

# **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card Connecting and Configuring Serial Devices**



# Connecting and Configuring Your Devices

Prior to using your serial device (modem, printer, PDA, camera, etc.) with the Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card, you must:

- 1. connect your serial device (hardware) to one of your Keyspan
- 2. configure your serial device's software

The following instructions will walk you through the **Connecting Your** <u>Serial Device (Hardware)</u> and <u>Configuring Your Serial Device's</u> Software processes step-by-step.

## Connecting Your Serial Device (Hardware)

**Step 1** - Connect Your Serial Device To The Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card

Attach your serial device's serial cable to a port on the **Keyspan SX** Pro Serial Card.

If you are connecting a printer to the Keyspan card, please make sure that you are using a serial cable and NOT A LOCALTALK CABLE (aka AppleTalk or PhoneNet cables). The **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card** does not support these type of cables and software.

Example of a LocalTalk Connector



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#### **Step 2** - Determine Which Keyspan Port Your Serial Device Is Connected To

Now that you have connected your serial device to a Keyspan serial port, please note which Keyspan serial port (the port on the Keyspan product, not the PCI slot that your card is installed in) your serial device is connected to. This information will become useful as we start Configuring Your Serial Device's Software.

Note Which Port Your Serial Device Is Connected To



Once you've noted which Keyspan serial port your serial device is connected to, you must now tell your serial device software that your serial device (hardware) is now connected to your new Keyspan serial port. Please proceed to the Configuring Your Serial Device's Software for further instructions.

## Configuring Your Serial Device's Software

The following configuration instructions provide a basic overview on how to configure your software to use your Keyspan serial port(s). For specific instructions on how to operate your serial device, please refer to that device's user's manual for detailed instructions...

**Step 1** - Determine Where To Select/Configure The Keyspan Serial Port(s)

Prior to using your serial device with a Keyspan serial port, you must first tell that serial device's software which Keyspan serial port your device is connected to.

Most serial devices will have software that will allow you to select which serial port the device is connected to. Depending on your serial device and it's software, you may have to configure: a control panel (ie Wacom tablets), an icon in the Chooser (printers), an application (Palm Organizer), or some combination of these.

Please refer to your serial devices documentation on which method your serial device uses and how to access that software serial port "configuration" screen. For your convenience, Keyspan has documented how to access these screens for many popular serial devices however you should refer to your serial devices documentation for detailed instructions.

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Once you've determined where to select or configure your serial device's software's serial port settings, please proceed to **Step 2**.

#### Step 2 - Determine Which Serial Port To Select In Your Serial Device's Software

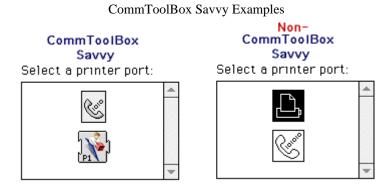
When you've found the port selection screen in your serial device's software, you may be presented with:

- a list of serial port names
- a list of serial port icons
- a list of serial port icons with names

If you see the name or icon of the Keyspan serial port in the list of available serial ports, this means that you serial device's software is **CommToolBox Savvy**. This means that your serial device's software is able to see any serial port connected to your computer including Keyspan's serial ports. If you see the Keyspan ports listed, simply select the Keyspan serial port icon or name that your serial device is connected to.

If you only see the generic MODEM and PRINTER port icons and/or names in the list of available serial ports, this means that you serial device's software is non-**CommToolBox Savvy**. In other words, non-CommToolBox Savvy cannot see any extra serial ports connected to your computer. However, you can still use this software with your Keyspan serial ports since Keyspan serial ports emulate the PRINTER port on Port 1 and emulate the MODEM port on Port 2 on the Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card. \*\*.

\*\* Note: The Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card's serial ports can only emulate the PRINTER and MODEM port on Macs that do not already have a built-in PRINTER port and/or do not have an internal modem (ie Blue and White G3s, G4, etc).



Once you've configured your serial device software to use the Keyspan ports, you should be ready to use your serial device. Please note that some software requires that save your settings or quit and re-launch your serial device software for changes to take effect.

**Step 3** - Use Your Serial Device

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Now that you've configured your serial software you're ready to start using your serial device.

# Configuration Examples

If you're having trouble configuring your serial device software, you can read Keyspan instructions on configuring selected serial devices. These instructions are meant as examples of how to configure serial device software.

