

UPSafePI



UPS Safe Pi:

- Raspberry Pi 4
- UPSberry (UPS Smart Shield and Real Time Clock (RTC) for Raspberry Pi)
- Enclosure

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UPSafePI User Guide

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Preface

This User Guide has been implemented by Boot & Work, S.L. working under the name Industrial Shields.

Purpose of the manual

The information contained in this manual can be used as a reference to operate, to functions, and to the technical data of the signal modules, power supply modules and interface modules.

Intended Audience

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- Persons who design automation systems.
- Persons who install or connect automation devices.
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1 General Description

This device consists of a Raspberry Pi 4 attached to an UPSberry (UPS Smart Shield and Real Time Clock (RTC) for Raspberry Pi), all in a perfectly fitted enclosure.

1.1. General Specifications

1.1.1. Raspberry Pi 4

Processor	Broadcom BCM2711, quad-core Cortex-A72 (ARM v8) 64-bit SoC @ 1.5GHz
Memory	2GB, 4GB or 8GB LPDDR4 (depending on model)
Connectivity	2.4 GHz and 5.0 GHz IEEE 802.11b/g/n/ac wireless LAN, Bluetooth 5.0, BLE Gigabit Ethernet 2 × USB 3.0 ports 2 × USB 2.0 ports.
GPIO	Standard 40-pin GPIO header (fully backwards-compatible with previous boards)
Video & Sound	 2 × micro HDMI ports (up to 4Kp60 supported) 2-lane MIPI DSI display port 2-lane MIPI CSI camera port 4-pole stereo audio and composite video port
Multimedia	H.265 (4Kp60 decode); H.264 (1080p60 decode, 1080p30 encode); OpenGL ES 3.1 graphics, Vulkan 1.0
SD card support	Micro SD card slot for loading operating system and data storage
Input Power	5Vdc via USB-C connector (minimum 3A*) 5Vdc via GPIO header (minimum 3A*) Power over Ethernet (PoE)–enabled (requires separate PoE HAT)
Environment	Operating temperature 0–50°C

*A good quality 2.5A power supply can be used if downstream USB peripherals consume less than 500mA in total.

1.1.2. UPSberry

- Plug & Play UPS Smart Shield and Real Time Clock (RTC) for Raspberry Pi
- Avoid any SD corruption issue
- 12 Vdc or 24 Vdc
- With RS485 protocol available
- Compatible with all Raspberry Pi 2, 3, 4 & all Raspberry Pi B models
- Recharge Time: Less than 1 minute
- Reconnecting time: Less than 20 seconds
- With reboot button (or the possibility to add an external one)
- Vin ESD protection

Operational Voltage	Current	Max. Current	Super Capacitors	Certificate	Possible MCU Connections	RTC
12 or 24 Vdc (Antipolarity + Filter)	3 A (Autoprotected by chip)	3.5 A	x2 (25F) 2.7V	CE, RoHs	-Raspberry Pi 2 & 2B -Raspberry Pi 3 & 3B -Raspberry Pi 4B	DS3231 Coin cell: CR1220

Note: The power consumption requires a DC power supply ranging from a minimum of **20 W** to a maximum of **30 W**.

1.2. Available Communications & Accessories

- RS-485 Port
- ICSP Connector
- I2C (3.3 Vdc)
- USB Type-C (Power Only)
- RTC
- Raspberry Pi Connector

1.3. Precautions

Read this manual before attempting to use the UPSafePI and follow its descriptions for reference during operation.

1.3.1. Raspberry Board

The UPSafePI uses a Raspberry Pi 4 Board as controller.

1.3.2. Intended Audience

This manual is intended for technicians, which must have knowledge on electrical systems.

1.3.3. General Precautions

The user must operate UPSafePI according to the performance specifications described in this manual.

Before using the UPSafePI under different conditions from what has been specified in this manual or integrating into nuclear control systems, railroad systems, aviation systems, vehicles, combustion systems, medical equipment, amusement machines, safety equipment and other systems, machines, and equipment that may have a serious influence on lives and property if used improperly, consult your INDUSTRIAL SHIELDS representative. Ensure that the rating and performance characteristics of the UPSafePI are sufficient for the systems, machines, and equipment, and be sure to provide the systems, machines, and equipment double safety mechanisms. This manual provides information for programming and operating the UPSafePI.

1.3.4. Isolation Precautions

Description:

This equipment does **not include galvanic isolation between the grounds** of the different systems. This means that if an external device or sensor that shares the same ground reference (GND) with the system is connected, any potential difference between these grounds could damage the connected components. To avoid issues with interference, ground loops, or damage to external equipment, ensure that all connected devices share the same ground reference or use systems with appropriate isolation.

