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Before operating the unit, ensure the conductor (green wire) is connected to the ground (earth) conductor of the power outlet. Do not use a two-conductor extension cord or a three-prong/two-prong adapter. This will defeat the protective feature of the third conductor in the power cord.

Maintenance and calibration procedures sometimes call for operation of the unit with power applied and protective covers removed. Read the procedures and heed warnings to avoid "live" circuit points.

Before operating this instrument:

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2. Ensure all other devices connected to or in proximity to this instrument are properly grounded or connected to the protective third-wire earth ground.

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- has sustained stress

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1260-121B 12-Channel Plug-In Module W/Rack \& Panel Connectors P/N 407740-002
conforms to the following Product Specifications:

Safety: EN 61010-1

EMC: Immunity: EN61326, Class A, Table 1
Emissions: EN61326, Class A, Table 3

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## Chapter 1

## SPECIFICATIONS

The $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ is a plug-in switch module developed for the Racal Instruments 1260-100 Adapt-a-Switch Carrier. The $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ includes the following features:

- Standard Adapt-a-Switch plug-in design, providing for ease of replacement
- Data-Driven embedded descriptor, allowing immediate use with any Option-01T switch controller, regardless of firmware revision level.


Figure 1-1, The 1260-121A/B

The $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ is a 12 -channel single-wire switch consisting of 12 individual SPDT relay switches. The version "A" has a screw terminal block interface and version "B" has Rack-and-Panel connectors. The 1260-121A/B plug-in fits into a 1260-100 Adapt-aSwitch Carrier.

## Specifications

| Bandwidth (-3dB) | Small signal: 35 MHz <br> Power: 400Hz |
| :---: | :---: |
| Insertion Loss |  |
| 1 KHz | $<-1 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
| Isolation |  |
| 1 KHz | > 100dB |
| Crosstalk |  |
| 1 KHz | <-100dB |
| Switching Voltage |  |
| AC | 250V, Max |
| DC | 125V, Max |
| Switching Current |  |
| AC | 12A, Max. (1260-121A) (see the Mating |
|  | 13A, Max. (1260-121B) Connectors |
| DC | 10A, Max section in |
| Switching Power | Chapter 2) |
| AC | 1250VA, Max |
| DC | 150W, Max |
| Path resistance | $<0.5 \Omega$ (measured by voltage drop, 6VDC, 1A) |
| Thermal EMF | <20uV |
| Capacitance |  |
| Channel-Chassis | < 1pF |
| Open-Channel | < 12pF |
| Insulation resistance | $>10^{9} \Omega$ |
| Relay Settling Time | $<10 \mathrm{~ms}$ |
| Shock | $30 \mathrm{~g}, 11 \mathrm{~ms}, 1 / 2$ sine wave |
| Vibration | 0.013in. P-P, $5-55 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| Bench Handling | 4 in., $45^{\circ}$ |


| Cooling | See 1260-100 cooling data |
| :---: | :---: |
| Temperature |  |
| Operating | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Non-operating | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+75^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Relative Humidity | 85\% Max., non-condensing at $<30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Altitude |  |
| Operating | 10,000 feet |
| Non-operating | 15,000 feet |
| Power Requirements +5VDC | 0.9A Max. |
| Weight | 13oz. (0.45kg) |
| MTBF | 979,058 hours (MIL-HDBK-217E) |

## Power Dissipation

While the cooling of the Adapt-a-Switch carrier is dependent upon the chassis into which it is installed, the carrier can normally dissipate approximately 100 W . Care must be taken, then, in the selection and loading of the plug-in modules used in the carrier. It is not possible to fully load the carrier, energize every relay, and run full power through every set of contacts, all at the same time. In practice this situation would never occur.

To properly evaluate the power dissipation of the plug-in modules, examine the path resistance, the current passing through the relay contacts, the ambient temperature, and the number of relays closed at any one time.

