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### IA2-M-DFT



*TRAINING AND TECHNOLOGY FOR INJECTION MOLDING*



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## INTRODUCTION

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### **Term**

*A definition of a term or terms used in the text.*



**NOTE** *A note provides additional information about a discussion topic.*



**CAUTION** *A caution is used to make the operator aware of conditions that can cause damage to equipment and/or injury to personnel.*



## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The Lynx™ digital flow-temperature interface module IA2-M-DFT provides all the inputs and outputs needed to interface the eDART® System to Smartflow®'s TracerVM™ with User Interface line of flowmeters. The IA2-M-DFT is shielded to ensure high quality data even in rugged molding environments and is designed for use to with other Lynx shielded interface modules.

## APPLICATIONS

### PROCESS MONITORING AND CONTROL

The IA2-M-DFT is used to connect a Smartflow® TracerVM™ with User Interface flow-temperature meter to the eDART system for process control and monitoring purposes.

## OPERATION

The interface module can measure either the total flow input to the mold or to individual circuits, or water input temperature to the mold or to individual circuits. When interfaced with the eDART system, the IA2-M-DFT and Smartflow® TracerVM™ with User Interface flow-temperature meter allows users to perform a variety of functions.

### FLOW

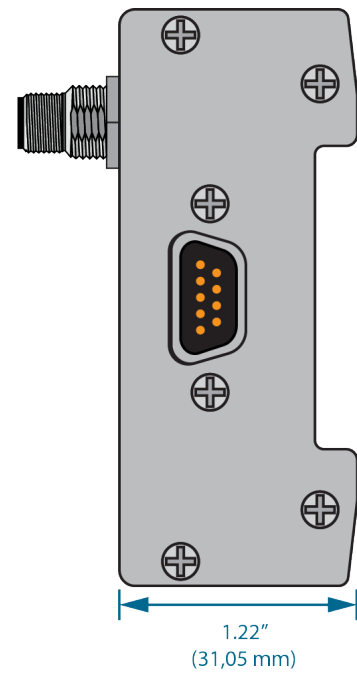
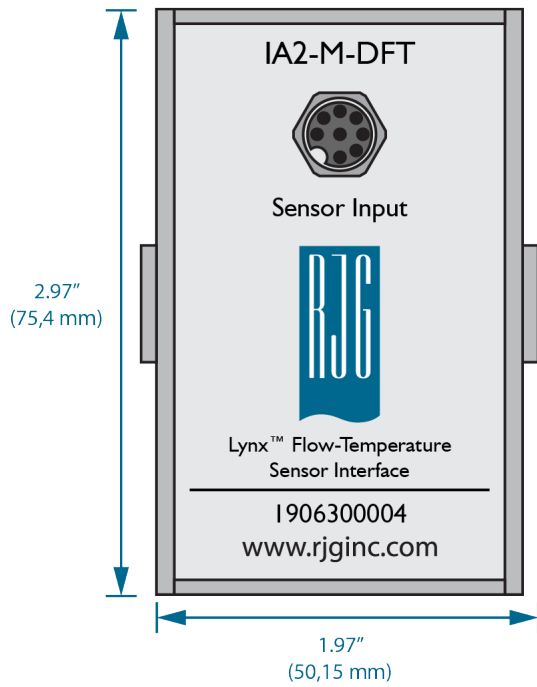
- Reject parts if the flow doesn't meet set requirements to make a good part
- Create a template of the flow
- Overlay GPM curves on the cycle graph
- Set alarms around peak values of the coolant flow
- Set excessive rejects to stop the machine if the coolant flow alarms rejects parts more than the set thresholds



### TEMPERATURE

- Determine if the water temperature control unit is delivering the correct temperature needed to make good parts
- Reject parts if the temperature doesn't meet set requirements to make a good part
- Create a template of the coolant temperature
- Overlay temperature curves on the cycle graph
- Set alarms around peak values of the coolant temperature
- Set excessive rejects to stop the machine if the coolant temperature alarms rejects parts more than the set thresholds

