Outline Datasheet

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SFP MicroCoder

Small-format programmer for coding:
SFP, SFP+, SFP28, CWDM, DWDM, BiDi etc.

QSFP-DD MicroCoder

Small-format programmer for coding:
QSFP, QSFP28, QSFP-DD, DAC etc.

MiniCoder

Small-format programmer for coding:
SFP, SFP+, SFP28, CWDM, DWDM, GPON, BiDi etc.
and QSFP, QSFP28, QSFP-DD, DAC etc.

OSFP MicroCoder

Small-format programmer for coding: OSFP

Contents

Introduction

The OpticalProgammer.com range of Coders can program almost anything in the SFP-QSFP family of transceivers. They are optimised for re-coding transceivers in the field. They are designed to be rugged enough to throw in a works bag, and cheap enough to give away.

	SFP MicroCoder	SFP-DD MicroCoder	QSFP-DD MicroCoder	OSFP MicroCoder	MiniCoder
Status	Available now	Sampling Q2 2025	Available now	Available now	Available now
Custom labelling?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keyring option?	✓				
SFP	✓	✓			✓
SFP+	✓	✓			✓
SFP28	✓	✓			✓
CWDM	✓	✓			✓
DWDM	✓	✓			✓
Tuneable	✓	✓			✓
Bi-Di	✓	✓			✓
SFP-DD		✓			✓
QSFP			✓		✓
QSFP28			✓		✓
QSFP56			✓		✓
QSFP-DD			✓		✓
OSFP				✓	
OSFP-RHS				Ask	

The whole range is customizable to your branding.

Software

The software we provide is designed to demonstrate the abilities of the coders, and to perform basic coding functions. We will also support you writing your own software, or work with you to create a custom version of our software.

Hardware Overview

All parameters are with T_A = 0 to 30°C.

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MINIMUM	TYPICAL	MAXIMUM	UNIT
Input voltage		4.5[1]	5.0	6.0	V
Output voltage to transceivers	P_{OUT}= 1.5W[2]	3.25	3.3	3.35	V
Output voltage to transceivers	P_{OUT}= 7W[3]	3.15	3.3	3.45	V
Output power to transceivers	-	0	-	10[4]	W
Quiescent current	Power to SFP is off LEDs are off Clock = 24MHz	45	52	54	mA
Power monitor accuracy[5]	P_{SFP}= 0 to 5W	-	±1%	±5%	-

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	TYPICAL	UNIT
ESD protection – contact discharge	Standard IEC 61000-4-2	±8	kV
ESD protection – air discharge	Standard IEC 61000-4-2	±15	kV

Mechanical Properties

SFP MicroCoder
Approximate dimensions: 44mm x 30mm x 14mm
Approximate weight: 13g

QSFP-DD MicroCoder
Approximate dimensions: 80mm x 39mm x 14mm
Approximate weight: 32g

OSFP MicroCoder
Approximate dimensions: 115mm x 45mm x 19mm
Approximate weight: 56g

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[1] According to the USB standard, input voltage should never drop below 4.75V. In reality however, loaded ports can sometimes drop well below this, especially with long or poor quality cables.
[2] This represents QSFP-DD power class 1.
[3] This represents QSFP-DD power class 3. In reality, the transceiver will quickly overheat at these power levels. The MicroCoder case is not designed to dissipate that much heat.
[4] This is limited by the USB-C architecture and may not be available depending on the host implementation. The voltage at the transceiver is not guaranteed at maximum power.
[5] For the MiniCoder only.