For example, if a 1260-118 module (containing 80 relays) has 25 relays closed, passing a current of 0.5 A , then:

Total power dissipation $=$ [(current) ${ }^{2}$ (path resistance) * 25 ] + (quiescent power)

By substituting the actual values:
Total power dissipation $=$

$$
\left[(0.5 A)^{2} *(1 \Omega) * 25\right]+(0.75 \mathrm{~W})=7 \mathrm{~W} \text { at } 55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}
$$

This is acceptable power dissipation for an individual plug-in module. If five additional modules are likewise loaded, then the overall carrier dissipation is approximately 36 W , which is well within the cooling available in any commercial VXIbus chassis. In practice, rarely are more than $25 \%$ of the module's relays
energized simultaneously, and rarely is full rated current run through every path. In addition, the actual contact resistance is typically one-half to one-fourth the specified maximum, and temperatures are normally not at the rated maximum. The power dissipated by each plug-in should be no more than 15 W if all six slots are used simultaneously. This yields the following guideline:

| 0.5 A | Max. 56 relays closed |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1.0 A | Max. 14 relays closed |
| 2.0 A | Max. 4 relays closed |

Most users of a signal-type switch, such as the 1260-118, switch no more than a few hundred milliamperes and are able to energize all relays simultaneously, should they so desire. The numbers in the above table represent worst-case, elevated-temperature, end-of-life conditions.

Additionally, if fewer plug-in modules are used, more power may be dissipated by the remaining cards. By using a chassis with high cooling capacity, such as the Racal Instruments 1261B, almost any configuration may be realized.

## About MTBF

The 1260-121A/B MTBF is 979,058 hours, calculated in accordance with MIL-HDBK-217E, with the exception of the electromechanical relays. Relays are excluded from this calculation because relay life is strongly dependent upon operating conditions. Factors affecting relay life expectancy are:

1. Switched voltage
2. Switched current
3. Switched power
4. Maximum switching capacity
5. Maximum rated carrying current
6. Load type (resistive, inductive, capacitive)
7. Switching repetition rate
8. Ambient temperature

The most important factor is the maximum switching capacity, which is an interrelationship of maximum switching power, maximum switching voltage and maximum switching current. When a relay operates at a lower percentage of its maximum switching capacity, its life expectancy is longer. The maximum switching capacity specification is based on a resistive load, and
must be further de-rated for inductive and capacitive loads.
For more details about the above life expectancy factors, refer to the data sheet for the switch plug-in module.

The relay used on the 1260-121A/B plug-in is Racal part no. 310265-001. The relay manufacturer's specifications for this relay are:

Life Expectancy
Mechanical 10,000,000 operations Electrical 100,000 operations at full rated load

For additional relay specifications, refer to the relay manufacturer's data sheet.

## Ordering Information

Listed below are part numbers for both the 1260-121A and 1260-121B switch modules and available mating connector accessories. Each 1260-121B uses two mating connectors.

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION | PART \# |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1260-121A Switch Module | 1260-121A w/ Termination Block Interface <br> Consists of: <br> PCB Assembly <br> Manual for 1260-121A/B | $407740-001$ |
| 1260-121B Switch <br> Module | 1260-121B, 12 Channel SPDT, 10 A <br> Consists of: <br> PCB Assembly <br> Shipping Kit (mating connectors, manual) | $405167-001$ |
| 20 Pin Mating Connector <br> "B" Model Only | 20 Pin Conn. Kit w/backshell \& solder cup pins | $4050824-121$ |
| Cable Assy. 6ft, Sleeved <br> "B" Model Only | 18-Conductor Cable Assy, 6 Ft, 14 AWG (2 Req'd) | $407653-121 \mathrm{~B}$ |$|$| Additional Manual | Manual for 1260-121A/B |
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## Chapter 2