## DIMENSIONS



## INSTALLATION

### INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

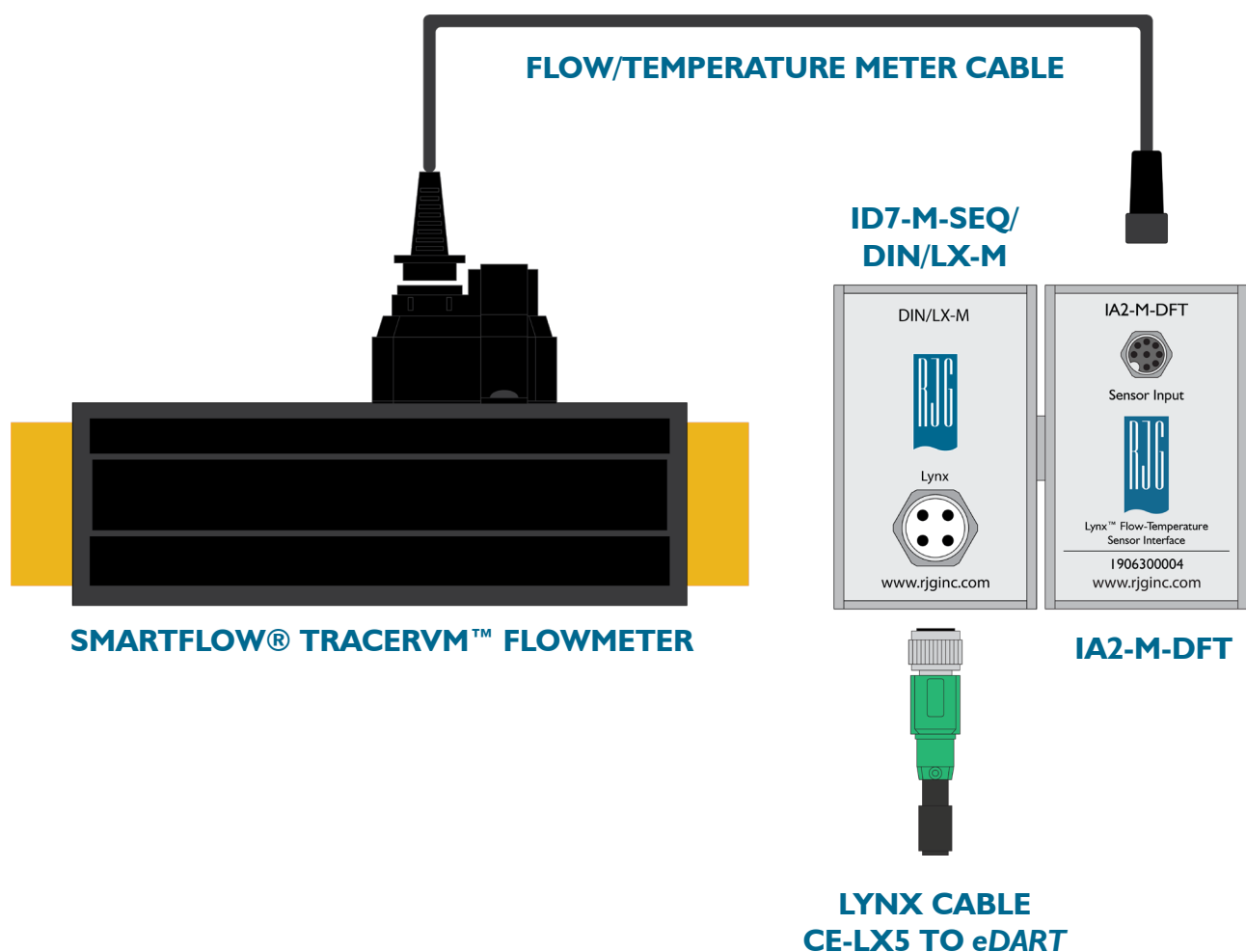
The shielded, digital flow-temperature interface module is mounted to a solid surface, such as the machine frame, inside the molding machine on a DIN rail.

