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Merlin 4100 Series

Industrial Cellular Router

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1. General Information

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This guide is intended for installation engineers and users of the Westermo products.

It includes information on safety and regulations, a product description, installation instructions and technical specifications.

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2. Safety and Regulations

2.1. Warning Levels

Warning signs are provided to prevent personal injuries and/or damages to the product. The following levels are used:

Level of warning	Description	Consequence personal injury	Consequence material damage
Indicates a potentially hazardous situation		Possible death or major injury	Major damage to the product
WARNING			
	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation	Minor or moderate injury	Moderate damage to the product
CAUTION			
	Provides information in order to avoid misuse of the product, confusion or misunderstanding	No personal injury	Minor damage to the product
NOTICE			
Used for highlighting general, but important information		No personal injury	Minor damage to the product
NOTE			

Table 1. Warning levels

2.2. Safety Information

Before installation:

Read this manual completely and gather all information available on the product. Make sure it is fully understood. Check that your application does not exceed the safe operating specifications for the product.



SAFETY DURING INSTALLATION

The product must be installed and operated by qualified service personnel and installed into an apparatus cabinet or similar, where access is restricted to service personnel only.

Before energising and connecting communication cables to the product, ensure a protective earthing conductor is first connected to the protective earthing terminal (only valid for metallic housings). Westermo recommends a cross-sectional area of at least 4 mm².

Upon removal of the product, disconnect the product from the power supply and all other communication ports before disconnecting the protective earthing conductor.



HAZARDOUS VOLTAGE

Do not open an energised product. Hazardous voltage may occur when connected to a power supply.



PROTECTIVE FUSE

It must be possible to disconnect manually from the power supply. Ensure compliance to national installation regulations.



POWER SUPPLY CONNECTION

There are safety regulations governing the power source that can be used in conjunction with the product. Refer to chapter Interface Specifications.



REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE

To reduce the risk of fire, use only telecommunication line cords with a cable diameter of AWG 26 or larger. Regarding power cable dimensions, see chapter Interface Specifications.



RADIO PRODUCTS

Observe the usage limitations of radio products at filling stations, in chemical plants, in systems with explosives or potentially explosive locations.

The product may not be used in airplanes. Exercise particular caution near personal medical aids, such as pacemakers and hearing aids. Never perform work on the antenna system during a thunderstorm.

To fulfill human safety, a minimum separation distance of 20 cm or more should be maintained between the antenna of the product and personnel during operation.



ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD)

Prevent electrostatic discharge damage to internal electronic parts by discharging your body to a grounding point (e.g. use a wrist strap).



HOT SURFACE

Be aware that the surface of this product may become hot. When it is operated at high temperatures, the external surface may exceed Touch Temperature Limit according to the product's relevant electrical safety standard.



CABLE TEMPERATURE RATING FOR FIELD TERMINAL WIRES

There may be a requirement on the minimum temperature rating of the cable to be connected to the field wiring terminals, see chapter Interface Specifications.

2.3. Care Recommendations

Follow the care recommendations below to maintain full operation of the product and to fulfill the warranty obligations:

- Do not drop, knock or shake the product. Rough handling above the specification may cause damage to internal circuit boards.
- Use a dry or slightly water-damp cloth to clean the product. Do not use harsh chemicals, cleaning solvents or strong detergents.
- Do not paint the product. Paint can clog the product and prevent proper operation.

If the product is used in a manner not according to specification, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

If the product is not working properly, contact the place of purchase, the nearest Westermo distributor office or Westermo technical support.

2.4. Product Disposal

This symbol means that the product shall not be treated as unsorted municipal waste when disposing of it. It needs to be handed over to an applicable collection point for recycling electrical and electronic equipment.

By ensuring the product is disposed of correctly, you will help to reduce hazardous substances and prevent potential negative consequences to both the environment and human health, which could be caused by inappropriate disposal.



Figure 1. WEEE symbol for treatment of product disposal

2.5. Compliance Information

2.5.1. Simplified Declaration of Conformity

Hereby, Westermo declares that this product is in compliance with applicable EU directives and UK legislations. The full declaration of conformity and other detailed information is available at www.westermo.com/support/product-support.



Figure 2. The European Conformity and the UK Conformity Assessment markings

3. Product Description

3.1. Product Description

The Merlin 4100 router is a versatile LTE cellular router suited to a variety of industrial deployments. The compact and rugged design makes it ready for harsh environments that require remote access such as SCADA, CCTV, telemetry, smart grid, digital signage and intelligent traffic systems.

The Merlin series is designed from the ground up to achieve best-in-class Cybersecurity. High security VPNs, stateful inspection firewall, user authentication and 802.1x are just a few of the features available to keep the device secure both locally and when transmitting data over the internet or private network.

