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# **Ground Forces LiFi System**

### Wireless data where WiFi is not an option Using Infra Red for faster, more efficient data transfer

The datasheet outlines equipment designed for use by Ground Forces but many other variations are available or can be manufactured for specific use cases – please get in touch.

Based on Signify's highly successful LiFi system, Consolite has re-engineered the technology to be suitable for the Military environment.

Meeting the relevant Def Stans and Mil-Stds this product is developed for use in situations where Wifi is not an option.

#### LiFi Technology, advantages and uses

LiFi (Light Fidelity) is a method of transferring data using light, whereas WiFi transfers data using radio frequencies.

There are many benefits of transferring data through light.

- Security: The USB key must be within the "Line of Sight" (light cone) of the transceiver providing a high level of Physical Security. The USB Key must be in line of sight of the transceiver. As light does not penetrate walls this provides a Low Probability of Detection (LPD) and a Low Probability of Interception (LPI).
  - The communications does not suffer from interference in the same way RF does.
- Speed: The data from the Access Point (AP) is only used by those beneath the AP so it is not shared amongst multiple users.
- Bandwidth: WiFi makes use of radio communications, of which the spectrum has become very crowded and is very often licensed. The LiFi spectrum is unlicensed and offers virtually unlimited bandwidth.
- RF interference: LiFi does not interfere with sensitive equipment in the way that WiFi can so it can be used in highly technical areas like machinery spaces and operations rooms, in explosion proof areas and nuclear facilities.

Providing fast, secure wireless data which is easily transported and quickly deployed, linking each shelter without the need for cumbersome cables. Operators can become connected in the same way as society does. Fast communications, video linking, geo-location, instant access to documents, on the job training through augmented reality and fast logging of maintenance activities are just some of the new realities of a secure Command Post.

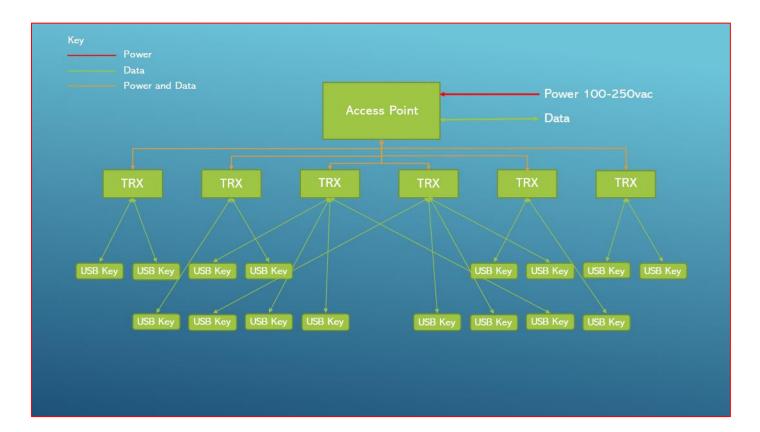
Connectivity of the medical centre can help Medical Professionals link with their counterparts at Base Camp to help with complicated procedures and allow real time support where time is crucial. The addition of augmented reality or head up video and voice devices like the Microsoft Hololens or Vuzix Blade makes access to information as fast as anywhere in the world.



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The system consists of 3 components:

- 1 x Access Point (see page 3) to connect power and data •
- Up to 6 x Transceivers (see page 4) can be connected to the Access Point •
- Up to 16 x USB Keys (see page 5) can be connected at any time •





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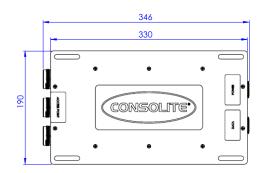
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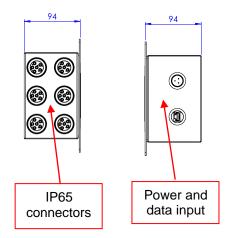
### Access Point (connection for data and power)

The Access Point is the connection point for power and data. The Transceivers are plugged in here with IP65 glands. A WiFi capable version is available – the WiFi is disabled locally when not required.

#### **Technical Details**

| Part number                 | CTL-487-A003                               |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Mains voltage               | 100 – 240V, 50/60Hz                        |
| System power                | 38W (based on 6 transceivers connected)    |
| Power factor                | 0.5  |
| Average ambient temperature | 25°C                                       |
| Operating temperature range | -40 to +40°C                               |
| Network communication       | Data link connection RJ45 Cat.5/5E/6 cable |
| Multi-user capability       | Up to 16 users per Access Point            |
| Transmission mode           | Half duplex                                |
| Encryption                  | End-to-End encryption based on AES-128     |
| Standard                    | Designed for ITU-T G.9991                  |
| WiFi (CTL-477 only)         | IEEE 802.11n/b/g 2.4 GHz 300Mbps           |
| Weight                      | < 1.5kg                                    |
|                             |  |







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### Transceiver (detector connected to access point)

The transceiver is designed to be used between 1.2 and 2.8m from the USB key. Data rates are best inside a 60 degree cone. The transceiver is designed to stow data cable wrapped around the transceiver body. The exit window is in the central part of the product. The unit is hung with Velcro for easy deployment to cords, cables or poles.