#### IA2-M-FT

The shielded, digital flow-temperature interface module cable is connected directly to the Smartflow® TracerVM™ with User Interface flow-temperature meter on one end, and connected to the IA1-M-DFT on the other using the eight-pin connector. The shielded, digital flow-temperature interface module is connected to the ID7-M-SEQ, IA1-M-V, OR2-M, OAI-M-V, or DIN/LX-D using the integrated amphenol connector. Either an ID7-M-SEQ or DIN/LX-M shielded module is required to physically connect the IA2-M-DFT to the eDART system.

#### eDART CONNECTION

A Lynx cable CE-LX5 is connected to the Lynx port on the ID7-M-SEQ or DIN/LX-M and to a Lynx port on the eDART to provide it with the machine's sequence signals for process monitoring and control calculations, along with the other installed machine interface module signals.



## INSTALLATION SPECIFICATIONS

The instructions that follow are a general guide; actual steps necessary to install this product will vary based on injection molding machine manufacturer, model, and options.

### REQUIREMENTS



**CAUTION** Before beginning IA2-M-DFT installation, disconnect and lockout/tagout any and all power to the molding machine. Failure to comply will result in personal injury or death, and damage or destruction of equipment.

### MOUNTING

Mount the IA2-M-DFT module to a solid surface—such as the molding machine frame—using the supplied 1.38" (35 mm) DIN rail. A clearance height of 6.0" (152,4 mm) from the face of the module is recommended. Connect the IA2-M-DFT to the ID7-M-SEQ or DIN/LX-M using the side-integrated amphenol connector.



**NOTE** Modules and connecting cables must be located away from any static sources, such as feeder tubes and material hoppers.

### WIRING

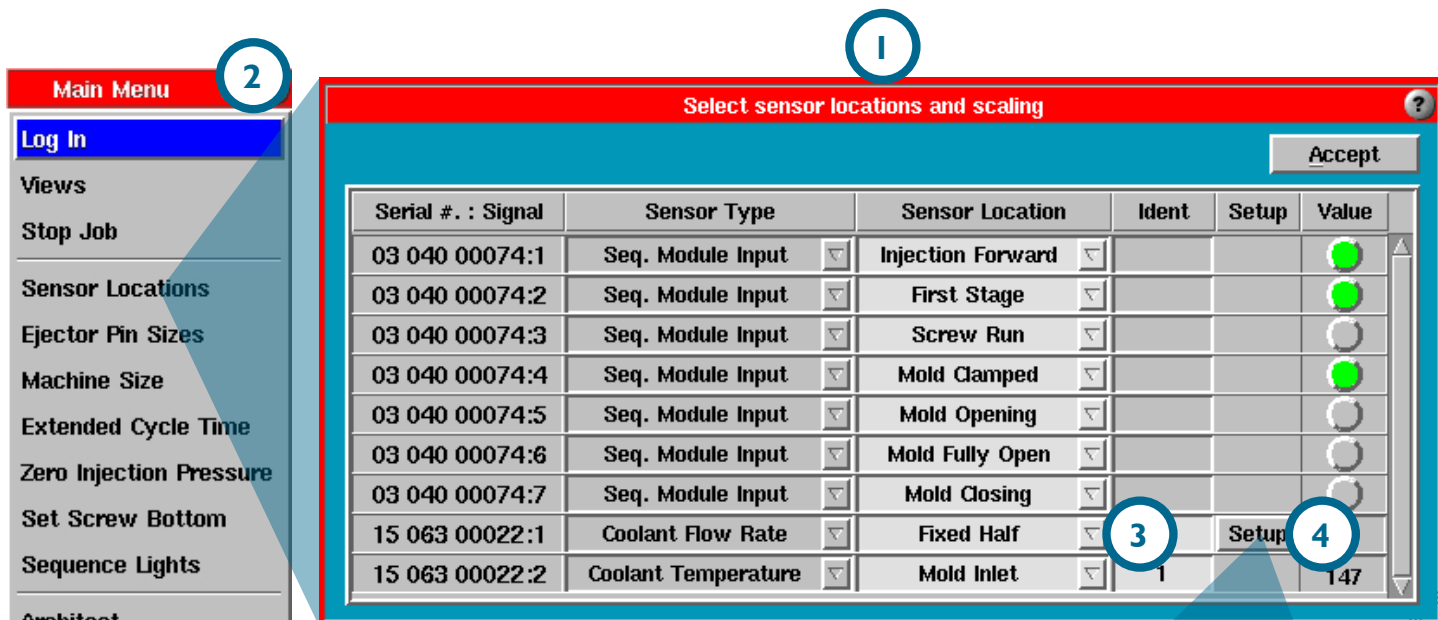
Attach the supplied cable to the Smartflow® TracerVM™ with User Interface flow-temperature meter on one end, and connect to the IA1-M-DFT on the other using the four-pin connector.

