

## 1 Port ExpressCard to RS232 Serial Card (USB Based)

EC1S232U2



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# Introduction

The EC1S232U2 1 Port ExpressCard RS232 Serial Adapter Card w/ 16950 UART (USB Based) lets you connect an RS232 serial peripheral device such as a plotter, digital signage device, receipt printer or bar code scanner to your notebook computer using an available ExpressCard slot.

This USB-based ExpressCard supports data transfer rates up to 460 Kbps and eliminates the need to upgrade serial peripherals to more modern interfaces (USB, etc.) for the sake of compatibility, saving expense and hassle.

## Packaging Contents

- 1 x ExpressCard Serial Adapter Card
- 1 x Driver CD
- 1 x Instruction Manual

## System Requirements

- ExpressCard enabled computer system with available ExpressCard slot
- Microsoft® Windows® 2000/ XP/ Server 2003/ Vista/ Server 2008 R2/ 7 (32/64-bit), or Apple® Mac OS® 8.x/ 9.x/ 10.x, or Linux® kernel 2.4.x/ 2.6.x

# Installation

## Driver Installation

### Windows 2000/ XP/ Server 2003/ Vista/ Server 2008 R2/ 7

1. Upon starting Windows, if the "Found New Hardware" wizard appears on the screen, cancel/close the window and insert the included Driver CD into the computer's CD/DVD drive.
2. AutoPlay should automatically launch and display all of the folders on the CD or provide a prompt to view all files on the CD. If not, open "My Computer" and double-click on the CD/DVD drive.
3. Enter the folder "USB to Serial", then "WIN\_DRV" and double-click the Driver Installer file.
4. This will launch the driver Installation wizard. Continue through the wizard and once complete, all the necessary drivers will be installed.
5. Install the serial adapter card as outlined below and Windows will automatically install the drivers. Once complete, the serial port should be ready for use.

## Hardware Installation

After the drivers have been installed, the ExpressCard adapter will simply slide into the ExpressCard slot on the computer system. Push the card all the way in, until it 'clicks' and locks into place. To eject the card, simply push the card further into the slot until it clicks, and then release and it will then be automatically ejected from the slot.

**NOTE:** Some ExpressCard/54 slots do not firmly hold an ExpressCard/34 card so the 34mm to 54mm stabilizer bracket may be necessary (StarTech.com ID: **ECBRACKET2**).

# Specifications

<b>Host Interface</b>	USB 2.0
<b>Form Factor</b>	ExpressCard/34 (34mm)
<b>Chipset ID</b>	Prolific PL2303
<b>Connectors</b>	1 x 9-pin DB9 male
<b>Serial Protocol</b>	RS-232
<b>Maximum Data Transfer Rate</b>	460.8 Kbps
<b>Data Bits</b>	5, 6, 7, 8
<b>Parity</b>	Odd, Even, Mark, Space, None
<b>Stop Bits</b>	1, 1.5, 2
<b>Buffer Size</b>	512 byte
<b>Operating Temperature</b>	0°C ~ 57°C (32°F ~ 135°F)
<b>Storage Temperature</b>	-20°C ~ 80°C (-4°F ~ 176°F)
<b>Humidity</b>	0% ~ 60% RH
<b>Compatible Operating Systems</b>	Windows 2000/ XP/ Server 2003/ Vista/ Server 2008 R2/ 7 (32/64-bit), Mac OS 8.x/ 9.x/ 10.x, Linux 2.4.x/ 2.6.x

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