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# 1756 CTR8 Counter Module

Catalog Number: 1756sc-CTR8/1756sc-CTR8K

## Important Notes

Please read all the information in this owner's guide before installing the product. The information in the guide applies to hardware version A and firmware version 2.0 or later.

This guide assumes that you have a full working knowledge of the relevant processor.

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## Preface

### NOTE



This is a re-issue of an existing manual, with some corrections, and updated Certification information.

Read this introduction to familiarize you with the rest of the owner's guide. This preface covers the following topics:

- Who should use this manual
- How to use this manual
- Rockwell Automation technical support
- Documentation
- Conventions used in this manual

## Who Should Use This Manual

You must be able to program and operate an Allen-Bradley ControlLogix™ 1756 Controller to efficiently use your input modules. We assume that you know how to do that in this manual. If you do not, refer to the appropriate Allen Bradley manual for the associated AB controller.

## How to Use This Manual

Use this guide to install, configure, and troubleshoot your ControlLogix 1756sc-CTR8 module. The 1756sc-CTR8 Module mounts to an Allen-Bradley ControlLogix 1756 Controller chassis. The module uses a Removable Terminal Block (RTB) to connect all field-side wiring.

Before you install your module you should have already:

- Installed and grounded a 1756 chassis and power supply.
- Ordered and received an RTB and its components for your application.

The table below provides a listing of publications that contain important information about Allen-Bradley PLC systems.

Allen-Bradley	Refer to this Document	Allen-Bradley Pub. No.
1756-PA72, -PB72	ControlLogix Power Supply Installation Instructions	1756-5.1
1756-A4, -A7, -A10, -A13, -A17	Control Logix Chassis Instructions	1756-5.2
1756 Series	ControlLogix Module Installation Instructions (Each module has separate document for installation)	1756-5.5, -5.42
1756-L1, -LIM1, -LIM2	Logix5550 Controller User Manual	1756-6.5.12

Allen-Bradley	Refer to this Document	Allen-Bradley Pub. No.
Allen-Bradley	Refer to this Document	Allen-Bradley Pub. No.
1756-ENET	ControlLogix Ethernet Communication Interface Module User Manual	1756-6.5.1

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- Brazil 55-11-3618-8800
- Europe +49-211-41553-630

or send an email to [support@spectrumcontrols.com](mailto:support@spectrumcontrols.com)


## Documentation


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## Conventions Used in This Manual

The following conventions are used throughout this manual:

- Bulleted lists (like this one) provide information not procedural steps.
- Numbered lists provide sequential steps or hierarchical information.
- *Italic* type is used for emphasis.
- **Bold** type identifies headings and sub-headings.

<b>WARNING</b> 	Identifies information about practices or circumstances that can lead to personal injury or death, property damage, or economic loss. These messages help you to identify a hazard, avoid a hazard, and recognize the consequences.
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<b>NOTE</b> 	Identifies information that is critical for successful application and understanding of the product.
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# Chapter 1

## Module Overview

This chapter describes the 1756sc-CTR4 and 1756sc-CTR8 and the conformally coated 1756sc-CTR4/1756sc-CTR8K counter modules and explains how the ControlLogix controller reads analog input data from the modules. Other than the conformal coating, the modules are identical so all information applicable to the earlier modules applies to the K versions. Read this chapter to familiarize yourself further with counter module. This chapter covers:

- General description and hardware features.
- An overview of system and module operation.

### Section 1.1 General Description

This module is designed exclusively for use in the Allen-Bradley ControlLogix 1756 I/O rack systems. The module reads AC and DC pulse information from external sensors and stores the data in its image table for retrieval by all ControlLogix processors.

Following is a list of features available on the CTR8 module that allow their use in a wide variety of applications:

- Removal and insertion under power (RIUP)—a system feature that allows you to remove and insert modules while chassis power is applied.
- Producer/consumer communications—an intelligent data exchange between modules and other system devices in which each module produces data without having been polled.
- System timestamp of data—64-bit system clock places a timestamp on the transfer of data between the module and its owner-controller within the local chassis.
- IEEE 32-bit floating point format.
- On-Board Features, such as custom User Scaling, Analog and Digital Filtering, and Under/Over Detection.

### Section 1.2 Input Types

The 1756-CTR supports both AC and DC input signal types. The module input type is configured on a channel-pair basis. Each pair must be configured for the same input type.

### Section 1.3 Hardware Features

The module fits into any single slot for I/O modules in a ControlLogix modular system. The module has a unique generic profile which may be configured using your RSLogix 5000 programming software. The module uses one removable terminal block that provides connections for the eight input channels. The module is configured through RSLogix 5000 software, defining input type, counter control, and signal filtering.

**Table 1-1. Hardware Features**

Hardware	Function
OK LED	Displays communication and fault status of the module.
Cal LED	Displays a fault condition.
Side Label (Nameplate)	Provides module information.
Removable Terminal Block	Provides electrical connection to input devices.
Door Label	Permits easy terminal identification.
Self-Locking Tabs	Secure module in chassis slot.
Terminal Block Switch	Locks the RTB to the module.

## Section 1.4 Diagnostic LEDs

The module contains diagnostic LEDs that help you identify the source of problems that may occur during power-up or during normal operation. Power-up and diagnostics are explained in Chapter 7, Troubleshooting.

## Section 1.5 System Overview

The module communicates with the ControlLogix processor and receives +5 VDC and +24 VDC power from the system power supply through the parallel backplane interface. You may install as many counter modules in the system as the power supply can support.

Channels (0 through 7) can receive AC or DC input signals. Input types must be configured in channel pairs. Each channel reports both count data and rate data in independent registers. Extended status information is also available for each channel.

## Section 1.6 System Operation

At power-up, the module checks internal circuits, memory, and basic functions. During this time, the SYS LED remains on. If the module does not find any faults, it turns off the SYS LED.

After completing power-up checks, the module waits for a connection to an owner-controller, then valid channel configuration data from your ladder logic program. After channel configuration data is transferred, and one or more channels are enabled, the module continuously converts the inputs to floating point data for use in your ladder program.

Each time the module reads an input channel, the module tests that data for a fault, i.e., signal mismatch, or out-of-range condition. If it detects an error condition, the module sets a unique bit in the status tags.

## Section 1.7 Module Operation

The module's input circuitry consists of eight, single-ended inputs, routed into an FPGA. The FPGA reads the input signals and converts them to counter and rate, and then presents them in floating point values. The input circuitry also supports

gate inputs, allowing you to disable and control counter operation.

## Section 1.8 Cables

Cable length should be kept to a minimum. Use the lowest capacitance shielded cable available. We recommend that you use Belden #9501 (or equivalent).

**Table 1-2. Cable Specifications**

Description	Belden #9501
When used?	AC/DC inputs.
Conductors	2, #24 AWG tinned copper (7×32)
Shield	Belden foil aluminum polyester shield with copper drain wire.
Insulation	PVC
Jacket	Chrome PVC
Agency Approval	NEC Type CM
Temperature Rating	80 °C



# Chapter 2


## Installing the ControlLogix 1756sc-CTR8 Module


### Section 2.1 Before You Begin

Use this guide to install and wire your ControlLogix 1756sc-CTR8 module. The 1756sc-CTR8 Module mounts to an Allen-Bradley ControlLogix 1756 Controller chassis. The module uses a Removable Terminal Block (RTB) to connect all field-side wiring.

Before you install your module, you should have already:

- Installed and grounded a 1756 chassis and power supply.
- Ordered and received an RTB and its components for your application.

<b>WARNING</b> 	<b>Electrostatic discharge can damage integrated circuits or semiconductors if you touch backplane connector pins.</b> To prevent damage, follow these guidelines when you handle the module: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Touch a grounded object to discharge static potential.</li><li>• Wear an approved wrist-strap grounding device.</li><li>• Do not touch the backplane connector or connector pins.</li><li>• Do not touch circuit components inside the module.</li><li>• If available, use a static-safe workstation.</li><li>• When not in use, keep the module in its static-shield box.</li></ul>
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<b>WARNING</b> 	<b>Hazard of electrical arcing when removing or inserting the module while power is applied to the rack.</b> This module is designed so you can remove and insert it under backplane power and field-side power. When you remove or insert a module while field-side power is applied, you may cause an electrical arc. An electrical arc can cause personal injury or property damage because it may: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Send an erroneous signal to your system's field devices, causing unintended machine motion or loss of process control.</li><li>• Cause an explosion in a hazardous environment.</li><li>• Repeated electrical arcing also causes excessive wear to contacts on both the module and its mating connector. Worn contacts may create electrical resistance.</li></ul>
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## **Section 2.2 Compliance to European Directive**

If this product bears the CE marking, it is approved for installation within the European Union and EEA regions. It has been designed and tested to meet the following directives.

## **Section 2.3 EMC Directive**

This product is tested to meet Council Directive 2014/30/EU Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) and the following standards, in whole or in part, documented in a technical construction file:

- EN 61000-6-4 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)–Part 6-4: Generic standards–Emission standard for industrial environments.
- EN 61000-6-2 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)–Part 6-2: Generic standards–Immunity for industrial environments.

UKCA Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016

- BS EN 61131-2, BS EN 61000-6-4, BS EN 61000-6-2.

This product is intended for use in an industrial environment.

## **Section 2.4 ATEX Directive**

This product is tested to meet Council Directive 2014/30/U/ATEX, and the following standards, in whole or in part, documented in a technical construction file:

- EN 60079-0 Explosive atmospheres–Part 0: Equipment – General requirements.
- EN 60079-7 Explosive atmospheres–Part 7: Equipment protection by increased safety "e".

This module also meets the standards for the United Kingdom Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2016:

- BS EN 60079-0.
- BS EN 60079-7.

## **Section 2.5 Low Voltage Directive**

This product is tested to meet Council Directive 2014/35/EU Low Voltage, by applying the safety requirements of EN 61010-2-201 Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control, and Laboratory Use - Part 2-201: Particular Requirements for Control Equipment.

For specific information required by EN 61010-2-201, see the appropriate sections in this publication, as well as the following Allen-Bradley publications:

- Industrial Automation Wiring and Grounding Guidelines For Noise Immunity, publication 1770-4.1
- Automation Systems Catalog, publication B111.

This equipment is classified as open equipment and must be installed (mounted) in an enclosure during operation as a means of providing safety protection.

## Section 2.6 Conformal Coating Standard

The conformally coated versions of the module meet or exceed the ANSI/ISA 71.04.2013 G3 Environment standard.

## Section 2.7 Important Power Requirements Information

This module receives power through the 1756 chassis backplane from the fixed or modular +5 VDC and +24 VDC chassis power supply.

5 VDC	24 VDC
230 mA	75 mA

Add this current to the requirements of all other modules in this chassis to prevent overloading the chassis backplane.

## Section 2.8 Removable Terminal Block and Housing

A ControlLogix I/O module mounts in a ControlLogix chassis and uses a Removable Terminal Block (RTB) to connect all field-side wiring. RTBs are not included with your purchase.

When ordering RTBs, specify Allen Bradley Part Number:

- 1756-TBCH 36-pin Screw terminal RTB
- 1756-TBS6H 36-pin Spring clamp RTB




You receive the following components with your RTB:

- 1756-TBH standard-depth RTB housing.
- Wedge-shaped keying tabs and U-shaped keying bands.
- A generic RTB door label.

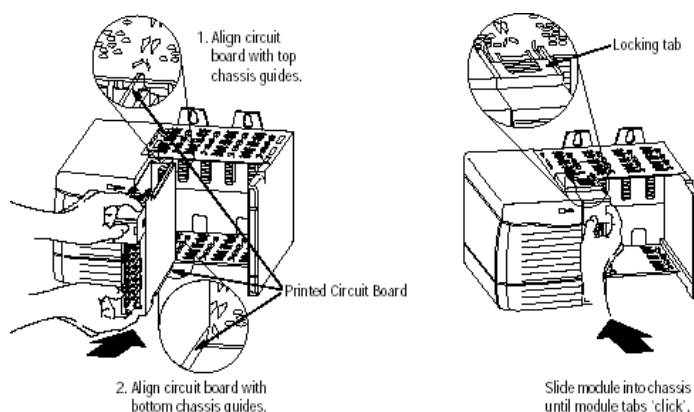
Use these components in all module applications. Use an optional extended-depth cover (1756-TBE) or applications requiring heavy gauge wiring.

## Section 2.9 Installing the Module

When installing the module in a chassis, it is not necessary to remove the terminal blocks from the module. However, if the terminal blocks are removed, use the write-on label located on the side of the terminal blocks to identify the module location and type.

<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p><b>Hazard of electrical arcing when removing or inserting the module while power is applied to the rack.</b></p> <p>This module is designed so you can remove and insert it under backplane power and field-side power. When you remove or insert a module while field-side power is applied, you may cause an electrical arc. An electrical arc can cause personal injury or property damage because it may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Send an erroneous signal to your system's field devices, causing unintended machine motion or loss of process control.</li><li>• Cause an explosion in a hazardous environment.</li><li>• Repeated electrical arcing also causes excessive wear to contacts on both the module and its mating connector. Worn contacts may create electrical resistance.</li></ul>
<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p>Counter input isolated secondary circuits must be energy limited and limited to not source more than 5.8 Amps into either the Counter inputs or the Gate inputs in the event of a component failure.</p>
<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p>The 1756sc-CTR8 is to be used only with the Allen-Bradley 1756 ControlLogix System.</p>

You can install the module while chassis power is applied. To insert your module into the rack, align the circuit board of your module with the card guides at the top and bottom of the chassis as shown below:





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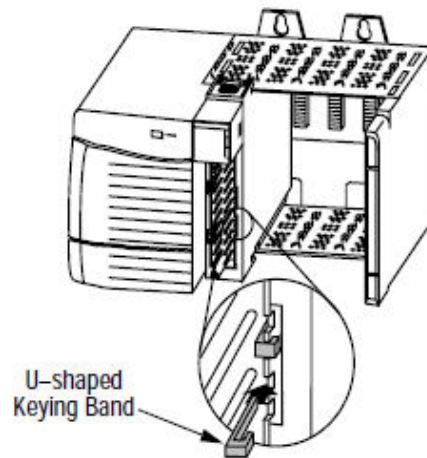
### Keying the Removable Terminal Block

Key the RTB to prevent inadvertently making the wrong wire connections to your module. Use a unique keying pattern for each module. You can use a minimum of one key.