A Lynx cable CE-LX5 must connect the ID7-M-SEQ or DIN/LX-M to the eDART System.

## SOFTWARE SETUP

### eDART SOFTWARE VERSION 9.XX

Open the ❶ Sensor Locations window from the ❷ Main Menu.

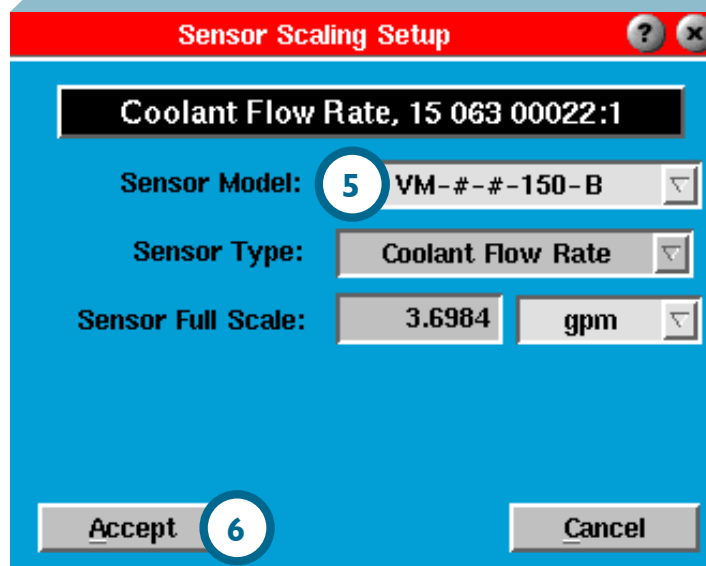


Click the drop-down menu in the ❸ Sensor Location column in line with the “Coolant Flow Rate” in the Sensor Type column to set the location.

Click the ❹ Setup button in the Setup column in line with the VM-#-#-I50-B flow meter's Serial#:Signal; the Sensor Type will indicate “Coolant Flow Rate” and “Coolant Temperature”.



In the Sensor Scaling Setup window, select the ❺ VM-#-#-I50-B sensor model from the Sensor Model drop-down menu.

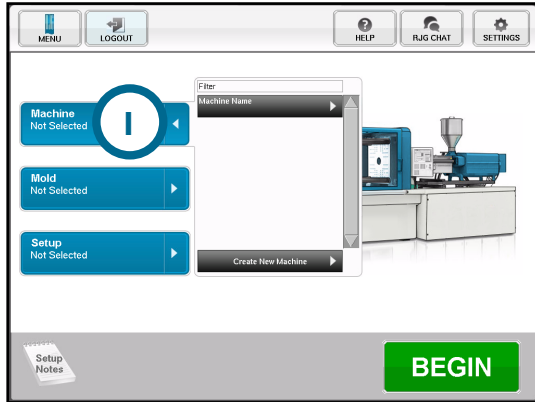
Click the ❻ Accept button.