MiniCoder

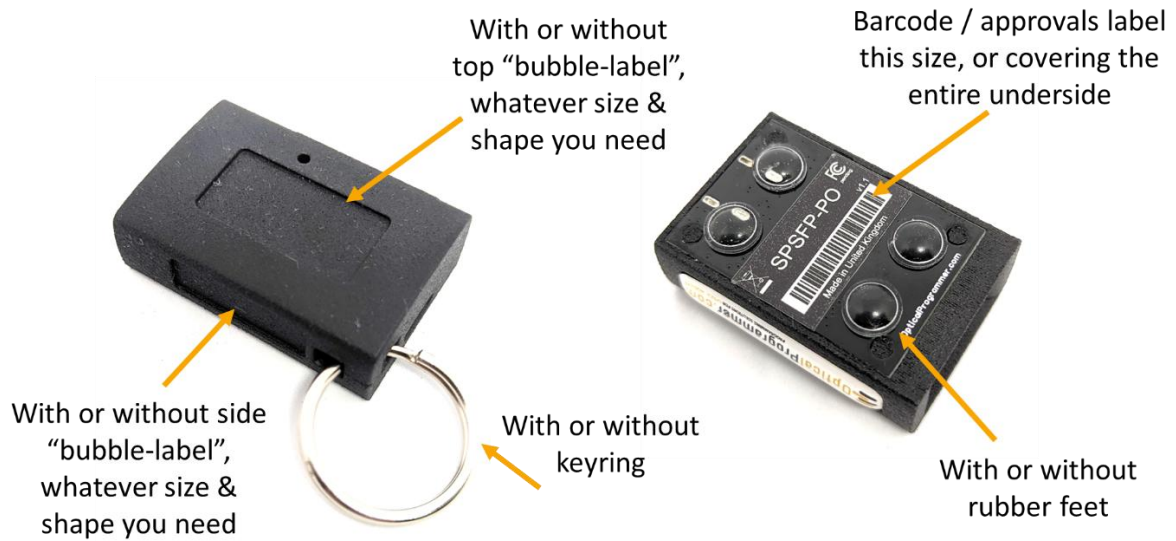Approximate dimensions: 80mm x 39mm x 14mm
Approximate weight: 31g

All types are optionally supplied with rubber feet.

Customisation

Branding
Both the MicroCoder and MiniCoder labels can easily be customized to your branding.

Case options

With or without top "bubble-label", whatever size & shape you need

Barcode / approvals label this size, or covering the entire underside

With or without side "bubble-label", whatever size & shape you need

With or without keyring

With or without rubber feet

Software
If you have your own software team, we can work with them to achieve your desired outcome, providing all the support they need.

Alternatively, we offer a full turnkey solution, with software customized to your needs. We will work with you to define how you would like to software to work, and how you would like it to appear.

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EU Declaration of Conformity

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declare, under our sole responsibility, that the products:

SFP MicroCoder (S-OP)
QSFP-DD MicroCoder (Q-OP)
OSFP MicroCoder (O-OP)
SFP-QSFP MiniCoder (QS-OP)

conform with the provisions of the following EU Directives:

EMC Directive 2014/30/EU
Restrictions on Hazardous Substances Directive 2011/65/EU (RoHS2)

Place	Signature	Date
Stoke-on-Trent, UK		24/03/2025

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conform with the provisions of the following UK Directives:
Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016
The Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2012
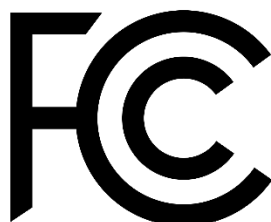
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Statement of FCC Exemption

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are class-A unintentional radiators, exempt from the provisions of FCC Part 15 Subpart B (CFR 47), under the rule 15.103(c) "a digital device used exclusively as industrial…test equipment".

In addition, these devices are marketed only to industrial users, and is intended to be used by qualified engineers and technicians in an industrial environment.

Place
Stoke-on-Trent, UK

Signature

Date
24/03/2025

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Revision History

v1.6
- Added OSFP-MicroCoder

v1.5
- Removed software instructions.
- Update to roadmap.

v1.4
- Added introduction.
- Added QSFP-DD MicroCoder data.
- Added software state chart.

v1.3
- Added case customisation options.

v1.2
- Complete update, added MiniCoder information.

v1.1
- Changed unused GPIOs to OUTPUTS, which changes the configuration bytes.

v1.1
- Added Micro-coder branding
- Added outline instructions and process flow for demo software
- Formatting changes

v1.0
- Original version