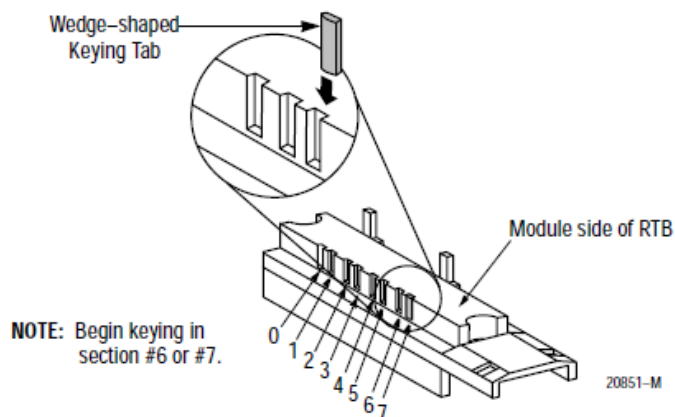
When the RTB mounts onto the module, keying positions will match up. For example, if you place a U-shaped keying band in position #4 on the module, you cannot place a wedge-shaped tab in #4 on the RTB or your RTB will not mount on the module.

We recommend that you use a unique keying pattern for each slot in the chassis.

1. Key the module. Insert the U-shaped band with the longer side near the terminals. Push the band onto the module until it snaps into place.



2. Key the RTB in positions that correspond to un-keyed module positions. Insert the wedge-shaped tab on the RTB with the rounded edge first.
3. Push the tab onto the RTB until it stops.



4. Reposition the tabs to rekey future module applications.

## Section 2.11 Wiring the Removable Terminal Block

Follow these guidelines to wire your input signal cables:

- Power, input, and output (I/O) wiring must be in accordance with Class I, Division 2 wiring methods [Article 501-4(b) of the National Electrical Code, NFPA 70] and in accordance with the authority having jurisdiction.
- Peripheral equipment must be suitable for the location in which it is used.
- Route the field wiring away from any other wiring and as far as possible from sources of electrical noise, such as motors, transformers, contactors, and ac devices. As a general rule, allow at least 15.2 cm (about 6 in.) of separation for every 120 V of power.
- Routing the field wiring in a grounded conduit can reduce electrical noise further.
- If the field wiring must cross ac or power cables, ensure that they cross at right angles.
- To limit the pickup of electrical noise, keep thermocouple, RTD, millivolt, and milliamp signal wires as far from power and load lines as possible.
- Ground the shield drain wire at only one end of the cable. The preferred location is at the shield connections at the ControlLogix chassis. (Refer to IEEE Std. 518, Section 6.4.2.7 or contact your sensor manufacturer for additional details.)
- Keep all unshielded wires as short as possible.
- To limit overall cable impedance, keep input cables as short as possible. Locate your I/O chassis as near the RTD or thermocouple sensors as your application will permit.
- Tighten screw terminals with care. Excessive tightening can strip a screw. The RTB terminations can accommodate  $2.1 \dots 0.25 \text{ mm}^2$  (14...22 AWG) shielded wire and a torque of  $0.5 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$  (4.4 lb•in.).
- Follow system grounding and wiring guidelines found in your ControlLogix Installation and Operation Manual.
- Wire the RTB before installing it onto the module. Use a 1/8-inch (3.2 mm) maximum flat-bladed screwdriver.

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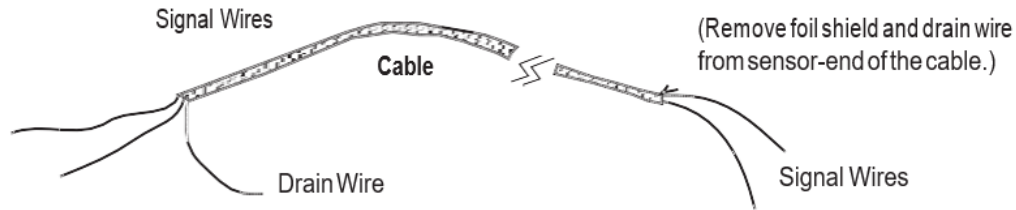


Before wiring, pull the housing off the RTB.

## Section 2.12

### Preparing and Wiring the Cables

To prepare and connect cable leads and drain wires, follow these steps:



(At the module-end of the cable, extract the drain wire but remove the foil shield.)

1. At each end of the cable, strip some casing to expose individual wires.
2. Trim signal wires to 5-inch lengths beyond the cable casing. Strip about 3/16 inch (4.76 mm) of insulation to expose the ends of the wires.
3. At the module-end of the cables (see figure above):
  - Extract the drain wire and signal wires.
  - Remove the foil shield.
  - Bundle the input cables with a cable strap.
4. Connect pairs of drain wires together, Channels 0 and 1, Channels 2 and 3, Channels 4 and 5, Channels 6 and 7. Keep drain wires as short as possible.
5. Connect the drain wires to the grounding lug on the PLC chassis.
6. Connect the signal wires of each channel to the terminal block.

#### NOTE



**IMPORTANT:** Only after verifying that your connections are correct for each channel, trim the lengths to keep them short. Avoid cutting leads too short.

7. At the source-end of cables from devices:
  - Remove the drain wire and foil shield.
  - Apply shrink wrap as an option.
  - Connect to mV devices keeping the leads short.

#### NOTE



**Important:** If noise persists, try grounding the opposite end of the cable, instead. (Ground one end only.)

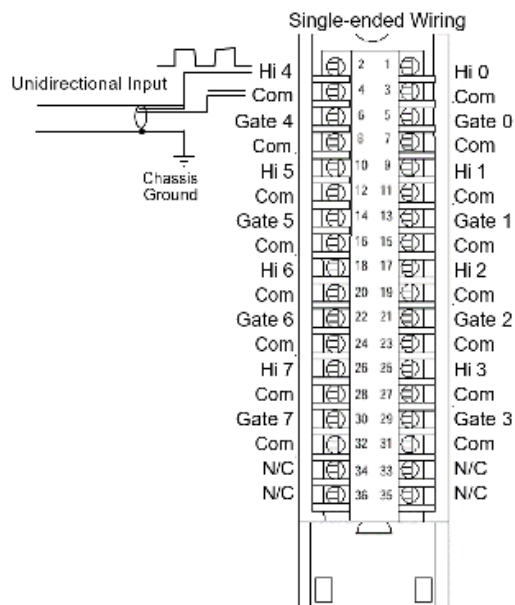
### Section 2.13

#### Wiring

#### Single-Ended

#### Inputs

The following figure shows the general terminal block layout. The input signal type determines which pins are used:

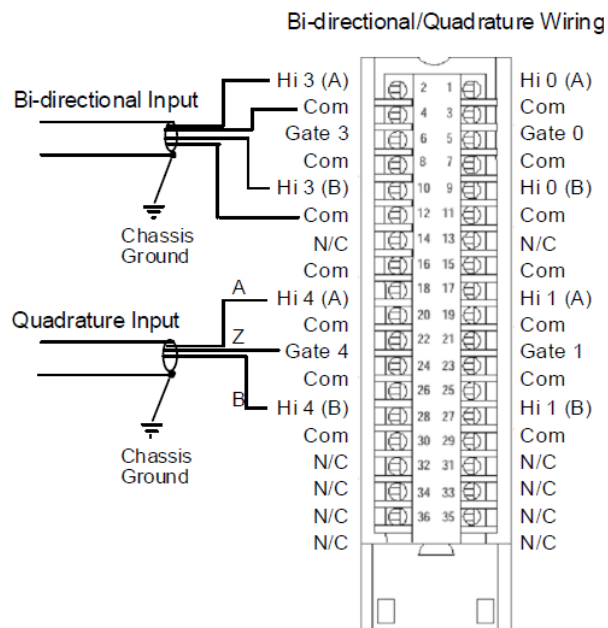


### Section 2.14

#### Wiring Bi-

#### Directional or

#### Quadrature Inputs



# Chapter 3

## Operation Within the ControlLogix System

This chapter describes how the 1756sc-CTR8 analog module works within the ControlLogix system. This chapter covers:

- Ownership and connections to the module.
- Direct connections.
- Listen only mode.
- Configuration changes with multiple owners.

### Section 3.1 Ownership and Connections

Every I/O module in the ControlLogix system must be owned by a Logix5550 Controller to be useful. This owner-controller stores configuration data for every module that it owns and can be local or remote in regard to the I/O module's position. The owner sends the I/O module configuration data to define the modules' behavior and begin operation within the control system. Each ControlLogix I/O module must continuously maintain communication with its owner to operate normally.

Typically, each module in the system will have only 1 owner. Input modules can have more than 1 owner. Output modules, however, are limited to a single owner.

### Section 3.2 Using RSNetWorx and RSLogix 5000

The I/O configuration portion of RSLogix5000 generates the configuration data for each I/O module in the control system, whether the module is located in a local or remote chassis. A remote chassis, (networked), contains the I/O module but not the module's owner-controller. Configuration data is transferred to the controller during the program download and subsequently transferred to the appropriate I/O modules. I/O modules in the same chassis as the controller are ready to run as soon as the configuration data has been downloaded. You must run RSNetWorx to enable I/O modules in the networked chassis.

Running RSNetWorx transfers configuration data to networked modules and establishes a Network Update Time (NUT) for ControlNet that is compliant with the desired communications options specified for each module during configuration. If you are not using I/O modules in a networked chassis, running RSNetWorx is not necessary. However, anytime a controller references an I/O module in a networked chassis, RSNetWorx must be run to configure ControlNet.

Follow these general guidelines when configuring I/O modules:

1. Configure all I/O modules for a given controller using RSLogix 5000 and download that information to the controller.
2. If the I/O configuration data references a module in a remote chassis, run RSNetWorx.

**NOTE**

Important: RSNetWorx must be run whenever a new module is added to a networked chassis. When a module is permanently removed from a remote chassis, we recommend that RSNetWorx be run to optimize the allocation of network bandwidth.

### Section 3.3

#### Direct Connections

A **direct connection** is a real-time data transfer link between the controller and the device that occupies the slot that the configuration data references. When module configuration data is downloaded to an owner-controller, the controller attempts to establish a direct connection to each of the modules referenced by the data.

If a controller has configuration data referencing a slot in the control system, the controller periodically checks for the presence of a device there. When a device's presence is detected, the controller automatically sends the configuration data. If the data is appropriate to the module found in the slot, a connection is made, and operation begins. If the configuration data is not appropriate, the data is rejected, and an error message displays in the software. In this case, the configuration data can be inappropriate for any of a number of reasons.

The controller maintains and monitors its connection with a module. Any break in the connection, such as removal of the module from the chassis while under power, causes the controller to set fault status bits in the data area associated with the module. The RSLogix 5000 software may monitor this data area to announce any module failures.

### Section 3.4

#### Module Operation

In traditional I/O systems, controllers poll input modules to obtain their input status. Analog input modules in the ControlLogix system are not polled by a controller once a connection is established. The modules multicast their data periodically. Multicast frequency depends on the options chosen during configuration and where in the control system that input module physically resides. An input module's communication, or multicasting, behavior varies depending upon whether it operates in the local chassis or in a remote chassis. The following sections detail the differences in data transfers between these set-ups.

### Section 3.5 Modules in a Local Chassis

When a module resides in the same chassis as the owner-controller, the following two configuration parameters will affect how, and when, the input module multicasts data:

- Real Time Sample (RTS) configured via Real Time Sample tag.
- Requested Packet Interval (RPI) configured via I/O module properties.

### Section 3.6 Real Time Sample (RTS)

This configurable parameter instructs the module to perform the following operations:

1. **Scan all** of its input channels and store the data into on-board memory.
2. Multicast the updated channel data (as well as other status data) to the backplane of the local chassis.

### Section 3.7 Requested Packet Interval (RPI)

This configurable parameter also instructs the module to multicast its channel and status data to the local chassis backplane.

The RPI instructs the module to multicast the **current contents** of its on-board memory when the RPI expires, (i.e., the module does not update its channels prior to the multicast).

#### NOTE



**IMPORTANT:** The RPI value is set during the initial module configuration using RSLogix 5000.

It is important to note that the module will reset the RPI timer each time an RTS is performed. This operation dictates how and when the owner-controller in the local chassis will receive updated channel data, depending on the values given to these parameters. If the RTS value is less than, or equal, to the RPI, each multicast of data from the module will have updated channel information. In effect, the module is only multicasting at the RTS rate.

If the RTS value is greater than the RPI, the module will multicast at both the RTS rate and the RPI rate. Their respective values will dictate how often the owner-controller will receive data and how many multicasts from the module contain updated channel data.

**NOTE**

Even though data may be transferred at the RPI rate, the data will be identical to the previous RTS data transfer.

### Section 3.8

#### Modules in a Remote Chassis

If an input module resides in a networked chassis, the role of the RPI and the module's RTS behavior change slightly with respect to getting data to the owner. The RPI and RTS intervals still define when the module will multicast data within its own chassis (as described in the previous section), but only the value of the RPI determines how often the owner-controller will receive it over the network.

When an RPI value is specified for an input module in a remote chassis, in addition to instructing the module to multicast data within its own chassis, the RPI also "reserves" a spot in the stream of data flowing across the ControlNet network.

The timing of this "reserved" spot may or may not coincide with the exact value of the RPI, but the control system will guarantee that the owner-controller will receive data at least as often as the specified RPI.

The "reserved" spot on the network and the module's RTS are asynchronous to each other. This means there are Best and Worst Case scenarios as to when the owner-controller will receive updated channel data from the module in a networked chassis.

#### Best Case RTS Scenario

In the Best Case scenario, the module performs an RTS multicast with updated channel data just before the "reserved" network slot is made available. In this case, the remotely located owner receives the data almost immediately.