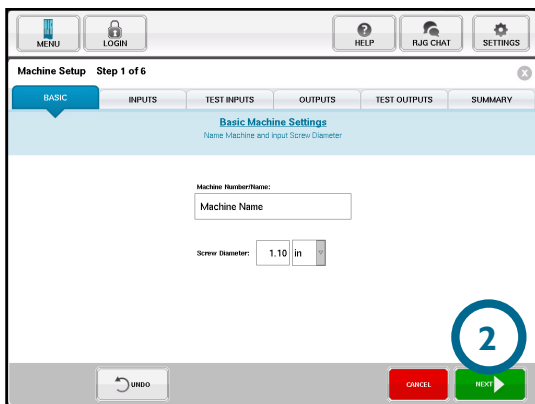
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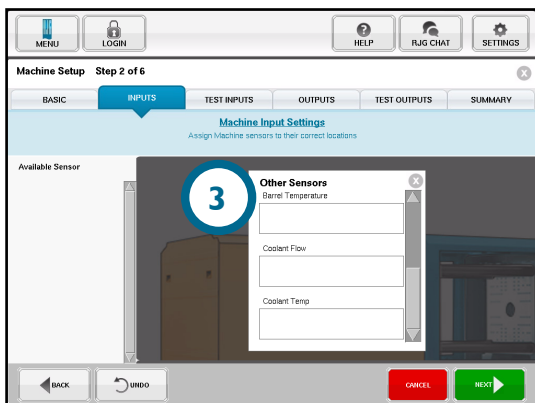
Click  the **1** Machine button, and then click  the arrow next to an existing machine name or the Create New Machine button.




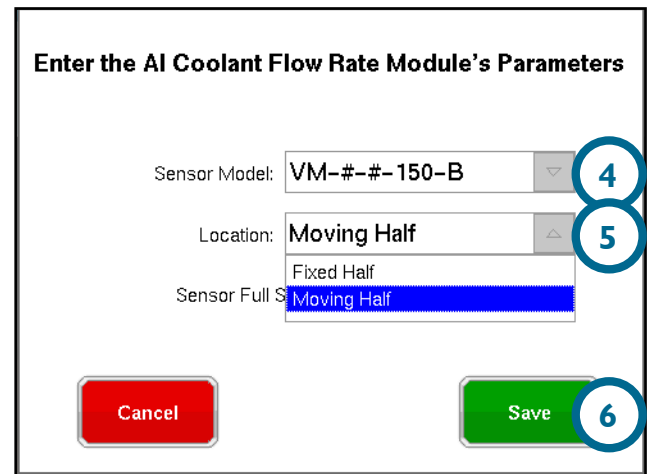
Enter a Machine Name/Number and Screw Diameter, if creating an new machine. Click  the **2** NEXT button.




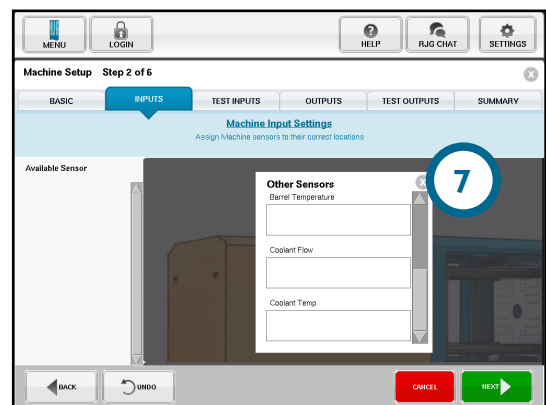
Click , hold, and drag the flow meter from the Available Sensor list and drop into the **3** Other Sensors box.



In the Coolant Flow Rate pop-up window, select the **4** VM-#-#-150-B sensor model from the Sensor Model drop-down menu. Select the **5** Location from the drop-down menu. Click  the **6** Save button.



Click  the **7** exit button to close the Other Sensors window.



Complete the Machine Setup.

## MAINTENANCE

The shielded, digital flow-temperature interface module requires little to no maintenance provided that all installation instructions are followed.

### CLEANING

#### REGULAR CLEANING

Cables must be installed in areas free from oil, dirt, grime, and grease.

RJG, Inc. recommends the following cleaners:

- Microcare MCC-CCC Contact Cleaner C
- Microcare MCC-SPR SuprClean™
- Miller-Stephenson MS-730L Contact Re-Nu®

### WARRANTY

#### RJG, INC. STANDARD WARRANTY

RJG, Inc. is confident in the quality and robustness of the shielded, digital flow-temperature interface module, and so are offering a one-year warranty. RJG's products are guaranteed against defects in material and workmanship for one year from the original date of purchase. The warranty is void if it is determined that the adapter was subjected to abuse or neglect beyond the normal wear and tear of field use, or in the event the adapter box has been opened by the customer.

