



USER MANUAL

EMU Black

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1. Device description

The **EMU Black** is a standalone engine control unit designed for internal combustion engines with 1 to 12 cylinders. It supports a wide range of engine types and control strategies, including knock control, drive-by-wire (DBW) throttle systems and variable valve timing (VVT). The hardware is designed for demanding environments, with an IP60-rated enclosure, conformal-coated PCB, and a -40°C to +105°C operating temperature range.

**Warning:**

This product is not intended for use on public roads.

Key Features

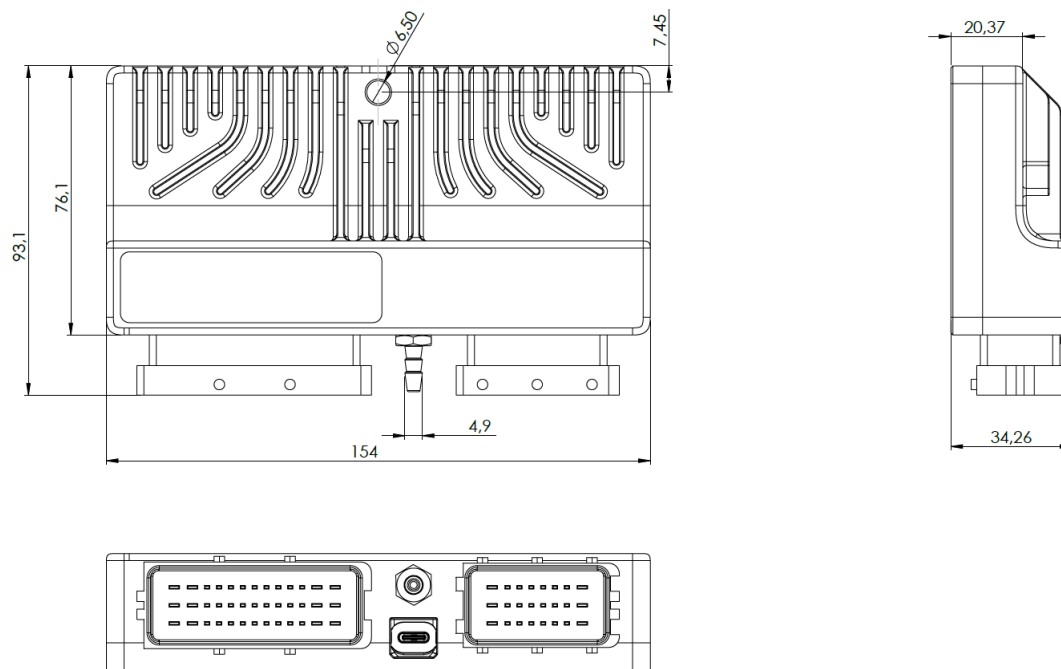
- Integrated wideband lambda controller (Bosch LSU 4.2 / 4.9 support)
- Built-in 4-bar MAP sensor
- Two direct EGT (exhaust gas temperature) probe inputs
- Flex Fuel support
- Direct control of up to 6 passive or 12 smart ignition coils
- Drive-by-wire support with safety layers and plausibility checks
- Engine compatibility – supports 1-12 cylinder engines, including DBW and VVT systems
- Configurable CAN communication
- Support for user-defined custom functions
- IP60-rated enclosure and conformal-coated PCB
- Automotive-grade components (AEC-Q100 Grade 2)
- Suitable for engines in race cars, motorcycles, marine, and stationary installations