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

# Unpacking and Inspection 

## Reshipment Instructions

## Installation

## Module Configuration

1. Before unpacking the switching module, check the exterior of the shipping carton for any signs of damage. All irregularities should be noted on the shipping bill and reported.
2. Remove the instrument from its carton, preserving the factory packaging as much as possible.
3. Inspect the switching module for any defects or damage. Immediately notify the carrier if any damage is apparent.
4. Have a qualified person check the instrument for safety before use.
5. Use the original packing material when returning the switching module to Racal Instruments for servicing. The original shipping carton and the instrument's plastic foam will provide the necessary support for safe reshipment.
6. If the original packing material is unavailable, wrap the switching module in an ESD Shielding bag and use plastic spray foam to surround and protect the instrument.
7. Reship in either the original or a new shipping carton.

Installation of the 1260-121A/B Switching Module into a 1260-100 Carrier assembly is described in the Installation section of the 1260-100 Adapt-a-Switch Carrier Manual.

The $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ is a 12 -channel single-wire switch module consisting of twelve SPDT relay switches. This architecture permits the 1260-121A/B module to be organized via software in any configuration from twelve SPDT to one 12PDT, or any combination in between, by use of the Include command, without the use of hardware jumpers. This is the same as a 1-wire, 2-wire,
..., n-wire switch.
In addition, by jumpering pins at the module connectors, the user can configure the module as a SP2T, SP3T, etc., up to a SP12T switch. This type of configuration is known as a multiplexer.

For a block diagram of the 1260-121A/B, see Figure 2-1.


Figure 2-1, 1260-121A/B Block Diagram

Front Panel Connectors

The $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ has two 20-pin front-panel connectors, labeled J200 and J202. It has one pin for each input and one for each output. See Figure 2-2 for pin numbering. Table 2-1 shows the mapping of channel numbers to connector pins. Information about available mating connectors is provided immediately after Table 2-1.


Figure 2-2, Front Panel Connector Pin Numbering

Table 2-1, 1260-121A/B Front-Panel Connections

| Channel | Connector | Pin | Relay |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 ln | J200 | A | 1 |
| 0 Out N.O. | J200 | B | 1 |
| 0 Out N.C. | J200 | C | 1 |
| 1 ln | J200 | D | 2 |
| 1 Out N.O. | J200 | E | 2 |
| 1 Out N.C. | J200 | F | 2 |
| 2 In | J200 | H | 3 |
| 2 Out N.O. | J200 | J | 3 |
| 2 Out N.C. | J200 | K | 3 |
| 3 ln | J200 | L | 4 |
| 3 Out N.O. | J200 | M | 4 |
| 3 Out N.C. | J200 | N | 4 |
| 4 ln | J200 | P | 5 |
| 4 Out N.O. | J200 | R | 5 |
| 4 Out N.C. | J200 | S | 5 |
| 5 ln | J200 | T | 6 |
| 5 Out N.O. | J200 | U | 6 |
| 5 Out N.C. | J200 | V | 6 |
| 6 ln | J201 | A | 7 |
| 6 Out N.O. | J201 | B | 7 |
| 6 Out N.C. | J201 | C | 7 |
| 7 ln | J201 | D | 8 |
| 7 Out N.O. | J201 | E | 8 |
| 7 Out N.C. | J201 | F | 8 |
| 8 ln | J201 | H | 9 |
| 8 Out N.O. | J201 | J | 9 |
| 8 Out N.C. | J201 | K | 9 |
| 9 ln | J201 | L | 10 |
| 9 Out N.O. | J201 | M | 10 |
| 9 Out N.C. | J201 | N | 10 |
| 10 ln | J201 | P | 11 |
| 10 Out N.O. | J201 | R | 11 |
| 10 Out N.C. | J201 | S | 11 |
| 11 In | J201 | T | 12 |
| 11 Out N.O. | J201 | U | 12 |
| 11 Out N.C. | J201 | V | 12 |

Mating connector accessories are available for the 1260-121B:
20 Pin Connector Kit with backshell and pins P/N 407660

20 Pin, 18 Conductor Cable Assembly, 6 Ft., 14 AWG P/N 407657-018

The 20-pin connector kit consists of a connector housing, aluminum backshell, and twenty solder-cup pins. The pins are also available from Positronic in crimp versions and for smaller wire diameters.