#### Worst Case RTS Scenario

In the Worst Case scenario, the module performs an RTS multicast just after the "reserved" network slot has passed. In this case, the owner-controller will not receive data until the next scheduled network slot.

Because it is the RPI, and NOT the RTS, which dictates when the module's data will be sent over the network, we recommend the RPI value be set LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO the RTS to make sure that updated channel data is received by the owner-controller with each receipt of data.

### Section 3.9


#### Listen-Only Mode

Any controller in the system can listen to the data from any I/O module (for example, input data or "echoed" output data) even if the controller does not own the module (that is, it does not have to hold the module's configuration data to listen to the module).

The Listen-Only mode is set during the I/O configuration process.




Choosing a Listen-Only mode option allows the controller and module to establish communications without the controller sending any configuration data. In this instance, another controller owns the module being listened to.

<p><b>NOTE</b></p> 	<p><b>IMPORTANT:</b> Controllers using the Listen-Only mode continue to receive data multicast from the I/O module as long as a connection between an owner and I/O module is maintained. If the connection between all owners and the module is broken, the module stops multicasting data and connections to all 'Listening controllers' are also broken.</p>
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### Section 3.10 Multiple Owners of Input Modules

Because 'Listening controllers' lose their connections to modules when communications with the owner stop, the ControlLogix system will allow you to define more than one owner for input modules.


<p><b>NOTE</b></p> 	<p><b>IMPORTANT:</b> Only input modules can have multiple owners. If multiple owners are connected to the same input module, they must <b>maintain identical configurations</b> for that module.</p>
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In the example below, Controller A and Controller B have both been configured to be the owner of the input module.

When the controllers begin downloading configuration data, both try to establish a connection with the input module. Whichever controller's data arrives first establishes a connection. When the second controller's data arrives, the module compares it to its current configuration data (the data received and accepted from the first controller).

If the configuration data sent by the second controller matches the configuration data sent by the first controller the connection is also accepted. If any parameter of the second configuration data is different from the first, the module rejects the connection, and the user is informed by an error in the software.

The advantage of multiple owners over a 'Listen-only' connection is that now either of the controllers can lose the connection to the module and the module will continue to operate and multicast data to the system because of the connection maintained by the other owner-controller.

<p><b>NOTE</b></p> 	<p>The previous discussion of multiple owners assures the configuration tag .ConfigurationRevNumber is set to 1. Operation differs if the tag is set to 0. Refer to Chapter 5 for descriptions of this tag's settings.</p>
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### **Section 3.11**

#### **Configuration Changes in an Input Module with Multiple Owners**

Exercise caution when changing an input modules' configuration data in a multiple owner scenario. When the configuration data is changed in one of the owners, for example, Controller A, and sent to the module, that configuration data is accepted as the new configuration for the module. Controller B will continue to listen, unaware that any changes have been made in the module's behavior.

Important: When changing configuration for a module with multiple owners, we recommend the connection be inhibited. To prevent other owners from receiving potentially erroneous data, as described above, the following steps must be followed when changing a module's configuration in a multiple owner scenario when online:

1. For each owner-controller, inhibit the controller's connection to the module in the software on the I/O Module Connection tab.
2. Make the appropriate configuration data changes in the software.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 for all owner-controllers, making the exact same changes in all controllers.
4. Uncheck the Inhibit box in each owner's configuration to reconnect each module.

# Chapter 4

## Programming Your Module

This chapter explains how to program your module in the ControlLogix system. It also describes how the module's input configuration are incorporated into your ladder logic program. Topics discussed include:

- Import the module's configuration profile.
- Review accessing and altering configuration options.
- Configure the modules input type and filter settings.
- Configure alarms and limits.

### Section 4.1 Module Installation

To incorporate the module into the system, you must use the RSLogix 5000 programming software. If you are using RSLogix 5000 version 15 or greater, an AOP (Add-On-Profile) is available and can be downloaded from our website at [www.spectrumcontrols.com](http://www.spectrumcontrols.com). The AOP allows you to add the CTR8 to the RSLogix 5000 pick list and contains custom configuration screens for the module. If you do plan to use the AOP, you can skip the remainder of this chapter.

For those that plan to use RSLogix 5000 version 14 or older, the generic module profile must be used to add the CTR8 to a new or existing project. An RSLogix 5000 sample project using the generic module profile is available for download on our website at [www.spectrumcontrols.com](http://www.spectrumcontrols.com). The ladder sample contains user-defined input and configuration tags used to configure and read analog data from the CTR8 module. The configuration tags control features such as the modules input type, channel input range, data format, and filter frequency, etc.

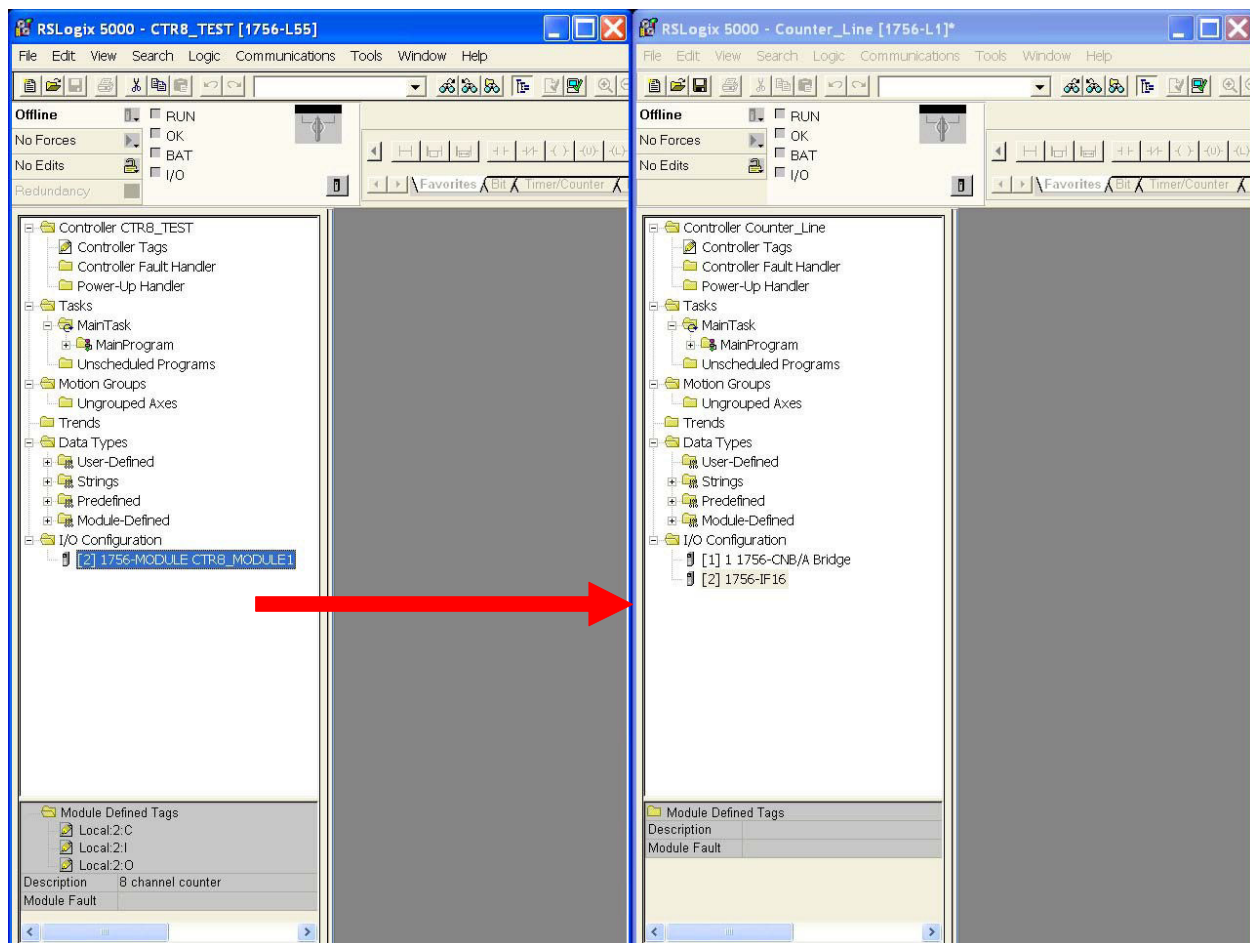
### Section 4.2 Adding Your Module to a Project

The module has a unique set of tag definitions which are used to configure specific features. Chapter 5, Configuration, Data, and Status Tags, gives you detailed information about the data content of the configuration. These values are set using your programming software and ladder logic. Before you can use these features, you must first include the module into the project:

Open the sample project with the CTR8 information. Open your project. Drag and drop the CTR8 module into the I/O configuration section of your project:

1. Open the sample project.
2. Open your new project.
3. Click once on the CTR8 in the sample project.
4. Drag and drop it into the I/O Configuration section of your project.

## Step 1: Open the Sample Project:

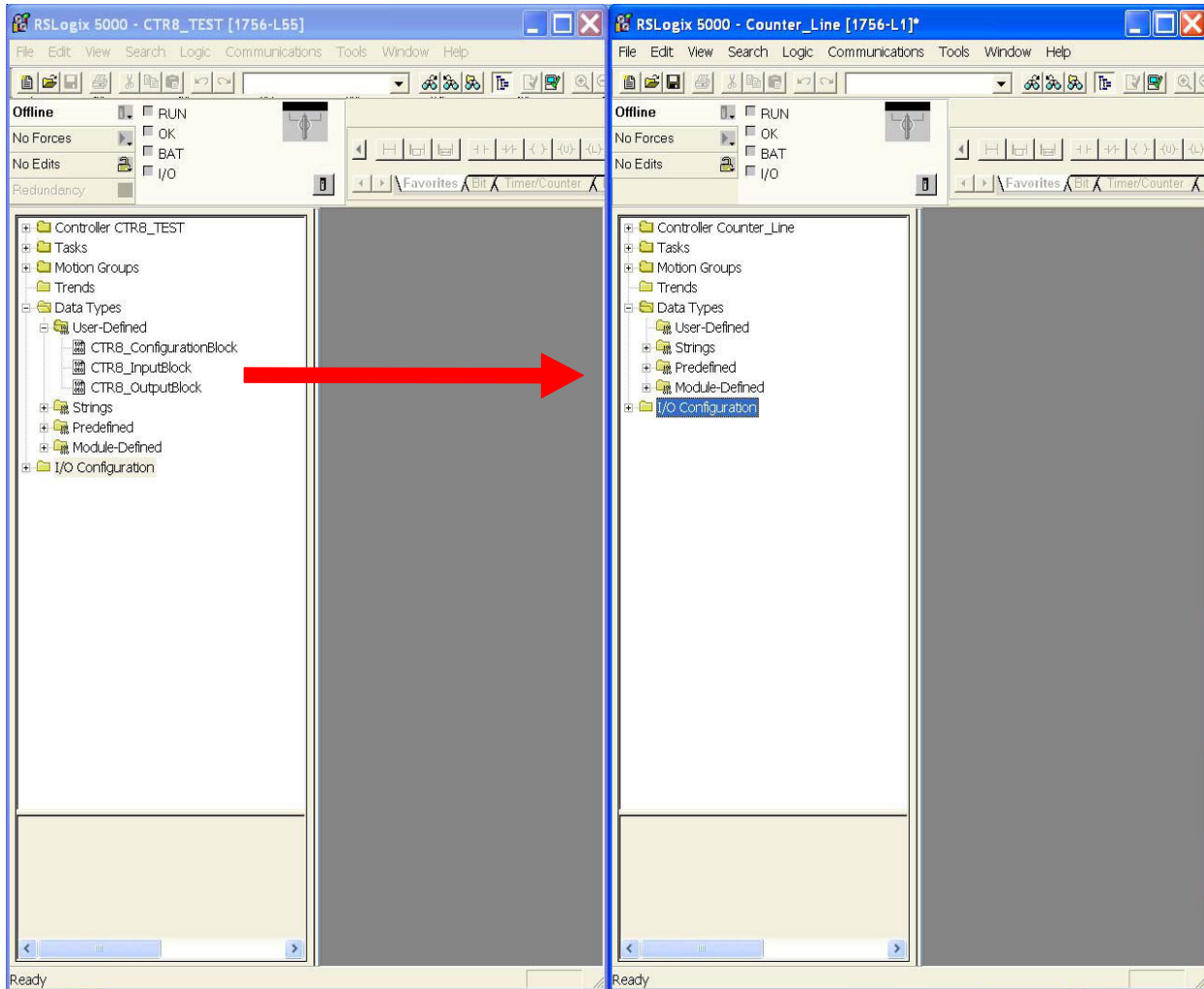


## Step 2: Open your new project as follows:

1. Drag and drop the CTR8 user-defined data types from the sample project into your project.  
There are three CTR8 user defined data types that need to be moved:
  - ConfigurationBlock.
  - InputBlock.
  - OutputBlock.
2. Click on the data type.
3. Drag it into your new project.
4. Continue to drag and drop the data types until all four have been moved.

**NOTE**

These can only be moved one at a time.



Step 3: Drag and drop the controller configuration tags from the sample project into your project as follows:

1. Right click on the Controller Tags item of the sample project and select edit.
2. Right click on the Controller Tags item of your project and select edit.
3. Scroll down to the Controller tags of the sample project and select all the tags by highlighting them.
4. Drag and drop these tags into your project.

