



# NXP IMXWQSG i.MX Windows 10 IoT User Guide

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## Overview

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## Hardware requirements

The hardware requirements for using this release package are as follows: Supported evaluation boards (see Release Notes about supported board revisions):

- i.MX 8M Mini EVK
- i.MX 8M Nano EVK
- i.MX 8M Plus EVK
- i.MX 8M Quad EVK

### Additional equipment:

- microSD card (minimum 8 GB)
- i.MX Mini SAS cable with IMX-MIPI-HDMI adapter (MIPI-DSI to HDMI converter) or IMX-LVDS-HDMI adapter (LVDS to HDMI converter), depending on the evaluation board/SoC capability. For more information, see the specific board chapter.

## Software requirements

- Binary drivers and firmware (either downloaded from [nxp.com](http://nxp.com) or built locally)
- Windows IoT operating system. There are two options:

- Recommended: Windows 10 IoT Enterprise LTSC 2021 for Arm64
- Preview available on Microsoft Collaborate. Contact Microsoft at WinIoT-onNXP [@microsoft.com](mailto:@microsoft.com) for access.
- Windows 10 IoT Enterprise 21H2 GAC for Arm64
- Contact a Windows IoT distributor for access
- Windows ADK for Windows 10 and Windows PE add-on for ADK, version 2004.

### Serial logging setup

To help troubleshoot issues during boot, use the USB micro-B port on i.MX EVK boards to output U-Boot and UEFI firmware serial debug logs to a host PC. The USB micro-B port on the EVK presents a virtual serial port to the host PC, which can be read by common Windows serial terminal applications such as HyperTerminal, Tera Term, or PuTTY.

1. Connect the target and the PC using the cable mentioned above.
2. Open Device Manager on the PC and locate the Enhanced Virtual serial device and note the COM port number.
3. Open the terminal on the PC. Configure the Enhanced Virtual serial/COM port to 921600 baud/s, an 8-bit, one-stop bit.

For the Host PC to recognize the i.MX device's virtual serial port, you might need to download and install drivers for the i.MX's USB to serial converter. The i.MX 8M EVK uses the CP210x USB to serial bridge. The CP210x driver can be found [here](#). The i.MX 8M Mini EVK uses the FT2232D USB to serial bridge. The FT2232D driver can be found [here](#). Note: The order in which serial/COM ports appear in Windows can differ depending on the board and Windows host.

### References

For more information about Windows 10 IoT Enterprise, see Microsoft online documentation.

<http://windowsondevices.com>

The following Quick Start Guides contain basic information on the board and setting it up. They are available on the NXP website.

- i.MX 8M Quad Evaluation Kit Quick Start Guide
- i.MX 8M Mini Evaluation Kit Quick Start Guide
- i.MX 8M Nano Evaluation Kit Quick Start Guide
- i.MX 8M Plus Evaluation Kit Quick Start Guide
- Documentation is available online at [nxp.com](http://nxp.com)
- i.MX 8 information is at <http://www.nxp.com/imx8>
- For more information about Windows 10 IoT Enterprise, see Microsoft's online documentation.

## Working with the i.MX 8M Mini EVK Board

### Board hardware

The figures below show different components of the i.MX 8M Mini EVK LPDDR4 board.



