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SPI Interface



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	Caution: The ViVOpay Vendi should be mounted 1-2 feet away from other ViVOpay Vendi. Can be adjusted based on lane setup.
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	Warning: Avoid close proximity to radio transmitters which may reduce the ability of the reader.

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1. Introduction

SPI SecureHead Demo Program is used to demonstrate the functionality of encrypted MSR. It decrypts data by sending a command to MSR and loading key to MSR.

There are 4 modes available for the SPI reader:

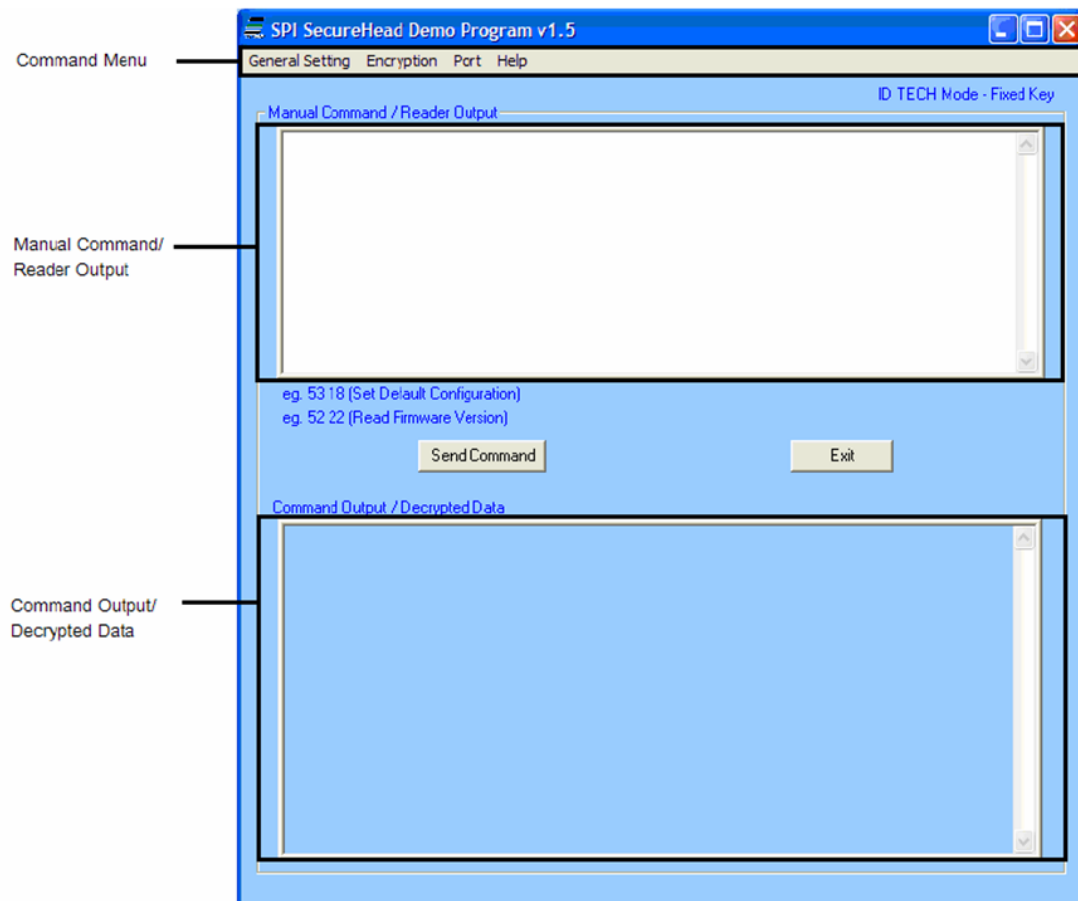
- ID TECH Mode – Fixed Key
- ID TECH Mode – DUKPT Key
- Other Mode – Fixed Key
- Non-encrypted Mode

All four modes have different data output for the format key management scheme.

2. Overview

The SPI SecureHead Demo Program consists of 3 major sections:

- **Command Menu**
- **Manual Command** and **Reader Output**
- **Command Output** and **Decrypted Data**



3. Command Menu

The command menu provides MSR and encryption related settings. The settings available vary between different reader modes.

