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Vehicle Tracking Device



**USER MANUAL** 

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- (2) The device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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## FCC RF Exposure Statement:

The normal use condition for the product is at least 20cm away from the body of the user, so the user must keep a distance of at least 20cm from the product.

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# 1 Introduction

The AVL50 4G is a powerful CAT-M1, CAT-NB1, LTE GPS locator designed for a wide variety of vehicle tracking applications. They have multiple I/O interfaces that can be used for monitoring or controlling external devices. The built-in GPS receiver has superior sensitivity and fast initial positioning. Their multiband LTE Cat-M1 and Cat-NB1 allow the AVL-50 4G Series' location to be monitored in real time or periodically tracked by a backend server and mobile devices. System integration is straightforward as complete documentation is provided for the full featured @Track protocol. The @Track protocol supports a wide variety of reports including emergency alarm, geofence boundary crossings, as well as external power supply monitoring and position reports.

#### 1.1. Reference

Table 1. AVL50 4G Protocol Reference

SN	Document name	Remark
[1]	AVL50 4G @Track Air Interface Protocol	The air protocol interface between AVL50 4G and backend server.

## 1.2. Terms and Abbreviations

Table 2. Terms and Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Description	
RXD	Receive Data	
TXD	Transmit Data	
VIN	External DC Power Input	
IGN	Ignition	
OUT1/IN1	Output 1/Input 1	
OUT2	Output 2	
GND	Ground	

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# 2 Product Overview

## 2.1. Appearance

Before starting, check all the following items have been included with your AVL50 4G. If anything is missing, please contact your supplier.



Figure 1. Appearance of AVL50 4G

## 2.2. Interface Definition

The AVL50 4G has a 7 PIN interface connector. It contains the connections for power, and I/O. The sequence and description of the connector are shown in the following figure::

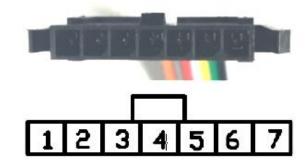


Figure 2. The 7 PIN connector on the AVL50 4G

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Table 3. Description of 6 PIN Connections

Index	Description	Comment
1	RXD	UART RXD; TTL
2	TXD	UART TXD; TTL
3	VIN	External DC power input, 8-32V
4	IGN	Ignition input, positive trigger
5	OUT1/IN1	Digital output/input; Open drain,150mA max
6	OUT2	Open drain, 150mA max
7	GND	GND

# 2.3. AVL50 4G LED Description

AVL50 4G has two status LEDs; CELL LED (Green color) and GPS LED (Red color)

Table 4. AVL50 4G LED Description

	Device is searching for CELL network.	Fast flashing
CELL	SIM card needs PIN code to be unlocked.	ON
	Device has registered to CELL network.	Slow flashing
	GPS is asleep.	OFF
GPS	GPS is fixed.	ON
	Device is searching for GPS.	Fast flashing

#### Note:

- 1. Fast flashing intervals are about 500ms ON/1sec OFF.
- 2. Slow flashing intervals are about 500ms ON/15sec OFF.

#### 2.4. Power Connection

VIN (PIN3)/GND (PIN7) are the power input pins. The input voltage range for this device is from 8V to 32V. The device is designed to be installed in vehicles that operate on 12V/24V systems without the need for external transformers.



Figure 3. Typical Power Connection

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## 2.5. Ignition Detection

IGN (Pin4) is used for ignition detection. It is recommended to connect this pin to the "RUN" position of the vehicle ignition switch as shown below.

An alternative to connect to the ignition switch is to find a non-permanent power source that is only available when the vehicle is running. For example, the power source for the FM radio.

IGN signal can be configured to transmit information to the backend server when ignition is on and enter power saving mode when ignition is off

Logical State	Electrical Characteristics
Active	5.0V to 32V
Inactive	0V to 3V or Open loop

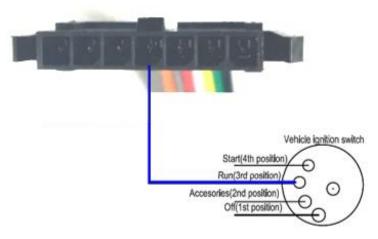


Figure 4. Typical Power Connection

## 2.6. Digital Output/Input Connection

OUT1/IN1 (PIN5) is a digital Output/Input on AVL50 4G. It is of open drain type and the maximum drain current is 150mA. The OUT1/IN1 (PIN5) can be used either as a digital output or a (positive and negative trigger) digital input

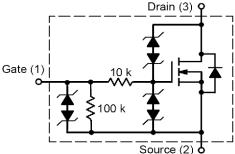


Figure 5. Digital Output Internal Drive Circuit

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Table 6. Electrical Characteristics of Digital Output

