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# **ControlNet Universal PCI Communication Interface Card**

**1784-PCIC, 1784-PCICS  
Series B**

**Installation  
Instructions**

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## Important User Information

Solid state equipment has operational characteristics differing from those of electromechanical equipment. Safety Guidelines for the Application, Installation and Maintenance of Solid State Controls (Publication SGI-1.1, available from your local Rockwell Automation sales office or online at <http://www.literature.rockwellautomation.com>) describes some important differences between solid state equipment and hard-wired electromechanical devices. Because of this difference, and also because of the wide variety of uses for solid state equipment, all persons responsible for applying this equipment must satisfy themselves that each intended application of this equipment is acceptable.





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Throughout this manual we use notes to make you aware of safety considerations.

<b>WARNING</b> 	Identifies information about practices or circumstances that can cause an explosion in a hazardous environment, which may lead to personal injury or death, property damage, or economic loss.
<b>IMPORTANT</b>	Identifies information that is critical for successful application and understanding of the product.
<b>ATTENTION</b> 	Identifies information about practices or circumstances that can lead to personal injury or death, property damage, or economic loss. Attentions help you: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• identify a hazard</li><li>• avoid a hazard</li><li>• recognize the consequence</li></ul>
<b>SHOCK HAZARD</b> 	Labels may be located on or inside the drive to alert people that dangerous voltage may be present.
<b>BURN HAZARD</b> 	Labels may be located on or inside the drive to alert people that surfaces may be dangerous temperatures.

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Before you install the card, be certain that you:

- know how to install hardware in your computer.
- consult your computer's documentation for hardware installation instructions.

**TIP**

Installation instructions for both the 1784-PCIC and 1784-PCICS cards are exactly the same. In most illustrations, the 1784-PCIC card is shown.

Refer to the following publications for more information:

- ControlNet Coax Media Planning and Installation, publication CNET-IN002
- ControlNet Communication Modules in Logix5000 Control Systems, publication CNET-UM001
- SoftLogix5800 System User Manual, publication 1789-UM002

**ATTENTION**



This equipment is intended for use in a Pollution Degree 2 industrial environment, in overvoltage Category II applications (as defined in IEC publication 60664-1), at altitudes up to 2000 meters without derating.

This equipment is considered Group 1, Class A industrial equipment according to IEC/CISPR Publication 11. Without appropriate precautions, there may be potential difficulties ensuring electromagnetic compatibility in other environments due to conducted as well as radiated disturbance.

This equipment is supplied as open type equipment. It must be mounted within an enclosure that is suitably designed for those specific environmental conditions that will be present and appropriately designed to prevent personal injury resulting from accessibility to live parts. The interior of the enclosure must be accessible only by the use of a tool. Subsequent sections of this publication may contain additional information regarding specific enclosure type ratings that are required to comply with certain product safety certifications.

NOTE: See NEMA Standards publication 250 and IEC publication 60529, as applicable, for explanations of the degrees of protection provided by different types of enclosure. Also, see the appropriate sections in this publication, as well as the Industrial Automation Wiring and Grounding Guidelines, Allen-Bradley publication 1770-4.1, for additional installation requirements pertaining to this equipment.

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**ATTENTION**



Prevent Electrostatic Discharge

This equipment is sensitive to electrostatic discharge, which can cause internal damage and affect normal operation. Follow these guidelines when you handle this equipment:

- Touch a grounded object to discharge potential static
  - Wear an approved grounding wriststrap
  - Do not touch connectors or pins on component boards
  - Do not touch circuit components inside the equipment
  - Use a static-safe workstation, if available
  - Store the equipment in appropriate static-safe packaging when not in use.
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## European Hazardous Location Approval (1784-PCIC only)

### European Zone 2 Certification

The following applies when the product bears the EEx Marking:

This equipment is intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres as defined by European Union Directive 94/9/EC.

The LCIE (Laboratoire Central des Industries Electriques) certifies that this equipment has been found to comply with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements relating to the design and construction of Category 3 equipment intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres, given in Annex II to this Directive. The examination and test results are recorded in confidential report No. 28 682 010.

Compliance with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements has been assured by compliance with EN 50021.

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**IMPORTANT**

This equipment is not resistant to sunlight or other sources of UV radiation.

The secondary of a current transformer shall not be open-circuited when applied in Class I, Zone 2 environments.



Equipment of lesser Enclosure Type Rating must be installed in an enclosure providing at least IP54 protection when applied in Class I, Zone 2 environments.

This equipment shall be used within its specified ratings defined by Allen-Bradley.

Provision shall be made to prevent the rated voltage from being exceeded by transient disturbances of more than 40% when applied in Class I, Zone 2 environments.

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## North American Hazardous Location Approval

<p><b>The following information applies when operating this equipment in hazardous locations:</b></p>	<p><b>Informations sur l'utilisation de cet équipement en environnements dangereux:</b></p>
<p>Products marked CL I, DIV 2, GP A, B, C, D are suitable for use in Class I Division 2 Groups A, B, C, D, Hazardous Locations and nonhazardous locations only. Each product is supplied with markings on the rating nameplate indicating the hazardous location temperature code. When combining products within a system, the most adverse temperature code (lowest T number) may be used to help determine the overall temperature code of the system. Combinations of equipment in your system are subject to investigation by the local Authority Having Jurisdiction at the time of installation.</p>	<p>Les produits marqués CL I, DIV 2, GP A, B, C, D ne conviennent qu'à une utilisation en environnements de Classe I Division 2 Groupes A, B, C, D dangereux et non dangereux. Chaque produit est livré avec des marquages sur sa plaque d'identification qui indiquent le code de température pour les environnements dangereux. Lorsque plusieurs produits sont combinés dans un système, le code de température le plus défavorable (code de température le plus faible) peut être utilisé pour déterminer le code de température global du système. Les combinaisons d'équipements dans le système sont sujettes à inspection par les autorités locales qualifiées au moment de l'installation.</p>
<p><b>WARNING</b></p> 	<p><b>EXPLOSION HAZARD</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not disconnect equipment unless power has been removed or the area is known to be nonhazardous.</li> <li>Do not disconnect connections to this equipment unless power has been removed or the area is known to be nonhazardous. Secure any external connections that mate to this equipment by using screws, sliding latches, threaded connectors, or other means provided with this product.</li> <li>Substitution of components may impair suitability for Class I, Division 2.</li> <li>If this product contains batteries, they must be changed only in an area known to be nonhazardous.</li> </ul>
<p><b>AVERTISSEMENT</b></p> 	<p><b>RISQUE D'EXPLOSION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Couper le courant ou s'assurer que l'environnement est classé non dangereux avant de débrancher l'équipement.</li> <li>Couper le courant ou s'assurer que l'environnement est classé non dangereux avant de débrancher les connecteurs. Fixer tous les connecteurs externes reliés à cet équipement à l'aide de vis, loquets coulissants, connecteurs filetés ou autres moyens fournis avec ce produit.</li> <li>La substitution de composants peut rendre cet équipement inadapté à une utilisation en environnement de Classe I, Division 2.</li> <li>S'assurer que l'environnement est classé non dangereux avant de changer les piles.</li> </ul>

