

Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN User's Guide



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1 About this manual

This manual is intended for Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN users. This document contains a description of the hardware's properties and general instructions for connecting the device to a computer.

2 Introduction

This section will describe the functions and features of the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN.

2.1 Welcome to Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN

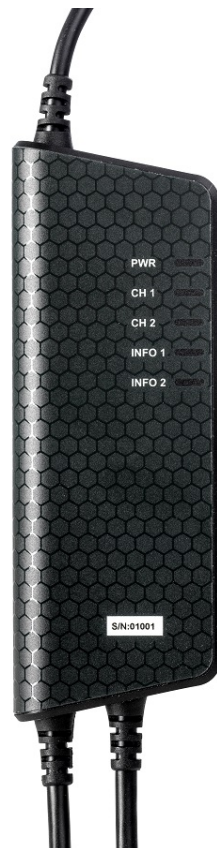


Figure 1: Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN

Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN is a two-channel interface where each channel can be opened independently either as CAN or LIN. The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN is compatible with applications that use Kvaser's CANlib and LINlib.

This guide applies to Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN devices listed in Table 1.

| Device | Product Number |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN | 73-30130-00965-3 |

Table 1: Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN devices and their EAN numbers.

2.2 Major features

- Hybrid USB CAN/LIN interface.
- Supports both LIN master and LIN slave mode
- Supports LIN 1.3 to 2.2
- LIN reference voltage detection
- Supports CAN FD, up to 5 Mbit/s (with correct physical layer implementation).
- Supports both 11-bit (CAN 2.0A) and 29-bit (CAN 2.0B active) identifiers.
- Powered through the USB connector.
- 100% compatible with applications written for other Kvaser CAN hardware with Kvaser CANlib and Kvaser LINlib.
- Fully compatible with J1939, CANopen, NMEA 2000[®] and DeviceNet.
- Quick and easy plug-and-play installation.

2.3 Interface

Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN provides a CAN/LIN bus interface through a standard USB interface.

2.4 Additional software and documentation

The Kvaser CANlib SDK includes everything you need in order to develop software applications interacting with Kvaser CAN hardware. The SDK contains full documentation and many sample programs, written in C, C++, C#, Delphi, Python and Visual Basic. Kvaser CAN hardware is built around the same common software API. Applications developed using one device type will run without modification on other device types.

The latest versions of documentation, software and drivers can be downloaded for free at www.kvaser.com/download.

3 Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN hardware

In this section you can read more about the CAN/LIN channels, power supply and LED indicators.

3.1 Hardware installation

For the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN to communicate with the host computer, a compatible version of the Kvaser driver and firmware must be installed.

After the driver has been installed on the host computer, the firmware may then be downloaded and installed on the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN.

The latest version of the driver and firmware can be downloaded from www.kvaser.com/download.

The driver is installed by running the file `kvaser_drivers_setup.exe`.

The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN may be inserted in any free USB socket on the host computer. You do not need to switch the power off before inserting or removing the device.

For information on how to upgrade the firmware, see Section 4.5, Updating the firmware, on Page 15.

3.2 USB connector

The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN has a standard USB type "A" connector.



Figure 2: A standard USB type "A" connector.

Connect the device to your computer using any high quality USB 2.0 certified cable. The maximum USB cable length is 5 m (~ 16 ft). If you need a longer cable,

you can use USB hubs or USB extension cables with a built-in hub. By chaining up to 5 hubs, you can achieve an effective cable length of up to 25 m (~ 82 ft).



As USB cables become longer they are more sensitive to EMI, because they make a longer antenna that can pick up more noise. These issues can be mitigated by using higher quality cables with better shielding. Thicker cables tend to be better than thin ones, and braided shielding tends to be more reliable than only foil. Furthermore, longer cables may introduce signal degradation and timing issues that, if necessary, can be mitigated using shorter cable segments combined with hubs that amplify the signal and handle delays on a per-cable basis.

