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# Compliance Approved Bluetooth 4.0 Low Energy BLE RF Module With Built-In ARM Cortex M0 Microconroller



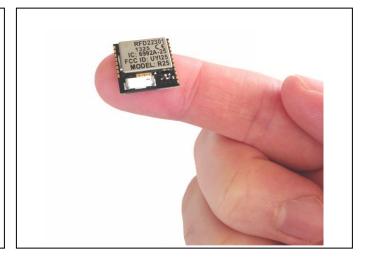


#### CE, ETSI, IC, FCC Approved & Certified

Hi performance, professional grade Bluetooth 4.0 Low Energy radio transceiver with built-in ARM Cortex M0 microcontroller that can be programmed using the simple-to-use Arduino IDE using RFduino extensions.

Built-in user application microcontroller with ADC, I2C, SPI, UART and GPIO.

Can wirelessly communicate with with iOS iPhone, iPad or Android smartphones or tables.



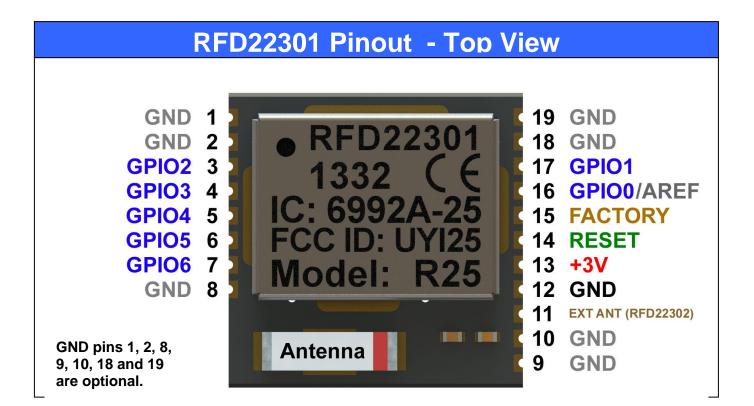
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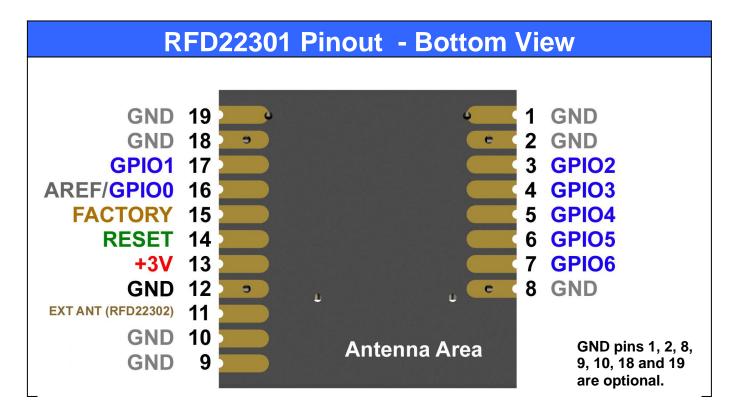
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- Long Range RFID
- Remote Control
- Light Controls
- Home Automation
- Alarm Security
- Keyless Entry
- Perimeter Monitoring
- PC Keyboard Security
- Wireless Keyboard
- Wireless Mouse
- TV Remote
- Home Stereo Remote
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- Remote Terminals
- Wireless RS232 DB9
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- HV/AC
- Meter Reading
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| Electrical Specifications                          |             |             |             |                       |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Description  | Min         | Nom         | Max         | Notes                 |
| VDD - Supply Voltage                               | 2.1 V       | 3.0 V       | 3.6 V       |                       |
| ESD - Human Body Model Class 2                     |             |             | 4 kV        |                       |
| Built-in Crystal Frequency                         |             | 16 MHz      |             |                       |
| Crystal Frequency Tolerance                        |             |             | +/- 10ppm   |                       |
| Built-in RC Oscillator Frequency                   |             | 32.768 kHz  |             |                       |
| Built-in RC Oscillator Tolerance                   |             | +/- 2%      |             |                       |
| Built-in RC Oscillator Tolerance after calibration |             |             | 250 ppm     |                       |
| Reset pin time for successful reset                | 600 ns      |             |             |                       |
| Radio Operating Frequencies                        | 2402 MHz    |             | 2481 MHz    | 1 MHz channel spacing |
| Radio Frequency Deviation @ BLE                    | +/- 225 kHz | +/- 250 kHz | +/- 275 kHz |                       |
| Radio On-Air data rate                             | 250 kbps    |             | 2000 kbps   |                       |
| Radio Output Power                                 | -30 dBm     |             | +4 dBm      |                       |
| Receiver Sensitivity @ BLE                         |             | -93 dBm     |             | Ideal transmitter     |
| Radio RSSI Accuracy                                |             |             | +/- 6 dB    |                       |
| UART Baud Rate                                     | 1.2 kbps    |             | 921.6 kbps  |                       |
| SPI Bit Rate                                       | 0.125 Mbps  |             | 8 Mbps      |                       |
| TWI Bit Rate                                       | 100 kbps    |             | 400 kbps    |                       |
| Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC) ENIB             | 10 bit      |             |             |                       |
| ADC Internal Reference Voltage                     | 1.182 V     | 1.20 V      | 1.218 V     |                       |
| ADC External Reference Voltage                     | 0.83 V      | 1.20 V      | 1.30 V      |                       |
| Internal Temperature Sensor Range                  | -25 °C      |             | 75 °C       |                       |
| Internal Temperature Sensor Accuracy               | -4 °C       |             | 4° C        |                       |
| General Purpose I/O (GPIO) input high voltage      | 0.7 * VDD   |             | VDD         |                       |
| General Purpose I/O (GPIO) input low voltage       | VSS         |             | 0.3 * VDD   |                       |
| Output standard drive current                      |             | 0.5 mA      |             |                       |
| Output high drive current                          |             | 5 mA        |             | Max 3 pins            |
| Pull-up resistance                                 | 11k         | 13k         | 16k         |                       |
| Pull-down resistance                               | 11k         | 13k         | 16k         |                       |
| ULP Current with RC OSC Running                    |             | 4uA         |             |                       |
| Transmit Current                                   |             | 12mA        |             |                       |
| Receive Current                                    |             | 12mA        |             |                       |
| ARM CPU Running Current                            |             | 4mA         |             |                       |



