# **Start Guide**

NPM EC-AD1442A1 EtherCAT Driver CiA402 PP Mode (1-axis)





86Duino Coding IDE 501 **EtherCAT Library** 

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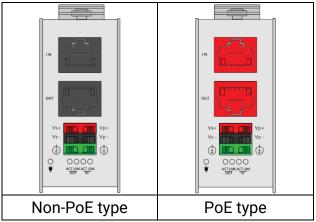
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### **Preface**

In this guide, we will show you how to use the EtherCAT MDevice QEC-M-01 and the NPM EC-AD1442A1 (2-phase Bipolar 1-axis stepping motor driver).

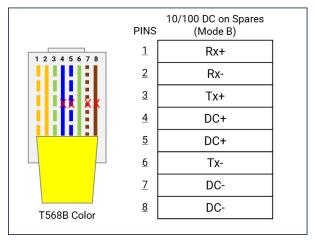
### **Notes QEC's PoE (Power over Ethernet)**

In QEC product installations, users can easily distinguish between PoE and non-PoE: if the RJ45 house is red, it is PoE type, and if the RJ45 house is black, it is non-PoE type.



PoE (Power over Ethernet) is a function that delivers power over the network. QEC can be equipped with an optional PoE function to reduce cabling. In practice, PoE is selected based on system equipment, so please pay attention to the following points while evaluating and testing:

1. The PoE function of QEC is different and incompatible with EtherCAT P, and the PoE function of QEC is based on PoE Type B, and the pin functions are as follows:



- 2. When connecting PoE and non-PoE devices, make sure to disconnect Ethernet cables at pins 4, 5, 7, and 8 (e.g., when a PoE-supported QEC EtherCAT MDevice connects with a third-party EtherCAT SubDevice).
- 3. QEC's PoE power supply is up to 24V/3A.

# 1. Connection and wiring hardware

The following devices are used here:

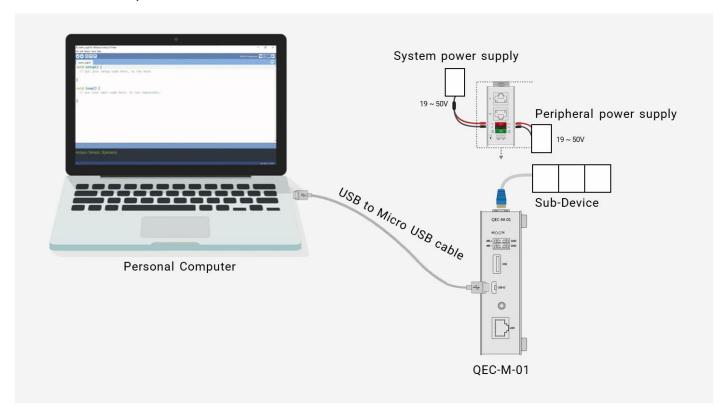
- 1. QEC-M-01 (EtherCAT MDevice)
- 2. NPM EC-AD1442A1 (2-phase Bipolar 1-axis stepping motor driver)
- 3. 24V power supply & EU-type terminal cable & LAN cable
- 4. 86STEP-42 (Encoder in Stepper Motor, size 42 mm square)



### 1.1 QEC-M-01

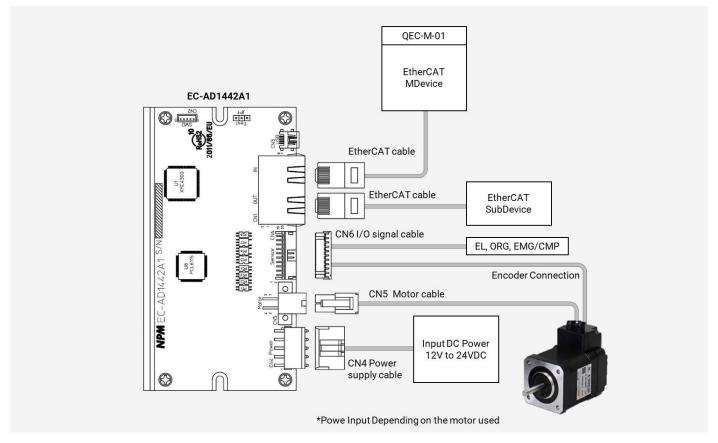
### QEC EtherCAT MDevice.