Recommendations:

- **Connection Review:** Verify that all ground connections are properly made and that there are no significant potential differences between them.
- Use of Isolation: Consider using galvanic isolators or isolation transformers if it is necessary to connect equipment with different ground references.

1.4. Overall device pinout



1.4.1. UPSberry



*The capacitors will be assembled in a different way.

1.5. Main parameters

Parameter	Value	Conditions			
Input parameters					
Input voltage (screw terminal)	7Vdc 28Vdc	At screw terminal			
Input voltage (USB terminal)	5Vdc	USB terminal			
Average input current	0.5A	Charge mode + RPi Booting at			
		Vin = 24V			
Output parameters					
Output voltage range	4.75Vdc 5.5Vdc				
Output current range	0Aavg 2Aavg				
Output ripple	20mVpp	Raspberry Pi as a web server			
Control parameters					
Pin 16 (GPIO23)	3.3Vdc – 5Vdc (Inputs				
	maximum voltage)				
Pin 13 (GPIO27)	3.3Vdc – 5Vdc (Outputs				
	maximum voltage)				

	NC	1	2	Vin	
SDA	GPIO2	3	4	Vin	
SCL	GPIO3	5	6	GND	
ТХ	GPIO4	7	8	GPIO14	TXD
	GND	9	10	GPIO15	RXD
TERM-TX	GPIO17	11	12	NC	
DE	GPIO27	13	14	GND	
	NC	15	16	GPIO23	UPS Control from RASPBERRY
	NC	17	18	GPIO24	UPS Control to RASPBERRY
	NC	19	20	GND	
	NC	21	22	GPIO25	INT
	NC	23	24	GPIO8	CS
	GND	25	26	NC	
CMPOUT	GPIO0	27	28	NC	
RX	GPIO5	29	30	GND	
PROCHOT	GPIO6	31	32	NC	
CHRG_OK	GPIO13	33	34	GND	
EN_OTG	GPIO19	35	36	GPIO16	AN
RST	GPIO26	37	38	GPIO20	PWM
	GND	39	40	GPIO21	INT

1.6. Raspberry Pi 4 Pinout Connector



- GPIO24 (Raspberry's 18 pin) is used by UPS to report if an emergency power-off is needed. If the UPSberry detects that the external power supply has been lost, this pin is going to be connected to GND. In the opposite case, this pin is not going to be connected. Because of this, it is recommended to configure this pin with a pull-up software.
- GPIO23 (Raspberry's 16 pin) is used to report a finished saving process. If the system fails, the UPSberry will maintain the power supply till it receives a low logic value from this pin. If this pin is not connected, in the case of a failure the UPSberry will provide power till the capacitors run out of energy.
- GPIO27 (Raspberry's 13 pin) is the RS-485 half duplex control. The transmission will be enabled with a positive logical value. The reception will be enabled with a negative logical value.
- GPIO0 (Raspberry's 27 pin) is the open-drain output of independent comparator for the battery chip.
- GPIO6 (Raspberry's 31 pin) acts as the active low open drain output of processor hot indicator, used in the battery chip.

- GPIO13 (Raspberry's 33 pin) functions as the open drain active high indicator to inform the system good power source is connected to the charger input.
- GPIO19 (Raspberry's 35 pin) is used to enable / disable USB OTG (On-The-Go), to deliver power from the battery to other portable devices through the USB port.
- The reset white connector must have a normally open push button and, when it is pushed, the power supply is going to be removed from the Raspberry. This job can be equally done pushing the reset button in the shield.
- **CAUTION:** This shield is used to discharge the capacitors but, when they are fully charged, it is very important to ensure that no short-circuits will happen, as it may break the shield.

NOTE: If using Raspberry Pi 2 or Raspberry Pi 2 model B, consider the following information:

- GPIO27 is GPIO2 on a Raspberry Pi 2 or Raspberry Pi 2 B model.
- GPIO2 & GPIO3 are GPIO8 & GPIO9 respectively on a Raspberry Pi 2 or Raspberry Pi 2 B model.
- GPIO23 & GPIO24 are GPIO4 & GPIO5, respectively on a Raspberry Pi 2 or Raspberry Pi 2 B model.

1.7. Unmount/Mount instructions

The device must be unmounted to place the Raspberry within the UPSberry (if required) or to access the cell coin slot.

The steps to unmount it are the following ones:

• Carefully, push with the fingers where the blue arrow is located and push with a screwdriver (or screw/unscrew if required) where the red arrow is located. Be delicate with the spots pointed with the alert sign. Remember to remove all the connectors and the microSD card to mount/unmount the device and place them again when the process is finished.













• The steps to mount it are the same but inversely (be careful with the plastic tabs and make sure that everything is placed the right way).