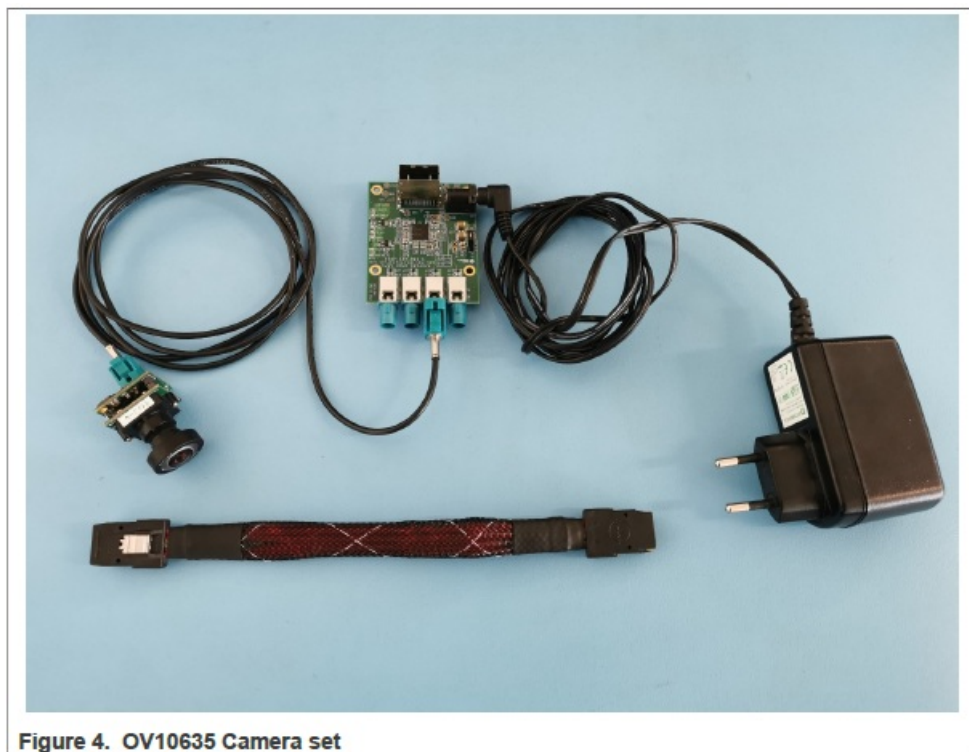


Figure 4. OV10635 Camera set

#### Note:

- Tested on 8MMINILPD4-EVK, 700-31407 REV A3 (base board), SCH-3140 REV C4 (base board), 700-45699 REV X3 (CPU board), SCH-45699 REV A1 (CPU board) board revision.
- For i.MX 8M Mini EVK board, BT and Wi-Fi functions are not supported.
- USB(s) Device mode is not supported.

#### Display interface support

MIPI-DSI to HDMI converter IMX-MIPI-HDMI is supported. The converter is connected to the MIPI-DSI display interface on the EVK board (see Figure 1) with a mini-SAS cable (see Figure 2). Use a standard HDMI cable to connect an HDMI-compatible display.

### Working with the i.MX 8M Nano EVK Board

#### Board hardware

The figures below show different components of the i.MX 8M Nano EVK board.



