



Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II User's Guide



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1 About this manual

This manual is intended for Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II users. This document contains a description of the hardware's properties and general instructions for connecting the device to a computer.

2 Introduction

This section will describe the functions and features of the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II.

2.1 Welcome to Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II



Figure 1: Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II

Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II is a reliable low cost product. With a timestamp precision of 50 microseconds it handles transmission and reception of standard and extended CAN messages on the bus. It is compatible with applications that use Kvaser's CANlib.

This guide applies to Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II devices using at least firmware and driver versions listed in Table 1 on Page 6. For minimum compatible firmware and driver versions of Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II see Table 3 on Page 10.

| Device | Product Number | Firmware | Driver (Windows/Linux) |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------------|
| Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II | 73-30130-01426-8 | v3.32 | v5.45 (kcany/mhydra) |

Table 1: Firmware and driver versions needed to support all functionality present in this guide.

2.2 Major features

- USB CAN interface.
- Powered through the USB connector.
- Compact 9-pin J1939-13 Type II connector with extra strong strain relief.
- Supports CAN FD, up to 8 Mbit/s.
- Quick and easy plug-and-play installation.
- Supports both 11-bit (CAN 2.0A) and 29-bit (CAN 2.0B active) identifiers.
- Supports silent mode for analysis tools – listen to the bus without interfering.
- 20 000 msg/s, each timestamped with a resolution of 50 μ s.
- Fully compatible with applications written for other Kvaser CAN hardware with Kvaser CANlib.
- Support for SocketCAN.
- Compatible with J1939, CANopen, NMEA 2000[®] and DeviceNet. Higher layer protocol translation is handled by the user's application. For software support please see our Technical Associates products and our Software Download page (www.kvaser.com).
- Supports simultaneous usage of multiple Kvaser interfaces.

2.3 Additional software and documentation

The Kvaser CANlib SDK includes everything you need in order to develop software applications interacting with Kvaser CAN and LIN hardware. The SDK contains full documentation and many sample programs, written in C, C++, C#, Delphi, Python and Visual Basic. Kvaser CAN and LIN hardware is built around the same common software API. Applications developed using one device type will run without modification on other device types.

The latest versions of documentation, software and drivers can be downloaded for free at www.kvaser.com/download.

3 Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II hardware

In this section you can read more about the CAN channels, power supply and LED indicators.

3.1 Hardware installation

The Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II may be inserted in any free USB socket on the host computer. You do not need to switch the power off before inserting or removing the device. For the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II to communicate with the host computer, a compatible version of the Kvaser driver and firmware must be installed.

The driver is installed by running the file `kvaser_drivers_setup.exe`. For instructions on how to update the firmware, see Section 3.6, Updating the firmware, on Page 10. The latest version of the driver and firmware can be downloaded from www.kvaser.com/download.

The firmware is downloaded and installed directly on the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II and the driver is installed on the host computer. After the driver has been installed on the host computer, the firmware may then be downloaded and installed on the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II.

3.2 USB connection

The Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II has a standard USB type “A” connector.



Figure 2: A standard USB type “A” connector.

3.3 CAN connection

The Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II has one CAN channel in a 9-pin J1939-13 Type II connector (see Figure 3 on Page 9). See Section 3.8, CAN connectors, on Page 11 for pinout information.

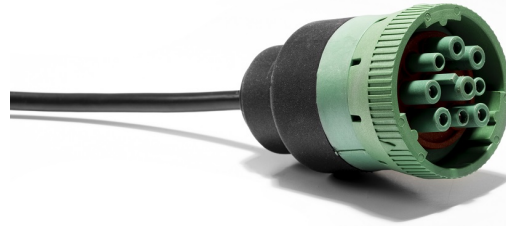


Figure 3: J1939-13 Type II CAN connector.

3.4 Power supply

The Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II is powered from the USB port.

3.5 LED Indicators

The Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II has two LEDs as shown in Figure 4. Their functions are shown in Table 2 on Page 10.



Figure 4: LEDs on the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II.

| LED | Function | Description |
|--------------|-------------------|--|
| PWR (Green) | Power | Steady light when unit is powered and working. |
| | USB configuration | Blinking once every three seconds when something is wrong with the USB connection. |
| | Firmware | 2 Hz flash if something is wrong with the firmware or configuration. |
| CAN (Yellow) | CAN RxTx | Status for CAN channel. |

Table 2: LEDs on the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II.

