate the target reader automatically.

## **Symbologies Supported & Enabled**

The supported symbologies depend on the scan engine you use; some of the supported symbologies must be enabled through programming if not enabled by default.

Symbologies	(Also Known As)	Enabled by default
Codabar	(NW7)	Yes
Industrial 25		Yes
Interleaved 25		Yes
Matrix 25		No
Code 39		Yes
Italian Pharmacode		No
CIP 39	(French Pharmacode)	No
Code 93		Yes
Code 128		Yes
EAN-128		Yes

MSI		No
Plessey		No
RSS-14		No
Telepen		No
EAN-8		Yes
EAN-8 with Addon 2, Addon 5		Yes
EAN-13		Yes
EAN-13 with Addon 2, Addon 5		Yes
GTIN		No
UPC-A		Yes
UPC-A with Addon 2, Addon 5		Yes
UPC-E0/UPC-E1		Yes
UPC-E0/UPC-E1 with Addon 2, Addon 5		Yes
Long Range Laser scan engine		
Symbologies:		Enabled by default
Codabar	(NW7)	Yes
Interleaved 25		Yes
Discrete 25	(T. 1 105)	
Discrete 25	(Industrial 25)	Yes
IATA (25)	(Industrial 25) (Variant of Code 25)	Yes Yes
IATA (25)		Yes
IATA (25) Code 39		Yes Yes
IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII	(Variant of Code 25)	Yes Yes Yes
IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII Trioptic	(Variant of Code 25)	Yes Yes Yes Yes
IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII Trioptic Code 93	(Variant of Code 25)	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes
IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII Trioptic Code 93 Code 128	(Variant of Code 25)	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes
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IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII Trioptic Code 93 Code 128 ISBT 128 EAN-128 MSI	(Variant of Code 25)	Yes
IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII Trioptic Code 93 Code 128 ISBT 128 EAN-128 MSI RSS-14	(Variant of Code 25)	Yes
IATA (25)  Code 39  Code 39 Full ASCII  Trioptic  Code 93  Code 128  ISBT 128  EAN-128  MSI  RSS-14  RSS Limited	(Variant of Code 25)	Yes
IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII Trioptic Code 93 Code 128 ISBT 128 EAN-128 MSI RSS-14 RSS Limited RSS Expanded	(Variant of Code 25)  (Variant of Code 39)	Yes
IATA (25) Code 39 Code 39 Full ASCII Trioptic Code 93 Code 128 ISBT 128 EAN-128 MSI RSS-14 RSS Limited RSS Expanded UPC-E	(Variant of Code 25)  (Variant of Code 39)  (UPC-E0)	Yes

EAN-13	Yes
EAN-13 with Addon 2, Addon 5	Yes
Bookland (EAN)	Yes
UPC-A	Yes
UPC-A with Addon 2, Addon 5	Yes
UPC-E1	Yes
UPC-E1 with Addon 2, Addon 5	Yes

## 1.5.10 Wireless Support

The 8300 Series supports state-of-the-art wireless technologies so that it can send / receive data in real time in an efficient way.

WPAN: Infrared (IR / IrDA) technology for data exchange, embedded

■ WPAN: Bluetooth technology for cable replacement & data exchange (8330/8360)

■ WLAN: IEEE 802.11b/g for wireless networking (8330/8370)

#### IR / IrDA

The mobile computer has an integrated IR port on the bottom, which can directly establish connection with an IR device for printing or data exchange. Simply have the IR port of the mobile computer toward the IR port of the target device.

- This IR port supports CipherLab proprietary IR communication protocol and standard IrDA protocol.
- IrDA specification defines communications (transmit/receive data) between two IrDA enabled devices within a short range, line-of-sight.

IR / IrDA Specifications	
Infra Red:	Optical
Data Rate:	Up to 115200 bps
Connected devices:	Peer-to-Peer
Coverage:	From contact to 30 cm, line-of-sight
Standard:	CipherLab proprietary protocol and IrDA 1.0

#### **Bluetooth**

Bluetooth technology is for cable replacement & data exchange. Model 8330/8360 can directly communicate with any Bluetooth enabled device, not necessarily line-of-sight.

- Serial Port Profile (SPP) is for ad hoc networking, without going through any access point.
- Personal Area Networking Profile (PAN) makes use of Bluetooth Network Encapsulation Protocol (BNEP) for IP networking over Bluetooth. Access points (AP) are required.
- Dial-Up Networking Profile (DUN) makes use of a Bluetooth modem or mobile phone as a wireless modem.

Also, it can be used to activate the GPRS functionality on a mobile phone.

Rluetooth	<b>Specification</b>
Diueloolii	Specification

Frequency Range: 2.4 GHz

Data Rate: 433 kbps

**Connected Devices:** 1 for DUN mode

Up to 7 for SPP or PAN mode (AP required)

**Profiles:** SPP, PAN, DUN

**Coverage:** Class 1 - 250 meters line-of-sight (8360)

Class 2 - 10 meters line-of-sight (8330)

Max. Output Power: Class 1 - 16 mW

Class 2 - 6 mW

Spread Spectrum: FHSS

Modulation: GFSK

**Standard:** Bluetooth version 1.1

#### IEEE 802.11b/g

Model 8330/8370 can easily connect to legacy networks through access points (APs). Roaming among different networks is possible.

IEEE 802.11b/g is an industrial standard for Wireless Local Area Networking (WLAN), which enables wireless communications over a long distance.

The speed of connection between two wireless devices will vary with range and signal quality. To maintain a reliable connection, the data rate of the 802.11b/g system will automatically fallback as range increases or signal quality decreases.

Frequency Range: 2.4 GHz

**Data Rate:** 802.11b – 1, 2, 5.5, 11 Mbps

802.11g - 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 36, 48, 54 Mbps

**Connected Devices:** 1 for ad-hoc mode (No AP)

Multiple for infrastructure mode (AP required)

Profiles: IP/TCP/UDP

**Coverage:** 350 meters line-of-sight

**Max. Output Power:** 50 mW (802.11b)

Spread Spectrum: DSSS

**Modulation:** 802.11b – DBPSK (1 Mbps), DQPSK (2 Mbps), CCK (5.5 & 11 Mbps)

802.11g - OFDM

**Standard:** IEEE 802.11b/g, interoperable with Wi-Fi devices

#### 1.5.11 Resistance

#### **Impact**

The mobile computer is designed for harsh industrial environments, and is proved to survive drop test by the following criteria:

Surface Type	Distance to Surface	Drop Times
Concrete	1.2 meters	5 drops per 6 sides

#### Splash & Dust

The mobile computer is sealed against moisture and dust to industry standard IP 65.

- 6 = Totally protected against dust
- 5 = Protection against low pressure jets of water from all directions, i.e. limited ingress is permitted.

## 1.5.12 Application Software

## **Application Generator (AG)**

For easy development of applications, the mobile computer ships with development tools on the CD-ROM. It includes Windows-based **Application Generator** programs, batch and WLAN, as well as relevant utilities.

## **Terminal Emulation**

The mobile computer supports VT100/220 and IBM 5250 terminal emulation for accessing a backend database. The Windows-based **CipherNet** programs are available on the CD-ROM.

## 1.5.13 Programming Support

For developing custom applications, CipherLab provides BASIC and C compliers through licensing.

#### CHAPTER 2

## Installation

The mobile computer is designed for portable use, and it almost requires no installation except installing the battery pack.

Warning: Read Important Safety Precautions before installation.

## 2.1 Installing the Battery Pack

Always prepare a spare battery pack, especially when you are on the road. To save power, turn off the backlight when you are working in a bright work area.

- **1.** Hold the mobile computer face down in one hand.
- **2.** Release the battery lid latches on both sides of the battery compartment.
- **3.** Remove the battery lid by the other hand.
- **4.** Slide the battery pack into the battery compartment at a proper angle  $(30^{\circ} \sim 45^{\circ})$  so that the contacts of the battery are pressed onto the protruding contacts inside the compartment. Make sure that the battery is snugly fit into the compartment.
- **5.** Replace the battery lid and lock it firmly.

Note: For a new battery, make sure it is fully charged before use.