2. Specification

| Specification | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Temperature range | AECQ100 GRADE2 (-40 to +105°C) |
| Operating voltage | 6-22V, immunity to transients according to ISO 7637 |
| Minimal current consumption | 0.25 A |
| Power supply overcurrent protection | 5 A fuse for ignition switch supply 15 A fuse for 12 V battery supply |
| Enclosure rating | IP 60, custom CNC machined aluminium |
| Weight | 390 g |
| Dimensions | 150 x 72 x 31 mm |
| Connectors | 1 x 24 Scima FCI 211PC249S8033, 1 x 39 Scima FCI 211PC249S0020 |
| Terminals | 45 x 211CC2S2160P, 18 x 211CC3S2120 |
| PC communication | USB (with PC client software) |
| Communication | CAN bus 2.0B, Serial |
| CAN standard | CAN 2.0B |
| CAN bus bitrate | 1 Mbps (default), 500 kbps, 250 kbps, 125 kbps |
| CAN termination | Software-selectable |
| Number of injector outputs | 6 |
| Number of Ignition outputs | 6 passive or 12 active ignition coils |
| Aux outputs | 6 protected outputs 5A, low side |
| Other outputs | Full bridge up to 7A, can be used as separate outputs or 2 H-Bridges |
| Analog inputs | 9 inputs, resolution 10Bits, 0-5V (protected) |
| Switch inputs | 3 inputs, switched to ground |
| EGT inputs | 2 for K-Type thermocouple |
| Knock sensor inputs | 2 |
| Oxygen sensor support | LSU 4.2 or 4.9 (built in controller), Narrow band, external WBO controllers |
| Drive-by-wire (DBW) support | 1, auto-calibration |

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|------------------------------------|--|
| Variable Valve Timing (VVT) | Up to 2 |
| RPM limit | Tested for up to 15,000 RPM |
| Data logging | Real time logging to PC, logging to the SD card with external logger - EDL-1 https://www.ecumaster.com/products/data-logger-dl-1/ |

All dimensions in mm



3. Pinout

Pinout for EMU Black: https://www.ecumaster.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/EMU_Black_pinout.pdf

4. Installation

Mounting the EMU Black

1. Mounting Location:

- It is recommended to mount the EMU Black in a safe location, preferably inside the cabin, rather than in the engine compartment.
- Although the EMU Black has an IP60 rating for dust resistance, avoid areas where the device could be exposed to water, mud, or excessive moisture.

- Keep the unit away from heat sources such as exhaust system or the turbocharger.
- Avoid areas where high temperatures or moving mechanical components could affect the EMU Black from behind.
- Ensure the location minimizes the risk of accidental contact by the driver, co-driver, or passengers.

2. Device Orientation:

- The EMU Black can be mounted in any orientation.
- For optimal heat convection, it is recommended to mount the radiators facing upwards or in an orientation between 0 to 90 degrees.
- Avoid mounting the device upside down to ensure proper heat dissipation.

3. Stable Mounting:

- Use the factory mounting point in the housing (1 x M6 bolt) to securely mount the device.
- Avoid mounting the EMU Black directly to structural parts of the vehicle, such as the chassis, firewall, or other rigid components. These parts can transmit strong vibrations or mechanical stress, which may negatively affect the device over time.
- While vibration isolators are not mandatory, if the device is exposed to significant shocks or vibrations, consider using rubber-metal silent blocks for added protection.

4. Additional Guidelines:

- Ensure plugs are easily accessible for servicing, diagnostics, or emergency disconnection.
- Leave sufficient "working clearance" around the plug side of the harness to allow for easy unplugging.
- Allow at least 20mm of free space around the EMU Black case to facilitate air circulation and effective heat dissipation.

Wiring Guidelines

- Keep wiring lengths as short as possible to reduce signal interference and voltage drops.
- Use shielded cables for sensitive sensor inputs, particularly for crankshaft and camshaft position sensors.
- Route power and ground cables separately from signal wires to minimize electrical noise.
- Ensure all grounds are connected properly to a common grounding point to prevent ground loops.
- CAN bus wiring should be twisted pair and properly terminated with 120-ohm resistors at both ends of the network.

- The wire gauge (AWG) should be selected according to the current load expected to flow through the wires. Ensure that the wire diameter is suitable for the current to prevent overheating and voltage drop.

