



Anybus[®] Communicator[™] - Ethernet to Modbus TCP Client

STARTUP GUIDE

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1. Preface

1.1. About This Document

This document describes how to install Anybus® Communicator™.

For additional documentation and software downloads, FAQs, troubleshooting guides and technical support, please visit www.hms-networks.com/technical-support.

1.2. Document Conventions

Safety Symbols



DANGER

Instructions that must be followed to avoid an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



WARNING

Instructions that must be followed to avoid a potential hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION

Instruction that must be followed to avoid a potential hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.



IMPORTANT

Instruction that must be followed to avoid a risk of reduced functionality and/or damage to the equipment, or to avoid a network security risk.

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Information Symbols



NOTE

Additional information which may facilitate installation and/or operation.



TIP

Helpful advice and suggestions.

1.3. Trademarks

Anybus[®] is a registered trademark of HMS Networks.

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1.4. About the EtherCAT Terminology

The EtherCAT® Technology Group has changed the terminology for Master and Slave.

Master is called MainDevice

Abbreviated: MDevice

Slave is called SubordinateDevice

Abbreviated: SubDevice

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2. Safety

2.1. Intended Use

The intended use of this equipment is as a communication interface and gateway.

The equipment receives and transmits data on various physical layers and connection types.

If this equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

2.2. General Safety



CAUTION

Ensure that the power supply is turned off before connecting it to the equipment.



CAUTION

This equipment contains parts that can be damaged by electrostatic discharge (ESD). Use ESD prevention measures to avoid damage.



CAUTION

To avoid system damage, the equipment should be connected to ground.



IMPORTANT

Using the wrong type of power supply can damage the equipment. Ensure that the power supply is connected properly and of the recommended type.

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3. Cybersecurity

3.1. General Cybersecurity



IMPORTANT

It is important to maintain the cybersecurity of the Communicator.

Before connecting the Communicator to a PLC, ensure the PLC is configured and installed in accordance with the PLC supplier hardening guidelines.



IMPORTANT

To physically secure networks and equipment and to prevent unauthorized access, it is recommended to install the equipment in a locked environment.



IMPORTANT

After completing the configuration of the Communicator, lock the security switch to prevent unauthorized access to the Communicator built-in web interface



IMPORTANT

To avoid exposure of sensitive data, always perform a factory reset before decommissioning the equipment.

Factory reset will reset any on site made configuration changes and set the Communicator to the same state as leaving HMS production.

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4. Preparation

4.1. Support and Resources

For additional documentation and software downloads, FAQs, troubleshooting guides and technical support, please visit www.hms-networks.com/technical-support.



TIP

Have the product article number available, to search for the product specific support web page. You find the product article number on the product cover.

4.2. Cabling

Have the following cables available:

- Power cable
- · Ethernet cable for configuration.
- EtherCAT: Ethernet cable x 3 for connecting to the networks.
- PROFINET, Modbus TCP and EtherNet/IP:
 Ethernet cable x 2 for connecting to the networks.

4.3. Mechanical Tools and Equipment

Have the following tools available:

Flat-head screwdriver, size 5.5 mm
 Needed when removing the Communicator from DIN-rail.

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4.4. HMS Software Applications

Download the software installation files and user documentation from www.hms-networks.com/technical-support.

HMS IPconfig

Use the software application HMS IPconfig and scan your network to discover and change the Communicator IP address and to access the Communicator built-in web interface.



NOTE

As an alternative, you can set a static IP address within the same IP address range as the Communicator IP address on the computer accessing the Communicator built-in web interface.



NOTE

HMS IPconfig is only available for Windows.

4.5. Software License Information

For license agreements regarding the third-party software used in the Communicator, refer to the *LICENSE*. txt file(s) included in the Communicator firmware update package zip file.

To download the Communicator firmware update package zip file, please visit www.hms-networks.com/technical-support.



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5. Installation

5.1. DIN Rail Mounting



IMPORTANT

The equipment must be electrically grounded through the DIN rail for EMC compliance. Make sure that the equipment is correctly mounted on the rail and that the rail is properly grounded.



IMPORTANT

To physically secure networks and equipment and to prevent unauthorized access, it is recommended to install the equipment in a locked environment.

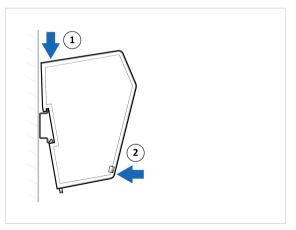


Figure 1. Attach the Communicator on the DIN rail

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5.2. Anybus Communicator Variants

Order Code	Network 1, Upper Connector	Network 2, Lower Connector
ABC3261	Modbus TCP Client	EtherCAT
ABC3207	Modbus TCP Client	EtherNet/IP
ABC3213	PROFINET	Modbus TCP Client
ABC3228	Modbus TCP Client	Modbus TCP Server

See also Connector Port Guide (page 9).

