

# Single Tube Reader USB User Manual



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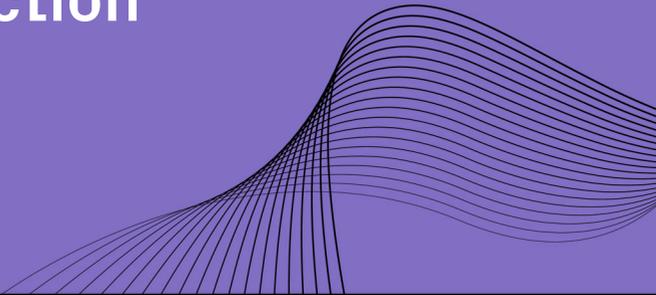
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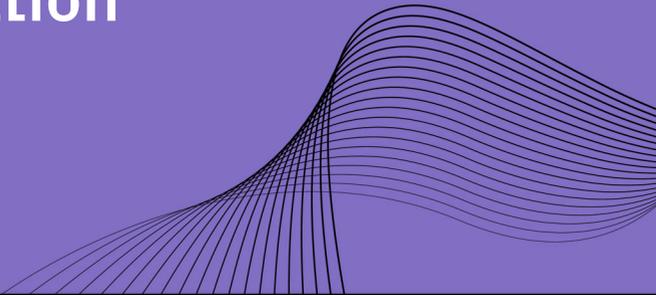
# 1. Introduction



The Single Tube Reader USB from Azenta is a sophisticated 2D Datamatrix code reader. It is capable of reading standard pre-coded tubes from a range of manufacturers, assuming they adhere to the ISO 16022 Datamatrix Two Dimensional Bar Code format.

The Single Tube Reader USB can also read linear barcodes and has a larger viewing window to improve readability.

## 2. Installation



The system has been designed with minimal user setup and no software is required. The USB connector cable is already fitted.

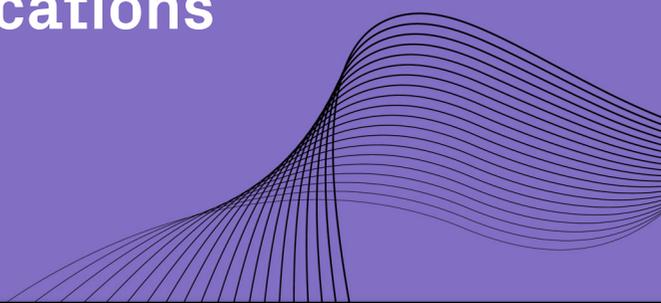
| Step | Action  |
|------|---|
| 1.   | Ensure the connector cable is fully inserted into the reader, then connect the USB end to the USB port on the host device to power up the reader. |
| 2.   | The unit will beep twice and the LED will turn off. The Single Tube Reader USB is now ready for use.  |

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**NOTE:** Any 1D or 2D Coded Tube scanned is sent directly through the keyboard buffer to wherever the cursor is blinking.

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# 3. Specifications

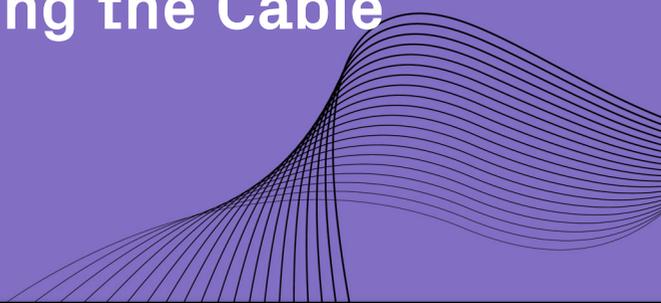


| Parameter                     | Specification  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Code formats read             | 2D Datamatrix, 1D linear barcodes, QR codes, ISO 16022, square and rectangular format, ECC 200, 0–20 grid sizes, white on black and black on white, numeric and alphanumeric |
| Sensor type                   | Sensor CMOS 1.2 Megapixel (1280 x 960) gray scale  |
| Light source                  | Red LED with blue targeting LED  |
| Read time                     | < 1 Second per tube or rack, either 1D or 2D   |
| Ambient operating temperature | -20 °C to 55 °C  |
| Tube compatibility            | Reads single tubes from SBS format racks, either in 24, 48, 96, 240 or 384 formats; as well as glass compound storage tubes, cryo tubes and biological sample tubes          |

