

NORA-B26 series



Stand-alone Bluetooth® Low Energy modules

Bluetooth LE module for ultra-low power IoT applications

- Qualified against Bluetooth® Core 6.0 including Channel Sounding for accurate ranging
- u-connectXpress software for accelerated time to market
- Designed for PSA Certified Level 3 security with tamper detection
- Small footprint and multiple antenna options
- Global certification



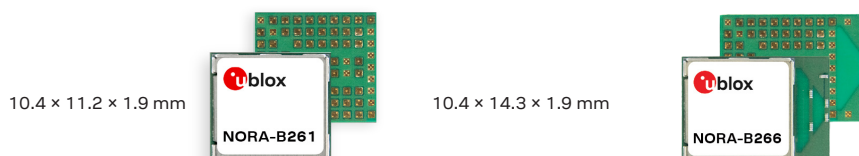
Standard



Professional



Automotive



Product description

NORA-B26 is a compact, high-performing, stand-alone Bluetooth Low Energy module. The module is delivered with u-connectXpress software that provides support for u-blox Bluetooth Low Energy Serial Port Service, GATT client and server, beacons, Channel Sounding, Bluetooth long range, NFC™, and simultaneous peripheral and central roles. u-blox u-connectXpress software allows hosts to easily configure connectivity using AT commands over a UART interface.

NORA-B26 provides top-grade security, thanks to secure boot, which ensures that the modules only boot up with authenticated u-connectXpress software. Leveraging Bluetooth long range feature, NORA-B26 also offers an extended communication range with reliable connections. Key markets are industrial automation, smart cities and buildings, medical and healthcare, and telematics. Specific applications include asset tracking, indoor location, sensors, and wireless-connected and configurable equipment.

NORA-B26 comes with an internal chip antenna for ease of integration in the end-product as well as an antenna pin for use with an external antenna of choice. All variants come designed for PSA Certified Level 3 IoT security making the modules ideal for security sensitive applications like point-of-sales terminals and medical devices. NORA-B26 is globally certified for use with the internal or external antenna. This reduces time, cost, and effort for customers integrating NORA-B26 in their designs. To ensure operation in professional environments, the module is designed and manufactured according to u-blox professional grade requirements.

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| Grade | | |
| Automotive | | |
| Professional | • | • |
| Standard | | |
| Radio | | |
| Chip inside | nRF54L10 | nRF54L10 |
| Qualified against Bluetooth Core | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| Bluetooth low energy | • | • |
| Bluetooth output power EIRP [dBm] | 10 | 10 |
| Max range [meters] | TBD | TBD |
| NFC | • | • |
| Antenna type (see footnotes) | pin | pcb |
| Application software | | |
| u-connectXpress | • | • |
| Interfaces | | |
| UART | 2 | 2 |
| GPIO pins | TBD | TBD |
| Features | | |
| Maximum Bluetooth connections | TBD | TBD |
| Bluetooth Channel Sounding | • | • |
| Bluetooth long range | • | • |
| Low Energy Serial Port Service | • | • |
| Secure boot | • | • |
| Throughput [Mbit/s] | TBD | TBD |
| Simultaneous GATT server and client | • | • |

pin = Antenna pin
pcb = Internal PCB antenna

Features

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| Bluetooth | Qualified against Bluetooth Core 6.0 |
| NFC | NFC-A for pairing data |
| Range | Internal antenna: TBD External antenna: TBD |
| Max. conducted output power | 7 dBm |
| Max radiated output power (EIRP) | Internal antenna: 10 dBm External antenna: 10 dBm |
| Conducted sensitivity | -98 dBm (1 Mbit/s) TBD (125 Kbit/s) |

u-connectXpress software

NORA-B26 modules are pre-flashed with u-connectXpress and boot-loader software that interfaces through an AT command interpreter to control customer application software running on host MCUs.

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| Bluetooth | u-blox Low Energy Serial Port Service (SPS) GATT server and client using AT commands Beacons 2 Mbit/s modulation 125 Kbit/s modulation long range functionality Advertising extensions |
| Configuration over air | Wireless transmission of AT commands to control the module |
| Extended Data Mode™ | For simultaneous AT commands and data, and multiple simultaneous data streams |
| HW interfaces | 2 x UART, 19 x GPIO |
| Configuration | AT commands |
| Support tools | s-center |
| Operating modes | Central role Peripheral role Simultaneous central and peripheral roles LE 1M PHY LE 2M PHY LE CODED PHY Advertising extensions LE data length extension Channel Sounding |
| Security | Secure boot Secure Simple Pairing 128-bit AES encryption Bluetooth Low Energy secure connections |
| Throughput over UART | TBD |

Electrical data

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| Power supply | 1.7 V to 3.6 VDC |
| Power consumption (@ +7 dBm) | Active, advertising 31 bytes/s: TBD Standby, advertising 31 bytes/s: TBD Sleep: TBD |

Further information

For contact information, see www.u-blox.com/contact-u-blox.

For more product details and ordering information, see the product data sheet.

Package

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| Dimensions | NORA-B261: 10.4 x 11.2 x 1.9 mm NORA-B266: 10.4 x 14.3 x 1.9 mm |
| Weight | < 0.1 g |
| Mounting | Machine mountable Solder pins |

Environmental data, quality, and reliability

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| Operating temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C |
| Storage temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C |
| Humidity | RH 5-90% non-condensing |

Certifications and approvals¹

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| Type approvals | Europe (RED), Great Britain (UKCA), US (FCC), Canada (ISED), Japan (MIC), South Korea (KCC), Taiwan (NCC), Australia (ACMA), New Zealand |
| Health and safety | EN 62479, EN 62368-1, IEC 62368-1 |
| Bluetooth | Qualified against Bluetooth Core 6.0 |

¹ = Certifications are pending

Support products

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| EVK-NORA-B261 | Full-featured evaluation kit for NORA-B261 with u-connectXpress software, using the antenna pin |
| EVK-NORA-B266 | Full-featured evaluation kit for NORA-B266 with u-connectXpress software using the internal PCB antenna |

Product variants

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| NORA-B261 | Professional grade Bluetooth low energy module with u-connectXpress software and antenna pin for external antenna |
| NORA-B266 | Professional grade Bluetooth low energy module with u-connectXpress software and internal antenna |

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