Quick Start EVK-7 / EVK-8





2. Setup

- Download and install the EVK-7 or EVK-8 software (and documentation) from <u>www.u-blox.com/evaluation-kits</u>. See the installation notes on the back of this card.
- 2. Connect the unit to a PC. Options:
- USB: Connect via USB port (**G**). (The USB driver installs automatically when the device is connected to a PC requires internet connection).
- UART: Connect via RS232 (F). Set switch (B) to I2C.
- SPI / I²C compliant DDC: Connect the pins (**C**). Set switch (**B**) to either SPI or I2C.

NOTE: Press RST (**E**) after setting switch (**B**).

- 3. Provide power to the device at all times, either via USB on the back (G) or the V5 IN pin (D) on the front.
- Connect the GNSS antenna to the evaluation unit

 (A) and place the antenna in a location with an
 unobstructed view of the sky. For best performance,
 use an active antenna or external LNA (when con necting to a GNSS simulator).
- 5. Start the u-center GNSS evaluation software and select the corresponding COM port and baud rate.



3. Kit includes

- EVK-7 or EVK-8 unit
- USB cable
- GPS / GLONASS antenna with 3 m cable

4. Interfaces

The EVK-7 and EVK-8 kits can be used to evaluate all interfaces on u-blox 7 / u-blox 8 chips and supported modules. The evaluation unit provides a Micro USB connector for communications and powering the device, as well as a UART connector for connecting to the COM port of your PC.

SPI and the I²C-compliant DDC interfaces are designed to enable communications with a host CPU.

5. Installation

Notes for downloading the EVK-7 / 8 software package and running the installation:

- An internet connection is required.
- Supported Windows operating systems: Windows 7 onwards (x86 and x64 versions)
- Choose a package: "Software only" or "Software and documentation".
- Unzip the downloaded file, go to the Tools folder, and open the u-center zip file.
- Run the extracted u-center exe file and follow the installer instructions.
- When the installation is complete, you will find a u-center menu under the Windows Start button: *All Programs > u-blox*

6. u-center

The u-center GNSS evaluation software provides a powerful tool for evaluation, performance analysis and configuration of u-blox positioning products.

7. More information

NOTE: Refer to recommendations in the EVK user guide when using the EVK-7 / 8 with a GNSS simulator.

For more information regarding the EVK-7 and EVK-8, contact your nearest u-blox support: www.u-blox.com/en/ contact-us-support.html