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W8CR
Relay
Controller



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Specifications:

- **Number of Relays:** 8
- **Rated voltage:** 9 – 24V DC
- **Relay switching power:** 15A/24VDC (125VAC), 10A/250VAC
- **Communication:** LAN Interface
- **Dimension:** 149mm x 110mm x 25mm (connectors mounted)

Product Usage Instructions

Connection Details

A basic connection diagram is provided for both AC and DC loads.

Ensure to use a freewheeling diode or snubber circuit for inductive loads. Use wires rated to handle load current and exercise caution with high voltages to prevent damage to the module and PC.

Relay Contacts

OFF State: Close connection between NC and C, Open connection between NO and C.

ON State: Open connection between NC and C, Close connection between NO and C.

DC Power Supply

The board requires a power supply of 9 to 24V DC for proper functioning. Use a 9 to 24V DC / 500mA or higher power supply, ensuring correct polarity when connecting. Attach the positive terminal to the + terminal on the module.

Operation Requirements

The product is compatible with any operating system with a web browser and can be controlled via TCP/IP using various programming languages mentioned earlier.

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Connection Details

Refer to the provided connection diagram for both AC and DC loads. Use appropriate precautions when dealing with high voltages.

CONNECTING AND OPERATION

Security and Handling

Safety Instructions:

This device may connect to LAN port of your computer or router and can be used to control external devices connected to its onboard relays. Incorrect wiring or shorts on the board can potentially cause damage to the controller itself, your computer's LAN controller and/or your computer's motherboard if an external voltage make its way to the LAN interface. Extreme care must be taken when using this device to avoid any damage to your equipment. In particular, make sure you always disconnect the device from the LAN port as well as any other power source when working on the device.

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Your use of this circuit indicates your acceptance of these terms

An Overview

KMTronic WEB Eight Relay is a versatile product for controlling electrical and electronic devices remotely via web browser. Ease of use and wider operating system compatibility are the primary goals behind the product's design. The simplicity of connection and settings allows user to control and manage relays via web browser. For power users, this module can be controlled by writing programs in various programming languages and controlled via TCP/IP protocol.

Some of possible uses of the module include

- Home Automation
- Lighting Control
- Garden Equipment Control
- Industrial Automation
- Test Fixtures
- DIY and Hobby

And these are some of the languages that can be used for programming

- C/C++/C#
- Visual Basic (VB6, VB2008, VB2010 express and other editions)
- Visual Basic for Applications (Microsoft Office VBA)
- Perl
- Python
- Java
- And many more...