- Power Supply: Connect to Vs+/Vs- and Vp+/Vp- power supplies via EU terminals for 24V power.
- 2. EtherCAT Connection: Using the EtherCAT Out port (On the top side) connected to the EtherCAT In port of EtherCAT SubDevice via RJ45 cable.



### 1.2 EC-AD1442A1

**EC-AD1442A1**, an EtherCAT interface 2-phase bipolar constant current, 1-axis stepping motor driver. This figure shows an example of when the **86STEP-42** motor is connected.



### EtherCAT Connectivity:

 Two EtherCAT ports for network communication (IN and OUT) for connecting the MDevice and other SubDevices.

#### 2. Signal Connections:

- CN6: I/O signal interface for EL, ORG, EMG, CMP signals and encoder connection for tracking motor position.
- CN5: Motor interface for motor cable connection.

### 3. Power Supply:

CN4: Accepts 12V~24V DC power input for device and motor operation.

### 4. Safety and Status:

- CN6 supports emergency stop signal (EMG).
- LED indicators display device and EtherCAT status.

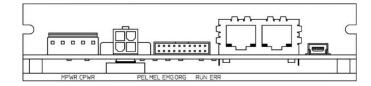
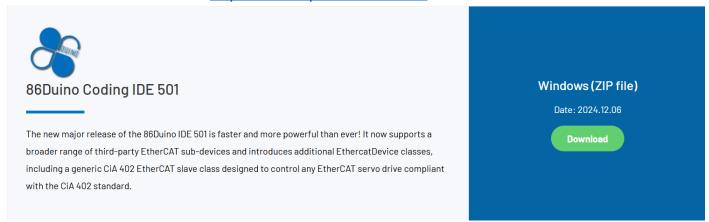


Figure: EC-AD1442A1 Side view

# 2. Software/Development Environment

Download 86duino IDE from <a href="https://www.gec.tw/software/">https://www.gec.tw/software/</a>.



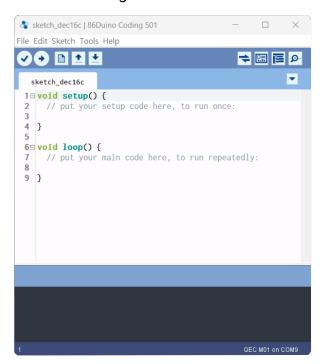
After downloading, please unzip the downloaded zip file, no additional software installation is required, just double-click 86duino.exe to start the IDE.



### Note:

If Windows displays a warning, click Details once and then click the Continue Run button once.

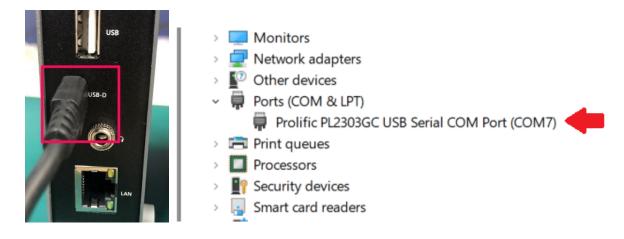
86Duino Coding IDE 501+ looks like below.



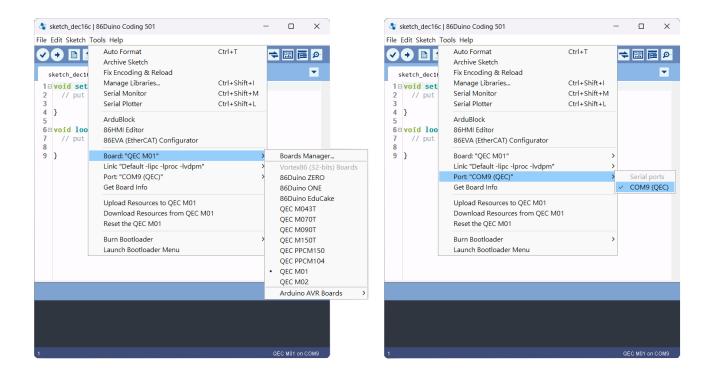
# 3. Connect to PC and set up the environment