1.8. Connectors

• Power connector:

SKU: 15EDGRC-3.81-02P-14-00A(H)











SKU: 15EDGKD-2.5-XXP-1Y-00A(H)







• Reset connector:

SKU: B2B-XH-A (LF)(SN)



Shape A

Shape B









Plugged up





(6 circuits 5.0mm(.197") pitch)



2 Raspberry Pi Software

To start working with the UPS on your Raspberry Pi module, the OS needs to be properly installed and configured. This section goes through all the necessary steps to configure it properly.

2.1 Standard image installation

Raspberry must be used with an SD card inserted in the available slot which has a correct image installed. By default, the SD card is not provided. You will need to acquire one and install an appropriate OS image. The most used and recommended one is Raspberry Pi OS, previously known as Raspbian.

However, in case you want to install another operating system compatible with Raspberry Pi 4B it can be done, but keep in mind that all the services, scripts and executables must be added to the new image to set up the board features (the additional communications, the internal UPS, etc.).

These are the steps to install a fresh Raspberry Pi OS image:

- 1. Download the Raspberry Pi Imager from this URL: <u>https://www.raspberrypi.org/software/</u>
- 2. Download an operating system image from Raspberry Pi. All the operating system images available here: <u>https://www.raspberrypi.org/software/operating-systems/</u>
- 3. Take your microSD card with an adapter for your PC, and write the image using the Raspberry Pi Imager.
- 4. Once the process ends, you can introduce the microSD card in your Raspberry PLC.

2.2 Enable the controlled shutdown on your Raspberry Pi

The Raspberry based PLCs can perform a controlled shutdown once the UPS detects that the main power supply has been cut. This ensures all active processes are ended and the SD card image and files are protected.

To enable the controlled shutdown on the Raspberry Pi, follow these steps:

1. **Modify the configuration file:** The process is now managed using device tree overlays. Add the following two lines to the */boot/firmware/config.txt* file:

dtoverlay=gpio-poweroff,gpiopin=23,active_low
dtoverlay=gpio-shutdown,gpio_pin=24,gpio_pull=up

- The gpio-poweroff overlay ensures the system powers off gracefully using GPIO pin 23.
- The gpio-shutdown overlay detects when the system should shut down using GPIO pin 24.
- 2. Save and reboot: After editing and saving the file, reboot the Raspberry Pi to apply the changes.

The system will now perform a controlled shutdown when the main power is lost, ensuring the protection of data and processes.

2.3 How to execute commands before the Power Off process

To execute specific commands before the system powers off, follow these steps:

1. **Create the necessary directory:** Create the required directory to store the pre-poweroff hooks:

```
sudo mkdir -p /etc/rpishutdown/hooks
```

Download the service file and hook script: Fetch the required files for the pre-poweroff service and the check script:

```
sudo curl -L
https://apps.industrialshields.com/main/rpi_experimental/rpiplc/rpishutd
own-pre-poweroff.service \
        -o /lib/systemd/system/rpishutdown-pre-poweroff.service
sudo curl -L
https://apps.industrialshields.com/main/rpi_experimental/rpiplc/check-pr
e-poweroff-hook.sh \
        -o /etc/rpishutdown/hooks/check-pre-poweroff
```

Any type of file (Bash Scripts, Python, C++, etc.) can be executed, but the most important thing is that the file must be called "pre-poweroff" without any extension (and you must indicate the file type with the corresponding Shebang). The script execution time cannot surpass ~6 seconds, as it is the Raspberry's Power Off period.

3. Grant execution permissions: Make the pre-poweroff script executable:

```
sudo chmod ugo+x /etc/rpishutdown/hooks/check-pre-poweroff
```

4. **Enable and start the pre-poweroff service:** Reload the systemd daemon and enable the new service:

sudo systemctl daemon-reload sudo systemctl enable rpishutdown-pre-poweroff sudo systemctl start rpishutdown-pre-poweroff

This setup ensures that any custom commands in the check-pre-poweroff script will be executed before the system powers off.

2.4 Enable the RTC functionality on your Raspberry Pi

To enable the RTC functionalities, the steps to follow are:

1. Update your system: Make sure your system has the latest updates by running:

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt -y upgrade
```

- 2. Enable I2C on the Raspberry Pi: Open the configuration file based on your system version:
 - For Bullseye: /boot/config.txt
 - For Bookworm or later: /boot/firmware/config.txt

Uncomment the following line if it's commented:

dtparam=i2c_arm=on

3. Enable the RTC overlay: Add the following line at the end of the file, after the [all] section:

dtoverlay=i2c-rtc,ds3231

4. **Restart the device:** Save the changes and reboot the system to apply the configuration.

2.5 Enable the RS-485 functionality on your Raspberry Pi

The UPSberry module contains a 2-wire RS-485 (or RS-422) transceiver. The transceiver is driven by the Raspberry Pi UART interface on the GPIO14 and GPIO15 pins. We send and receive data by /dev/ttyS0.

• In order to ensure you have got the latest updates you should run the following commands:

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt -y upgrade
```