Minimal Configuration

To establish basic communication and functionality for bench testing, the following connections must be made:

- **Power Supply:** Connect to: **B13**.
- **Ground:** Connect to one of the available ground pins: **B27, G17, G24**.
- **+12V Switched:** Connect to **G18**.
- **PC Communication:** Handled via the USB-C port.



Note:

This minimal setup is intended for bench testing only.

For full installation in a vehicle, all power supply and ground pins must be connected.

Power Supply

- The EMU Black requires a stable power supply within the specified voltage range (6-22V).
- Use appropriately rated fuses and relays to protect the power circuit.
- Ensure a solid ground connection to the chassis or engine block for reliable operation.

Sensor and Actuator Connections

- Verify that all sensors are correctly connected according to the engine configuration.
- Drive-by-wire (DBW) systems require correct calibration before use.
- Outputs for injectors, ignition coils, and solenoids should match the electrical characteristics of the connected components.

CAN Bus Communication

The EMU Black is equipped with a single CAN 2.0B bus, which can be used for communication with external devices such as dashboards, power management units, and expansion modules.

When configuring the CAN bus:

- Use only twisted-pair wiring for CAN H and CAN L signals.
- Ensure that both ends of the bus are terminated with 120-ohm resistors.
- The CAN bus bitrate should be configured to match connected devices.
- Avoid branching connections; use a linear bus topology where possible.

The following logging channels related to CAN communication can be monitored in the EMU Black software:

- **CANBUS State** - the status of the CAN bus
- **CANBUS Load** - the processing load of CAN data being sent from the device
- **CANBUS Overload** - the requested amount of data to be sent on the CAN bus exceeds the device's buffer size. Some frames may not have been sent
- **CANBUS Rx Buffer Full** - the requested amount of data to be received on the CAN bus exceeds the device's buffer size. Some frames may not have been received

Meaning of *CANBUS States*:

- **BUS OK** - no communication errors
- **BUS ERROR** - CAN bus error. Possible causes may include incorrect bus speed selection, lack of termination, error in connecting CANL and CANH, or ID collision

PC Communication

The EMU Black communicates with a PC via a direct USB-C connection.

To configure the ECU, install the EMU Black Client software on your computer before the first connection.

The latest official release is available from the product page

<https://www.ecumaster.com/products/emu-black/>,

while test versions are available on a

<https://www.ecumaster.com/testVersions.html>.

Wiring Diagrams

For a connection example and wiring diagram, refer to the resource below:

https://www.ecumaster.com/files/EMU_BLACK/

[Wiring_Diagram_Example_4_cylinders_EMU_BLACK.pdf](#)

5. CAN Stream

The default CAN bus bitrate of the device is **1 Mbps**. The format used is **little-endian**.

