

Outdoor Environment Monitoring Sensor

Featuring LoRaWAN®

EM500 Series

Communication Protocol





Revision History

Date	Doc Version	Description
June 8, 2021	V 1.0	Initial version
July 13, 2021	V 1.1	Add Soil Moisture Definition
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1. Overview

EM500 Series use the standard Milesight IoT payload format based on IPSO. All data are based on following format:

Channel1	Type1	Data1	Channel2	Type2	Data2	Channel 3	
1 Byte	1 Byte	N Bytes	1 Byte	1 Byte	M Bytes	1 Byte	

Note:

- 1) All explanations and examples in this document are based on HEX format.
- 2) Data part uses little endian.
- 3) For all Milesight IoT product decoder examples please find files on https://github.com/Milesight-IoT/SensorDecoders



2. Uplink Payload

Uplink payloads of UC51x Series are made up of device information and sensor data.

2.1 Device Information

EM500 series report basic information of device whenever joining the network.

Channel	Туре	Description	
	01(Protocol Version)	01=>V1	
	09 (Hardware Version)	01 40 => V1.4	
ff	0a (Software Version)	01 14 => V1.14	
"	0b (Power On)	Device is on	
	Of (Device Type)	00: Class A, 01: Class B, 02: Class C	
	16 (Device SN)	16 digits	

Example:

ff0101 ff090140 ff0a0114 ff166410908243750001								
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data			
ff	01(Protoc ol Version)	01=>V1	ff	09 (Hardware Version)	01 40 => V1.4			
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data			
ff	0a(Softwa re Version)	01 14 => V1.14	ff	16 (Device SN)	641090824375 0001			

2.2 Sensor Data

EM500 series report different types of uplinks:

- 1. First sensor data packet after join: report battery level + sensor data
- 2. Periodic packet: report sensor data according to reporting interval (10 min by default)
- 3. Battery level packet: every 24 hours or when battery level is lower than 10%
- 4. Normal threshold alarm: report the sensor data which reaches the threshold

Sensor	Type ID (hex)	Data Type	Data Resolution	Model
				EM500-PT100,
Temperature	67	INT16	0.1 °C	EM500-SMTC,
				EM500-CO ₂
Humidity	68	UINT8	0.5 %RH	EM500-CO ₂ ,



				EM500-SMT/SMTC
Barometric Pressure	73	UINT16	0.1 hPa	EM500-CO ₂
Battery	75	UINT8	1 %	All
Depth	77	INT16	1 cm	EM500-SWL
Pressure	7b	UINT16	1 kPa	EM500-PP
Concentration	7d	UINT16	1 ppm	EM500-CO ₂
Conductivity	7f	UINT16	1 us/cm	EM500-SMTC
Distance	82	UINT16	1 mm	EM500-UDL
Light	94	UINT32	1 Lux	EM500-LGT
Soil Moisture	ca	UINT16	0.01%RH	EM500-SMT/SMTC

Examples:

EM500-CO₂

017564 03671001 046871 057d6704 06736827							
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data		
01	75 (Battery)	64 => 100%	03	67 (Temperature)	10 01=>01 10 =272*0.1=27.2° C		
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data		
04	68 (Humidity)	71=>113*0 .5=56.5%	05	7d (CO ₂)	67 04 => 04 67 =1127 ppm		
Channel	Туре	Data					
06	73 (Barometric Pressure)	68 27=>27 68=10088* 0.1=1008. 8 hPa					

EM500-LGT

017564 039432870000							
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data		
01	75 (Battery)	64 => 100%	03	94(Light)	32 87 00 00=> 00 00 87 32 =34610 Lux		



EM500-PP

017564 037b0a00							
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data		
01	75 (Battery)	64 => 100%	03	7b(Pressure)	0a 00=>00 0a =10 kPa		

EM500-PT100

017564 0367faff							
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data		
01	75 (Battery)	64 => 100%	03	67 (Temperature)	fa ff=>ff fa = -6*0.1= -0.6°C		

EM500-SMT/SMTC

017564 03671001 04cad804 057ff000							
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data		
01	75 (Battery)	64 => 100%	03	67 (Temperature)	10 01=>01 10 =272*0.1 =27.2°C		
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data		
04	ca (Soil Moisture)	d8 04=>04 d8=1240 Hum=1240* 0.01=12.4%	05	7f (Conductivity)	f0 00 => 00 f0=240 μs/cm		

Note: if hardware version is 1.x and firmware version is below 2.34, the soil moisture type ID is 68 and resolution is 0.5% RH.

EM500-SWL

	017564 03770200				
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data
01	75 (Battery)	64 => 100%	03	77(Depth)	02 00=>00 02 =2 cm



EM500-UDL

	017564 03821e00				
Channel	Туре	Data	Channel	Туре	Data
01	75 (Battery)	64 => 100%	03	82(Distance)	1e 00=>00 1e =30 mm

2.3 Temperature Mutation Threshold

EM500-CO2/PT100/SMTC supports to report temperature mutation threshold alarm which has a different format with normal threshold alarm.

