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The R4 AIS is a fully IMO-compliant, fourth generation transponder system, selected by a vast number of Commercial Shipping, Coast Guard and Navy customers world-wide.

The R4 AIS has also been the selected OEM product by some of the most prominent systems integrators in the Marine Industry. Unprecedented reliability through joint development and shared technology with Airborne products from Saab.

AIS solutions such as base stations and infrastructure from Saab have been selected by a large number of maritime administrations and VTS operators worldwide. Interoperability proven. The user-friendly multi-purpose display unit, outstanding interfacing capability and data validation ensure safe operation when connected to navigation sensors, radar and electronic chart systems.

THE MARINER'S PREFERRED CHOICE

AIS products from Saab are specifically designed to support the mariner in mission-critical decision making. The R4 Class A transponder will satisfy all carriage requirements, but more importantly it will provide better situation awareness to the officer on watch. In the smaller vessel, the unique simplicity and versatility of the man-machine interface will allow the operator to carry out all important tasks required to operate the AIS system, using the multipurpose display unit only. In the integrated bridge system, the R4 will feed reliable data to virtually any electronic chart system and/or radar, and thus vastly improve the quality of the information presented. Furthermore, the R4 vessel transponder offers unprecedented VHF radio coverage, thus allowing the mariner to see further ahead.

Users of Saab's AIS products have been providing us with feedback for years. This feedback is constantly used to further enhance our world-leading solutions.

THE SHIP OWNER'S PREFERRED CHOICE

When making a vendor selection for AIS, product reliability is a key decision criterion. There have already been cases where authorities have forced ships to stay moored due to a malfunctioning AIS Transponder, resulting in tremendous cost to the operator.

At Saab, we are well aware of this fact and have designed our product to the same principal qualities as the corresponding airborne systems manufactured by our company. These systems have to fulfil the more stringent test specifications of the aviation industry. The results? AIS products that will exceed your expectations on reliability and maintainability. In the unlikely event of a system failure, all users of Saab's AIS technology supplied by Saab or one of our OEM partners will have access to our comprehensive network of support partners worldwide.

In summary, we offer you the best solutions, featuring type approved technology, solid under all applicable licenses.

APPLICATIONS AND KEY FEATURES

- Fully IMO-compliant.
- Standard AIS features fully implemented in accordance with relevant specifications and recommendations.
- Highly versatile multifunctional display unit.
- Integrates with external differential GPS receiver, gyro compass, speed log, chart systems and radars.
- Large number of input and output ports to support highly complex and integrated bridge systems.
- Channel management capability (regional AIS frequencies).
- Easy access to standardized and proprietary safety-related text messages.
- Fully upgradable to support future features.
- Pilot plug integrated in display unit.
- 1 W output power option when handling hazardous cargo.
- Interoperable with Saab's Airborne AIS.
- Supports AIS Class B "carrier sense" messages.
- Supports transmission of Safety Related Messages (SRM) as well as general text messages.



OPTIONS

- Stand-alone navigation DGPS in accordance with latest standards.
- Combined AIS/Navigation System with single display unit, using the R4 DGPS Sensor.
- Silent mode and Secure communication for coast guards, blue forces and military applications.
- GLONASS interface.
- Precabled low cost junction box.
- Gimble or flush mounting.



R4 INLAND AIS TRANSPONDER SYSTEM

The R4 Inland AIS Transponder System from Saab complies with the CCNR Vessel Tracking and Tracing Standard for Inland Navigation. It is based on the normal R4 AIS Class A Transponder System with the addition of functions according to the Inland AIS specifications. The system consists of an R4 Inland AIS Display and an R4 Inland AIS Transponder Unit.

The R4 Inland AIS Transponder System provides functions for setting and transmitting Inland specific ship parameters such as

blue sign status, loaded or unloaded status, draught with centimeter accuracy, air-draught, hazardous cargo blue cone indication, euro ship identifier and Inland ship type.

It is possible to send an Estimated Time of Arrival (ETA) to for example a lock, bridge or terminal. The unit displays received Recommended Time of Arrival (RTA) sent in response to the ETA. Water level information transmitted in the AIS network by local authorities are displayed.



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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Physical

Transponder: Size W x H x D: 144x85x226 mm
Display: Size W x H x D: 270x207x102 mm

Power

Input 24 V DC (21-32 VDC)

Power Consumption

Transponder 16 W (55 W peak); Display 7.5 W

GPS Receiver (AIS internal)

Receiver: 16 channels (Ready for DGPS)
Frequency: L1 (1575.42 MHz)
Update rate: 1 Hz
Position accuracy (SA off)
Position <2.0 m DGPS (CEP)
Position <2.5 m GPS (CEP)
Antenna feeding: 5 VDC

Electrical Interfaces

8 data ports RS422
Power and data interfaces to be connected on rail terminals or in optional junction box

VHF Transceiver

Frequency 156-163 MHz
Output power 1/12.5 W (± 1.5 db)
One Transmitter and three Receivers
DSP Based Transceiver
Sensitivity <-107 dBm

Environmental data

Protected environment (IEC 60945)
Operating temperature -15 °C to 55 °C

Compliant with the following Standards

IMO MSC 74(69) Annex 3
IMO Resolution A.694 (17)
IMO Resolution MSC.191 (79)
ITU-R M. 825-3
ITU-R M. 1084-3
ITU-R M. 1371-3
IEC 60945 Ed. 4
IEC 61993-2 Ed. 1
IEC 61162-1 Ed. 3
IEC 61162-2 Ed.1
IEC 62288 Ed. 1

Type approvals (R4 AIS Class A System)

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