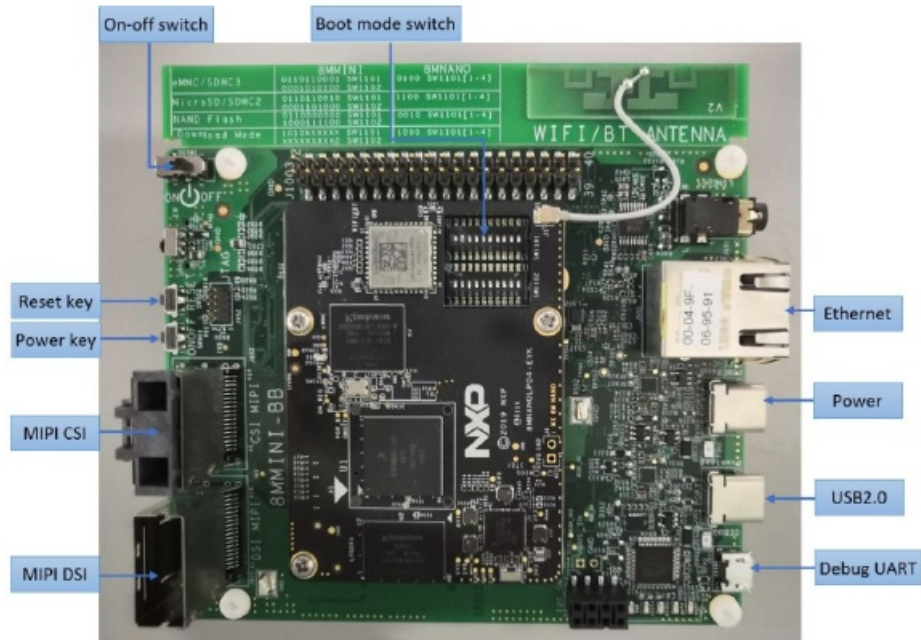


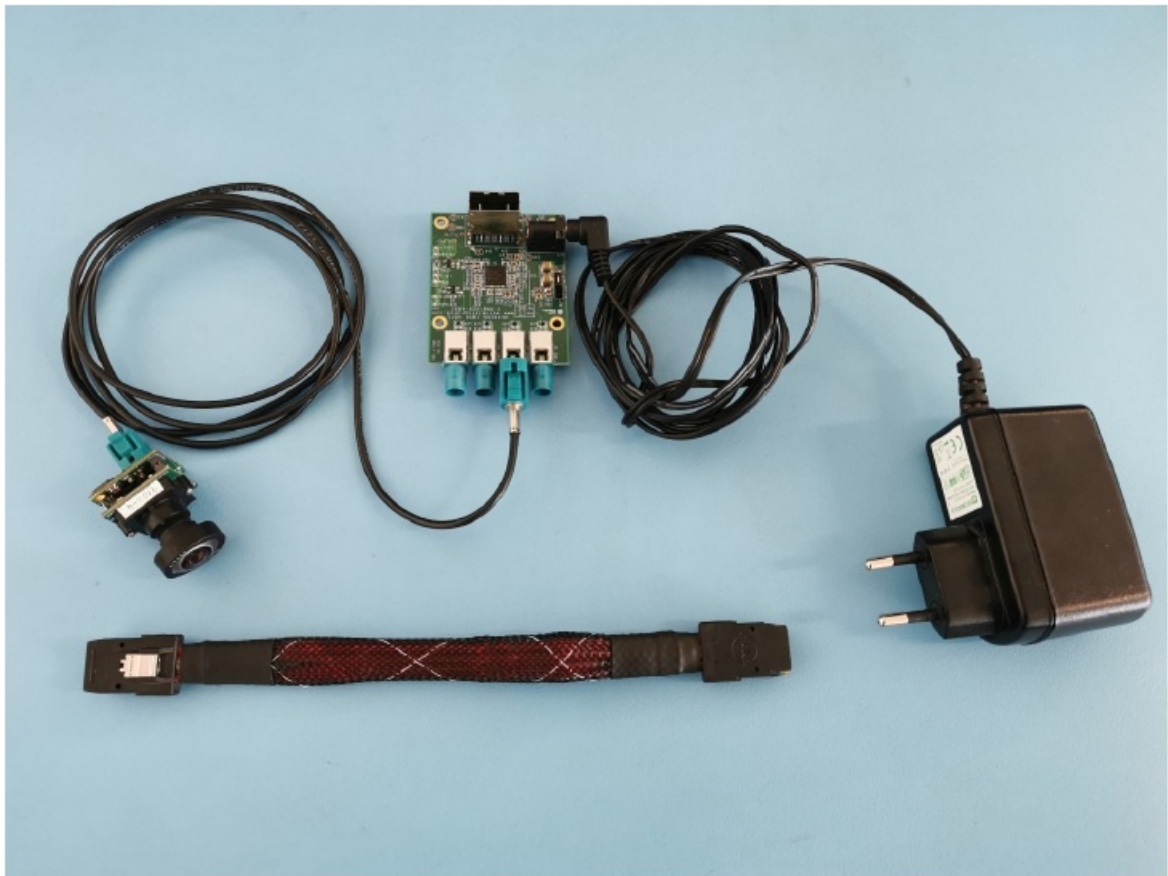
Figure 5. i.MX 8M Nano EVK board



Figure 6. i.MX Mini SAS cable with DSI-to-HDMI adapter IMX-MIPI-HDMI



Figure 7. OV5640 CSI MIPI camera



**Figure 8. OV10635 Camera set**

**Note:**

- Tested on 8MNANOD4-EVK, 700-31407 REV A3 (base board), SCH 31407 REV C3 (base board) board revision.
- For i.MX 8M Nano EVK board, Bluetooth/Wi-Fi functions are not supported.
- USB(s) Device mode is not supported.

**Display interface support**

The MIPI-DSI to HDMI converter IMX-MIPI-HDMI is supported. The converter is connected to the MIPI-DSI display interface on the EVK board (see Figure 5) with a mini-SAS cable (see Figure 6). Use a standard HDMI cable to connect an HDMI-compatible display.

**Working with the i.MX 8M Plus EVK Board**

**Board hardware**

The figures below show different components of the i.MX 8M Plus EVK board.

