

# **RB-RS485** RS485 breakout kit for Raspberry Pi



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#### Dear customer,

thank you very much for choosing our product.

In the following, we will introduce you to what to observe while starting up and using this product.

Should you encounter any unexpected problems during use, please do not hesitate to contact us.



- 1. These connections have been routed separately to the outside to ensure that the now concealed connections on your Raspberry Pi can still be used.
- 2. These connections are used to send and receive the RS485 signals. Both the screw terminal and the DB9 socket can be used.
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   Please refer to the following table.

| P0     | P1     | P2     | P3     | P4     | P5     | P6     | P7    |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| GPIO17 | GPIO18 | GPIO27 | GPIO22 | GPIO23 | GPIO24 | GPIO25 | GPIO4 |
| GND    | GND   |
| 5V     | 5V     | 5V     | 5V     | 3V3    | 3V3    | 3V3    | 3V3   |

This guide was written under Raspberry Pi OS Bookworm for the Raspberry Pi 4 and 5. It has not been checked with newer operating systems or hardware.

## 3.1 Installing the required libraries

Firstly, you must activate the serial interface on your Raspberry Pi. To open the configuration, enter the following command:

## sudo raspi-config

## Select 3 Interface Options → 15 Serial Port

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You will be asked the question *Would you like a login shell to be accessible over serial ?* Answer this with *No*.

Next you will be asked *Would you like the serial port hardware to be enabled ?* Answer this with *Yes*.

You will then be asked whether you want to restart your Raspberry Pi. You should answer this with **Yes**.

| Would you like a login shell to be accessible over serial? | Would y | ou like the seri | al port hardware to be enabled? |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| <yes> &lt;<u>No&gt;</u></yes>                              |         | <yes></yes>      | <no></no>                       |

Next, you need to download the required additional libraries by executing the following commands.

```
sudo apt-get install python3-serial
```

Once you have downloaded the libraries, you can now try out the two code examples below or download them <u>here</u>.

Alternatively, you can download and unzip the example using the following commands:

```
wget https://joy-it.net/files/files/Produkte/RB-RS485/RB-RS485-Beispielcodes.zip
```

```
unzip RB-RS485-Beispielcodes.zip
```

Please note that depending on whether you are using a Raspberry Pi5 or an older model, you will need to adapt the port in the code accordingly. To do this, you can refer to the comments in the code example.

# 3.3 Code example transmitter

## import serial

```
# Use this port only when using Raspberry Pi 4 or older
#port = serial.Serial("/dev/ttyS0", baudrate=9600, timeout=3.0)
# Use this port only when using Raspberry Pi 5
port = serial.Serial("/dev/tty0", baudrate=9600, timeout=3.0)
```

```
print("Starting test...")
```

```
while True:
    port.write("\r\n RS485-Test".encode('utf-8'))
    #rcv = port.read(10)
    #port.write(("\r\nYou sent:" + repr(rcv)).encode('utf-8'))
```

# <u>3.4 Code example receiver</u>

```
import serial
```

```
# Use this port only when using Raspberry Pi 4 or older
#port = serial.Serial("/dev/ttyS0", baudrate=9600, timeout=3.0)
# Use this port only when using Raspberry Pi 5
port = serial.Serial("/dev/tty0", baudrate=9600, timeout=3.0)
```

```
while True:
    rcv = port.readline()
    print(rcv)
```

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