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| Parameter               | Specification  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Dimensions (H x W x D)  | 38 x 59 x 150 mm   |
| Operating humidity      | 5% to 95% non-condensing   |
| Power requirements      | USB connection 5 vdc (mA): typical = <200 mA<br>idle = <90 mA                            |
| Communication interface | USB 2.0 HID  |
| Operating systems       | Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10, Windows CE, Mac OS X, Linux |

## 4. Attaching the Cable



### **NOTICE**

The RJ50 cable is a multi-pin connector and can be damaged if handled incorrectly. Ensure that the cable is fully pushed home. Errors may occur if the cable is not properly installed.

The connector cable is already attached, but if necessary the cable can be inserted by slotting the RJ50 connector into the reader.

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**NOTE:** Ensure it is in the correct orientation.

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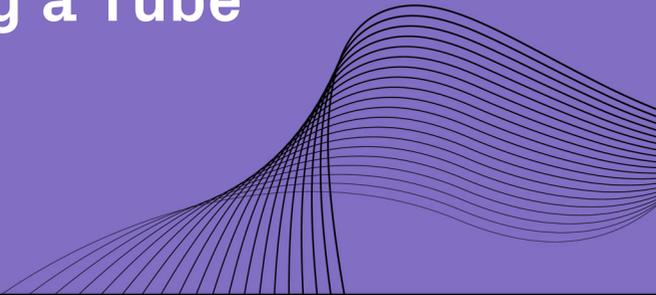


# 5. Detaching the Cable

| Step | Action   |
|------|--|
| 1.   | <p data-bbox="338 794 887 849">Insert one end of a paperclip into the hole on the back of the reader.</p>  A close-up photograph showing a person's hands in blue nitrile gloves. The left hand holds a silver paperclip, inserting one end into a small hole on the back of a white rectangular device. The right hand holds a black cable that is plugged into a port on the side of the device. The device has several other ports and a small circular hole on its back panel. |

| Step | Action  |
|------|---|
| 2.   | <p data-bbox="337 272 848 328">Apply pressure on the paperclip and gently pull the cable from the reader.</p>  |

# 6. Reading a Tube



The Azenta Single Tube Reader USB simplifies reading tubes. By default, the device is not in continuous scanning mode, so the button will need to be pressed to scan. The continuous scanning feature of the Single Tube Reader USB reader can be turned *ON* by scanning the *Continuous Scan ON* Quick Setup Code on [Page 18](#).

## Continuous Scanning Disabled

Hold the tube approximately 0.5 cm (0.2 in) from the scanning window and press the button on top of the reader.

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**NOTE:** This will prevent cross contamination and damage to the scanning window.

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The unit will beep once to indicate a successful read.



## Continuous Scanning Enabled

Hold the tube approximately 0.5 cm (0.2 in) from the scanning window.

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**NOTE:** This will prevent cross contamination and damage to the scanning window.

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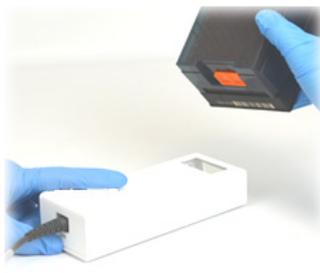
The unit will beep once to indicate a successful read.



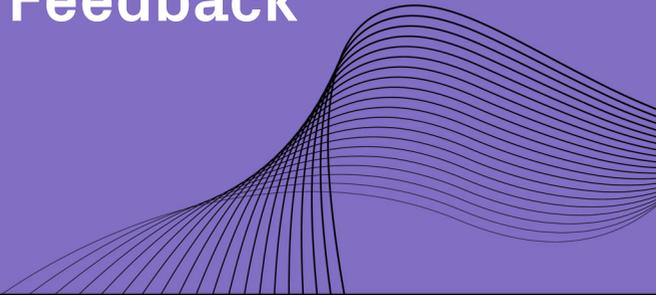
# 7. Reading a Linear Barcode

The Azenta Single Tube Reader USB also reads linear barcodes.