**NOTE**

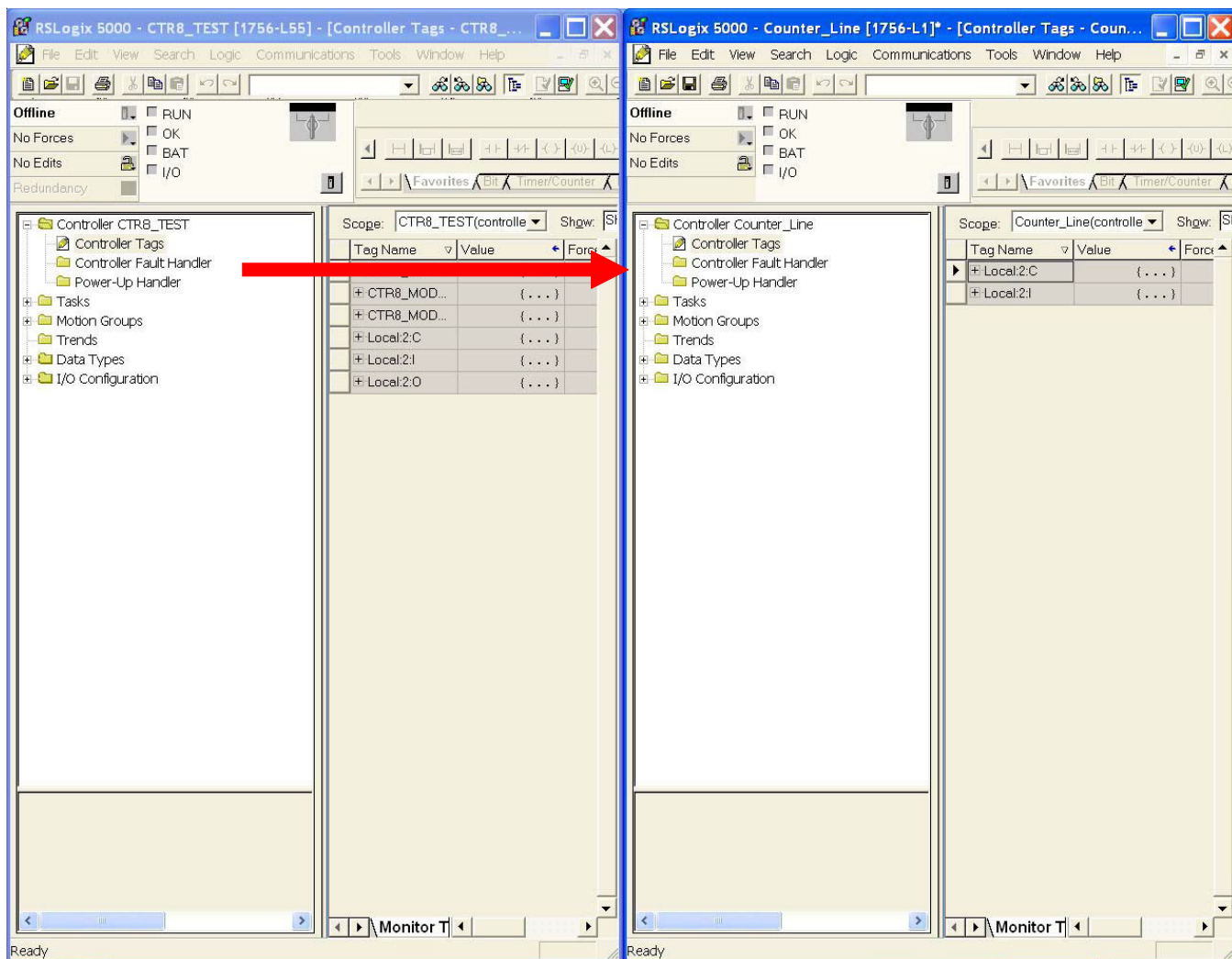
CTR8\_Config and CTR8\_Input contain the configuration, data, and status tags for the CTR8 module. The other tags are used for performing various functions with your module via ladder logic.

**NOTE**

Be sure all tags are displayed before moving them. Select **Display All** from the Edit drop down window.

**NOTE**

The “Local:3:I” and “Local:3:C” tags are not copied.



Step 4: Create a new ladder logic routine in your project.

1. In your project, right mouse-click on the MainRoutine item and select **New Routine**. **CTR8** was entered in the example above.
2. Double click on the MainRoutine item in the sample project and then double click on the added new routine in your project to display their corresponding ladder logic.
3. Left mouse inside the MainProgram ladder logic in the sample project and press **CRTL-A** to select all the rungs.
4. Drag and drop these rungs over and add them to the new routine's ladder logic.

**NOTE**

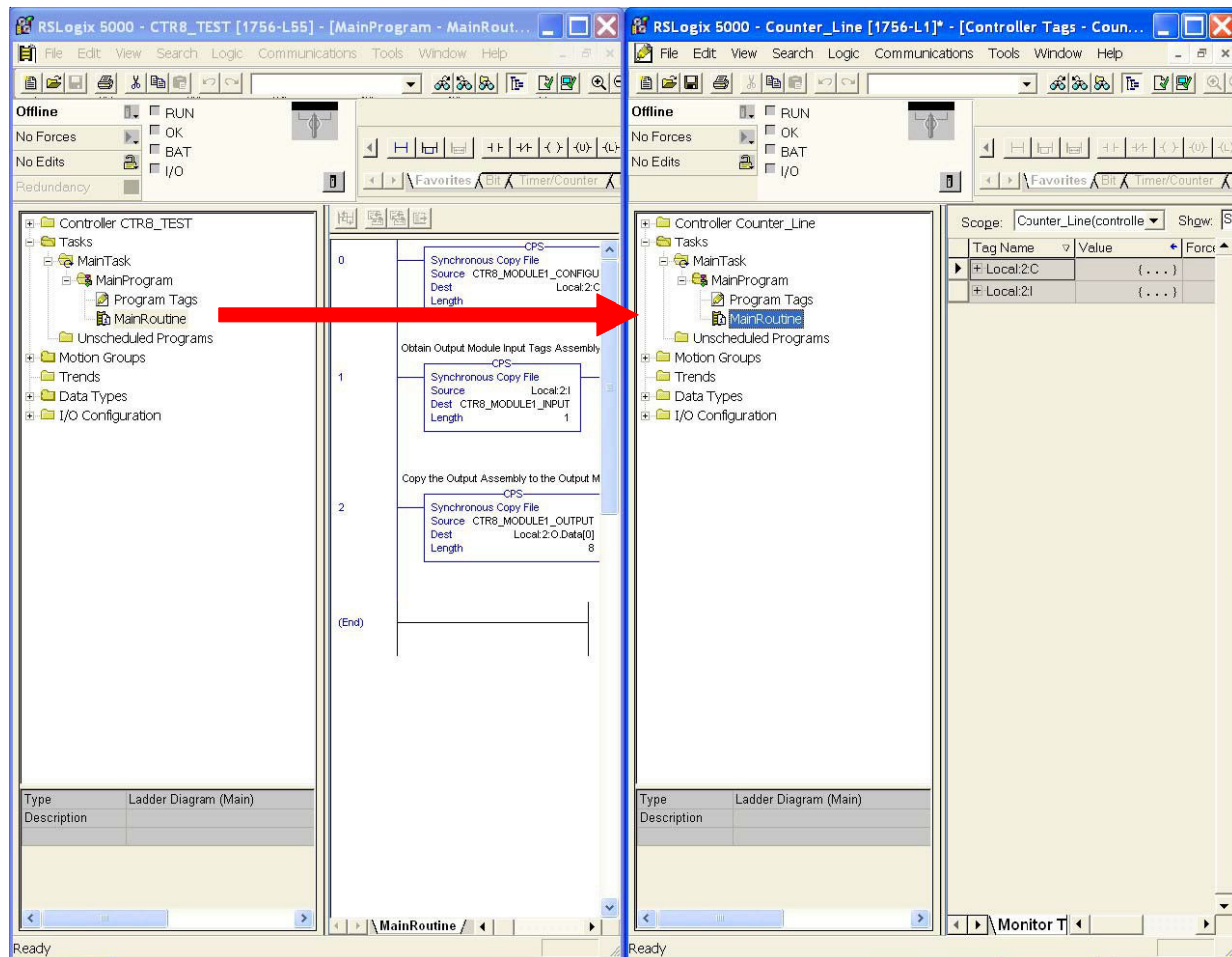
You will need to delete the one blank “solid bar” rung which was left over from the newly created routine, either at the top or bottom of the routine.

5. Now add a JSR ladder instruction in your MainRoutine which calls this routine.

**NOTE**

RSLogix 5000 will verify the ladder logic sample. You may receive errors regarding invalid tags. You will also need to change the slot addressing in the logic to coordinate with the location of the CTR8.

This completes the installation of module in the system.



### Section 4.3 Configuring Module Attributes: Configuration Tags

The module has settings that are global and channel specific. These are accessed via the controller tags. Specific information regarding these tag settings may be found in Chapter 5.

### Section 4.4 Channel- Specific Tags

These settings control channel-specific behavior such as input type, range, filter frequency, units, and alarms.



Specific information regarding these tags may be found in Chapter 5:

Tag Name ▾	Value ◀	Force Mask ◀	Style	Type
[-] CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION	{ ... }	{ ... }		CTR8_Configur...
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.CounterLimit	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.Preset	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.RateSamplePeriod	{ ... }	{ ... }	Decimal	INT[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.OperationalMode	{ ... }	{ ... }	Decimal	SINT[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.StorageMode	{ ... }	{ ... }	Decimal	SINT[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.InputRange	{ ... }	{ ... }	Decimal	SINT[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.KFactor	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.RFactor	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.MFactor	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.SignalFilter	{ ... }	{ ... }	Hex	SINT[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.GateFilter	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.RollOverTo	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.RollUnderTo	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.StopOnZero	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION.StopOnLimit	16#00		Hex	SINT

## Section 4.5

### Data Tags

These tags represent the process data values in their final form:

Tag Name ▾	Value ◀	Force Mask ◀	Style	Type
+ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION	{ ... }	{ ... }		CTR8_Configur...
[-] CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT	{ ... }	{ ... }		CTR8_InputBlock
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.CommStatus	16#0000_...		Hex	DINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.CountValue	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.StoredValue	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.Rate	{ ... }	{ ... }	Float	REAL[8]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.EnableEcho	16#ff		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.WasReset	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.WasPreset	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.NewStoredData	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.NewRateData	16#ff		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.GateState	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.CounterInputState	16#ff		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.CountDirection	16#ff		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.CTRLimitFlag	16#00		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.CTRZeroFlag	16#fe		Hex	SINT
+ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT.CSTTime	{ ... }	{ ... }	Decimal	DINT[2]
+ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT	{ ... }	{ ... }		CTR8_OutputBl...

## Section 4.6

### Status Tags

These tags report module status such as alarm conditions, faults, and errors:

Tag Name ▾	Value ◀	Force Mask ◀	Style	Type
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_CONFIGURATION	{ ... }	{ ... }		CTR8_Configur...
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_INPUT	{ ... }	{ ... }		CTR8_InputBlock
⊖ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT	{ ... }	{ ... }		CTR8_OutputBl...
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT.Enable	16#00		Hex	SINT
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT.ResetCounter	16#00		Hex	SINT
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT.LoadPreset	16#00		Hex	SINT
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT.ResetFlags	16#00		Hex	SINT
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT.CounterInvert	16#ff		Hex	SINT
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT.ResetNewRateFlag	16#00		Hex	SINT
⊕ CTR8_MODULE1_OUTPUT.ResetNewStoredFlag	16#00		Hex	SINT


# Chapter 5

## Configuration, Data, and Status Tags

Read this chapter to:

- Send configuration data to the module.
- Configure global module properties.
- Configure each input channel.
- Check each input channel's data.
- Check module and individual channel status.

This chapter outlines the detailed settings for the 1756sc-CTR8. These settings determine the modules input types, filter frequencies, scan rates, and associated attributes. Detailed descriptions of these settings are available in the Tag Definition section of this chapter.


<b>NOTE</b> 	The following format is used to describe tags: <b>Tag Name      Range      Data Type</b>
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### Section 5.1

#### Send Configuration Data to the Module

After changing the configuration tags in this chapter, you must then send them to the module. To do this you may perform any of these operations:

1. Inhibit, then un-inhibit, the module via the Module Properties dialog; Connection Tab.
2. Reset the module via the Module Properties dialog; Module Info tab.
3. Reset the module via ladder logic. See the **DoReset** rung in the sample ladder project.
4. Perform a **Set Attribute All** or Module Reconfigure message instruction via ladder logic. Refer to your sample program for information about the **DoSetAttrAll** command.

<b>NOTE</b> 	If an invalid configuration is sent to the module a connection error will occur. See chapter 7 for a list of error codes.
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## Section 5.2 Configuration Tags

The following Global Module Settings and Channel-Specific Settings sections allow custom configuration of the module. These tags can be found within the CTR8\_config controller tags.

## Section 5.3 Channel-Specific Settings

**[x]** designates the channel number.

**(C)** designates the value may be changed during module operation

**CountLimit[x] 0 - 16777215 FLOAT (C)**

Designates the channel rollover value. The maximum value is 1677215 when scaling is off. When scaling is applied the maximum value is  $1677215/K \cdot M$ .

**Preset[x] 0 - 16777215 FLOAT (C)**

Designates the channel preset value. Module begins counting at this value.

### NOTE



IMPORTANT: This value cannot be greater than the rollover value. The maximum value is 1677215 when scaling is off. When scaling is applied the maximum value is  $1677215/K \cdot M$ .

**RateSamplePeriod[x] 0-2000 INT**

When using period/rate mode, set this value as a multiple of 10 ms between 0 and 2000. This becomes the integration time over which rate data is averaged.

**OperationalMode[x] 0,1 INT**

Designates channel operational mode:

- 0 = unidirectional counter mode (Up).
- 1 = bidirectional counter mode (Up / Down).
- 2 = encoder X1 mode.
- 3 = encoder X4 mode.

### NOTE



Channels must be configured in pairs. (0,1) (2,3) (3,4) (4,5) (5,6) (6,7)  
Input configurations determine how the 8 inputs cause the counter to increment or decrement. The four available configurations are:

- Uni-Directional (up).
- Bi-Directional (up and down using two channels).
- X1 Quadrature Encoder.
- X4 Quadrature Encoder.

## Section 5.4

### Uni-Directional

With this configuration, the input increments in an upward direction. All 8 channels may be configured in the unidirectional mode. Every clock pulse will increment the counter on the rising edge.