Please select one of the following categories that best describes the serial device that you are trying to connect:

- **PDAs** 
  - (ie Palm Organizer (Palm Pilot, Palm III, Palm IIIx, Palm V, etc)
- **Graphics Tablets** (ie Wacom ArtZ, Wacom Intuos tablets, etc.)
- **Modems and Modem Software** (ie AOL software, Remote Access/PPP, etc.)
- **Printers** (ie HP printers, Apple StyleWriters, etc.)

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# **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card Appendix: Compatibility**



# Compatibility with Serial Devices

The **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card** is compatible with a broad range of serial printers, graphics tablets, PDAs, modems and other devices. Compatibility testing of the Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card software has been focused on Apple, HP and Epson printers, Wacom tablets, Palm Pilots, and numerous modems however Keyspan is constantly testing new devices and adding them to the compatibility list that's listed below.

The **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card**'s port do not support **Geoport** or **AppleTalk** (**LocalTalk**) networking.

## Compatibility List

The following is a list of products that are compatible with the **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card**. If you do not see a certain device on this list, please visit <u>Keyspan's web site</u> for an updated compatibility list. We are constantly testing products and adding them to our list.

Items marked with an"\*" must be attached to Port 1 or Port 2 of the Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card and are only supported on Macs that do not have built-in serial ports (ie iMacs, 'blue and white' G3s, 'bronze keyboard' PowerBooks, iBooks, etc.) . Since the drivers of these devices are not **Comm Toolbox Savvy** (meaning that they do not look for ports besides the Modem and Printer ports), they must use a port which is emulating the Printer port or the Modem Port (Port 1 and Port 2 on the Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card emulate the PRINTER port and MODEM port on Macs that do not have built-in serial ports.).

#### **Printers**

Device Compatibility
Apple ImageWriter I \* Yes
Apple ImageWriter II \* Yes
Apple LaserWriters
(LocalTalk)

Note:

includes LW 320, LW 360, LW 4/600, LW II, LW NT, LW NTX

Apple Personal LaserWriter 300 \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple Personal LaserWriter LS \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact

Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter 1200 \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter 1500 \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter 2200 \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter 2400 \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter 2500 \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on

the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter 4100

Yes

#### Note:

Use Apple StyleWriter 4000 series driver v1.1. For instructions on configuring this device, please <u>click here</u>

Apple StyleWriter 4500

Yes

#### **Note:**

Use Apple StyleWriter 4000 series driver v1.1. For instructions on configuring this device, please <u>click here</u>

Apple StyleWriter 6500 \*

Yes

#### Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter I \*

Yes

#### Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter II \*

Yes

#### Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter Pro \*

Yes

#### Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Apple StyleWriter Portable \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. Mac OS 8.6 and 9.0 users also need to install"Desktop Printing" software. Please contact Keyspan for details...

Brother HL631 printer

Not Tested

**Brother P-Touch Label Printer** 

Yes

\*

Canon Bubble Jet (BJC-4550) Yes CoStar LabelWriters Yes Epson 1520 \* Yes

Note:

Requires you to turn on the **Epson Support** feature in the <u>Keyspan SX-PRO4</u>

Manager

Epson 300 series \*

Yes

Note:

Connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card

Epson 3000 series \*

Yes

Note:

Requires you to turn on the **Epson Support** feature in the <u>Keyspan SX-PRO4</u>

Manager

Epson 500 series \*

Yes

Note:

Use Epson driver version v2.7, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card

Epson 600 series \*

Yes

Note:

Requires you to turn on the **Epson Support** feature in the <u>Keyspan SX-PRO4</u>

Manager

Epson 800 series \*

Yes

Note:

Requires you to turn on the **Epson Support** feature in the <u>Keyspan SX-PRO4</u>

Manager

Epson Stylus Color II \*

Yes

Epson Stylus Photo 700 \*

Yes

Note:

Requires you to turn on the Epson Support feature in the Keyspan SX-PRO4 Manager

Epson Stylus Photo EX \*

Yes

Note:

Requires you to turn on the Epson Support feature in the Keyspan SX-PRO4

Manager

GCC BLP HP DeskJet 850 C Not Tested Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskJet v9.4.0 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please click here.