3.3 CAN/LIN channels

The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN has two LIN/CAN channels in two separate 9-pin D-SUB CAN connectors (see Figure 3). See Section 4.3, CAN/LIN connector, on Page 13 for pinout information.



Figure 3: CAN/LIN connector on Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN

3.4 Power supply

The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN is powered from the USB port. You also need to apply a reference voltage to the LIN reference power pin when running the channel in LIN mode. See Section 4.3, CAN/LIN connector, on Page 13 for pinout information.

3.5 LED Indicators

The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN has a single power LED as well as one traffic LED and one Informational LED for each CAN/LIN channel as shown in Figure 4 on Page 9. Their functions are described in Section 4.1, Definitions of LED states and colors, on Page 10.



Figure 4: LEDs on the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN.

3.6 Troubleshooting

Use “Kvaser Device Guide” in the Control Panel to verify that the computer can communicate with the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN. If the firmware version shown is all zeros, there are communication problems. If the LEDs are not flashing or do not light up at all, check the power supply.

3.7 Limitations in LINlib functionality

The following limitations apply to the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN:

- The API call `linSetupIllegalMessage()` is not supported.
- The fields `synchEdgeTime` and `byteTime` in the struct `LinMessageInfo` is not used.

4 Appendices

In this section you will find technical information about the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN and its connectors.

4.1 Definitions of LED states and colors

The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN has three types of LEDs; Power, Traffic and Info. These are dual colored as shown in Table 2. A device with multiple channels has one Traffic LED for each channel. When the device has more than one channel a space and digit is added on the label, CH 1, CH 2 etc. The red Traffic LEDs are also used to indicate errors by using all red Traffic LEDs simultaneously.

| LED | Label | Color |
|---------|-------|--------------|
| Power | PWR | Green/Yellow |
| Traffic | CH | Yellow/Red |
| Info | INFO | Green/Yellow |

Table 2: The different type of LEDs.

The following definitions is used to describe the state of an LED:

Off The LED is off and no light is emitted.

Flash The LED is lit up for a very short time. A single flash may be hard to see and a continuous set of flashes will look the same as On.

Slow Blink The LED is repeatedly turned On and Off. The On and Off phase is equal in time.

Fast Blink The LED is repeatedly turned On and Off but with a higher frequency than Slow Blink. The On and Off time is still equal.

On The LED is constantly emitting light.

Slow Waver This is a variant of Slow Blink but instead of being Off, a second color is On. This is only possible with a dual colored LED.

Fast Waver The LED is alternating between two colors as in Slow Waver but using a higher frequency.

Running This means that all LEDs are lit, one at the time, in sequence with every color available i.e. "Power green->Power yellow->Traffic 1 yellow->Traffic 1 red->Traffic 2 yellow->Traffic 2 red->..."

As an example, "Slow Waver (Green/Yellow)" means that the LED is slowly blinking by alternating between green and yellow.

The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN has five LEDs as shown in Figure 4 on Page 9. Their functions are shown in Table 3 on Page 11.

| LED | Function | Description |
|-----------------|----------|--|
| PWR (Green) | Power | Steady light when unit is powered and working. |
| CH 1 (Yellow) | CAN RxTx | Status for CAN/LIN channel 1 |
| CH 2 (Yellow) | CAN RxTx | Status for CAN/LIN channel 2 |
| INFO 1 (Green) | LIN Mode | CH 1 in use as LIN |
| INFO 1 (Yellow) | LIN Mode | LIN reference voltage is available |
| INFO 2 (Green) | LIN Mode | CH 2 in use as LIN |
| INFO 2 (Yellow) | LIN Mode | LIN reference voltage is available |

Table 3: LEDs on the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN.

4.1.1 Interface mode

The device is in Interface mode when connected to the PC via USB. If the Power LED is showing a steady green light, the device is in Interface mode and working correctly. When connected to the computer for the first time, the Power LED will blink slowly in yellow until the driver is installed and the device has received a USB configuration.

When in Interface mode, if the Power LED is yellow for an extended period, something is wrong. Please see Table 4.