#### NOTE



The direction of the counter may be inverted by setting the Count Direction bit described in the Configuration chapter.

## Section 5.5

### Bi-Directional

The bidirectional counter requires 2 input channels. In this mode, one channel is used as the counter input, and the 2nd channel is used to determine the count direction. The counter will increment when the Direction Channel value is 0 and will decrement when the Counter Direction Channel value is 1.

## Section 5.6

### X1 Quadrature Encoder

The quadrature mode requires 2 input channels. When a quadrature encoder is attached to an input channel pair, A and B, the count direction is determined by the phase angle between inputs A and B. If A leads B, the counter increments. If B leads A, the counter decrements. (The counter changes value only on one edge of input 1.) The counter increments once per quadrature cycle.

#### NOTE



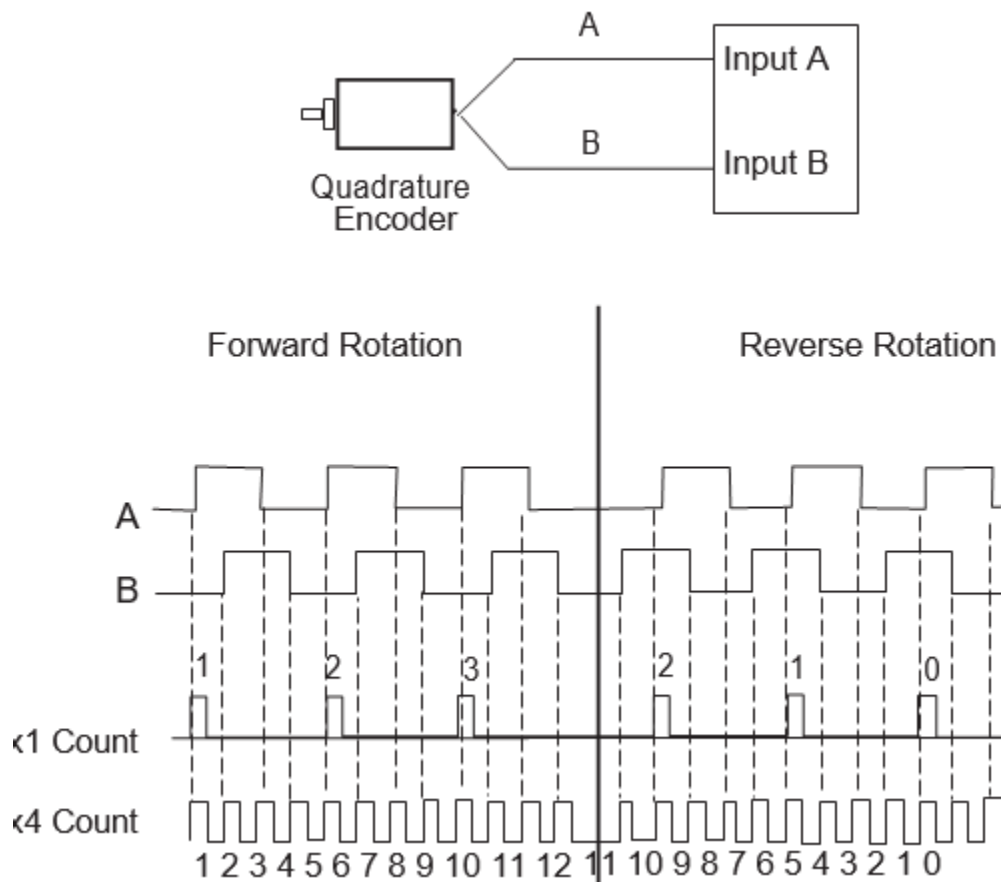
The Quadrature mode provides additional Anti-Jitter circuitry. This distinguishes between a valid quadrature sequence and an invalid sequence due to electrical noise or jitter. Jitter can occur if a quadrature encoder stops rotating right at an input sensor trip point. This can cause additional unwanted clock pulses. Quadrature mode can detect invalid transitions and filter these out.

## Section 5.7

### X4 Quadrature Encoder

Like the X1 quadrature encoder, the count direction is determined by the phase angle between inputs A and B. If A leads B, the counter increments.

If B leads A, the counter decrements. However, the counter changes value on the rising and falling edges of inputs A and B. The counter increments four times per quadrature cycle.



## Section 5.8

### StorageMode[x] 0-4 INT (C)

This mode determines how the gate behavior effects counter behavior:

0 = no store mode.

1 = store and continue mode.

2 = store, wait, and resume mode.

3 = store and reset, wait, and start mode.

4 = store, reset, and start mode.

The behaviors are characterized as follows:

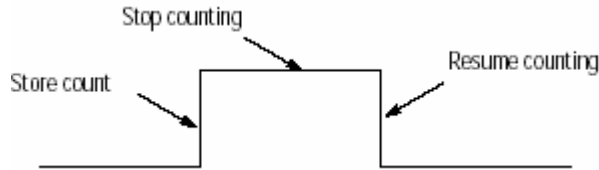
**StorageMode = 0** - No gate activity stored.

**StorageMode = 1** - Read, store count, and continue counting.

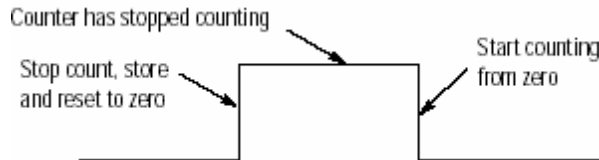
Read, Store count and  
continue counting.



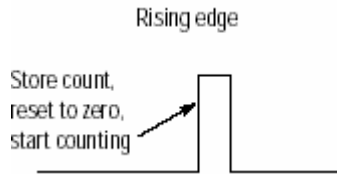
**StorageMode = 2** - Store/Wait/Resume.



**StorageMode = 3** - Store-Reset/Wait/Start.



**StorageMode = 4** - Store-Reset/Start.



**InputRange[x] 0,1 INT**

This setting determines the threshold where the counter will begin to trigger. Select the range that is best suited to your sensor's range:

0 = AC 50 mVpp threshold.

1 = AC 200 mVpp threshold.

2 = 5 V.

3 = 12/24 V.

**KFactor[x] 0 - 1×1032 FLOAT (C)**

The K scale factor is used for counter scaling. This allows users to scale the counter output into more useful units, like gallons per minute. When a non-zero Scale Factor value is set, the scale calculation is always performed. A value of zero must be written to the Scale Factor to disable this feature. This counter value is divided by the K factor. K factors are positive numbers.

**RFactor[x] 0 - 1×1032 FLOAT (C)**

In Program Mode, the data value in this register is used for scaling. The M scale factor is used for meter calibration. When a non-zero Scale Factor value is set, the scale calculation is always performed. A value of zero must be written to the Scale Factor to disable this feature.

The M factor value expressed as a floating point number. This value is multiplied by the counter actual count value and gives the M factor a range of  $\pm$  the maximum value of a REAL type in RSLogix. Exercise due caution as this

value can also be multiplied. If you multiply two values together, the output should remain within the maximum value of the Real type. Most M factors will be within  $\pm 5\%$  of 1.0000.

**MFactor[x] 0 - 1×1032 FLOAT (C)**

The R scale factor can be used for scaling of the output frequency. The output frequency is divided by the R scale value. The frequency value is divided by the R factor. R factors must be positive numbers. A negative value will cause a configuration error.

**SignalFilter[x] 0-3 INT**

Designates whether channel 0 uses the analog filter:

0 = do not use analog or digital filter.

1 = use digital filter (25 kHz).

2 = use both digital (25 kHz) and analog (12 kHz) filters.

3= use digital (25 kHz), analog (12 kHz), and debounce filter (30 Hz).

**NOTE**



The digital and analog filters are separate entities which are combined into the same tag on this module. The debounce filter debounces the input for 35 to 40 msec after the input transitions.

**GateFilter[x] 0,1 INT**

0 = No filter.

1 = Debounce filter.

The debounce filter debounces the input for 35 to 40 msec after the input transitions.

**RollOverTo[x] 0,1 BOOL (C)**

Designates which value channel 0 will roll over to:

0 = zero.

1 = preset.

**RollUnderTo[x] 0,1 BOOL (C)**

Designates which value channel 0 will roll under to:

0 = normal (maximum value).

1 = preset.

**Stoponzero[x] 0,1 BOOL (C)**

Designates what channel 0 will do when it counts down to 0:

0 = roll under.

1 = stop at zero.



**Stoponlimit[x] 0,1 BOOL (C)**

Designates what channel 0 will do when it counts up to the count\_limit:

0 = roll over.

1 = stop at the limit.

**Section 5.9  
Output Tags****Disable[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Enable the counter for channel [x]:

0 = enable.

1 = disable.

**ResetCounter[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Resets counter 0 and begins counting:

0 = do not reset.

1 = reset.

**LoadPreset[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Loads preset count value into counter [x] and begins counting:

0 = no action.

1 = load preset.

**ResetFlags[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Reset all flags:

0 = not reset.

1 = reset.

**CounterInvert[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Invert current direction of counter:

0 = Standard

1 = Inverted

**ResetNewStoredFlag[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Reset new stored data flag.

0 = not reset

1 = reset

**ResetNewRateFlag[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Reset rate data flag:

0 = not reset.

1 = reset.

## Section 5.10

### Input Tags

The following data tags are preceded by the tag name CTR8\_Input.ChannelData[x] where x is the channel number 0-7.

**CommStatus 0,65535 DINT**

Displays module connection status:

0 = module is connected.

65535 = module is not connected.

**Count[x] 0-16777215 FLOAT**

Displays the channel count value.

**StoredValue[x] 0-16777215 FLOAT**

Displays the value of the stored counts register. The maximum value is 1677215 when scaling is off. When scaling is applied the maximum value is  $1677215/K \cdot M$ .

**Rate[x] 0-65,000 REAL**

Current rate value.

**EnableEcho[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Software enabled for the channel. This is an echo of the output tag:

0=Enable.

1=Disable.

**WasReset[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Displays whether the channel counter was reset:

0 = Counter was not reset.

1 = Counter was reset.

**WasPreset[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Displays whether the preset value for the channel counter was loaded:

0 = Preset value was not loaded.

1 = Preset value was loaded.

**NewStoredData 0,1 BOOL**

0 = Data not stored.

1 = Data stored.

**NewRateData 0,1 BOOL**

0 = Data is old.

1 = Data is new.

**GateState[x] 0,1 BOOL**

Displays the channel Z state:

0 = Gate is not active.

1 = Gate is active.

**CounterInputState[x] 0,1 BOOL**

This echoes the state of the input.

**NOTE**

Note that this is also impacted by the gate and/or enable line.

**CountDirection[x] 0,1 BOOL**

0 = Counting up.

1 = Counting down.

**CTRLimit[x] 0,1 BOOL**

This flag is latched when counts are equal to the user-defined limit:

0 = Not set.

1 = Set.

**CTRZero[x] 0,1 BOOL**

0 = Not set.

1 = Set.

**CST DINT**

Coordinated System Time. This is the time that the processor reads data from the FPGA. It is not the actual time that the count occurred. There will only be one CST tag for the entire module.



# Chapter 6

## Programming Examples

Earlier chapters explained how the tag configuration defines the way the module operates. This chapter shows some basic programming which controls the operation of the module. It also provides you with segments of ladder logic specific to unique situations that might apply to your programming requirements.

### Section 6.1

#### Initial Programming

Figure 6.1 illustrates some basic ladder logic commands which will allow you to:

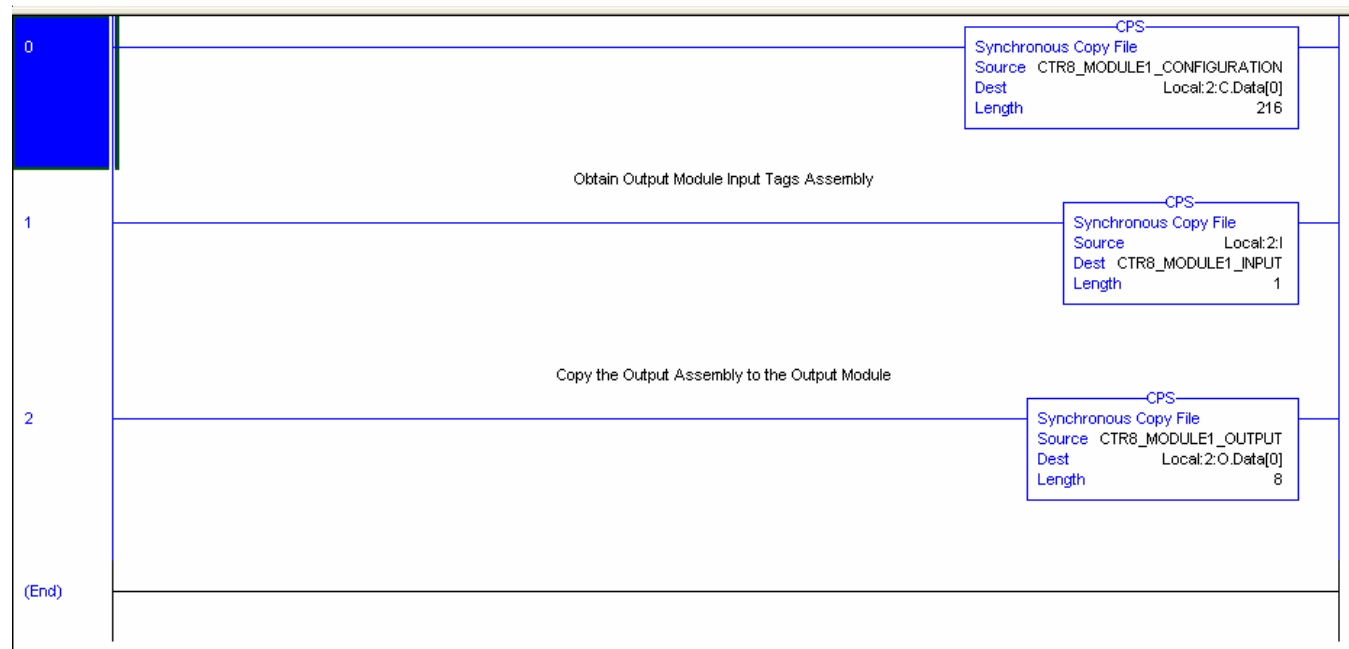
- Program the initial configuration into the module.
- Copy data to user-defined tags.
- Reset the module.
- Make on-the-fly configuration changes.
- Unlatch alarms.