The mating connector pins are solder type. The corresponding removal tool is Racal P/N 9081.

After wire attachment, the pin is inserted in the housing and will snap into place, providing positive retention. To ensure that the pin is locked into place, the assembler should pull on the wire after insertion.

The 20-Pin 18-Conductor Cable Assembly uses 14 AWG wire with crimp pins to mate with the 1260-121. The other cable end is unterminated. Refer to Table 2-1 for channel-to-pin mapping information. Table 2-2 shows additional mating connectors and pins.

Table 2-2, Mating Connectors and Pins

| Racal P/N | Manufacturer | Mfr. P/N | Description |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $602349-120$ | Positronic | GMCT20F0E100J0 | Insulator block (diallyl pthalate), <br> 20-position. Mates with front- <br> panel connector. Pins sold <br> separately. |
| $601850-900$ | Positronic | FC114N2 | Female contact, crimp type, for <br> 14 AWG wire. Mates with front- <br> panel connector pins. |
| None | Positronic | FC116N2 | Female contact, crimp type, <br> for 16 AWG wire. Mates with <br> front-panel connector pins. |
| None | Positronic | FS114N2 | Female contact, solder type, for <br> 14 AWG wire. Mates with front- <br> panel connector pins. |
| None | Positronic | FS116N2 | Female contact, solder type, for <br> 16 AWG wire. Mates with front- <br> panel connector pins. |
| $602349-020$ | Burndy | MS20PM-58 | Insulator block, 20-position. Part <br> of front-panel connector <br> assembly. Pins sold separately. |
| $601349-900$ | Burndy | FS114N2 | Male contact, 0.105" dia., crimp <br> type, for 14 to 20 AWG wire. <br> Part of front-panel connector <br> assembly. |

## More About Maximum Current Ratings

The front panel connector and pins are rated for 10A DC per pin (13A AC for 1260-121B), with all channels conducting full-rated current. This keeps the temperature rise within $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. It should be noted that with all electromechanical relays, the higher the switched power (voltage times current), the shorter the useful life of the relays.

Definitions:

- Max current carrying capacity

The maximum current that the relay can conduct if the relay is not switched while voltage is applied. The maximum current carrying capacity is affected by the size of the conducting section of the contact at its smallest area. The listed values are obtained from several tests in laboratories under room-temperature conditions $\left(21^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$. The contact is considered to be in free air. The maximum current carrying
for the $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ is 22 A .

- Max operating current

The current the contacts can switch while conducting, without deteriorating. This depends on working conditions, such as dissipated heat, cooling provisions, ambient temperature, insulation material, etc. The maximum operating current for the $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ is 13 A .

- Recommended continuous current The maximum current recommended for indefinitely-long time periods. The primary concern here is the heat generated in the relay. This specification can be applied for normal working conditions. The specification includes a safety margin. However, there are restrictions in the application of the given values. The most important restriction is the crosssectional area of the connecting wire, insulation temperature range, and wire bundling. The recommended continuous current for the $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ is 10 A .


## Installation

To install the 1260-121A/B Switching Module into a 1260-100 Carrier, engage the printed circuit board into the grooves of the desired carrier slot. Slide the 1260-121A/B into the carrier until its connector mates with the connector on the carrier backplane. Push firmly to fully seat the connector. Tighten the two retaining screws at the top and bottom of the $1260-121 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ plug-in.

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## Chapter 3

## MODULE OPERATION

# Operating Modes 

The 1260-121 may be operated either in message-based mode or in register-based mode.

In the message-based mode, the 1260-01T switch controller interprets commands sent by the slot 0 controller, and determines the appropriate data to send to the control registers of the 1260121 module.