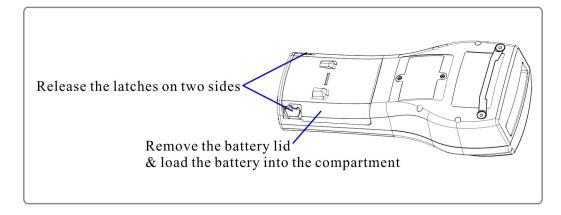


Figure 4: Installing the Battery Pack

# 2.2 Setting up Direct Connections

The 8300 Series mobile computer features an easy connection for charging or communications.

## 2.2.1 Direct Charging

- **1.** Insert the connector of the power cord to the DC power jack on the bottom of the mobile computer.
- **2.** Insert the plug to a nearby power outlet.

## 2.2.2 Direct Communications

- **1.** Connect one end of the RS-232 cable to the serial port on the bottom of the mobile computer.
- **2.** Connect the other end of the cable to your computer.

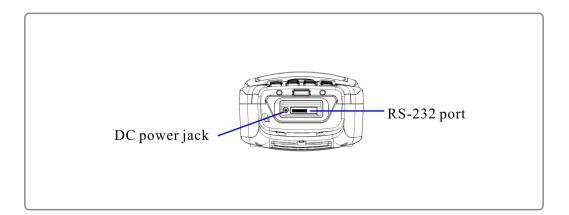


Figure 5: Setting up Direct Connections

# 2.3 Setting up the Cradle

You may choose an appropriate cradle that best suits your needs.

- **1.** Place the cradle on a flat and clean surface.
- **2.** Insert the connecter of the power cord to the power jack on the back of the cradle.
- **3.** Insert the plug of the power cord to a nearby power outlet.
- **4.** The cradle is ready for charging.
- **5.** Seat the mobile computer in the cradle.

If the cradle is capable of data communications, you can establish a connection with a computer or remote host. Refer to the Installation Guide of your cradle.

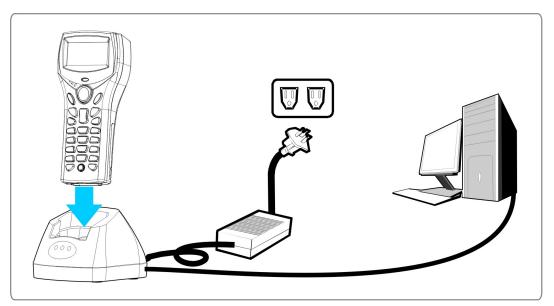


Figure 6: Setting up the Cradle

#### CHAPTER 3

# **Software Architecture**

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## 3.1 Overview

The software inside the mobile computer consists of three modules: Kernel, System, and Application Program.

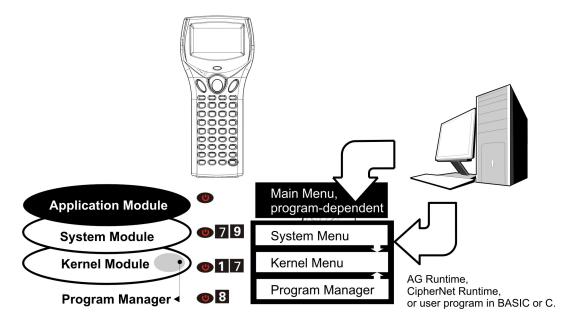


Figure 7: Software Architecture

## 3.2 System Configuration

For managing system configurations and multiple programs, each mobile computer comes with the **System Menu**, **Kernel**, and **Program Manager**.

#### System Menu

The **System Menu** is bundled with BASIC Runtime or user programs that are written in "C". It is for system configuration, functionality testing, downloading font file and program.

#### **Kernel**

**Kernel** is the innermost core of the OS. It provides services for downloading the active application program or font file, updating the kernel or the active application program, and configuring Bluetooth settings.

#### **Program Manager**

The **Program Manager** is part of the kernel. You may download as many as seven application programs, or six programs plus one font file.

## 3.3 Application Programs

## 3.3.1 Application Generator (AG)

The mobile computer is preloaded with CipherLab application program, **AG Runtime**. When you turn on the mobile computer, it displays the Main Menu of AG application.

Before using the mobile computer to collect data, you need to configure the application with the companion tool on your computer. This time-saving development tool helps create application templates on your computer. For details on the AG application, please refer to separate user manual.

Application Generator	AG Runtime	Companion Tool on PC-End
Batch AG	U8300*.SHX	AG8300m.exe
RF AG	U83WLAN*.SHX	AG83x0WLAN.exe

Note: The Application Generator (AG) software package includes

- (1) a companion tool for quickly developing your application, i.e. AG or RF AG;
- (2) several associated utilities to make it versatile in use.

## 3.3.2 CipherNet

Instead of **Application Generator**, you may download the terminal emulation program, i.e. **CipherNet Runtime**, to the mobile computer. Refer to section 4.1.6 <u>Load Program</u>. Then, run individual companion tool on your computer.

For details on the **CipherNet** application, please refer to separate user manual.

Terminal Emulation	CipherNet Runtime	Companion Tool on PC-End
VT100/220	83xx-VT.SHX	CipherNet-VT.exe
IBM 5250	83xx-5250.SHX	CipherNet-5250.exe

## 3.3.3 User Program

You may need to develop your own application program in BASIC or C. For detailed information, please contact CipherLab Co., Ltd.

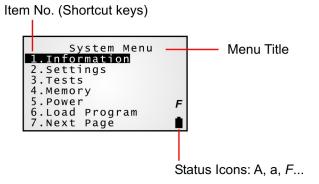
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# Configuration

This section mainly describes how to configure the 8300 Series Mobile Computer, regarding system configurations and program download.

When a menu is displayed, you may select an item by either of the following ways:

- using the [UP] and [DOWN] keys to move the highlight bar
- pressing the number key that corresponds to the item number



On each screen, the last column displays status icons, such as:

- The smart battery icon indicates the current power status.
- The input mode and function mode, which are controlled by the [Alpha] key and [FN] key separately.
- To return to a previous page or menu, you may press [ESC] or follow the on-screen instructions.

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## 4.1 System Menu

The **System Menu** is generated by a powerful utility, which offers an interface for engineers (programmers or system integrator) to view system information, change the configuration parameters, download programs and run diagnostics.

This menu is designed for engineering tests and maintenance ONLY. For this reason, the **System Menu** provides password protection to prevent unauthorized users from accidentally changing system settings.

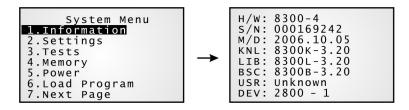
#### How to access the System Menu?

- **1.** Turn off the mobile computer.
- **2.** Press [7] + [9] + [Power].

Warning! The System Menu is NOT for the use of any end users. The system password helps ensure system safety and integrity.

## 4.1.1 Information

Here provides important system information to help diagnose the system.



#### System Menu > 1. Information

H/VV	Hardware version (PCB)
S/N	A serial number assigned to the mobile computer
M/D	Manufacturing date
KNL	Kernel version
LIB	C library version
BSC	BASIC Run-time version, if a BASIC application is downloaded
USR	Application program version

**DEV** 5-digit code for optional hardware configurations, see examples below:

- Generally, 2800-1 indicates the 39-key mobile computer is equipped with Laser scan engine, combo module for wireless connectivity (802.11b/g+Bluetooth), and no RFID reader.
- For H/W version 4.0, 2511-0 indicates the 24-key mobile computer is equipped with CCD scan engine, Bluetooth module, RFID reader.

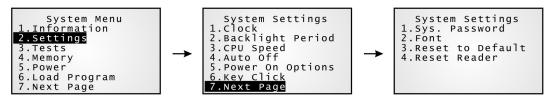
**RFID** RFID module version if present; the 3<sup>rd</sup> digit of the above Device Code must be 1.

### **Understanding Device Code**

Device Code	Modular Component	Types			
1st digit	Reader module	0= No reader			
		1= CCD scan engine (Not for H/W version 4.0)			
		2= Laser scan engine			
		(CCD or Laser scan engine for H/W version 4.	0)		
		4= Long Range Laser scan engine			
2nd digit	Wireless module	0= No wireless module (830	0)		
		4= 802.11b/g module (837	0)		
		5= Bluetooth module (836	0)		
		8 = 802.11 b/g + Bluetooth (833)	0)		
3rd digit	RFID module	0= No RFID			
		1= RFID reader			
4th digit CCD or Laser scan eng		0= Laser scan engine (H/W 4.0)			
	for H/W version 4.0 only	1= CCD scan engine (H/W 4.0)			
5th digit	git Keypad module 0= 24-key				
	1= 39-key				

# 4.1.2 Settings

You can change the default settings here.