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5.3. Connector Port Guide

This topic applies to different product variants for different networks.

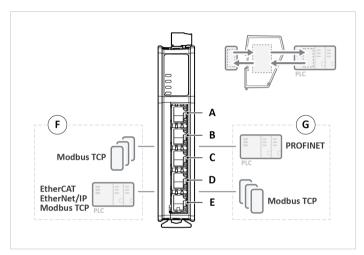


Figure 2. Communicator connector ports

Position	Port Number	Connector Type	F - Port Usage EtherCAT, Modbus TCP Server and EtherNet/IP	G - Port Usage PROFINET	
Α	X1	Ethernet	Configuration port		
В	X2.1	Ethernet	Modbus TCP Client network	PROFINET network	
С	X2.2	Ethernet	Woodbus TCP Client network	PROFINET HELWOIK	
D	X3.1	Ethernet	EtherCAT, Modbus TCP Server or EtherNet/IP network Input for EtherCAT	Modbus TCP Client network	
E	X3.2	Ethernet	EtherCAT, Modbus TCP Server or EtherNet/IP network Output for EtherCAT		

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5.4. Connect to Networks

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5.4.1. Option for EthetCAT

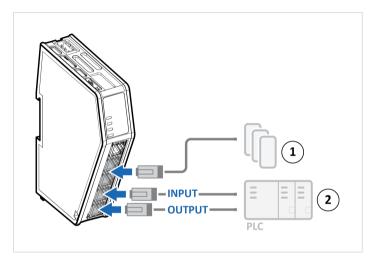


Figure 3. Connect to Modbus TCP Client (1) and EtherCAT (2) networks

Connect the Communicator to the:

- 1. Modbus TCP Client network (1).
- 2. EtherCAT network (2).
 - Upper EtherCAT Connector is Input.
 - Lower EtherCAT Connector is Output.

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5.4.2. Option for Modbus TCP

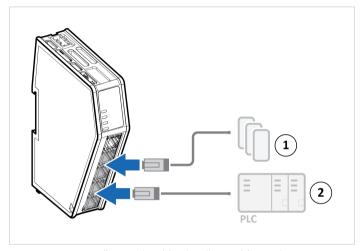


Figure 4. Connect to Modbus TCP Client (1) and Modbus TCP (2) networks

Connect the Communicator to the:

- 1. Modbus TCP Client network (1).
- 2. Modbus TCP network (2).

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5.4.3. Option for EtherNet/IP

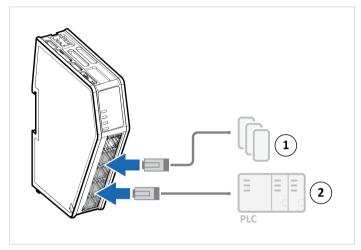


Figure 5. Connect to Modbus TCP Client subnetwork (1) and EtherNet/IP (2) networks

Connect the Communicator to the:

- 1. Modbus TCP Client network (1).
- 2. EtherNet/IP network (2).

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5.4.4. Option for PROFINET

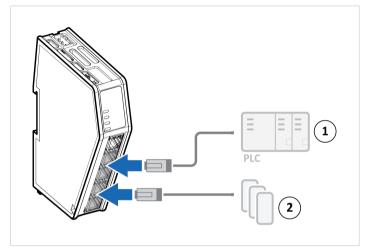


Figure 6. Connect to PROFINET (1) and Modbus TCP Client (2) networks

Connect the Communicator to the:

- 1. PROFINET network (1).
- 2. Modbus TCP Client network (2).

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5.5. Connect to Power



CAUTION

Ensure that the power supply is turned off before connecting it to the equipment.



IMPORTANT

Using the wrong type of power supply can damage the equipment. Ensure that the power supply is connected properly and of the recommended type.

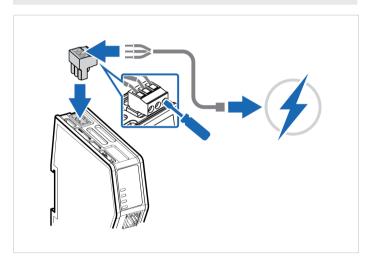


Figure 7. Connect to power

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Power Connector Pinout

Power port	Pin	Description
	1	12-30 VDC Power Connector
) O G A AP	2	Ground (GND)
	3	Functional Earth (FE)

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5.6. Security Switch



IMPORTANT

After completing the configuration of the Communicator, lock the security switch to prevent unauthorized access to the Communicator built-in web interface.

When the security switch is in its locked position, the Communicator built-in web interface cannot be accessed, and the Communicator cannot be configured using the built-in web interface. Network specific parameters, configured via the PLC is still available.

