Quick Start Guide



Communication and Monitoring Device

A Introduction

The Conext ComBox is a multi-function communication device that delivers system performance monitoring for residential, industrial and telecom energy systems. As well as being a datalogger, the ComBox provides a communications gateway between a network of Xanbus™-enabled devices and Modbus devices through an RS485 or TCP/IP connection. System operators can also remotely configure the ComBox and monitor performance with third party software packages.

ADANGER

HAZARD OF ELECTRIC SHOCK AND FIRE

- Connect only to Safety Extra Low Voltage (SELV) circuits and power sources.
- All wiring must be done by qualified personnel to ensure compliance with all applicable installation codes and regulations.
- For Indoor Use Only.
- Do not disassemble. No user serviceable parts inside.

Failure to follow these instructions will result in death or serious injury.

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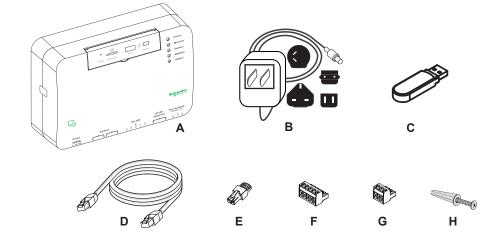


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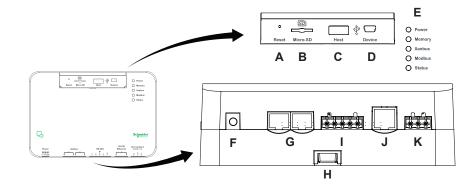
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B Material List



- A Conext ComBox unit
- **B** AC/DC adapter* with changeable plugs
- C Thumb Drive (User guides, device discovery tool)
- D Ethernet cable
- E Xanbus network terminator
- F RS 485 Modbus connector (or RS 485 connector)
- **G** Dry contact connector
- **H** Woodscrew #6 with anchor (2)
 - * When ordering a replacement, reference PN: 0J-921-0023-Z.

C Identification

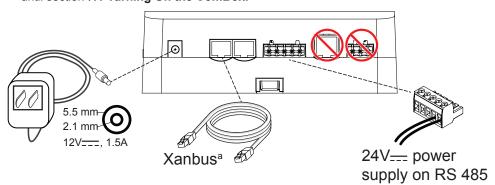


- A Reset pinhole
- **B** Micro-SD port
- C USB Host port
- D USB Device portE LED indicator lights
- F Power port
- G Xanbus ports
- H DIN rail sliding catch
- I RS 485 Modbus port (or RS 485 port)
- J 10/100 Ethernet port
- **K** Dry contact port

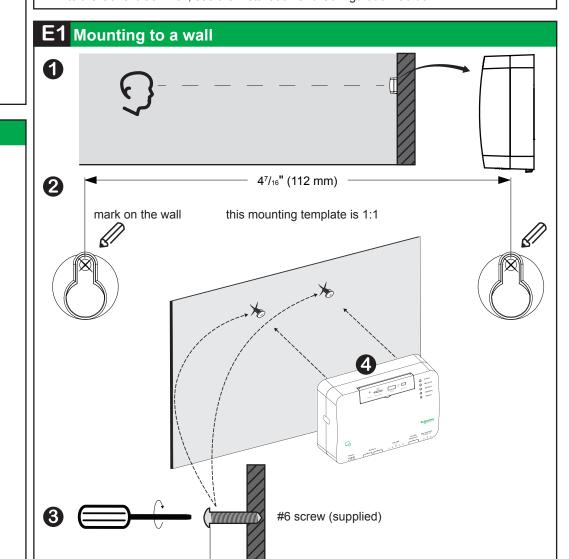
D Overview of available power sources

NOTF.

- The Conext ComBox can be powered by all three sources simultaneously. Typically, the AC/DC adapter is used as a primary power source. Xanbus or 24V=== input power through the RS 485 are secondary power sources.
- Do not turn on the Conext ComBox by connecting to either of these power sources until section H1 Turning On the ComBox.



a. For a complete list of Xanbus-enabled devices including devices that can provide power to the Conext ComBox, see the Installation and Configuration Guide.



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___(6 mm)__



Terminate wires with ferrules then connect wires to the connector.