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Package Contents

The following is included in the WEB Eight Relay package

- WEB Eight Relay board

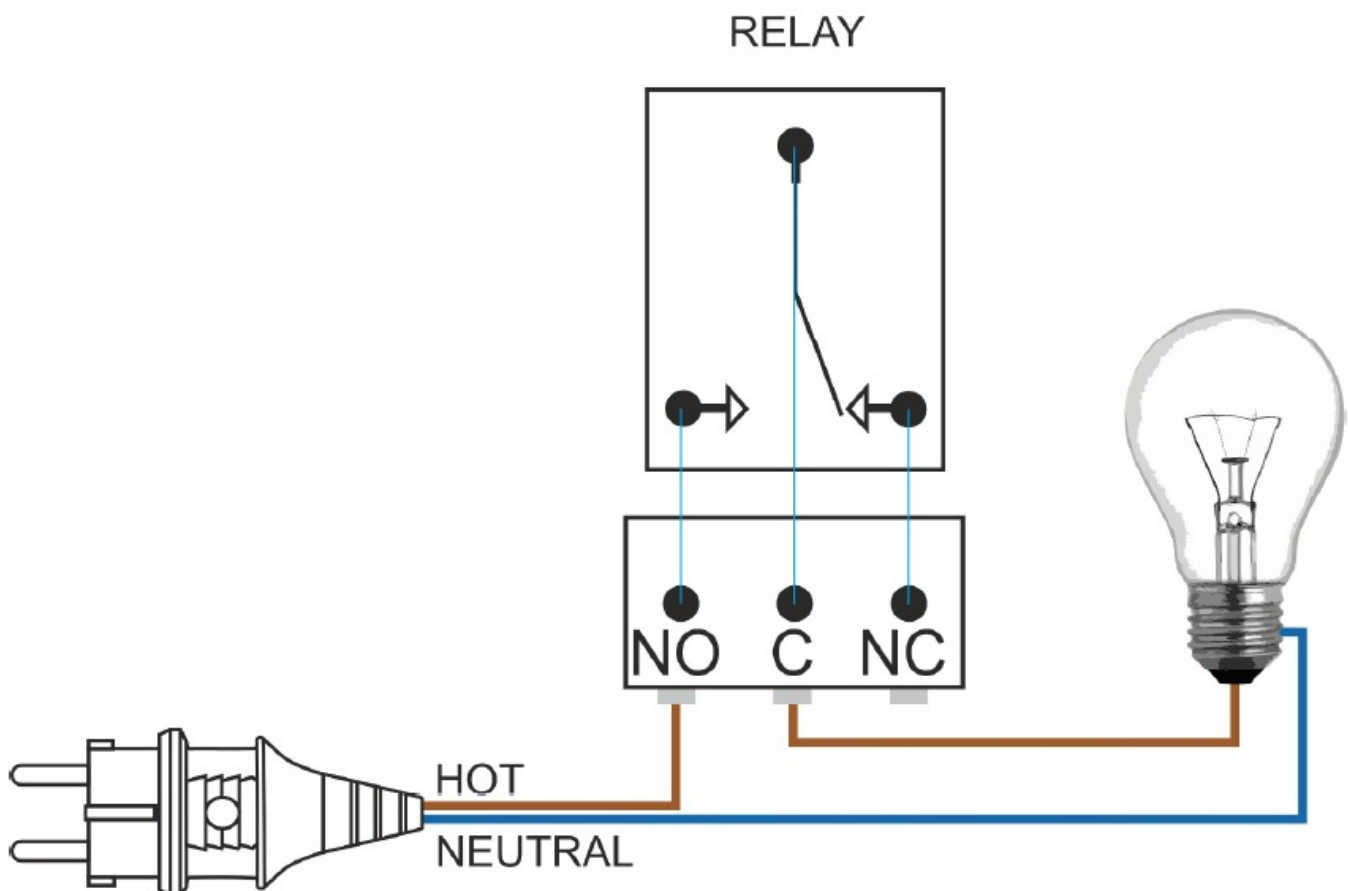
Operation Requirements

This product is compatible with the following operating systems

- Every OS with available web browser
- Programs over TCP/IP, built with mention above programming languages

How to use WEB Eight Relay

Connection Details



Above image shows basic connection diagram that can be used in most of the situations. The connection diagram is same for both AC and DC loads. Please make sure to use a freewheeling diode or snubber circuit if the load is inductive. More details about using inductive loads is available elsewhere in this document. It is important to make sure that the wires used to connect loads are sufficiently rated to handle expected load current. Exercise caution while working with high voltages. Short circuits can cause damage to the module and the PC. The following

sections identify individual connections in detail.

IMPORTANT NOTE

This circuit involves high voltage AC main power wiring when used to control high voltage AC devices. Please note that handling, testing and operating high voltage AC powered equipment can be dangerous and fatal when basic safety rules are not followed. ALWAYS disconnect the circuit from the AC line prior to performing any work on the circuit.

If you are inexperienced or not confident in working with high voltage AC powered circuits, we strongly recommend that you DO NOT attempt to use this circuit and seek help of a licensed electrician.

Relay Contacts

All contacts on each relay are available externally on screw terminals for easy user access. The relays are rated for AC and DC supply voltages. Please see the electrical parameter table for more details. Each relay has three contacts (C,NO and NC). C is the common terminal and is used in both normally open and normally closed positions. The contacts NC and C will be connected when the relay is turned off and will be disconnected when relay is turned on. And vice versa, the contacts C and NO will be disconnected when relay is turned off and will be connected when the relay is turned on. Table below summarizes possible relay contact



Relay State	Connection between NC and C	Connection between NO and C
OFF	Close	Open
ON	Open	Close

DC Power Supply

This board needs power supply from 9 to 24V DC for function properly. The power supply for the boards is not optional and the relay will not switch without this supply. Any off the shelf 9 to 24V DC /500mA or more power supply can be used for this purpose. Make sure to connect the power supply in correct polarity. Connect the positive terminal of the power supply to the + terminal on the module. Connect negative terminal of the power supply to – terminal of the module.