3.6 Updating the firmware

For the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II to communicate with the host computer, compatible versions of the Kvaser CANlib (including driver) and firmware must be installed.

The latest versions of firmware and drivers can be downloaded for free at www.kvaser.com/download.

Connect the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II to your host computer with the USB cable and start the update.exe application. A window opens showing the Firmware Update Instructions; read and follow those carefully.

To check the current firmware version, open “Kvaser Device Guide” which can be found in the Control Panel. Select “Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II” in the tree view to the left, and click on the channel. The firmware revision information now appears in the right half of the window.

The absolute minimum firmware and driver versions needed in order to use Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II are listed in Table 3.

| Device | Min. Firmware Version | Min. Driver Version |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II | v3.32 | v5.45 |

Table 3: Minimum compatible driver and firmware versions of Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II.

3.7 Technical data

In Table 4 on Page 11 below you will find the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II's technical specifications.

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| CAN Channels | 1 |
| CAN Connector | 9-pin J1939-13 Type II |
| CAN Transceivers | Compliant with ISO 11898-2 |
| Galvanic isolation | Yes |
| CAN Bit Rate | 20 kbit/s to 1 Mbit/s |
| CAN FD Bit Rate | Up to 8 Mbit/s. |
| Timestamp resolution | 50 μ s |
| Max message rate | 20 000 msg/s |
| Error Frame Detection | Yes |
| Error Frame Generation | No |
| Silent mode | Yes |
| Kvaser MagiSync | No |
| Kvaser t programming | No |
| Kvaser CANtegrity | No |
| Host interface | USB 2.0, standard USB type "A" connector |
| Host OS | Windows (10 or later), Linux. |
| Power consumption | Typical 100 mA |
| Dimensions | 35 x 165 x 17 mm for body incl. strain relief |
| Cable length | USB 1.0 m, CAN 0.3 m |
| Weight | 160 g |
| Operating temperature | -20 °C to +70 °C |
| Storage temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C |
| Relative humidity | 0 % to 85 % (non-condensing.) |
| IP Rating Housing | IP40 |
| IP Rating CAN connector | IP67 Mated |
| IP Rating USB connector | IP40 Mated |

Table 4: Technical Specifications.

3.8 CAN connectors

Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II devices that use the 9-pin J1939-13 Type II connector have the pinning described in Table 5 on Page 12.

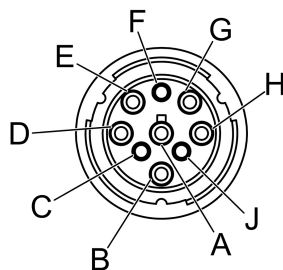


Figure 5: J1939-13 Type II CAN connector pinout.

| J1939-13 Pin | Function |
|--------------|---------------|
| A | GND |
| B | Not connected |
| C | CAN_HI |
| D | CAN_LOW |
| E | SHIELD |
| F-J | Not connected |

Table 5: J1939-13 Type II pin configuration.

3.9 CAN bus termination

Every CAN bus must be terminated with a 120 Ohm resistor at each end of the bus. The Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II does not contain any CAN bus termination, because their inclusion could cause severe disturbance in a system which is already correctly terminated.

For laboratory or testing use, the exact value of the termination resistors is not always critical. Sometimes a single terminator is sufficient. For production, proper termination is essential. If you see error frames on the bus, you should check the termination.



To save yourself a lot of trouble, always terminate the CAN bus properly.

4 Troubleshooting

Use “Kvaser Device Guide” in the Control Panel to verify that the computer can communicate with the Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II. If the firmware version shown is all zeros, there are communication problems. If the LEDs are not flashing or do not light up at all, check the power supply.

5 Safety Instructions

5.1 Intended Use

Kvaser interfaces are used to connect computer systems to CAN buses. The Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II is intended for connection to a computer via the USB port.

5.2 Usage Warning



WARNING FOR ALL USERS

WARNING! - YOUR USE OF THIS DEVICE MUST BE DONE WITH CAUTION AND A FULL UNDERSTANDING OF THE RISKS!