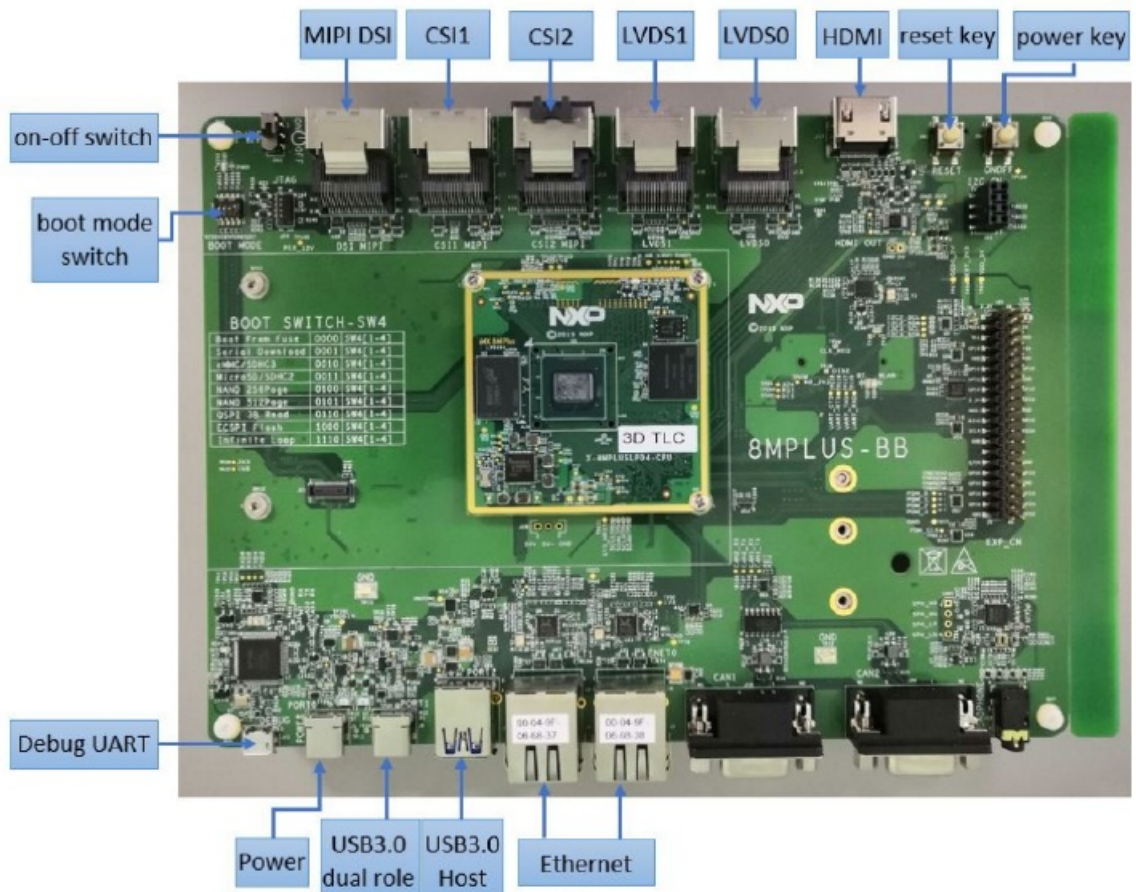


Figure 9. i.MX 8M Plus EVK board

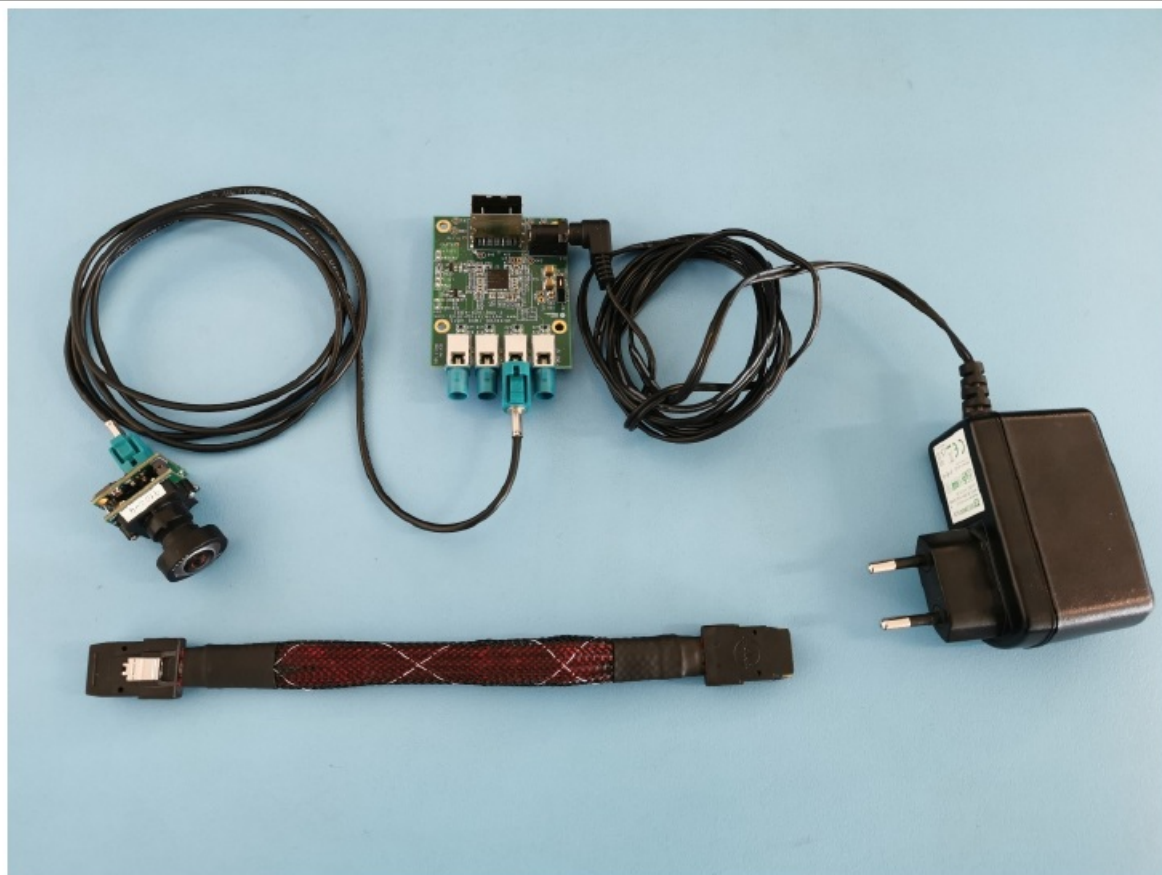


Figure 10. i.MX mini SAS cable with LVDS-to-HDMI adapter



Figure 11. OV5640 CSI MIPI camera





**Figure 12. OV10635 Camera set**

**Note:**

- Tested on 700-46370 REV B1 (base board), SCH-46370 REV B1 (base board), 700- 46368 REV A (CPU board), SCH-46368 REV A3 (CPU board) board revision.
- Ethernet QoS peripheral/port is not supported yet
- USB(s) Device mode is not supported.

**Display interface support**

LVDS to HDMI converter IMX-LVDS-HDMI is supported. The converter is connected to the LVDS0 display interface on the EVK board (see Figure 9) with a mini-SAS cable (see Figure 10). Use a standard HDMI cable to connect an HDMI-compatible display.

