## RV-M7-UC-GX

# M7 GX Transponder UHF Tracking Radio Modem

Raveon's M7-UC-GX is a 5 watt UHF wireless modem with built-in GPS and NMEA input/output. A "weatherproof" (IP65 rated) enclosure is also available. For a complete list of Raveon's GPS enabled products see www.ravtrack.com.



# **Product Overview**



This GPS Transponder lets you quickly locate: your co-workers, your trucks that break-down, your rented watercraft, your stolen vehicle, a drowsy driver, nearest help, lost people, and slow-moving golfers.

It is the fastest real-time GPS tracking transponder available. It uses commercial VHF radio channels without service fees or monthly charges, and it works virtually anywhere.

**Public Safety:** Know where your first-responders and officers are, and who is closest to the scene. See the

tactical situation in real-time, so you can respond instead of reacting.

**Vehicle Monitor:** Track vehicles in real-time, monitor speed, door sensors, voltage, and operator behavior. Use

the M7 GX for tracking, emergency location, and theft recovery.

*Mining:* Watch your machinery at work, monitoring for improper speed, location, and usage.

**Off-road Racing:** Quickly know where your chase truck and race-car are. Find it fast if it breaks or is stolen.

**Parks and Golf:** Easily locate all other vehicles in the park or golf-course. The location display may be in any

vehicle, at the ranger-station, or even with a hand-held GPS.

*Marine:* Track all the vessels in your rental fleet, and ensure they are not abused, stolen, or misplaced.

RADAR display can be used to display M7 position AND status.

**Construction:** Know where all your equipment is, and how it is being used. Quickly locate anyone, as soon

as you drive onto the site.



#### **Features**

#### Long-Range Operation

Operating in the UHF 450-480 MHz frequency band, the *M7 GX Transponder* can communicate as far as 50 miles (depending upon terrain). All *M7 GX Transponders* also can store-and-forward repeat for wide-area coverage.

#### Real-time.

Position and status updates are available as quickly as every second. No other tracking system has as fast an update rate as RavTrack.

#### Complete.

Everything needed to track a vehicle or asset is provided. No secondary services like Internet, cell-service, GPRS, Edge, SMS, or satellite service is needed. Raveon is your one-stop-shop for a complete Tracking system.

#### Flexible Reporting

The M7 GX may be configured to transmit position and status reports at pre-set time intervals(programmable), when it has moved a certain distance(programmable), when an I/O changes, or a combination of these.

## No monthly charges.

Because no external services are required, there are no recurring costs for a RavTrack system.

# Works Everywhere.

RavTrack does not rely upon public wireless services, so RavTrack systems work in rural areas, mines, mountains, deserts and foreign countries.

## Simple to Interface

The M7 GX Transponder is very simple to use and works with a multitude of other software, plotters, and GPS displays including:

- Lowrance GPS displays and navigation
- Garmin hand-held GPSs
- Any GPS with an RS-232 NMEA interface

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- RavTrack PC software by Raveon
- Marine Radar Displays
- Your own custom application.

## **Over-The-Air Diagnostics**

The configuration and operation of a *M7 GX* may be remotely tested using over-the-air commands from any other *M7* in the system.

#### Secure

All position reports are 128-bit AES encrypted for secure communications. No other radio modem, Raveon's or otherwise, will be able to listen in or monitor positions without knowing the security key.

## **Very Low Power Consumption**

The M7 GX Transponder has some of the lowest power-consumption numbers in the industry. A remotely controlled sleep mode allows it to be active and consume almost no power at all and an external "Ignition Sense" input is provided to remotely turn on/off the product and not lose GPS ephemeral data.

## Rugged and Weather Proof

Available with optional IP65-rated "weatherproof" connections and enclosure. (-WX option), all models include protection against damage from over-temperature, high VSWR, and reverse voltage.



## High Speed and High Efficiency

The *M7 GX Transponder* operates with fast over the air data rates of 4800 to 19200bps. Its fast-switching radio enables it to send up to 20 position-transmissions per second.

# **Proximity Alerts**

Each M7 GX may be configured to transmit an alert, as well as signal an output circuit whenever it is in proximity of another M7 GX. Used for collision avoidance or theft security.

#### For More Information

For more information about this or any other Raveon product, call in the U.S.A. 1-760-457-1620 or visit us a www.raveon.com.

For details on all of Raveon's AVL and Tracking products, please visit our RavTrack web site at <a href="https://www.ravtrack.com">www.ravtrack.com</a>.

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#### **How It Works**

## Fastest real-time location updates in the industry.

The *M7 GX Transponder* has many technological advantages over conventional tracking radios. These include:

Advanced modulation: Most tracking radios operate at 1200 or 2400 baud over the air. The M7

series operate at 4-10X that speed using CPFSK2/4 modulation for data rates

as high as 19.2K over the air.

TDMA Channel Access: TDMA (Time-Division Multiplexing) is built in every M7 GX radio modem.

With TDMA, 100 vehicles may be tracked with 10-second updates, and no

RF interference. Even when using a repeater!