The power should never be removed when firmware update is in progress.

| Power LED | Traffic LED | Description |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Slow Blink (Yellow) | All off (-) | Waiting for USB configuration |
| Slow Waver (Green/Yellow) | Slow Waver (Yellow/Red) | Firmware configuration error ¹ |
| Slow Waver (Green/Yellow) | All Slow Blink (Yellow) | Power problem ² |

Table 4: Yellow Power LED shows problems in Interface mode.

4.1.2 CAN and LIN usage

Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN is ready to be operated as either a CAN or LIN interface when connected to the PC without further configuration. You can use the same CANlib and LINlib API calls as with other Kvaser interfaces, use CANlib for CAN and LINlib for LIN related usage. Both libraries are included in the Kvaser CANlib SDK, see Section 2.4, Additional software and documentation, on Page 6.

¹This should not normally happen. If it does, please contact Kvaser support.

²This indicates low power supply, such as using an unpowered USB hub.

4.1.3 CAN interface mode

When Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN is used as a CAN interface, the traffic LED is used as described in Table 5 on Page 12.

| Traffic LED | Description |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Off (-) | Idle, no CAN traffic |
| Flash (Yellow) | CAN message received or sent |
| Flash (Red) | Error frame received |
| All Fast Blink (Yellow) | Firmware update is in progress |
| Fast Blink (Red) | CAN channel is error passive |
| On (Red) ³ | CAN overrun |

Table 5: Traffic LED shows CAN bus status in CAN Interface mode.

4.1.4 LIN interface mode

When Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN is used as a LIN interface, the traffic LED is used as described in Table 6.

| Traffic LED | Description |
|-------------------------|---|
| Off (-) | Idle, no CAN traffic |
| Flash (Yellow) | Internal activity or LIN message received or sent |
| All Fast Blink (Yellow) | Firmware update is in progress |

Table 6: Traffic LED shows LIN bus status in LIN Interface mode.

4.2 Technical data

In Table 7 on Page 13 you will find the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN's technical specifications.

³The red Traffic LED indicating overrun will stay on until the device goes bus off.

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| CAN/LIN Channels | 2 (Individually configurable as CAN or LIN) |
| CAN Transceivers | TJA1051T/E (Compliant with ISO 11898-2) |
| CAN Bit Rate | 50 kbit/s to 1 Mbit/s |
| CAN FD Bit Rate | Up to 5 Mbit/s (with correct physical layer implementation) |
| CAN/LIN Controller | Kvaser CAN/LIN IP in FPGA |
| LIN Transceivers | TJA1021T/20 |
| LIN Bit Rate | 1 - 20 kbit/s |
| Time stamp resolution | 50 μ s |
| CAN Max message rate | 20000 msg/s per channel |
| Error Frame Detection | Yes |
| Error Frame Generation | No |
| Silent mode | No |
| Kvaser MagiSync | No |
| Kvaser CANtegrity | No |
| PC interface | USB 2.0 |
| Power consumption | max 280 mA |
| Hardware configuration | Done by software (Plug & Play). |
| Software requirements | Windows (7 or later), Linux. |
| Dimensions | 50 x 170 x 20 mm for body incl. strain relief |
| Weight | 170 g |
| Operating temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C |
| Storage temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C |
| Relative humidity | 0% to 85% (non-condensing.) |

Table 7: Technical Specifications.

4.3 CAN/LIN connector

Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN devices that use the 9-pin D-SUB connector (see Figure 5) have the pinning described in Table 8 on Page 14.

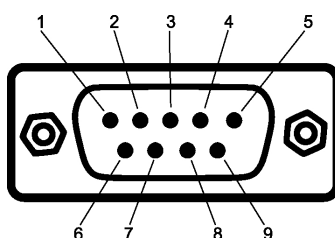


Figure 5: The D-SUB 9 connector pin numbers

| D-SUB 9 | CAN Function | LIN Function |
|---------|---------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Not connected | Not connected |
| 2 | CAN_L channel | Not connected |
| 3 | GND | GND |
| 4 | Not connected | Not connected |
| 5 | Shield | Shield |
| 6 | Not connected | Not connected |
| 7 | CAN_H channel | LIN_BUS channel |
| 8 | Not connected | Not connected |
| 9 | Not connected | Reference Voltage |

Table 8: Pin configuration of the 9-pin D-SUB connector.