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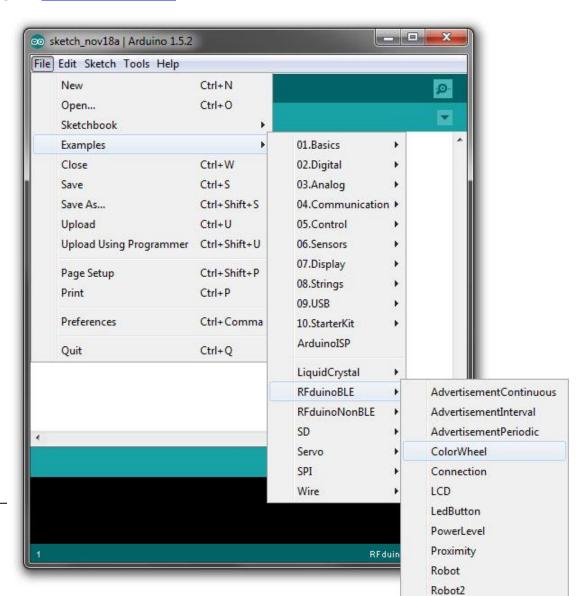
#### **RFD22301 IDE & Programming Tools**

The RFD22301 can be programmed using different IDEs, however we recommend using the Arduino based RFduino IDE. Download RFduino Quick Start Guide: <a href="http://forum.rfduino.com/index.php?topic=14.0">http://forum.rfduino.com/index.php?topic=14.0</a> Or go to <a href="http://RFduino.com/">http://RFduino.com/</a> and click on Forum.

Using the free Arduino IDE with RFduino extensions, you can instantly load different pre-written examples and be up and running with your applications quickly and easily.

Open Source iOS sample apps for iPhone and iPad are available in the Apple App Store In the http://www.RFduino.com there is already an Android sample app published, it is the first of many others to follow which are contributed by the RFduino community.

Download RFduino library: <a href="https://github.com/RFduino/



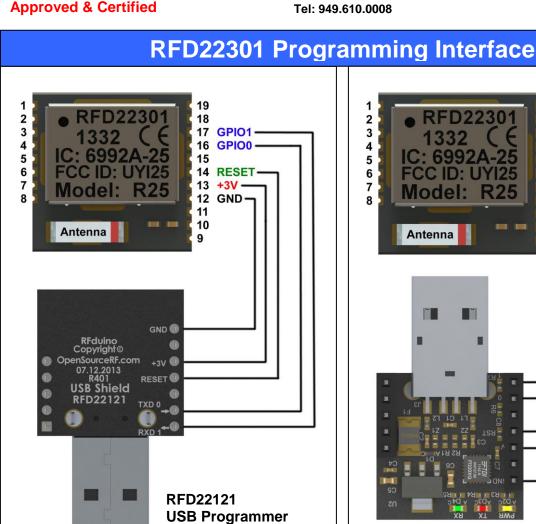
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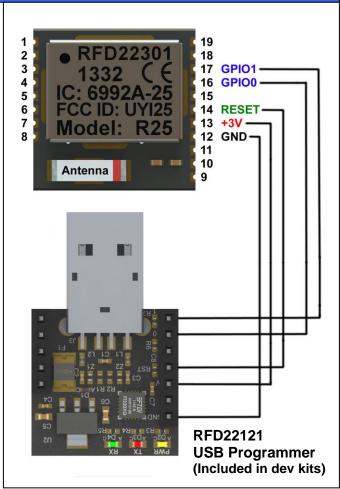
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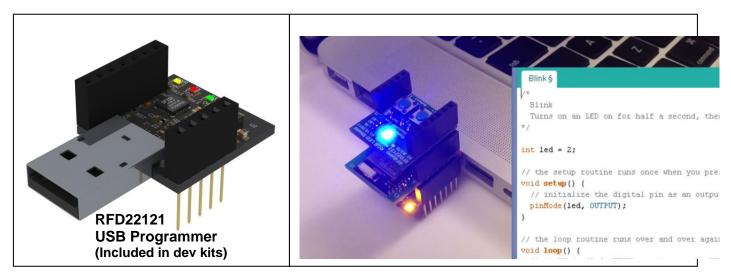
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(Included in dev kits)





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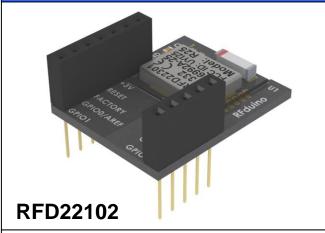
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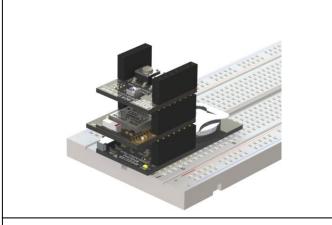
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# **RFD22301 Rapid Development & Prototyping Kits**



DIP version of RFD22301 for prototyping



Stackable accessories plug into breadbords





Many different Eval and Dev Kits available on http://www.rfduino.com/



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#### **FCC Compliance Information**

The RFD22301 is IC and FCC Modular Approved and Certified, therefore for use of the RFD22301 module in your product does not require further IC or FCC testing for an intentional radiator for compliance of the RFD22301. Detail instructions and IC and FCC notices shown later in this data sheet. Any modifications made to the RFD22301 will void the IC and FCC Approval and Certification. The RFD22301 has an integrated on-board chip antenna. You simply include the RFD22301 in your product and follow the IC and FCC notices and information below and place the appropriate label on your product to indicate that it includes an IC and FCC approved module and no further testing would be required for the module.