Channel	Туре	Description
00	d7 (Mutation	Tamamanatura (OD) + Mutation Valua (OD) + OO
83	Threshold Alarm)	Temperature(2B) + Mutation Value(2B) + 02

Example:

1. Normal Temperature Threshold Alarm Packet

03675201 01			
Channel Type Value			
03	67 (Temperature)	52 01 => 01 52 => 338*0.1 = 33.8°C	

2. Temperature Mutation Alarm Packet

83d722010c0002			
Channel Type Value			
		Temperature: 22 01 => 01 22 => 290*0.1	
	d7	= 29°C	
83	(Temperature	Mutation Value: 0c 00 => 00 0c =>	
	Mutation Threshold)	12*0.1=1.2°C	
		02 => Mutation Alarm	

3. Downlink Command

Downlink is used for controlling the EM500 via network server remotely. Downlink port (Application port) is 85 by default and can be configured via ToolBox.

Note: only device with hardware V2.x and later supports below commands.

Channel	Туре	Description
ff	03 (Reporting Interval)	2 Bytes, unit: s
11	10 (Reboot)	ff (Reserved)

	17 (Time Zone)	2 Bytes, UTC timezone * 10
		Sensor Type (1B) + Status (1B)
		Status: 00: disable, 01: enable
		EM500-CO2 Sensor Type:
		00: all
		01: temperature
		02: humidity
	18 (Sensor Collection)	05: CO ₂
		06: barometric pressure
		EM500-SMTC Sensor Type:
		00: all
		01: temperature
		02: moisture
		03: electric conductivity
	4 (00 0 11 11)	00: Factory Calibration Restored
	1a (CO ₂ Calibration)	03: Manual Calibration
		5 Bytes,
	39 (CO ₂ Auto Background	Byte 1: 00-disable, 01-enable
	Calibration)	Bytes 2-5: b4009001
	68 (Data Storage)	00: disable, 01: enable
	69 (Data Retransmission)	00: disable, 01: enable
		3 Bytes
	(()	Byte 1: 00
	6a (Data Retransmission	Byte 2-3: interval time, unit:s
	Interval)	range: 30~1200s (600s by
		default)

Example:

1. Configure Reporting Interval as 20 mins

ff 03 b0 04			
Channel Type Data			
ff	03(Set Reporting Interval)	b0 04 => 04 b0 = 1200s=20 mins	



2. Reboot the device.

ff10ff			
Channel	Туре	Value	
ff	10 (Reboot)	ff (Reserved)	

3. Set the time zone as UTC-2.

ff17ecff			
Channel	Channel Type Value		
tt	17	ec ff => ff ec = -20	
11	17	the time zone is UTC-2	

4. Disable humidity collection of EM500-CO₂ sensor.

ff180200			
Channel Type Value			
ff	18	02=Humidity, 00=Disable	

4. Historical Data Enquiry

EM500 series support sending downlink commands to enquire historical data for specified time point or time range. Before that, ensure the device time is correct and data storage feature was enabled to store the data.

Command format:

Channel	Туре	Description
fd	6b (Enquire data in time point)	4 Bytes, unix timestamp
fd	6c (Enquire data in time range)	Start time (4 bytes) + End time (4 bytes), Unix timestamp
fd	6d (Stop query data report)	ff
		3 Bytes
ff	Co (Domest Internal)	Byte 1: 01
"	6a (Report Interval)	Byte 2-3: interval time, unit:s
		range: 30~1200s (60s by default)

Reply format:

Channel	Туре	Description
		00: data enquiry success
fc	6b/6c	01: time point or time range invalid
		02: no data in this time or time range
20	ce (Historical Data)	Data time stamp (4 Bytes) + Data (Mutable)



Data format:

Sensor	Description	
EME00.00	CO ₂ (2B) + Pressure (2B) + Temperature (2B) +	
EM500-CO ₂	Humidity (1B)	
EM500-LGT	Light (4B)	
EM500-PP	Pressure (2B)	
EM500-PT100	Temperature (2B)	
EM500-SMT	Moisture(2B)	
ENACOO CNATO	Electric Conductivity (2B) + Temperature (2B) +	
EM500-SMTC	Moisture(2B)	
EM500-SWL	Depth (2B)	
EM500-UDL	Distance (2B)	

Note:

- 1. The device only uploads no more than 300 data records per range enquiry.
- 2. When enquiring the data in time point, it will upload the data which is closest to the search point within the reporting interval range. For example, if the device reporting interval is 10 minutes and users send command to search for 17:00's data, if the device find there is data stored in 17:00, it will upload this data; if not, it will search for data between 16:50 to 17:10 and upload the data which is closest to 17:00.

Example:

1. Enquire historical data between 2023/03/09 17:00:00 to 2023/03/09 17:10:40.

fd6c 2cc26164 84c46164				
Channel	Туре	Value		
fd	6c (Enquire data in time range)	Start time: 2cc26164 => 6461c22c =		
		1684128300 =2023/05/15 13:25:00		
		End time: 84c46164 => 6461c484 =		
		1684128900 =2023/05/15 13:35:00		

Reply:

fc6c00		
Channel	Туре	Value
fc	6c (Enquire data in time range)	00: data enquiry success

20ce b1c36164 c9036427010175					
Channel	Туре	Time Stamp	Value		
20	ce (Historical Data)	b1c36164 =>	CO2: c9 03 => 03 c9 = 969ppm		
		6461c3b1=2023/	Pressure: 64 27 =>		
		05/15 13:31:00	2764=10084*0.1=1008.4 hPa		



	Temperature:
	0101=>101=257*0.1=25.7°C
	Humidity: 75=>117*0.5=58.5%

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