| Byte | Channel | Data Type | Range | Multiplier/ Divider | Factor | Offset | Unit |
|--|-------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| EMU stream base ID+0 (default: 0x600) | | | | | | | |
| 0..1 | RPM | 16-bit U | 0 – 16000 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | RPM |
| 2 | TPS | 8-bit U | 0 – 100 | 1/2 | 0.5 | 0 | % |
| 3 | IAT | 8-bit S | -40 – 127 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | C |
| 4..5 | MAP | 16-bit U | 0 – 600 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | kPa |
| 6..7 | Injector PW | 16-bit U | 0 – 50 | 1/62 | 0.016129 | 0 | ms |
| EMU stream base ID+1 (default: 0x601) | | | | | | | |
| 0..1 | AIN #1 | 16-bit U | 0 – 5 | 5/1024 | 0.0048828125 | 0 | V |
| 2..3 | AIN #2 | 16-bit U | 0 – 5 | 5/1024 | 0.0048828125 | 0 | V |
| 4..5 | AIN #3 | 16-bit U | 0 – 5 | 5/1024 | 0.0048828125 | 0 | V |
| 6..7 | AIN #4 | 16-bit U | 0 – 5 | 5/1024 | 0.0048828125 | 0 | V |
| EMU stream base ID+2 (default: 0x602) | | | | | | | |
| 0..1 | VSPD | 16-bit U | 0 – 400 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | km/h |
| 2 | BARO | 8-bit U | 50 – 130 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | kPa |
| 3 | Oil Temperature | 8-bit U | 0 – 160 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | C |
| 4 | Oil Pressure | 8-bit U | 0 – 12 | 1/16 | 0.0625 | 0 | bar |
| 5 | Fuel Pressure | 8-bit U | 0 – 12 | 1/16 | 0.0625 | 0 | bar |
| 6..7 | CLT | 16-bit S | -40 – 250 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | C |
| EMU stream base ID+3 (default: 0x603) | | | | | | | |
| 0 | Ignition Angle | 8-bit S | -60 – 60 | 1/2 | 0.5 | 0 | deg |
| 1 | Dwell Time | 8-bit U | 0 – 10 | 1/20 | 0.05 | 0 | ms |
| 2 | Lambda | 8-bit U | 0 – 2 | 1/128 | 0.0078125 | 0 | lambda |
| 3 | Lambda Correction | 8-bit U | 75 – 125 | 1/2 | 0.5 | 0 | % |
| 4..5 | EGT1 | 16-bit U | 0 – 1100 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | C |
| 6..7 | EGT2 | 16-bit U | 0 – 1100 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | C |
| EMU stream base ID+4 (default: 0x604) | | | | | | | |
| 0 | Gear | 8-bit U | 0 – 7 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 1 | ECU Temperature | 8-bit S | -40 – 120 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | C |
| 2..3 | Battery Voltage | 16-bit U | 0-20 | 27/1000 | 0.027 | 0 | V |

| Byte | Channel | Data Type | Range | Multiplier/ Divider | Factor | Offset | Unit |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| 4..5 | Error Flag ¹ | 16-bit | bitfield | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 6 | FLAGS 1 ² | 8-bit | bitfield | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 7 | Ethanol Content | 8-bit U | 0-100 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | % |
| EMU stream base ID+5 (default: 0x605) | | | | | | | |
| 0 | DBW Position | 8-bit U | 0 – 100 | 1/2 | 0.5 | 0 | % |
| 1 | DBW Target | 8-bit U | 0 – 100 | 1/2 | 0.5 | 0 | % |
| 2..3 | TC DRPM RAW | 16-bit S | 0 – 1000 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 4..5 | TC DRPM | 16-bit U | 0 – 400 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 6 | TC Torque Reduction | 8-bit U | 0 – 100 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | % |
| 7 | PIT Limiter Torque Reduction | 8-bit U | 0 – 100 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | % |
| EMU stream base ID+6 (default: 0x606) | | | | | | | |
| 0..1 | AIN #5 | 16-bit U | 0 – 5 | 5/1024 | 0.0048828125 | 0 | V |
| 2..3 | AIN #6 | 16-bit U | 0 – 5 | 5/1024 | 0.0048828125 | 0 | V |
| 4 | OUTFLAGS1 ³ | 8-bit | bitfield | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 5 | OUTFLAGS2 ⁴ | 8-bit | bitfield | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 6 | OUTFLAGS3 ⁵ | 8-bit | bitfield | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 7 | OUTFLAGS4 ⁶ | 8-bit | bitfield | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| EMU stream base ID+7 (default: 0x607) | | | | | | | |
| 0..1 | Boost Target | 16-bit U | 0 – 600 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | kPa |
| 2 | PWM#1 DC | 8-bit U | 0 – 100 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | % |
| 3 | DSG Mode ⁷ | 4-bit U | enumeration | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | |
| 4 | Lambda Target | 8-bit U | 0 – 1 | 1/100 | 0.01 | 0 | lambda |
| 5 | PWM#2 DC | 8-bit U | 0 – 100 | 1/1 | 1 | 0 | % |
| 6..7 | Fuel Used | 16-bit U | 0 – 255 | 1/100 | 0.01 | 0 | liter |