Logical State	Electrical Characteristics
Enable	<1.5V @150mA
Disable	Open drain

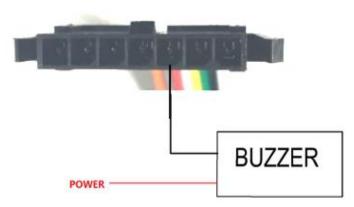


Figure 6. Typical Connection with a Buzzer as Digital Output

Table 7. Electrical Characteristics of Digital Input

Logical State	Electrical Characteristics
Active	0V to 0.8V
Inactive	Open loop

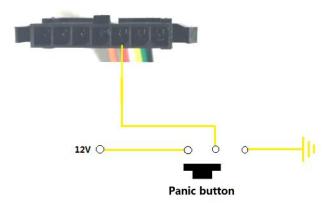


Figure 7. Typical Digital Input Connection

# 2.7. Digital Output/Input Connection

There is a digital output (PIN6) on AVL50 4G. It is of open drain type and the maximum drain current is 150mA

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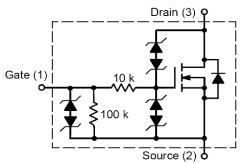


Figure 8. Digital Output Internal Drive Circuit

Table 8. Electrical Characteristics of Digital Output

Logical State	Electrical Characteristics	
Enable	<1.5V @150mA	
Disable	Open drain	

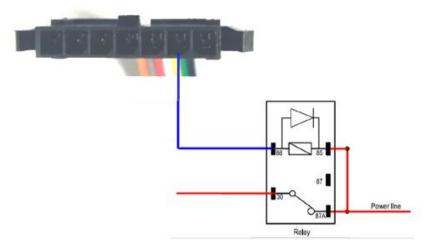


Figure 9. Typical Connection with a Relay

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# 3 .Getting Started

## 3.1. Parts List

Table 9. Parts List

Name	Picture	
AVL50 4G Locator	90mm*55mm*13mm	
Extension Harness		

# 3.2. AVL50 4G Device Cable Interface

Table 10. AVL50 4G User Cable Color Definition

Definition	Color	PIN No.	Cable
RXD	Orange	1	
TXD	Gray	2	500
VIN	Red	3	
IGN	White	4	
OUT1/IN1	Yellow	5	
OUT2	Green	6	
GND	Black	7	

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# 3.3. Open the SIM Card Cover

Follow the direction on the case and push to open the SIM card cover.



Figure 10. Open the SIM card cover

## 3.4. Close the SIM card cover



Figure 11. Backup Battery Installation

Align and push to close the SIM card cover.

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#### 3.5. Install a SIM Card

Install the SIM card into the holder when power is off as shown blow. Take care to align the cut mark, and then close the case.

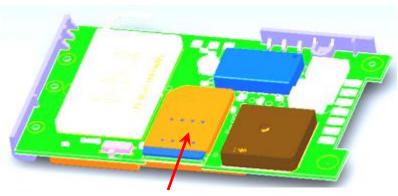


Figure 12. SIM Card Installation

## 3.6. Switch on the Backup Battery

To use the AVL50 4G backup battery, the switch must be at the ON position. The switch and the ON/OFF position are shown as below.

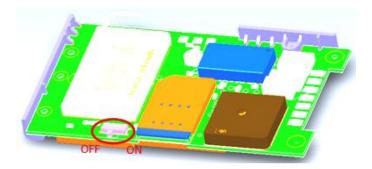


Figure 13. Switch ON/OFF Position

## Note:

- 1. The switch must be at the "OFF" position when the AVL50 4G is being shipped on an aircraft.
- 2. When the switch is at the "OFF" position, the battery cannot be charged or discharged and cannot be turned on.

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# 4 . Troubleshooting and Safety Info

# 4.1. Troubleshooting

Problem	Problem Possible Reason	
After AVL50 4G is turned on, the CELL LED always flashes quickly.	AVL50 4G isn't registered to the ISP.	Please register the AVL50 4G again and make sure the device gets the correct MDN.
	The signal is too weak, and AVL50 4G can't be registered to the network.	Please move AVL50 4G into places with good LTE coverage.
Messages can't be reported to the backend server by LTE.	The IP address or port of the backend server is wrong.	Make sure the IP address for the backend server is an identified address on the Internet.
AVL50 4G cannot power off no matter the device is in charge or not.	Unable to power off AVL50 4G if charger is connected.	Disconnect charger and try again.
AVL50 4G can't get successful GPS fixing.		Please move AVL50 4G to a place with open sky.
	The GPS signal is weak.	It is better to let the top surface (which comes with LED indicator) face the sky.

# 4.2. Safety Info

- Do not disassemble the device by yourself.
- Do not put the device in over heated too humid place and avoid exposure to direct sunlight. Too high temperature will damage the device or even causes battery explosion.
- Do not use AVL50 4G on the airplane or near medical equipment.

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