## Operating In Message-Based Mode

Channel
Descriptors For
The 1260-121

The standard 1260-01T commands are used to operate the 1260-121 module. These commands are described in the 1260-01T User's Manual.

Each 1260-01T relay command uses a channel descriptor to select the channel(s) of interest. The syntax for a channel descriptor is the same for all 1260 series modules. In general, the following syntax is used to select a single channel:

```
(@ <module address> ( <channel> ) )
```

Where:

- <module address> is the address of the 1260-121 module. This is a number is in the range from 1 through 12, inclusive.
- <channel> is the 1260-121 channel to operate. This is a number in the range from 0 through 11, inclusive.

Multiple individual channels may be specified using the following channel descriptor syntax:

```
@ <module address> ( <chan1> , <chan2>
, . . ., <chanN> ))
```

A range of channels may be specified using the following channel descriptor syntax:
@ <module address> ( <first channel> :
<last channel> ))
The following examples illustrate the use of the channel descriptors for the 1260-121:

OPEN (@8(0)) Open channel 0 on the 1260-121 that has module address 8 .

CLOSE ( $(88(0,7)) \quad$ Close channels 0 and 7 on the 1260-121 that has module address 8.

CLOSE ( $\mathrm{C} 2(7: 11) \quad$ Close channels 7 through 11 inclusive on the 1260-121 that has module address 2.

# Reply To The MOD:LIST? Command 

The chassis containing the 1260-121 returns a reply to the MOD:LIST? command. This reply is unique for each different 1260 series switch module. The syntax for the reply is:
<module address> : <module-specific identification string> For the 1260-121 module the string value is:

1260-121 12-CHANNEL SPDT 10A SWITCH MODULE
Thus, for a 1260-121 whose module address is 2 , the reply to this query would be:

2 : 1260-121 12-CHANNEL SPDT 10A SWITCH MODULE

# Operating in Register-Based Mode 

The 1260-121 offers register-based mode when installed in VXI platforms that support it. In register-based mode, the 1260-121 is operated by directly writing and reading to/from ports controlling up to eight relays each. To access the registers the following details must be assembled to generate an absolute address that can be wrote or read from:

The port and control registers are located in the VXIbus A24 Address Space. The A24 address for a port or control register depends on:

1. The A24 Address Offset assigned to the 1260-01T module by the Resource Manager program. The Resource Manager program is provided by the VXIbus slot-0 controller vendor. The A24 Address Offset is placed into the "Offset Register" of the 1260-01T by the Resource Manager.
2. The <module address> of the 1260-121 module. This is a value in the range from 1 and 12 inclusive.
3. The 1260-121 port or control register to be written to or read from. Each register on the 1260-121 has a unique offset from the base address.

The base A24 address for the 1260-121 module may be calculated by:
(A24 Offset of the 1260-01T) + (1024 x Module Address of 1260-121).

The A24 address offset is usually expressed in hexadecimal. A typical value of $204000_{16}$ is used in the examples that follow.

A 1260-121 with a module address of 7 would have the base A24 address computed as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Base A24 Address of } 1260-121=204000_{16}+\left(400_{16} \times 7_{10}\right) \\
& =205 \mathrm{C}_{16}
\end{aligned}
$$

The port and control registers for Adapt-a-Switch plug-ins and conventional 1260-Series modules are always on odd-numbered A24 addresses. For port registers, the 1260-121 reads and writes to the same location. For control registers, the 1260-121 writes to one location, but reads back from another. Table 3-1 and 3-5 provides offsets relative to the base address of the module for all port and control registers of the 1260-121. To obtain the absolute address where data is to be written or read from, the base address is added to the offset:
(Base A24 1260-121 Address) + offset $=$ absolute address
So, for our example base A24 address computed earlier, the following absolute addresses would apply for the operations indicated:
205C01 Port A read or written at this location
205E01 ID register read at this location

Before explaining the particulars of reading and writing to port and control registers, it is necessary to understand how the registers interact with the 1260-121 relays. Table 3-2 through 3-5 provides a detailed explanation of each register and how it interacts with the 1260-121 module.