Additional ladder logic and configuration samples may also be found on our web site: [www.spectrumcontrols.com](http://www.spectrumcontrols.com).

- Rung 0: This rung copies the configuration data (CTR8\_Config) into the module's configuration image memory. This rung is required.
- Rung 1: This rung copies the input data received from the module's input memory into the CTR8\_Input tag for monitoring and ladder usage. This rung is required.
- Rung 2: This is an optional example rung indicating how to reset the module via ladder logic.
- Rung 3: This is an optional example rung indicating how to send on-the-fly configuration data to the module. This is useful if you would like to change channel alarm or scaling tags without causing interruption in channel updates.

Changing other tags will cause a 2.5-second delay in channel updates but the connection will not be interrupted.

**Figure 6.1 Sample Ladder Logic**



You may use SetAttributeAll to accomplish this.

Set Attribute All message:

**Message Configuration - MsgSetAttributeAll**

Configuration | Communication | Tag

Message Type: CIP Generic

Service Type: Custom

Source Element: IF8U\_Config

Source Length: 396 (Bytes)

Service Code: 4c (Hex) Class: 4 (Hex)

Destination: (empty)

Instance: 225 Attribute: 0 (Hex)

New Tag...

☐ Enable
 ☐ Enable Waiting
 ☐ Start
 ☐ Done
 Done Length: 0

☐ Error Code:
 Extended Error Code:
 ☐ Timed Out

Error Path:

Error Text:

OK Cancel Apply Help

## Section 6.2

### Using the Gate Storage Mode

The gate storage mode allows you to configure the external gate to react in several ways. The StorageMode[x] tag has 5 valid configurations:

#### StorageMode[x]

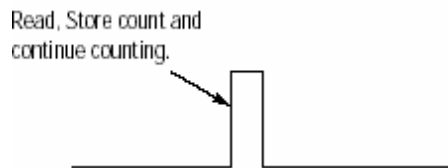
This mode determines how the gate behavior effects counter behavior:

- 0 = no store mode.
- 1 = store and continue mode.
- 2 = store, wait, and resume mode.
- 3 = store, reset, wait, and start mode.
- 4 = store, reset, and start mode.

#### StorageMode = 1 - Read, Store count, and continue counting

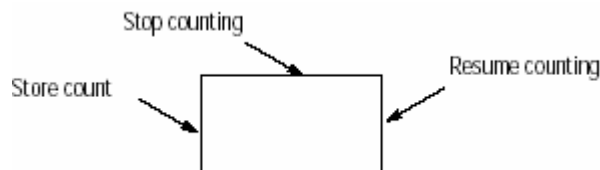
This mode could be used in a cutting operation to determine the length of the cut material. When the gate is triggered, the current count value is stored, and the counter continues to count. The length of the material would then be determined by subtracting the correct count value from the stored value.

The gate behavior:



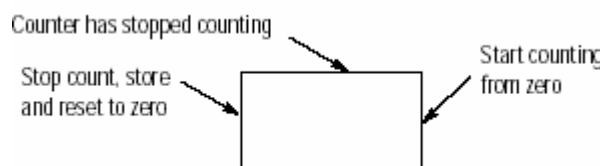
#### StorageMode = 2 - Store/Wait/Resume

This mode may be used in a situation where accumulated count is important, but the process may stop. For instance, if you are running filling line and want to know the daily production, a flowmeter will measure the total quantity even through start/stop cycles.



#### StorageMode = 3 - Store-Reset/Wait/Start

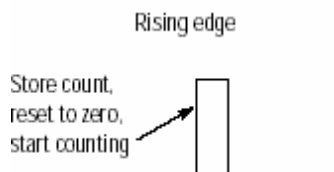
This mode could be used in a bottle-filling line when you want to control the precise amount being dispensed. The fill occurs, the enable is triggered, and the bottle moves. The next bottle comes into place and the fill starts at zero.



#### StorageMode = 4 - Store-Reset/Start

This mode could be used for a meter proving line when there are two trigger

points, a start and a stop. A pulse trigger caused by a ball crossing a proximity switch zeros the counter and starts the accumulation. When the ball reaches the end of the run, another pulse occurs stopping and storing the accumulated value.



### Section 6.3 Installation Recommendations

#### High Impedance Inputs

If the input device is an open collector type it may be necessary to use a pull-up or pull-down resistor in order to achieve the proper threshold crossover point. We recommend a 1 Kohm, resistor and tying it between the input path and ground to pull down or the input path and a +12/24 V source for pull up.

#### Filter Frequency Settings Low Voltage Directive

Use of digital filters will ensure the best possible performance. Recommendations are as follows:

Maximum Signal Input	Filter
65 kHz	No filtering
25 kHz	25 kHz digital filter
12 kHz	25 kHz and 12 kHz filters

#### Debounce Filter

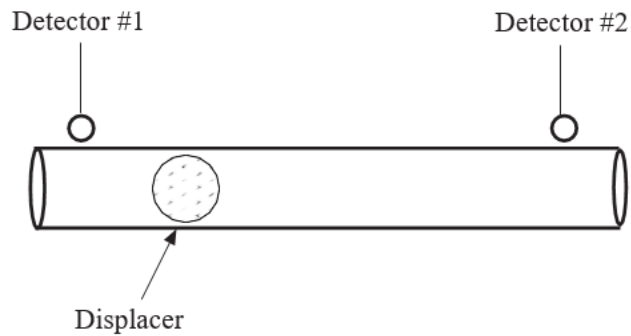
The debounce filter is best used when the gate input is connected to low-frequency input devices such as relays or proximity switches. These devices do not typically have any on-board debounce circuitry.

#### Meter Proving

The 1756sc-CTR8 module provides a feature that allows you to perform meter proving functions. A typical meter proving application would include two detector sensors that are located a fixed distance from each other within a section of pipe used specifically for meter proving.

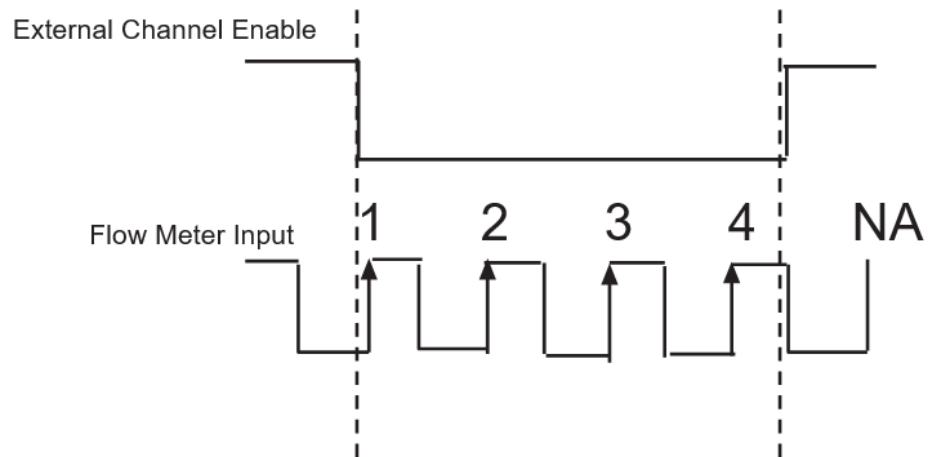
The operation does not disrupt the in-situ flowmeter's operation.





Using the external gate enable to start and stop count functions enables the user to count pulses as fast as 65 kHz to an accuracy of 1 count.

Here is an example wave form representing the start and stop transitions on the external gate enable, and the associated pulses that the module would accumulate: [Storage mode 3, store, reset, wait, start]



Given the above wave form, the module will begin counting the first rising edge input pulse after the external enable input goes low. The module will accumulate 4 counts in the channel count register and stop when the external enable input goes high.



# Chapter 7

## Troubleshooting

### Section 7.1 Using Module Indicators to Troubleshoot

The count module has indicators which provide indication of module status. ControlLogix modules use the following:


LED	This display:	Means	Take this action:
OK	Steady Green Light	The inputs are being multicast	None
OK	Flashing Green Light	The module has passed internal diagnostics but is not currently performing connected communication	None
OK	Flashing Green Light	The module has passed internal diagnostics but is not currently performing connected communication	None
OK	Flashing Red Light	Previously established communication has timed out.	Check controller
OK	Steady Red Light	It is likely the module should be replaced	See below

Under fault conditions the CTR8 will communicate a particular error via a LED blink code. A description of the fault conditions and LED blink codes is listed below:

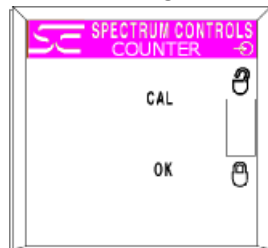
OK LED	SYS LED	Fault Status
RED	1 Blink	EEPROM seed completed.
RED	2 Blinks	EEPROM seed failed.
RED	3 Blinks	EEPROM CRC failed.
RED	4 Blinks	Invalid serial number.
RED	5 Blinks	Boot code CRC failed.
RED	6 Blinks	App CRC failed.
RED	7 Blinks	FPGA configuration fail.

OK LED	SYS LED	Fault Status
RED	8 Blinks	FPGA scan fail.
RED	9 Blinks	Not Applicable
RED	10 Blinks	XAWatchdog timeout.

In most instances you may try resetting the module to clear the fault. If you are not successful, contact technical support as the module may require repair.

<b>NOTE</b> 	<p>In RSLogix5000 the Fault Status can be seen in the Module Info tab of the module's properties dialog.</p>
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The following LED display is used with ControlLogix analog input modules:



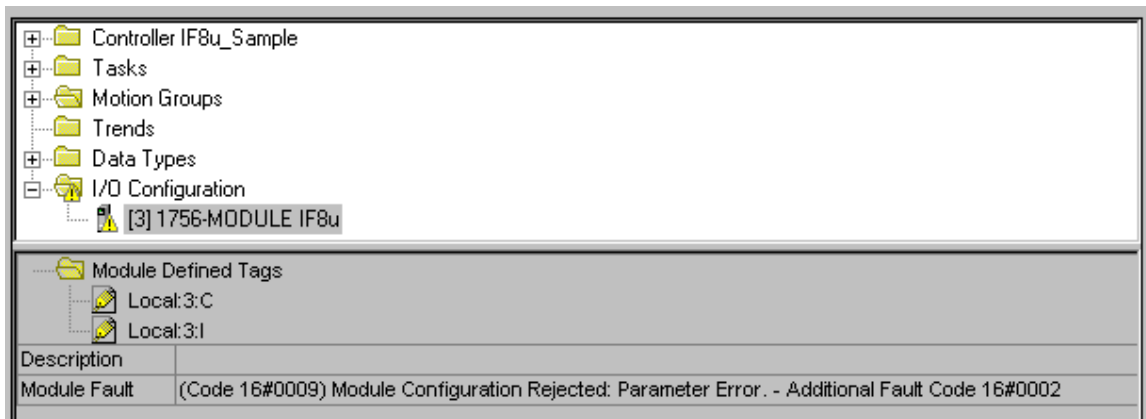
## Section 7.2

### Using RSLogix 5000 to Troubleshoot Your Module

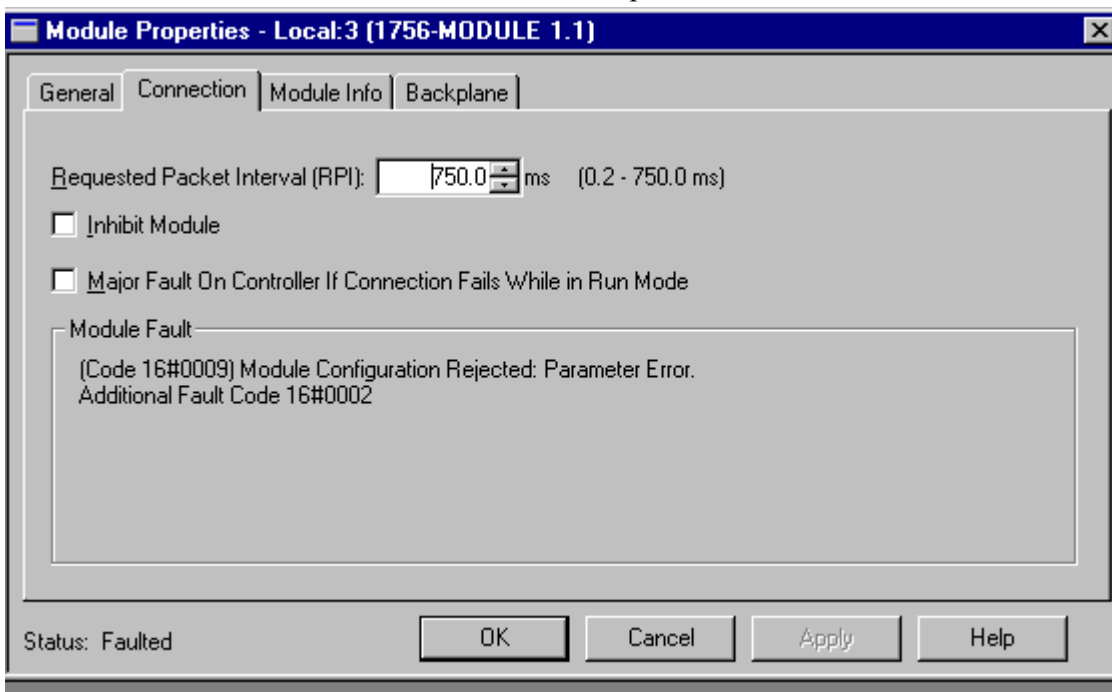
In addition to the LED display on the module, RSLogix 5000 will alert you to fault conditions. You will be alerted in one of three ways:

- Warning signal on the main screen next to the module. This occurs when the connection to the module is broken.
- Fault message in a screen's status line. Notification in the Tag Editor. General module faults are also reported in the Tag Editor. Diagnostic faults are only reported in the Tag Editor.
- Status on the Module Info Page

The screens below display fault notification in RSLogix 5000:



Fault information on the Module Properties screen:



### Section 7.3 Determining Fault Type

When you are monitoring a module's properties dialog in RSLogix 5000 and receive a fault message, the module fault area lists the type of fault.

