## Littfinski DatenTechnik (LDT)

### **Operating Instruction**



## 4-fold switch decoder

from the Digital-Professional-Series

SA-DEC-4-MM-G Part-No.: 210313

(With possible external power supply)

>> finished module in a case <<

### Compatible to Märklin-Motorola-Format:

(e.g. Märklin-Digital~ [Control Unit, Central Station 1 und 2], Intellibox, EasyControl, ECoS, KeyCom-MM, DiCoStation, EDiTS, EDiTS pro and others)

#### For digital control of:

- consumers up to 2 Ampere on each output (e.g. illumination, disconnection of track sections from power).
- ⇒ jammed turnout- and signal drives (drives with integrated end switch).

This product is not a toy! Not suitable for children under 14 years of age! The kit contains small parts, which should be kept away from children under 3! Improper use will imply danger of injuring due to sharp edges and tips! Please store this instruction carefully.





The decoder receives the **digital information** via the clamp **KL2**. Connect the clamp with a rail or even better connect the clamp directly to the command station or to a booster assuring supply of digital information free from any interference.

Pay attention to the mark at clamp KL2. The color markings 'Black/Schwarz' and 'Red/Rot' next to the clamp are used for Arnold-Digital (old) and Märklin-Digital=.

Other systems are using the letters 'J' and 'K'.

If you use the decoder for a Märklin-Digital~ respectively Märklin-Motorola installation please attend to the colors marks 'red/rot' and 'brown/braun'.

The decoder receives the **voltage-supply** via the two-pole clamp **KL1**. The voltage shall be in the range of 12 to  $18V^{\sim}$  (alternating voltage output of a model railway transformer) or 15 to 24Volt = (direct voltage output of an insulated power supply unit).

Now connect the consumers (e.g. illumination, motors or turnoutand signal coils) to the output 1 to 4. The contact marked 'COM' is the common connection of the bistable relay.

## Programming the decoder address:

For programming the decoder address you have to connect a consumer to the output 1. As it is possible to hear the switching of the bistable relay the connection of a consumer is not mandatory.

## Introduction/Safety instruction:

You have purchased the 4-fold switch decoder **SA-DEC-4** for your model railway as a finished module in a case.

The **SA-DEC-4** is a high quality product that is supplied within the <u>Digital-Professional-Series</u> of Littfinski DatenTechnik (LDT).

We wish you having a good time using this product.

The switch decoder **SA-DEC-4** of the *Digital-Professional-Series* can be easily installed and used on your digital railway.

The decoder **SA-DEC-4** is suitable for **Märklin-Digital~** respectively for **Märklin-Motorola** digital format.

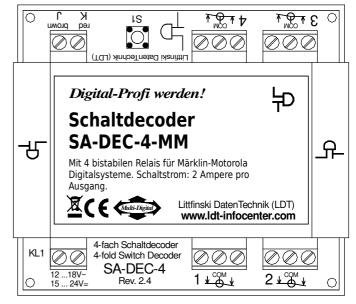
The decoder **SA-DEC-4** is **multi digital** and can be installed to the **Intellibox** without any problems.

The finished module comes with 24 month warranty.

- Please read the following instructions carefully. Warranty will expire due to damages caused by disregarding the operating instructions. LDT will also be not liable for any consequential damages caused by improper use or installation.
- We designed our devices for indoor use only.

# Connecting the decoder to your digital model railway layout:

 Attention: Before starting the installation switch off the drive voltage by pushing the stop button from the command station or disconnect the main supply.



- Switch on the power supply of your model rail way.
- Depress the programming key S1.
- The relay on output 1 will switch now automatically every 1.5 seconds. This indicates that the decoder is in the programming mode.
- Depress now one push button assigned to the decoder. For programming the decoder address you can also release a turnout switch signal via a personal computer.

**Remarks:** The decoder addresses for magnet accessories are combined in groups of four. The address 1 to 4 build the first group. The address 5 to 8 build the second group etc. Each **SA-DEC-4** decoder can be assigned to any of these groups. Which of the 4 turnouts of a group will be activated for the addressing does not matter.

- If the decoder has recognized the assignment correctly the relay will move a little faster. Afterwards the movement slows down to the initial 1.5 seconds interval again. In case the decoder will not recognize the address it could be that the two digital information connections (clamp 2) are wrong connected. For testing this, switch off the power supply, exchange the connection on KL2 and start addressing again.
- Leave the programming mode by depress the programming key S1 again. The decoder address is now permanently stored but can be changed at any time by repeating the programming as described above.
- If you depress the first key of the programmed group of keys or you send a switch signal for this turnout from a PC the addressed bistable relay should now switch the connected consumer on or off.

## Please attend to the following:

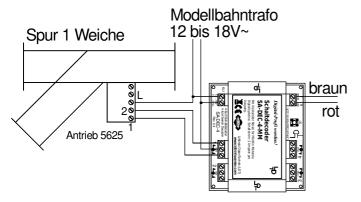
All 4 outputs can switch consumers with up to 2 Ampere.

## Decoder application:

Besides the switching of illumination and motors there is an excellent application for the decoder **SA-DEC-4** of digital switching the **Märklin gauge 1** drives (e.g. 5625).

As an advantage large current consuming drives will not unnecessary overload the expensive digital power supply.

The following draft shows the wiring.



Feed the **SA-DEC-4** via **KL1** witch **AC** from the **model railway transformer**. Further connect one cable of the transformer with clamp 'L' on the turnout drive. Connect the second cable of the transformer with the clamp marked with 'COM' on the respective decoder output.

Now, connect the two remaining clamps of the decoder output with the outputs 1 and 2 of the turnout drive.

Further examples can be found on the web-Site (www.ldt-infocenter.com) in the download section.

## Trouble shooting:

What to do if something is not working as described above?

Here some possible functional errors and possible solutions:

- 1. During **programming of the decoder addresses** the relay on output moves within 1.5 seconds, but does not **confirm** the programming with **faster movement** by **depressing any key**.
- Change cable connections at KL2.
- Interfered digital information at KL2 respectively lost of voltage at the tracks! Connect the decoder directly with cables to the digital control unit or to the booster instead to the tracks.
- Eventually the clamps have been tightened to strong and therefore the clamps got loose at the soldering to the pc board. Check the soldering connection of the clamps at the lower side of the pc-board and re-solder them if required.
- 2. The **programming of the decoder address** functions as described, nevertheless the **connected consumers** will **not be activated.**
- Interfered digital information on KL2 respectively larger lost of voltage at the tracks result to unsafe data transfer!
   Connect the decoder directly with wires to the command station or the booster.

## <u>Further products within the *Digital-Professional-Series*:</u>

### S-DEC-4

**4-fold turnout decoder** for 4 magnet accessories with free programmable decoder addresses and possible external power supply.

#### M-DEC

**4-fold decoder for motor driven turnouts**. For motors up to 1A. With free programmable decoder addresses. Drives can be connected directly with the decoder output.

#### LS-DEC

**Light signal decoder** for up to 4 LED train signals. Signal signs will be originally dimmed up and down and directly positioned via the decoder address.

#### RM-88-N / RM-88-N-O

16-fold feedback modules (also with integrated opto-couplings) for the s88-feedback bus and the connection to Memory and Interface (Märklin / Arnold), Central Station 1 and 2, ECoS, Intellibox respectively TWIN-CENTER, EasyControl, DiCoStation and HSI-88.

#### RM-GB-8-N

**8-fold feedback module** with integrated **track occupancy detectors** for the s88-feedback bus.

All products are supplied as easy to assemble **complete kits** or as **finished modules**.

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