Follow the steps below to set up the environment:

- 1. Connect the QEC-M-01 to your PC via a Micro USB to USB cable (86Duino IDE installed).
- 2. Turn on the QEC power.
- 3. Open "Device Manager" (select in the menu after pressing Win+X) ->" Ports (COM & LPT)" in your PC and expand the ports; you should see that the "Prolific PL2303GC USB Serial COM Port (COMx)" is detected; if not, you will need to install the required drivers.
  (For Windows PL2303 driver, you can download here)



- 4. Open the 86Duino IDE.
- Select the correct board: In the IDE's menu, select Tools> Board > QEC-M-01 (or the QEC MDevice model you use).
- 6. Select Port: In the IDE's menu, select Tools > Port and select the USB port to connect to the QEC MDevice (in this case, COM9 (QEC)).



### 4. Write code

The EtherCAT MDevice (QEC-M-01) and the NPM EC-AD1442A1 (2-phase Bipolar 1-axis stepping motor driver) can be configured and programmed via the EtherCAT library in the 86Duino IDE. The Arduino development environment has two main parts: setup() and loop(), which correspond to initialization and main programs. Before operating the EtherCAT network, you must configure it once. The process should be from Pre-OP to OP mode in EtherCAT devices.

The following program sets the EC-AD1442A1 into CiA402 Profile Position (PP) mode:

- EtherCAT Cycle Time: 1 millisecond.
- EtherCAT Mode: ECAT\_SYNC.

The EthercatMaster object ("master") represents the QEC-M-01, while the EthercatDevice\_CiA402 object ("motor") represents the NPM EC-AD1442A1 driver.

### A. In Setup Function:

In the setup() function initializes communication and configures the motor for CiA402 Profile Position (PP) mode. Follow the steps below:

- 1. Initialize Serial Communication
  - Start serial communication at a baud rate of 115200.
- 2. Start the EtherCAT MDevice
  - Use the begin() function to initial the EtherCAT MDevice and set the EtherCAT state machine to the PRE-OPERATIONAL state.
- 3. Attach the EtherCAT SubDevice
  - Use the attach() function to attach the EtherCAT SubDevice to the EtherCAT Network.
- 4. Start the EtherCAT MDevice
  - Use the start() function to switch the EtherCAT state machine to the OPERATIONAL state. Set the cycle time to 1ms and ECAT\_SYNC mode.
- 5. Set Profile Position (PP) Mode
  - Configure the motor to PP mode using setCiA402Mode(CIA402\_PP\_MODE).
- 6. Enable the Motor
  - Use the enable() function to enable the motor and transition it to CIA402\_OPERATION\_ENABLED.
- 7. Configure Profile Parameters
  - Motion Profile Type: Linear Ramp, Profile Velocity: 50,000, Acceleration: 3,000, Deceleration: 3,000.

#### **B.** In Loop Function:

In the loop() function, the motor's current position is displayed on the Serial Monitor, and the motor alternates its movement back and forth.

#### 1. State Machine Logic

- case 0: Start the motor and move to the target position (100,000 units). Once the command is successfully executed, transition to the next state.
- case 1: Wait for the motor to reach the target position. Once the target is reached, proceed to the next state.
- case 2: Start the motor and move back to the original position (-100,000 units). Once the command is successfully executed, transition to the next state.
- case 3: Wait for the motor to return to the original position. Once the target is reached, reset the state machine back to case 0 to repeat the movement cycle.

### 2. Code Logic Summary

- Use the pp\_Run() function to initiate position movement.
- Use the pp\_lsTargetReached() function to confirm whether the target position has been reached.
- The state machine starts at case 0 and resets after completing case 3.