A dual-use port is software-configurable to act either as a RS-232 serial port or as a dry contact digital input. The serial port facilitates applications where it is necessary to migrate from modems to an IP infrastructure. The industrial protocol gateway feature enables several devices using different protocols to be accessed via a common protocol interface.

This compact unit is suited to tight spaces. Its high MTBF, wide temperature range and voltage supply ensure the Merlin 4100 can deal with the demands of industrial and utility applications.

3.2. Available Models

See datasheet for full list of models available

3.3. Hardware Overview

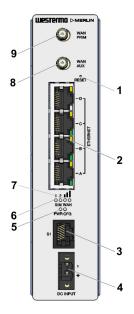


Figure 3. Location of interface ports and LEDs, illustrated by a Merlin-4106-T4-S1-DI1 model

No.	Description	No.	Description
1	Reset button	2	Ethernet RJ45 ports
3	3 Serial / Digital Input port		Power connection
5	Power and configuration LEDs	6	SIM LEDs
7	WAN signal strength	8	WAN auxiliary SMA connector
9	WAN primary SMA connector		

3.4. Connector Information Merlin

3.4.1. Power Input

Illustration	Position	Product marking	Direction	Description
	1	DC+	Input	Supply voltage
2	2	DC-	Input	Supply voltage

Table 2. Power input

The positive input is marked with a plus sign, "+". The negative input is marked with a minus sign, "-". Connect the voltage to the + pin and the return to the - pin on the power input.



NOTICE - POWER SUPPLY

Where an AC/DC-adapter has not been supplied, a power supply of no greater than 100 W should be used, with a current limit of 1 Amp.

3.4.2. Serial Port

Merlin 4100 has a dual-use legacy port that is configurable in software to act either as an RS232 port or as a digital input. The serial port is named as follows, also the identifier for use within the terminal server configuration when the port is configured to operate as RS-232:



Figure 4. Serial port

RS-232 ports

When you configure a serial port to operate as an RS-232 interface, it supports the following signals:

- Transmit Data
- Receive Data
- CTS
- RTS
- DSR
- DTR

The pin numbering of the RJ45 socket, when viewed from the front of the unit, is as shown below. The RS-232 interface is wired as a DCE.

Illustration	Pin no.	Signal	Direction	Description
1 8	1	DSR	Out	Data Set Ready
00000000	2	DCD	Out	Data Carrier Detect
	3	DTR	In	Data Terminal Ready
	4	SG	-	Signal Ground, not chassis ground
	5	RD	Out	Receive Data
	6	TD	In	Transmit Data
	7	CTS	Out	Clear To Send
	8	RTS	In	Request To Send

Table 3. RS-232 connection

Digital input

When you configure the port to operate as a digital input, it operates as a dry contact only.

The pin numbering of the RJ45 socket, when viewed from the front of the unit, is as shown below.

Illustration	Pin no.	Signal	Direction	Description
1 8	2	+ve	Out	Input
	3	-ve	ln	Input. Default value is zero when nothing is fitted to port
	4	Ground	-	Signal Ground, not chassis ground

Table 4. Digital input port

3.4.3. Reset Button

Use the reset button to request a system reset. When pressing the reset button, all LEDs turn on simultaneously. The length of time holding the reset button will determine its behaviour.

Press duration	PWR/CONFIG LED behaviour	Router behaviour on depress
0-3 seconds	Solid on	Normal reset to running config. No special LED activity.
3-15 seconds	Flashing fast	Releasing 3-15 seconds switches the router back to factory configuration. Note: this will wipe the configurations, both config1 and config2.
15-20 seconds	Solid on	Releasing 15-20 seconds performs a normal reset to running config.
20-30 seconds	Flashing slowly	Releasing 20-30 seconds reboots the router to recovery mode. Only to be done in case of emergency and under the guidance of Westermo support staff. Note: this may wipe the configurations, both config1 and config2.
> 30 seconds	Solid on	Releasing after 30 seconds performs a normal reset.

Table 5. Merlin series router reset behaviour

3.5. LED Indicators

The LED indicators described in this section are all single colour LEDs. When the router is powered on, the power LED is green.

