

# AR-2 RELAY INTERFACE

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## SPECIFICATIONS

Power Supply.....	12 volts DC (100ma)
Relays.....	2
Relay Contacts.....	SPDT
Contact Rating (AC).....	16 amp 250 VAC
Contact Rating (DC).....	16 amp 30 VDC
Contact Rating (tungsten)....	TV-5 120 VAC
Contact Rating (horsepower)	1/2 HP 120 VAC or 1 HP 240 VAC
Weight.....	4 ounces
Size.....	2.375 inches by 3 inches

## DESCRIPTION

The AR-2 relay interface provides software control of (2) relays which are included and mounted on the AR-2 circuit assembly. The relays are energized or de-energized by using the RS-232 control signals DTR and RTS. The AR-2 relay interface is useful when only 1 or 2 relays are required. The AR-2 is for use with RS-232 and is not expandable. A terminal block is provided for connection of the power supply and relay contacts. RS-232 connections are made via a DB-9 connector which is pin to pin compatible with the standard RS-232 nine pin connector.

## TECHNICAL SUPPORT

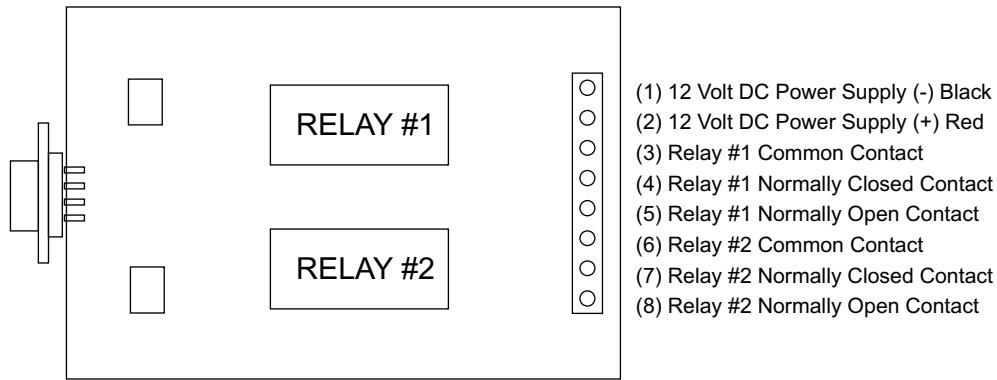
Technical support for our products is available by calling (614) 464-4470. Please have your AR-2 connected to your computer and have your phone at this location. If a technical adviser is not available, please leave your name, phone number and a time that you can be reached. Your call will be returned as soon as possible and within 24 hours.

## WARRANTY AND CARE OF THE AR-2

The AR-2 Relay Interface is warranted against factory defects for a period of 90 days from the date of purchase. The AR-2 has proven to be extremely reliable in actual operation during field tests. We recommend that the AR-2 and associated hardware be installed in a suitable enclosure (4 mounting holes are provided on the circuit board).

**CONNECTION DIAGRAM**

**AR - 2 RELAY INTERFACE**



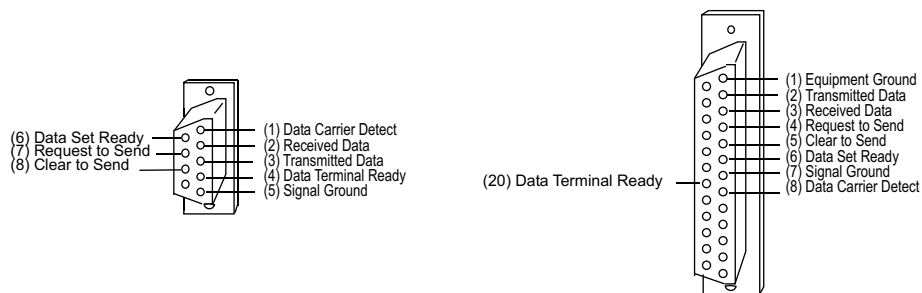
NOTE: The terminal assignments are also shown on the underside of the AR-2 Relay Interface. The RS-232 connections are made to the DB-9 connector on the AR-2 as shown on the following page.