System Settings	Default Values
Clock	blank
Backlight Period	20 seconds
CPU Speed	Full
Auto Off	10 minutes
Power On Options	Program Resume
Key Click	Tone 2
System Password	Open access
Font	System font
Reset to Default	Factory settings
Reset Reader	Factory settings of Long Range Laser scan engine

### **Settings > Clock**

Set date and time for Real Time Clock. Enter two digits for the year, i.e. 04 for 2004.

### <u>Settings > Backlight Period</u>

Set the backlight duration for the keypad and LCD. Enter a value between 0 and 65535 (second).

## **Settings > CPU Speed**

Set the desired CPU speed.

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### **Settings > Auto Off**

The mobile computer will be turned off automatically when no operation is taking place during a specified period of time. Enter a value between 0 and 999 (minute).

Note: To disable this function, enter 0.

### <u>Settings > Power On Options</u>

Set the startup screen once the mobile computer is turned on:

- Program Resume: Start from the last session of program before the mobile computer is turned off.
- Program Restart: Fresh start from the first session of the program.

Specify the events that can wake up the mobile computer:

WakeUp Event:

Wedge - When the mobile computer is connected to the keyboard wedge cable.

RS-232 - When the mobile computer is connected to a PC via RS-232 and a download

utility is running on PC.

Charging - When the mobile computer is connected to a power outlet for charging.

Charged - When the charging is done.

### **Settings > Key Click**

The system will produce an audible signal when any key on the keypad is pressed. The current value is highlighted. Select a desired tone for the buzzer or mute it.

### <u>Settings > System Password</u>

Set a password to control user access to the **System Menu**. The password can be up to eight alphanumeric characters.

Note: The password is case-sensitive. To disable a previous password, enter blank on the "Input new password" and "Verify password" screens.

### **Settings > Font**

Font version information can be viewed here. It displays System Font if there is no custom font file. If a multi-language font file is downloaded, you will be able to select a font from the list.

### <u>Settings > Reset to Default</u>

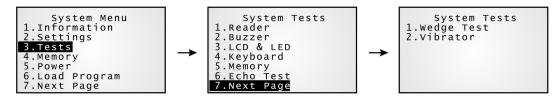
Reset system settings to the default values, except for the reader settings.

### **Settings > Reset Reader**

When Long Range Laser scan engine is installed for use, you may reset the reader settings to the default values.

### **4.1.3 Tests**

Here provides functional tests for key parts.



### Tests > Reader

Test the reading performance of the scanner. Press [SCAN] to start. To stop and exit the test, press any key.

Note: The supported symbologies depend on the scan engine you use, and some of them are not enabled by default.

### Tests > Buzzer

Test the buzzer with different frequency/duration combinations. Press [Enter] to start. To stop and exit the test, press any key.

### Tests > LCD & LED

Test the LCD display and LED indicator. Press [Enter] to start. To stop and exit the test, press any key.

### Tests > Keyboard

Test the rubber keys. Press any key and its corresponding character will be shown on the screen. To stop and exit the test, press [ESC].

### Tests > Memory

Test the data memory (SRAM), and the results will be shown on the screen. To stop and exit the test, press [ESC].

Warning! The contents of the data memory (SRAM) will be wiped out after test.

### Tests > Echo Test

After a physical connection is established properly, run the utility "Echo Test" on your computer and start this test on your mobile computer. Select a desired baud rate. To stop and exit the test, press [ESC].

■ IR (Cradle-IR):

This echo test is to verify connectivity via IR between the mobile computer and any cradle.

MODEM:

This echo test is to verify connectivity via modem. A telephone line must be connected to the Modem Cradle.

Note: For the Modem Cradle, any value other than 57600 bps (default) must be configured through the DIP switch on the IR control board.

### <u>Tests > Wedge Test</u>

After a keyboard wedge cable is connected properly, run "Notepad.exe" on your computer and start this test on your mobile computer.

### Tests > Vibrator

Test the vibrator. To stop and exit the test, press [ESC].

# **4.1.4 Memory**

Here provides information and initialization function of the memory.



### **Memory > Size information**

Base RAM (onboard SRAM for data memory)

Memory Card (SRAM for data memory)Flash (for program memory)

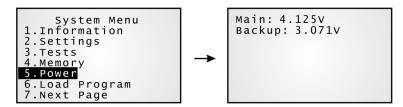
### **Memory > Initialize**

Initialize the data memory, Base RAM or Memory Card.

Warning! The contents of the data memory (SRAM) will be wiped out after memory initialization.

### **4.1.5 Power**

Here shows the current voltage consumption.



- Main (battery):
   It shows dynamic status of the battery pack, which is used as the main power source.
- Backup (battery):
   It shows dynamic status of the button cell, which is used to retain data in SRAM.

Warning! Always examine the battery icon on the device screen so that you will be alerted for a low battery condition.

## 4.1.6 Load Program

Here you can access the <u>Load Program</u> service provided by the kernel which will take over the job, and therefore, you will not be able to return to the **System Menu** by pressing [ESC]. After downloading, restart the mobile computer to activate the new program.



.SHX Program	Download one of the following C program files and/or one font file:			
Program File	◆ AG Runtime	(U*.shx)		
	<ul> <li>CipherNet Runtime</li> </ul>	(85xx-5250.shx, 85xx-VT.shx)		
	<ul> <li>BASIC Runtime*</li> </ul>	(BC*.shx)		
	<ul> <li>User program</li> </ul>			
Font File	Refer to the Font Files folder on CD-ROM.			

If you have downloaded a BASIC Runtime program, the next time you enter the Load Program submenu you will be able to select whether to download a C program (.SHX) or BASIC program (.SYN).

Note: (1) The interface option for Bluetooth is only available on 8330/8360 only.

(2) "Load Basic" menu is only available after you have downloaded a BASIC Runtime program.

## 4.1.7 (1) Serial PPP Menu

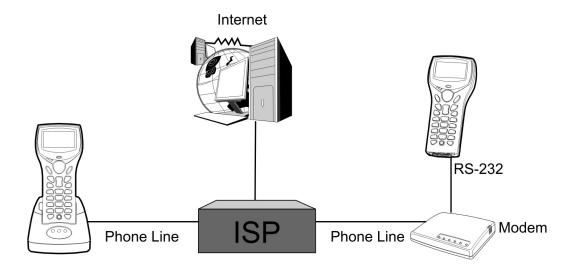
PPP, short for Point-to-Point Protocol, is a method of connecting the mobile computer to the Internet over serial links. It sends TCP/IP packets to a server that connects to the Internet.

PPP Connection via IR

For baud rate setting, any value other than 57600 bps (default) must be configured through the DIP switch of the IR control board on the Modem Cradle.

Note: The version of IR control board on the modem cradle must be greater than SV3.01.

PPP Connection via RS-232
 Connect the mobile computer to any generic modem via RS-232 directly.



This submenu is for establishing a PPP connection via the Modem Cradle or any generic modem. You must configure these parameters correctly.



### **Serial PPP Menu > Information**



Information of library version can be viewed here.

#### Serial PPP Menu > 1. Information

LIB C library version for PPP

BSC BASIC Run-time version, if a BASIC application is downloaded.

Below are available libraries that support (1) PPP connection over serial links (2) Ethernet connection – Transparent mode.

Series	Model #		External Libraries
8300	8300	(batch)	83PPP.lib
	8330	(Bluetooth, 802.11b/g)	83PPP.lib OR 83NetCombo.lib
	8360	(Bluetooth)	83PPP.lib OR 83BNEP.lib
	8370	(802.11b/g)	83PPP.lib OR 83WLAN.lib

### **Serial PPP Menu > Connection Set**



#### Serial PPP Menu > 2. Connection Set

**1. DialUp Number** Enter the number provided by your ISP.

**2. Login Name** Enter the login name provided by your ISP.

**3. Login Password** Enter the login password provided by your ISP.

**4. Baud Rate** Select a desired baud rate.

Note: By default, the baud rate is set to 57600 bps on the Modem Cradle.