• At the end of the "/boot/firmware/config.txt" file, after the "[all]" statement, introduce this line (Use "/boot/firmware/config.txt" for Bullseye based OS) :

enable_uart=1

The following table includes the RS-485 port requirements:

Parameter	Value	Conditions
RS-485 Interface Communication Type	2-wire, half duplex	Transceiver chip ISL8483E
RX/TX direction control	Controlled by GPIO24	Diver enabled by a low TX data bit Driver disabled 25 μs after the end of a low TX data bit
Failsafe biasing	390R to GND 390R to 5V	
Line Termination	120R	390R//220R//390R+2*10R
Protection	ESD to +/- 15 kV	No Surge/Burst protection
Echo-feature	RX always enabled TX enabled at data	Optional
Data transmission speed	0250kbps	25 μs transmission pause between TX and RX required

2.6 Use the Expansion Slot board

The UPSberry module contains an expansion slot board, to be able to add new features such as 4G, NB, GPRS, LoRa, CANBus and more. These expansion boards can use up to 3 different communication protocols: UART, SPI or I2C.

2.6.1 UART expansion board

The UART pins used in the expansion slot are GPIO4 for TX and GPIO5 for RX. This corresponds to UART3, and to enable if, add the following line to "/boot/firmware/config.txt" (Use "/boot/firmware/config.txt" for Bullseye based OS).

dtoverlay=uart3

LoRa click board

The LoRa click board can be easily used with the following commands:

```
pinctrl set 26 op dh
stty 57600 -F /dev/ttyAMA3 raw -echo
echo -e "mac pause\r" > /dev/ttyAMA3
cat /dev/ttyAMA3
```

And in another terminal window, check what the module is returning with:

cat /dev/ttyAMA3

4G / NBIOT / GPRS click board

To use the 4G / NBIoT / GPRS click board run the script setup-sara.sh.

```
wget https://apps.industrialshields.com/main/rpi/upsafepi/setup-sara.sh
chmod +x setup.sara.sh
sudo ./setup-sara.sh
```

The script asks for APN credentials and RAT (Radio Access Technology): LTE Cat M1 (4G), NB-IoT (Narrow Band) or GPRS/eGPRS.

It also creates a service called **pppd** located in /lib/systemd/system/pppd.service, which executes a python file created in /usr/src/network-setup.py every time the Raspberry PLC boots.

About 50-120 seconds after executing setup-sara.sh, interface **ppp0** should be created. The process can be followed with:

journalctl -f

After finishing, you can check that the interface has been created with:

ifconfig ppp0

To ensure everything has gone flawless, you can ping to 8.8.8.8 like so:

ping 8.8.8.8 -c4 -I ppp0

To stop and disable the service, use the commands:

sudo systemctl stop pppd.service
sudo systemctl disable pppd.service

Finally, try to execute the created script newtork-setup.py with the desired RAT:

python /usr/local/bin/network-setup.py gprs | nb-iot | lte-m

2.6.2 SPI expansion board

CANBus click board

The CAN expansion board uses the **MCP2515** microchip, which has the following features:

- Model: MCP2515
- Type: CAN V2.0B
- **Key Features:** Speed of 1Mb/s, receive buffers, masks and filters, data byte filtering on the first two data bytes, three transmit buffers with prioritization and abort features, high speed SPI interface (10MHz), etc.
- **Applications:** Communication with all kinds of CAN devices and the protocols that can be applied to this communication method.

Before attempting to communicate with the mcp2515 chip, add this line to the "/boot/firmware/config.txt" (Use "/boot/firmware/config.txt" for Bullseye based OS).

dtoverlay=mcp2515,spi0-0,oscillator=10000000,interrupt=21,speed=125000

Then, install the *can-utils* package and set up the can interface accordingly:

```
sudo apt install can-utils
sudo ip link set can0 down
sudo ip link set can0 up type can bitrate 125000
candump can0
cansend can0 111#FF
```

Finally, you can either receive:

candump can0

Or send:

cansend can0 111#FF

2.6.3 I2C expansion board

GPS click board

The GPS clock board has 0x42 as default I2C address. To test the expansion board, do the following:

```
wget https://apps.industrialshields.com/main/rpi/upsafepi/gps.py
python3 gps.py
```

Make sure the I2C address is found with (look for address 0x42):

```
sudo apt install i2c-tools
i2cdetect -y 1
```

3 Revision Table

Revision Number	Date	Changes
0	28/12/2021	First implementation
1	25/07/2023	Minor changes
2	03/09/2024	Improved text and formatting
3	05/09/2024	Updated "Raspberry Pi Software" section
4	27/09/2024	Added section 1.3 ("Precautions")
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6	14/01/2025	Removed references to old rpishutdown configuration

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