3.1. General Setting Menu

The common settings available to all modes:

Set Default Configuration

Set the reader to default settings:

MSR: Enable:

- Terminator Setting: CR
- Preamble Setting: None
- Postamble Setting: None
- Track Selected Setting: Any Track
- Sentinel and T2 Account No: Send Sentinels and all T2 data
- Data Edit Setting: Disabled
- Track 1/2/3 Prefix: None
- Track 1/2/3 Suffix: None

Note: These features are applicable in non-encrypted mode only.

Read Current Configuration

The reader outputs current configuration settings.

Read Firmware Version

The reader returns the current firmware version.

MSR Enable

This command enables the MSR.

MSR Disable

This command disables the MSR. The reader does not send out data after a card swipe when the MSR is disabled.

Clear Reader Output

This command clears the reader output text field.

ID TECH has several decoding options for non-encrypted mode:

- ID TECH Raw Format
- ID TECH Decoded – both directions

- ID TECH Decoded – forward direction only
- ID TECH Decoded – backward direction only

When decoded format is selected, the reader can be configured to send out data in either raw or decoded format from a card swipe.

3.2. Encryption Menu

This menu is to set security related features. See the encryption settings in each reader mode.

ID TECH Mode: Fixed Key

- TDES
- AES
- Get encrypted challenge
- Send authentication data
- Load key

ID TECH Mode: DUKPT Key

- TDES
- AES
- Get security level
- Get KSN

Other Mode: Fixed Key

- Get encrypted challenge
- Send authentication data
- Load key
- Enable encryption
- Disable encryption

The ID TECH output format default is TDES, but the user can select TDES or AES as the encryption algorithm. For **Other** mode, the encryption algorithm is always TDES.

Use the **Get Security Level** command to verify the reader's security level under DUKPT key management. The security level is the 5th byte from the left of the **Command Response** in hex. For example, security level 3 has a command response of OUT: 06 02 7E 01 33 03 4D.

3.3. COM Port Selection

By default, COM1 is used when the demo software is opened. If the user prefers to communicate with the reader through different serial port or close the port, the port setting can be modified in **Port Setting** menu.



3.3.1. Help

The **Help** menu displays the demo program's version information.

3.3.2. Manual Command and Reader output

In this field, a user can manually type commands to send to the reader. Click **Send Command** to send the command to the reader. The **Command** structure is described in next section.

3.3.3. Manual Command Format

Manually input commands and send settings to the device.

Command Format:

```
<STX> <ATMEL Function ID> <Len1> <Len2> <STX> <Command_Data> <ETX>
<LRC><ETX> <LRC>
```

┌ SPI Protocol ───────────┐

└────────── ATMEL Protocol ───────────┘

where: <STX> = 02h, <ETX> = 03h, <ATMEL Function ID> = 54h,
 <Len1> and <Len2> are two bytes length in SPI Protocol
 <LRC> is one-byte XOR value calculated from <STX> to <ETX>.

The user is only required to enter the **Command_Data** parameter; the demo software automatically encapsulates the **ATMEL Protocol** and **SPI Protocol**.

For example:

Read Firmware Version

1. Enter "52 22" in the **Manual Command / Reader Output** window
2. Click **Send Command**. The demo software will encapsulate **ATMEL Protocol's STX, ATMEL Function ID, two bytes length, SPI Protocol's STX, ETX, LRC, and ATMEL Protocol's ETX and LRC**.

4. Fixed Key Encryption

Fixed key encryption is available in ID TECH Mode or Other mode. In ID TECH Mode, the MSR data sent out can be configured as either ID TECH Decoded Format or ID TECH RAW Format. In Other mode, the MSR data sent out is always be in RAW format. The encryption algorithm will always be TDES.

4.1. Encryption Settings

An **Authentication Process** is required before a security related command is executed to ensure the device key used is correct. For example, **Authentication** is needed whenever the encryption is enabled, disabled, or the device key is changed. Until the device is restarted, this process will not be needed again.