### PRODUCT DISCLAIMER

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Proper RJG equipment installation does not interfere with original equipment safety features of the machine. Safety mechanisms on all machines should never be removed.



## TROUBLESHOOTING

Summary of troubleshooting product.

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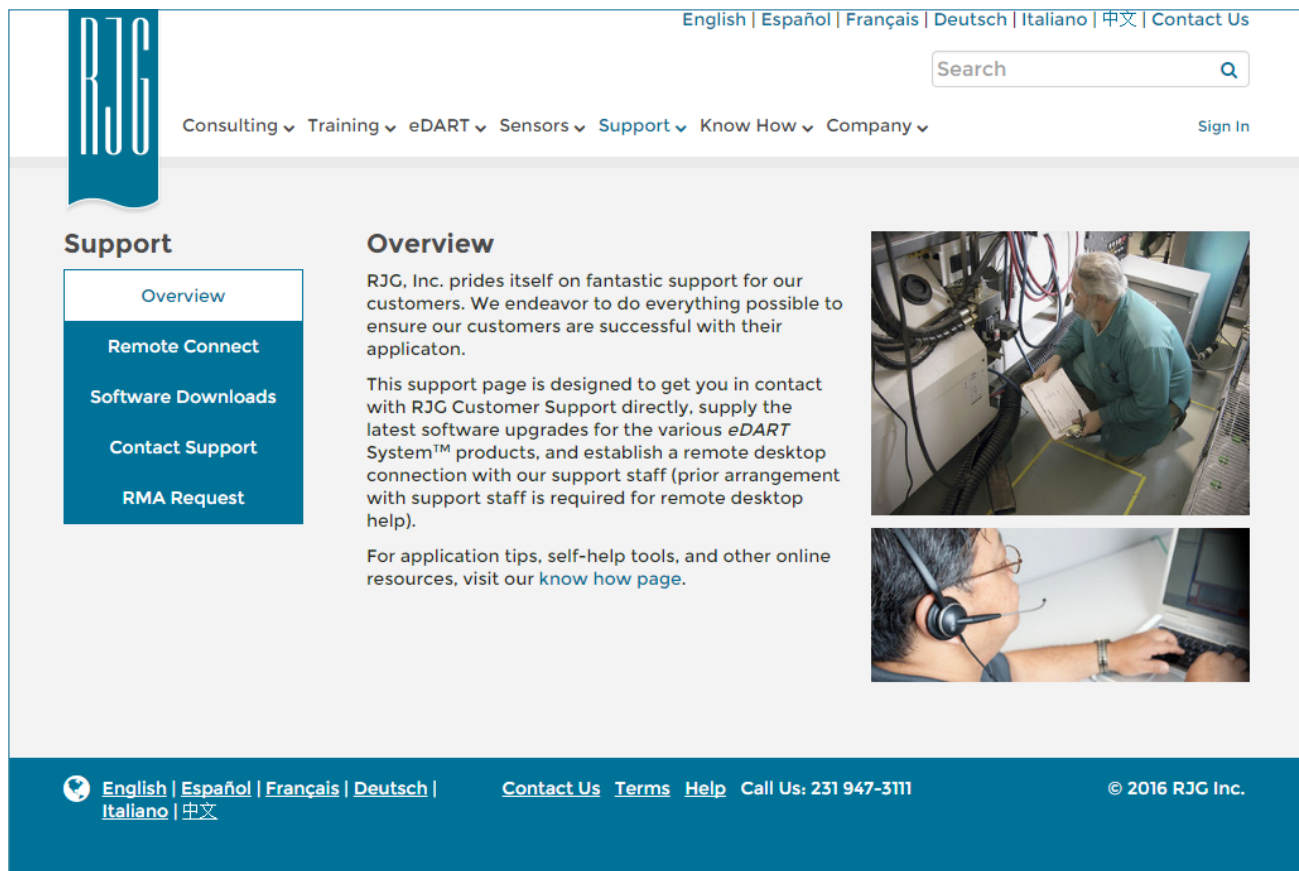
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RJG, Inc. prides itself on fantastic support for our customers. We endeavor to do everything possible to ensure our customers are successful with their application.