Installation

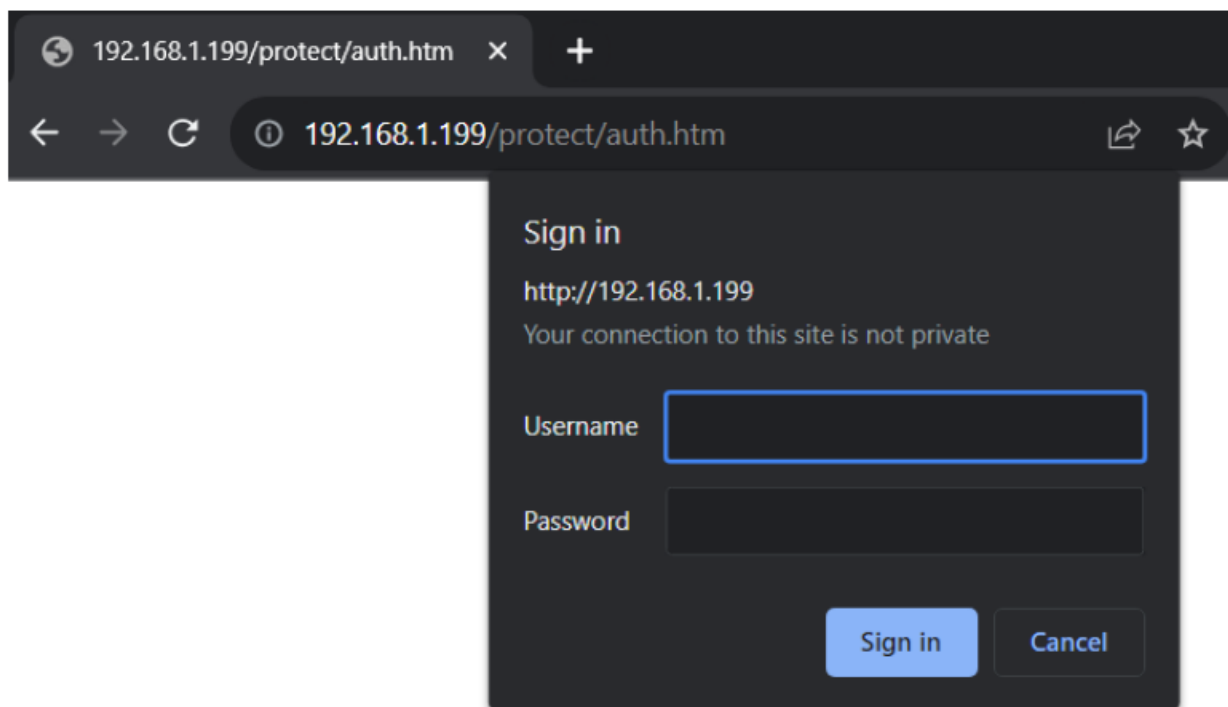
Default settings:

- IP address: 192.168.1.199
- Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
- Default Gateway: 192.168.1.1
- Username: admin
- Password: admin

Reset defaults settings:

Hold Reset button for 10 seconds

- Connect power and LAN cable to router. Open your favorite browser and type: 192.168.1.199.
If explorer opens new window with request for USER and PASSWORD, enter default Username and Password.
That's all and you are ready to control and manage relays. If you cannot open default IP address, follow next:
- Check that IP your router LAN is 192.168.1.1: <http://kmtronic.com/how-to-find-your-local-ip-address.html>
If LAN IP, your router is different than 192.168.1.1 (192.168.0.1 or 192.168.10.1) you need one time access to network 192.168.1.1 to change default settings.
- Open again the web browser and type: 192.168.1.199.
The following images show the first steps of installing board. By clicking relay buttons you control them – switch on and switch off. In Configuration you can change default relay and network settings.
Authorization Configuration allows to change default Username and Password.



