



# XT4971A Series User Guide

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# **Document Change History**

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# **1** Introduction

The XT4971A is a solar energy harvesting cellular and GPS tracking device supporting long term, remote deployments without the need to replace the rechargeable battery. This user guide describes the physical hardware, associated parts, the different mounting options available, and a quick start-up procedure.

#### **1.1 Feature Matrix**

Feature Description	Base Unit
LTE Cellular Communication	$\checkmark$
GPS Receiver for Tracking Applications	$\checkmark$
Supports SMS, TCP, UDP, FTP	$\checkmark$
Over-the-air Configuration and FW Upgrade	$\checkmark$
Location Polling	$\checkmark$
Periodic Reporting	$\checkmark$
Wired or Virtual Ignition On/Off Reporting	$\checkmark$
Direction Change Alerts	$\checkmark$
Speed Threshold Alerts	$\checkmark$
Mileage Threshold Alerts	$\checkmark$
Main Battery Disconnect Alerts	$\checkmark$
Heartbeat and Power-up/Reset Alerts	$\checkmark$
Ignition Idle Alert (wired ignition only)	$\checkmark$
Towing Start/Stop Alerts(wired ignition only)	$\checkmark$
Movement Start/Stop Alerts (wired ignition only)	$\checkmark$
2 Digital Inputs	$\checkmark$
Park Time Alerts (wired ignition only)	$\checkmark$
Virtual Odometer	$\checkmark$
Motion	$\checkmark$
Sleep/Wake Configuration Settings	$\checkmark$
Geofence (Radial, Rectangular, and Polygonal)	$\checkmark$
Device Diagnostics (Battery voltage, connectivity, etc.)	$\checkmark$
Wireless Sensor Connectivity	$\checkmark$



# **2 Hardware Description**

Below is a depiction of key interfaces of the XT4971A:



The Associated Cable Harness that interfaces with the unit is shown below:





### 2.1 Hardware Specifications

Cellular Technology Options			
LTE	<ul> <li>4G LTE bands: 2,4,5, and 12</li> </ul>		
GSM	G UMTS Band II and Band V		
GPS Specification			
Receiver channels	<ul> <li>72 channels</li> </ul>		
<b>Receiver tracking Sensitivity</b>	<ul> <li>-167 dBm</li> </ul>		
Accuracy	<ul> <li>+/- 2.0 m CEP (50% , -130 dBm, &gt; 6 Satellites)</li> </ul>		
Cold Start	<ul> <li>26 sec</li> </ul>		
Hot Start	<ul> <li>1 sec</li> </ul>		
Power Requirements			
D.C. Power	<ul> <li>8-24V, 12 V nominal</li> </ul>		
Current Consumption	<ul> <li>170 μA in sleep state</li> </ul>		
(4V Supply internal Battery)	<ul> <li>80 mA in idle state</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>240mA in transmit/receive state</li> </ul>		
Max. Solar Charge Current	<ul> <li>150mA</li> </ul>		
Internal Battery	<ul> <li>Internal 10600mAh rechargeable Li-Ion</li> </ul>		
Physical Connection			
Interface Connector	<ul> <li>8-pin attached harness</li> </ul>		
Cellular/GPS Antenna	<ul> <li>Internal</li> </ul>		
SIM Access	<ul> <li>Internal</li> </ul>		
Programming	<ul> <li>Serial (RS232 3V logic level)</li> </ul>		
Mechanical			
Case Material	<ul> <li>PC and PBT composite</li> </ul>		
Dimension	■ 4.7" X 8.5" X 1.1"		
Weight	■ 24 oz.		
Operating Temperature	<ul> <li>-40°C to +70°C</li> </ul>		
Certifications			
Product	PTCRB		
	<ul> <li>FCC</li> </ul>		
	■ IC		
	IP66/IP67		
Carrier	■ AT&T		



