

Ford Transit Connect Brake-By-Wire

Brake by-wire for non-hybrid Ford vehicle platforms with ACC/AEB

Features

- Computer control of braking
- Measure brake pedal positions
- Driver override by pressing the brake pedal
- CAN and USB interfaces
- No modifications to vehicle
- Signal passthrough on power off

Applications

- Driverless car research
- Advanced Driver Assist (ADAS) research

Description

The Dataspeed Inc. Brake By-Wire interface enables computer control of the braking system in a safe and effective manner. This plug-in ready kit requires no modification to the factory harnessing and can be installed in minutes. Industry standard CAN and USB networks enable control and monitoring of the brake system.



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1 Connector Pin Description

1.1 CAN/DB9 Connector

The CAN/DB9 connector is used for power and CAN communication. Short pins 1 and 6 together to activate the digital input.

Table 1: CAN/DB9 connector pin description.

Pin	Symbol	Description
1	DIGIN	Digital Input
2	CANL	CAN Low
3	GND	Ground
4	IGNITION	Ignition (12V)
5	NC	No Connect
6	GND	Ground
7	CANH	CAN High
8	NC	No Connect
9	POWER	Power (12V)

1.2 USB Connector

The USB connector is used for introspection and firmware upgrade.

2 Electrical Characteristics

Table 2: Electrical Characteristics.

Characteristic	Min	Typ	Max	Units	Conditions
VIGNITION ON	9	12	16	V	
VIGNITION OFF	-0.3	0	2	V	
VPOWER	9	12	16	V	
IPOWER		200		mA	VPOWER=12V, VIGNITION>9V
IPOWER			0.1	mA	VPOWER=12V, VIGNITION<2V
Temperature	-40		+85	°C	

