



DESCRIPTION

The iConverter 100Fx/Tx converts 100BASE-FX fiber to 100BASE-TX copper. Models are available for multimode (MM) and single-mode (SM) dual fiber and single-mode single-fiber.

The 100Fx/Tx supports RJ-45 Half-Duplex and Full-Duplex auto-negotiation with manual override and features a crossover push button switch for easy attachment to hubs, switches and workstations.

See data sheet for available models.

The 100Fx/Tx can be used in an unmanaged or managed applications. To be managed, an Network Management Module (NMM2) or a module with integrated management must be installed in the same chassis.

For more information on management software and hardware options, see Comprehensive Network Management Solution product page.

SOFTWARE CONTROLLED SETTINGS

Additional settings are available via software control when the 100Fx/Tx is installed in an iConverter chassis with a Management Module, such as a Network Management Module (NMM2) or a 10/100M2 Media Converter with Integrated Management. The following settings can be controlled via the Serial Console, Telnet or SNMP Management Software such as NetOutlook® Management Software or other third-party SNMP-based clients:

- RJ-45 Auto/Manual Configuration
- RJ-45 Full/Half Duplex
- Link Modes

For more information on using and configuring the software features, register for access to the NetOutlook Management Software user manual.

LED INDICATORS

LED	Color	Description
Pwr	Yellow	Module has power
Port 1 F/O Lk	Green	ON: Fiber port is linked Blinking: Fiber activity
Port 2 AN	Green	OFF: Manual mode enabled ON: Auto-negotiation is enabled
Port 2 FDX	Green	OFF: Configured for half-duplex ON: Configured for full-duplex
Port 2 UTP Lk	Green	ON: RJ-45 port is linked Blinking: Port is receiving data activity





DIP-SWITCH SETTINGS

Front Panel Push Button Switch

RJ-45 Crossover “= / X” Switch (Not Shown)

When connecting the RJ-45 port to a hub or switch, set this front-panel switch to Straight-Through “=” (factory setting). When connecting to a workstation, set it to Crossover “X”.

Front Panel DIP-Switches

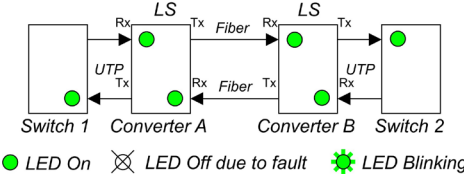
	OFF	ON	
SW1	Link Segment = Link Seg		Link Prop = Link Propagate
	Normal = Norm		R/Fit Det = Remote Fault Detect
	RJ-45 Auto Negotiate = AN		Man = RJ-45 Manual Negotiate
SW4	RJ-45 Full-Duplex = FDX		HDX = RJ-45 Half-Duplex

SW1 and SW2: Link Modes

SW1	SW2	Link Mode
OFF	OFF	Link Segment (LS)
ON	OFF	Link Propagate (LP)
OFF	ON	Remote Fault Detect + LP (RFD+LP)
ON	ON	Symmetrical Fault Detect (SFD)

In order to accommodate different user needs, the 100Fx/Tx supports four different linking modes. In default configuration, the module operates in Link Segment.

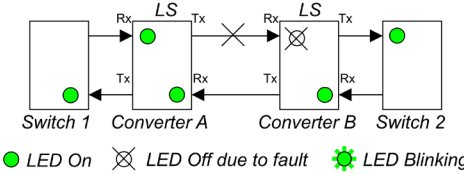
Normal Operation



LED On LED Off due to fault LED Blinking

The Link Segment (LS) mode transmits a link signal independently of any received link at any port. Utilizing this configuration, a loss of a receive link signal will only affect the port detecting the loss of signal. All the other ports will continue to generate a link signal.

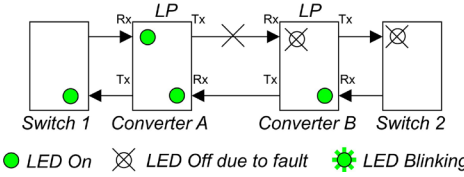
Fiber Fault with Link Segment



LED On LED Off due to fault LED Blinking

The Link Propagate (LP) mode transmits a link signal only when a link signal is detected. Utilizing this configuration, a loss of a receive link signal will continue to propagate through to the next port in the network.