For any other value, such as 115200/38400/19200/9600, you must configure

through the DIP switch on the IR control board.

### Serial PPP Menu > Echo Test



This echo test is used for verifying connectivity via Point-to-Point Protocol.

For the Modem Cradle, its physical connectivity can be verified in System Menu > Tests > Echo Test > IR or MODEM.

#### Serial PPP Menu > 3. Echo Test

- Select IR or RS-232.
- Enter the IP address of a server with which a PPP connection is desired. Then, it will try to connect to the server.

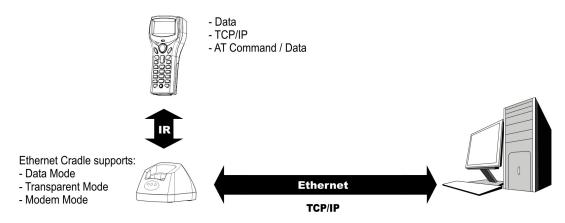
Note: After the "PPP via IR / RS-232" connection is established properly, run the utility "Echo Test" on your computer (TCP/IP – Server), and then, start this test on your mobile computer.

# 4.1.7 (2) IR Network Menu (Ethernet via IR)

This submenu is for Ethernet connection via IR networking. You must configure these parameters correctly.



Note: The Ethernet Cradle is required for establishing Ethernet connection via IR.



### IR Network Menu > Information

Information of Ethernet network configuration can be viewed here.



#### IR Network Menu > 1. Information

**DHCP** DHCP server in use or not

IP address of the mobile computer

Mask Subnet Mask

Gate Default Gateway

Note: For Transparent mode, refer to **Serial PPP Menu** for available libraries.

### IR Network Menu > Network Setting

Set parameters for IP networking.



#### IR Network Menu > 2. Network Setting

DHCP Options - Enable or Disable
 SubNet Mask Enter a new Mask IP, if necessary.
 Local IP Address Enter a new address for the mobile computer, if necessary.
 Default Gateway Enter a new address for the default Gateway, if necessary.
 DNS Server Enter a new address for the DNS server, if necessary.
 Domain Name The domain name of the host is shown here when DHCP server is enabled.

Note: Normally, DHCP is enabled and all of the settings can be obtained form the DHCP

server.

### IR Network Menu > Echo Tests

The Ethernet Cradle supports three working modes:

- Data Mode
- Modem Mode
- Transparent Mode

These echo tests are used for verifying connectivity via the Ethernet Cradle. For details, refer to the Ethernet Cradle manual.



#### IR Network Menu > 3. Echo Tests

**1. Data Mode** Set the Ethernet Cradle in Data mode. The mobile computer works as a

client. .

**2. Modem Mode** Set the Ethernet Cradle in Modem mode. The mobile computer works as a

client.

**3. Transparent Mode** 1. Client Mode - Set the mobile computer as a client. Enter the IP address of

a server with which a connection is desired.

2. Server Mode - Set the mobile computer as a server that waits for other

devices to connect to.

Note: After the "Ethernet via IR" connection is established properly, run the utility "Echo Test" on your computer (TCP/IP – Server or Client), and then, start this test on your mobile computer.

# 4.1.7 (3) Bluetooth Menu – for 8330, 8360

This submenu is for the Bluetooth module to work with other Bluetooth enabled devices. You must configure these parameters correctly.



Note: This submenu is generated only when the Bluetooth module is present.

Bluetooth Settings	Default Value	SPP	DUN	PAN	
Connect Setting		Items Need to Be Checked			
Local Name	Model no. + Serial no.	V	v	v	
Remote Name		V	v	v	
Broadcast Me	Enabled	V	V	v	
Power Saving	Enabled	V	v	v	
BT-GPRS AP Name			(v)*		
Security					
Authentication	Disabled	V	v	v	
PIN Code		V	V	v	
Network Setting					
DHCP	Enabled			v	
SubNet Mask	255.255.128.0			v	
Local IP Address	0.0.0.0			v	
Default Gateway	0.0.0.0			v	
DNS Server	0.0.0.0			v	
Domain Name				v	

Note: GPRS AP name is ONLY required for DUN-GPRS mode.

### **Bluetooth Menu > Information**

Information of network configuration can be viewed here.



#### **Bluetooth Menu > 1. Information**

**LIB** C library version for Bluetooth (BNEP)

MAC ID of the Bluetooth module

**IAM** A name given to the mobile computer for identification.

• By default, it is made up of model No. and the serial number. (Identical to 2. Connect Set > 1. Local Name)

• "Normal" means all 79 channels are available for frequency-hopping

(There are bandwidth limitations for 2.4 GHz ISM band in some countries. For example, only 23 RF channels are defined instead of 79 RF channels in Japan, Spain and France.)

**DHCP** DHCP server in use or not

**IP** IP address of the mobile computer

Mask Subnet Mask

**Gate** Default Gateway

### Bluetooth Menu > Connect Setting

A basic Bluetooth system can be configured as (1) point to point - DUN mode, and (2) point to multi-point - SPP or PAN mode. Set the following parameters if necessary.



#### Bluetooth Menu > 2. Connect Set

**1. Local Name** Enter a name for identifying the mobile computer.

• By default, it is made up of model No. and the serial number.

**2. Remote Name** Enter a name for making a specific connection.

 The remote name must be one of those in the Freq. Dev. List. Otherwise, the mobile computer will fail to make a connection with any device without pairing.

• DO NOT specify any remote name when roaming across different groups of APs is required.

**3. Broadcast Me** Options - Enable or Disable

• For initial connection, broadcasting must be enabled so that other Bluetooth devices can discover the mobile computer.

 For security concerns, you may disable it in future use to hide the mobile computer from other Bluetooth devices.

**4. Power Saving** This refers to the low power consumption mode.

Options - Enable or Disable (Only the Sniff mode is supported.)

**5. BT-GPRS AP** For DUN-GPRS mode, enter the AP name for connecting to the content server.

### **Bluetooth Menu > Security**

Set or modify security parameters.



#### Bluetooth Menu > 3. Security

**1. Authentication** Options - Enable or Disable

**2. PIN Code** Define the encryption key values.

• Up to 16 characters, using ASCII code.

### **Bluetooth Menu > Echo Tests**

These echo tests are used for verifying connectivity to make sure the mobile computer is within coverage. Press [ESC] to stop and exit the test.

In PAN mode, the echo test helps measure the coverage of the range, estimate the number of APs and mobile computers needed, and determine the topology of deploying APs.



SPP: Serial Port Profile

It is used for ad hoc networking, without going through any access point.

DUN: Dial-Up Networking Profile

DUN Modem - It makes use of a Bluetooth modem or mobile phone as a wireless modem.

DUN GPRS – It makes use of a mobile phone with GPRS functionality and connects to GPRS AP.

■ HID: Human Interface Device Profile

It allows the mobile computer being used as a Bluetooth keyboard.

BNEP: Bluetooth Network Encapsulation Protocol

It is used by Personal Area Networking Profile (PAN) for IP networking over Bluetooth.

#### Bluetooth Menu > 4. Echo Tests

1. SPP Master

Set the mobile computer as a master device.

- 1. Pairing with your computer (slave) must be completed first.
- 2. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "RS-232" for interface.
  - Use the Bluetooth COM port that has been paired.
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 3. Start the echo test on both ends. The mobile computer will try to connect to PC (slave).

#### 2. SPP Slave

Set the mobile computer as a slave device.

- 1. Enable Authentication and set your PIN code on the mobile computer.
- 2. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "RS-232" for interface.
  - Use the Bluetooth COM port that has been configured as "outgoing".
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 3. Start the echo test on both ends.
- 4. The mobile computer will wait for PC (master) to start the connection.
- 5. Enter the preset PIN code for authentication on your computer.

#### 3. DUN Modem

The mobile computer will try to connect to a Bluetooth modem or mobile phone.

- 1. Pairing with your mobile phone must be completed first. Select "DialUp Network" for Target Machine options.
- 2. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "Modem" for interface.
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 3. Start the echo test on both ends.
- 4. The mobile computer will connect to your mobile phone that dials up to your computer.

#### 4. HID Test

Set the mobile computer as a Bluetooth keyboard, which will let other Bluetooth device that supports HID to discover and start an HID connection while running this test on the mobile computer.