#### The example code is as follows:

```
#include "Ethercat.h"
EthercatMaster master;
EthercatDevice_CiA402 motor;
int pp_state = 0;
void setup() {
 Serial.begin(115200);
 while (!Serial);
 Serial.print("Begin: "); Serial.println(master.begin());
 Serial.print("Slave: "); Serial.println(motor.attach(0, master));
 motor.setDc(1000000);
 Serial.print("Start: "); Serial.println(master.start(1000000, ECAT_SYNC));
 motor.setCiA402Mode(CIA402_PP_MODE);
 Serial.print("Enable: "); Serial.println(motor.enable());
 motor.pp_SetMotionProfileType(0); // Linear ramp (trapezoidal profile)
 motor.pp_SetVelocity(50000);
 motor.pp_SetAcceleration(3000);
 motor.pp SetDeceleration(3000);
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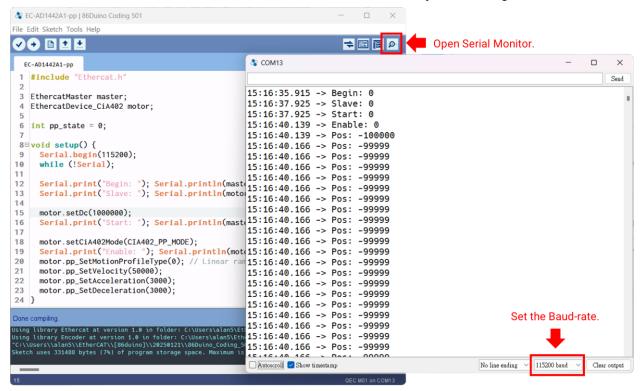
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}
void loop() {
 Serial.print("Pos: "); Serial.println(motor.getPositionActualValue());
 switch (pp_state)
 {
   case 0:
     if (motor.pp Run(100000) == 0)
       pp_state++;
     break;
   case 1:
     if (motor.pp_IsTargetReached())
       pp_state++;
     break;
   case 2:
     if (motor.pp_Run(-100000) == 0)
       pp_state++;
     break;
   case 3:
     if (motor.pp_IsTargetReached())
       pp_state = 0;
     break;
 }
```

### Note:

Once the code is written, click on the toolbar to compile, and to confirm that the compilation is complete and error-free, you can click to upload.



After you successfully upload the program to the QEC-M-01, you can open the Serial Monitor on 86Duino IDE. Please check the Serial baud rate is same as your setting.



If the EtherCAT communication config successful, Serial Monitor will print "0" and "Enable: 0".

```
15:16:35.915 -> Begin: 0
15:16:37.925 -> Slave: 0
15:16:37.925 -> Start: 0
15:16:40.139 -> Enable: 0
```

It will print the motor's current position to the serial monitor.

```
COM13
                                                                    X
                                                                        Send
15:16:35.915 -> Begin: 0
15:16:37.925 -> Slave: 0
15:16:37.925 -> Start: 0
15:16:40.139 -> Enable: 0
15:16:40.139 -> Pos: -100000
15:16:40.166 -> Pos: -99999
15.16.40 166 - Dace 00000
Autoscroll 🔽 Show timestamp
                                              No line ending V 115200 baud V Clear output
```

# **Troubleshooting**

### QEC-M-01 cannot successfully upload code

When you are unable to successfully upload code, please open 86EVA to check if your QEC EtherCAT MDevice's environment is abnormal. As shown in the figure below, please try updating your QEC EtherCAT MDevice's environment, which will include the following three items: Bootloader, EtherCAT firmware, and EtherCAT tool.



Now, we will further explain how to proceed with the update:

### Step 1: Setting up QEC-M

- 1. Download and install 86Duino IDE 500+ (or a newer version): You can download it from Software.
- 2. Connect the QEC-M: Use a USB cable to connect the QEC-M to your computer.
- 3. Open 86Duino IDE: After the installation is complete, open the 86Duino IDE software.
- 4. Select Board: From the IDE menu, choose "Tools" > "Board" > "QEC-M-01" (or the specific model of QEC-M you are using).
- 5. Select Port: From the IDE menu, choose "Tools" > "Port" and select the USB port to which the QEC-M is connected.

### Step 2: Click "Burn Bootloader" button

After connecting to your QEC-M product, go to "Tools"> "Burn Bootloader". The currently selected QEC-M name will appear. Clicking on it will start the update process, which will take approximately 5-20 minutes.

### QEC-M-01:



Step 3: Complete the Update



After completing the above steps, your QEC-M has been successfully updated to the latest version of the development environment.

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