Get Encrypt Challenge

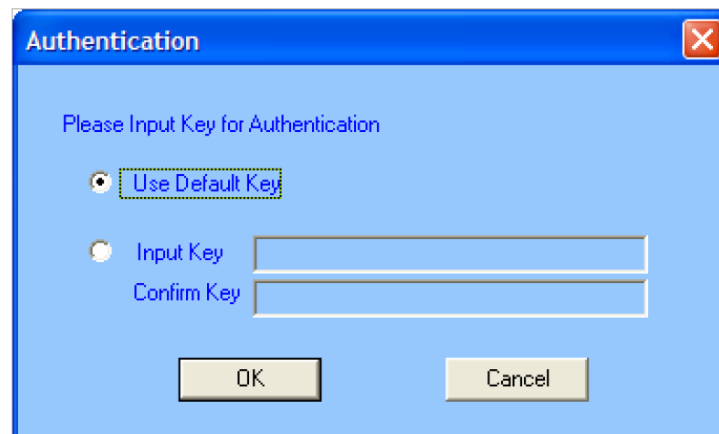
1. Navigate to the Encryption menu and select **Get Encrypt Challenge**.
2. **Get Encrypt Challenge** Command 02 54 00 05 02 52 74 03 27 03 50 is sent to the reader.
3. The reader responds with 8-byte encrypted data, 06 02 <Encrypted Data> 03 LRC.

Send Authentication Data

The host must verify the device key used to pass the **Authentication Process**.

1. Input key. A window will display.
2. Input key for **Authentication** where prompted.
3. Enter the current encryption key to decrypt the 8-byte data
4. Select "Use Default key". (In case when the reader is using default key.)

The default key used in demo software decryption is 16 byte zero
"00000000000000000000000000000000".



After inputting a new key or using the default key for decryption, the demo software will send an 8-byte decrypted data for **Authentication**. If the **Authentication** passes, the user can load a new device key for encryption.

Load Device Key

The load device key loads a 16-byte key to the device.