**POWER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS**

The AR-2 may be powered from any DC voltage source which will supply 100 ma within a voltage range of 9 to 14 volts. The recommend power supply for use with a single AR-2 Relay Interface is the PS-GP-1 wall transformer supply. **IMPORTANT:** Use caution when connecting the power source, reversed polarity may cause damage. The AR-2 may be ordered with the optional /T Transzorb and self-resetting fuse option. The heat dissipation of the relay coils on the AR-2 will be greatly reduced with an unregulated 300 ma, 9 volt power source.

**POWER SUPPLY FUSING:** A 500 milliamp (.5 amp) in-line fuse should be installed in series with the (+) power supply lead to protect the power supply and the AR-2 from damage (or you may use the /T option).

**RS-232 CABLE CONNECTIONS & PIN-OUTS**



NOTE: The DB-9 and DB-25 connector pin-outs shown on the preceding page are viewed from the solder side of the connector. The illustration shown is that of a socket (female connector). The pin assignments for a plug (male connector) will be the same but the illustration will appear backwards.

**CONNECTING TO A 9 PIN RS-232 CONNECTOR:** The AR-2 Relay Interface may be plugged directly into a serial port which uses a 9 pin RS-232 connector if space allows. You may prefer to connect the AR-2 to your serial port using a short cable (for the sake of neatness or more practical mounting). When using a cable to connect the AR-2 to your serial port, only 3 of the nine pins are used. Connect pins #4, #5 and #7 on your 9 pin serial port to the corresponding pins on the AR-2 connector.

**CONNECTING TO A 25 PIN RS-232 CONNECTOR:** Connect the nine pin AR-2 connector to a 25 pin RS-232 connector as follows (only 3 of the 25 pins are used):

AR-2 connector (DB-9)	to	25 pin RS-232 socket (DB-25)
pin #4	goes to	pin #20
pin #5	goes to	pin #7
pin #7	goes to	pin #4

**SET-UP AND TESTING**

Upon receiving your AR-2, you should connect and test the operation of the hardware to verify proper operation. Please set-up and test the AR-2 as follows (IBM and Compatibles):

(1) Plug the serial cable into COM 1 of your computer and plug the other end into the DB-9 connector on the AR-2. If you did not order a serial cable, a cable may be fabricated by soldering the wires to the proper connector as shown above. Use caution not to set the AR-2 on a metal surface or damage could result.

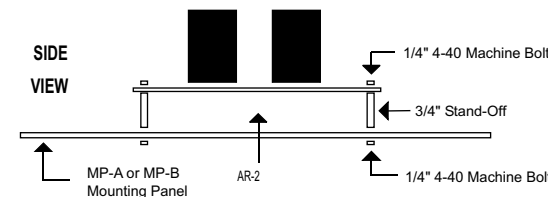
(2) Connect the power supply to the AR-2 at the terminal block. Be sure to observe the (+) and (-) connections on the AR-2 (reversed polarity may cause damage).

(3) Windows users should install the Windows test program provided on CD (Windows 95, 98, ME, 2000, XP and Vista) Run setup.exe in the folder Windows Test Program (on CD supplied). If prompted about an older file, keep your newer file. Once installed, run the AR-2 program. The program defaults to Com 1, other Com ports may be selected if required. Click on the buttons to verify that each relay energizes one at a time and in the correct sequence (the relay # should correspond with the relay # shown on the screen). If the relays do not energize, verify that you have the correct voltage and polarity on terminals #1 and #2 on the AR-2 by using a voltmeter. Also check for the proper cable Connections.

(4) Press 5 to exit the program. If operation of the relays is normal, than testing is now complete and the AR-2 may be placed in service.

**MOUNTING OF THE AR-2**

Four mounting holes are provided on the AR-2 for mounting to stand-off hardware and an enclosure. The MT-1 stand-off kit is available for this purpose.