The RFD22302 is NOT IC or FCC Approved since the antenna is not integrated as part of the module. However it is exactly the same as the RFD22301 except it does not have an internal antenna and is built to allow a user to apply their own antenna of choice. Any type of 2.4 GHz antenna may be used. Once you include the RFD22302 into your product and your chosen antenna is connected, then your whole product is tested by an approved IC or FCC compliance laboratory and you receive your own grant for your whole product which includes the RFD22302. This procedure is somewhat costly and time consuming and therefore the RFD22301 is the primary choice by many engineers. The RFD22302 is typically used if you must have an external antenna.

#### **CE, ETSI Compliance Information**

The RFD22301, RFD21742 and RFD21743 are CE (ETSI) Tested. See declaration of conformity later in this document.

#### **Using CR2032 Batteries**

The CR2032 battery is very commonly used for power. The peak current draw for the Modules are about 15mA, and the background current is 5uA depending on the mode setting of course. Quite often capacitors are used in parallel with the CR2032 to help limit the amount of peak current the CR2032 is exposed to, so as to help it have a longer run time, since the CR2032 does not handle peak current very well over long durations of time. We recommend if you choose to place bypass capacitors tied to the CR2032 for this purpose, then do testing to compare if they really provide you a benefit or not. Quite often the leakage current of the capacitors are so high that they will have negative impact on the battery runtime rather then provide an advantage. At least if you have the room, place the pads, but before you place the caps for production, do testing to make sure they are really helping and not reducing your runtime.



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# **Industry Canada Information**

This device complies with Industry Canada licence-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

# IC LABEL

Relating to Model Number R25 (RFD Part Number: RFD22301)

The unit should have a permanently attached label in a conspicuous location with the following statement:

Contains IC: 6992A-25

#### NOTES:

1. Industry Canada does not specify the size of the label or the lettering thereon. The only requirement is that the text be legible.



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# SAMPLE FCC STATEMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN USER'S MANUAL

Relating to Model Number R25 (RFD Part Number: RFD22301)

#### **INSTRUCTION TO THE USER (if device DOES NOT contain a digital device)**

The user is cautioned that changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

#### INSTRUCTION TO THE USER (if device contains a digital device)

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- \* Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- \* Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- \* Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- \* Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

In order to maintain compliance with FCC regulations, shielded cables must be used with this equipment. Operation with non-approved equipment or unshielded cables is likely to result in interference to radio and TV reception. The user is cautioned that changes and modifications made to the equipment without the approval of manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

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# **FCC LABEL**

#### Relating to Model Number R25 (RFD Part Number: RFD22301)

The unit should have a permanently attached label in a conspicuous location with the following statement:

Contains FCC ID: UYI25

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference and
- (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

#### NOTES:

- 1. The FCC does not specify the size of the label or the lettering thereon. The only requirement is that the text be legible.
- 2. If the entire label can not be placed on the unit due to space constraint, only FCC ID may be displayed on the unit. In such cases, the compliance statement will have to be included in the "user's manual". NOTE: Device must be smaller than a man's palm.
- \*\* If the unit also interfaces with phone line, it requires additional information on the label refer to part 68 information \*\*



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# RoHS Declaration Of Conformity November 17, 2013

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are manufactured with RoHS materials.



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#### **DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

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comply with ETSI EN 300 440-2 power requirements