¹ Bits of **Error Flag** bitfield

| Bit index | Error name | Description |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| 0 | ERR_CLT | Coolant temperature sensor failed |
| 1 | ERR_IAT | IAT sensor failed |
| 2 | ERR_MAP | MAP sensor failed |
| 3 | ERR_WBO | Wide band oxygen sensor failed |
| 4 | ERR_EGT1 | EGT sensor #1 failed |
| 5 | ERR_EGT2 | EGT sensor #2 failed |
| 6 | ERR_ALARM | EGT too high |
| 7 | KNOCKING | Knock detected |
| 8 | FFSENSOR | Flex Fuel sensor failed |
| 9 | ERR_DBW | Drive by wire failure |
| 10 | ERR_FPR | Fuel pressure relative error |

² Bits of **FLAGS1** bitfield

| Bit index | Name | Description |
|-----------|-----------------|--|
| 0 | GEARCUT | Gearcut active |
| 1 | ALS | ALS active |
| 2 | LC | Launch control active |
| 3 | IDLE | Is in idle state |
| 4 | TABLE SET | 0 - using table set #1, 1 - using table set #2 |
| 5 | TC INTERVENTION | 1 - traction control intervention |
| 6 | PIT LIMITER | Pit limiter active |

³ Bits of **OUTFLAGS1** bitfield

| Bit index | Name | Description |
|-----------|------|----------------------------|
| 0 | P01 | Parametric output #1 state |
| 1 | P02 | Parametric output #2 state |
| 2 | P03 | Parametric output #3 state |
| 3 | P04 | Parametric output #4 state |
| 4 | P05 | Parametric output #5 state |

| Bit index | Name | Description |
|-----------|------|-------------------------|
| 5 | VPO1 | Virtual output #1 state |
| 6 | VPO2 | Virtual output #2 state |
| 7 | VPO3 | Virtual output #3 state |

⁴Bits of **OUTFLAGS2** bitfield

| Bit index | Name | Description |
|-----------|--------|---------------------|
| 0 | CANSW1 | CAN switch #1 state |
| 1 | CANSW2 | CAN switch #2 state |
| 2 | CANSW3 | CAN switch #3 state |
| 3 | CANSW4 | CAN switch #4 state |
| 4 | CANSW5 | CAN switch #5 state |
| 5 | CANSW6 | CAN switch #6 state |
| 6 | CANSW7 | CAN switch #7 state |
| 7 | CANSW8 | CAN switch #8 state |

⁵Bits of **OUTFLAGS3** bitfield

| Bit index | Name | Description |
|-----------|-------------|--|
| 0 | SW1 | Switch #1 state |
| 1 | SW2 | Switch #2 state |
| 2 | SW3 | Switch #3 state |
| 3 | MUXSW1 | MUX switch #1 state |
| 4 | MUXSW2 | MUX switch #2 state |
| 5 | MUXSW3 | MUX switch #3 state |
| 6 | LC MAP SET | Current set of launch control parameters |
| 7 | ALS MAP SET | Current set of ALS parameters |

⁶Bits of **OUTFLAGS4** bitfield

| Bit index | Name | Description |
|-----------|------|-------------------|
| 0 | FPS | Fuel pump state |
| 1 | CF | Coolant fan state |

| Bit index | Name | Description |
|-----------|---------------|--|
| 2 | ACCLUTCH | AC clutch state |
| 3 | ACFAN | AC fan state |
| 4 | NITROUS | Nitrous active |
| 5 | STARTER_REQ | Starter motor request (from start / stop strategy) |
| 6 | BOOST MAP SET | Current set of boost parameters |

⁷Values for channel: **DSG Mode**

| Value | Description |
|-------|-------------|
| 2 | P |
| 3 | R |
| 4 | N |
| 5 | D |
| 6 | S |
| 7 | M |
| 15 | fault |

6. Document history

| Version | Date | Changes |
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| 1.0 | 2025.07.03 | Initial release |