Use the targeting light to aim the beam over the linear barcode and press the read button. The unit will beep once to indicate a successful read.



# 8. Reader Feedback



The Azenta Single Tube Reader USB reader uses a combination of LEDs and audibles to indicate different scenarios. See the chart below for more information.

| Scenario  | LED Feedback           | Audio Feedback |
|---|------------------------|----------------|
| Successfully powers up  | Green LED lights up    | 2 Beeps        |
| Attempting to decode  | Green LED light is off | None           |
| Successful decode and data transfer via cable                             | Green LED lights up    | 1 Beep         |
| Configuration code successfully decoded and processed                     | Green LED lights up    | 2 Beeps        |
| Configuration code successfully decoded but wasn't successfully processed | Green LED lights up    | 4 Beeps        |

# 9. Quick Setup Codes

The Azenta Single Tube Reader USB can be configured by scanning one of the codes from the table below.

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**NOTE:** The configuration change will take effect immediately and be saved to memory.

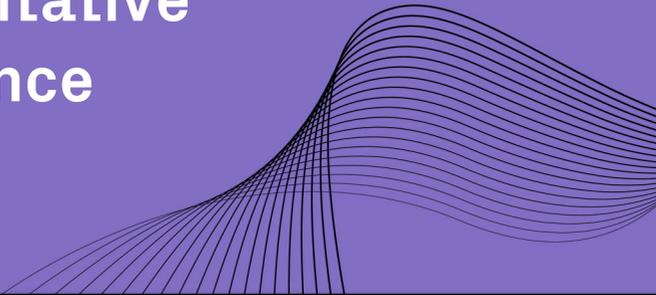
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| Action              | Setup Code  | Setting |
|---------------------|---|---------|
| Continuous Scan Off |  | Default |

| Action  | Setup Code  | Setting  |
|---|---|----------|
| Continuous Scan On  |    | Optional |
| Disable Alternative OS  |    | Default  |
| Enable Alternative OS (MAC/Linux)                                     |    | Optional |
| Enabled reading of reversed codes (black on white or white on black). |    | Default  |
| French Keyboard Mapping   |   | Optional |
| German Keyboard Mapping   |  | Optional |
| Japanese Keyboard Mapping   |  | Optional |

| Action                      | Setup Code  | Setting           |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------|
| Mirroring On                |    | Default           |
| Reader ID and Firmware      |    | Technical Support |
| STD Contrast Code (35% AGC) |    | Optional          |
| Suffix - Enter              |    | Default           |
| Suffix - Tab                |   | Optional          |
| Universal Keyboard Mapping  |  | Default           |

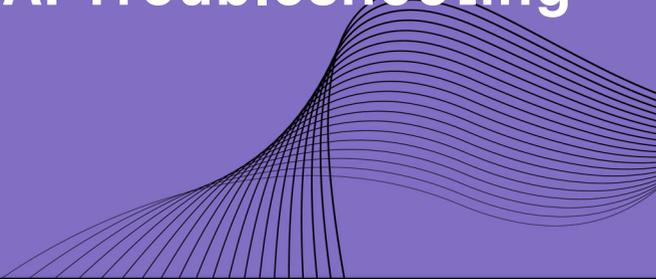
# 10. Preventative Maintenance



Periodically clean the scanning window with a moist, non-abrasive cloth to allow the best performance of the device. The following are safe to use for cleaning as needed:

- 70% Isopropyl Alcohol
- Cleanroom wipes
- Mild detergents

# Appendix A: Troubleshooting



## Single Tube Reader does not Read Barcodes

This procedure is for the recovery of Single Tube Reader units which cannot read barcodes.

Print this document to allow for easier scanning of the reset codes.

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**NOTE:** This procedure applies only to Single Tube Readers which use QR codes for programming. Older Single Tube Readers use Datamatrix codes and are outside of scope of this procedure.