After an HID connection is created, that connection will persist. If the mobile computer is turned off, when it is turned on again, the connection will re-open automatically.

- 1. Enable Authentication and set your PIN code on the mobile computer.
- 2. Run this HID test on the mobile computer.
- 3. Start pairing from your Bluetooth device, e.g. PDA.
- 4. Enter the preset PIN code for authentication on PDA and select to use the mobile computer as "Input Device".
- 5. Run any text editor on your PDA.
- 6. The HID test is ready to work. Note that your PDA will now be updated to the Frequent Device List automatically.

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#### 5. DUN GPRS

The mobile computer will try to connect to a mobile phone with GPRS functionality.

- 1. Pairing with your mobile phone must be completed first. Select "DialUp Network" for Target Machine options.
- 2. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "TCP/IP Server" for interface.
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 3. Start the echo test on both ends.
- 4. Enter the server IP on the mobile computer.
- 5. The mobile computer will connect to your mobile phone that dials up a GPRS AP, and finally connect to your computer (server) through the GPRS AP.

#### 6. BNEP Client

Set the mobile computer as a client. Enter the IP address of a server with which a connection is desired. Then, it will try to connect to an AP.

- 1. Pairing with an AP must be completed first. Select "Access Point" for Target Machine options. Note that you must disable Authentication and clear the preset PIN code when connecting to Bluetooth AP (3560).
- 2. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "TCP/IP Server" for interface.
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 3. Start the echo test on both ends.
- 4. Enter the server IP and port number on the mobile computer.

#### 7. BNEP Server

Set the mobile computer as a server. It will try to connect to an AP.

- 1. Pairing with an AP must be completed first. Select "Access Point" for Target Machine options. Note that you must disable Authentication and clear the preset PIN code when connecting to Bluetooth AP (3560).
- 2. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "TCP/IP Client" for interface.
  - Enter Remote IP and port number.
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 3. Start the echo test on both ends.

### Bluetooth Menu > Pairing Test

The pairing procedure is for the creation and exchange of a link key between two Bluetooth-enabled devices. The devices use the link key for future authentication when exchanging information.



#### Bluetooth Menu > 5. Pairing Test

- 1. The mobile computer will first start with making an inquiry so that the system can generate a list of device(s) that has been discovered nearby.
- **2.** Secondly, select a desired target device.
- **3.** Then, select a Bluetooth service from the "Target Machine" menu. To stop and exit the test, press [ESC].
- Serial Port (SPP)
- Access Point (PAN)
- DialUp Network (DUN)
- **4.** After pairing successfully, the target device will be added to the Frequent Device List for quick connection in the future.

Note: During the initial setting of Bluetooth wireless network, the pairing procedure must be carried out before the Echo tests.

### Bluetooth Menu > Freq. Dev. List

The Frequent Device List is used to store a list of target device(s) that the mobile computer has been connected to lately. After each successful pairing, the system will update the list.

Note: To unpair any device, simply delete the device from this list.



#### Bluetooth Menu > 6. Freq. Dev List

This list can show information of up to eight target devices that provides different Bluetooth services.

- It can list only one device that provides the Bluetooth Serial Port service. (SPP)
- It can list up to eight APs that provide the Bluetooth Personal Area Networking service. (PAN)
- It can list only one device that provides the Bluetooth Dial-Up Networking service. (DUN)

Note: During roaming (for PAN only) or re-establishing the connection, the mobile computer will automatically connect to the listed AP(s) or target device without going through the pairing procedure.

### Bluetooth Menu > Network Setting

Set parameters for IP networking.



#### Bluetooth Menu > 7. Network Setting

**1. DHCP** Options - Enable or Disable

**2. SubNet Mask** Enter a new Mask IP, if necessary.

**3. Local IP Address** Enter a new address for the mobile computer, if necessary.

**4. Default Gateway** Enter a new address for the default Gateway, if necessary.

**5. DNS Server** Enter a new address for the DNS server, if necessary.

**6. Domain Name** The domain name of the host is shown here when DHCP server is enabled.

Note: Normally, DHCP is enabled and all of the settings can be obtained form the DHCP server.

# 4.1.7 (4) Wi-Fi Menu – for 8330, 8370

This submenu is for 802.11b/g wireless networking. You must configure these parameters correctly.



Note: This submenu is generated only when the Wi-Fi module is present.

Wi-Fi Settings	Default Value	Ad-hoc	Infrastructure		
Network Setting		Items Need to Be Checked			
DHCP	Enabled		v		
SubNet Mask	255.255.128.0	V	v		
Local IP Address	0.0.0.0	V	v		
Default Gateway	0.0.0.0		v		
DNS Server	0.0.0.0		v		
Domain Name			v		
WLAN Setting					
Local Name	Model no. + Serial no.	V	v		
SS ID			v		
System Scale	Medium		v		
Power Saving	Enabled		v		
Preamble	Long		v		
Ad-Hoc	Disabled	V			
Security					
Authentication	Open System		v		
WEP Menu	Disabled		V		
EAP Menu	Disabled		v		

### Wi-Fi Menu > Information

Information of network configuration can be viewed here.



#### Wi-Fi Menu > 1. Information

LIB C library version for WLAN (802.11b/g)

Ver Firmware version of the module chipset

MAC MAC ID of the WLAN module

**ID** A name given to the mobile computer for identification.

• By default, it is made up of model No. and the serial number. (Identical to 3. WLAN Setting > 1. Local Name)

**DHCP** DHCP server in use or not

**IP** IP address of the mobile computer

Mask Subnet Mask

Gate Default Gateway

### Wi-Fi Menu > Network Setting

Set parameters for IP networking.



#### Wi-Fi Menu > 2. Network Setting

DHCP Options - Enable or Disable
 SubNet Mask Enter a new Mask IP, if necessary.
 Local IP Enter a new address for the mobile computer, if necessary.
 Gateway Enter a new address for the default Gateway, if necessary.
 DNS Server Enter a new address for the DNS server, if necessary.
 Domain Name The domain name of the host is shown here when DHCP server is enabled.

Note: Normally, DHCP is enabled and all of the settings can be obtained form the DHCP server.

### Wi-Fi Menu > WLAN Setting

Wireless networking can operate in two modes -(1) Ad-hoc mode: peer-to-peer, and (2) Infrastructure mode: point to multi-point through access points.

Set the following parameters.



#### Wi-Fi Menu > 3. WLAN Setting

**1. Local Name** Enter a name for identifying the mobile computer.

• By default, it is made up of model No. and the serial number.

**2. SS ID** This refers to Service Set ID or Identifier.

◆ The mobile computer can ONLY communicate with access points that have the same SS ID.

**3. System Scale** This refers to Access Point Density.

Options - [1] Low [2] Medium [3] High

- The value you set must match that set for the access point.
- "Low / Medium / High" means the mobile computer will search for other APs only when data transmission rate is below "1 / 2 / 5" Mbps individually.
- **4. Power Saving** This refers to the low power consumption mode.

Options - Enable or Disable

• The value you set must match that set for the access point.

**5. Preamble** Options - [1] Long [2] Short [3] Both

• The value you set must match that set for the access point.

**6. Ad-Hoc** This refers to peer-to-peer mode, without going through access points.

Options - Enable or Disable

### Wi-Fi Menu > Security

Set or modify security parameters.

WEP: Wired Equivalent Privacy

■ EAP: Extensible Authentication Protocol

■ WPA: Wi-Fi Protected Access



#### Wi-Fi Menu > 4. Security

1. Authentication	[1] Open System:	Default authentication type
	[0] Share Key:	This requires implementing WEP key.
2. WEP Menu	1. WEP Setting:	• Enabled (For Share Key, it must be enabled!)
		<ul> <li>Disabled (default)</li> </ul>
	2. WEP Key Length:	◆ 64 bits
		• 128 bits (default)
	3. Default Key:	WEP KEY1
	4. WEP Key:	Enter WEP Keys $1 \sim 4$ in one of the following input data type:
		• ASCII (up to 13 characters)
		<ul> <li>Hexadecimal (up to 26 characters)</li> </ul>
3. EAP Menu	1. EAP Setting:	• Enabled
		<ul> <li>Disabled (default)</li> </ul>
	2. EAP ID:	Enter a user name (up to 32 characters)
	3. EAP Password:	Enter a password (up to 32 characters)
4. WPA Menu	1. WPA Setting:	• Enabled
		• Disabled (default)
	2. Passphrase:	Enter a phrase as your password (8 $\sim$ 63 characters)

### Wi-Fi Menu > Echo Tests

This function is used to measure the coverage of the range, estimate the number of APs and mobile computers needed, and determine the topology of deploying APs.