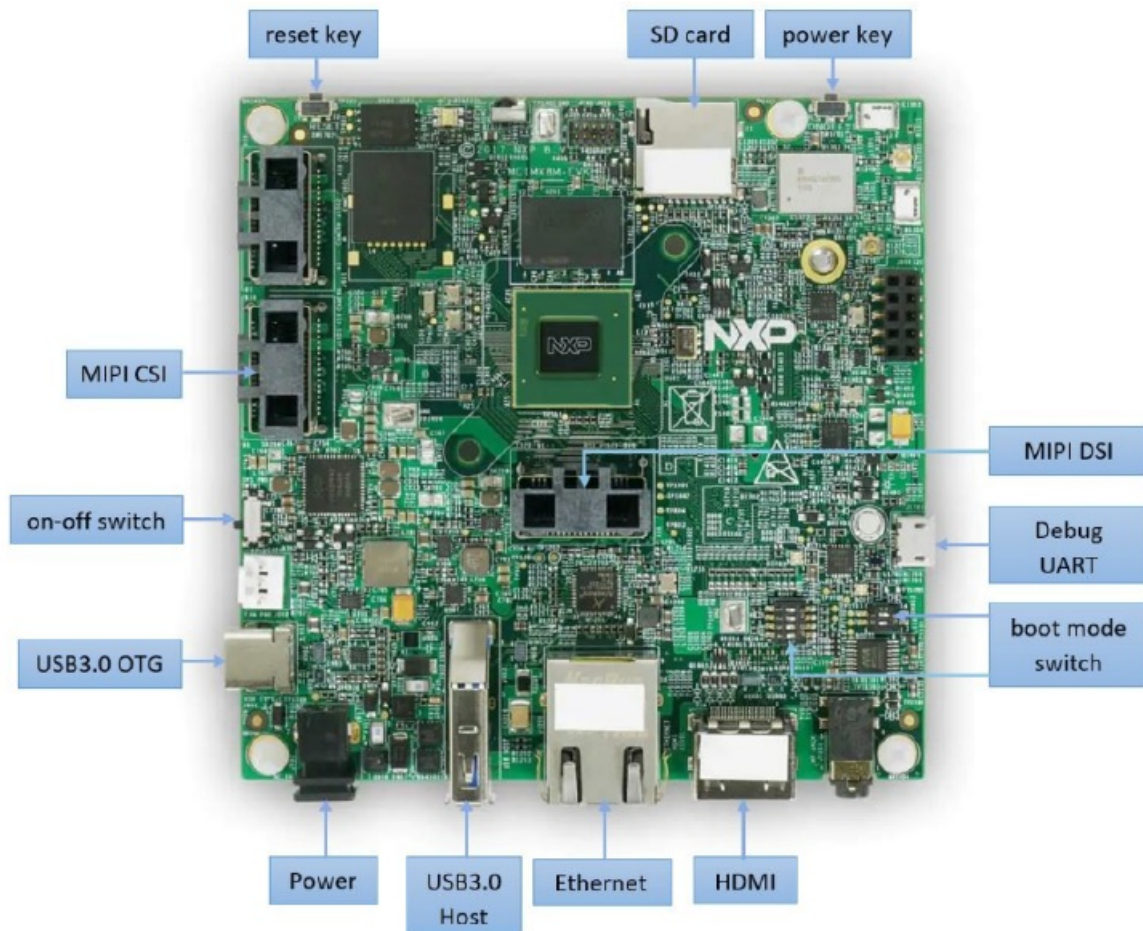
**Note:** The HDMI display interface is not supported directly on the EVK board.

Optionally use a dual LVDS display (connected to both LVDS0 and LVDS1). It is necessary to update the Display0Interface parameter in the registry