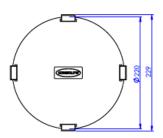
We specialise in custom housings to suit each application – please ask for bespoke housings.

#### **Technical Details**

| Part number                    | CTL-487-A002                                     |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Voltage                        | 24V DC provided by the CTL-487-A003 Access Point |
| Wireless optical communication | Infrared   |
| Average ambient temperature    | 25°C   |
| Operating temperature range    | -40 to +40°C                                     |
| Network communication          | Data link input connection RJ12 7m SFTP cable    |
| Transmission mode              | Half duplex                                      |
| Encryption                     | End-to-End encryption based on AES-128           |
| Download speed                 | 220 Mbit/s                                       |
| Upload speed                   | 160 Mbit/s                                       |
| Weight                         | < 500g   |



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# USB Key (for connection to your device)

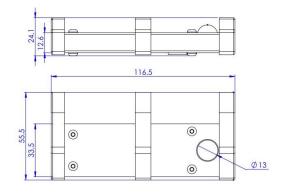
The USB Key is necessary for the device to communicate with the Transceiver. It is plugged by wire directly into the PC, Laptop, Tablet or Smart Phone.

The format shown below is hooked over the monitor, laptop of tablet to allow easy removal and stowage. It is fitted with impact absorption bump strips to protect against drops and impact in the field. It is resistant to drops in excess of 5m.

As with the Transceiver, other housings and fixing methods can be tailored to different applications and we specialise in customisation

#### **Technical Details**

| Part number                  | CTL-487-A001                 |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Voltage                      | 5V DC via USB 3.0            |
| System power                 | 3.5W                         |
| Uplink optical communication | Infrared                     |
| Average ambient temperature  | 25°C                         |
| Operating temperature range  | -40 to +40°C                 |
| Network communication        | Data link connection USB 3.0 |
| Download speed               | 220 Mbit/s                   |
| Upload speed                 | 160 Mbit/s                   |
| Weight                       | < 100g                       |







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# **Deployable system**

A Rugged case containing:

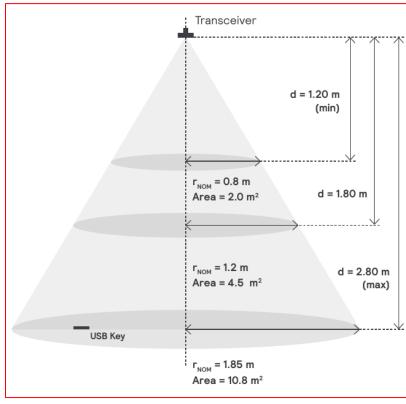
- 1 x Access Point
- 6 x Transceivers
- 6 x USB Keys
- Dimensions: 616 x 493 x 220mm
- Weight 13.3kg (net weight 7.1kg)





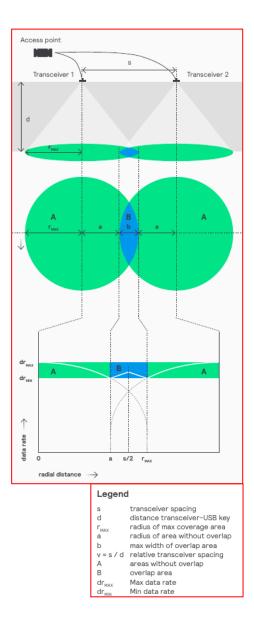
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# Layout Schematic



#### **Environmental specs**

| Temperature        | IEC 60068-2 and MIL-STD-810G             |
|--------------------|--|
| Humidity           | IEC 60068-2 and MIL-STD-810G             |
| Shock              | IEC60068-2 and MIL-STD-910               |
| Vibration          | IEC 60068-2 and MIL-STD-810G             |
| Ingress Protection | IP65 IAW BS EN 60529                     |
| EMC                | IEC 60533, IEC 60945 and Def Stan 59-411 |
| Eye safety         | BS EN 62471                              |
| Finish             | IAW Warpaints standard                   |



Consolite has worked with military lighting for over 40 years on both Air and Ship platforms. Consolite specialises in advanced lighting design and test and has become the authority in lighting for Naval applications worldwide.

The Consolite Data via Infra-Red system is the next generation of that expertise, taking lighting to a new level.

Consolite's partnership with the Philips Signify Team has brought the combination of Signify's huge industrial investment with Consolite specialist military focus. As a team we are providing connectivity to Naval ship operations which is revolutionising data use at sea.



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