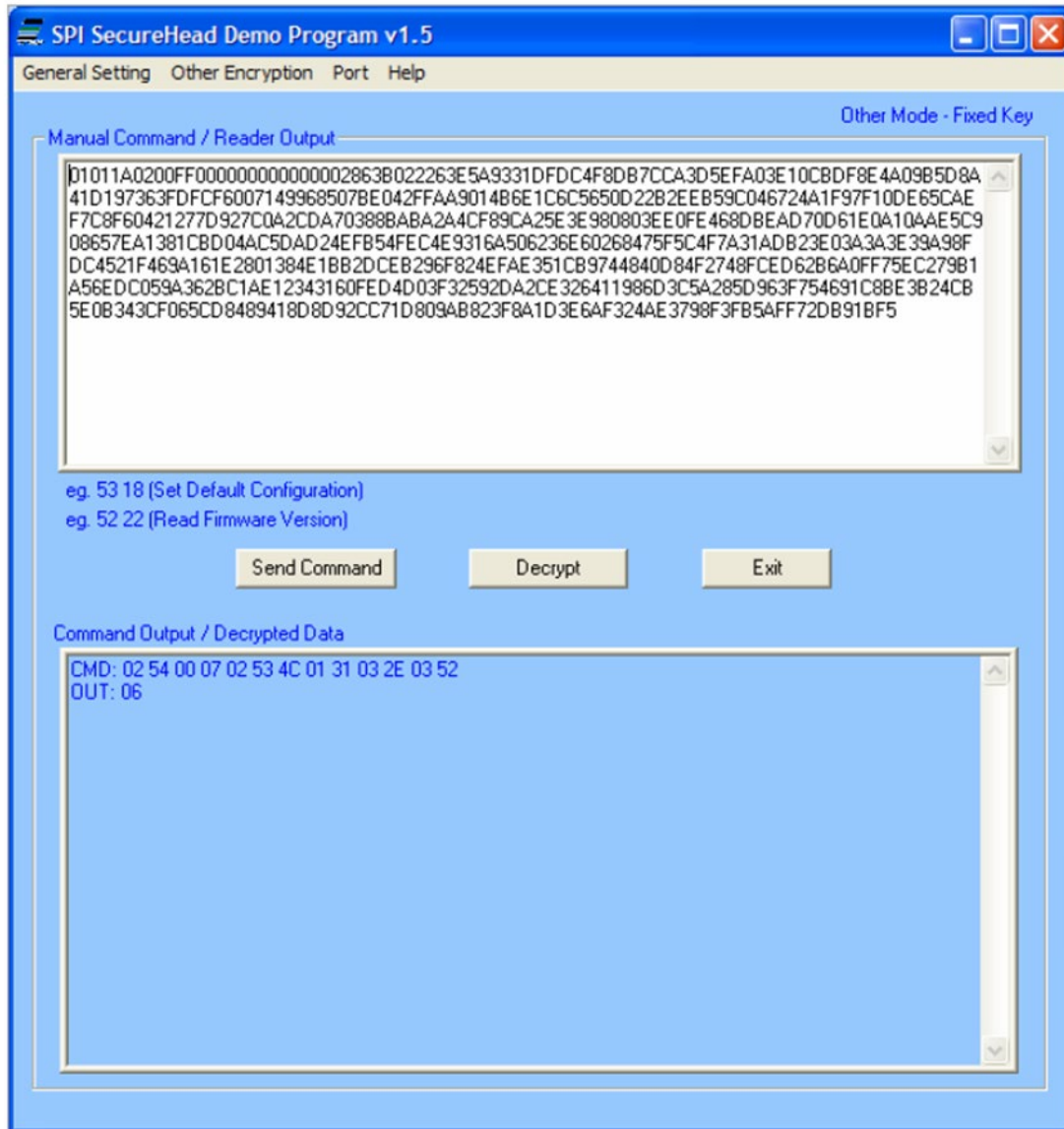
4.2. Other Mode Fixed Key Encryption

Follow the **Authentication** steps in 3.1 to change encryption setting in **Other** Mode. Select **Encryption Enable Encryption** to enable encryption on the reader. Go to **Encryption Disable Encryption** to disable encryption.

4.2.1. Data Decryption

1. Swipe a test card on the reader.

2. The reader will enter **Other Encryption Mode** and begin to decrypt the data mode.
3. The encrypted card data will appear in the **Reader Output** window.
4. Click "Decrypt" button to see the decrypted card data.



Both the **Encrypted Other Format Raw Data** and **Decrypted Other Format Raw Data** are shown in the bottom text field.

5. IDTECH Mode- DUKPT

Before enabling ID TECH DUKPT mode, **Derivation Key** and KSN must be injected into the reader. The encryption algorithm can be either TDES or AES. The default is TDES.

5.1. Level 4 Activate Authentication Sequence

The security level changes from 3 to 4 when the device enters **Authentication Mode** successfully. To swipe a card the Level 4 **Authentication Requirement** has to be in **Authenticated Mode**.

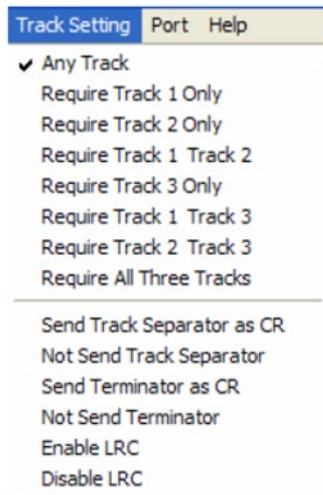
Click **ACT AUTH (Activate Authentication)** and **ACT RPLY (Activation Challenge Reply)** to enable security level 4.

1. Swipe a card.
2. The reader will enter **Authenticated Mode** and encrypted data will send.
3. Select "DEACT RPLY" to deactivates **Authentication Mode**. (Card swipes will no longer be accepted.)
4. The "Get Status" button gives the reader state and pre-condition.