or galore. inf for the windows GPU driver and reboot/re-install the GPU driver.

**Working with the i.MX 8M Quad EVK Board**

**Board hardware**

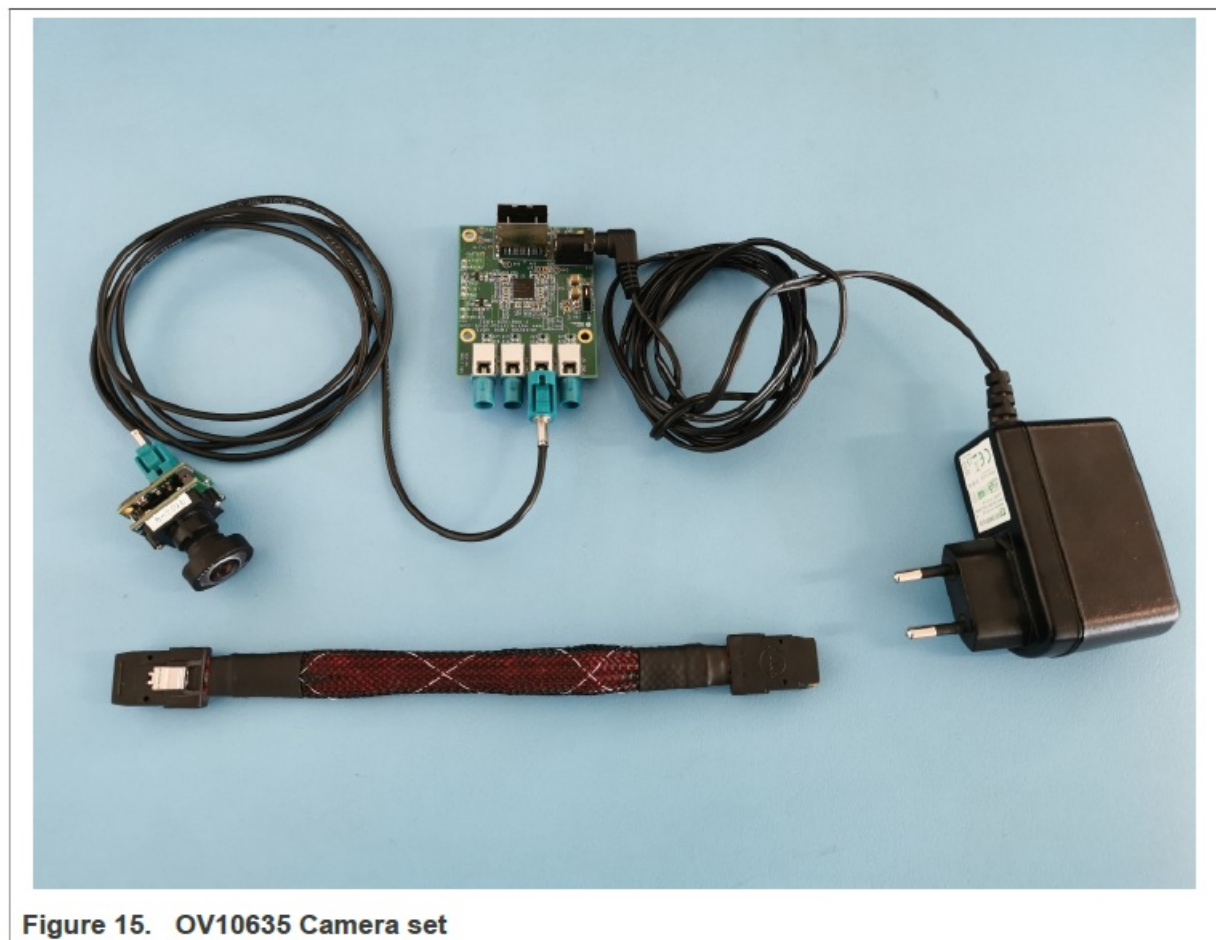
The figures below show different components of the i.MX 8M Quad EVK board.