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3 Mechanical Drawings

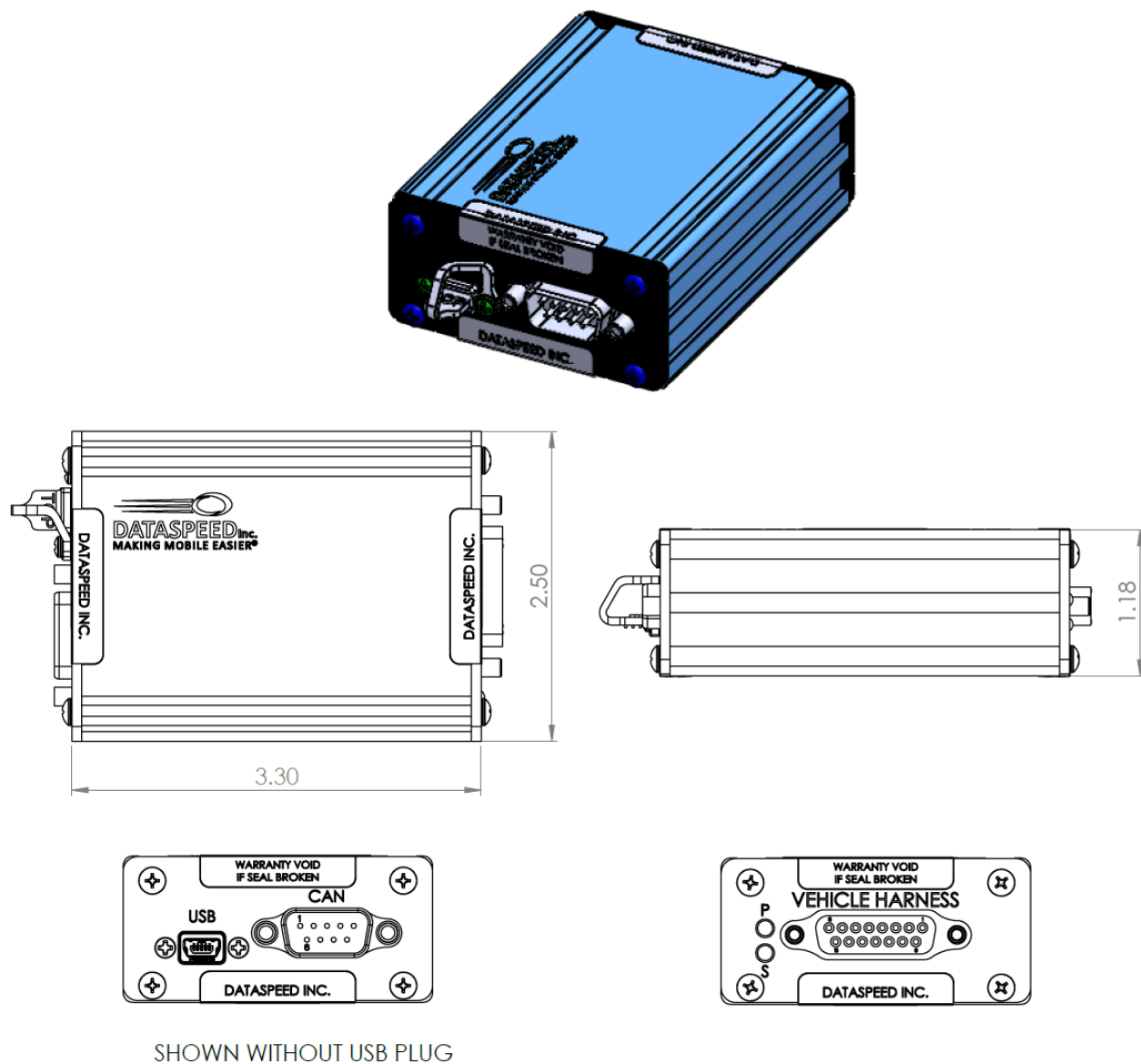


Figure 1: Mechanical Drawing

4 CAN Messages

Table 3: CAN bus configuration.

Parameter	Value	Units
Terminated	No	
BitRate	500	k
t_q	200	ns
SyncSeg	1	t_q
PropSeg	3	t_q
PhaseSeg1	3	t_q
PhaseSeg2	3	t_q
SyncJumpWidth	2	t_q

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4.1 Brake

4.1.1 Command

Message ID: 0x060
Receive Rate: 20ms
Receive Timeout: 100ms

Table 4: Brake Command CAN Message Description.

Byte	Bits	Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0
0	7:0	PCMD<7:0>							
1	15:8	PCMD<15:8>							
2	23:16	CMD_TYPE				—	—	—	—
3	31:24	RES1	—	—	—	—	IGNORE	CLEAR	EN
4	39:32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	47:40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	55:48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	63:56	COUNT							

bit 0-15	PCMD: Pedal Command Percent (CMD_TYPE = 2): 0x0000 = 0% 0xFFFF = 100% Decel Mode (CMD_TYPE = 6): 0x0000 = 0.000 m/s ² 0x0001 = 0.001 m/s ² 0x2710 = 10.000 m/s ²
bit 16-19	Unimplemented: Set to '0'
bit 20-23	CMD_TYPE: Command Type 0 = NONE 1 = not implemented on this platform 2 = PERCENT (percent of maximum deceleration) 3 = not implemented on this platform 4 = not implemented on this platform 5 = not implemented on this platform 6 = DECEL (deceleration in m/s ²)
bit 24	EN: Enable request 0 = disable 1 = enable
bit 25	CLEAR: Clear driver override flag 0 = normal operation 1 = request clear of driver override
bit 26	IGNORE: Ignore driver override 0 = normal 1 = ignore
bit 27-30	Unimplemented: Set to '0'
bit 31	RESERVED: Set to '0'
bit 32-55	Unimplemented: Set to '0'
bit 56-63	COUNT: Optional watchdog counter

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4.1.2 Report

Message ID: 0x061
Transmit Rate: 20ms

Table 5: Brake Report CAN Message Description.