as called out in the R&TTE V1.2.1 Directive

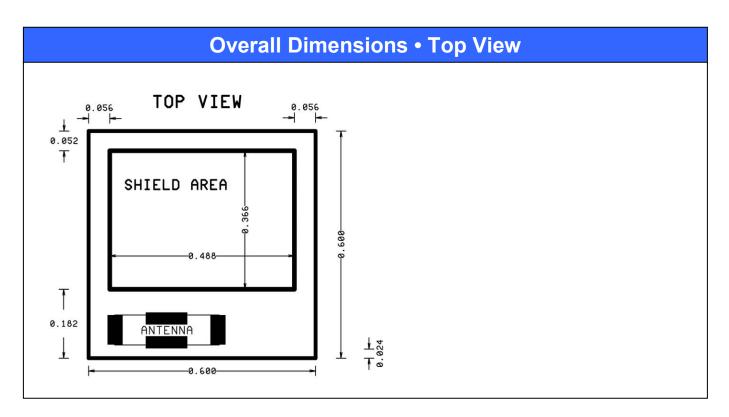
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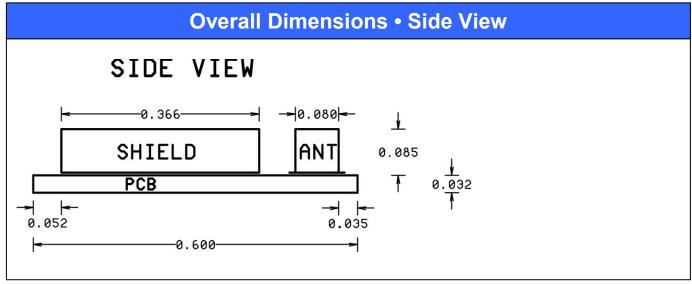
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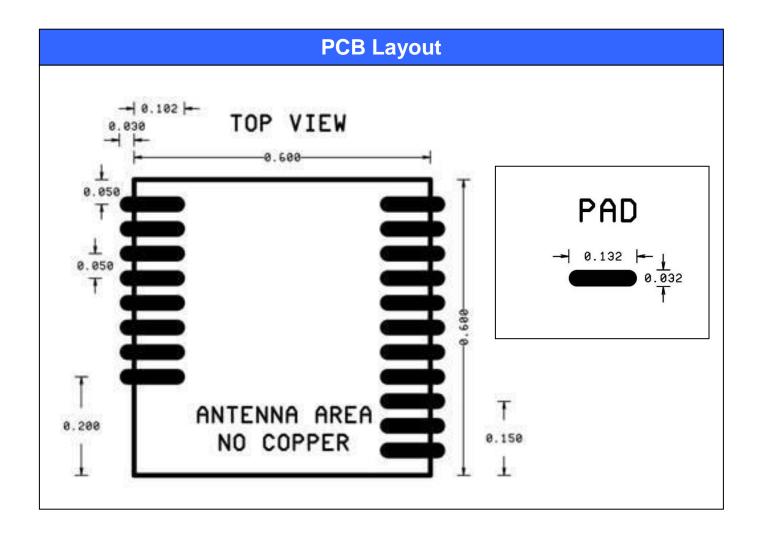
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#### **Washing**

#### The RFD22301 and RFD22302 are NOT washable.

Use no-clean flux, leaded or lead-free. If you attempt to wash the modules, water will enter beneath (inside) the RF shield and get trapped, which may cause device failure or damage once powered on. There is no way to make sure all water has been removed before powering the module so do NOT wash the modules.

#### Potting, Encapsulation and Conformal Coating

#### Do NOT pot or conformal coat the RFD22301 or RFD22302.

If you plan on encapsulating the RFD22301 or RFD22302 in a potting compound or conformal coating, you must assure that the compound in liquid or solid form does not enter under the shield where there are sensitive RF components. Some of the capacitive values are as low as half a picofarad and sensitive to contacting materials such as potting compounds. There are potting compounds and conformal coatings which have very good dielectric constants and are suitable for 2.4 GHz potting applications, however, when you apply any of these, they were accounted for in the circuit design and might reduce performance of the device or all together cause it not to function.

Applying any compound, conformal coating or potting directly to the module voids any and all warranty and support service.

If your application requires 100% sealing of the module, there is a way to do this very successfully without impacting the module performance. Simply place the module on your PCB. Place a plastic cover over the module (like a hat), make the cover large enough to cover the whole module. Apply glue around the bottom perimeter of the cover where it sits on the PCB. This allows the module to function in free airspace while there is a complete seal around it. This information is only for reference and you should do your own testing with your application to find the best suitable fit for your own design.

#### **Reflow Profile**

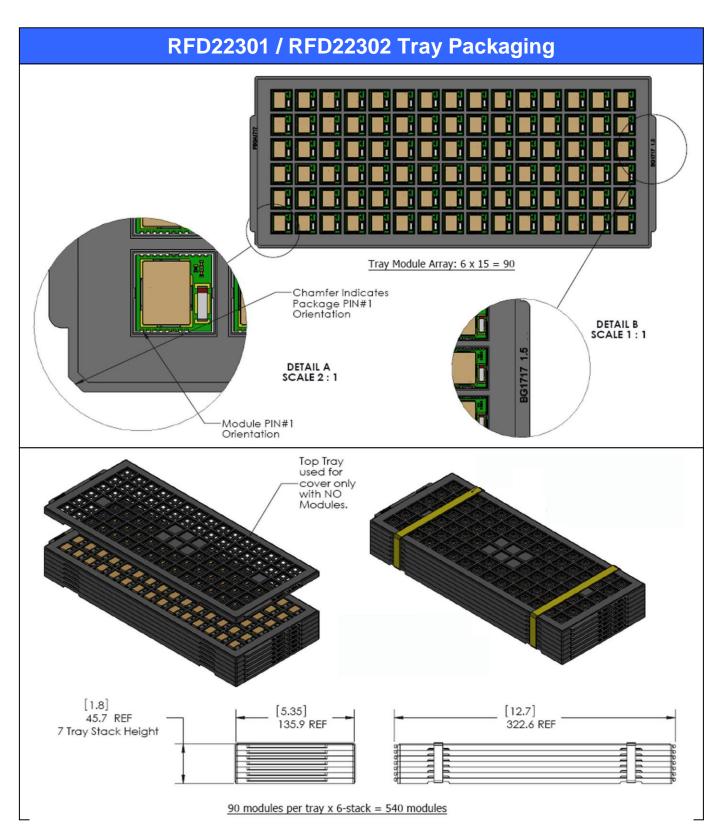
Use standard lead-free or leaded reflow profile for the RFD22301 and RFD22302. Your CM (Contract Manufacturer) should profile this module along with your PCB and all other parts on it through their reflow oven to properly set a profile suitable for all the parts on the board combined.

USE CAUTION: If you are building a double-sided placement board, place this device last so it will not be subjected to being reflowed upside-down.

As with building any RF devices, you should always build a small quantity through your production process, test and verify, then increase your quantities to make sure the process is not harmful to the performance of your RF system. This is true with any RF system, including use of these modules.