**Figure 13. i.MX 8M Quad EVK board**



**Figure 14. OV5640 CSI MIPI camera**



**Figure 15. OV10635 Camera set**

**Note:**

- Tested on MCIMX8M-EVK, 700-29615 REV A3, SCH-29615 REV B4 board revision.
- The NXP 88W8997 Wi-Fi&BT M.2 expansion card is not supported.
- USB(s) Device mode is not supported.

**Display interface support**

The HDMI interface is supported on the EVK board (see Figure 14). Use a standard HDMI cable to connect an HDMI-compatible display.

**Flashing Windows IoT image**

Windows 10 IoT must be installed on the eMMC from the SD card. Preparing the bootable SD card consists of two steps: flashing the Windows 10 IoT installer and flashing the firmware to an SD card.

**Flashing Windows 10 IoT Installer to the SD card**

Currently, the only way to deploy a Windows IoT Enterprise on the onboard eMMC is to use WinPE. OS (Windows Preinstallation Environment) to write the Windows IoT image to eMMC. Windows manufacturing OS that can be fully loaded and run from memory without using persistent storage. The following steps create an SD card with WinPE and a Windows IoT image that contains the BSP drivers. The boot firmware checks the SD card and boots WinPE, which then installs the Windows IoT image to the eMMC.

1. Decompress the W21H2-1-2-0-imx-windows-BSP-binaries.zip file. The package contains pre-built binaries and image files.

2. Open the elevated command prompt and navigate to the IoTEntOnNXP directory.
3. Mount the previously downloaded Windows IoT Enterprise ISO image file (see chapter Software requirements) and copy the install.wim file from the <DVD mount drive:>\sources\install.wim to the IoTEntOnNXP directory.

4. **Execute the command:**

```
make-wine-enterprise.cmd /disable_updates /  
disable_transparency /patch_sdport /test_signing
```

This command creates a copy of the selected install.wim image with injected i.MX drivers.

**Note:** Be sure to copy the whole command line

5. **Execute the command:**

```
make-wine-enterprise.cmd /apply <disk_number>
```

where <disk\_number> is the physical number of the SD card disk on your PC. It can be obtained using the Disk Management tool (right-click the start menu icon and select Disk Management).

This command deploys the WinPE image to the SD card.

**CAUTION:** Make sure to select the correct disk number, as this step formats the selected disk! The WinPE-based Windows installer is now deployed on the SD card.