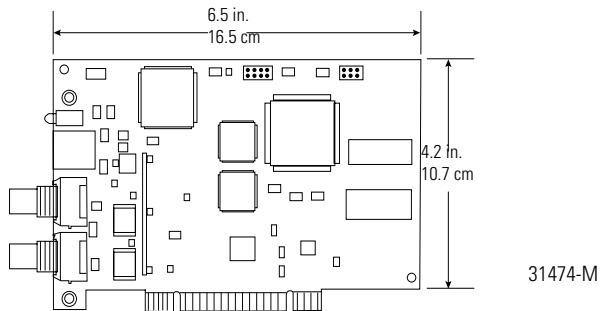


To install the card, you need to:

- access the computer's expansion slots.
- insert the card into the computer.

**IMPORTANT**

The card's dimensions are shown below.



## Access the Computer's PCI Local Bus Expansion Slots

To install the card, you must access the computer's PCI local bus expansion slots. Follow these general steps, or refer to your computer's user guide for further instructions.

1. Shut down the host computer.
2. Remove the computer's cover.
3. Select a vacant PCI local bus expansion slot.
4. Loosen the screw (if present) on the back (rear bracket) of the computer.
5. Remove the slot's expansion cover.

## Insert the Card Into the Computer

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**WARNING**



When used in a Class I, Division 2, hazardous location, this equipment must be mounted in a suitable enclosure with proper wiring method that complies with the governing electrical codes.

If you insert or remove the card while host power is on, an electrical arc can occur. This could cause an explosion in hazardous location installations.

Be sure that power is removed or the area is nonhazardous before proceeding.

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1. Handle the card so that you prevent electrostatic discharge.

Refer to the Preface of this manual for more information.

2. Insert the card into the edge connector and tighten the expansion slot screw (if present).
3. Replace the computer cover.
4. Turn on the computer to be certain that it comes up correctly.

<b>If the Computer</b>	<b>Then</b>
Turns on	Go to to the next section, Connect to the Network
Hangs up	<p>Either the card is not seated correctly in the PCI slot or you have a memory or I/O conflict. You should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• remove and reinsert the card into the same PCI slot and try again</li><li>• remove and reinsert the card into a different PCI slot and try again</li><li>• remove all other non-essential cards and try again</li></ul> <p>If you continue to experience difficulty, contact your local Rockwell Automation sales representative or distributor, or call Rockwell Automation Technical Support at 440.646.5800.</p>

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## Connect to the Network

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**WARNING**

When used in a Class I, Division 2, hazardous location, this equipment must be mounted in a suitable enclosure with proper wiring method that complies with the governing electrical codes.

If you connect or disconnect the ControlNet cable with power applied to this module or any device on the network, an electrical arc can occur. This could cause an explosion in hazardous location installations.

Be sure that power is removed or the area is nonhazardous before proceeding.

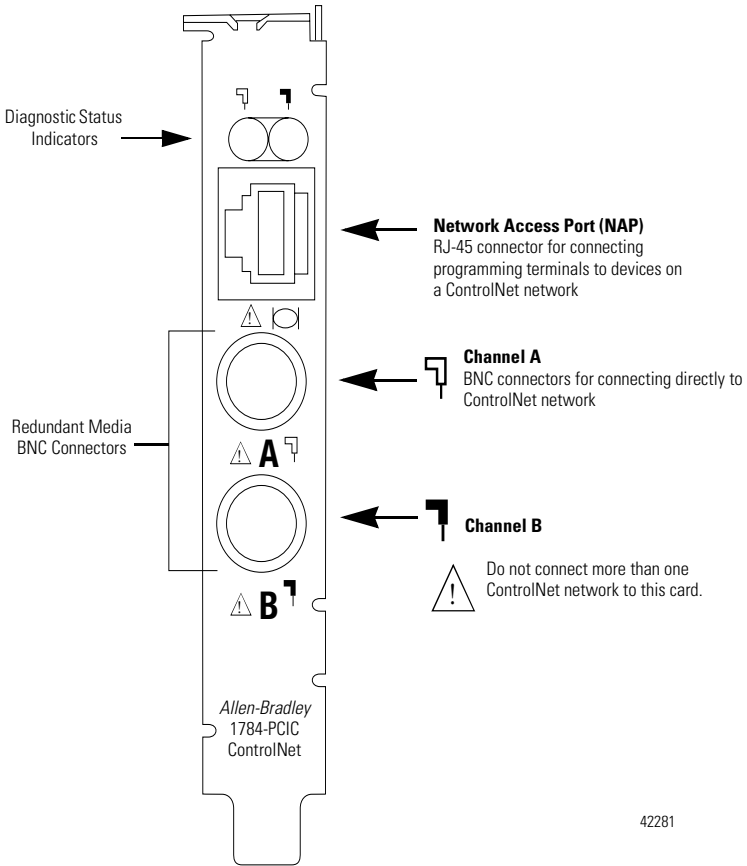
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After you have installed the card, you can connect it:

- directly to a ControlNet network, which requires a tap (page 1-9).
- to a device already connected to the ControlNet network (page 1-10).

See Figure 1.1 on page 1-8 for the connectors and indicators.