Pin #	Wire Color	Pin Name	Functional Description	Port Characteristic
1	Blue	VBATT	Ignition Sense	8v to 24v, Internally pulled low
2	Brown	GND	Ground	2.4 to 24V, < 0.2 V Note: Internally pulled high
3	Yellow	IN2		
4	Black	ADC2		8-24 V
5	White	RS232 RX	RS232 Receive Port	3V Logic Interface Com Port Settings: Baud rate: 115200 bps; Flow control: None; 8N1
6	Green	RS232 TX	RS232 Transmit Port	3V Logic Interface Com Port Settings: Baud rate: 115200 bps; Flow control: None;8N1
7	Red	OUT	Output Port (Default Open)	
8	White/Black	ADC1	Analog Input	8-24 V

# 2.3 LED Description

LED	Description	Status
	No Carrier/Denied Registration	OFF
Cellular (Blue)	Searching for Cellular Network	Fast Blinking
	Registered Roaming	Medium Blinking
	Registered Home	Slow Blinking (1Hz)
CDC (DCD Croop)	Searching for satellite	Solid
GPS (RGD Green)	GPS Lock	Slow Blinking (1 Hz)
Zigbee (Auburn) Pairing Process Initiated		Fast Blinking



# **3 Device Mounting Options**

# 3.1 Screw Mounting

The XT4971A has two flanges (two holes per) at each end of the housing for screw mounting the device to the mounting surface.



#### 3.2 3M VHB Tape Mounting

For a semi-permanent option, the device can be mounted with 3M VHB tape as shown below:





#### **3.3 Trailer Cradle Mounting**

An optional trailer mounting cradle can be purchased for easy device mounting for the XT4971A. The cradle will need to be screw-mounted or VHB Tape mounted to the position desired. The XT4971A can be easily fastened into the cradle via a Phillips head screw. The angled edged of the cradle is designed to withstand the impact of snow scrapers that may come in contact to the cradle if mounted on the top of a typical trailer.



#### **3.4 Container Cradle Mounting**

An optional container cradle can be purchased for easy device mounting for the XT4971A. The cradle will need to be screw-mounted or VHB Tape mounted to the position desired. The XT4971A can be easily fastened into the cradle via a Phillips head screw. The shape of the cradle is designed to fit in the corrugations of an ISO standard freight container.





#### **3.5 Device Mounting Guidelines**

The XT4971A Series devices leverage solar energy to replenish the charge of its battery. Please consider the device mounting guidelines to maximize device solar charging. Also, the XT4971A series uses cellular and GPS technologies whose signal reception quality is depending on mounting location and style. Adhering to these guidelines will optimize the field performance of the XT4971A:

• If possible, have the solar panel facing directly towards the noon sun. At least have the solar panel no greater than 90° away from the noon sun.



- Avoid mounting the XT4971A were shadows may cast upon the solar panel
- Avoid placing unit inside a container made from any conductive materials or partially mounted into a bracket made from any conductive materials. Doing so may potentially degrade GPS and cellular reception.
- Avoid mounting the XT4971A in low locations where dirt, grease, or any other staining particles can be introduced by rotating wheels. Excess dirt, grease, or staining materials on the solar panel will reduce the amount of charge the device can receive.



• Avoid mounting the XT4971A to locations that are high risk to predictable physical harm. (I.e. do not mount the unit on the top of an asset if snow scrapers are utilized in periodic maintenance of the asset without some sort of protective bracket)



# **4 Quick Start Guide**

#### 4.1 Device Wakeup

To start up the device, simply hold the black button located near the circular connector on the side panel of the device for 3 seconds. You should see the blue "C" LED light up and then fade out. The blue LED will blink when the device is successfully connected to the network. Refer to table in section 2.3 for LED behavior.



**Note:** The factory default settings are configured to have the device to sleep within 2 minutes of wake. Consider pulling the IN1 wire high to keep the device awake for configuration purposes or disable sleep by issuing the proper 3017 command.