#### Wi-Fi Menu > 5. Echo Tests

#### 1. Client Mode

Set the mobile computer as a client. Enter the IP address of a server with which a connection is desired. Then, it will try to connect to an AP.

- 1. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "TCP/IP Server" for interface.
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 2. Start the echo test on both ends.
- 3. Enter the server IP and port number on the mobile computer.

#### 2. Server Mode

Set the mobile computer as a server. The mobile computer will try to connect to an AP.

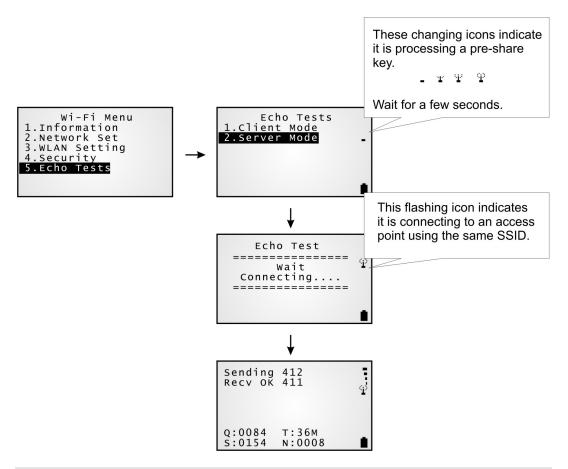
- 1. Run the Echo Test program on your computer. Associated settings include
  - Select "TCP/IP Client" for interface.
  - Set Action Mode to "Passive".
- 2. Start the echo test on both ends.

Note: Run the utility "Echo Test" on your computer (TCP/IP – Server or Client), and then, start this test on your mobile computer.

If WPA setting is enabled for security, the SSID and Passphrase will be processed to generate a pre-share key.

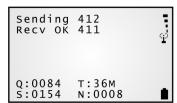
Note: If you change the SSID or Passphrase, it will have to re-generate a pre-share key.

- **1.** For initial association with an access point, you will see an antenna icon developing on the screen to indicate that the mobile computer is processing a pre-share key.
- **2.** After having generated the pre-share key, the mobile computer proceeds to establish a connection with an access point, and you will see the whole antenna is flashing.
- **3.** When the mobile computer has been connected to the access point successfully, you will see the whole antenna and the indication of wireless signal strength.



Note: If you are programming in C or BASIC, be aware that these icons will appear on the device screen after NetInit() or START TCPIP() is called. (WPA must be enabled first!)

Once the connection of echo test is established, the details will be displayed as illustrated below. Link Quality ("Q") will be the most important element while the others are for your reference.



Q (Link Quality)		T (Transmit Speed)		S (Signal Level)		N (Noise Level)	
0~10	Very Poor	1	Mbps	0~10	Weak	1	Weak
10 ~ 15	Poor	2	Mbps	30 ~ 60	Moderate	2 ~ 3	Moderate
15 ~ 30	Good	5.5	Mbps	Over 60	Strong	4 ~ 5	Strong
50 ~ 80	Very Good	11	Mbps				
		6	Mbps				
		9	Mbps				
		12	Mbps				
		18	Mbps				
		24	Mbps				
		36	Mbps				
		48	Mbps				
		54	Mbps				

# 4.2 Program Manager

The 8300 Series supports multiple applications and languages. In the menu of **Program Manager**, it can download up to seven programs and one of them is made active.

If there is no application program exists, the **Program Manager** will be displayed after you turn on the mobile computer.

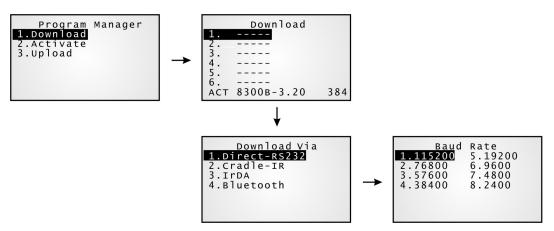
Warning! The Program Manager menu is NOT for the use of any end users.

#### How to access the Program Manager menu?

- **1.** Turn off the mobile computer.
- **2.** Press [8] + [Power].

### 4.2.1 Download

Here provides a full list of programs that are currently stored on the mobile computer with size information. Multiple application programs can be downloaded through a variety of interfaces. Upon completion of downloading, you are allowed to input a name for the program. If there is no need to rename the program, simply press [ENTER] to leave as it is.



The length of program name can be up to 12 characters. Program size is in kilo bytes.

A suffix letter after the memory sector  $(1 \sim 6)$  indicates the file type of program.

"b" for BASIC program (.SYN)"c" for C program (.SHX)"f" for font file (.SHX)

Note: In addition to the system font, there can be only one font file downloaded to the mobile computer. The custom font file needs to be downloaded through the System Menu or Kernel Menu.

### **Spare Memory Sectors (1 ~ 6)**

Additional program files can be directly downloaded to these sectors.

#### Download a program file to an empty sector:

- 1. Select an empty sector by pressing the corresponding number and then [Enter].
- 2. Select a desired baud rate for downloading.
- **3.** Connect the RS-232 cable and wait for a few seconds to establish a connection...
- **4.** To abort the action, press [ESC]. Then press [ESC] again to return to the menu.

#### Download a program file to an occupied sector:

If no available sectors, you'll have to replace one program with the new one.

- **1.** Select a program that you want to delete by pressing the corresponding number and then [Enter].
- **2.** The program information is displayed on the screen. Press [Alpha] to enter the Alpha mode, and then press [C].
- **3.** Select a desired baud rate for downloading.
- **4.** Connect the RS-232 cable and wait for a few seconds to establish a connection...
- **5.** To abort the action, press [ESC]. Then press [ESC] again to return to the menu. From the menu, you'll find the program is deleted but no new program is present.

If you simply want to delete a program, press [D] in step 2.

Note: [C], [D] are NOT case-sensitive.

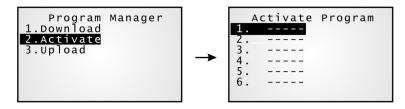
## **Active Memory Sector ("ACT")**

Only the application program, which needs to be activated immediately, can be downloaded to the active memory sector.

#### **Download to Memory Sector "ACT":**

- **1.** Press the [Down] key to select the memory sector "ACT" (may be unoccupied), and then press [Enter].
- 2. Connect the RS-232 cable and wait for a few seconds to establish a connection...
- **3.** If the active memory sector has already been occupied by an application program, the newly downloaded program will replace the currently active program and come into effect immediately.

## 4.2.2 Activate



The list shows the entire spare programs stored on the mobile computer. From the list, you can select from 1 to 6 and activate one of them. The selected program will be copied to the active memory sector and replace the current one.

Note: A font file cannot be activated.

## **To Clear File System**

When <New Program Start> screen prompts "Press [ESC] to clear file", it means the file system in the SRAM will be cleared out by pressing [ESC]. Then there will be no data (transactions, settings, etc.) stored on the mobile computer when the new program comes into effect.

## To Keep File System

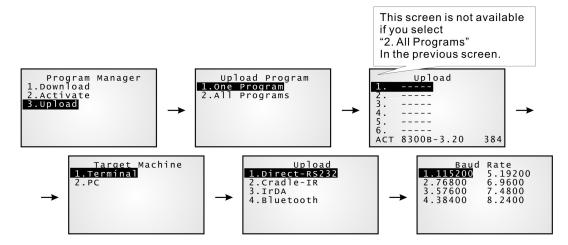
To keep the data, simply press any other key.

## 4.2.3 Upload

You may duplicate one or all of the programs from the mobile computer to a host computer or another mobile computer. This can be used to clone software on mobile computers.

Note: To clone all of the programs, the target mobile computer cannot have any other program downloaded except the active one; that is, Memory Sectors 1~6 must be empty!

The procedures are similar to those for downloading programs.



## 4.3 Kernel Menu

The kernel resides in the innermost core of the system. It has the highest security and is always protected by the system. When the application program is corrupted and the **System Menu** fails, the **Kernel Menu** provides an access to fix the system.

