

# BCST-42

Bluetooth®2D Barcode Scanner

## Instruction Manual

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# Notes

## **Safety Notes**

Please do not dismantle the barcode scanner or place any foreign parts in it to prevent short circuit or circuit damage.

Please do not leave the barcode scanner or battery near fire.

## **Maintenance Notes**

Use a clean wet mop to wipe the outer shell of the barcode scanner.

Store the barcode scanner at the place that is dustless, dry, away from light and strong magnetic area.

If any malfunctions happen, please record the situation, and contact our customer service.

# Product Overview

## Product Specification

Model	BCST-42
Material	PC+TPU
Voltage	DC 5V
Battery Capacity	1200mAh
Barcode Supported	Code 128, EAN-13, EAN-8, UPC-A, UPCE, Code 39, Code 93, Codabar, Interleaved 2 of 5, Standard 2 of 5, Industrial 2 of 5, Matrix 2 of 5, IATA 2 of 5, MSI, Code 11, ISBN, ISSN QRCode, PDF-417, Aztec Code, Data Matrix, GS1 128, GS1 DataBar, GS1 DataBar Expanded, GS1 DataBar Limited, GS1 DataBar Composite
Resolution	3mil
Scan Method	Auto/Manual
Lowest Contrast	20%
Decoding Angle	Turning Angle 30° , Elevation Angle 75° , Deflection Angle 80°
Bluetooth Version	Bluetooth 5.0
Bluetooth Communication	2.402GHz~2.480GHz
Bluetooth Transmission Power	4dbm

## LED Indicator

Indicator Status	Explanations
Green LED flashes	Bluetooth reconnection
Green LED flashes once	Successful scanning and data is uploaded
Blue LED flashes	Bluetooth pairing
Blue LED flashes once	Scan is successful and data is stored in buffer
Blue LED is on	Under setup mode
Yellow LED flashes	Battery is running short

Red LED is on	Under charging (Red LED goes off once the barcode scanner is fully charged)
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## Buzzer

Sounds	Explanations
One short high-note sound (100ms)	Successful scanning
One short high-note sound (20ms)	Data has been uploaded from buffer to computer/phone
One long high-note sound (400ms)	Wrong settings (under setup mode, blue LED lit) Failed Bluetooth pairing (ring only during pairing) The buffer is full, barcode is not stored, and the scan is invalid
Two or more long high-note sound (800ms)	The USB is under configuration
Three-note chord (volume from low to high)	Enter setup mode (blue LED lit) Exit setup mode (blue LED off)
Three-note chord (volume from high to low)	Remind of Bluetooth connection
Two short sounds (same volume)	The Bluetooth connection has stopped
Two short sounds (volume from low to high)	Indicate correct settings
Two short sounds (volume from high to low)	The BCST-42 has disconnected from a computer/phone
Two long sounds (volume from high to medium)	The scanner has been powered on under wireless mode (with USB disconnected)
Two long sounds (volume from medium to high)	The scanner has been powered off under wireless mode (with USB disconnected)

## Barcodes Supported





The barcode types supported by the BCST-42 can be found in the chart below.  
For more details, please refer to the barcode type setting in Barcode Type Setting.

Barcodes Supported		Preset
Codabar		Enabled
Code 11		Disabled
Code 128		Enabled
GS1-128 (UCC/EAN-128)		Disabled
USPS		Enabled
FedEx		Enabled
Code 39		Enabled
Code 32		Disabled
Code 93		Enabled
EAN-8		Enabled
EAN-13		Enabled
ISBN		Disabled
ISSN		Disabled
MSI		Disabled
UPC- A		Enabled
UPC- E		Enabled
2 of 5 barcodes	IATA 2 of 5	Disabled
	Interleaved 2 of 5	Enabled
	Matrix 2 of 5	Disabled
	Standard 2 of 5 / Industrial 2 of 5	Disabled
QR Code		Enabled
PDF-417		Enabled
Aztec Code		Disabled
Maxi Code		Disabled
Data Matrix		Enabled
Han Xin Code		Disabled
GS1 DataBar, GS1 DataBar Expanded, GS1 DataBar Limited		Enabled

## How to Set up the Scanner



You may change the settings of BCST-42 barcode scanner by reading the setting barcode in this manual. The examples of settings for the BCST-42 scanner are as below.