To Lock and Unlock the Security Switch

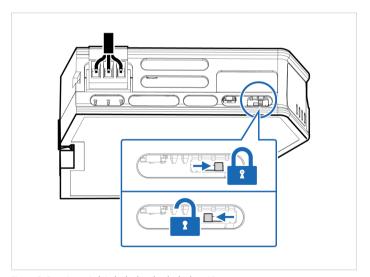


Figure 8. Security switch in locked and unlocked position

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Use a pointed object, such as a ballpoint pen.

- To lock the security switch, push the toggle towards the Communicator front.
- To unlock the security switch, push the toggle towards the Communicator back.

Security Switch Status LED



Figure 9. Security switch locked status LED

When the security switch is in its:

- locked position, the security switch status LED turn solid green.
- unlocked position, the security switch status LED is turned off.

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5.7. Lock the Cables

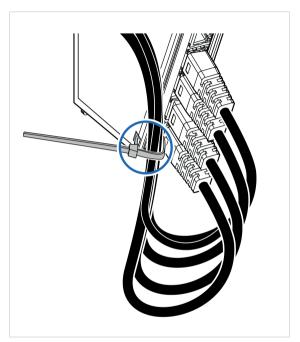


Figure 10. Lock the cables

To strain relieve the cables, place a cable tie in the holder and lock the cables.

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5.8. DIN Rail Demount

Before You Begin



IMPORTANT

Be careful when removing the Communicator from the DIN-rail. If not removed properly, the DIN rail locking mechanism and the product cover can break

Have a flat-blade screwdriver, size 5.5 mm, available.

Procedure

Remove the Communicator from the DIN rail:

- 1. Insert the screwdriver into the Communicator DIN rail locking mechanism.
- To unlock the Communicator DIN rail locking mechanism, turn the screwdriver clockwise

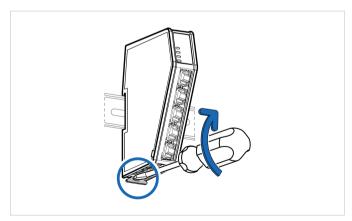


Figure 11. Unlock the Communicator

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 Hold the screwdriver in the DIN rail locking mechanism while you unhook the Communicator from the DIN rail.

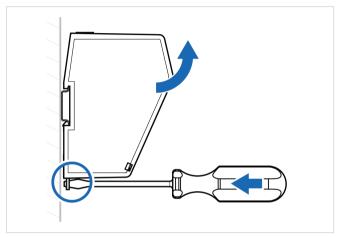


Figure 12. Unhook the Communicator

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6. Configuration

6.1. Connect to PC and Power

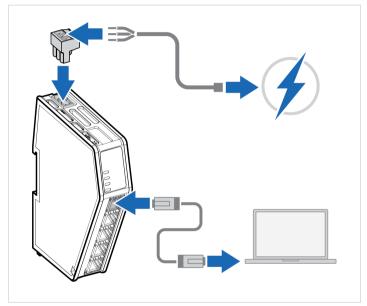


Figure 13. Connect to PC and Power

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6.2. Find the Communicator on Your PC

The Communicator default IP address is 192.168.0.10.

To be able to access the Communicator built-in web interface you may need to adjust the IP settings, choose one of the following methods:

Option 1 | Set a static IP address on the PC



On the PC accessing the Communicator built-in web interface, set a static IP address within the same IP address range as the Communicator IP address.

To access the Communicator built-in web interface, ensure that port Port 80 TCP is open in your PC Windows Firewall.

Note that when you change to a static IP address on your PC, internet access is lost.

Option 2 | Change the IP address on the Communicator configuration port



Use the software application HMS IPconfig to find and change the IP address on the Communicator configuration port, to one within the same IP address range as the PC accessing the Communicator built-in web interface.

To download the installation files, please visit

www.hms-networks.com/technical-support and enter the product article number to search for the Communicator support web page. You find the product article number on the product cover.

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6.3. Configure the Communicator



Figure 14. The Communicator built-in web interface Home page

Open the Communicator built-in web interface in HMS IPconfig or enter the Communicator IP address in your web browser.

The built-in web interface takes you through the steps to configure the Communicator.

Web Interface Language Settings

The default web interface language is **English**. To change language, click the **Language** icon and select a new language from the list. The language change takes effect immediately.

Support and Resources

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6.4. Change Language

Default language is English.

To change the language of the Communicator built-in web interface:

1. In the Communicator built-in web-interface header, click the Language icon ...



Figure 15. Language menu

2. Select a new language from the list.



Figure 16. Example: Change language to German

The language change takes effect immediately.

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7. Technical Data

For complete technical specifications and regulatory compliance information, please visit www.hms-networks.com.