Relay Control

The interface displays a list of eight relays, each with a corresponding green button labeled "Click to switch ON". A small grey circle is visible in the top-left corner of the main content area.

Relay1	Click to switch ON
Relay2	Click to switch ON
Relay3	Click to switch ON
Relay4	Click to switch ON
Relay5	Click to switch ON
Relay6	Click to switch ON
Relay7	Click to switch ON
Relay8	Click to switch ON

Configuration

Enter the new settings for the board below:

Host Name:	<input type="text" value="RELAYS_BOARD"/>
Relay1 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay1"/>
Relay2 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay2"/>
Relay3 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay3"/>
Relay4 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay4"/>
Relay5 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay5"/>
Relay6 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay6"/>
Relay7 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay7"/>
Relay8 Name:	<input type="text" value="Relay8"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Enable DHCP
IP Address:	<input type="text" value="192.168.1.199"/>
Gateway:	<input type="text" value="192.168.1.1"/>
Subnet Mask:	<input type="text" value="255.255.255.0"/>
HTTP Port:	<input type="text" value="80"/>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable WEB
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable UDP
UDP Source Port:	<input type="text" value="12345"/>
UDP Destination Port:	<input type="text" value="12345"/>
	<input type="button" value="Save Config"/>

List of command set

Controlling of the relays is also available with set of ASCII commands which can be send via web browser (added after the IP of the board – for example <http://192.168.1.199/FF0101>) or with appropriate program over TCP/IP. The table below contains available commands for WEB and UPD:

WEB Control:

No.	Command	Format	Description																																			
1	/relays.cgi?relay=1	ASCII	Toggle relay 1																																			
2	/relays.cgi?relay=2	ASCII	Toggle relay 2																																			
3	/relays.cgi?relay=3	ASCII	Toggle relay 3																																			
4	/relays.cgi?relay=4	ASCII	Toggle relay 4																																			
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6	/relays.cgi?relay=6	ASCII	Toggle relay 6																																			
7	/relays.cgi?relay=7	ASCII	Toggle relay 7																																			
8	/relays.cgi?relay=8	ASCII	Toggle relay 8																																			
9	/FF0101	ASCII	Turn ON relay 1																																			
10	/FF0201	ASCII	Turn ON relay 2																																			
11	/FF0301	ASCII	Turn ON relay 3																																			
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15	/FF0701	ASCII	Turn ON relay 7																																			
16	/FF0801	ASCII	Turn ON relay 8																																			
17	/FF0100	ASCII	Turn OFF relay 1																																			
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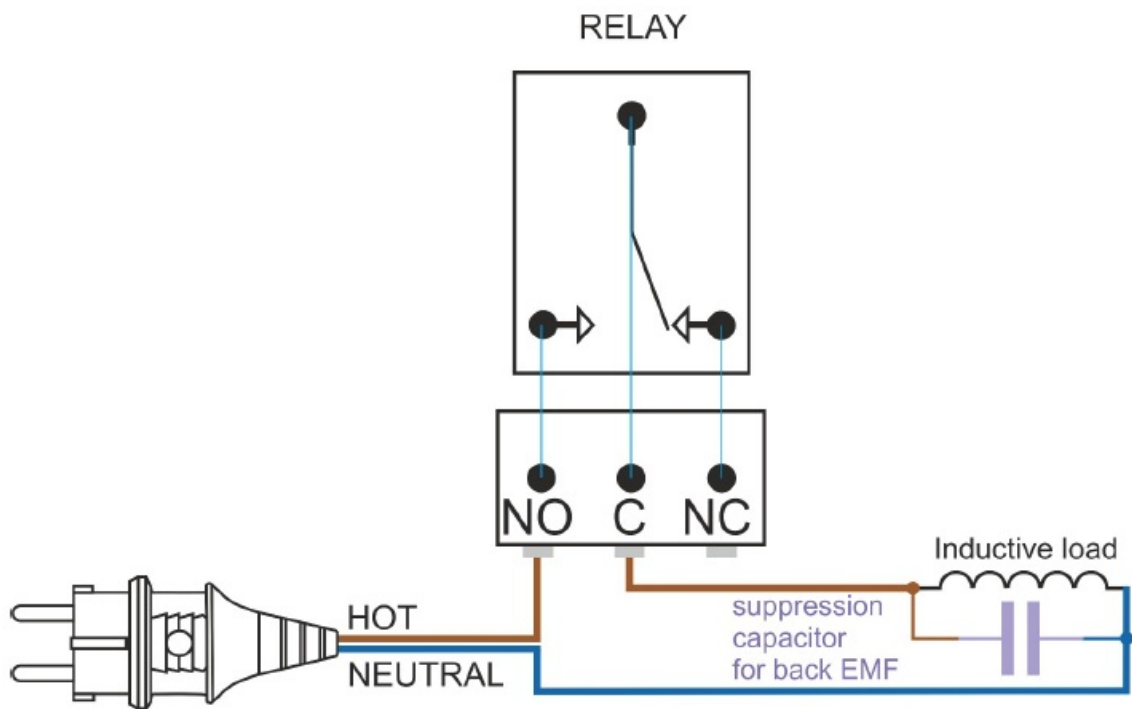
UDP test software (including source code) can be downloaded from here: <https://www.kmtronic.com/LAN-Relay-Controllers/UDP-LAN-Ethernet-IP-Eight-channels-Relay-Controller.html>