Figure 1.1 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS Card (1784-PCIC Card Shown)



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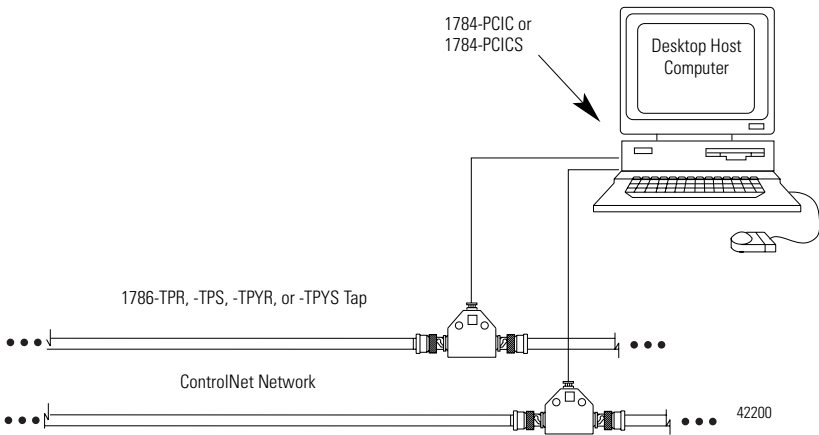
Do not connect different ControlNet networks to this card. If you attempt to connect a second network to this card, your communication system will operate erratically.

## Connect the Card Directly to the ControlNet Network

To connect the card directly to a ControlNet network, follow the instructions in these publications:

- ControlNet Coax Tap Installation Instructions, publication 1786-IN007
- ControlNet Coax Media Planning and Installation Manual, publication CNET-IN002

**Figure 1.2 Connect the Card Directly to the ControlNet Network**



### ATTENTION



If you connect the product to a cable system that does not support redundant media, connect the tap dropline to the BNC connector labeled channel A. Channel B is left unconnected.

If the cable system is redundant, connect the product so that all devices on the network use the same cable for the same channel. That is, all channel A connectors connect to one cable; all channel B connectors connect to the other cable.

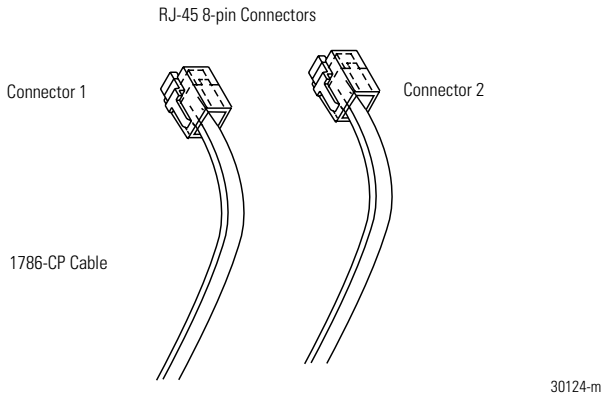
### TIP

If you use a non-redundant cable system, all ControlNet devices must be on the same channel, channel A.

## Connect to a Device on the ControlNet Network

The 1786-CP cable (Figure 1.3) connects a host computer to another ControlNet device. It has two RJ-45 8-pin connectors.

**Figure 1.3 1786-CP cable**



### ATTENTION



Use only the 1786-CP cable when you connect a programming terminal to the network through the Network Access Port (NAP). If you use a different cable, it could result in possible network failures or product damage.

See Tables 1.1 and 1.2 for the wiring for the 1786-CP cable.

**Table 1.1 Wiring For 1786-CP Cable (Connector 1)**

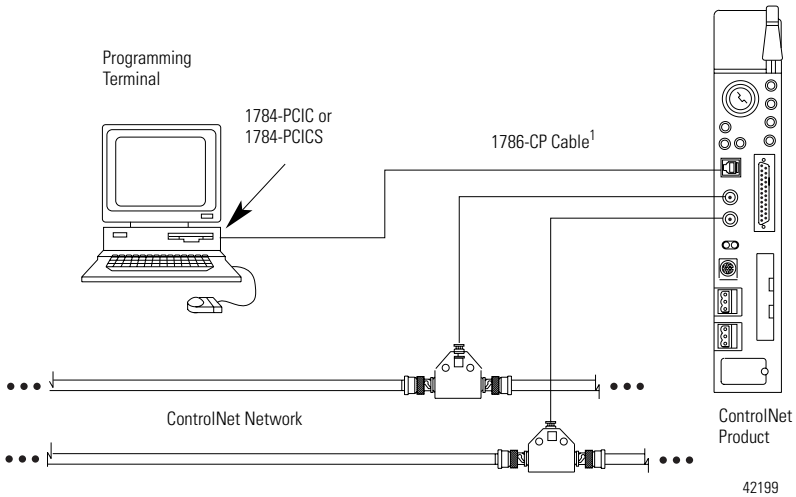
Connector 1		
Wire Number	Signal Mnemonic	Signal Name
1	ISO-GND	Isolated Ground
2	N.C.	No Connection
3	PTTX-H	Transmit Data High
4	PTTX-L	Transmit Data Low
5	PTRX-L	Receive Data Low
6	PTRX-H	Receive Data High
7	N.C.	No Connection
8	ISO-GND	Isolated Ground

**Table 1.2 Wiring For 1786-CP Cable (Connector 2)**

<b>Connector 2</b>		
<b>Wire Number</b>	<b>Signal Mnemonic</b>	<b>Signal Name</b>
1	ISO-GND	Isolated Ground
2	N.C.	No Connection
3	PTRX-H	Receive Data High
4	PTRX-L	Receive Data Low
5	PTTX-L	Transmit Data Low
6	PTTX-H	Transmit Data High
7	N.C.	No Connection
8	ISO-GND	Isolated Ground

When you use the RJ-45 connector, you can connect the card to a ControlNet network without a tap through the Network Access Port (or NAP) of a programmable controller, I/O adapter, or other ControlNet compliant devices. See Figure 1.4 and Figure 1.5.