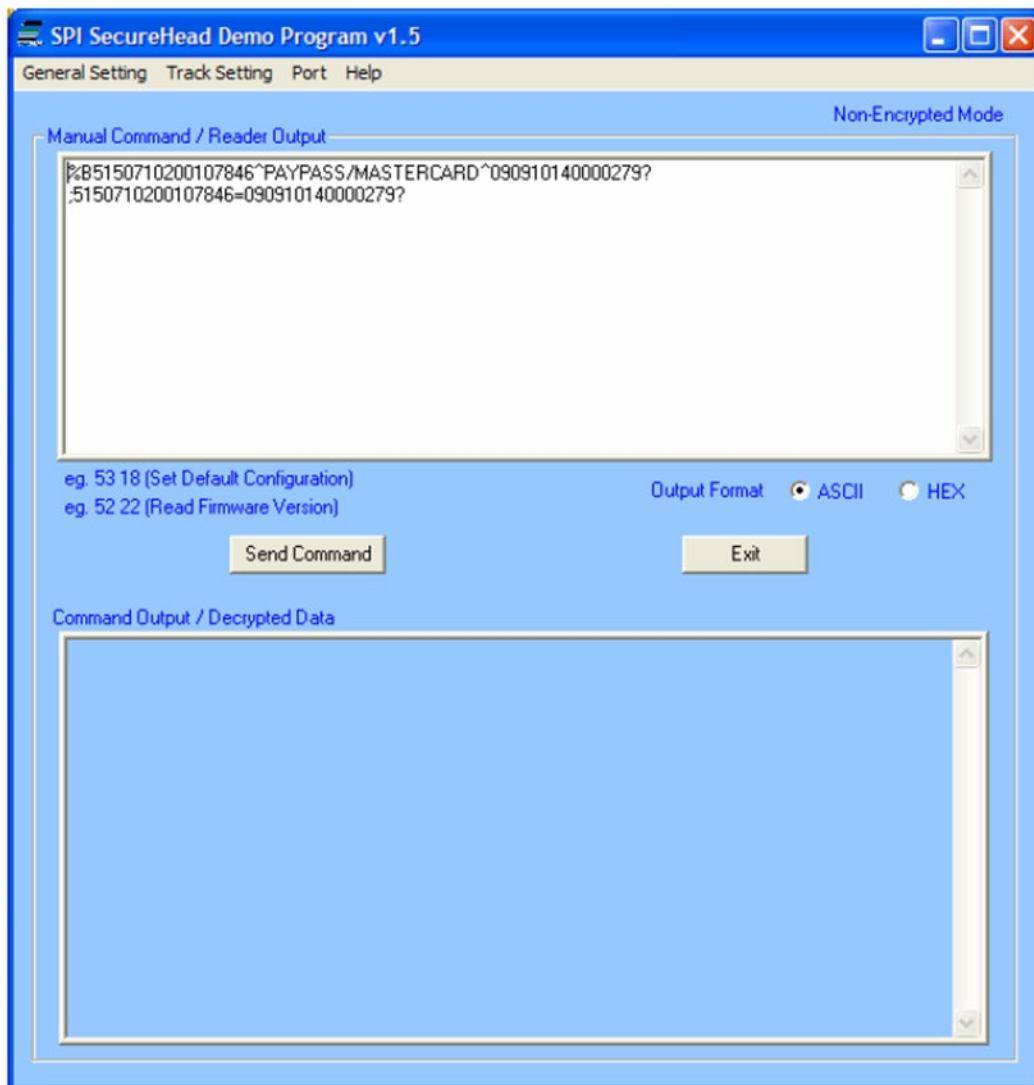
For the complete description of reader status code, please see the SPI SecureHead User Manual.

6. Non-Encrypt Mode

Track setting is available in non-encrypted mode:



When the reader is in non-encrypted mode, the card data will send in clear text, as shown below:

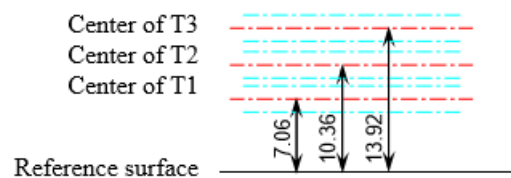


7. Appendix A: Magnetic Heads Mechanical Design Guidelines

This installation guide is for installing ID TECH's magnetic heads with spring mounts.

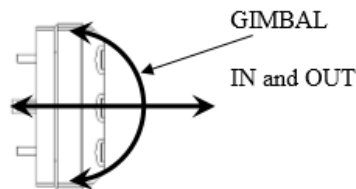
1. ISO 7810 and ISO 7811 standards define the specification for standard magnetic stripe cards. The location of each magnetic track's centerline is shown in below figure:

Note: The reference surface for the card is the edge of the card and it is the surface the card rides on when referring to the magnetic head.



