

# LORA Module RFM6601 Datasheet





### 1. Overview

The RFM6601 module includes a general LoRa wireless communication SoC, integrated with a RF transceiver and a 32-bit RISC MCU. The MCU uses ARM Cortex M4, with 48 MHz operation frequency. The RF Transceiver has continuous frequency coverage from 150 MHz to 960 MHz.

The RFM6601 Module provides ultra-long range and ultra-low power communication for LoRa application. RFM6601 can achieve a high sensitivity to -138 dBm and the maximum transmit power is up to +22 dBm. This makes the module suitable to be used in long range LoRa and have high efficiency.

### 2. Features

- Working Voltage: 1.7V 3.7V
- Working Frequency: 433.92 MHz (for China), 470 MHz (for China), 868 MHz (for Europe), 902-928 MHz (for USA), 915-928 MHz (for Canada)
- R-eceiving Sensitivity: -138 dBm @SF=12, BW=125KHz
- Tx Current: 108mA @+22dbm, 433.92 MHz (for China)
- Rx Current: 10mA @433.92 MHz (for China)

## 3. Applications

- Smart meters
- Supply chain and logistics
- Building automation
- Agricultural sensors
- Smart cities
- Retail store sensors
- Asset tracking
- Street lights
- Parking sensors
- Environmental sensors
- Healthcare
- Safety and security sensors
- Remote control applications



## 4. Pin Diagram

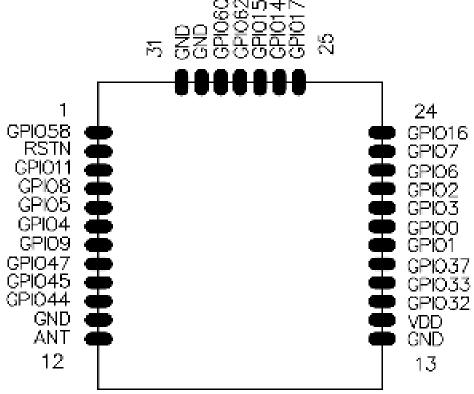


Figure 1. Pin Diagram Top View



Table 1. RFM6601 Module Pin Description

Pin	Name	Description		
1	GPIO58	MCU GPIO		
2	RSTN	Reset signal, active low		
3	GPIO11	MCU GPIO		
4	GPIO08	MCU GPIO		
5	GPIO05	MCU GPIO		
6	GPIO04	MCU GPIO		
7	GPIO09	MCU GPIO		
8	GPIO47	MCU GPIO		
9	GPIO45	MCU GPIO		
10	GPIO44	MCU GPIO		
11, 13, 30, 31	GND	Ground		
12	ANT	Antenna port		
14	VCC	Input voltage		
15	GPIO32	MCU GPIO		
16	GPIO33	MCU GPIO		
17	GPIO37	MCU GPIO		
18	GPIO1	MCU GPIO		
19	GPIO0	MCU GPIO		
20	GPIO3	MCU GPIO		
21	GPIO2	MCU GPIO		
22	GPIO6	SWD DATA		
23	GPIO7	SWD CLK		
24	GPIO16	MCU GPIO		
25	GPIO17	MCU GPIO (UART_TXD)		
26	GPIO14	MCU GPIO		
27	GPIO15	MCU GPIO		
28	GPIO62	MCU GPIO (UART_RXD)		
29	GPIO60	MCU GPIO		



## 5. Electrical Characteristics

Testing Conditions: 3.3V @ 25°C

**Table 2. Electrical Characteristics** 

Parameters	Symbol	Conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Frequency	Fc	RFM6601-433S2		433.92		MHz
		(for China)		433.92		IVIIIZ
		RFM6601-470S2		470		MHz
		(for China)				IVIIIZ
		RFM6601-868S2		868		MHz
		(for Europe)				WILL
		RFM6601		915		MHz
		(for USA/Canada)		713		141112
Receiving	S	LORA Mode		-138		dBm
Sensitivity		SF=12, BW=125KHz				
Working	$V_{DD}$		1.7	3.3	3.7	V
Voltage			1.7	3.3	3.1	•
Rx Current	${ m I}_{ m RX}$	433.92 MHz		10	11	mA
		470 MHz		10	11	mA
		868 MHz		10	11	mA
		902-928MHz		10	11	mA
Tx Current	$I_{TX}$	433.92 MHz @+22dbm		108	120	mA
		470 MHz @+22dbm		108	120	mA
		868 MHz @+22dbm		120	135	mA
		902-928MHz@+22dbm		120	135	mA
Sleep Current	Isleep	Without RF and RTC		1.3	2	uA
Operating Temperature	Тор		-40		+85	°C