**Figure 1.4 Connect a Programming Terminal to a ControlNet Network Through Another ControlNet Device**



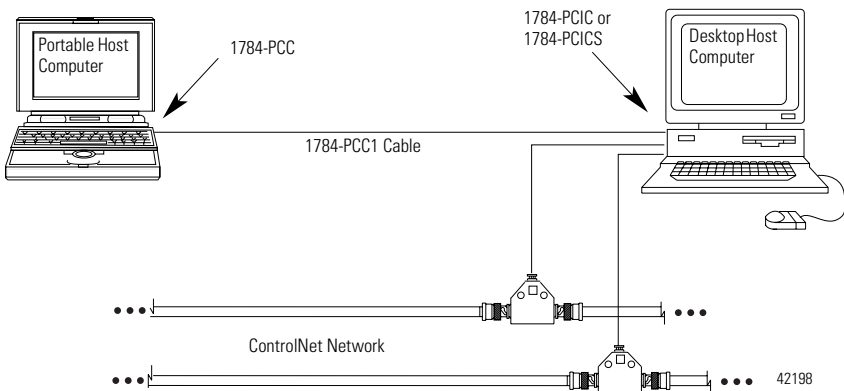
- 1 The 1786-CP cable can be plugged into any ControlNet product's NAP to provide programming capability on the ControlNet network. When you connect a programming terminal through this cable, it is counted as a node and must have a unique address.

**ATTENTION**



If a SoftLogix5800 processor is running on the computer containing the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card, do not use the 1786-CP cable to connect the card to the ControlNet network. Instead, connect the card directly to the ControlNet network as shown in Figure 1.2.

**Figure 1.5 Connect a Portable Host Computer to the ControlNet Network Through the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS Card**





## Install the Driver in Windows XP

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### Install the Driver in Windows XP for the First Time

Follow these steps to install the driver for the first time on a personal computer running Windows XP.

1. Shut down the computer.
2. Insert the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card into an unused PCI slot.

Refer to Chapter 1 for installation information.

3. Restart the computer.

After the computer restarts, the operating system detects the new PCI card and displays the Found New Hardware Wizard.



4. Select the Install from a list or specific location (Advanced) radio button.
5. Click Next.
6. On the screen that appears, click the Search for the best driver in these locations radio button.



7. Check the Include this location in the search checkbox.
8. Uncheck the remaining checkboxes.

9. Click Browse.
10. Navigate to the folder that contains the installation files.

The installation files can be found in the \Drivers\Win2K\_WinXP folder on the 1784-PCIC(S) Driver CD-ROM.

11. Click OK.
12. Click Next.

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**IMPORTANT** If prompted to overwrite existing files, click Yes.

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13. Click Finish.

The driver is now ready to use. Go on to Chapter 5.

## Update the Existing Driver in Windows XP

Follow these steps to update the existing device driver on a personal computer running Windows XP.

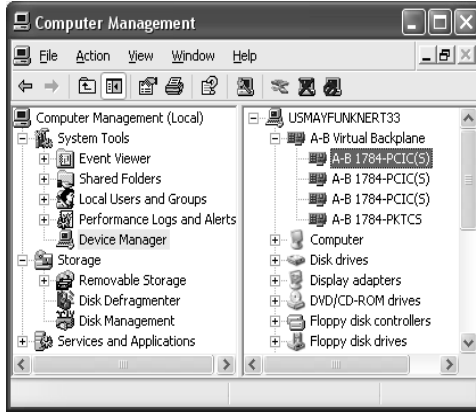
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**IMPORTANT** During the update procedure, communication through the card will be disrupted.

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1. If you are browsing with RSLinx software, close RSWho.
2. Right-click My Computer.

3. Click Manage.



4. In the left window pane, click the + to the left of System Tools to open it.
5. Under System Tools, click Device Manager.
6. In the right window pane, click the + to the left of A-B Virtual Backplane to expand it.
7. Right-click A-B 1784-PCIC(S).

**TIP**

If you see more than one A-B 1784-PCIC(S) entry, perform the update on only one of the entries.

8. Click Update Driver.

The Hardware Update Wizard appears.



9. Select the Install from a list or specific location (Advanced) radio button.
10. Click Next.
11. On the screen that appears, click the Don't search. I will choose the best driver to install radio button.



12. Click Next.
13. Click Have Disk.
14. Click Browse.

15. Navigate to the folder that contains the installation files.

The installation files can be found in the \Drivers\Win2K\_WinXP folder on the 1784-PCIC(S) Driver CD-ROM.

16. Click Open.
17. Click OK.
18. Select A-B 1784-PCIC(S) to highlight it.
19. Click Next.

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**IMPORTANT**

If prompted to overwrite existing files, click Yes.

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20. Click Finish.
21. Close the Device Manager screen.
22. Shut down and restart the computer.

The driver is now ready to use. Go on to Chapter 5.

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## Install the Driver in Windows 2000

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### Install the Driver in Windows 2000 for the First Time

Follow these steps to install the driver for the first time on a personal computer running Windows 2000.

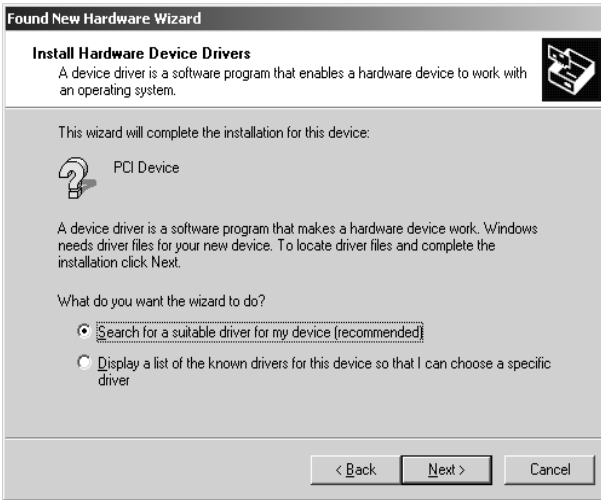
1. Shut down the computer.
2. Insert the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card into an unused PCI slot.

Refer to Chapter 1 for installation information.

3. Restart the computer.

After the computer restarts, the operating system detects the new PCI card and displays the Found New Hardware Wizard.

4. Click Next.



5. Click the Search for a suitable driver for my device (recommended) radio button.
6. Click Next.



7. Check the Specify a location checkbox and uncheck the remaining checkboxes.



8. Click Next.
9. Click Browse and navigate to the folder that contains the installation files.

The installation files can be found in the \Drivers\Win2K\_WinXP folder on the 1784-PCIC(S) Driver CD-ROM.

10. Click Open.
11. Click OK.
12. Click Next to install the new driver.

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**IMPORTANT**

If prompted to overwrite existing files, click Yes.

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13. Click Finish to close the Found New Hardware Wizard.

The driver is now ready to use. Go on to Chapter 5.