Byte	Bits	Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0
0	7:0	PI<7:0>							
1	15:8	PI<15:8>							
2	23:16	PC<7:0>							
3	31:24	PC<15:8>							
4	39:32	PO<7:0>							
5	47:40	PO<15:8>							
6	55:48	WDCSRC				WDCBRK	—	BC	BTYPE
7	63:56	TMOUT	FLTPWR	FLT2	FLT1	FLTWDC	DRIVER	OVERRIDE	EN

- bit 0-15 **PI:** Pedal Input from the physical pedal
 0 = 0 Nm
 1 = 1 Nm
- bit 16-31 **PC:** Pedal Command from the command message
 0 = 0.000 m/s²
 1 = 0.001 m/s²
- bit 32-47 **PO:** Pedal Output to the vehicle
 0 = 0.000 m/s²
 1 = 0.001 m/s²
- bit 48 **BTYPE:** Brake type is set to '1', otherwise the message was not generated by this module
- bit 49 **BC:** BOO Command¹²
 0 = off, 1 = on
- bit 50 **Unimplemented:** Set to '0'
- bit 51 **WDCBRK:** Watchdog counter is applying brakes
- bit 52-55 **WDCSRC:** Watchdog counter source (See Table 7)
- bit 56 **EN:** Enabled
 0 = disabled. PCMD ignored.
 1 = enabled. No timeouts or overrides have occurred.
- bit 57 **OVERRIDE:** Driver Override (Cleared on rising edge of EN bit in command message)
 0 = No Override (PI ≤ 200Nm, or IGNORE == 1)
 1 = Driver Override (PI > 200Nm for 100ms) (configurable)
- bit 58 **DRIVER:** Driver Activity
 0 = No Activity (PI ≤ 50Nm)
 1 = Driver Activity (PI > 50Nm for 20ms)
- bit 59 **FLTWDC:** Watchdog Counter fault: 0 = No fault, 1 = Fault
- bit 60 **FLT1:** Channel 1 fault: 0 = No fault, 1 = Fault
- bit 61 **FLT2:** Channel 2 fault: 0 = No fault, 1 = Fault
- bit 62 **FLTPWR:** Power fault: 0 = No fault, 1 = Fault
- bit 63 **TMOUT:** Timeout
 0 = Command is fresh
 1 = Command timeout after 100ms

¹ Brake On Off (BOO), turn on brake lights, enable shift out of park, and cancel cruise control

² Brake On Off (BOO) is actuated by the external brake pedal emulator module to enable shifting out of park

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4.2 Version

Message ID: 0x07F
Transmit Rate: 1000ms

Table 6: Version CAN Message Description.

Byte	Bits	Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0
0	7:0	MODULE							
1	15:8	PLATFORM							
2	23:16	MAJOR<7:0>							
3	31:24	MAJOR<15:8>							
4	39:32	MINOR<7:0>							
5	47:40	MINOR<15:8>							
6	55:48	BUILD<7:0>							
7	63:56	BUILD<15:8>							

bit 0-7 **MODULE:** Module enumeration
 0x05 = ACC/AEB Brake module
 Other = Ignore, not this module

bit 8-15 **PLATFORM:** Vehicle platform enumeration
 0x02 = FORD_C1
 Other = Ignore, not this vehicle platform