**Note:** If there is a (\*) before a certain setting barcode in this manual, it indicates the factory preset.


Steps	Operation	
1	Toggle the switch to "ON" and short press the scan button to power on the scanner	
2	Scan the barcode to enter setup mode  Enter Setup	
3	Read the setting barcode, such as:  Enable Codabar	
4	Read the barcode to exit setup mode.  Exit and Save	To clear a wrongly scanned setting barcode, read the barcode below.  Exit without Save

## How to Use Buttons for Quick Function Switch



### Bluetooth Re-pairing

Long press the  button (small icon), the blue light will flash, and the Bluetooth will enter a pairing mode. The scanner is ready to rebuild the Bluetooth connection. After you complete the connection, press the  button to start scanning.

### How to Check Your Battery Status Quickly

Short press the  button. The more the green lights flashing, the more sufficient the battery remaining. Battery is below 10% amount if the yellow LED flashes. Please recharge your scanner soon.

### How to Shift between Inventory and Normal Mode

Press the  button (large icon) and hold, and then long press the  button (small icon) to shift between inventory and normal modes.



Enter Setup

## Basic Settings

### System Setting

The BCST-42 is compatible with Windows, Android, Mac OS, and iOS operating systems. The default compatible systems are Windows and Android. You may scan the barcodes below to set the operating system you want to work with.

Note: If you want to use the BCST-42 with an Android device, please use the Gboard input method, and set the scanner as "Windows/Android Mode" and the input keyboard as "American Keyboard". The barcode scanner supports Gboard input method and will not be affected by the language setting of the Gboard input method.



(\*) Windows/Android Mode



Mac OS/iOS Mode

### Keyboard Setting



(\*) US Keyboard



German Keyboard



French Keyboard



Spanish Keyboard



Italian Keyboard



UK Keyboard



Exit and Save





Enter Setup



Japanese Keyboard (Roman Character)



Canadian Keyboard



Serbian Keyboard

## Write to Custom Defaults

You may change factory defaults and customize some functions suitable for your own applications when using your scanner. You need to scan 'Enter Setup'

'Function setup barcode you want to customize (e.g.: Output Code ID)'

"Write to Custom Defaults" in turn.

If you have reconfigured the scanner and want to restore to its custom setting mode, you may scan the "Enter Setup" - "Restore to Custom Defaults" barcodes as below. The barcode scanner will exit the setup mode after restoring to custom defaults.



Write to Custom Defaults



Restore to Custom Defaults



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Restore Factory Setting

You may use the "Restore Factory Setting" under the circumstances below:

1. Wrong configuration on the barcode scanner or failure to read barcodes.
2. Previous settings are forgotten while users do not want them to affect future barcode scanning.
3. To restore to initial setting after the use of some rarely used configuration.

Scan the "Enter Setup" - "Restore Factory Setting" barcodes in turn. There is no need to read the "Exit and Save" barcode.

Note: If you have restored factory settings for the barcode scanner, the data stored under inventory mode will be cleared.



Restore Factory Setting

## Reveal Battery Status

If you want to know the remaining battery volume of the BCST-42, you may scan the barcode "Reveal Battery Status" without scanning the "Enter Setup" barcode. And the remaining battery amount will be output to the device connected with the BCST-42.



Reveal Battery Status



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Data Transmission Speed

The product defaults working under high-speed transmission mode. By default, the data transmission interval is 0ms, which can improve your working efficiency.

If you want to use the product with some low-speed software (like the Excel on Android phones), please adjust the data transmission interval accordingly, as the issue of data loss or garbled characters can happen if the interval is too short.

 <p>(*) Set Data Transmission Interval as 0ms</p>	 <p>Set Data Transmission Interval as 16ms</p>
 <p>Set Data Transmission Interval as 32ms</p>	 <p>Set Data Transmission Interval as 64ms</p>
 <p>Set Data Transmission Interval as 96ms</p>	 <p>Set Data Transmission Interval as 128ms</p>
 <p>Set Data Transmission Interval as 256ms</p>	

## Auto Sleep

To save battery, you may set the interval for the scanner to enter auto sleep mode. The preset interval is 10 minutes.