HP DeskJet 855C

Yes

**Note:** 

Use HP DeskJet v9.4.0 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskJet 855C

Yes

**Note:** 

Use HP DeskJet v9.4.0 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskJet 855Cse

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskJet v9.4.0 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskJet 870 C

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskJet v9.4.0 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskJet 870 Cse

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskJet v9.4.0 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please click here

HP DeskJet 870 Cxi

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskJet v9.4.0 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter 310 HP DeskWriter 340 HP DeskWriter 510 \*

Yes Not Tested

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v6.0.4 drivers, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter 520 \*

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v6.0.4 drivers, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. For instructions on configuring this device, please click here

HP DeskWriter 540 \*

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v6.0.4 drivers, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. For instructions on configuring this device, please click here

HP DeskWriter 550 C \*

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v6.0.4 drivers, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. For instructions on configuring this device, please click here

HP DeskWriter 560 C \*

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v6.0.4 drivers, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter 600

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v9.4.1 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter 660 C

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v9.4.1 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter 680 C

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v9.4.1 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter 690

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v9.4.1 drivers. For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter C (made 1991-92)\*

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v6.0.4 drivers, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. For instructions on

configuring this device, please

click here

HP DeskWriter (made

1991-92)\*

Yes

Note:

Use HP DeskWriter v6.0.4 drivers, connect printer to port 1 on the SX Pro Serial Card. For instructions on

configuring this device, please

click here

**HP** LaserJets No Infowave PowerPrint (serial) Not Tested LaserJet 2100 M No NEC Silentwriter 2 Model 90 No NEC Silentwriter 640 No OKI 4m Not Tested Okidata 610 e/ps Not Tested Seiko Label Printer \* Yes TI Microwriter Not Tested

Xante Accel-a-Writer 4000 No

## **Graphics Tablets**

**Device** Compatibility

Calcomp Ultraslate Not Tested Wacom Artz II (serial) Yes

Note:

Use Wacom v2.6.3 drivers. For instructions on

configuring this device, please

click here.

Wacom Intuos (serial) Yes

Note:

For instructions on

configuring this device, please

click here

## **Digital Cameras**

**Device** Compatibility AGFA Yes

Note:

Use AGFA's software or use

CamerAid

Apple Quicktake 100 Not Tested
Apple Quicktake 150 Not Tested
Apple Quicktake 200 Yes

Note:

use <u>CamerAid</u> 1.1.2 or Apple's Camera Access 1.0.1

program

Canon PowerShot 350
Yes
Canon PowerShot A5
Not Tested
Casio QV11
Not Tested
Epson
Yes
Epson Photo PC
Yes

Fujifilm Yes

Note:

Use FujiFilm's software or

use CamerAid

Fujifilm MX-500 Yes

Note:

Use FujiFilm's software or

use CamerAid

Fujifilm MX-700 Yes

Note:

Use FujiFilm's software or

use CamerAid

Kodak \* Yes
Kodak DC25 \* Yes
Leica Yes

Note:

Use Leica's software or use

**CamerAid** 

Minolta Dimage V Not Tested Nikon CoolPix Yes

Note:

Use Nikon's control panel and select the PRINTER port (port 1 on The SX Pro Card) or use

CamerAid

Olympus Yes

Note:

Use Olympus' software or use

CamerAid

QuickCam (serial)

Ricoh RDC300 Z

Ricoh RDC4200

Sanyo

Not Tested

Not Tested

Yes

Note:

also supported by CamerAid

Sony DSC-F1 Not Tested Toshiba Yes

Note:

also supported by **CamerAid** 

#### **PDAs**

DeviceCompatibilityNewtonYes

Palm III Yes

Note:

Palm software version 1.0 does not work with Mac OS 8.5. If you are using a Palm Organizer and are running MacOS 8.5.x, please use Palm's Desktop Software version 2.0 (aka MacPac

v2.0). For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

Palm Pilot Yes

#### Note:

Palm software version 1.0 does not work with Mac OS 8.5. If you are using a Palm Organizer and are running MacOS 8.5.x, please use Palm's Desktop Software version 2.0 (aka MacPac v2.0). For instructions on configuring this device, please click here

Palm V Yes

#### Note:

Palm software version 1.0 does not work with Mac OS 8.5. If you are using a Palm Organizer and are running MacOS 8.5.x, please use Palm's Desktop Software version 2.0 (aka MacPac v2.0). For instructions on configuring this device, please click here

Psion \* Yes Sharp IQ8400 Not Tested

### **Modems and ISDN TAs**

**Device** Compatibility

Acer (model t-50) Yes

#### Note:

connect modem to Port 1 (aka Printer Port) to configure your ISDN modem with Acer's

software

All Brands Yes **AOL** Yes

#### Note:

For instructions on

configuring this device, please

click here

Apple Modem control panel Yes

#### **Note:**

For instructions on configuring this device, please

click here

Apple PPP control panel

Yes

Note:

