

Real-Time Embedded Vision System

NI EVS-1464RT

- Rugged, fanless, machine vision system
- Intel® Core Duo® processor (1.66 GHz)
- 2 GB solid-state drive and external flash
- 1 GB DDR2 memory
- Small footprint

Connectivity Options

- GigE Vision and IEEE 1394 IIDC native camera support
- 29 TTL and isolated DIO lines
 - 15 input (13 isolated 24 V, 2 TTL)
 - 14 output (4 isolated 24 V, 10 TTL)
- Reconfigurable DIO with LabVIEW FPGA
- MXI-Express high-channel-count I/O expansion
- RS232 port
- DVI video output
- EtherCAT master

Operating Systems

- Real-time OS (PharLap)

Recommended Software

- Vision Builder for Automated Inspection (AI) or
- NI LabVIEW with LabVIEW Real-Time Vision Development Bundle

Optional Software

- LabVIEW FPGA Module

Driver Software (included)

- NI Vision Acquisition Software

Run-Time Licenses (included)

- Vision Builder AI Run-Time License
- Vision Development Module Run-Time License



Overview

The NI Embedded Vision System is a rugged automation controller that combines industrial camera connectivity with open communication and multicore performance. The NI EVS-1464RT is designed to acquire and process images in real time from multiple IEEE 1394 and GigE Vision cameras, and is ideal for machine vision applications such as high-speed sorting, assembly verification, and packaging inspection.

The NI Embedded Vision System offers a fanless design, extended temperature range, real-time operating system, and solid-state drive, making it ready for demanding manufacturing conditions by reducing maintenance requirements with no moving parts and increasing reliability.

A diverse range of digital I/O and industrial communication options means that the EVS-1464RT can communicate and integrate with a wide variety of automation devices including programmable logic controllers (PLCs), human machine interfaces (HMIs), robotics, sensors, and actuators. The fast multicore processor and real-time OS make this vision system ideal for more complex, higher-speed inspections.

Multicore Image Processing

With NI LabVIEW and NI vision software, the NI Embedded Vision System takes full advantage of its multicore processor by automatically balancing the computational load on each core. Machine vision applications can run deterministically and reliably with LabVIEW Real-Time Module software, which you can use to achieve low-level control for prioritizing crucial tasks, such as image processing, over less time-critical tasks such as video display.

Camera Selection and Multicamera Support

The NI Embedded Vision System works with any IIDC-compliant IEEE 1394 camera and any GigE Vision-compliant Ethernet camera. National Instruments has developed the first real-time driver software for communicating, configuring, and acquiring images from both IEEE 1394 and GigE Vision cameras in real time.

The system provides a low-cost way to simultaneously acquire and process images from several cameras to inspect parts from multiple angles, increase overall system resolution, and use several specialty cameras at once (color, monochrome, infrared, line scan, and so on). With dual IEEE 1394b and Gigabit Ethernet ports, you can simultaneously power and acquire from up to four IEEE 1394a and b cameras and connect as many GigE Vision cameras as the bandwidth permits. You can expand beyond the number of ports using hubs and external power sources for additional cameras. To find a complete list of cameras, visit the NI Camera Advisor at ni.com/camera.

Rugged Industrial Design

The NI Embedded Vision System was designed for harsh industrial environments. The absence of moving parts makes this machine vision system less susceptible to damage from ambient vibration, reducing maintenance requirements and making it a reliable addition to your packaging, assembly, and manufacturing environments. The EVS-1464RT runs with a 1 GB solid-state drive, which can be expanded with CompactFlash storage for logging images and data, as well as external IEEE 1394 hard drives and USB mass storage devices. It is also cooled by convection, and the temperature range of 0 to 45 °C ensures that uptime is kept at a maximum.