Table 3-1, Register Offset Addresses of the 1260-121A/B Module

| Register <br> Name | Register Offsets to Add to Base Module Address |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Write Location (hexadecimal) | Read Location (hexadecimal) |
| Port A | $0 \times 01$ | $0 \times 01$ |
| Port B | $0 \times 03$ | $0 \times 03$ |
| ID | Read Only | $0 \times 201$ |
| EPROM Descriptor | Read Only | $0 \times 203$ |

Table 3-2, ID Register Functionality of the 1260-121A/B Module

| Register Table |  | ID Register |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Module Version | Bit | Functionality Description |
| All | 0 <br> 1 <br> 2 <br> 3 <br> 4 <br> 5 <br> 6 <br> 7 | Always Reads $0 \times 00$ (Read Only) |

Table 3-3, Port A Register Functionality of the 1260-121A/B Module

| Register Table |  | Port A |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Module Version | Bit |  | Functionality Description |
| All | 0 | Relay 00 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 1 | Relay 01 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 2 | Relay 02 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 3 | Relay 03 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 4 | Relay 04 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 5 | Relay 05 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 6 | Relay 06 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 7 | Relay 07 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |

Table 3-4, Port B Register Functionality of the 1260-121A/B Module

| Register Table |  | Port B |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Module Version | Bit |  | Functionality Description |
| All | 0 | Relay 08 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 1 | Relay 09 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 2 | Relay 10 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 3 | Relay 11 | (0: relay open 1: relay closed) |
|  | 4 | (Not Used) |  |
|  | 5 | (Not Used) |  |
|  | 6 | (Not Used) |  |
|  | 7 | (Not Used) |  |

Note:
Open: Indicates C connected to NC with NO contact open
Closed: Indicates C connected to NO with NC contact open

Table 3-5, EPROM Descriptor Functionality of the 1260-121A/B Module

| Register Table |  | EPROM Descriptor Register |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Module Version | Bit | Functionality Description |
| All | 0 <br> 1 <br> 2 <br> 3 <br> 4 <br> 5 <br> 6 <br> 7 | Each time this register is read, it advances a memory pointer to the next memory location in the on-board EPROM. To reset this pointer to the beginning, read the ID register. This resets the memory pointer. The descriptor register contains a long string of data, typically used by the Adapt-a-Switch carrier for configuration purposes. Additionally, this data contains the card identification string for the specific type of card (i.e. 1260-121). These identification strings are located at EPROM memory locations $0 \times 23$ through $0 \times 34$. |

Writing to a port location is a straightforward process. Setting a bit high in a port register causes the corresponding relay channel to close.

It is especially important to realize that a single write operation controls eight separate control lines or output devices simultaneously. Therefore if only a single bit change is desired, the following process must be observed.

1. Read the register, inverting the bit pattern.
2. Mask the appropriate bit with an 'AND' operation and a byte mask with all undesired bits set to a ' 1 ' and the desired bit set to a ' 0 ' or ' 1 ' depending on whether the bit is to be set or cleared in the desired register.
3. Write the masked data back into the register.

As simple as this may seem, a number of products reported as faulty and sent back for repair are typically the result of inappropriate register accesses.

Because of the 1260-121 relay driver architecture, registers $A$ and $B$ will read back inverted from what was written to them.

The VISA I/O library may be used to control the module. The VISA function viOut8 () is used to write a single 8-bit byte to a control register, while viIn8 () is used to read a single 8-bit byte from the control register. The following code example shows the use of viOut8 () to update the 1260-121 module.