902-928 MHz (for USA), 915-928 MHz (for Canada)



## 6. Dimension (Unit: mm)

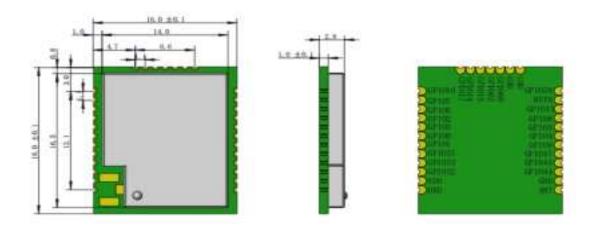


Figure 2. Module Dimension

## 7. Ordering Information

Model	Frequency	
RFM6601-433S2 (for China)	433.92MHz	
RFM6601-470S2 (for China)	470MHz	
RFM6601-868S2 (for Europe)	868MHz	
RFM6601 (for USA/Canada)	902-928MHz	

902-928 MHz (for USA), 915-928 MHz (for Canada)



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(OEM) Integrator has to assure compliance of the entire end-product incl. the integrated RF Module. For 15 B (§15.107 and if applicable §15.107) compliance, the host manufacturer is required to show compliance with 15 while the module is installed and operating.

Furthermore, the module should be transmitting and the evaluation should confirm that the module's intentional emissions (15C) are compliant (fundamental / out-of-band). Finally, the integrator has to apply the appropriate equipment authorization (e.g. Verification) for the new host device per definition in §15.101.

Integrator is reminded to assure that these installation instructions will not be made available to the end-user of the final host device.

The final host device, into which this RF Module is integrated "has to be labelled with an auxiliary label stating the FCC ID of the RF Module, such as"

Contains FCC ID: 2ASEO-RFM6601

"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."

#### **NOTE:**

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.

Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.



Additionally, this module was tested with a detachable antenna. The specification of rubber rod antenna are as follows:

(1) Frequency Range (MHz):  $915 \pm 10$ ;

(2) V.S.W.R:  $\leq 1.5$ ;

(3) Input Impedance ( $\Omega$ ): 50;

(4) Gain (dBi): -0.47;

#### **Module Statement**

The single-modular transmitter is a self-contained, physically delineated, component for which compliance can be demonstrated independent of the host operating conditions, and which complies with all eight requirements of §15.212(a)(1) as summarized below.

- 1) The radio elements have the radio frequency circuitry shielded.
- 2) The module has buffered modulation/data inputs to ensure that the device will comply with Part 15 requirements with any type of input signal.
- 3) The modular transmitter has its own power supply regulation.
- 4) The module contains a PR-SMA antenna.
- 5) The module demonstrates compliance in a stand-alone configuration.
- 6) The module is labeled with its permanently affixed FCC ID label.
- 7) The module complies with all specific rules applicable to the transmitter, including all the conditions provided in the integration instructions by the grantee.
- 8) The module complies with RF exposure requirements.

This transmitter/module must not be collocated or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. This device should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator & your body.

#### **NOTE:**

This device complies with Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada's (ISED)'s license-exempt RSSs. 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.

The equipment complies with ISED radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This device should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator & your body.

The ISED certification label of a module shall be clearly visible at all times when installed in the host product; otherwise, the host product must be labelled to display the ISED certification number for the module, preceded by the word "contains" or similar wording expressing the same meaning, as follows:

**Contains IC: 24999-RFM6601** 



#### **NOTE:**

Cet appareil est conforme aux CNR exemptes de licence d'Industrie Canada. Son fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes:

- (1) Ce dispositif ne peut causer d'interférences; et
- (2) Ce dispositif doit accepter toute interférence, y compris les interférences qui peuvent causer un mauvais fonctionnement de l'appareil.

Cet équipement est conforme aux limitations prévues par ISED pour l'exposition aux radiations dans le cadre d'un environnement non contrôlé. Il doit être installé et utilisé avec une distance minimale de 20 cm entre le radiateur et votre corps.

Host manufacturer is strongly recommended to confirm compliance with FCC/ISED requirements for the transmitter when the module is installed in the host.