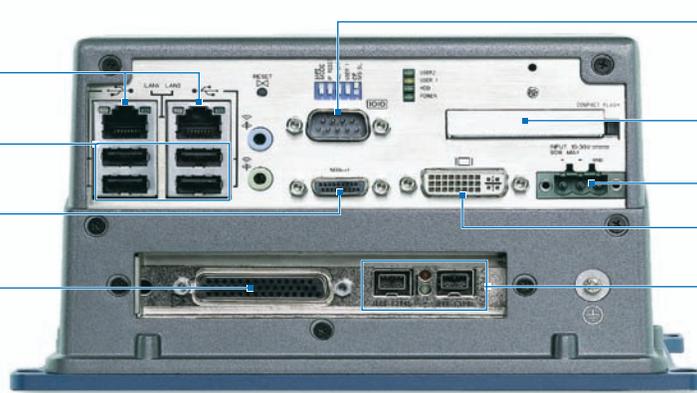
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Gigabit Ethernet for GigE Vision cameras, EtherCAT slave devices or enterprise connectivity (Ethernet IP, TCP/IP, Modbus Ethernet) (2)

Hi-Speed USB inputs for mass storage devices (4)

MXI-Express PCI bus expansion for high-channel-count I/O systems (1)

Reconfigurable digital I/O lines (29)
▪ 15 input (13 isolated 24 V, 2 TTL)
▪ 14 output (4 isolated 24 V, 10 TTL)



RS232 serial (serial, Modbus)

External flash for logging images and data

10 to 30 VDC power

DVI video output

IEEE 1394b bilingual ports for IEEE 1394 a and b cameras (2) or external storage drives

Figure 1. NI EVS-1464RT Connectivity Options

Industrial Communication and Onboard Digital I/O

The EVS-1464RT has 29 reconfigurable digital I/O lines – TTL and isolated. These lines feature built-in functionality for communicating with external devices, such as reading from a quadrature encoder, generating strobe pulses, triggering, and writing/reading from digital lines. Using these signals, you can dynamically control your lighting or cameras, synchronize with a conveyor belt, drive mechanisms for sorting parts, or integrate the NI Embedded Vision System with PLCs.

In addition, you can use the system to send commands and data to other devices, such as PLCs and operator interfaces, using Ethernet protocols such as TCP/IP, EtherNet/IP, and Modbus TCP, as well as serial protocols such as RS232 and Modbus serial. With enterprise connectivity, you can also monitor the inspection results, view images, or store data in databases for statistical process control.

The EVS-1464RT is also an EtherCAT master for deterministic communication with third-party industrial devices like motion drives and encoders. In addition, you can choose from options for directly integrating high-channel-count I/O systems from NI using EtherCAT expansion for single-point I/O and using MXI-Express connectivity for waveform data.

Customized I/O with LabVIEW FPGA

This system features a field-programmable gate array (FPGA) directly connected to the digital I/O lines. If your application requires custom I/O behavior, you can use LabVIEW FPGA to reconfigure the digital I/O lines to achieve additional I/O functionality such as custom triggers, timing, PWM outputs, encoder-based queued pulse generators, customer digital protocols, and high-speed counters.

The LabVIEW FPGA IPNet site (ni.com/ipnet) features a collection of FPGA examples and intellectual property (IP) from National Instruments developers and external users in the LabVIEW FPGA community that you can use with your real-time NI Embedded Vision System.

Real-Time Display and HMI

This embedded vision system outputs real-time images and pass/fail results from the inspection through the built-in DVI port. All of the image overlays are user-definable and can be changed programmatically to create custom user displays.

Also, a simple Web browser on any Windows CE, XP, or XP Embedded touch panel can act as an operator interface for selecting inspections, updating parameters, or training a new part. In addition to being a Web server, the EVS-1464RT can be configured in LabVIEW to host Web services to stream data.

Hardware Scalability

National Instruments uses the same configuration software (Vision Builder for Automated Inspection) and programming software (Vision Development Module) across the NI vision hardware portfolio. This means that after learning just one set of vision software, you can easily reduce time and costs to maintain your systems or build new applications while enjoying the freedom to choose the suitable hardware for each application, be it a PC, an NI Embedded Vision System, or an NI Smart Camera. All NI vision software comes with NI Vision Acquisition Software, a collection of drivers for IEEE 1394 and GigE cameras that scales to support a larger range of camera types for use with other NI vision hardware, including analog, parallel digital, USB (DirectShow), and Camera Link imaging standards.



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You can configure the EVS-1464RT using Vision Builder AI or program the system using the Vision Development Module.