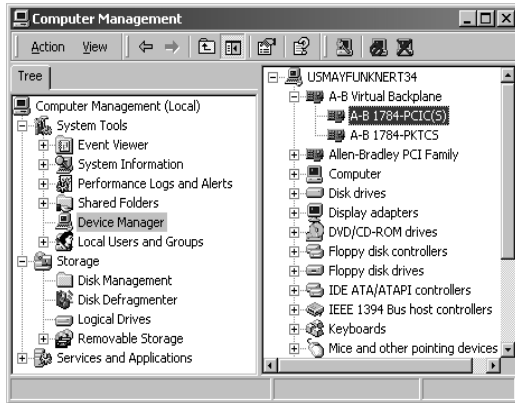
## Update the Existing Driver in Windows 2000

Follow these steps to update the existing device driver on a personal computer running Windows 2000.

### IMPORTANT

During the update procedure, communication through the card will be disrupted.

1. If you are browsing with RSLinx software, close RSWho.
2. Right-click My Computer.
3. Click Manage.



4. In the left window pane, click the + to the left of System Tools to open it.
5. Under System Tools, click Device Manager.
6. In the right window pane, click the + to the left of A-B Virtual Backplane to expand it.
7. Right-click A-B 1784-PCIC(S).

### TIP

If you see more than one A-B 1784-PCIC(S) entry, perform the update on only one of the entries.

8. Click Properties.

- Click the Driver tab.



- Click Update Driver.

The Upgrade Device Driver Wizard appears.

- Click Next.



- Click the Display a list of the known drivers for this device so I can choose a specific driver radio button

- 13. Click Next.



- 14. Click Have Disk.
- 15. Click Browse.
- 16. Navigate to the folder that contains the installation files.

The installation files can be found in the \Drivers\Win2K\_WinXP folder on the 1784-PCIC(S) Driver CD-ROM.

- 17. Click Open.
- 18. Click OK.



- 19. Select A-B 1784-PCIC(S) to highlight it.

20. Click Next.
21. Click Next to install the new driver.

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**IMPORTANT**

If prompted to overwrite existing files, click Yes.

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22. Click Finish.
23. Close the A-B 1784-PCIC(S) Properties screen.
24. Close the Device Manager screen.
25. Shut down and restart the computer.

The driver is now ready to use. Go on to Chapter 5.

**Notes:**

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## Install the Driver in Windows 98/Me

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### Install the Driver in Windows 98/Me for the First Time

Follow these steps to install the driver for the first time on a personal computer running Windows 98/Me.

1. Shut down the computer.
2. Insert the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card into an unused PCI slot.

Refer to Chapter 1 for installation information.

3. Restart the computer.

After the computer restarts, the operating system detects the new PCI card and displays the Add New Hardware wizard.

4. Click Next.



5. Click the Search for the best driver for your device (Recommended) radio button.
6. Click Next.



7. Check the Specify a location checkbox and uncheck the remaining checkboxes.
8. Click Browse and navigate to the folder that contains the installation files.

The installation files can be found in the \Drivers\Win98 folder on the 1784-PCIC(S) Driver CD-ROM.



9. Click OK.
10. Click Next.
11. Click Next.

**IMPORTANT**

If prompted to overwrite existing files, click Yes.

12. Click Finish.

## Install the Virtual Backplane Driver

So that the 1784-PCICS drivers work properly after you install them for the first time, you must install the Virtual Backplane Driver. Follow this procedure to install the Virtual Backplane Driver.

1. Select Start ⇒Settings ⇒Control Panel.
2. Double-click Add New Hardware.

You see the Add New Hardware Wizard.

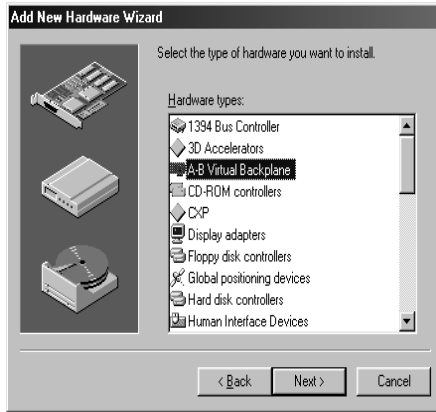
3. Click Next.

Windows searches for the new Plug and Play devices.

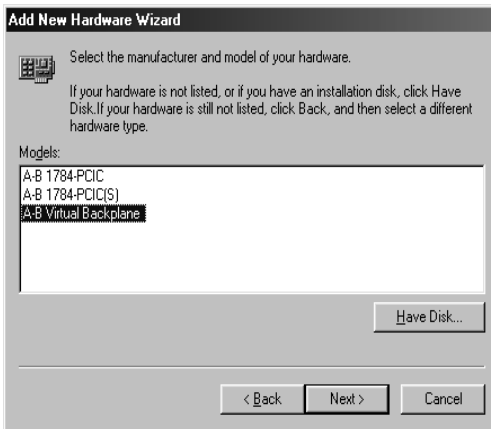
4. Click Next.



5. Click the No, I want to select the hardware from a list radio button.
6. Click Next.
7. Select A-B Virtual Backplane from the list of hardware types.



8. Click Next.
9. Select A-B Virtual Backplane from the list of models.
10. Click Next.



11. Click Finish.

The driver is now ready to use. Go on to Chapter 5.

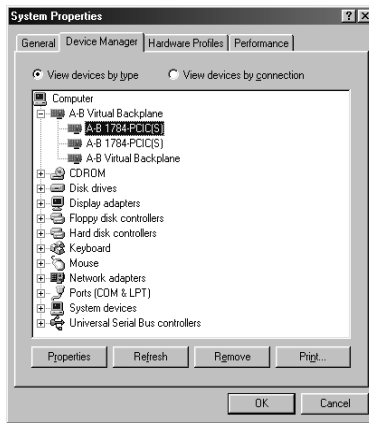
## Update the Existing Driver in Windows 98/Me

Follow these steps to update the existing device driver on a personal computer running Windows 98/Me.

**IMPORTANT**

During the update procedure, communication through the card will be disrupted.

1. If you are browsing with RSLinx software, close RSWho.
2. Right-click My Computer.
3. Click on the Device Manager tab.



4. In the left window pane, click the + to the left of A-B Virtual Backplane to expand it.
5. Right-click on A-B 1784-PCIC(S).