## 1260-121A/B

## Example Code

```
#include <visa.h>
/* This example shows a 1260-01T at logical address 16 and a VXI/MXI */
/* interface */
#define RI1260_01_DESC "VXI::16"
/* For a GPIB-VXI interface, and a logical address of 77 */
/* the descriptor would be: "GPIB-VXI::77" */
/* this example shows a 1260-121 with module address 7 */
#define MOD_ADDR_120 7
void example_operate_1260_121(void)
{
    ViUInt8 creg_val;
    ViBusAddress creg0_addr;
    ViBusAddress creg1_addr;
    ViSession hdl1260; /* VISA handle to the 1260-01T */
    ViSession hdlRM; /* VISA handle to the resource manager */
    ViStatus error; /* VISA error code */
    /* open the resource manager */
    /* this must be done once in application program */
    error = viOpenDefaultRM (&hdlRM);
    if (error < 0) {
        /* error handling code goes here */
    }
    /* get a handle for the 1260-01T */
    error = viOpen (hdlRM, RI1260_01_DESC, VI_NULL,VI_NULL, &hdl1260);
    if (error < O) {
        /* error handling code goes here */
    }
    /* form the offset for control register 0 */
    /* note that the base A24 Address for the 1260-01T */
    /* is already accounted for by VISA calls viIn8() and */
```

```
/* viOut8() */
    /* module address shifted 10 places = module address x 1024 */
creg0_addr = (MOD_ADDR_120 << 10) + 1;
creg1_addr = creg0_addr + 2;
/* close channel 9 without affecting the state of */
/* channels 8, 9, 10, 11*/
error = viIn8 (hdl1260, VI_A24_SPACE, creg1_addr, &creg_val);
if (error < 0) {
    /* error handling code goes here */
}
/* invert the bits to get the present control register value */
creg_val = ~creg_val;
/* AND to leave every channel except 9 unchanged */
creg_val &= ~ (0x02);
/* OR in the bit to close channel 9 */
creg_val |= 0x02;
/* write the updated control register value */
error = viOut8 (hdl1260, VI_A24_SPACE, creg1_addr, creg_val);
if (error < 0) {
    /* error handling code goes here */
}
/* open channel 7 without affecting channels 0 through 6 */
error = viIn8 (hdl1260, VI_A24_SPACE, creg0_addr, &creg_val);
if (error < 0) {
    /* error handling code goes here */
}
/* invert the bits to get the present control register value */
creg_val = ~creg_val;
/* AND to leave every channel except 7 unchanged */
/* leave bit 7 clear to open channel 7 */
creg_val &= ~ (0x80);
/* write the updated control register value */
error = viOut8 (hdl1260, VI_A24_SPACE, creg0_addr, creg_val);
if (error < 0) {
    /* error handling code goes here */
}
```

```
    /* close the VISA session */
    error = viClose( hdl1260 );
    if (error < 0) {
        /* error handling code goes here */
    }
```

\}

## EMERGENCY

 RESETThe Emergency Reset Feature provides a simple, reliable mechanism to open all relays quickly. This helps the system integrator maximize safety in a system that performs high-current switching.

The 1260-121A and 1260-121B each provide a connection for an emergency safety switch. The user provides the switch, and may mount it wherever desired so that it is easily and quickly accessible.

When the emergency reset switch is activated, the relays are immediately opened by hardware action alone. No software or firmware intervention is required. Even if the host computer or switch controller fails, the emergency reset function is still effective.

After the relays open in response to the emergency reset switch, they do not automatically return to their previous states when the switch is deactivated. The relays remain open until the user issues a command to close them.

## Connecting the Safety Switch

Use a general-purpose mechanical switch. It need not have a high voltage or current rating. The signal passing through the switch is TTL compatible, and has a magnitude of 5 volts and a current of 0.5 mA . The switch may be either normally-open or normallyclosed.

For the 1260-121A, use insulated wire to connect the two switch contacts to the screw terminals marked "TB5" on the printed circuit board (PCB). Make the connections to pins 1 and 2. You may route the wire through the front-panel strain relief of the 1260121 A , along the same path as the relay contact wiring.

To connect the switch to the 1260-121B, use a standard miniature (IEC 3.5 mm diameter) phone plug. Connect one side of the switch to the phone plug tip, and the other side to the phone plug sleeve. Insert the phone plug into the jack in the 1260-121B front panel.