This support page is designed to get you in contact with RJG Customer Support directly, supply the latest software upgrades for the various *eDART* System™ products, and establish a remote desktop connection with our support staff (prior arrangement with support staff is required for remote desktop help).

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## RELATED PRODUCTS

The shielded, digital flow-temperature interface module is compatible with other RJG, Inc. products for use with the eDART process control and monitoring system.

## COMPATIBLE PRODUCTS

### SMARTFLOW® TRACERVM™ WITH USER INTERFACE FLOW-TEMPERATURE METER

Smartflow 1/2" NPT 2-40 LPM

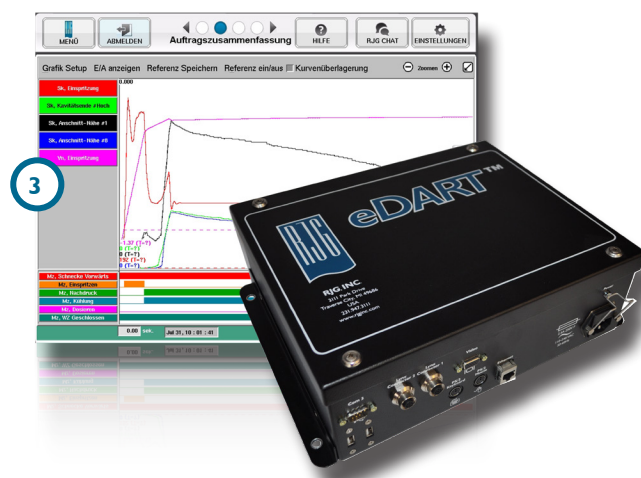
The Smartflow® TracerVM™ with User Interface (1 at right) is a simple flow meter to measure either the total input to the mold or to individual circuits, or the temperature input to the mold or to individual circuits. When interfaced with the eDART® System, users can access and use data such as: excessive reject control, summary variables, template values, and summary and cycle values.

### LYNX SHIELDED SEQUENCE MODULE ID7-M-SEQ

The Lynx shielded sequence module ID7-M-SEQ (2 at right) is a DIN-rail-mounted module that is wired to the molding machine in order to collect 24 V DC timing signals for use with the eDART system, including injection forward, screw run, mold closed, first stage, and mold opening.

### eDART PROCESS CONTROLLER

The eDART process controller (3 at right) is the base hardware unit for the eDART system. The eDART system is the most powerful process control system in the industry, allowing molders to stabilize and control injection molding processes and contain bad parts, ensuring high quality and cost-reduction.



## SIMILAR PRODUCTS

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The following products, similar to the IA2-M-DFT, are compatible for use with the eDART process control and monitoring system.

### LYNX COMMUNICATIONS ADAPTER DIN/LX-D

The Lynx communications adapter DIN/LX-D (1 at right) is a shielded, DIN-rail-mounted module that interfaces other RJG, Inc. shielded machine interface modules with the eDART system when the ID7-M-SEQ is not used. This module is shielded to ensure high quality data even in rugged molding environments, and designed to be mounted on standard 35 mm DIN rails often found in machine panels.

### LYNX SHIELDED DUAL-RELAY OUTPUT MODULE OR2-M

The Lynx shielded dual-relay output module OR2-M (2 at right) is a shielded, DIN-rail-mounted module that interfaces the eDART and sorting equipment or injection molding machines to implement part containment or control transfer. This module is shielded to ensure high quality data even in rugged molding environments, and designed to be mounted on standard 35 mm DIN rails often found in machine panels.

### LYNX SURFACE-MOUNT ANALOG INPUT MODULE IA1-S-VI-24

The Lynx surface-mount analog input module IA1-S-VI-24 (3 at right) is a shielded, surface-mounted module that interfaces the eDART and injection molding machines in order to collect 0–10 V DC signals from analog measurement devices, providing information such as: injection pressure, plastic pressure, screw position, and temperature.





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