bit 16-31 **MAJOR:** Firmware version major increment

bit 32-47 **MINOR:** Firmware version minor increment

bit 48-63 **BUILD:** Firmware version build increment

5 Function

- **Modifying the Braking Signal:** The brake-by-wire module uses the Adaptive Cruise Control and Automatic Emergency Braking (ACC/AEB) interfaces to decelerate the vehicle. The physical pedal will function normally regardless of the CAN messaging and applied power.
- **Power-off State:** Without power applied, the hardware passes signals through unaltered.
- **Disabled State:** In the disabled state, the emulator passes the pedal input to the output. This corresponds to PCMD = 0 or EN = 0. The emulator does not respond to any PCMD until the enable bit (EN) is set to 1.
- **Power-up State:** The emulator powers up in the disabled state. PCMD = 0 and EN = 0.
- **Watchdog Timer:** If the emulator does not receive a command message within 100ms, the emulator enters the disabled state.
- **Driver Override:** If the driver presses either pedal, both pedals enter the driver override state. This corresponds to OVERRIDE = 1 and EN = 0 in the CAN report messages. If the pedals are enabled when the driver presses either pedal, the driver override state is latched. This can be cleared by toggling EN from 0 to 1 in the CAN command messages. The driver override state can also be cleared by setting the CLEAR bit to 1 in either CAN command message.
- **External Brake Input:** The digital input pin can be configured as an external brake input. When activated, the configured constant braking value will be applied regardless of human input, driver overrides, command CAN messages, and Watchdog Counter state. The final braking value is the maximum of human input, CAN message input, and the external brake constant value. This does not trigger a driver override, and throttle/steering/shifting are unaffected.

6 Supported Vehicles

The Brake By-Wire interface has been tested on the Ford Transit Connect for model year 2020. The Adaptive Cruise Control with Stop-and-Go package is required for braking.

7 Watchdog Counter

The watchdog counter is an optional feature enabled by incrementing the COUNT bits to assist in compliance with California autonomous vehicle requirements. This is separate from the 100ms watchdog timeout always present for each command message. Each module monitors its own state and the state of all other modules for error conditions. To clear a watchdog counter event, press the OK button on the left side of the steering wheel or cycle power to all modules.

7.1 Fault Conditions

- Count is not incremented, or count is incremented more than 3 (this allows up to 2 dropped messages)
- Command timeout after 100ms (catches main computer crash, power loss, or disconnect)
- Report timeout after 100ms (catches failure of embedded firmware)
- Transition from enabled to disabled (catches unexpected transfer of control to the driver)
 - This fault condition can be disabled with the DbwConfig GUI.
- Vehicle must be out of park or moving for any of these conditions to set off an alert

7.2 Fault Actions

- Normal driver override audible and visual alert for one second (sets off the front park aid warning)
- Apply small amount of braking until the driver takes control with the brake pedal, throttle pedal, but not the steering wheel. The applied braking value is 1 m/s². The braking value can be changed with the DbwConfig GUI.
- Flash the passenger airbag ON and OFF lights until the alert is cleared to show that the watchdog is faulted
- All commands to all subsystems are ignored until the alert is cleared

7.3 Fault Source Enumeration

Table 7: Enumeration values of the **WDCSRC** signal

Value	Enum	Description
0	NONE	None
1	OTHER_BRAKE	Determined by brake module
2	OTHER_THROTTLE	Determined by throttle module
3	OTHER_STEERING	Determined by steering module
4	BRAKE_COUNTER	Brake command counter failed to increment (user error)
5	BRAKE_DISABLED	Brake module disabled without override when in gear or moving
6	BRAKE_COMMAND	Brake command timeout (CAN bus overload or user error)
7	BRAKE_REPORT	Brake report timeout (CAN bus overload or module failure)
8	THROTTLE_COUNTER	Throttle command counter failed to increment (user error)
9	THROTTLE_DISABLED	Throttle module disabled without override when in gear or moving
10	THROTTLE_COMMAND	Throttle command timeout (CAN bus overload or user error)
11	THROTTLE_REPORT	Throttle report timeout (CAN bus overload or module failure)
12	STEERING_COUNTER	Steering command counter failed to increment (user error)
13	STEERING_DISABLED	Steering module disabled without override when in gear or moving
14	STEERING_COMMAND	Steering command timeout (CAN bus overload or user error)
15	STEERING_REPORT	Steering report timeout (CAN bus overload or module failure)

APPENDIX A: REVISION HISTORY

Revision A-01 (May 2019)

Modifications:

1. Initial release of this document.

Revision A-02 (February 2020)

Modifications:

1. Updated supported vehicle model year range to 2020.
2. Updated Dataspeed logo.