Additional information

Handle inductive loads

General-purpose relays are typically designed to drive resistive loads, not inductive loads. This is why electromechanical life ratings are published for resistive loads and not inductive loads. Inductive loads can best be defined as anything with a magnetic coil, such as a motor, solenoid, or a transformer. The purpose of this capacitor is to absorb the high voltages generated by inductive loads. Unlike resistive loads, inductive loads love power, and they will do everything they can to hold on to it. The unpleasant result of this power hunger is inductive kickback, and it has a devastating effect on the contact life of most general-purpose relays. This is true of both ac and dc inductive loads, although the inductive kickback is far worse with dc loads due to the constant current characteristic of dc power. How bad is the kickback? A 24-Vdc solenoid with a current consumption as low as a quarter of an amp will create a negative inductive kickback of more than 300 V. Adding a suspension capacitor could easily reduce the problems. It has to be installed as close as possible to the Relay Board.



DME Polyester Film Capacitors are suitable for this job with capacitance around 0.47uF – 0,68uF will be satisfied.

Choose larger voltage rating than your power supply.

Search it at [digikey.com](http://www.digikey.com) –

[http://www.digikey.com/scripts/dksearch/dksus.dll?](http://www.digikey.com/scripts/dksearch/dksus.dll?FV=ffec2aa9%2Cfff40002%2Cfff80010%2Ce340003&k=Polyester+Film+Capacitor&v=0&mnonly=0&newproducts=0&ptm=0&fid=0&quantity=0&PV13=46&PV13=47&PV13=49)