**TIP**

If you see more than one A-B 1784-PCIC(S) entry, perform the update on only one of the entries.

6. Click Properties.

7. Click the Driver tab.

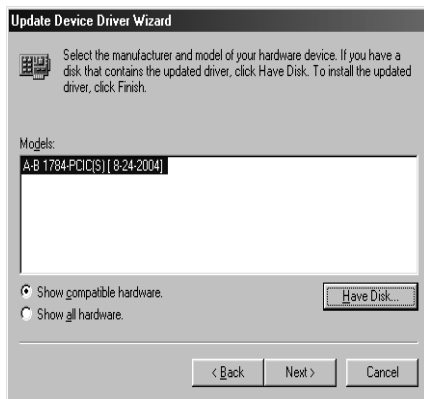


8. Click Update Driver.
9. Click Next.



10. Click the Display a list of all the drivers in a specific location so you can select the driver you want radio button.

11. Click Next.



12. Click Have Disk.
13. Click Browse, then navigate to the folder that contains the installation files.

The installation files can be found in the \Drivers\Win98 folder on the 1784-PCIC(S) Driver CD-ROM.

14. Click OK.
15. Click OK.
16. Select A-B 1784-PCIC(S) to highlight it.
17. Click Next.
18. Click Next.
19. Click Next.

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**IMPORTANT**

If prompted to overwrite existing files, click Yes.

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20. Click Finish.

- 21.** Close the A-B 1784-PCIC(S) Properties screen.
- 22.** Close the System Properties screen.
- 23.** Shut down and restart the computer.

The driver is now ready to use. Go on to Chapter 5.

## Once You Have Completed the Installation

Once you have installed the drivers, you can do the following:

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### Register the EDS File

The EDS files can be found in the \EDS Files folder on the 1784-PCIC(S) Driver CD-ROM or they can be downloaded from <http://www.ab.com/networks/eds/>.

Use the EDS wizard in either RSLinx or RSNetWorx for ControlNet software to register these EDS files for the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card:

Catalog Number	EDS File
1784-PCIC	0001000C00490400.eds
1784-PCICS	0001000C003F0400.eds

- In Windows, select Start ⇒ Programs ⇒ Rockwell Software ⇒ RSLinx Tools ⇒ EDS Hardware Installation Tool.
- In RSNetWorx for ControlNet software, select Tools ⇒ EDS Wizard.

## Configure the ControlNet Communications Driver in RSLinx Software

Follow this procedure to configure the ControlNet communication driver.

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**IMPORTANT**

Do not use these steps to configure a ControlNet communication driver for any application that uses a SoftLogix5800 controller. For information on configuring the ControlNet card for use with SoftLogix5800 controllers, refer to page 5-4.

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1. Install RSLinx software, version 2.42.00 or later, on your computer.
2. In RSLinx software, select Configure Drivers.

A. Click Communications.

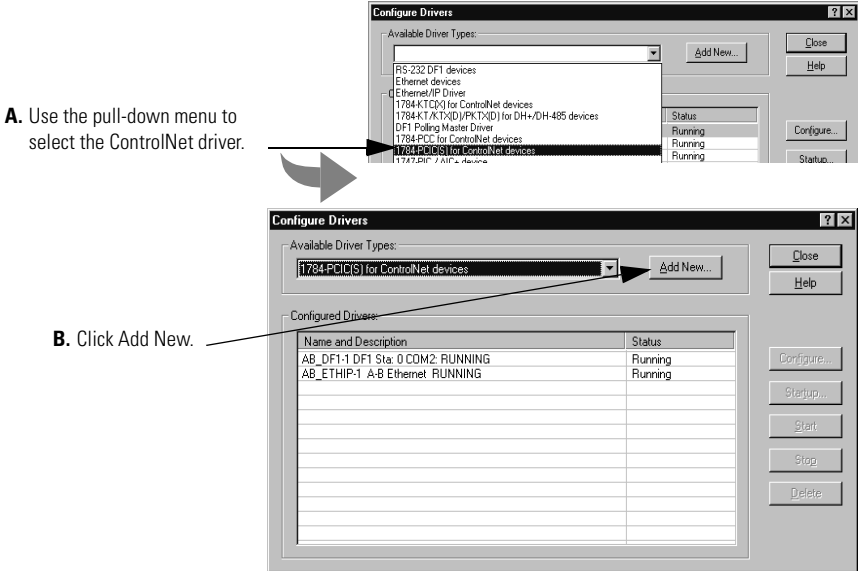
B. Click Configure Drivers.



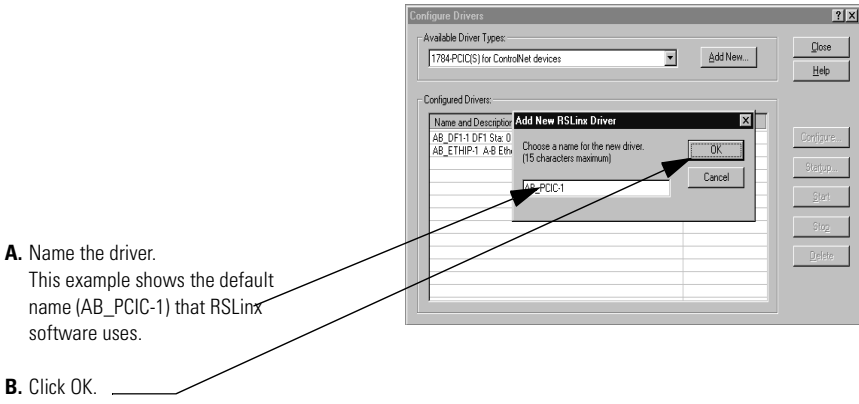
3. Select a driver for ControlNet devices.



In the example below, we chose the 1784-PCICS card.



**4.** Name the new ControlNet driver.

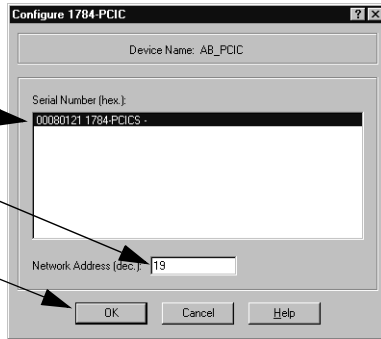


5. After you create the driver, configure it to correspond to the ControlNet module within your computer.

A. If multiple cards are located in your computer, choose the correct one.

B. Make sure you use the correct Network Address.

C. Click OK.



The driver is now available in RSLinx software. You can browse the network by expanding ControlNet port on the desired 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS communication card.