#### 4.2 Configuring the Device via SMS

- 1) Ensure your device is active on your cellular account.
- **2)** Awaken device from sleep XT4971A via the "wake-up" button.
- 3) If the device needs more power, then supply 12V DC via the red wire of the cable harness.
- 4) Ensure device cellular LED is blinking based on LED definition in this document.
- 5) Using your mobile phone or SMS gateway send +XT:1008 command to the device MDN
- 6) Command: "+XT:1008,<SM>"- Sets SMS Number
- 7) Response (via SMS): \$\$<UID>,<1008>,<SM>##
- 8) Once you have set SMS to reply to your mobile or gateway, you can now send other commands to device via SMS per device protocol documentation.
  - a. Command +XT:1010 configures network settings
  - **b.** Command +XT:3017 configures the sleep/wake mode for the device.
    - **i.** The factory defaults for this device is to operate in the sleep timer mode and have a minute of wake time max. You may need to temporarily disable sleep in order to configure the unit uninterrupted by sleep.
  - **c.** Command +XT:3040 and +XT:3042 configure alert and threshold settings
- **9)** +XT:7008,<PF> saves device configuration to permanent memory. You may configure individual features and the 7008 command will save all the configuration state at that instance.

#### 4.3 Configuring the Device via PC

- **1)** A RS-232 to USB TTL converter cable is required to connect a XT-4550 device to a computer for local configuration. Connect the XT4971A Tx wire to the TTL converter cable Rx wire. Connect the XT4971A Rx wire to the TTL converter cable Tx wire. Connect the XT4971A ground wire to the ground wire of the TTL converter cable. Use a terminal application to connect to the COM port associated with the TTL converter cable.
- 2) Use the following terminal application settings:
  - a. Bits per second: 115200
  - b. Data bits: 8
  - c. Parity: None
  - d. Stop bits: 1
  - e. Flow control: None
- **3)** Press enter 3 times to activate the Aux Port. The print "Aux Port Active" will show up on your terminal console when activated successfully.
- 4) Once Aux Port is active enter the password: XIRGOTECH611
- **5)** The terminal console will print ACCEPTED when password is input successfully.



- **6)** You can now configure the device by sending the XT commands listed in the protocol document of this device.
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#### 4.4 Download Over the Air (DOTA) Firmware Update Guide

This devices supports firmware updates over the air. Customers must have an FTP server and the FTP server must be configured for active mode. The procedures for DOTA are as follows:

- 1) Make sure that the +XT:1010 network settings are valid and that the device is able to send and receive data with the APN configured.
- 2) Configure the FTP network settings via the +XT:1004 command.
- 3) Check that the settings are correct by querying via the +XT:1005 command
- 4) Make sure the FTP server is in active mode and the correct EBF file is located in the folder that you have set in your FTP network settings.
- 5) Send the unit the +XT:1006 command to initiate the OTA update. Refer to the protocol document for the proper syntax for this command. The .ebf extension is not used in this command. The file names are case sensitive.
- 6) If the device cellular network settings are compatible from the old firmware to the new firmware, then you will receive a 1007 reply signifying the completion of the update.

#### Notes:

- If are upgrade to a new firmware release and parameters have been added the original settings will be erased. The 1000, 3000, 5000 and 7000 series settings will be reset to default. Always reference release notes before initiating a firmware upgrade.
- Disable sleep mode prior to a download
- Do not download older firmware into newer devices



### FCC/IC: REGULATORY COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

This equipment with FCC-ID: GKM-XT4971A and IC-ID: 10281A-XT4971A, HVIN: XT4971A

is subject to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Industry Canada (IC) rules.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules and with license exempt Radio Standard Specifications of Industry Canada.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and

(2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Les changements ou modifications non expressément approuvés par la partie responsable de la conformité pourraient annuler l'autorité de l'utilisateur à utiliser l'équipement.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes :

(1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et

(2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le onctionnemen

Radio frequency radiation exposure Information:

This equipment complies with FCC and IC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance of 20 cm between the radiator and your body. Co-location of this radio device with other radio transmitters may void it's compliance with the said RF exposure limits and would have to be subject to re-assessment.