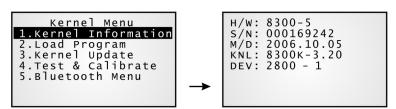
Warning! The Kernel Menu is NOT for the use of any end users.

#### How to access the Kernel Menu?

- **1.** When the last session is in the **System Menu** or **Program Manager**, simply turn off the mobile computer. Otherwise, you must reload the battery pack.
- **2.** Press [1] + [7] + [Power].

## 4.3.1 Kernel Information

Here provides important system information to help diagnose the system.



■ H/W: Hardware version (PCB)

• S/N: Serial number of the mobile computer

• M/D: Manufacturing date

KNL: Kernel version

DEV: 5-digit code for optional hardware configurations.

Refer to <u>Understanding Device Code</u>.

## 4.3.2 Load Program

You can download one program file to the active memory sector, as well as one font file to the memory address assigned by the system. After downloading, restart the mobile computer to activate the new program.

- New application program or program update
- And/or one font file, i.e. multi-language font

If you are using a custom font file rather the system font and you want to download another font file, it is necessary to delete the current font file from the program list displayed by the <a href="Program Manager">Program Manager</a> first. Otherwise, downloading new font file is not allowed.



.SHX Program	Download one of the following C program files and/or one font file:	
Program File	◆ AG Runtime	(U*.shx)
	<ul> <li>CipherNet Runtime</li> </ul>	(85xx-5250.shx, 85xx-VT.shx)
	<ul> <li>BASIC Runtime*</li> </ul>	(BC*.shx)
	<ul> <li>User program</li> </ul>	
Font File	Refer to the Font Files folder	on CD-ROM.

If you have downloaded a BASIC Runtime program, the next time you access the <u>Load Program</u> service through the **System Menu**, you will be able to select whether to download a C program (.SHX) or BASIC program (.SYN).

Note: To download a BASIC program (\*SYN), go to System Menu > 6. Load Program > 2. Load Basic.

### <u>Settings</u>

Interface	
Cradle-IR (Serial IR)	Proceed to configure baud rate settings on your computer and the mobile computer.
IrDA	Point to the target IrDA device.
Bluetooth	Approach the target Bluetooth enabled device.
Baud Rate	
115200 (bps)	Supported on CipherLab software, including download utilities.
76800 (bps)	N/A
57600 (bps)	Supported on CipherLab software, including download utilities.
38400 (bps)	Supported on CipherLab software, including download utilities.
19200 (bps)	Supported on CipherLab software, including download utilities.
9600 (bps)	Supported on CipherLab software, including download utilities.
4800 (bps)	N/A
2400 (bps)	N/A

Note: If you select to use Serial IR of the Modem Cradle, any value other than 57600 bps (default) must be configured through the DIP switch on the IR control board.

## **Load Program via Bluetooth**

- 1. Go to System Menu > 7. Bluetooth Menu > 3. Security, and configure the following Bluetooth settings first.
  - Authentication
  - PIN code
- **2.** Go to **System Menu** > **6.** Load Program and select Bluetooth.
- **3.** Start the pairing procedure from your computer, for example, click [Pair Device] and/or [Connect Bluetooth Serial Port].
- 4. Run any of the download utilities: ProgLoad.exe or Download.exe
  - Select interface RS-232/IrDA for using Bluetooth SPP.
  - Select COM port properties that match with the serial port settings used on your computer.

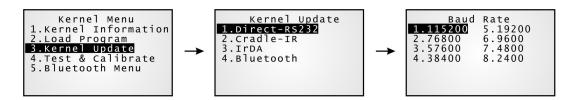
Note: Only Model 8330/8360 supports Bluetooth.

## 4.3.3 Kernel Update

The kernel might need to be updated to improve performance or due to other considerations.

- To download a kernel update (K\*.shx), the procedure is the same as that for downloading a program.
- Any attempt to download an older version will be rejected.
- The system will restart itself right after downloading.

Warning: Do not turn off the mobile computer while downloading a kernel update or re-starting the mobile computer. Otherwise, it will crash the kernel forever. There is no way to recover it!

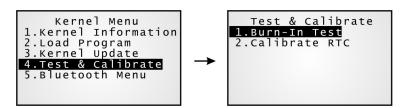


Note: (1) CipherLab software, including download utilities, supports the following baud rate options: 115200/57600/38400/19200/9600 bps.

(2) Only Model 8330/8360 supports Bluetooth.

## 4.3.4 Test & Calibrate

These tools are provided for manufacturing use. Perform a burn-in test or tune the system clock.



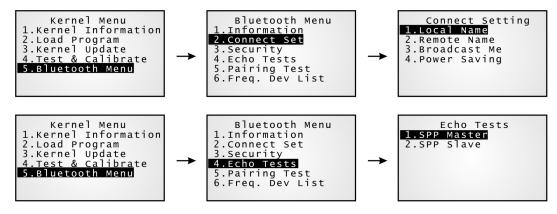
- 4. Burn-In Test
- **5.** Calibrate RTC

Warning! You should not perform any of these tests.

### 4.3.5 Bluetooth Menu

This submenu is the same as the one under the **System Menu** except for the following items:

- "2. Connect Set > 5. BT-GPRS AP Name" is not provided.
- "4. Echo Tests" is provided with SPP options only.
- "7. Network Setting" is not provided.



Note: Only Model 8330/8360 supports Bluetooth.

# **Specifications**

Model Designation		8300	8330	8360	8370
Wireless Communications	Interface	IR/IrDA	Bluetooth Class 2 + 802.11b/g	Bluetooth Class 1	802.11b/g
	Coverage (line of sight)	30 cm	350 m	250 m	350 m
Electrical	Main Battery	Rechargeable Li-ion battery – 3.7 V, 1800 mAh			
Characteristics	Working Time (Laser, one scan per 5 seconds)	270 hours	20 hours	40 hours	20 hours
	Backup Battery	Rechargeable	Lithium button cell	-3.0 V, 7 mAh	
		Data retention	n – at least 36 days		
Physical	СРИ	16-bit Toshiba CMOS type, low power consumption			
Characteristics	Memory	<ul><li>Program men</li><li>Data memory</li></ul>			
	Display	Graphic LCD, 128 x 64 pixels, FSTN with LED backlight programm			t programmable
	. ,	• Font size 6x8	lines		
		• Font size 8x1	6: 15 characters by	4 lines	
	Keypad	24 or 39 rubber keys, LED backlight programmable			
	Indicators	LED – Dual-color (red/green), programmable			
		◆ Buzzer – Low	v power transducer t	ype, 1 KHz to 4 KH	Iz, programmable
	Vibrator	9000 ± 2000 RPM, Max. 50 dB, programmable			
	Enclosure Material	Rubber & ABS plastic			
	Dimensions	170 mm (L) 77 mm (W) 47 mm (H)			
	Weight	Approx. 290 g (Laser and battery included)			
Barcode Readers	Light Source	CCD – Linear imager, 650 nm red LED			
		• Laser, Long	Range Laser – Visi	ble laser diode	
	Scan Rate	CCD – 100 scans per second			
		◆ Laser – 100 scans per second			
		◆ Long Range Laser −35 scans per second			
	Reading Range	Depends on barcode resolution, ambient light			
		• CCD – 5 ~ 29		70)	
		• Laser $-1 \sim 43$	5 cm (Scan Angle 4	/*)	

		◆ Long Range Laser – 5 ~ 218 cm (Scan Angle 42°)			
RFID Reader	Frequency 13.56 MHz	Optional	_	_	Optional
Environmental Characteristics	Operating Temperature	-10 °C to 60 °C			
	Storage Temperature	-20 °C to 70 °C  10% to 90% non-condensing  5% to 95% non-condensing  1.2 m, 5 drops per 6 sides  IP 65			
	Operating Humidity				
	Storage Humidity				
	Impact Resistance				
	Splash / Dust Resistance				
	Electrostatic Discharge	± 15 kV air discharge, ± 8 kV direct discharge  FCC, CE, C-Tick  DGT, BSMI, TELEC, MIC for 8370 only			
	EMC Regulations				
Programming	Programming Development Tools		C and BASIC		
	Software &	Windows-based Application Generator (AG), AG utilities;			
	Utilities	Windows-based CipherNet for VT100/220, IBM 5250 emulation;			
		Download utilities, testing tools, etc.			
Accessories		• 4 or 8 MB Me	emory Card		
		Direct RS-232			
		308 USB Virtual COM Interface (convert RS-232 to USB)			
		Keyboard Wedge Cable			
		Spare rechargeable battery pack			
		4-slot Battery Charger			
		Charging & Communication Cradle     Madam Cradle (56 K)			
		<ul> <li>Modem Cradle (56 K)</li> <li>Ethernet Cradle (10/100 BASE-T)</li> </ul>			
		Ethernet Cradle (10/100 BASE-1)     Bluetooth Access Point			
		• 802.11b/g Ac			
		. 002.110/g AC	ccss i uiii		

## **Troubleshooting**

#### The mobile computer cannot be turned on when you press the POWER key...

- Make sure the battery pack is installed properly.
- Re-charge the battery inside the mobile computer and monitor the charging status. (see 4.1.5)
- If the battery is faulty, replace it with a fresh and fully charged battery then.