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| Step | Action  |
|------|---|
| 1.   | <p data-bbox="320 276 572 300">Scan the QR code below.</p> <div data-bbox="320 328 555 571"><p data-bbox="384 459 488 483">M20111_01</p><p data-bbox="353 496 521 515">Reset to Factory Defaults M2</p><p data-bbox="529 544 549 568">E3</p></div> <p data-bbox="320 608 893 722">Hold the scanner approximately 50 mm (2 in.) from the code. The blue aiming light from the scanner does not need to completely cover the code, as it is the wider area red illumination which provides the reading.</p> <p data-bbox="320 756 911 839">A successful read and reset is indicated by two beeps from the scanner with the second beep at a higher pitch than the first.</p> |

| Step | Action   |
|------|--|
| 2.   | <p>If scanning the Factory Reset code fails to resolve the issue, Mirror Reading mode of the scanner is set incorrectly (the scanner within the Single Tube Reader sees codes through a mirror therefore, this mode is required).</p> <p>Scan the code below (Factory Reset code printed as a mirror image).</p> <div data-bbox="319 528 564 778" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"><p>10_1110SM</p><p>Reset to Factory Defaults MS</p><p>33</p></div> <p>A successful read and reset is indicated by two beeps from the scanner with the second beep at a higher pitch than the first.</p> |

| Step | Action   |
|------|--|
| 3.   | <p>Performing a Factory Reset returns the unit to basic factory settings.</p> <p>To reconfigure the device, scan the code below.</p>  <p>I0_1010SM</p> <p>DR Code Mirror On SM</p> <p>03</p> <p>A successful read is indicated by two beeps from the scanner with the second beep at a higher pitch than the first.</p> <p>Inverted image to allow reading via a mirror with the mode switched off.</p> |
| 4.   | <p>Program the scanner to read Datamatrix codes through the mirror.</p> <p>Scan the code below.</p>  <p>M20042_01</p> <p>Data Matrix Mirror On M2</p> <p>03</p> <p>A successful read is indicated by two beeps from the scanner with the second beep at a higher pitch than the first.</p>  |

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**NOTE:** Additional configuration codes can be found in ["Quick Setup Codes"](#) on page [18](#).

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# Appendix B: Declaration of CE Conformity

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| DOCUMENT NUMBER:<br><b>309512</b> | TITLE:<br><b>Declaration of Conformity, Low Voltage Directive</b> |  |
| REVISION: B<br>Ecode: EC132455    | DOCUMENT CLASSIFICATION:<br>04-Form, Template or Other            |   |

**DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

**Description:** Scope USB - Single sample tube 2D code reader

**Function:** To provide instant "plug and play" decoding of all 2D barcoded tubes and 1D barcoded tubes and racks.

**Product code:** FLX-20-1003, 20-1003

Business name and full address of the manufacturer of the machinery  
Azenta Life Sciences, Northbank, Irlam, Manchester M44 5AY, United Kingdom

Name and address of the person, established in the Community, authorized to compile the relevant technical documentation  
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The manufacturer declares:

- That this equipment fulfills all the relevant provisions of Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU
  - EN 61010-1:2010+A1:2019. Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement control and laboratory use. General requirements
- That this machinery fulfils all the relevant provisions of Directive 2014/30/EU (EMC Directive)
  - EN 61326-1:2021. Electrical equipment for measurement control and laboratory use. EMC requirements. General requirements
- That this machinery is in conformity with Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2011 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment and amendment (2015/963/EU)
  - BS EN IEC 63000:2018. Technical documentation for the assessment of electrical and electronic products with respect to the restriction of hazardous substances.

Year CE Marking Affixed to Product: 2016

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# Appendix C: WEEE Statement



The symbol above indicates that Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) is not to be disposed of as unsorted municipal waste. Equipment marked with this symbol is to be collected separately.

The objectives of this program are to preserve, protect and improve the quality of the environment, protect human health and utilize natural resources prudently and

rationally. Specific treatment of WEEE is indispensable in order to avoid the dispersion of pollutants into the recycled material or waste stream. Such treatment is the most effective means of protecting the customer's environment.

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