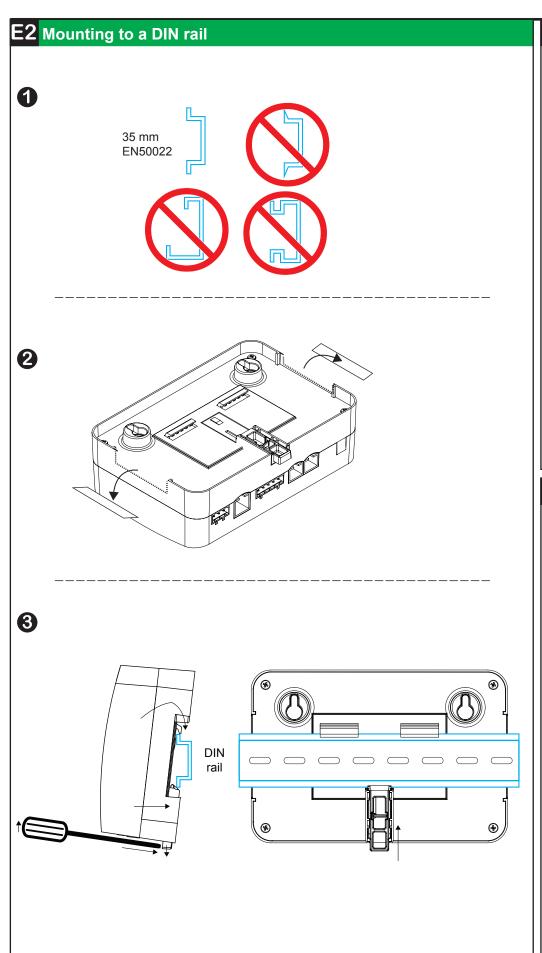
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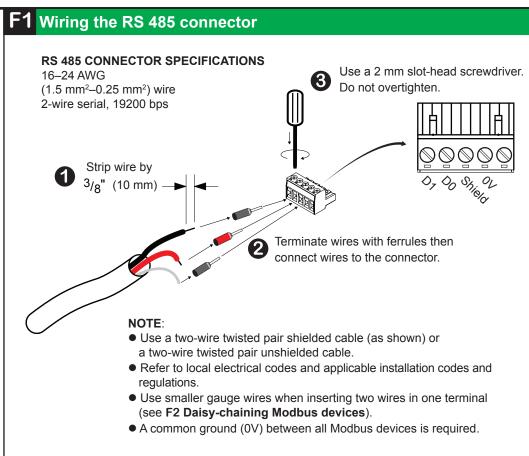
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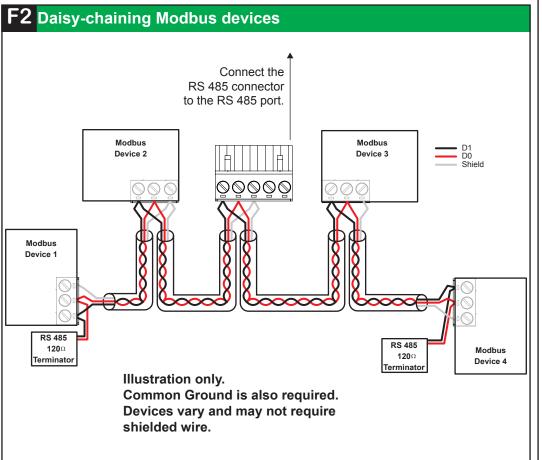
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F3 Wiring the Dry Contact connector ADANGER HAZARD OF ELECTRIC SHOCK AND FIRE The Dry contact port must only be connected to a circuit rated 24V=== max, 4A max, and supplied from an SELV source. Failure to follow these instructions will result in death or serious injury. DRY CONTACT SPECIFICATIONS 16–24 AWG (1.5 mm²–0.25 mm²) wire 3 Use a 2 mm slot-head screwdriver. Do not overtighten.

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G Connecting to an Ethernet network

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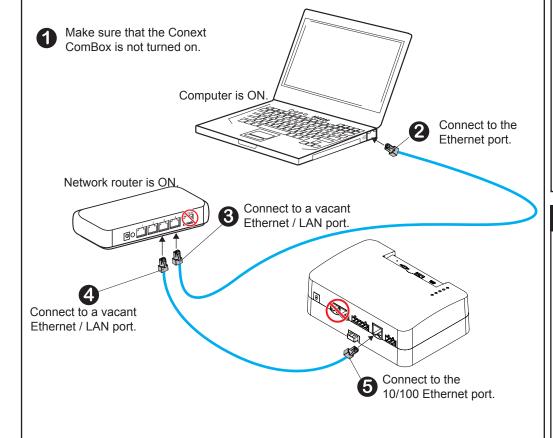
EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

- Do not connect an Ethernet cable plug to the MODEM / WAN port of the network router.
- Do not connect an Ethernet cable plug to a Xanbus port of the Conext ComBox.