Exit and Save



Enter Setup



 <p>(*) Enable Auto Sleep</p>	 <p>Disable Auto Sleep</p>
 <p>Set Auto Sleep Interval as 1min</p>	 <p>Set Auto Sleep Interval as 3min</p>
 <p>Set Auto Sleep Interval as 5min</p>	 <p>(*)Set Auto Sleep Interval as 10min</p>
 <p>Set Auto Sleep Interval as 30min</p>	 <p>Set Auto Sleep Interval as 60min</p>

## Buffer Settings

When the scanner is out of the transmission range, the barcodes scanned will be kept in the built-in memory/buffer/cache temporarily.

If you want to upload the data stored in the built-in memory/buffer/cache to your computer or phone, please double-click the scan button when the barcode scanner is in the transmission range.

You may choose whether to erase the barcodes stored in the buffer every time you power on the scanner.

 <p>Enable Auto Buffer Storage Clearance</p>	 <p>(*) Disable Auto Buffer Storage Clearance</p>
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Exit and Save



Enter Setup

If you want to auto-upload the barcodes that exist in the buffer when the barcode scanner reconnects to the device, you may set the "Auto Upload Barcodes in Buffer" function as enabled.



Enable Auto Upload Barcodes in Buffer



(\*) Disable Auto Upload Barcodes in Buffer

## Inventory Function

When under inventory mode, barcodes will be saved in the buffer of the barcode scanner and can be uploaded for many times as per your need. You can also erase the barcodes in the buffer after uploading them to your device.

Note: You do not need to scan "Enter Setup" or "Exit with Save" when reading the barcodes below. The functions can be achieved simply by scanning the corresponding function setting barcodes.



Enter Inventory Mode



(\*) Return to Common Mode

If you want to erase the data in buffer, scan the "Erase Buffer" barcode (for inventory mode only)



Erase Buffer (for inventory mode only)

Scan the "Upload Data" barcode to upload the data in buffer storage (for inventory mode only)



Exit and Save



Enter Setup



Upload Data (for inventory mode only)

Scan the "Upload Number Collected" barcode to upload the number of barcodes collected (for inventory mode only)



Upload Number Collected (for inventory mode only)

When under inventory mode, if you do not want to scan the same barcode twice, you may set the scanner as "Enable Duplicate Scan Check". After the setting, the scanner will let out a strange "beep" sound when it reads a duplicate barcode, and the duplicate barcode scanned will not be stored in the buffer. The scanner defaults "Disable Duplicate Scan Check". You may enable "duplicate scan check" as per your needs.



Enable Duplicate Scan Check



(\*) Disable Duplicate Scan Check

## Illuminative Light Control



(\*) Light up When Scanning



Stay on



Stay off



Exit and Save







Enter Setup



## Navigation Light Control

 (*) Light up when Scanning	
 Stay on	 Stay off
Navigation Light Flashes	
 (*) Navigation Light Flashes	 Navigation Light Does Not Flash

## Volume Control

 Silent	 Low Volume
 (*) Medium Volume	 High Volume

## Vibration Alert

 Disable Vibration Alert	 (*) Enable Slight Vibration Alert
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Exit and Save



Enter Setup



Enable Strong Vibration Alert

## Scanning Mode

### Auto Red Light Shut off Mode

Auto red light shut off mode is the default mode. When under this mode, the red light will not become lit unless you press the scan button. If no barcode is scanned, the red light will stay on for some time which can be set as 1s, 2s, 3s, 5s or 50s (2s is the default setting), and then go off. If the barcode is successfully scanned, the red light will go off immediately.

For example: to set the scan mode as "Auto Red Light Shut off" and the shut off time as 1s.

1. Scan the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Scan the "Auto Red Light Shut off Mode" barcode.
3. Scan the "Auto Red Light Shut off Time Setting" barcode.
4. Scan the "1s" barcode.
5. Scan the "Exit and Save" barcode.