For instructions on

configuring this device, please

click here

Apple Remote Access control

panel

Yes

Note:

For instructions on

configuring this device, please

click here

FreePPP Yes Ricochet Wireless Modem Yes

## Other Devices and/or Protocols

**Device** Compatibility

ACCLE Scanner

AppleTalk

Barco Color Calibrators

Birmy PowerRIP

David Weather Station \*

Yes

Not Tested

Yes

Note:

connect DWS to port 1 on the

Yes

Not Tested

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Duxbury Systems braille

software

Elite Prop Yes

Note:

use v5.3 software

EnviroMac Yes
GraphTec Cutter Pro FC2100 Not Tested

120

-120

GraphTec Cutter Pro FC2100

-50

HP ScanJet 4s Not Tested I.R.I.S. Data Pen Not Tested Intelitool McADDAM II Yes

Note:

Use SoftWindows/VPC

LaCie Color Calibrators

LaserWriter 8 printer driver

Lego Mindstorms (using

Not Tested

Robolab)

LocalTalk No

Not Tested MacLunch by Companion Not Tested **MIDI** 

Note:

Please read the MIDI and the SX Pro Serial Card appendix in this manual for important details about MIDI and the **Keyspan SX Pro Serial** 

Card

Yes Mimarki plotters and cutters Olympus P-150 E dye Not Tested

sublimation printer

Not Tested Olympus P-330 E dye

sublimation printer

Yes **OptiCal** Pfaff 7570 embroidery/sewing Yes machine

Note:

use Pfaff Designer 2.2 MAC

Yes

software

**ProVTR** Yes Yes Radius PressView Roland PNC 900 vinal cutter Not Tested TI Graph Link (TI-86) Yes TI Graph Link (TI-89) Yes Vernier Software Serial Box Yes Interface

Vernier Software Universal

Lab Interface

Visioneer Paperport (serial) Yes X-Rite Model DTP 32 Yes

Densitometer

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# Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card Problem Solving



## **Problem Solving**

If you are having problems with your **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card**, please read the following instructions to assist you in troubleshooting your Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card.

## Hardware Troubleshooting

#### Step 1

Launch the <u>Keyspan SXPro Manager</u> control panel. When you open the **Keyspan SXPro Manager** control panel, test each port by selecting the port from the Keyspan SXPro Manager's **Port** pop-up menu and then click on the **Test** button. The **Test** text box should state that the port test was succesful. If you get any other message, please email <a href="mailto:support@keyspan.com">support@keyspan.com</a> for further assistance. Otherwise, skip ahead to <a href="mailto:Software/Serial Device TroubleShooting">Software/Serial Device TroubleShooting</a>

# Software/Serial Device Troubleshooting

#### Step 1

Check to make certain that your serial device is compatible with the **Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card** (refer to the <u>Compatibility</u> section this manual for details). If your device is listed on this list as compatible or is not listed at all, please proceed to **Step 2**.

#### Step 2

Make certain that your serial device is powered on and is properly connected to the Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card.

#### Step 3

Check to see if your serial device's software is configured to use the Keyspan port that it is connected to. Please refer to your serial device's

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documentation for instructions on how to select/switch/configure a serial port in that software.

Once you've found your software port configuration screen, does it display all of the Keyspan SX Pro ports or does it only display the MODEM or PRINTER ports?

If the software only displays the MODEM or PRINTER ports, then your device's software is not **CommToolBox Savvy**. Devices that use non-CommToolBox Savvy software must be connected to a Keyspan port that is emulating the the MODEM or PRINTER port. The **Keyspan SXPro Manager** control panel allows emulate the PRINTER port on any Keyspan port. If you have specified a port to emulate the PRINTER port, connect your serial device to this port and select the PRINTER port option in this software.

If the software displays all of the Keyspan SX Pro ports, then make sure that the Keyspan port that your device is connected is selected.

If you have selected the Keyspan port that your serial device is connected to and are still having problems communicating with your serial device, please continue to **Step 4**.

#### Step 4

If you have followed all of the above steps and are still having problems with your Keyspan SX Pro Serial Card, please email <a href="mailto:support@keyspan.com">support@keyspan.com</a> for further assistance.

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