The possible LED states are:

- Off
- Flashing slowly
- Flashing quickly
- On

LED	Status	Description
Booting up		The router takes less than a minute to boot up. During this time, the power LED flashes.
		Other LEDs display different diagnostic patterns during boot up. Booting is complete when the power LED stops flashing and stays on steady.
Power	On	Power is present
	Off	No power. Boot loader does not exist.
	Flashing	Booting
Config	On	The router is running a valid configuration file.
	Flashing slowly	The router is running in recovery mode (2.5 flashes/second)
	Flashing quickly	The router is running in factory configuration (5 flashes/second)
SIM	On	SIM selected and registered on the 3G/4G network
	Off	Not selected or SIM not inserted
	Flashing	SIM selected and not registered on the network
3G/LTE cellular signal	Both LEDs off	Data link not connected or signal strength <=-113 dBm
strength LED	Left LED on	Data link connected and signal strength <=-89 dBm
	Right LED off	
	Left LED off	Data link connected and signal strength is between -89 to -69 dBm
	Right LED on	
	Both LEDs on	Data link connected and signal strength >-69 dBm

Table 6. LED indicators

3.6. Ethernet Port LED Behaviour

There are four Ethernet ports and each has a pair of LEDs: a LINK LED (green) and a SPEED LED (amber). When looking at the port, the LED on the top is the LINK LED, and the SPEED LED is on the bottom.

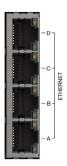


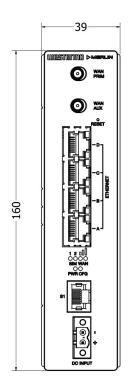
Figure 5. Merlin Ethernet ports

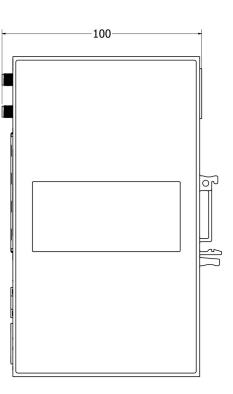
LINK LED On		Physical Ethernet link detected
(green)	Off	No physical Ethernet link detected
(8)	Flashing	Data is being transmitted or received over the link
SPEED LED	On	Link operating at 100 Mbps
(amber)	Off	Link operating at 10 Mbps

Table 7. Ethernet LED behaviour and descriptions

3.7. Dimensions

Dimensions are stated in millimetres and are regardless of model.





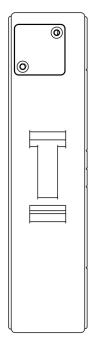


Figure 6. Dimensional drawing

4. Installation

4.1. Mounting the Router

The router is fitted with a DIN-rail clip by default. To attach the router to a DIN-rail:

- 1. Position the router so that the top hook of the DIN-clip rests on top of the DIN-rail.
- 2. Push the lower half of the router towards the DIN-rail until the bottom part of the DIN-clip snaps into place, indicating that the unit is clamped to the DIN-rail.

To remove the router from the DIN-rail, hold the unit firmly on both sides with one hand and firmly push the unit in an upward then outward direction, so lifting and releasing the unit clear of the DIN-rail.



MOUNTING HEIGHT

To reduce the risk of personal injury and damage to the device, the unit must not be mounted at a height greater than two metres above the ground beneath it.

4.2. Cooling

This product uses convection cooling. Spacing is recommended for the use of the product in full operating temperature range and service life. To avoid obstructing the airflow around the product, use the following spacing rules.

Minimum spacing of 25 mm (1 inch) above/below and 10 mm (0.4 inches) left/right of the product is recommended.



REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE

To reduce the risk of fire, use only telecommunication line cords with a cable diameter of AWG 26 or larger. Regarding power cable dimensions, see chapter Interface Specifications.

4.3. Connecting Cables

Connect one end of the Ethernet cable into port A and the other end to your PC or switch.

4.4. Connecting the Antenna

If only connecting one LTE antenna, screw the antenna into the MAIN SMA connector. If you are using more than one LTE antenna, screw the main antenna into the MAIN SMA connector and the secondary antenna into the WAN-AUX SMA connector.

4.5. Inserting SIM Cards

On the rear side of the router there are two SIM slots. To access the SIM cards, first remove the SIM cover using a suitable screwdriver (not supplied). Only the proper driver can drive a specific head size without risk of damaging the driver or screw.

4.5.1. Inserting SIM 1 Card

Ensure the router is powered off.

- Remove the SIM cover using a suitable screwdriver.
- Hold the SIM 1 card with the chip side facing down and the cut corner facing away from you, to the left.
- Gently push the SIM card into the upper SIM slot 1 until it clicks in.
- Screw the SIM cover back on with the screwdriver.

4.5.2. Inserting SIM 2 Card

- If you are using a second SIM, hold the SIM 2 card with the chip side facing up and the cut corner front right facing away from you.
- Gently push the SIM card into the lower SIM slot 2 until it clicks in.
- Screw the SIM cover back on with the screwdriver.