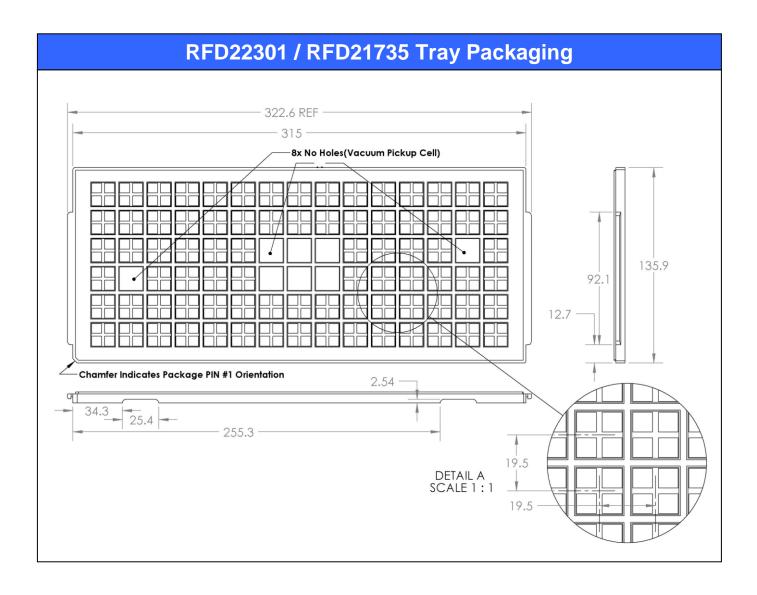


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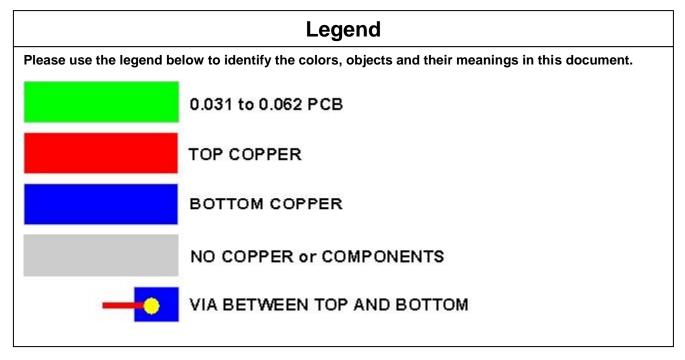
# **Surface Mounted RF Module Layout Examples**

For Part Numbers RFD22301 and RFD22302

#### **Layout Trace Routing and VIAs**

When doing your layout for the RFD21733 and RFD21735 avoid placing routs under the module if at all possible. Having traces under the module as long as they are fully covered by soldermask is typically fine, however placing VIAs under the module is not at all recommended since soldermask covering VIAs are typically not fully plugged and protected. Therefore, if there is any exposes soldermask under the module near an area were your board has an exposed via, there is a chance of a short. There is a slim chance of this ever happening, however if possible, make effort to avoid having VIAs under the Modules.







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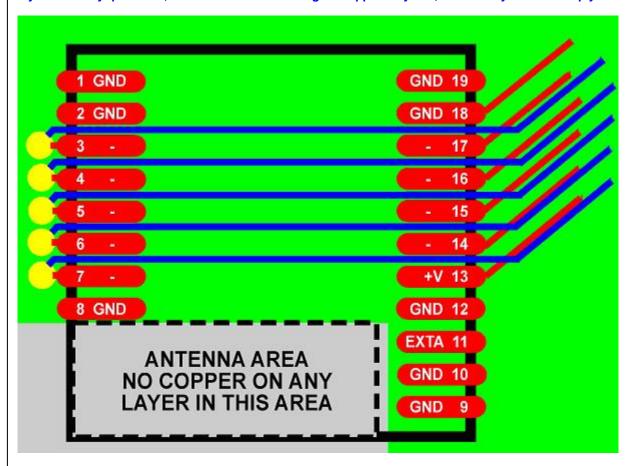
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#### **RFD22301 Layout Example Pinout**

This Layout Examples document only references pins that are common to all RFD22301 and RFD22302 modules and matter to the layout, which are ground and external antenna connections where applicable. To keep the file size of this document small, some of the larger images are outputted in lower resolutions, for full details on pinouts refer to the data sheet for the appropriate part number, which can all be found at http://www.rfdigital.com.

Pins labels 3,4,5,6,7,14,15,16,17 change based on which part number module is being used, however that does not matter for this document.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact RF Digital Support anytime, we're always here to help you!



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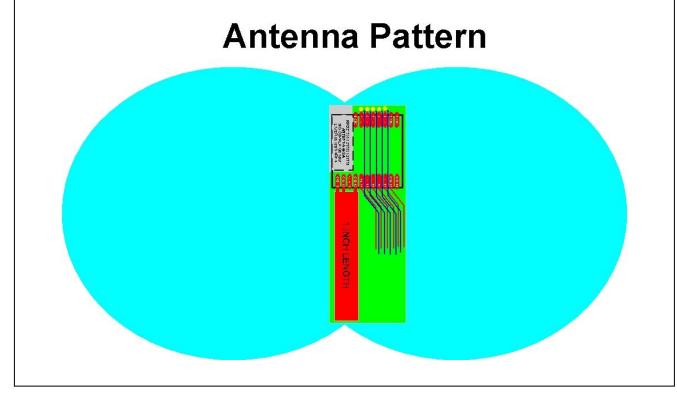
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#### **RFD22301 Layout Examples**

The following layout examples are for the RFD22301 module which has a built-in chip antenna. Later in this document there are examples for the RFD22302 module which is for use with external an antenna.