#### Charging error...

- Make sure the power cord is well connected between the cradle/charger and an outlet.
- Check if the battery contacts of the battery itself and the battery compartment are clean.
- Try to re-charge the battery and monitor the charging status.

# Warning! Only use batteries or charging device manufactured by CipherLab. The use of wrong battery or charging device could result in damage to human body or the product itself, and will void your warranty.

#### The keyboard input seems not working properly...

- Perform the keyboard test. (see 4.1.3)
- If the problem persists, slide the battery latch to reload the battery pack. Then perform the test again.

#### The reader does not scan...

#### Low battery -

- Check if the battery icon on the screen indicates a low battery status. If so, replace it with a fresh battery then.
- If the problem persists, check if the battery contacts get dirty or the battery pack does not fit to the compartment.

#### Regarding the reader -

- Perform the reader test to see if the reader is working. (see 4.1.3)
- If the problem persists, slide the battery latch to reload the battery pack. Then perform the test again.

#### The reader does not decode after scanning...

#### Unreadable barcode -

• Check if the barcode is defaced. A defaced barcode may not be readable.

#### Un-programmed to read -

- Check if the scanner is programmed to read the symbologies (types of barcode) that you are trying to read.
- Try scanning a test barcode of the symbology you are trying to read.

#### Dirty scan window-

• Check if the scan window gets dirty. Wipe it with a clean and dry cloth, and try again.

#### Out of scanning range -

• Try adjusting the scanning distance from the scanner to the barcode.

#### The mobile computer cannot transmit/receive data to/from a host computer or other devices...

#### Over IR port -

• Make sure the mobile computer's infrared port is pointed directly to the infrared port of another IR device. The distance between the mobile computer and a target device is within proper range, and no obstacles in between. Try to establish connection again.

#### Via Bluetooth -

- Make sure the distance between the mobile computer and a target device is within proper range. Try to establish connection again.
- Check if the relevant settings are correct. (see <u>4.1.7</u>)
- Check if the connection is working properly. (see <u>4.1.7</u>)

#### Over RS-232 port via cradle -

- Check if the RS-232 connection is correct and secured.
- Make sure the serial port parameters on the host are configured to match the serial parameters on the mobile computer. Try to establish connection again.
- Make sure the mobile computer is well seated inside the cradle. DO NOT remove the mobile computer or disconnect the cradle before communications are done.
- If the problem persists, run the IR Echo Test to check the IR interface between the mobile computer and the cradle. (see 4.1.3)

#### Over MODEM port via cradle -

- Check if the modem connection is correct and secured.
- Make sure the modem parameters are configured to match the parameters on the mobile computer. Try to establish connection again.
- Make sure the mobile computer is well seated inside the cradle. DO NOT remove the mobile computer or disconnect the cradle before communications are done.
- If the problem persists, run the IR Echo Test to check the IR interface between the mobile computer and the cradle. (see 4.1.3)

#### About abnormal response...

#### The LED or LCD seems not working properly -

- Perform the LCD & LED test. (see 4.1.3)
- If the problem persists, reload the battery pack and perform the test again.

#### The buzzer seems not working properly -

- Perform the buzzer test. (see 4.1.3)
- If the problem persists, reload the battery pack and perform the test again.

#### The mobile computer seems not working properly -

- First upload all data to a computer, and then perform the memory test. (see 4.1.3)
- If the problem persists, reload the battery pack and perform the test again.

#### The wedge cable seems not working properly -

- Perform the wedge test. (see 4.1.3)
- If the problem persists, reload the battery pack and perform the test again.

#### The vibrator seems not working properly -

- Perform the vibrator test. (see 4.1.3)
- If the problem persists, reload the battery pack and perform the test again.

#### APPENDIX I

## **Download Utilities**

The utilities are provided for you to download a program (\*.SHX or \*.SYN) to the mobile computer. Programs can be as follows:

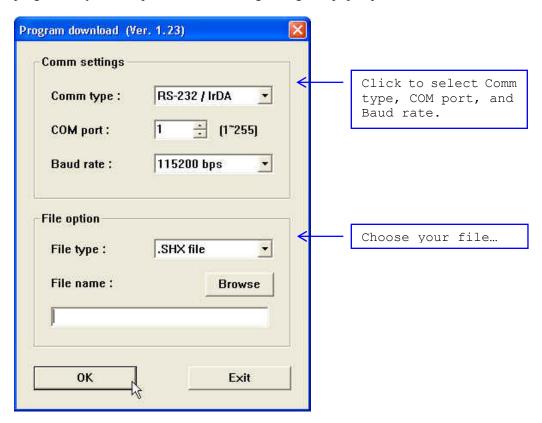
Program Type		System Menu	Kernel Menu	Program Manager
AG Runtime	U*.SHX	V	V	V
CipherNet Runtime	83xx-VT.SHX 83xx-5250.SHX	V	V	V
<b>BASIC Runtime</b>	BC*.SHX	V	V	V
BASIC program	*.SYN	V	_	_
Font file	e.g. Font-Multi-Language.SHX	V	V	_
Kernel update	K*.SHX	_	V	_

Currently, the program ProgLoad.exe has replaced several previously released utilities as shown below.

Download.exe : to download a \*.SHX file
 IRLoad.exe : to download a \*.SHX file
 SynLoad.exe : to download a \*.SYN file

## ProgLoad.exe

This all-in-one utility supports all the file types and communications interfaces. Run the program on your computer. The following dialog box pops up.



## **Communication Type**

RS-232 / IrDA: Connection via direct RS-232 cable, IrDA port, or Bluetooth SPP

(= Download.exe)

• Serial IR: Connection via cradle (= IRLoad.exe)

■ TCP/IP: Connection via networks (Not applicable!)

## File Type

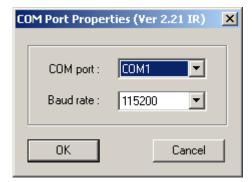
\*.SHX: Any C program, such as AG Runtime, Basic Runtime, font file, etc

\*.SYN: Any Basic program after Basic Runtime has been installed first

## IRLoad.exe

This utility is provided when you establish a connection via the cradle.

- **1.** Run the program on your computer.
- **2.** Choose a .SHX file.
- **3.** Select COM port properties.



## **Command Line**

It also supports command line arguments. For example,

IRLOAD U8300-114.SHX,2,1//COM2,115200 bps

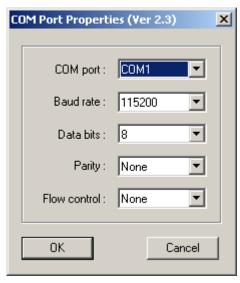
If command line arguments are not given, the user can select appropriate parameters from the pop-up dialog box.

File name:	The file	name of the program that is to be dow	nloaded.
COM port:	1 ~ 8		Default: 1
Baud rate:	1 ~ 5	1 for 115200 bps	Default: 1
		2 for 57600 bps	
		3 for 38400 bps	
		4 for 19200 bps	
		5 for 9600 bps	

## **Download.exe**

This utility is provided when you establish a connection via serial interface, such as a direct RS-232 cable, IrDA port, or Bluetooth SPP.

- 1. Run the program.
- **2.** Choose a .SHX file.
- **3.** Select COM port properties.



## **Command Line**

It also supports command line arguments.