4.6. Powering Up

Plug the power cable first into the device and then to a suitable power source. The router takes less than a minute to boot up. During this time, the power LED flashes.

Other LEDs display different diagnostic patterns during boot up. Booting is complete when the power LED stops flashing and stays on steady.

5.1. Interface Specifications

DC, Power port	
Operating voltage	9.6 to 60 VDC isolated
Rated current	320 mA at 12 VDC 200 mA at 24 VDC
Rated frequency	DC
Inrush current	2.74 x 10 ⁻³ A ² s at 12 VDC
Polarity Reverse polarity protected	
Redundant power input	No
Connector	Push-in spring connectors
Conductor cross section	0.2-2.5 mm ² (AWG 24-12)
Stripping length cable	7 mm
Tightening torque, screw flange	0.3 Nm
Shielded cable	Not required

Ethernet TX	
Electrical specification	IEEE std 802.3
Data rate	10 Mbit/s, 100 Mbit/s, manual or auto
Duplex	Full or half, manual or auto
Circuit type TNV-1	
Transmission range Up to 150 m with CAT5e cable or better	
Isolation All other ports	
Connection	RJ-45, auto MDI/MDI-X
Cabling Shielded CAT5e or better is recommended	
Number of ports 4	

RS-232	
Electrical specification	EIA RS-232
Data rate	RS-232: 50 bit/s - 1 Mbit/s
Data format	7 or 8 data bits, odd, even or none parity, 1 or 2 stop bits (2 stop bits only when no parity is set)
Circuit type	TNV-1
Transmission range	RS-232: 15 m/49 ft
Number of ports 1	
Connection	RJ-45 according to EIA-561
	RJ-45 shielded cable

Digital input	
Mode of operation	Dry contact only
Connection	RJ-45 shielded cable

5.2. Type Tests and Environmental Conditions

Environmental phenomena	Basic standard	Description	Test levels
ESD	EN 61000-4-2	Enclosure	Contact: ±4 kV Air: ±8 kV
Radiated RF immunity	EN 61000-4-3	Enclosure	10 V/m at (80 - 1000) MHz 3 V/m at (1 - 6) GHz 1 kHz sine, 80% AM
Fast transients	EN 61000-4-4	Power port	± 0.5 kV, ± 1 kV & ± 2 kV DC
		Ethernet ports	\pm 0.5 kV & \pm 1 kV, capacitive coupling clamp
		RS-232	
Surge	EN 61000-4-5	Power port	L-E: \pm 1 kV, 12 Ω , 9 μ F, 1.2/50 μ s L-E: \pm 1 kV, 42 Ω , 0.5 μ F, 1.2/50 μ s L-L: \pm 0.5 kV, 2 Ω , 18 μ F, 1.2/50 μ s L-L: \pm 0.5 kV, 42 Ω , 0.5 μ F, 1.2/50 μ s
		Ethernet ports	L-E: \pm 1 kV, 2 Ω , direct on shield, 1.2/50 μs
Conducted RF immunity	EN 61000-4-6	Power port	10 Vrms, 0.15 - 80 MHz
		Ethernet	
		Digital input	
		RS-232	
Power frequency magnetic field	EN 61000-4-8	Enclosure	30 A/m; 50 Hz
Radiated RF emission	EN 301 489-1	Enclosure	Class A (Residential), 30 MHz to 12.75 GHz
	EN 301 489-52		
	EN 61000-6-4		
Conducted RF emission	EN 301 489-1	Power port	Class A
	EN 301 489-52 EN 61000-6-4	Ethernet	
		Digital input	
		RS-232	
Dielectric strength	IEC 62368-1	Power port to Ethernet ports	1.5 kVrms, 50 Hz, 1 min
		Ethernet TX to all other ports	

Table 8. EMC and electrical conditions

Environmental phenomena	Basic standard	Description	Test levels
Temperatures	EN 60068-2-1 EN 60068-2-2	Operational	-20 to +70°C ^{a.}
Humidity	EN 60068-2-30	Operational	5-95 % relative humidity
MTBF	Telcordia	Ground benign, 25°C	1,700,000 hours
Enclosure	EN 62368-1	ABS	Fire enclosure
Weight			Approx 280 g
Cooling			Convection

^{a.}Refer to "Safety Information" chapter regarding touch temperature

Table 9. Environmental and mechanical conditions

6. Revision Notes

Revision	Date	Change description	
Rev. A	2023-03-06	First version	
Rev. B	2023-04-05	Detailed pin-out of digital input port	
Rev. C	2023-07-12	Removed list of models, refer to datasheet instead	
Rev. D	2023-11-27	Removed devName column from section of serial port	
Rev. E	2024-01-05	Refresh of content in Type Tests	



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