**DESCRIPTION**

Advanced motor drive software provides smooth control over full speed and torque in all modes, including full regenerative braking, zero speed, and torque control.

**APPLICATION**

The Curtis 1236 and 1238 Motor Speed Controllers are designed for use in all types of electric vehicles including material handling, industrial, Golf, and light-on-road.

**FEATURES**

**Advanced Design and Functionality**
- Major performance, operational and system advancements over DC.
- High frequency, silent operation from 0-300 Hz.
- Powerful operating system allows parallel processing of vehicle control tasks, motor control tasks, and user configurable programmable logic.
- Advanced Pulse Width Modulation technology provides efficient use of battery voltage, low motor harmonics, low torque ripple, and minimized switching losses.
- Tunable to any AC motor. Fully programmable for optimal match to individual AC motor characteristics.
- Built-in battery state-of-charge algorithms and hour meter.
- Field-Programmable, with FLASH downloadable main operating code.

**Superb Drive Control**
- Field-oriented vector control, in conjunction with Curtis tuned algorithms, provide peak torque and optimal efficiency across the entire operating range.
- Extremely wide torque/speed range, including full regeneration capability.
- Internal closed-loop speed and torque control modes allow for optimized performance – without an additional control box.
- Peak performance mapping technology lets you tune the maximum performance envelope in both “driving and braking” to your specific application through the use of OEM programmable parameters.
- The Torque Control Mode offers unique features and provides seamless transitions and positive response under all conditions.
- Exclusive built-in pump control mode with superior response to hydraulic load changes.
**FEATURES continued**

**Unmatched Flexibility**
- The unique Curtis Vehicle Control Language makes system design easier than ever for OEMs. Benefit from the many decades of Curtis experience in the EV industry by using the provided library of pre-defined functions, or quickly and simply write your own proprietary functions and algorithms to differentiate your systems from your competition.
- VCL empowers the controller to monitor and manage the entire vehicle system without additional hardware, to save cost and design time.
- Apply a wide range of I/O wherever you need them, for maximum distributed system control.
- CAN bus connection allows communication with other CAN bus enabled system components. Protocol meets CANopen standards, or is customizable through VCL.
- The same controller model can be used for either pump or traction applications due to the built-in software selectable pump control mode.
- Easily programmable through the Curtis 1311 handheld programmer and 1314 PC Programming Station.

**Robust Safety and Reliability**
- Insulated Metal Substrate power base provides superior heat transfer for increased reliability.
- Fail-Safe power component design.
- Redundant hardware watchdog timers.
- Reverse polarity protection on battery connections.
- Short circuit protection on all output drivers.
- Thermal cutback, warning, and automatic shutdown provide protection to motor and controller.
- Rugged sealed housing and connectors meet IP65 environmental sealing standards for use in harsh environments.

**Meets or complies with relevant US and International Regulations**
The Curtis Model 1236 and 1238 AC Motor Speed Controllers are designed to meet:
- EN 50081-1-2
- EN 61000-6-2
- EN 12895
- EN 1175
- IP65 Rated per IEC 529
- UL Recognized Component Status, UL 583

**MODEL CHART**

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**SYSTEM ACCESSORIES**

The Curtis Model 840 LCD Multifunction display contains 8 large, easy to read characters to provide display of battery discharge (BDI), hour meter and error messages. Built-in backlight is also available.

The Curtis Model 1311 Handheld Programmer is ideal for setting parameters and performing diagnostic functions.

*Contact Curtis to obtain the VCL Vehicle Control Language compiler and development tools.*
CONNECTOR WIRING

DIMENSIONS mm

M8 Ø 1.25, 6 pcs
Status LEDs

7 dia., 4 pcs
10 (0.4)

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**Typical Wiring**

- **KSI**: Switch 1/ANA 1
- **ANALOG OUT (0-10)**: Switch 3
- **SWITCH 4**: Switch 4
- **SWITCH 5**: Switch 5
- **SWITCH 6**: Switch 6
- **SWITCH 7**: Switch 7
- **SWITCH 8**: Switch 8
- **SWITCH 16**: Switch 16
- **COIL RETURN**: J1-1
- **J1-10**: Interlock
- **J1-11**: Mode
- **J1-12**: Forward
- **J1-13**: Reverse
- **J1-14**: Motor Temp. Input
- **J1-15**: Throttle Pot High
- **J1-16**: Throttle Wiper
- **J1-17**: Pot 2 High
- **J1-18**: Pot 2 Wiper
- **J1-19**: Pot Low
- **J1-20**: Digital Output 6
- **J1-21**: Digital Output 7
- **J1-22**: CAN Port
- **J1-23**: Short for 120 Ohm Termination
- **J1-24**: EM Rev.
- **J1-25**: +12V
- **J1-26**: +5V
- **J1-27**: CAN H
- **J1-28**: CAN L
- **J1-29**: CAN TERM H
- **J1-30**: CAN TERM L
- **J1-31**: Speed Encoder
- **J1-32**: Phase B
- **J1-33**: Phase A
- **J1-34**: I/O Ground
- **J1-35**: CAN L
- **J1-36**: CAN H
- **J1-37**: Display
- **J1-38**: Alt.
- **J1-39**: Main
- **J1-40**: Main
- **J1-41**: Battery

**Warranty**

Two year limited warranty from time of delivery.