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1 Management Summary – Scope of this Document

This document describes the license model for non IO-Link Members.

2 Terms, definitions, and abbreviated terms

2.1 CoC
Confirmation of Completion of Conformance Tests

2.2 IO-Link Service Center
Central office of the IO-Link community, see publisher

2.3 IOLTC
IO-Link Test center accredited by IO-Link community providing services for tests

2.4 MD
Manufacturer Declaration

2.5 VID
Vendor ID, the vendor identification of a device or a master

2.6 WG/PG
Working Group / Project Group

3 Licensing for non-members

Non-members also are allowed to put IO-Link products on the market and use the IO-Link Trademark accordingly. A license is required in that cases. This license needs to be applied for by the vendor. The license model does not include active participation in WGs/PGs or access to work results of the WGs/PGs.

3.1 Obligations of the licensee:
• The necessary tests for the Manufacturer Declaration (MD) must be performed and documented by a CoC.
• The associated costs are settled directly between issuer of CoC and licensee.
• Future changes to the product properties require a license update, and a corresponding update of the MD. See rules explained in [2].
• The licensee is responsible to acquire the right to use IO-Link-relevant patents. The patent list and the patent holders are listed in [1].

3.2 Rights of the licensee:
For the duration of the license the licensee gets the following rights:
• Assignment and usage of a company-specific VID.
41  • Access to current specifications via www.IO-Link.com.
42  • Usage of the word marks/figurative marks (logos) for the licensed product.
43  • After expiration of the license a follow up license can be acquired:
44      o Without a new MD, provided that no change has been made to the product properties.
45      o With a new MD, if changes have been made to the product [2].
46  • Launch and sell the licensed product.
47  • Add the IODD to the IODDFinder.
48  • Enter the licensed product to the "Approved Component List".

4 Manufacturer Declaration (MD) & License Process
41  1. Contact an IOLTC or the brand label provider to get the
42     "Conformance test commitment for licences" to apply for a VID (see Annex A).
43  2. Apply for a VID at the IO-Link Service Center.
44  3. Ask IOLTC or the brand label provider for the CoC (see [3]).
45  4. Fill out and sign the MD.
46  5. Provide the MD, the CoC and a filled application form to the IO-Link Service Center to
47     buy the licence.
48  6. After payment the vendor/licensee has got the rights of the license (see 3.).
49  7. Add the MD to the Approved component list.

5 Renewal of License
51  After expiration of the license period the vendor can order a follow up license by the IO-Link
52  Service Center.

6 License Fees
57  The license fees are related to a single device referenced by DeviceID or a Master referenced by
58  ordering number. The following amounts are fixed
59  - For IO-Link Master 5,000€ per 3 years
60  - For IO-Link Device 2,500€ per 3 years
61  The fees for initial licenses and the follow up licenses are identical.
62  These license fees do not include the fees to be paid at the IOLTC for the test services and issuing
63  of a test report.
Annex A

Test Commitment

Test commitment for Licensees

We:

<Company's name and address>

or

<TestCenter and address>

declare that the product(s):

<Trademark, IO-Link product>

(annotate "IO-Link Master" or "IO-Link Device")

Is intended to be

☐ Brand labeled

☐ Tested

for:

<Company's name and address>

Issued at <location, date>  Authorized signatory

Name: <First, last name>

Title: <Job title>

Signature: <Signature>

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