Data Compression: All location transmissions are compressed, allowing not only location to be

sent, but also voltage, temperature, input status, speed, direction, and time – and do this with less air-time than most radios use to simply transmit

their location.

Fast Switching: The M7 transceiver has a fast-lock PLL with a lock-time of only 1mS, and a

T-R turn-around time of less than 3mS. This enables the radio to make real-

time transmissions in TDMA or conventional modes.

#### Easy to use, and the M7 GX does it all.

The *M7 GX Transponder* may be user-configured for a variety of applications. One simple command is used to program it to work in any of these configurations:

*Transponder:* The *M7 GX* will periodically transmit its location, along with voltage, temperature,

input status, speed, direction, and UTC time. It powers-down the radio and GPS

when not in use, reducing its average current draw to less than 30mA.

GPS Display: The M7 GX will periodically transmit its location, along with voltage, temperature,

input status, speed, direction, and UTC time. It will also receive the location of other *M7 GX* radios in its radio range for display on a GPS plotter or hand-held GPS

connected to the *M7 GX*'s NMEA RS-232 interface.

*RavTrack PC:* The RV-M7 will periodically transmit its location. It will also output the location of

other RV-M7 radios in its radio range for display on the *RavTrack PC* software

program.

*Plotter Display:* If you already have a gps plotter, you may connect it to the RV-M7 with the –LX

option. This gives the unit all the features of the –GX version with the GPS, but uses your GPS NMEA data feed as the source for its GPS signal. It will output the location of other *M7 GX* radios in its radio range for display on a GPS plotter or hand-held

GPS connected to the RV-M7's NMEA RS-232 interface.

*Repeater:* Any M7 GX may also be a store-and-forward repeater. With a 3mS attack time, the

repeated signal has only milliseconds of latency, and coverage can be 10s of miles.

#### **General Specifications**

Model:

RV-M7-Ux-GX (x=band) (oo=options)

Size:

4.60" X 2.60" X .956 (11.7cm X 6.6cm X 2.43cm)

Weight: 7.5 oz Input Voltage: 9.5 – 16 VDC

Current draw:

GPS tracking, 2min updates: <25mA GPS tracking, 10sec updates: <80mA GPS and radio receiving data: <120mA

Transmitting data:

(2.7A @ 5w, 1.2A @ 2W typical)

Sleep (<25mA), Ignition off: (<10mA)

Frequency Band:

450-480MHz ('B' band. Other bands available)

Serial Port Baud Rates (programmable)

1.2k, 2.4k, 4.8k, 9.6k, 19.2k, 38.4k, 57.6k, 115.2k

Over-the-air baud rates (programmable)

-N 4.8k, 5142, 8K,9.6k

-W 4.8k, 8k, 9.6k, 14.4k, 19.2k

Operating Mode

Simplex or Half-duplex

Full Spec Operating Temperature range

-30°C to +60°C

TX-RX and RX-TX turn-around time

<3mS

Wake-up time

<500mS from OFF

<5mS from Sleep

Front Panel LEDs

Power

Status (Carr Det, TX, mode...)

RF I/O Connector

BNC (Female) (TNC on -WX version)

Power Cable

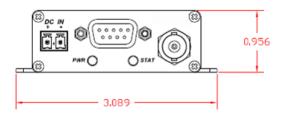
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Addressing

Individual address: 65,536

Options:

Waterproof Enclosure -WX option



## **Transmitter Specifications**

RF Power Output	500mW – 5.0 W
_	programmable
Maximum Duty Cycle	100% @ 2W to 40C, 25%
	@5W
	(100% w/ optional
	heat sink)
RF Bandwidth	20MHz no-tune
TX Spurious outputs	< -70dBc
Occupied Bandwidth	
FCC Emissions Designator	11K0F1D (-N)
Frequency Stability	

# **Receiver Specifications**

RX sensitivity (.1% BER)	9600bps < -108dBm
	4800bps < -116dB
RF No-tune bandwidth	20MHz
Alternate Channel Selectivity	65dB
Blocking and spurious rejection	75dB

# Interface Specifications

#### Serial Interface Port

Connector Type DB-9 IO Voltage Levels RS-232

RX and TX data Transparent Async

Word length 7 or 8 bits
Format N, O, or E
Modem handshake signals RTS, CTS, CD

NMEA messages: TTL, GLL, GGA, WPT

#### User Configurable Parameters (overview)

Channel Number and Operating Frequency Unit Address: 0001 thru 9999

Baud Rate, parity, stop bits

GPS Update Rate: 1 – 9999 Seconds
GPS report on movement: 0 – 9999 Meters
GPS report on digital in Enable/disable
Digital Inputs (Gen Purpose or alarm) 3
Digital Outputs 1
Store-and-forward repeating configuration

Store-and-forward repeating configuration Encryption: 128 bit AES

LEDs operation or disabled

Auto Status report on/off and interval.

Read DC voltage, current, forward RF power, VSWR

Remote PING

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Serial Port Format: (NMEA, RavTrack PC, RADAR TLL, or Lowrance Plotter)

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