Failure to follow these instructions can damage equipment.

NOTE:

- The network router must be able to supply DHCP addresses automatically to connected devices. If your network router does not support automatic DHCP, refer to your network router's user guide or contact your system administrator.
- The computer and network router may remain powered at this stage in the process. If not already powered, make sure these two devices are ON before proceeding.
- Follow the connection sequence below. Skip steps ② and ③ if the computer is connected by Wi-Fi to the Ethernet / LAN.



H1 Turning On the ComBox

OPTION 1 Connect the AC/DC adapter (supplied)
OPTION 2 Connect a 24V=== power supply via the RS 485 connector
(see next section **H2**)



When power is applied to the Conext ComBox using either options, all the LED lights will flash once and then the Power LED will flash intermittently for approximately two minutes.

Then, the Power LED lights up steadily.

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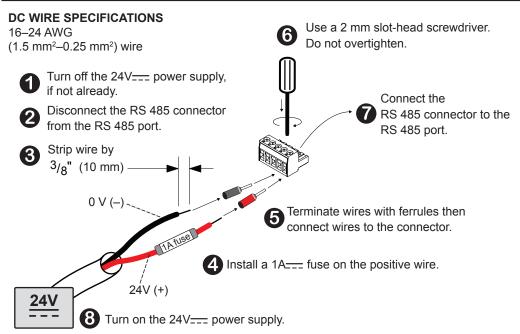
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HAZARD OF ELECTRIC SHOCK AND FIRE

The RS 485 connector must only be connected to a circuit rated 24V=== max, 1A max (fused on the positive wire), and supplied from an SELV source.

H2 Connecting a 24V₋₋₋ power supply via the RS 485 connector

Failure to follow these instructions will result in death or serious injury.



Double-click on the serial number.html file. Your default web browser will launch and display the System Information below.



Click on the Connect button shown within System Information. The web browser opens up and the ComBox user interface Login window appears.

Make sure that your computer is on the same Local Area Network as the ComBox

Discovering the Conext ComBox on the Network

PREREQUISITES

OS ■ Windows 7 ■ XP (SP2, SP3) ■ Vista ■ Mac OS X 10.4.8.

Web browsers ■ Windows Internet Explorer 8.x and later ■ Firefox 12.x and later ■ Google Chrome 18.x and later ■ Safari 5.x and later

Other hardware ■ USB thumb drive

- Plug a USB thumb drive into the ComBox's USB Host data port while the ComBox is turned on (the Power LED is steadily on and not flashing).
- **2** Watch the Memory LED and wait for it to flash quickly five times.
- Remove the USB thumb drive from the USB Host data port.
- Plug the USB thumb drive into your computer's USB port.
- Navigate to the root directory of the thumb drive using the file system browser on your computer.
- 6 Look for a file named serial number.html, where serial number is the serial number of the ComBox.

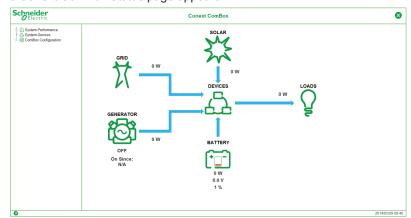
J Configuring Device Settings and Connecting to Xanbus

1 Enter the User name and Password and click Log In.



User name: admin **Password**: password

The Conext ComBox Status page appears.



Click the arrow to the left of "ComBox Configuration" to expand the menu.

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HAZARD OF PHYSICAL INJURY AND UNEXPECTED OPERATION

Refer to the Owner's Guide for more detailed information when making any changes to settings or sending commands. Commands sent to this device may affect other components in the system. Ensure that anyone working with the system is aware of the result of your changes before sending a command.

Be careful when changing the ComBox time setting. It will override any time settings on individual Xanbus-enabled devices in the network. The time represents the entire system. Any appliance or equipment that is time-controlled by a Xanbus device, such as a generator connected to an AGS, can inadvertently turn on at the wrong time.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in death or serious injury.

Click Settings.

The Conext ComBox Settings page appears.



Each of the Settings above, when clicked, will expand and display its sub-settings. With some exceptions, each sub-setting is comprised of two fields – a Parameter and its Value, and two buttons – | 🖰 | recall (or refresh) and | 🗒 | save

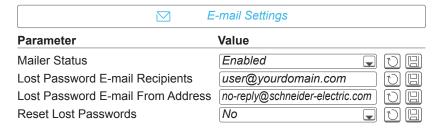
Change the Time and Zone setting before connecting the ComBox to the Xanbus network. To change the setting, click Time and Zone.