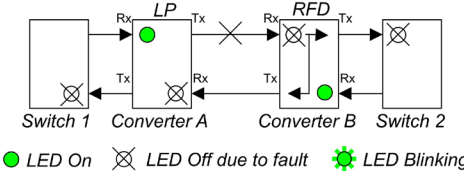
Fiber Fault with Link Propagate



The Remote Fault Detection + Link Propagate (RFD+LP) mode transmits a link signal only when a link signal is detected. When a loss of link is detected, this mode will loop back and propagate forward the fault condition.

Note: Connecting two modules set to RFD is an illegal setting and will cause a “deadly embrace” lockup.

Fiber Fault with RFD+LP Link Mode



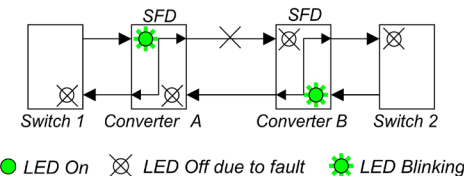
LED On LED Off due to fault LED Blinking

Symmetrical Fault Detect is only available on Revision xx/08 models or later. For earlier models, the SW1 ON, SW2 ON setting is an invalid setting and must not be used.

In Symmetrical Fault Detection (SFD), the RJ-45 port transmits a Link signal only when receiving a Link at the fiber port. The fiber port transmits a Link signal only when receiving a Link signal at both the fiber port and the RJ-45 port. As a result, fiber faults (no Link received at the fiber) are looped back and can be reported to the network core. In addition, connecting two back-to-back modules which are both set to SFD facilitates dual-loop-back, where fiber faults are reported to both ends of the network link. A blinking fiber link LED on a module indicates a fault of the transmit fiber or UTP cables of that module [Fig. 1(e)].

Note: Converters in SFD mode must be deployed in pairs.

Fiber Fault with SFD Link Mode



LED On LED Off due to fault LED Blinking

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SW3: RJ-45 Auto/Manual Negotiate “AN/Man”

When this DIP-Switch is in the “AN” position (factory setting), the module auto-negotiates and matches the duplex mode of a mating auto-negotiating device connected to the RJ-45 port.

When this DIP-Switch is in the “Man” position, the module does not auto-negotiate and operates in the duplex mode selected by the RJ-45 Full/Half-Duplex DIP-Switch.

SW4: RJ-45 Full/Half Duplex “FDX/HDX”

When the RJ-45 Auto/Manual Negotiate “AN/Man” DIP-Switch is in the Manual “Man” position, the RJ-45 Full/Half-Duplex “FDX/HDX” DIP-Switch determines the duplex mode for the module.

When this DIP-Switch is in the “FDX” position (factory setting), the module operates in Full-Duplex mode. When in the “HDX” position, it operates in Half-Duplex mode. Set the duplex mode to match the connecting device and check for link status.

Note: Attaching an auto-negotiating RJ-45 port to a non-auto-negotiating (manual / forced / hard-coded) RJ-45 port will result in an unpredictable port setting with excessive collisions and poor link performance.

When operating in Manual mode both connected ports MUST be set manually to the same speed and duplex mode.

MOUNTING AND CABLE ATTACHMENT

The iConverter modules are hot-swappable and can be installed into any iConverter chassis.

Caution: Use proper ESD protection to reduce the risk of damage to your equipment.

- Carefully slide the module into an open slot in the chassis. Align the module with the installation guides and ensure that the module is firmly seated against the backplane. Secure the module by fastening the front panel thumbscrew (push in and turn clockwise to tighten) to the chassis front. Verify the “Pwr” LED is ON (indicating the chassis is powered).
- Using a Category 5 or higher Ethernet cable, attach the RJ-45 port to a 100BASE-TX Ethernet device.
- Using a multimode or single-mode dual-fiber cable as required per the converter type, attach the fiber port to a 100BASE-FX mating Ethernet device. The transmit (Tx) must attach to the receive side of the mating device and the receive (Rx) must attach to the transmit side.
- Single-fiber (SF) converters must be used in matched pairs. The transmit (Tx) and receive (Rx) wavelengths of one converter must match the receive (Rx) and transmit (Tx) wavelengths of the mating converter. For example, an 8370-1 must be connected to an 8371-1.

Safety Warnings and Cautions

- ATTENTION: Observe precautions for handling electrostatic discharge sensitive devices.
- WARNING: Potential damage to equipment and personal injury.
- WARNING: Risk of electrical shock.

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