### Section 7.4 Module Configuration Errors

The "Additional Fault Code" value details the configuration error if the "(16#0009) module configuration rejected: Parameter Error" was received.

## Section 7.5

### Global Errors

#### 16#0F04 - .ConfigurationRevError

If the .ConfigurationRevNumber tag is 1 and a second owner attempts to connect with a different configuration, this error will occur. You must adjust the second owner's configuration to match the first.

#### 16#0F05 - .ConfigurationRevNumber Error

An invalid value has been entered into this tag.

#### Channel Specific Errors

#### NOTE



$n$  = channel number (0-7)

0×010( $n$ )	Preset is defined larger than rollover limit for channel ( $n$ ).
0×0200	Input Range mismatch for channel pair 0 and 1.
0×0202	Input Range mismatch for channel pair 2 and 3.
0×0204	Input Range mismatch for channel pair 4 and 5.
0×0206	Input Range mismatch for channel pair 5 and 7.
0×030( $n$ )	Invalid operational mode for channel ( $n$ ).
0×040( $n$ )	Invalid storage mode for channel ( $n$ ).
0×050( $n$ )	Invalid input range for channel ( $n$ ).
0×060( $n$ )	Invalid signal filter for channel ( $n$ ).
0×070( $n$ )	RateSamplePeriod out of range for channel ( $n$ ).
0×0800	Operational mode mismatch for channel pair 0 and 1.
0×0802	Operational mode mismatch for channel pair 2 and 3.
0×0804	Operational mode mismatch for channel pair 4 and 5.
0×0806	Operational mode mismatch for channel pair 6 and 7.
0×090( $n$ )	Preset too high for channel ( $n$ ).
0×0A0( $n$ )	Count limit too high for channel ( $n$ ).
0×0B0( $n$ )	RateSamplePeriod not divisible by 10 for channel ( $n$ ).

#### NOTE



If there are multiple errors in the configuration tags only one will be displayed at a time. Once the displayed error has been corrected, the additional errors will be displayed upon reconnection to the module. Each error must be resolved before a running connection will be allowed.

# Chapter 8

## Maintaining Your Module and Ensuring Safety

Read this chapter to familiarize yourself with:


- Preventive maintenance.
- Safety considerations.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends maintenance procedures for electrical equipment. Refer to article 70B of the NFPA for general safety-related work practices.

### Section 8.1 Preventive Maintenance

The printed circuit boards of your module must be protected from dirt, oil, moisture, and other airborne contaminants. To protect these boards, install the ControlLogix system in an enclosure suitable for its operating environment. Keep the interior of the enclosure clean, and whenever possible, keep the enclosure door closed.

Also, regularly inspect the terminal connections for tightness. Loose connections may cause a malfunctioning of the SLC system or damage to the components.

<b>WARNING</b> 	<b>WARNING</b> <b>POSSIBLE LOOSE CONNECTIONS</b> Before inspecting connections, always ensure that incoming power is OFF. Failure to observe this precaution can cause personal injury and equipment damage.
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### Section 8.2 Safety Considerations

Safety is always the most important consideration. Actively think about the safety of yourself and others, as well as the condition of your equipment.


The following are some things to consider:


- **Indicator Lights** – When the module status LED on your module is illuminated, your module is receiving power.
- **Activating Devices When Troubleshooting** – Never reach into a machine to activate a device; the machine may move unexpectedly. Use a wooden stick.


- **Standing Clear Of Machinery** – When troubleshooting a problem with any ControlLogix system, have all personnel remain clear of machinery. The problem may be intermittent, and the machine may move unexpectedly. Have someone ready to operate an emergency stop switch.


<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p><b>POSSIBLE EQUIPMENT OPERATION</b></p> <p>Never reach into a machine to actuate a switch. Also, remove all electrical power at the main power disconnect switches before checking electrical connections or inputs/outputs causing machine motion.</p> <p>Failure to observe these precautions can cause personal injury or equipment damage.</p>
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- **Safety Circuits** – Circuits installed on machinery for safety reasons (like over-travel limit switches, stop push-buttons, and interlocks) should always be hard-wired to the master control relay. These circuits should also be wired in series so that when any one circuit opens, the master control relay is de-energized, thereby removing power. Never modify these circuits to defeat their function. Serious injury or equipment damage may result.


<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p><b>WARNING EXPLOSION HAZARD</b></p> <p>SUBSTITUTION OF COMPONENTS MAY IMPAIR SUITABILITY FOR CLASS I DIVISION 2.</p>
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<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p><b>WARNING EXPLOSION HAZARD</b></p> <p>DO NOT DISCONNECT EQUIPMENT UNLESS POWER HAS BEEN SWITCHED OFF OR THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE NON-HAZARDOUS</p>
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<p><b>NOTE</b></p> 	<p>THIS EQUIPMENT IS SUITABLE FOR USE IN CLASS I, DIVISION 2, GROUPS A, B, C, AND D OR NON-HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS ONLY.</p>
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<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p><b>WARNING EXPLOSION HAZARD</b></p> <p>WHEN IN HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS, TURN OFF POWER BEFORE REPLACING OR WIRING MODULES.</p>
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<b>WARNING</b> 	<b>WARNING</b> THIS DEVICE IS INTENDED TO ONLY BE USED WITH THE ALLEN-BRADLEY CONTROLLOGIX 1756 I/O
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### Section 8.3 Technical Assistance

Note that your module contains electrostatic components that are susceptible to damage from electrostatic discharge (ESD). An electrostatic charge can accumulate on the surface of ordinary wrapping or cushioning material.

In the unlikely event that the module should need to be returned to Spectrum Controls, Inc., please ensure that the unit is enclosed in approved ESD packaging (such as static-shielding/metallized bag or black conductive container). Spectrum Controls, Inc. reserves the right to void the warranty on any unit that is improperly packaged for shipment.

RMA (Return Merchandise Authorization) form required for all product returns.

For further information or assistance, please contact your local distributor, or call the Spectrum Controls technical Support at:

For Rockwell Automation Compatible I/O Products:

- USA 1-440-646-6900
- United Kingdom 01-908-635-230
- Australia 1-800-809-929
- Mexico 001-888-365-8677
- Brazil 55-11-3618-8800
- Europe +49-211-41553-630

### Section 8.4 Declaration of Conformity

Declaration available upon request.



# Appendix A

## Module Specifications

### Specifications

This appendix lists the specifications for the 1756sc-CTR8 Counter Module.

Specification	Description
Backplane Current Consumption	230 mA at 5 VDC 75 mA at 24 VDC
Backplane Power Consumption	3.00 W maximum (0.6 W at 5 VDC, 2.4 W at 24 VDC)
Maximum Power Dissipation	4.8 W (All inputs at maximum voltage)
Number of Channels	8 unidirectional/4 bi-directional and quadrature
Number of Gates	8 gate inputs
I/O Chassis Location	Any I/O module slot
Conversion Method	FPGA
Input Filtering	Three user-selectable filters (12 kHz, 25 kHz, debounce)
Calibration	Module does not require calibration
Input Overvoltage Protection	±50 VDC
Input Overcurrent Protection	Less than 4 mA at 50 VDC
Isolation	2550 VDC continuous between inputs and chassis ground, and between inputs and backplane.

### Physical Specifications

Specification	Description
LED Indicators	1 red/green status indicators, 1 red system status
Recommended Cable	Shielded twisted pair extension wire Belden 8761 or equivalent shielded Belden 9501
Maximum Wire Size	One 2.1 mm <sup>2</sup> (16 AWG) wire per terminal

## Environmental Specifications

Specification	Description
Operating Temperature	0 °C to 60 °C (32 °F to 140 °F)
Storage Temperature	-40 °C to 85 °C (-40 °F to 185 °F)
Relative Humidity	5% to 95% (without condensation)
Certification	CE, UL, and CUL approved



## Input Specifications

Voltage Range	AC 50 mVpp	AC 200 mVpp	5 VDC	12/24 VDC
VIL	-50 mV	-200 mV	1 V	6 VDC
VIH	+50 mV	+200 mV	3.5 V	10.5 VDC
Vmax CE	±50 VAC rms	±50 VAC rms	±50 VDC	±50 VDC

Input Range	Max Frequency	Min Duty Cycle	Max Duty Cycle	Min Pulse Width
AC (50 mV)	65 kHz	NA	NA	NA
AC (200 mV)	65 kHz	NA	NA	NA
5 VDC	65 kHz	30	60	4.6 usec
12 VDC	65 kHz	35	70	5.4 usec
24 VDC	65 kHz	25	55	3.8 usec

Current Range	4 mA maximum at 50 VDC
Input impedance	
Resistance	Voltage-dependent greater than 1 Mohm at 5 V, 24 Kohm typical at 24 V
Capacitance	600 pF typical
Counter Speed	0 to 65 kHz Input Frequency 0 to 65 kHz
Counter Gate Input: VIL VIH Vmax	1.0 V minimum 3.5 V maximum 30 V
Min/Max Duty Cycle	
Channel Update Time: With scaling	13 ms for all 8 channels

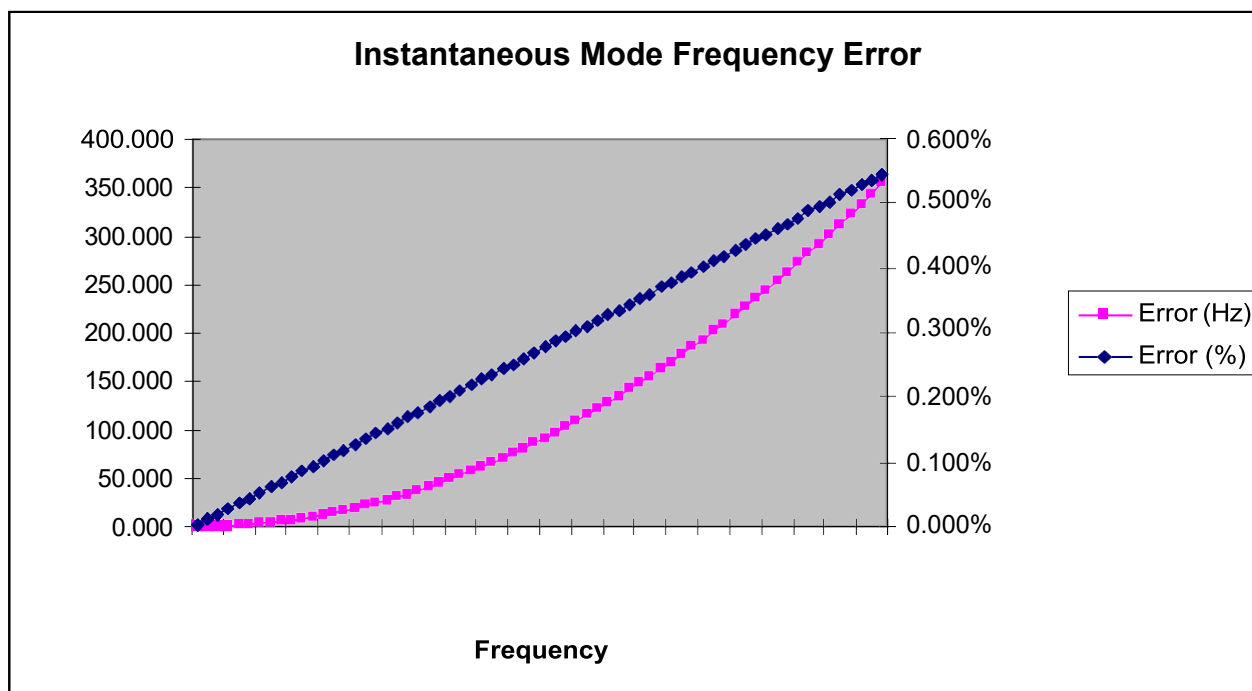
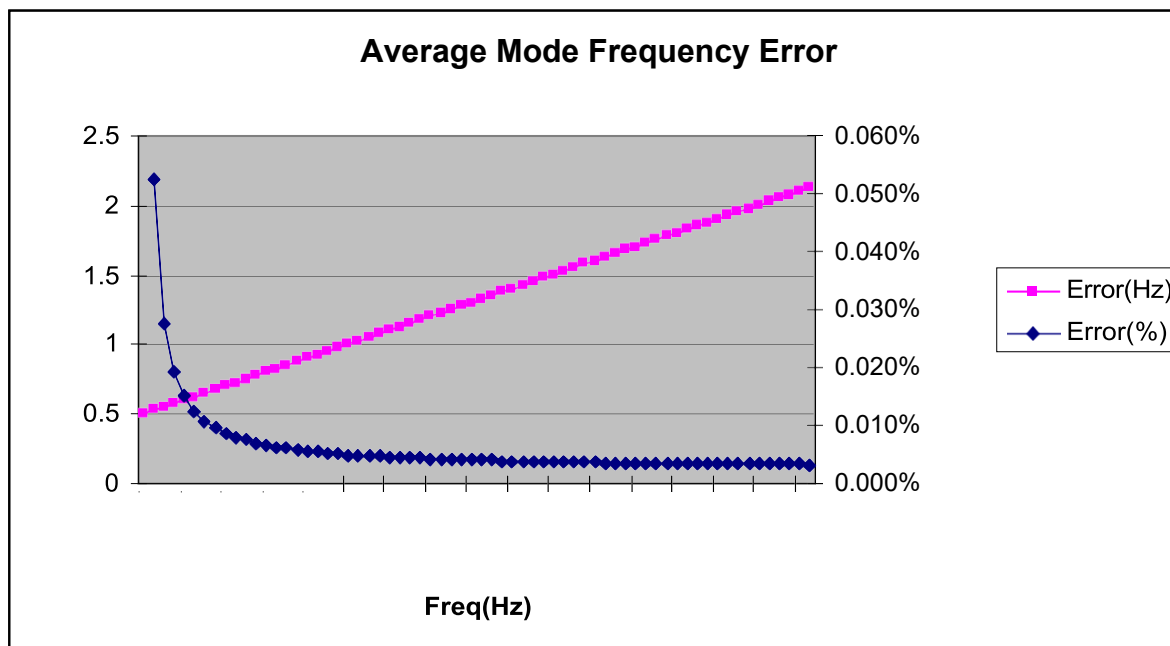
## Regulatory Compliance