NI Vision Software Configure or Program Your Inspection

With the National Instruments machine vision software approach, you can configure your inspection with easy-to-use, stand-alone NI Vision Builder for Automated Inspection software or program it for more advanced customization using the NI Vision Development Module. Both options feature hundreds of built-in machine vision and image processing functions you can use to enhance images, check for presence, locate features, identify objects, and measure parts.

Vision Builder for Automated Inspection

Vision Builder for Automated Inspection (AI) simplifies the development and maintenance process by replacing programming complexity with an interactive development environment, without sacrificing performance or range of functionality. With Vision Builder AI, you can easily configure, benchmark, and deploy a vision system that addresses most vision applications from pattern matching to code reading and presence detection to precision alignment and classification.

Vision Builder AI includes a deployment interface for quick deployment and features the ability to set up complex pass/fail decisions to control digital I/O devices and communicate with serial or Ethernet devices such as programmable automation controllers (PACs), PLCs, and HMIs.

Dynamic Execution

For inspections that require complex decisions, conditional branches, or iterative loops, Vision Builder AI offers an innovative state diagram process model. In this model, you configure each state to perform a certain series of actions from acquiring images to gauging a part to communicating with external devices. The results of these steps determine which transition path you take to the next state. By using state diagrams, you can create seemingly complex machine vision applications that provide the flexibility of a programming language with the ease of use of a configuration environment. State diagrams are not only an intuitive way to represent machine vision applications but also a self-documenting method that is easy to share among colleagues.

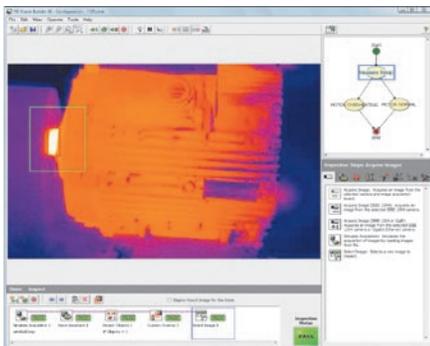


Figure 2. Vision Builder AI Configuration Interface

LabVIEW Real-Time Vision Development Bundle

The LabVIEW Real-Time Vision Development Bundle is an addition to LabVIEW that includes all the software you need to program all your real-time machine vision applications for the NI Embedded Vision System. The bundle includes:

- Vision Development Module
- LabVIEW Real-Time Module
- LabVIEW Application Builder

With the Vision Development Module, you have complete freedom to build highly customized real-time machine vision applications using the LabVIEW graphical programming environment. You also have the option to develop your own custom image processing algorithms, optimize your inspection for speed, or take advantage of the large choice of toolkits or add-ons that complement the LabVIEW environment, such as LabVIEW FPGA.

Using LabVIEW graphical programming, you can develop your machine vision applications on a desktop PC and then download the program to run on the real-time NI Embedded Vision System. Thus, you can use all the powerful development tools of LabVIEW to develop deterministic, reliable solutions.

The Vision Development Module also includes NI Vision Assistant, an interactive prototyping environment that generates ready-to-run code.

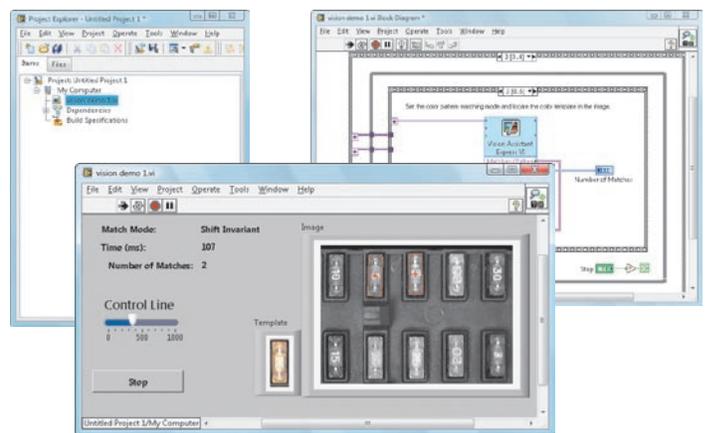


Figure 3. LabVIEW Front Panel, Block Diagram, and Project Explorer in a Vision Development Module Application