#### **RFD22301 Antenna Pattern**

This is a typical antenna pattern, however does vary based on many factors including surrounding components and ground planes. It is only provided as a reference. The one inch copper plane shown helps maintain the balanced antenna pattern and when possible should be used, if not possible, its not required.



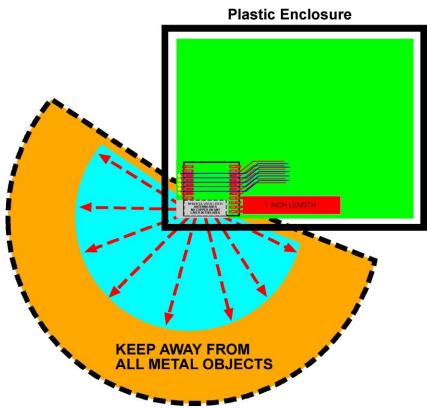


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#### RFD22301 Keep Out Area - Example 1

When placing the module info a plastic enclosure, it is highly recommended that you locate the module in the corner of the enclosure / PCB so it will be as far away from your other components on the PCB and as close to free airspace as possible. In addition, you want to locate the module in a position in your product where it will have as much free airspace as possible near the antenna when in use. For example if it will be placed against a wall, it is preferred to locate the module so it will be in a location in your product where it will be on the side of the product where it will be further away from the wall, rather then directly next to it, so the RF signal can have as much free airspace to give you the best range performance possible. (Note: If you plan on using a metal enclosure, you can not locate the module inside of the enclosure or it will have very limited range.)



RF Signals in this area.

If you place anything such as components, wires, metal parts of any type in this area, it will block the RF signals and drastically limit your range. Leave this area open.



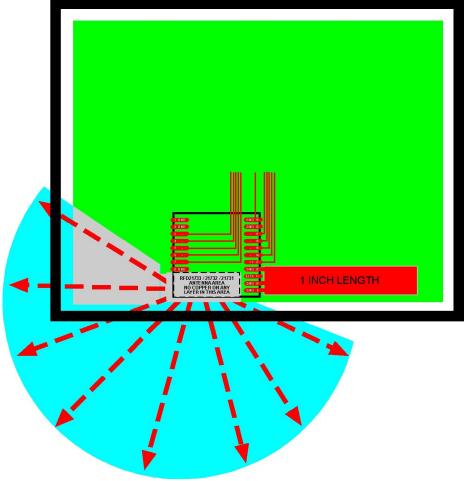
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#### RFD22301 - Layout Examples 2

The gray area shows where to keep free from copper and components. The one-inch length copper area is optional, however does improve the range if you can add it. Parts can be placed all over the rest of the board, however if possible keep about a half-inch distance from the one inch length ground area to the right of the module, again, only if possible. Also the signal connections to the module can be made on either layer. The electrical ground connection to the module is to be made with a thin trace so the one inch ground plane off to the side can be effective.

#### **Plastic Enclosure**



RF Signals in this area.

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#### RFD22301 - Layout Examples 3

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# Plastic Enclosure

RF Signals in this area.

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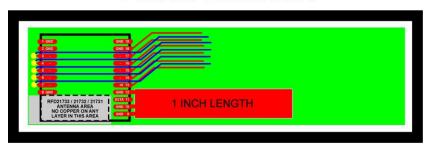
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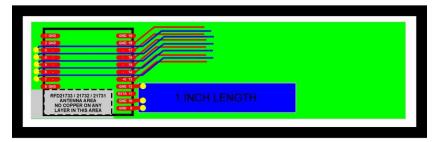
#### RFD22301 - Layout Examples 4

The gray area shows where to keep free from copper and components. The one-inch length copper area is optional, however does improve the range if you can add it. Parts can be placed all over the rest of the board, however if possible keep about a half-inch distance from the one inch length ground area to the right of the module, again, only if possible.

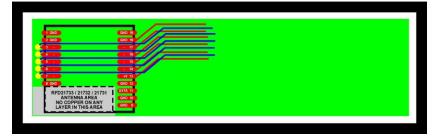
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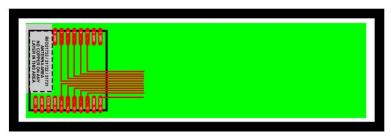
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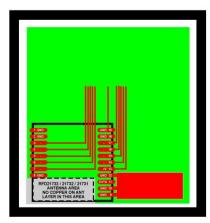
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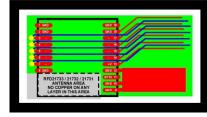
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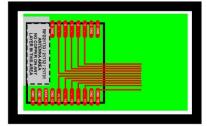
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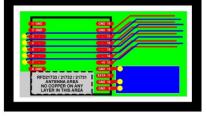
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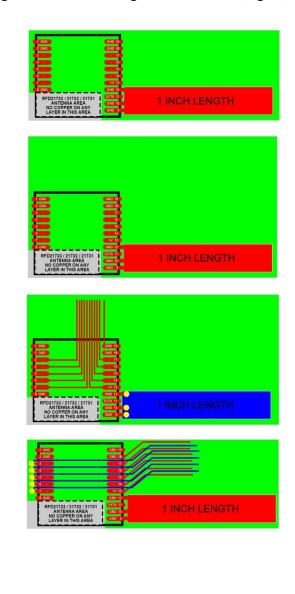