NOTE: For more information on another time-related ComBox setting called Network Time (SNTP) and its effect on the Xanbus network, refer to the Conext ComBox Owner's Guide.



To change the Date/Time parameter, overwrite the existing value with the current date (YYYY/MM/DD) and time (HH:MM:SS). Click Set Time to save the new setting. Lost password recovery is not possible without entering a valid e-mail address and enabling e-mail notification. To do this, click E-mail Settings.

Change only the four parameters below.



NOTE:

Change the Reset Lost Passwords to Yes, if you want a new password to be sent to the email address in Lost Password E-Mail Recipients.

Retain the default No, if you want the actual password you had forgotten to be sent to the email address in Lost Password E-Mail Recipients.

Connect the ComBox to the Xanbus network.

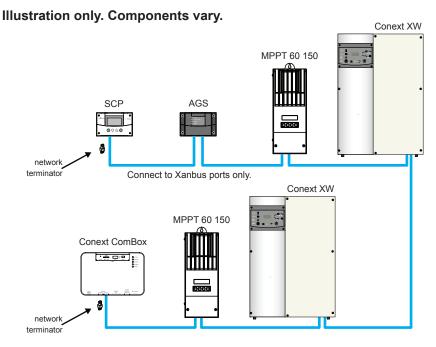
NOTICE

EQUIPMENT DAMAGE

Do not connect a Xanbus cable plug to the 10/100 Ethernet port of the Conext ComBox.

Failure to follow these instructions can damage equipment or affect network performance.

- Use Xanbus cables that are longer than 6.5 ft (2 m). The total length of all cables combined must not exceed 131 ft (40 m).
- Xanbus components can be arranged in any order. Use a network terminator at both ends of the network. See illustration below.



Change all other settings as needed. Refer to the ComBox Owner's Guide for more information on all other settings.

Ethernet

K Specifications

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

COMMUNICATION INTERFACES

Xanbus Connector: 2 x RJ45

> Products Supported: Conext XW+, SW, TX, Grid Tie, MPPT 60, HV MPPT 80, AGS, SCP, Battery Monitor Connector: 1 x RJ45, 10/100 MBPS, Server: FTP, Web.

Modbus TCP/IP, Client: SMTP, SNTP; Discovery: DPWS. RS 485 Modbus (1 x Connector: Screw 5-terminal, 16-24AWG,

2-wire serial, 19200 bps) Monitoring supported for: Conext CL, RL, & TL; PM810, PM820, PM850, PM870.

DATA INTERFACES

USB 2.0-Host USB-A, MSD protocol for firmware and device upgrades USB-mini B, MSD protocol for exporting data logs to a PC USB 2.0-Device

POWER SUPPLY (SELV ON ALL SOURCES)

Power Consumption 2 W average / 10 W peak

AC/DC adapter* Input: 100-240V\(\infty\), 50-60Hz, 0.6A, Output: 12V==, 1.5A,

5.5mm outer, 2.1mm center-positive jack

When connected to Conext XW+ / SW or HV MPPT 80 providing 15V____, 200mA min or more than one Conext TX

24V on RS 485 connector 24V===, 1A max input only through pins 4 and 5

* When ordering a replacement, reference PN: 0J-921-0023-Z.

MEMORY

Xanbus

Internal 96 MB flash

External Micro-SD Card 2GB or more, class 2 or better recommended

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

250 q (0.6 lb) Weight

Housing / Mounting System ABS Plastic / DIN-rail: 35 mm. Wall-mount: 2-screw

IP rating / Mounting Location IP 20, NEMA Type 1, Indoor only

Status Display 5 x LEDS

Temperature Operating: -4 to 122 °F (-20 to 50 °C) Storage: -40 to 185 °F (-40 to 85 °C) Humidity Operating: < 95%, non-condensing

Storage: < 95%

FEATURES

Programmable dry contact relay Screw 3-terminal, 16-24 AWG, NC-Com-NO,

Class 2. 24V 4A max SELV input only

Graphical user interface Integrated Web Server for ComBox settings only (Internet

Browser), Android tablet

Remote firmware upgrades

Max. number of Xanbus devices

Up to 20 (depending on device type). See Installation and Configuration guide for further details.

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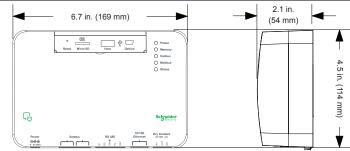
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