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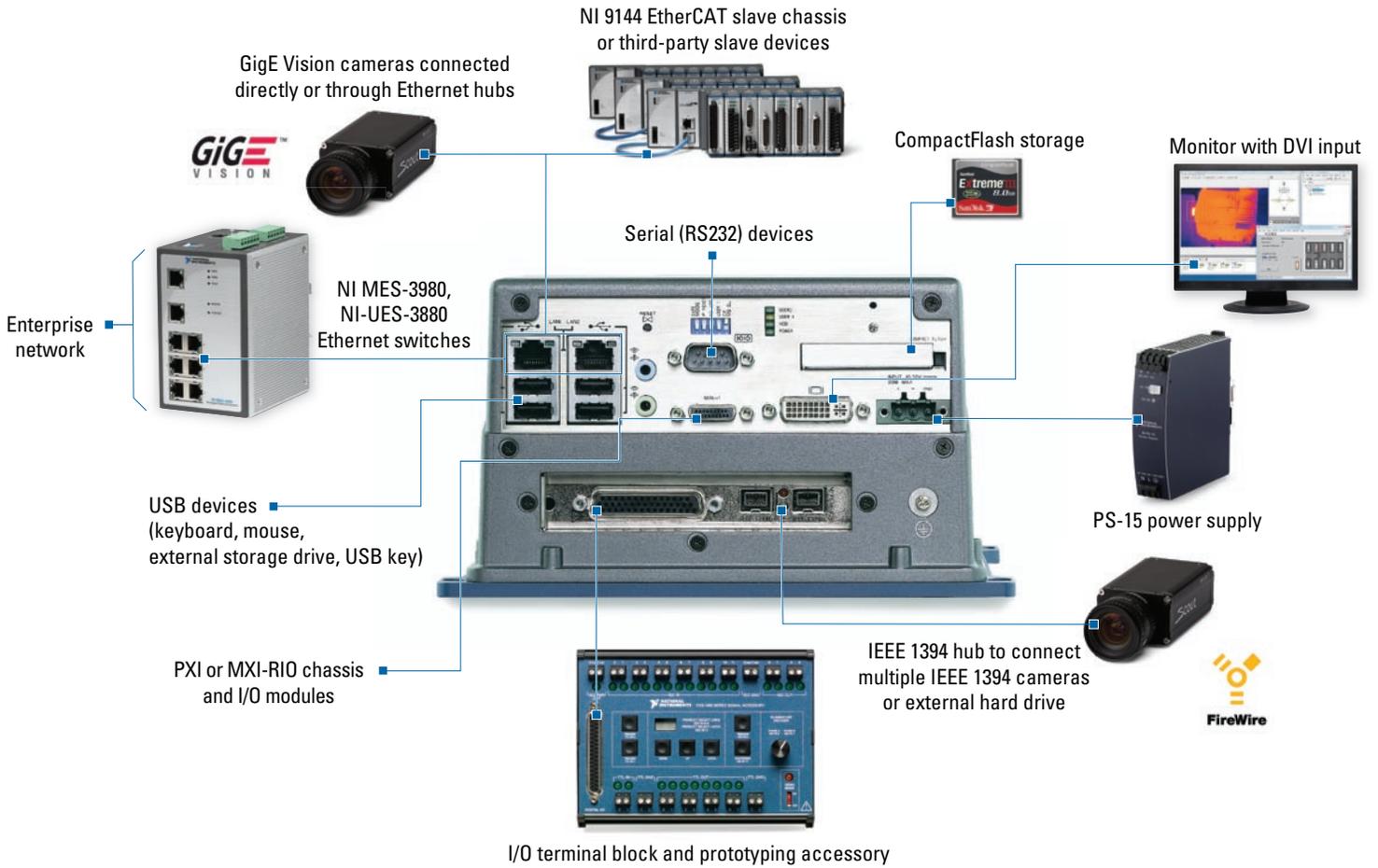


Figure 4. EVS-1464RT and optional accessories

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Ordering Information

NI EVS-1464RT 780913-01

Software

Vision Builder for Automated Inspection 778649-35

NI LabVIEW.....(See LabVIEW Development System options at ni.com/labview)