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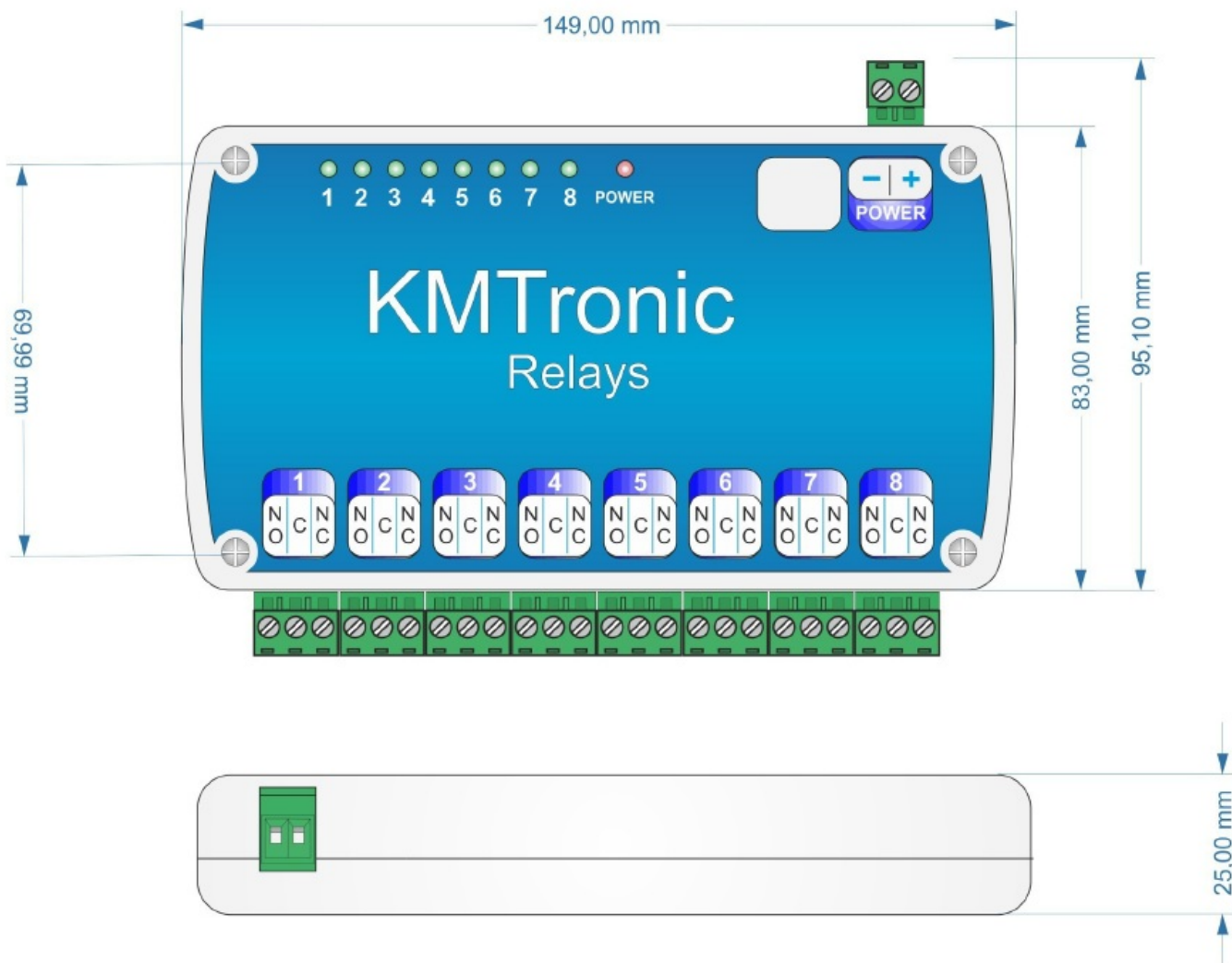
Technical specifications

Parameter *	Value	Unit
Basic Specification		
Number of relays	8	
Digital circuit power supply voltage	9 – 24	V
Standby current at 12V	100	mA
Maximum current drawn by digital circuitry at 9V	500	mA
Maximum current drawn by digital circuitry at 12V	370	mA
Maximum current drawn by digital circuitry at 24V	200	mA
Relay Specifications		
Nominal relay coil voltage	5	V
Nominal coil power consumption (per relay)	360	mW
Relay contact material	Ag alloy	
Contact rating	AC125V 15A AC250V 10A DC24V 15A	
Maximum switching voltage	AC 240V DC 110V	
Maximum switching current	20	A
Maximum switching power	2500VA	
Contact resistance (initial)	50	mΩ
Life expectancy (Electrical)	100,000 ops	
Life expectancy (Mechanical)	10,000,000 ops	
Nominal insulation resistance	100MΩ (DC500V)	
Maximum switching on response time	10	ms
Maximum switching off response time	5	ms