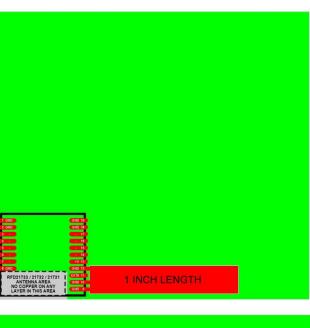
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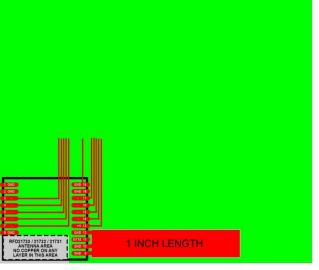
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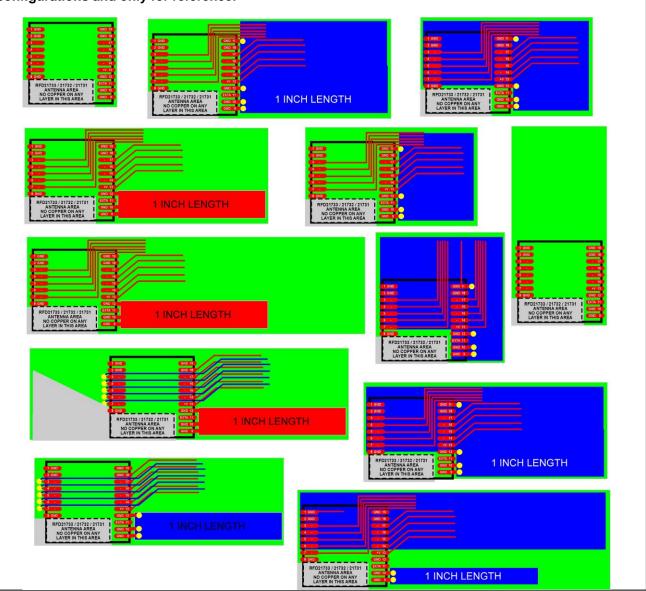


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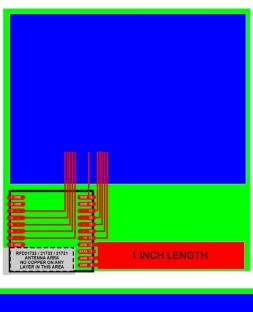


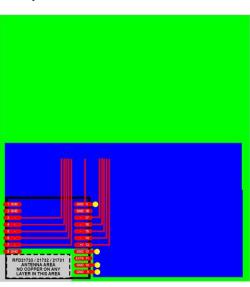
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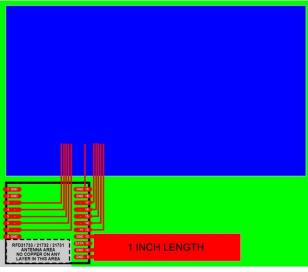
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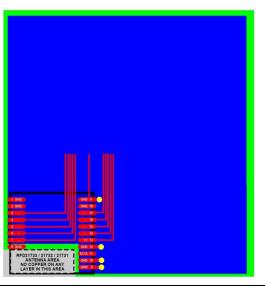
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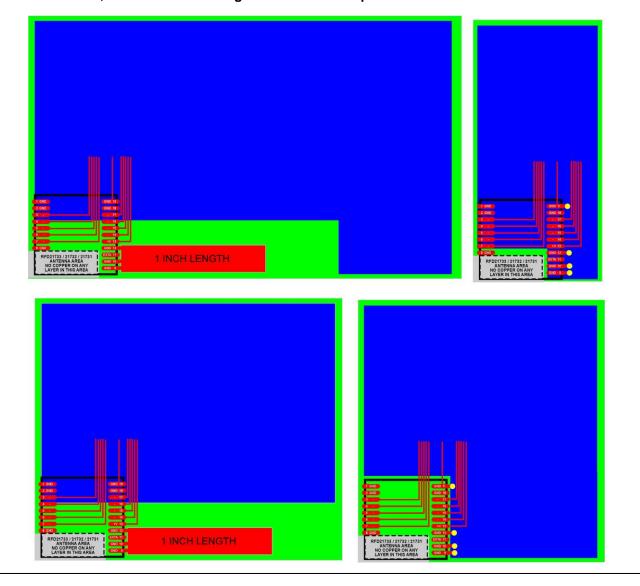


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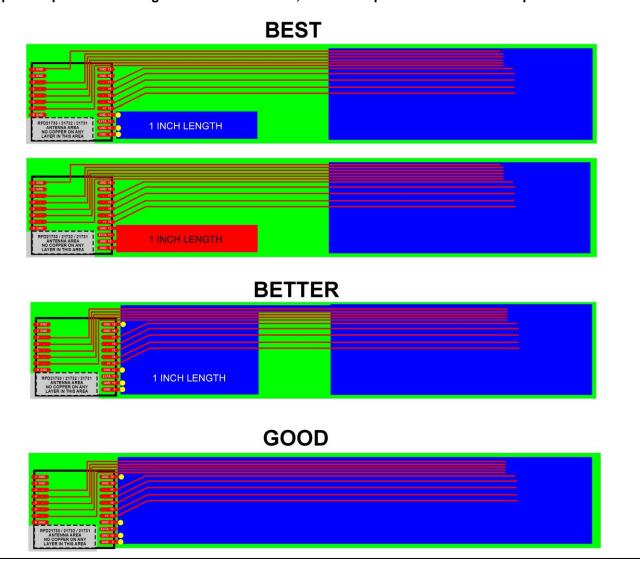


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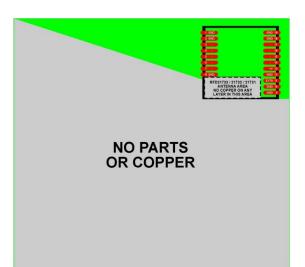