<p>Certifications (when product is marked)<sup>1</sup> <b>cULus</b></p> <p> </p> <p><b>CCC</b></p> <p><b>UKCA</b></p> <p><b>CMIM</b></p>	<p>UL Listed for Class I, Division 2 Group A, B, C, D Hazardous Locations, certified for U.S. and Canada. See UL File E180101.</p> <p>UL Listed Industrial Control Equipment, certified for U.S. and Canada. See UL File E140954.</p> <p>Ex European Union 2014/34/EU</p> <p>EN 61010-2-201 Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control, and Laboratory Use - Part 2-201: Particular Requirements for Control Equipment</p> <p>ATEX Directive, compliant with:</p> <p>EN 60079-7:2015+A1:2018; Potentially Explosive Atmospheres, Protection “ec” (Zone 2) II 3 G Ex ec IIC T4 Gc</p> <p>EN 60079-0: ATEX General Requirements</p> <p>Certificate UL 20 ATEX 2403X</p> <p>This product has obtained CCC certification and meets the requirements of GB/T3836.1-2021, GB/T3836.3-2021:</p> <p>GBEx 2021312310000324</p> <p>GBEx 2021312310000344</p> <p>CE European Union 2014/30/EU EMC Directive, compliant with:</p> <p>EN 61000-6-4; Industrial Emissions</p> <p>EN 61000-6-2; Industrial Immunity</p> <p>EN 61131-2; Programmable Controllers (Clause 8, Zone A &amp; B)</p> <p>Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016</p> <p>BS EN 61131-2, BS EN 61000-6-4, BS EN 61000-6-2</p> <p>Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2016</p> <p>BS EN 60079-0, BS EN 60079-7</p> <p>Arrêté ministériel n° 6404-15 du 29 ramadan 1436 (16 juillet 2015)</p> <p>NM EN 61131-2, NM EN 61000-6-4, NM EN 61000-6-2</p>
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## Accuracy

Frequency Mode	1 Hz Accuracy maximum typical	65 kHz Accuracy	Maximum
Instant*	±0.00 Hz	±354 Hz	±354 Hz
Average	±0.5 Hz	±1 Hz	±2 Hz

<sup>1</sup> For the latest up-to-date information, see the Product Certification link at [www.spectrumcontrols.com](http://www.spectrumcontrols.com) for Declarations of Conformity, Certificates and other certification details.



Maximum Count Value 16,777,215

Data Format

Counter mode Max Value: 16,777,215

Frequency mode Max Value: 65,000

# Appendix B

## Programming Your Module

### Programming Your Module

This chapter explains how program your module in the ControlLogix system. It also describes how to the module's input configuration are incorporated into your ladder logic program. Topics discussed include:

- Importing the module's configuration profile.
- Reviewing accessing and altering configuration options.
- Configuring the modules input type and filter settings.
- Configuring alarms and limits.

### Module Installation

Incorporating your module into the system is similar to adding any type of I/O module. You use your RSLogix 5000 programming software.

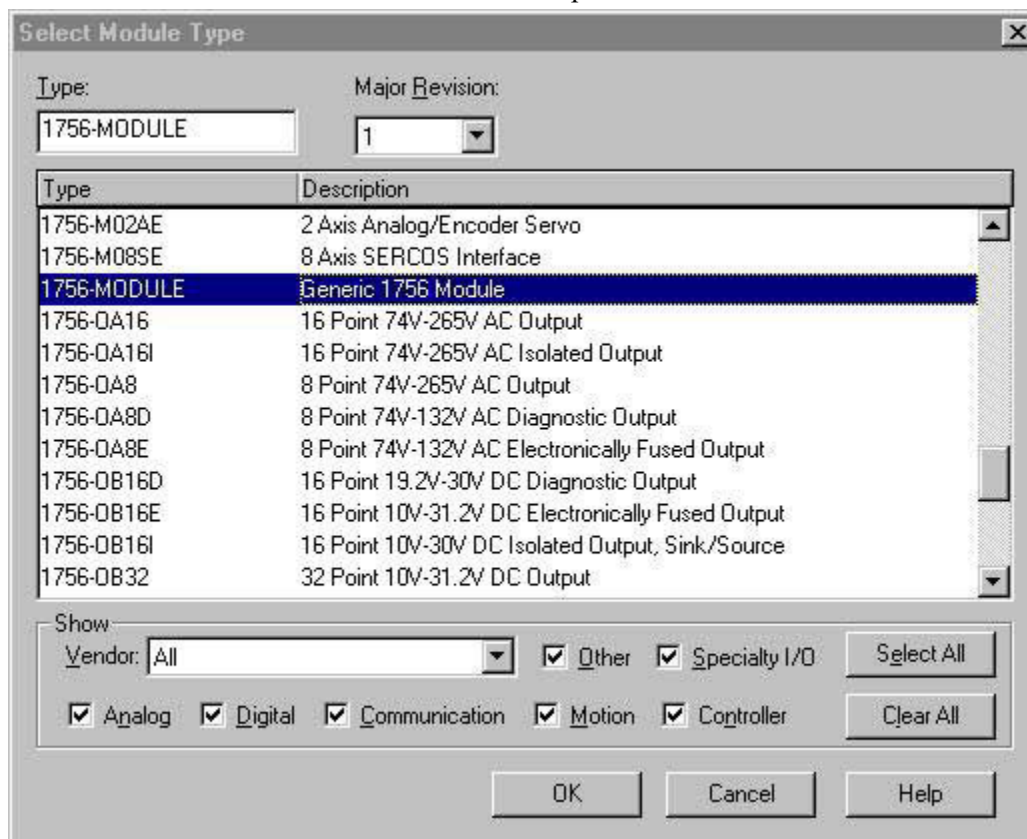
The module is not currently in the pick list of this software. Instead, you use the Generic 1756 Module option as your starting point. This feature allows you to import the configuration database into your project and use ladder logic to set the attributes of each tag. These settings control features such as the modules input type, channel input range, data format, filter frequency, etc.

You will need to download the sample project from our website and then import this into your program. Then you may access the controller tags to configure the module. Ladder logic samples are also provided with this sample project.

### Adding Your Module to a Project

The module has a unique set of tag definitions which are used to configure specific features. Chapter 5, Channel Configuration, Data, and Status gives you detailed information about the data content of the configuration. These values are set using your programming software and ladder logic. Before you can use these features, you must first include the module into the project.

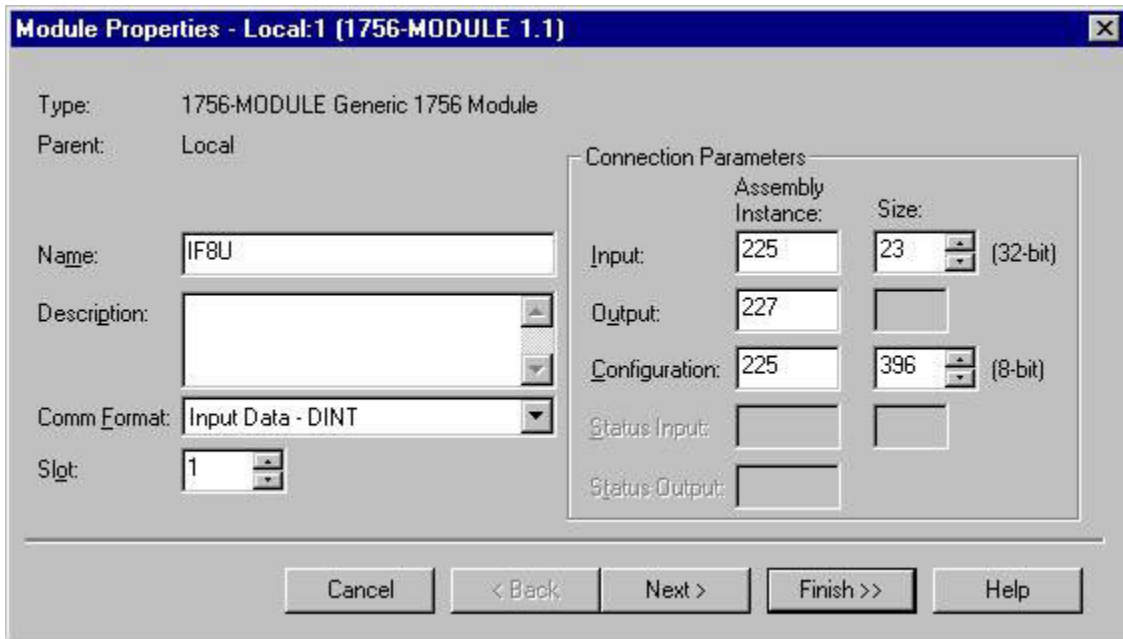
1. Open your project and go to the **Add I/O module** menu under controller configuration.  
You will now see the list of all I/O modules.
2. Select the **Generic 1756 I/O** option:



3. After clicking **OK** you are presented with the following dialog for setting up the general information about the module. Use the same values specified here:



- Owner-controller Connection (Controller provides configuration):



**Module Properties - Local:1 (1756-MODULE 1.1)**

Type: 1756-MODULE Generic 1756 Module  
Parent: Local

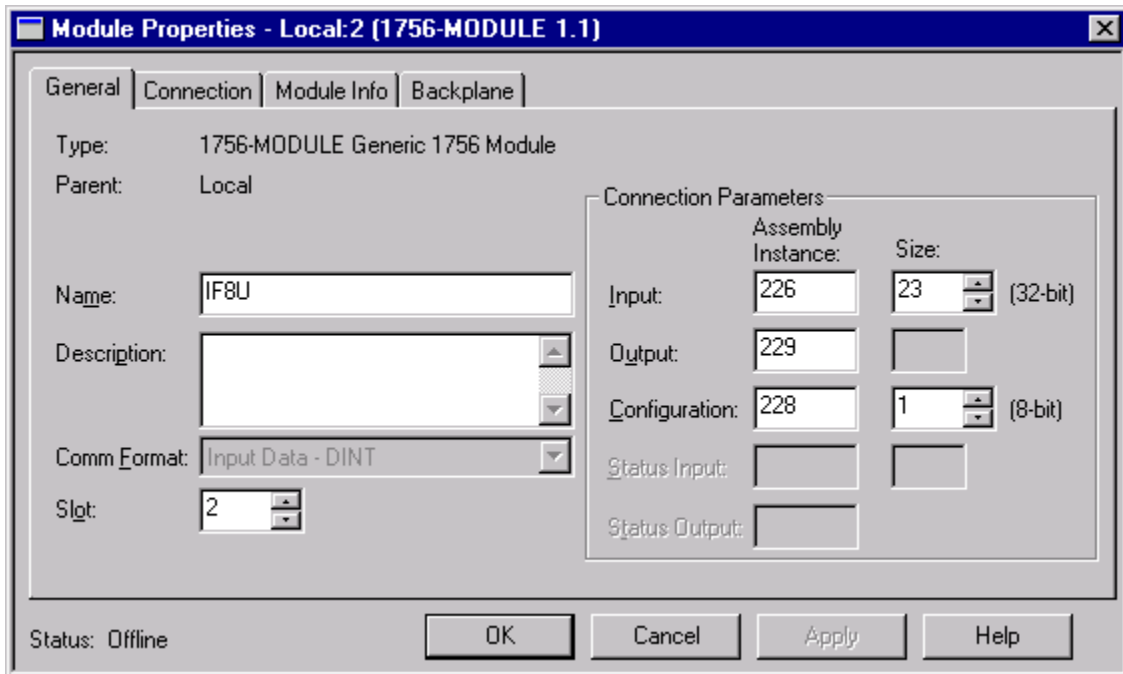
Name: IF8U  
Description:   
Comm Format: Input Data - DINT  
Slot: 1

**Connection Parameters**

	Assembly Instance:	Size:	
Input:	225	23	(32-bit)
Output:	227		
Configuration:	225	396	(8-bit)
Status Input:			
Status Output:			

Buttons: Cancel < Back Next > Finish >> Help

- Listen-only controller connection. (Controller does not provide configuration but monitors input data only. Another owner-controller must exist.):



**Module Properties - Local:2 (1756-MODULE 1.1)**

General | Connection | Module Info | Backplane

Type: 1756-MODULE Generic 1756 Module  
Parent: Local

Name: IF8U  
Description:   
Comm Format: Input Data - DINT  
Slot: 2

**Connection Parameters**

	Assembly Instance:	Size:	
Input:	226	23	(32-bit)
Output:	229		
Configuration:	228	1	(8-bit)
Status Input:			
Status Output:			

Status: Offline

Buttons: OK Cancel Apply Help

4. Specify an RPI interval between 10.0 and 750.0 ms:

The image shows a software dialog box titled "Module Properties - Local:1 (1756-MODULE 1.1)". It contains the following elements:

- A label "Requested Packet Interval (RPI):" followed by a numeric input field set to "100.0" and a unit label "ms". To the right of the unit is a range specification "(0.2 - 750.0 ms)".
- A checkbox labeled "Inhibit Module".
- A checkbox labeled "Major Fault On Controller If Connection Fails While in Run Mode".
- A text area labeled "Module Fault" which is currently empty.
- A row of five buttons at the bottom: "Cancel", "< Back", "Next >", "Finish >>", and "Help".

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