NI LabVIEW Real-Time Vision Development Bundle 779324-35
(includes Vision Development Module, LabVIEW Real-Time Module, LabVIEW Application Builder)

NI LabVIEW FPGA Module 778694-35

Embedded Vision System Accessories

PS-15 power supply, 24 VDC, 5 A, universal power input 781093-01

I/O terminal block and prototyping accessory with cable 779166-01

I/O terminal block, vertical DIN rail mount and cable 778791-01

I/O terminal block, horizontal DIN rail mount and cable..... 778790-01

CompactFlash, 4 GB, industrially rated 778622-4096

CompactFlash, 2 GB, industrially rated 778622-2048

CompactFlash, 1 GB, industrially rated 778622-1024

IEEE 1394 Cameras

Basler scA640-70fm (IEEE 1394b, 659x490, 70 fps, mono)..... 779982-01

Basler scA640-70fc (IEEE 1394b, 659x490, 71 fps, color)..... 780880-01

Basler scA1390-17fm (IEEE 1394b, 1392x1040, 17 fps, mono)..... 779980-01

Basler scA1390-17fc (IEEE 1394b, 1390x1040, 17 fps, color)..... 780881-01

Basler scA1600-14fm (IEEE 1394b, 2 MP, 14 fps, mono) 780883-01

Basler A601f (IEEE 1394a, 656x491, 60 fps, mono) 778785-01

IEEE 1394 Cables and Accessories

IEEE 1394b to 1394b cable (4 m) 196283-04

IEEE 1394a to 1394b cable (4 m) 196284-04

Cable, Basler trigger and I/O cable for IEEE 1394b cameras 779984-01

GigE Vision Cameras

Basler scA640-70gm (GigE, 659x490, 70 fps, mono) 779983-01

Basler scA640-70gc (GigE, 659x494, 70 fps, color)..... 780884-01

Basler scA1390-17gm (GigE, 1392x1040, 17 fps, mono) 779981-01

Basler scA1390-17gc (GigE, 1392x1040, 17 fps, color)..... 780885-01

Basler scA1600-14gm (GigE, 2 MP, 14 fps, mono)..... 780886-01

GigE Vision Accessories and Ethernet Cables

CAT5E Ethernet cable, twisted-pair, 1 m 182219-01

CAT5E Ethernet cable, twisted-pair, 5 m 182219-05

CAT5E Ethernet cable, twisted-pair, 10 m 182219-10

Power supply, Basler power supply for GigE Vision cameras 779986-01

Cable, Basler trigger and I/O cable for GigE Vision cameras 779985-01

Lenses

Edmund Optics lens (8.5 mm, compact fixed focal length) 781414-01

Edmund Optics lens (12 mm, compact fixed focal length) 781415-01

Edmund Optics lens (16 mm, compact fixed focal length) 781416-01

Edmund Optics lens (25 mm, compact fixed focal length) 781417-01

Edmund Optics lens (35 mm, compact fixed focal length) 781418-01

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Specifications

These specifications are typical at 25 °C, unless otherwise stated.
See User Manual online for full specifications.

Features

CPU	Intel Core Duo L2400 (1.66 GHz dual core processor), 667 MHz FSB
On-die L2 cache.....	2 MB
DDR2 RAM ¹	
NI EVS-1464	2 GB
NI EVS-1464RT	1 GB
Integrated hard drive	
NI EVS-1464.....	80 GB minimum, serial ATA
NI EVS-1464RT	1 GB minimum, parallel ATA, solid state
Integrated graphics processor	Intel GMA 950
DVI-I connectors.....	1
10/100/1000 Ethernet connectors	2
Hi-Speed USB (2.0) connectors.....	4
Serial connectors (9-pin RS232).....	1
MXI Express x1 connectors.....	1
CompactFlash expansion slots.....	1
Audio connectors	1 3.5 mm line-level audio in, 1 3.5 mm line-level audio out

¹The memory in NI EVS-1464 series systems is not field upgradeable.
Contact your NI representative for upgrade options.