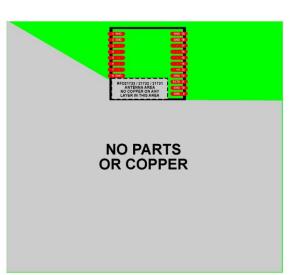
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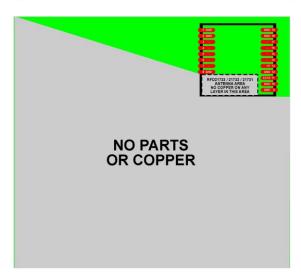
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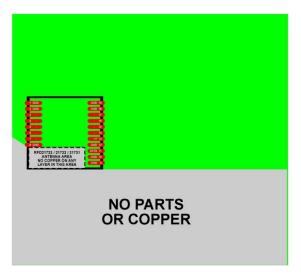
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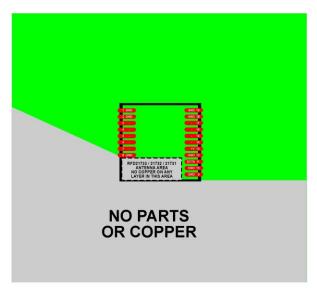


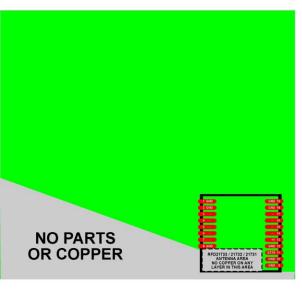
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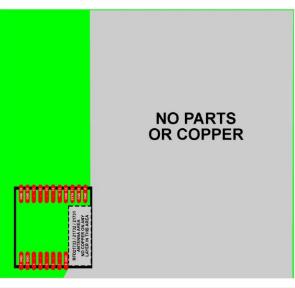
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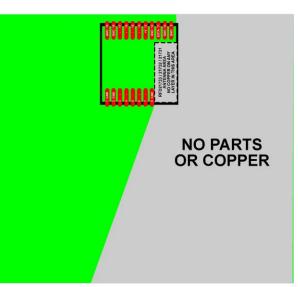
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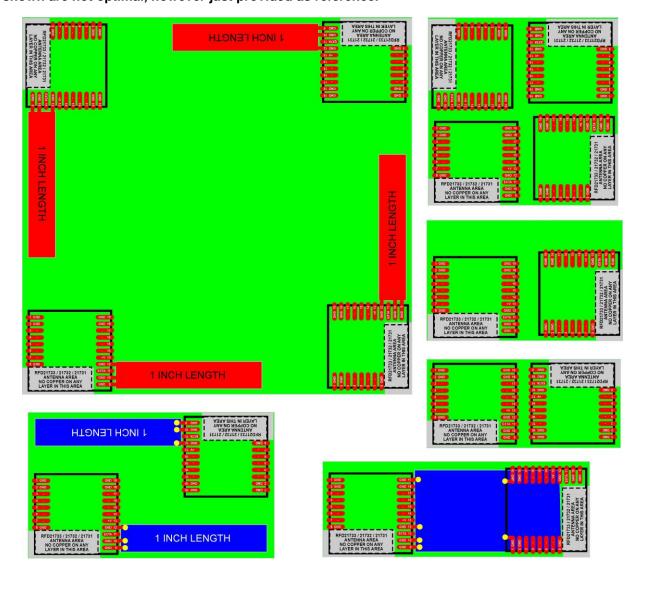


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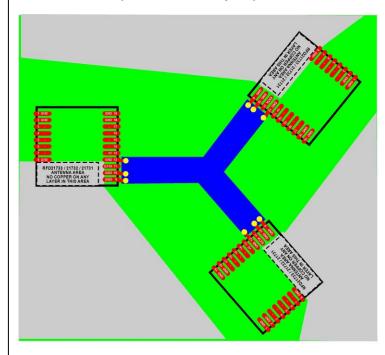


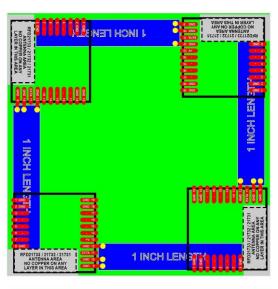
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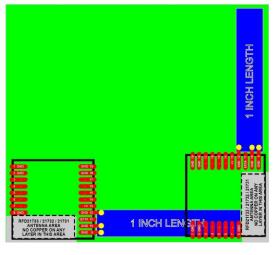
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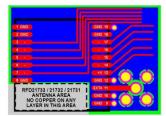
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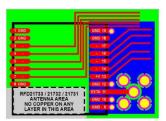
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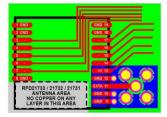
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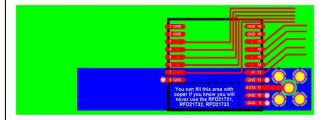
PCB thickness is 0.031 inch to 0.062 inch, double sided. The blue color shows ground plane under the module on the solder side of the board.

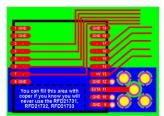
If you place ground plane or any traces under the gray area marked no-copper, then you will not have the option to use the RFD22301 which is the on-board chip antenna version of the RFD22302. So it is your choice if you choose to flood copper under that area or not. There is no benefit to flood copper in that area. If you choose to make a dual-mode layout to handle both module options, with chip antenna or without (which is what we recommend), then also advise with the layout configurations above for proper application.

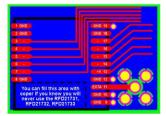














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