7.1. Technical Specification

Article identification	ABC3207, ABC3213, ABC3261, ABC3228
Configuration connector	RJ45
Communication connector	RJ45 x 2
Modbus TCP Client connector	RJ45 x 2
Power connector	3-pin screw connector
Power supply	12-30 VDC, Reverse voltage protection and short circuit protection
Power consumption	Typical: 90 mA @ 24 V (2.2 W) Max: 3 W
Storage temperature	-40 to +85 °C
Operating temperature	-25 to +70 °C
Humidity	EN 600068-2-78: Damp heat, +40°C, 93% humidity for 4 days
	EN 60068-2-30: Damp heat, +25°C – +55°C, 95% RH, 2 cycles
Vibration	See datasheet
Housing material	Plastic, See datasheet for details
Protection class	IP20
Product weight	150 g
Dimensions	27 x 144 x 98 mm (W x H x D) with connectors included
Mounting	DIN-rail

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8. Communicator LED Indicators

This topic applies to different product variants for different networks.



NOTE

Before you can verify operation, you must configure the Communicator.

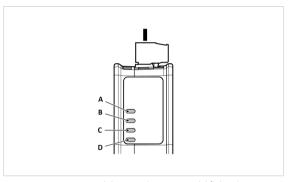


Figure 17. Gateway status (A), Network connection (B)/(C) and Security switch (D)

LED A - Gateway status		
Operation Status	Description	
Off	No power	
Green, flashing	Startup phase	
Green, solid	Operational	
Red, flashing	Invalid configuration	
Green/Red, flashing	Power up self-test/Firmware update/Firmware recovery	

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Connection to high level network IO controller device

- LED B for PROFINET netwok
- LED C for EtherNet/IP, EtherCAT, PROFIBUS, Modbus TCP, or Modbus RTU networks

Operation status	EtherNet/IP	EtherCAT	PROFIBUS	PROFINET	Modbus TCP	Modbus RTU
Off	No power/No IP address.	No power	No power/No data exchange.	No power/No connection with IO controller.	No power/No Modbus TCP IP address.	No power, no active nodes, or all nodes are stopped.
Green, solid	Connection with IO controller established.	EtherCAT on.	Operate, data exchange.	Connection with IO controller established. IO controller in Run state.	Modbus TCP online, at least one message received.	At least one Modbus message received.
Green, one flash	N/A	N/A	N/A	Connection with IO controller established. IO controller in STOP state or IO data is inaccurate.	N/A	N/A
Green, flashing	EtherNet/IP online, no connections established.	EtherCAT online, no connections established.	Clear, data exchange.	Used by engineering tools to identify the node on the network.	Modbus TCP online, no messages received.	Waiting for first Modbus message.
Red, solid	IP address conflict detected.	Fatal event			IP address conflict detected.	Fatal event
Red, one flash	N/A	Unsolicited state change SubDevice application has changed the EtherCAT state autonomously.	Parameterizat ion error.	Station name not set.	N/A	
Red, two flash	N/A	Sync Manager watchdog timeout.	Configuratio n error.	IP address not set.	N/A	

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Connection to high level network IO controller device

- LED B for PROFINET netwok
- LED C for EtherNet/IP, EtherCAT, PROFIBUS, Modbus TCP, or Modbus RTU networks

Operation status	EtherNet/IP	EtherCAT	PROFIBUS	PROFINET	Modbus TCP	Modbus RTU
Red, three flash	N/A	N/A	N/A	Expected Identification differs from Real Identification	N/A	
Red, flashing	Connection timeout	Invalid configuration.	N/A	N/A	Connection timeout	Connection timeout. No Modbus messages has been received within the configured process active timeout time.

Connection to subnetwork Modbus TCP client device

- LED C for PROFINET network
- LED B or EtherNet/IP, EtherCAT, PROFIBUS, Modbus TCP, or Modbus RTU networks

Operation status	Description	
Off	No IP address.	
Red, flashing	At least one connection error or timeout.	
Red, solid	IP address conflict detected, or FATAL event.	
Green, solid	No connections errors or timeouts.	

Security switch - LED D	
Operation status	Description
Off	No power/Security switch is unlocked/Exception/Fatal error
Green	Security switch is locked

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Fatal Error and Exception Error

Fatal error: A fatal error causes the Communicator firmware application to crash in an uncontrolled manner.

Exception error: An exception error causes the Communicator to enter a controlled error state. The Communicator firmware application is still running.

LED	Fatal error	Exception error
Α	Red, solid	Red, solid
В	Red, solid	Off
С	Red, solid	Off
D	Off	Off

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9. Ethernet LED Indicators

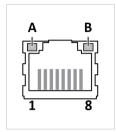


Figure 18. LED A. Activity LED B. Not used

LED A	Function
Off	No link (or no power)
Green	Link (100 Mbit/s) established
Green, flashing	Activity (100 Mbit/s)
Yellow	Link (10 Mbit/s) established
Yellow, flashing	Activity (10 Mbit/s)

LED B	Function
Off	Not used

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