## CONTROL SOFTWARE

The relays on the AR-2 are controlled with RTS and DTR which are RS-232 control lines and are primarily used for controlling a modem (RTS=request to send and DTR=data terminal ready). The number 1 relay is energized by placing RTS high by setting bit 1 in the modem control register. The number 2 relay is energized by placing DTR high by setting bit 0 in the modem control register. Software examples in G W Basic, QuickBasic, Visual Basic and Turbo C are provided on the disk supplied with your order. The test programs are also on this disk. The AR-2 may be used with any RS-232 COM port on your PC (provided that you know the correct I/O port for the modem control register). Standard modem control register I/O ports for COM 1 through COM 4 are shown in the Basic program on page 4.

### SOFTWARE EXAMPLE IN G W BASIC or QUICKBASIC

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10 CLS:KEY OFF
20 BYTE = &H3FC: 'COM 1   Set Com Port   NOTE: Remove the apostrophe after the line number
30 'BYTE = &H2FC: 'COM 2           to enable the COM Port or add the apostrophe to
40 'BYTE = &H3EC: 'COM 3           disable the COM Port.
50 'BYTE = &H2EC: 'COM 4
60 PRINT"                AR-2 RELAY INTERFACE TEST  COM 1"
70 PRINT:PRINT"(1) De-energize relay #1"
80 PRINT"(2) Energize relay #1"
90 PRINT"(3) De-energize relay #2"
100 PRINT"(4) Energize relay #2"
110 PRINT "(5) Exit program"
120 PRINT:PRINT"Press key to test relay"
130 K$=INKEY$:IF K$="" THEN 130      :'Check for key pressed
140 IF K$="5" THEN CLS: END          :' Exit program
150 A=VAL(K$)                        :' Convert string to a number
160 IF A<1 OR A>4 THEN 130
170 GOSUB 190                        :'Go to subroutine to control relays
180 GOTO 130                          :'Return to loop
190 X=INP (BYTE)                     :'Read modem control register
200 IF A=1 THEN X=X AND (NOT 2)       :'Set bit 1 to zero
210 IF A=2 THEN X=X OR 2              :'Set bit 1 to one
220 IF A=3 THEN X=X AND (NOT 1)      :'Set bit 0 to zero
230 IF A=4 THEN X=X OR 1             :'Set bit 0 to one
240 OUT BYTE,X                       :'Write to modem control register (set relays)
250 RETURN

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### MODEM CONTROL REGISTER I/O PORTS

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COM 1 3FC (hex)
COM 2 2FC
COM 3 3EC
COM 4 2EC

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## SOFTWARE EXAMPLE IN TURBO C

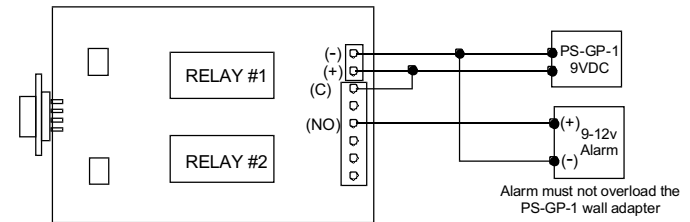
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#include <conio.h>
#include <dos.h>
#include <stdio.h>

main()
{
int a,x;
clrscr();
printf("                AR-2 RELAY TEST PROGRAM (COM 1)\n\n");
printf("(1) De-energize relay #1\n");
printf("(2) Energize relay #1\n");
printf("(3) De-energize relay #2\n");
printf("(4) Energize relay #2\n");
printf("(5) Exit to DOS\n\n");
printf("Select Function");
do
{
a=getch();
x=inportb(0x3FC);
if (a==49) x=x & ~2;
if (a==50) x=x | 2;
if (a==51) x=x & ~1;
if (a==52) x=x | 1;
outportb(0x3FC,x);
}
while (a!=53);
clrscr();
}

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### CONNECTION TO A LOW VOLTAGE ALARM



### CONNECTION TO A 24 VOLT AC GATE SOLENOID