## Connect a SoftLogix Controller to the ControlNet Network

The SoftLogix5800 controller is a soft control solution that runs in a Microsoft Windows 2000 or Windows XP environment. When using this controller, you must install the SoftLogix5800 Chassis monitor, a virtual chassis that takes the place of hardware chassis used with other Logix5000 controllers.

Before you can connect the SoftLogix system to the ControlNet network, you must create the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card as part of the SoftLogix chassis.

1. In the SoftLogix chassis monitor, create a New Module.

A. Click Slot.

B. Click Create Module.



2. Select the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card.

**A.** Select the ControlNet card.

**B.** Specify the virtual backplane slot number.

**C.** Click OK.

3. Select the serial number of the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card you want.

If you previously configured the card that you selected by serial number, the chassis monitor remembers the configuration from the last time you used the card (whether in the same or different slot).

**A.** If multiple cards are located in your computer, choose the serial number of the correct one.

**B.** Click Next.

4. Configure the card.

**A.** Specify the node address on the ControlNet network.

**B.** Enter the label name for the card (this is the name you wrote on the label of the card to help you identify the card from others in the same computer).

**C.** Click Finish.

You can specify any slot number greater than 0 for the communication card. RSLinx software resides in slot 0.

By creating the card in the virtual chassis, you configure the communication driver information needed by the SoftLogix controller. Do not use RSLinx software to install the ControlNet communication driver to the same card; installation through RSLinx software adds the potential for conflicting configuration between RSLinx software and the SoftLogix chassis monitor.

Instead, configure a Virtual Backplane driver in RSLinx software:

5. Select Communications ⇒Configure Drivers...
6. Under Available Driver Types, select Virtual Backplane (SoftLogix 58xx).
7. Click Add New.
8. Enter a name for the driver.
9. Click OK.
10. Click on Close.

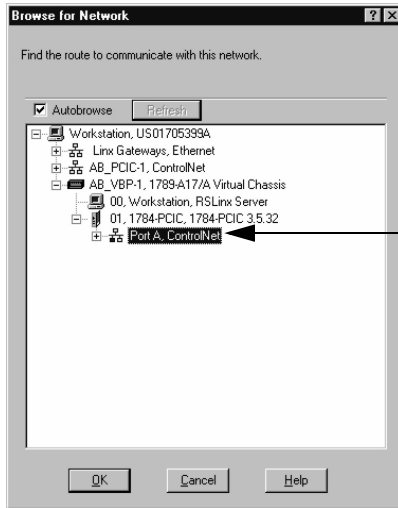
The Virtual Backplane driver is now ready to use.

After you add the card to the chassis monitor and configure a Virtual Backplane driver, you can browse the network by expanding the Virtual Backplane driver and then expanding the port on the desired 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS communication card. Browsing the ControlNet network through the Virtual Backplane driver provides the same functionality as the RSLinx driver.

## Go Online With RSNetWorx for ControlNet Software

When going online with RSNetWorx for ControlNet software via the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card, select Port A, ControlNet under the card in the Virtual Chassis.

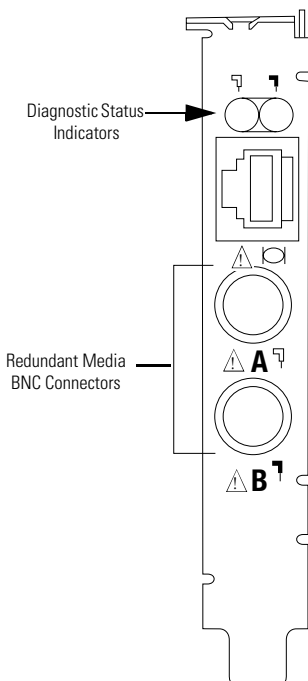
Do not select AB-PCIC-1, ControlNet.



**Notes:**

## Interpret the LED Indicators

The LED indicators on the card give you information about the card and the network when you're connected via the BNC connectors. Table 6.1 outlines the states and explains what each state means to you and the action you should take, if any, to correct that state.





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**IMPORTANT**

When you connect the module to a ControlNet network using only the Network Access Port (NAP), the LEDs are meaningless.



- Steady - indicator is on continuously in the defined state.
- Alternating - the two indicators alternate between the two defined states at the same time (applies to both indicators viewed together). The two indicators are always in opposite states, out of phase.
- Flashing - the indicator alternates between the two defined states (applies to each indicator viewed independent of the other). If both indicators flash, they must flash together, in phase.

**Table 6.1 ControlNet status interpretation**



 A and  B	Cause	Action
Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No power</li> </ul> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS driver not started</li> </ul> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Faulted card</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None or apply power to the personal computer</li> </ul> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start RSLinx software</li> <li>• Verify that the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS driver has been configured properly in RSLinx software</li> </ul> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check operating system event log for details of fault (if the personal computer's operating system supports an event log)</li> <li>• Cycle power to the computer</li> <li>• Verify that you have firmly inserted the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card into a PCI local bus expansion slot and that the expansion slot screw is tightened</li> <li>• If fault persists, contact your Rockwell Automation representative or distributor</li> </ul>



**Table 6.1 ControlNet status interpretation**



 <b>A</b> and  <b>B</b>	<b>Cause</b>	<b>Action</b>
Steady red	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faulted card</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check operating system event log for details of fault (if the personal computer's operating system supports an event log)</li> <li>Cycle power to the computer</li> <li>Verify that you have firmly inserted the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card into a PCI local bus expansion slot and that the expansion slot screw is tightened</li> <li>If fault persists, contact your Rockwell Automation representative or distributor</li> </ul>
Alternating red/green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self-test</li> <li>Incorrect channel configuration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> <li>Verify that the ControlNet network is connected to the correct channel of the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS card (for example, if the ControlNet network is configured for channel A only, then the card must be connected to the network via channel A)</li> </ul>
Alternating red/off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Incorrect node configuration</li> <li>Duplicate ControlNet node address</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS node address and other ControlNet configuration parameters</li> </ul>