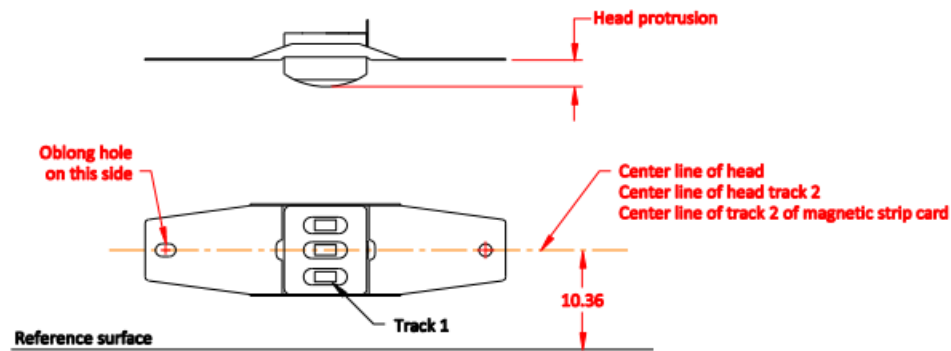
The magnetic head needs the freedom to gimbal, or rotate about Track 2's centerline, and move in and out to remain in contact with the card.

Below figure shows the rotational and linear movements that the head mounting must allow.



2. The head has to be mounted near the reference surface on which the card slides so that the magnetic tracks of the head are positioned at the same distance from the reference, the bottom of the slot, as the magnetic tracks on the card. Refer to the dimensions above.
3. A typical ID TECH magnetic head with 'spring' is shown below. The mounting holes are centered on Track 2's centerline in the spring and are used for mounting the head and positioning the track locations.

Note: the oblong hole in the spring must be oriented as shown in the drawing to locate tracks 1 through 3 properly.

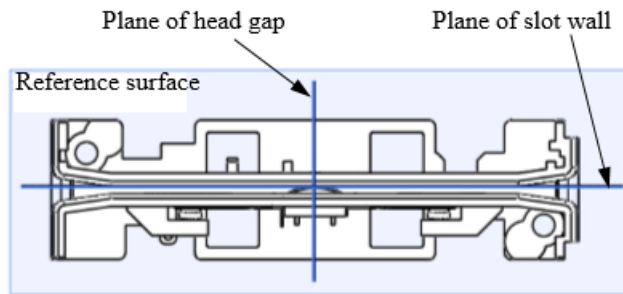


The center line of head should be parallel to the reference surface.

4. The card thickness must be considered when designing the rail and head mounting. The distance between the crown of the head and the opposing slot wall should be a fraction of the minimum card thickness (0.010 inches or 0.25mm). This is so the magnetic head will always exert pressure on the card. The allows for proper contact of the head to stripe especially at high speeds and any less movement could result in an unreliable reading.
5. Standard card thickness is 0.76mm±10%. If standard cards are used, the rule should be the Apex of the head should be a maximum of 0.25mm from opposing card slot wall.
6. Adjust the distance the head is positioned from the opposing wall if a thicker or thinner card is use. Adjustment requires a unique rail design with either wider or narrower card slot width.

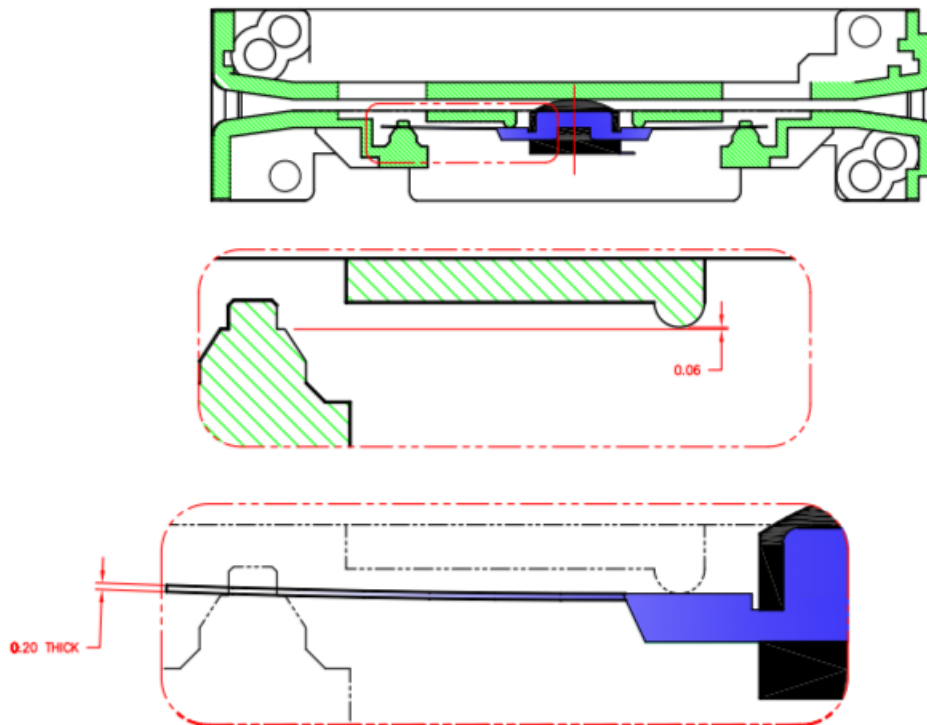
The minimum slot width should be maximum card thickness plus 0.15~0.30mm. The suggested minimum slot width is $1.03^{+0.08}_{-0}$ when a standard card is issued.