THIS WARNING IS PRESENTED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE OPERATION OF THIS DEVICE MAY BE DANGEROUS. YOUR ACTIONS CAN INFLUENCE THE BEHAVIOR OF A CAN-BASED DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM, AND DEPENDING ON THE APPLICATION, THE CONSEQUENCES OF YOUR IMPROPER ACTIONS COULD CAUSE SERIOUS OPERATIONAL MALFUNCTION, LOSS OF INFORMATION, DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT, AND PHYSICAL INJURY TO YOURSELF AND OTHERS. A POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS OPERATING CONDITION IS PRESENT WHEN THE FOLLOWING TWO CONDITIONS ARE CONCURRENTLY TRUE: THE PRODUCT IS PHYSICALLY INTERCONNECTED TO A REAL DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM; AND THE FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS OF THE REAL DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM ARE CONTROLLABLE OR INFLUENCED BY THE USE OF THE CAN NETWORK. A POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS OPERATING CONDITION MAY RESULT FROM THE ACTIVITY OR NON-ACTIVITY OF SOME DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED SYSTEM FUNCTIONS AND OPERATIONS, WHICH MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS PHYSICAL HARM OR DEATH OR CAUSE DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT, DEVICES, OR THE SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT.

WITH THIS DEVICE, YOU MAY POTENTIALLY:

- CAUSE A CHANGE IN THE OPERATION OF THE SYSTEM, MODULE, DEVICE, CIRCUIT, OR OUTPUT.
- TURN ON OR ACTIVATE A MODULE, DEVICE, CIRCUIT, OUTPUT, OR FUNCTION.
- TURN OFF OR DEACTIVATE A MODULE, DEVICE, CIRCUIT, OUTPUT, OR FUNCTION.
- INHIBIT, TURN OFF, OR DEACTIVATE NORMAL OPERATION.
- MODIFY THE BEHAVIOR OF A DISTRIBUTED PRODUCT.
- ACTIVATE AN UNINTENDED OPERATION.
- PLACE THE SYSTEM, MODULE, DEVICE, CIRCUIT, OR OUTPUT INTO AN UNINTENDED MODE.

ONLY THOSE PERSONS WHO:

- (A) ARE PROPERLY TRAINED AND QUALIFIED WITH RESPECT TO THE USE OF THE DEVICE,
- (B) UNDERSTAND THE WARNINGS ABOVE, AND
- (C) UNDERSTAND HOW THIS DEVICE INTERACTS WITH AND IMPACTS THE FUNCTION AND SAFETY OF OTHER PRODUCTS IN A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM AND THE APPLICATION FOR WHICH THIS DEVICE WILL BE APPLIED, MAY USE THE DEVICE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU CAN INTEGRATE THIS PRODUCT AS A SUBSYSTEM INTO HIGHER-LEVEL SYSTEMS. IN CASE YOU DO SO, KVASER AB HEREBY DECLARES THAT KVASER AB'S WARRANTY SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE CORRECTION OF DEFECTS, AND KVASER AB HEREBY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ANY LIABILITY OVER AND ABOVE THE REFUNDING OF THE PRICE PAID FOR THIS DEVICE, SINCE KVASER AB DOES NOT HAVE ANY INFLUENCE ON THE IMPLEMENTATIONS OF THE HIGHER-LEVEL SYSTEM, WHICH MAY BE DEFECTIVE.

6 Disposal and Recycling Information



When this product reaches its end of life, please dispose of it according to your local environmental laws and guidelines.

For information about Kvaser's recycling programs, visit:
<https://www.kvaser.com/en/kvaser/recycling-policy.html>

7 Legal acknowledgements

7.1 EU Regulatory Compliance



EU Declaration of Conformity (DoC)

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declare that the DoC is issued under our sole responsibility and belongs to the following product:

Product: Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II

Object of the declaration (identification of apparatus allowing traceability):

Product: Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II

Type: 73-30130-01426-8

The object of the declaration described above is in conformity with the relevant Union harmonisation legislation:

Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Directive 2014/30/EU (Art. 6)

RoHS recast Directive 2011/65/EU (Art. 4.1)

The following harmonised standards and technical specifications have been applied

(title, date of standard/specification):

EN 55032 (2015 + A11:2020)

EN 55035 (2017 + A11:2020)

EN 61000-6-2 (2019)

EN IEC 63000 (2018)


Signed for and on behalf of:

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2024-04-24

Place of issue

Date of issue


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7.2 FCC Regulatory Compliance



Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Compliance Information Statement

IDENTIFICATION OBJECT:

Product: Kvaser Leaf v3 J1939-13 Type II

Type: 73-30130-01426-8

APPLICABLE COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS:

CFR Title 47 Part 15 §15.107, §15.109

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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8 Document Revision History

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