Power Requirements

Main supply voltage.....	10 to 30 VDC
Power (excluding cameras).....	50 W maximum
IEEE 1394 bus power	18 W maximum (shared by both ports)
Isolated supply	5 to 30 VDC
Camera interface.....	Gigabit Ethernet and IEEE 1394b bilingual (compatible with IEEE 1394 a and b cameras)

Physical

Unit dimensions	110 by 200 by 220 mm (4.3 by 7.9 by 8.66 in.)
Weight.....	3.76 kg (8.28 lb)

TTL Inputs and Outputs

Digital logic levels

Level	Minimum	Maximum
Input low voltage (V_{IL})	0 V	0.5 V
Input high voltage (V_{IH})	2.2 V	5 V
Output low voltage (V_{OL}), at 5 mA	–	0.4 V
Output high voltage (V_{OH}), at 5 mA	2.4 V	–

TTL Inputs

Number of channels.....	2
Maximum pulse rate	2 MHz
Minimum pulse detected	500 ns
Power-on state	Input (high-impedance) 61.9 k Ω pull-up to 5 V

TTL Outputs

Number of channels.....	10
Output voltage range	0 to 5 V
Maximum pulse rate	2 MHz

Optically Isolated Inputs and Outputs

Isolated (Current Sinking) Inputs

Number of channels.....	13
Input voltage range	0 to 30 V
Input ON voltage	3.5 to 30 V
Input OFF voltage	0 to 2 V
Turn-on current	
Typical.....	7.1 mA
Maximum.....	14 mA
Maximum pulse rate	100 kHz
Minimum pulse detected.....	10 μ s
Reverse polarity protection.....	Yes, -30 V

Isolated (Current Sourcing) Outputs

Number of channels.....	4
On-state voltage range	5 to 30 V maximum
Maximum on-state voltage drop from V	1.2 V at 100 mA
Output current	
5 V isopower.....	50 mA maximum
24 V isopower.....	100 mA maximum
30 V isopower	100 mA maximum
Maximum pulse rate	10 kHz (maximum load resistance 100 k Ω)
Minimum pulse generated.....	100 μ s
Reverse polarity protection.....	Yes

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Environment

The NI EVS-1464RT is intended for indoor use only.

Measurement category.....	1
Maximum altitude.....	2,000 m
Pollution degree (IEC 60664).....	2

Operating Environment

Ambient temperature range.....	0 to 45 °C (IEC 60068-2-1 and IEC 60068-2-2)
Relative humidity range.....	10 to 90% noncondensing (IEC 60068-2-56)

Storage Environment

Ambient temperature range.....	-40 to 70 °C (IEC 60068-2-1 and IEC 60068-2-2)
Relative humidity range.....	5 to 95% noncondensing (IEC 60068-2-56)

Shock and Vibration

Operational shock.....	30 g peak, half-sine, 11 ms pulse (tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-27; test profile developed in accordance with MIL-PRF-28800F)
Random vibration	
Operating.....	5 to 500 Hz, 0.3 g _{rms}
Nonoperating.....	5 to 500 Hz, 2.4 g _{rms} (tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-64; nonoperating test profile exceeds the requirements of MIL-PRF-28800F, Class 3)

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Safety and Compliance

Safety

This product is designed to meet the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1

Note: For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or visit ni.com/certification, search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

Electromagnetic Compatibility

This product is designed to meet the requirements of the following standards of EMC for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- EN 61326 EMC requirements; Minimum Immunity
- EN 55011 Emissions; Group 1, Class A
- CE, C-Tick, ICES, and FCC Part 15 Emissions; Class A

Note: For EMC compliance, operate this device according to product documentation.

CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives, as amended for CE marking, as follows:

- 2006/95/EC; Low-Voltage Directive (safety)
- 2004/108/EC; Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMC)

Note: Refer to the Declaration of Conformity (DoC) for this product for any additional regulatory compliance information. To obtain the DoC for this product, visit ni.com/certification, search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

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EU Customers: At the end of their life cycle, all products must be sent to a WEEE recycling center. For more information about WEEE recycling centers and National Instruments WEEE initiatives, visit ni.com/environment/weee.htm.

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Battery Replacement and Disposal

This device contains a long-life coin cell battery. If you need to replace it, use the Return Material Authorization (RMA) process or contact an authorized National Instruments service representative. After replacement, recycle the old battery. For additional information, visit ni.com/environment.

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