> Normally-Open and NormallyClosed Switches

The 1260-121 can work with either a normally-open or normallyclosed switch. In the normally-open configuration, the 1260-121 detects an emergency reset when the switch is closed for more than 500 ns. The normally-open configuration is the factory default. To verify that the 1260-121 is configured for a normally-open switch, ensure that no jumper or resistor is installed across the two pads comprising JP6 on the PCB (see Figure 3-1, JP6

## Configuration Jumper).

In the normally-closed configuration, the 1260-121 detects an emergency reset condition when the switch contacts are opened for more than 500ns. To configure the 1260-121 for normallyclosed operation (normally-closed switch), install a jumper across the two pads comprising JP6 on the 1260-121 printed circuit board (see Figure 3-1, JP6 Configuration Jumper). If possible, use a zero-ohm surface-mount resistor in the standard 0805 outline package. If such a resistor is not available, you may carefully solder a short piece of bare, solid, 28AWG wire across the two pads of JP6. Ensure that the wire does not contact any circuitry other than these two pads.


Figure 3-1, JP6 Configuration Jumper

## Local and Global Reset Options

The scope of the reset can be set to either local or global. With a global reset, an emergency reset detected by one switch module will reset ALL other switch modules that are connected to the same controller (e.g. Option-01T Controller or 1256 Switching System). To configure the 1260-121 for the global reset option, install a jumper across the two pins comprising JP7 on the PCB (see Figure 3-2, JP7 Configuration Jumper).

If the $1260-121$ is configured for the local reset option (the factory default), the emergency reset switch will affect only the module to which it is connected. All relays of that module will open when the switch is activated. Relays on other switch modules remain unaffected. The local reset option is configured by not installing a jumper at JP7 on the PCB (see Figure 3-2, JP7 Configuration Jumper).


Figure 3-2, JP7 Configuration Jumper

## Momentary vs. Latching Switches

Latching switches, also referred to as toggle switches, remain in one position (open or closed) until deliberately set to the other position. Momentary switches, on the other hand, change positions when activated, then return automatically to the normal position when released. Either type of switch may be used as a safety switch, depending upon the desired result.

A latching (toggle) switch, when activated, causes all relays to open. It also prevents any closure of relays until the switch is manually returned to its normal position. The switch modules ignore any commands sent to them while the switch is activated.

A momentary switch, when activated, also causes all relays to open. However, the switch returns to its normal position when released, and relay operations can then resume. Although the relays do not automatically return to their previous states when the switch is released, they resume normal operation, and respond to all commands.

A latching (toggle) switch provides the maximum safety by not only opening the relays, but preventing them from being closed again until the safety switch is manually returned to the normal position.

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## Chapter 5

## PRODUCT SUPPORT

## Product Support

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When sending your instrument in for repair, complete the form in the back of this manual.

For worldwide support and the office closes to your facility, refer to the Support Offices section on the following page.

Use the original packing material when returning the 1260-121 to Racal Instruments for calibration or servicing. The original shipping crate and associated packaging material will provide the necessary protection for safe reshipment.

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Company Name $\qquad$ Purchase Order \# $\qquad$
Billing Address $\qquad$
City

| State/Province | Zip/Postal Code | Country |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Shipping Address $\qquad$ City

State/Province Zip/Postal Code Country
Technical Contact $\qquad$ Phone Number ( $\qquad$
Purchasing Contact $\qquad$ Phone Number ( $\qquad$

1. Describe, in detail, the problem and symptoms you are having. Please include all set up details, such as input/output levels, frequencies, waveform details, etc.
$\qquad$
2. If problem is occurring when unit is in remote, please list the program strings used and the controller type.
3. Please give any additional information you feel would be beneficial in facilitating a faster repair time (i.e., modifications, etc.)
4. Is calibration data required? Yes No (please circle one)

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