(\*) Auto Red Light Shut off Mode



Auto Red Light Shut off Time Setting



1s



(\*)2s





Exit and Save





Enter Setup

	
5s	50s







## Consecutive Scanning Mode

You don't need to push the button to trigger scanning under this mode. The red LED is on automatically and ready to scan a barcode. If no barcodes are scanned, the red LED will stay on. After a successful scanning, the red LED goes off first and becomes lit again automatically.

To adjust the scanning intervals, please follow the steps below:

For example: to set the scanning mode as "Consecutive Scanning Mode" and set the "Consecutive Scanning Interval" as 1s.

1. Read the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Read the "Consecutive Scanning Mode" barcode.
3. Read the "Consecutive Scanning Interval Setting" barcode.
4. Read the "1s" barcode.
5. Read the "Exit and Save" barcode.





	
Consecutive Scanning Mode	Consecutive Scanning Interval Setting
	
400ms	800ms
	
1s	(*) 2s



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

 3s	 5s
 10s	 15s

### Manual Scanning Mode

When under the manual scanning mode, a red-light beam will appear when you press the scan button which indicates the scanner is ready to scan barcodes. The red light will not go off until one of the situations below occurs.

1. Read a barcode successfully
2. Release the scan button



Manual Reading Mode

### Hands-free Scanning Mode

When under the hands-free scanning mode, the red light won't go off when the scanner reads a barcode successfully. Each barcode will be read only once no matter how long it exposes under the red light.



Hands-free Mode



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Connection

### Wireless Bluetooth Mode

If the BCST-42 has never been paired with any device via Bluetooth, it will enter the pairing mode automatically after powers on. You may use your phone to search the BCST-42 and click to pair. Besides that, you may adjust the scanner to pairing mode by scanning the pairing barcode below.

Once the BCST-42 has been paired to a certain device via the Bluetooth, automatic reconnection will be built when it is powered on the next time.

Note: Normally BCST-42 can re-connect to previously connected device automatically. If it fails, please remove the pairing history of BCST-42 in the list of host device. Afterwards, pair them again.



Pairing



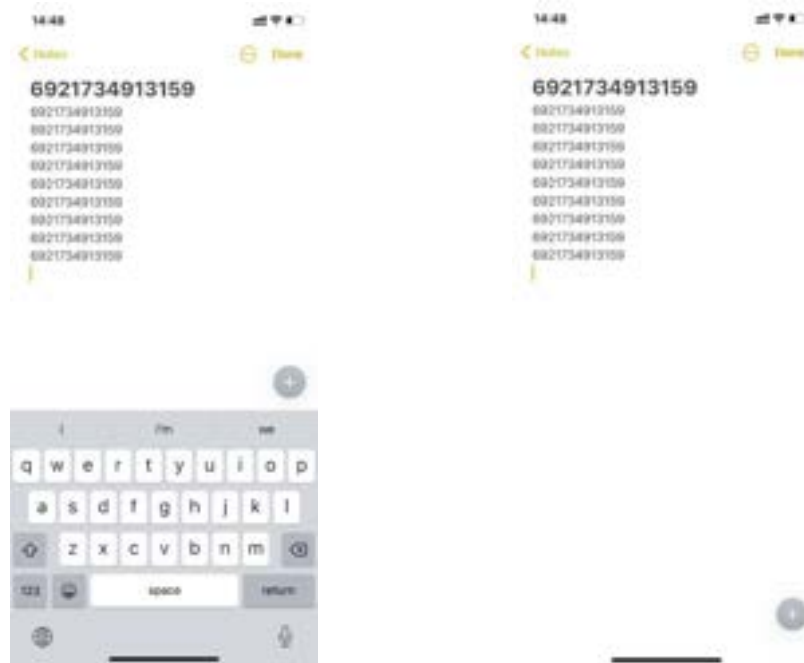
Exit and Save



Enter Setup

When under the Bluetooth HID mode, the phone will hide the virtual keyboard automatically after connected with the BCST-42.

If you are on an iOS device and want to pop out the virtual keyboard when scanning, you may long press the scan button for 3s and for another 3s to hide the virtual keyboard, which is illustrated in the picture below.