 <b>A</b> or  <b>B</b>	<b>Cause</b>	<b>Action</b>
Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Channel disabled</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use RSNetWorx for ControlNet software to configure the ControlNet network for redundant media, if required</li> </ul>
Steady green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Normal operation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>
Flashing green/off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Temporary network errors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check media for broken cables, loose connectors, or missing terminators</li> <li>If condition persists, refer to the ControlNet Media Planning and Installation Manual, publication CNET-IN002</li> </ul>
Flashing red/off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Media fault</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check media for broken cables, loose connectors, or missing terminators</li> <li>If condition persists, refer to the ControlNet Media Planning and Installation Manual, publication CNET-IN002</li> </ul>

## 6-4 Interpret the LED Indicators

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 <b>A</b> or  <b>B</b>	<b>Cause</b>	<b>Action</b>
Flashing red/off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No other nodes present on network</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Add other nodes to the network</li></ul>
Flashing red/green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Incorrect node address</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Change 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS node address so that it is less than or equal to UMAX<sup>(1)</sup></li><li>• Stop and restart the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS driver in RSLinx software</li></ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Incorrect network configuration</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use RSNetWorx for ControlNet software to reconfigure the ControlNet network so that UMAX<sup>(1)</sup> is greater than or equal to the 1784-PCIC or 1784-PCICS node address</li></ul>

<sup>(1)</sup> UMAX is the highest node address on a ControlNet network that can transmit data.

# Specifications

PCI local bus	Compliant to PCI revision 2.2. The 1784-PCIC and 1784-PCICS cards are compatible with 5V and 3.3V PCI slots, 32-bit and 64-bit PCI slots, and PCI-X slots. <b>Attention:</b> The 1784-PCIC and 1784-PCICS cards are not compatible with PCI Express and should not be inserted into a PCI Express slot.
Mechanical form factor, H x L	Universal PCI 32-bit short card 10.7 cm (4.2 in.) x 16.5 cm (6.5 in.) L
Driver compatibility	Microsoft Windows XP with Service Pack 1 or higher Microsoft Windows 2000 with Service Pack 4 or higher Microsoft Windows 98 Microsoft Windows Me
Software compatibility	Rockwell Software RSLinx software, version 2.42.00 or later
Operational temperature	IEC 60068-2-1 (Test Ad, Operating Cold), IEC 60068-2-2 (Test Bd, Operating Dry Heat), IEC 60068-2-14 (Test Nb, Operating Thermal Shock): 0...55 °C (32...131 °F) The operating parameters describe the environment within the PCI slot. Refer to the documentation for your computer for environmental requirements. This card should not exceed those specifications.
Storage temperature	IEC 60068-2-1 (Test Ab, Unpackaged Nonoperating Cold), IEC 60068-2-2 (Test Bb, Unpackaged Nonoperating Dry Heat), IEC 60068-2-14 (Test Na, Unpackaged Nonoperating Thermal Shock): -40...85 °C (-40...185 °F)
Relative humidity	IEC 60068-2-30 (Test Db, Un-packaged Nonoperating Damp Heat): 5...95% noncondensing
Vibration	IEC 60068-2-6 (Test Fc, Operating): 2g @ 10...500Hz
Operating shock	IEC 60068-2-27 (Test Ea, Unpackaged Shock): 30 g
Non-operating shock	IEC 60068-2-27 (Test Ea, Unpackaged Shock): 50 g
Emissions	CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A
ESD immunity	IEC 61000-4-2: 6 kV contact discharges 8 kV air discharges
Radiated RF immunity	IEC 61000-4-3: 10V/m with 1 k Hz sine-wave 80%AM from 80 MHz...2000 MHz 10V/m with 200 Hz 50% pulse 100%AM at 900 MHz 10V/m with 200 Hz 50% pulse 100%AM at 1890 MHz

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EFT/B immunity	IEC 61000-4-4: ± 2 kV at 5 kHz on communications ports
Surge transient immunity	IEC 61000-4-5: ± 2 kV line-earth (CM) on communications ports
Conducted RF immunity	IEC 61000-4-6: 10Vrms with 1 kHz sine-wave 80% AM from 150kHz..80MHz
Enclosure type rating	None (open-style)
Power requirements	In US, this equipment must be powered from UL Listed Information Technology Equipment or UL Listed Industrial Control Equipment. In Canada, this equipment must be powered by an SELV source, CSA Certified Information Technology Equipment, or CSA Certified Process Control Equipment. 5V dc, 700 mA max., Class 2
Power dissipation	3.5 W
Isolation voltage (continuous-voltage withstand rating)	50V continuous Tested to withstand 600V for 60 s
Wiring category <sup>(1)</sup>	2 - on communications ports
Certifications (when product is marked) <sup>(2)</sup>	UR UL Recognized Component Industrial Control Equipment CSA CSA Accepted Component for Process Control Equipment CSA Accepted Component for Process Control Equipment in Class I, Division 2 Group A,B,C,D Hazardous Locations CE European Union 89/336/EEC EMC Directive, compliant with: EN 50082-2; Industrial Immunity EN 61326; Meas./Control/Lab., Industrial Requirements EN 61000-6-2; Industrial Immunity EN 61000-6-4; Industrial Emissions C-tick Australian Radiocommunications Act, compliant with: AS/NZS CISPR 11; Industrial Emissions EEx (1784-PCIC only) European Union 94/9/EC ATEX Directive, compliant with: EN 50021; Potentially Explosive Atmospheres, Protection "n" (Zone 2) CI ControlNet International conformance tested to ControlNet specifications

<sup>(1)</sup> Use this Conductor Category information for planning conductor routing. Refer to Industrial Automation Wiring and Grounding Guidelines, publication 1770-4.1.

<sup>(2)</sup> See the Product Certification link at [www.ab.com](http://www.ab.com) for Declarations of Conformity, Certificates, and other certification details.

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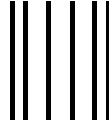
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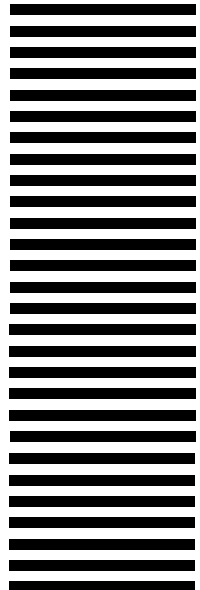
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