





# Automatic Identification System - Blue Force Mobile Station

Blue Force (BF) is a common term for own units or friendly forces. The AIS 300BF is an enhanced version of the type approved AIS 300 class A mobile station, which also offers secure communication in addition to standard AIS functionality. In secure mode the AIS 300BF will still be able to detect all AIS mobile stations in its coverage area but it will not reveal its own position to any other than friendly forces.

The AIS 300BF is the  $3^{rd}$  generation secure AIS mobile stations from Kongsberg. It is designed for integration with other navigation equipment such as ECDIS and radar. An improved receiver sensitivity of -115 dBm gives an increased range compared to units with the standard sensitivity of -107 dBm.

#### Operational modes

The AIS 300BF has three different modes:

- 1. Standard AIS class A mode
- 2. Receive only mode
- 3. Secure mode (encrypted)

In mode 1, the AIS unit will act as a standard AIS class A mobile station. In mode 2, the unit will only listen without any transmissions. In mode 3, it will encrypt transmitted AIS data, making the navigation data available for other Blue Force units only. In order to separate military AIS traffic from standard AIS traffic on the standard channel A and B frequencies, the military traffic can be accomplished on a configurable 3<sup>rd</sup> channel.

#### **GNSS** position interface

With an AIS 300BF, the operator can select whether the external or internal GNSS position shall be used. In a standard AIS unit, the external position will always be used unless it fails. In such situations, the internal position will be used.

### Easy to install and maintain

The AIS 300BF is delivered with a bracket containing a solution for strain relief in both ends. The unit has a built-in WEB based user interface (UI) providing an interface for configuration and status monitoring. Software upgrade is supported via the WEB UI and USB interface. The AIS 300BF will sense if new software is available

when a USB flash drive is inserted. The upgrade will automatically be fulfilled without interfering with the existing configuration. The latest software will continuously be available for download from a server hosted by Kongsberg.

#### ECDIS, radar and sensor interface

The AIS 300BF is built for integration with ECDIS/radar. Interface to ECDIS and radar is provided via the Presentation Interface (PI) available on network or serial interface (RS-422). It is implicit that the system supports the AIS interface. When interfacing AIS to radar and chart systems, AIS target information such as position, heading, course and speed, becomes available to the mariner and increases reliability of received navigation data from other vessels. Decryption and encryption are both accomplished internally. Output is AIS raw data, making integration with ECDIS/radar easier.

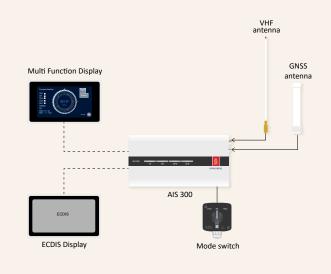
#### Integration

The AIS 300BF is designed to be fully integrated with other navigation systems and can be delivered without an external display (MKD - Minimum Keyboard and Display). All operations and functionalities are handled from the ECDIS in an integrated bridge system.

One important principle of e-navigation is to reduce the number of displays on the bridge. The navigator needs to have important information easily available in order to reduce response time for decisions. Better integration will lead to a better bridge environment as well as a simpler installation. If the AIS unit is not to be fully integrated, an external display is needed in order to operate the system.

#### **FEATURES**

- · Three different modes
- · Enhanced sensitivity
- Receception of all types of internationally approved AIS messages including, but not restricted to, class A mobile, class B mobile, Aidsto-Navigation and AIS base station
- Three separate AIS channels
- Static data, dynamic data, voyage related data
- · Safety related messaging
- Easy integration via network or serial interfaces
- Transmission of message 27 on SAT AIS frequencies
- 7" multi function touch display for configuration, operation and monitoring
- Mode switch (option) for effective swiching between modes



## **Technical specifications**

#### AIS 300BF

Performance

Position accuracy 5 m (DGPS optional) - 95 % CEP Velocity 0.05 m/s (DGPS optional) - 95 % Output rate 1 Hz

Data inputs

Gyro compass NMEA GPS main source NMEA

DGPS corrections RTCM - SC104 v2.1 Blue sign switch Closed/open

Interfaces

Communication ports 7 x RS-422 (isolated),

2 x RS-232 (service, unisolated)

Baud rate 4800 - 115200 Baud

Message formats NMEA
Message type AIS message

LAN Ethernet, 10/100 Mbit/s (autosense)

Alarm relay, blue sign switch Open/closed

Radio module

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{VHF antenna} & \text{N-connector, 50 ohm} \\ \text{GNSS antenna} & \text{TNC-connector, 50 ohm} \end{array}$ 

VHF transmitter 12.5 W/1 W

Protocol SOTDMA/DSC/RATDMA/ITDMA

Modulation GMSK/FSK Bandwith 25 kHz

Frequencies 156.025 - 162.025 MHz band

Default CH87B (161.975 MHz)
Default CH88B (162.025 MHz)
CH70 (156.525 MHz)/GMSK
SAT 1 (156.775 MHz)

SAT 2 (156.825 MHz)

GPS module (internal receiver)

50-channel GPS receiver
Position accuracy (GPS)
Position accuracy (DGPS)
Output rate

(all in view)
15 m RMS
5 m RMS
1 Hz

Weights and dimensions

AIS Unit 1.3 kg, 260 × 133 × 54 mm

GPS antenna 0.15 kg, 230 × 33 mm

VHF antenna 1.0 kg, 1250 mm

Power specifications

AIS Unit input voltage +24 VDC (op. range 12 - 32 VDC)
AIS Unit power consumption
GPS antenna +24 VDC (op. range 12 - 32 VDC)
9 W average, 39 W peak
5 V DC from AIS Unit

Environmental specifications Operating temperature range

AIS Unit -15 - +55 °C GPS antenna -50 - +70 °C VHF antenna -55 - +70 °C

Humidity

AIS Unit 0 - 95 % RH

GPS antenna 100 % hermetically sealed VHF antenna 100 % hermetically sealed

Standards and regulations

Product safety low voltage IEC 60945/EN 60945 Electromagnetic compatibility,

Electromagnetic compatibility, immunity/radiation IEC 60945/EN 60945

Vibration IEC 60945/EN 60945 AIS IEC 61993-2. ed. 2/ITU-R M. 1371-5

IWW Inland AIS test std, ed. 1.0

NATO STANAG 4668, STANAG 4669 ed.1

MTBF (hours) 40.000

Options input/output

GPS, heading, rate of turn (Input)

ECDIS/ECS/RADAR

Standard PI

Long range communication system

Blue sign plate

Encryption

Blowfish (48-bit or 128-bit option)

AES (128-bit option)

Specifications subject to change without any further notice.