7. The design should ensure there is no excessive force or deformation of head spring during or after the head is assembled to prevent permanent deformation of the head spring. The head spring must be mounted so that it is free to gimbal about the spring holes.
8. The bottom of the slot and the slot walls should not have any discontinuities and must instead be flat.
9. The portion of the slot wall, about 10mm on each side of the magnetic head's crown, should not have draft and must be perpendicular to the bottom of slot (reference surface). The slot width in the lead-in and lead-out area should be greater and must have gradual transition with no edges or angles to interfere with card swiping.



10. If the life of the reader is to be greater than 50,000 passes, the bottom of slot must embed a metal wear plate. Stainless steel is the metal of preference to avoid corrosion. The plastic material used for the slot needs to be significantly harder than the card material to ensure adequate rail life.
11. The head opening in the rail must allow room for maximum gimbal action. The back side (pin side) of magnetic head should have enough reserved space to prevent any interference during a swipe. The design must provide for a minimum of 1.25~1.52mm of space behind the head to allow for proper gimbal and head movement during card swiping.
12. When the head is installed into the rail, the spring holding the head should be slightly preloaded. Preloading the spring will ensure that the head has some stability at first card impact. This is especially important if the card is swiped at high speed. If the spring is not preloaded it will tend to vibrate when the card impacts the head and vibration causes the head to lose contact with the card.
13. ID TECH's solution to preloading the head spring is to add 2 symmetrical bumps, one on each side of the head (head window), molded into the rail (see drawing below). We recommend that the difference between the spring resting surfaces and the crown of the bumps is 0.06 ± 0.03 mm. A head spring that is 0.20 mm thick will result in a 0.14 ± 0.03 mm bow. The bumps should be cylindrical and their crown parallel with the slot wall opposite to the head crown. This will ensure when the head is mounted into the rail, its crown will be parallel to the slot surface and will make good contact with the magnetic stripe on the card.

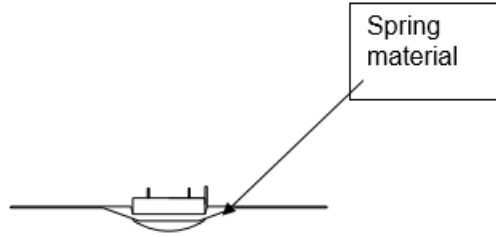
Please see the below drawing:



14. The length, width, and height of rail's slot will affect the stability of reading performance.
- The length of the slot is the maximum permitted by dimensional constraints. If possible, it should be 2 times the length of the card.
 - The slot width is to be approximately 0.20 mm bigger than the maximum thickness of the card being swiped.
 - The height of the slot should be as big as dimensional constraints allow but not extend over the embossing area of the card unless there is a provision (recess) in the rail wall design allowed.

The amount of head travel and head protrusion determines the clearance between the head and the wall of the rail window depends. The distance from the crown of the head to the surface of the spring. For a standard rail with $1.03^{+0.08}_{-0}$ mm wide slot and a standard ID TECH head with 3.50 head protrusion minimum 1.25 mm clearance must be allowed on all sides of the head.

Note: Guideline does not apply when low profile heads are used. The window must allow clearance for the portion of the spring welded to the magnetic head as shown in figure below.



ID TECH can provide samples of a rail and magnetic head for design reference. Order these through your local sales representative using the following part numbers: 90mm rail 80006248-001 and Standard wing spring head 80027236-001.