6. Continue with the firmware installation to the SD card.

## Flashing Firmware to the SD card

During active development of the boot firmware, it can be time-consuming and error-prone to repeatedly change the dip switches between UUU download mode and eMMC boot mode. To simplify this process, the i.MX EVK boards support SD Card boot mode that allows you to keep the boot firmware on an SD card. To deploy boot firmware to an SD card from Windows, we recommend using the Cfmager tool from

[https://www.nxp.com/webapp/Download?colCode=CF\\_IMAGER](https://www.nxp.com/webapp/Download?colCode=CF_IMAGER).

**Perform the following steps to flash the firmware to the SD card:**

1. Download the NXP cfimager tool and install it into the firmware directory or a directory listed in the system environment variable %PATH%.
2. Navigate to the firmware directory.
3. Plug the SD card into the host PC and execute the following board-specific command:

**For i.MX 8M Mini EVK board:**

```
flash_bootloader.cmd /device <device_name, for example, MX8M_MINI_EVK> /target_drive <SD card driver  
letter, for example, f:>
```

**For i.MX 8M Quad EVK board:**

```
flash_bootloader.cmd /device <device_name, for example, MX8M_EVK> /target_drive <SD card driver letter,  
for example, f:>
```

**For i.MX 8M Nano EVK board:**

```
flash_bootloader.cmd /device <device_name, for example, MX8M_NANO_EVK> /target_drive <SD card driver  
letter, for example, f:>
```

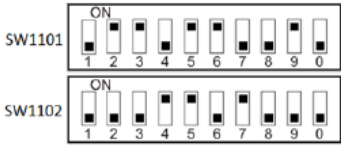


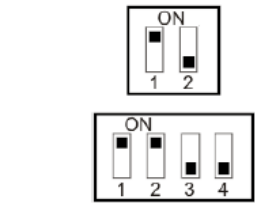
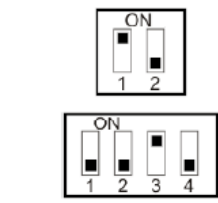



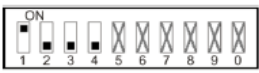
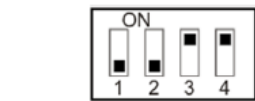
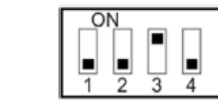
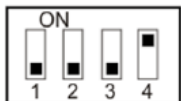
**For i.MX 8M Plus EVK board:**

```
flash_bootloader.cmd /device <device_name, for example, MX8M_PLUS_EVK> /target_drive <SD card driver  
letter, for example, f:>
```

4. Power off the board.
5. Insert the SD card into the board
6. Change the boot device to the SD card.



**Table 1. Boot DIPs configuration**

Board	SD card boot	EMMC boot	USB Download mode
MX8M_MINI_EVK			
MX8M_EVK			
MX8M_NANO_EVK			
MX8M_PLUS_EVK			

## Installing Windows 10 IoT on eMMC and Booting Windows 10 IoT

1. Power on the board and let the Windows installer install Windows IoT Enterprise to the eMMC, then reboot into installed Windows. Installing Windows IoT Enterprise from the SD card can take around 30 minutes, so get some coffee while you wait! Note: The WinPE installer renames the EFI folder at the root of the SD card to `_efi`, which causes UEFI to skip the SD card at boot time. This allows you to keep the SD card inserted across reboots without having Windows IoT reinstalled on each reboot. If you wish to boot into the WinPE installer again, you can rename `_efi` back to `EFI`.
2. Make sure to disable sleep in “Power & sleep” settings after Windows OS boots up to avoid unexpected system hangs.

## Working with cameras

1. OV5640 is the default camera in the BSP. To start video capturing, plug the OV5640 camera into the default MIPI CSI-2 input. The board must be powered off. The following table shows labels of the MIPI CSI 2 connectors to be used by default.

**Table 2. Default MIPI CSI-2 inputs**

Board	Default MIPI CSI-2 input
MX8M_EVK	J1502 (CAMERA)
MX8M_PLUS_EVK	J12 (CSI 1 MIPI)
MX8M_NANO_EVK	J802 (CSI MIPI)
MX8M_MINI_EVK	J802 (CSI MIPI)

1. Power up the board.

2. After Windows boots up, run the Camera app and check the video preview, take a picture and record the video.

## Revision history

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W1.2.0	9/2022	The initial version of the Quick Start Guide.

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