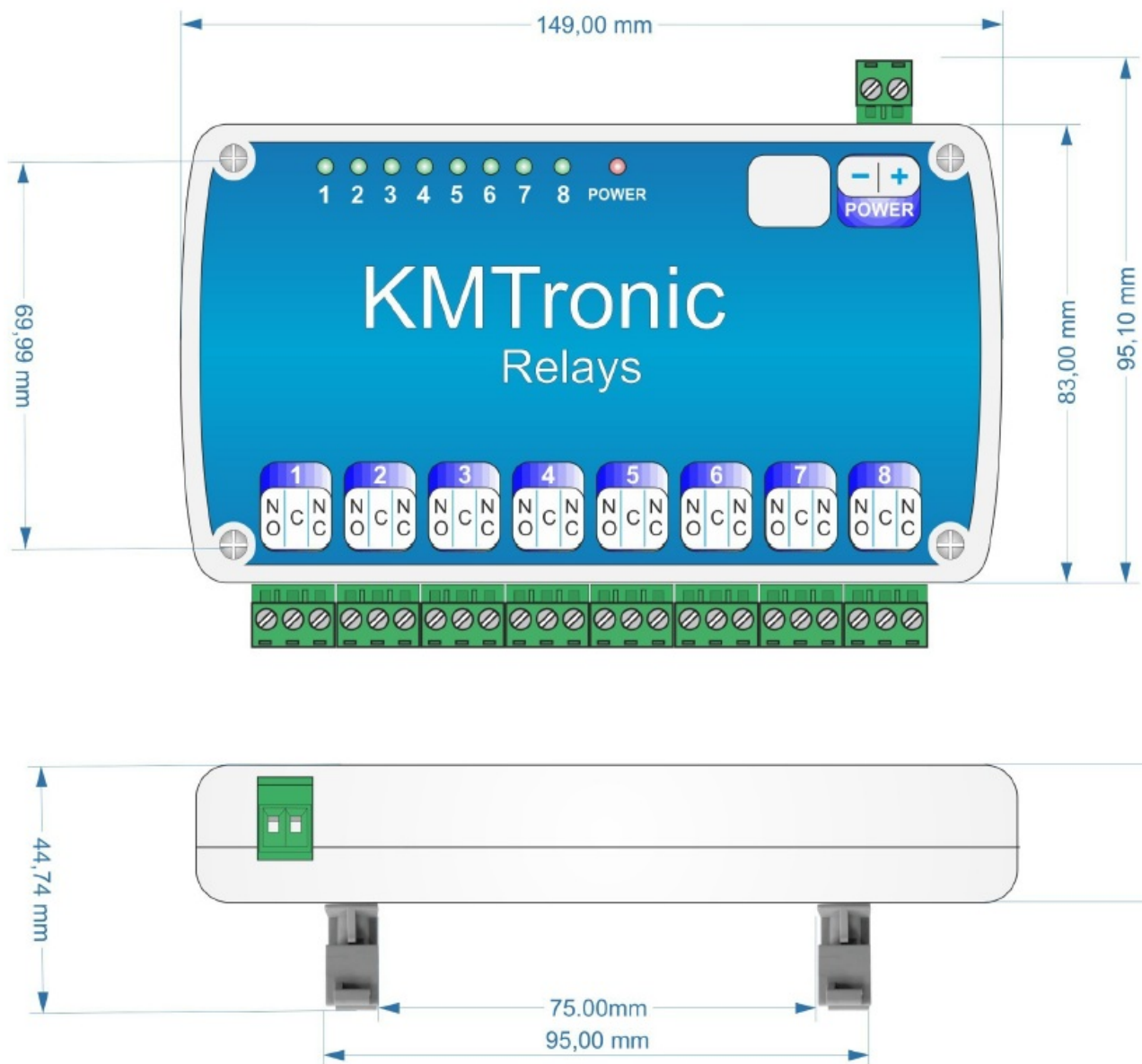
All parameters considered nominal. KMTronic LTD reserves the right to modify products without notice.

Physical Dimensions

Standard board



DIN mounting



Other information

You can find test software and programs, as well as additional information at: <http://www.kmtronic.com/>

Manufacture by:

KMTronic LTD
Bulgaria

<http://sigma-shop.com/>

FAQs

Q: What are some possible uses of the KMTronic WEB Eight Relay module?

A: Some possible uses include Home Automation, Lighting Control, Garden Equipment Control, Industrial Automation, Test Fixtures, DIY, and Hobby projects.

Q: What are the specifications of the KMTronic WEB Eight Relay module?

A: The module has 8 relays, a rated voltage of 9-24V DC, relay switching power of 15A/24VDC (125VAC) 10A/250VAC, LAN Interface communication, and dimensions of 149mm x 110mm x 25mm (with connectors mounted).

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