4.4 CAN bus termination

Every CAN bus must be terminated with a 120 Ω resistor at each end of the bus. The Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN does not contain any CAN bus termination, because their inclusion could cause severe disturbance in a system which is already correctly terminated.

For laboratory or testing use, the exact value of the termination resistors is not always critical. Sometimes a single terminator is sufficient. For production, proper termination is essential. If you see error frames on the bus, you should check the termination.



To save yourself a lot of trouble, always terminate the CAN bus properly.

4.5 Updating the firmware

For the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN to communicate with the host computer, compatible versions of the Kvaser CANlib (including driver) and firmware must be installed.

The latest versions of firmware and drivers can be downloaded for free at www.kvaser.com/download.

Connect the Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN to your PC with the USB cable and start the update.exe application. A window opens showing the Firmware Update Instructions, read and follow those carefully.

To check the current firmware version, open "Kvaser Device Guide" which can be found in the Control Panel. Select "Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN" in the tree view to the left, and click on the channel. The firmware revision information now appears in the right half of the window.

5 Disposal and Recycling Information



When this product reaches its end of life, please dispose of it according to your local environmental laws and guidelines.

For information about Kvaser's recycling programs, visit:
<https://www.kvaser.com/en/kvaser/recycling-policy.html>

6 Legal acknowledgements

6.1 Usage warning



WARNING FOR ALL USERS

WARNING! - YOUR USE OF THIS DEVICE MUST BE DONE WITH CAUTION AND A FULL UNDERSTANDING OF THE RISKS!

THIS WARNING IS PRESENTED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE OPERATION OF THIS DEVICE MAY BE DANGEROUS. YOUR ACTIONS CAN INFLUENCE THE BEHAVIOR OF A CAN-BASED DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM, AND DEPENDING ON THE APPLICATION, THE CONSEQUENCES OF YOUR IMPROPER ACTIONS COULD CAUSE SERIOUS OPERATIONAL MALFUNCTION, LOSS OF INFORMATION, DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT, AND PHYSICAL INJURY TO YOURSELF AND OTHERS. A POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS OPERATING CONDITION IS PRESENT WHEN THE FOLLOWING TWO CONDITIONS ARE CONCURRENTLY TRUE: THE PRODUCT IS PHYSICALLY INTERCONNECTED TO A REAL DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM; AND THE FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS OF THE REAL DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM ARE CONTROLLABLE OR INFLUENCED BY THE USE OF THE CAN NETWORK. A POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS OPERATING CONDITION MAY RESULT FROM THE ACTIVITY OR NON-ACTIVITY OF SOME DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS, WHICH MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PHYSICAL HARM OR DEATH OR CAUSE DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT, DEVICES, OR THE SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT.

WITH THIS DEVICE, YOU MAY POTENTIALLY:

- CAUSE A CHANGE IN THE OPERATION OF THE SYSTEM, MODULE, DEVICE, CIRCUIT, OR OUTPUT.
- TURN ON OR ACTIVATE A MODULE, DEVICE, CIRCUIT, OUTPUT, OR FUNCTION.
- TURN OFF OR DEACTIVATE A MODULE, DEVICE, CIRCUIT, OUTPUT, OR FUNCTION.
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- MODIFY THE BEHAVIOR OF A DISTRIBUTED PRODUCT.
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(B) UNDERSTAND THE WARNINGS ABOVE, AND

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6.3 FCC Regulatory Compliance



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IDENTIFICATION OBJECT:

Product: Kvaser Hybrid 2xCAN/LIN

Type: 73-30130-00965-3

APPLICABLE COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS:

CFR Title 47 Part 15 §15.107, §15.109

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

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

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