If you are on an Android device and want to reactivate the virtual keyboard, please follow the steps below:

1. Open the "Settings" app on your Android device.
2. Select language and input method, and conduct the steps below according to your Android system version:

Android 7.0 and above: Select "Physical Keyboard" - "Show Virtual Keyboard" in turn.

Android 6.0 and lower: Select "Current Keyboard" - "Hardware (Show Input Method)" in turn.



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Set Bluetooth Name

The BCST-42 features Bluetooth name setting with length limited to 32 characters. To change the Bluetooth name, please first make sure the BCST-42 is under Bluetooth HID or GATT mode and then scan the "Enter Setup" - "Set Bluetooth Name" - "Bluetooth Name" (Scan the corresponding character barcodes in the appendix) - "Exit and Save" barcodes.

Note: Please cut the scanner from wireless Bluetooth connection with your phone or computer and delete the pairing history on your phone and computer after modifying the Bluetooth name. Reconnect the scanner with your phone or computer via wireless Bluetooth connection again to reveal the new Bluetooth name.

For example, to change the Bluetooth name to "Tom", you may follow the steps below:

1. Scan the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Scan the "Set Bluetooth Name" barcode.
3. Scan the "T" character barcode in the Appendix I.
4. Scan the "o" character barcode in the Appendix I.
5. Scan the "m" character barcode in the Appendix I.
6. Scan the "Exit and Save" barcode.



Set Bluetooth Name



Exit and Save





Enter Setup

## Barcode Settings

### Codabar

Enable/Disable Codabar	
 (*) Enable Codabar	 Disable Codabar
Transmit START/STOP Characters	
 (*) Enable Codabar START/STOP Characters	 Disable Codabar START/STOP Characters

### Code 11

Enable/Disable Code 11	
 Enable Code 11	 (*) Disable Code 11



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Checksum Code

Data in a Code 11 barcode may not include the checksum code. If there is, the checksum code is the last one or two digit(s) of the data output. The checksum code is the value added from all data collected, to check if the data is correct. After you set the "Code 11 without Checksum" function, the scanner can recognize all Code 11 barcodes normally. The scanner defaults the "Code 11 without Checksum" setting.

After you set the "Code 11 with 1-digit Checksum" function, the scanner will take the last one digit of the data as checksum and won't be able to read Code 11 without checksum or Code 11 with 2-digit checksum.

After you set the "Code 11 with 2-digit Checksum" function, the scanner will take the last two digits of the data as checksum and won't be able to read Code 11 without checksum or Code 11 with 1-digit checksum.

After you set the "Transmit Code 11 Checksum" function, the scanner will take the last 1 or 2 digit(s) of the regular data as the checksum to transmit. The scanner defaults the "Code 11 Transmit Checksum" setting.

Scan the "Do not Transmit Code 11 Checksum" barcode and the scanner won't transmit the checksum.



(\*) Code 11 without Checksum



Code 11 with 1-digit Checksum



Code 11 with 2-digit Checksum



(\*) Transmit Code 11 Checksum



Exit and Save



Enter Setup



Do not Transmit Code 11 Checksum

## Code 128

### Enable/Disable Code 128



(\*) Enable Code 128



Disable Code 128

## GS1-128 (UCC-128/EAN-128)

### Enable/Disable GS1-128 (UCC-128/EAN-128)



Enable GS1-128



(\*) Disable GS1-128

## USPS and FedEx Barcode

### Enable/Disable USPS and FedEx Barcode



(\*) Enable USPS and FedEx Barcode



Disable USPS and FedEx Barcode







Exit and Save





Enter Setup

## Code 39

Enable/Disable Code 39	
 (*) Enable Code 39	 Disable Code 39
Transmit START/STOP Character	
 Enable Code 39 START/STOP Character	 (*) Disable Code 39 START/STOP Character
Checksum Code	
<p>The data in a Code 39 may not contain the checksum code. If there is, the checksum code is the last character of the data. The checksum code is the value added from all data collected, to check if the data is correct.</p> <p>After you set the "Code 39 without Checksum" function, the scanner will recognize all Code 39 normally. The scanner defaults enabling "Code 39 without Checksum".</p> <p>After you set the "Enable and Transmit Code 39 Checksum", the scanner will take the last digit of the Code 39 data output as checksum and transmit it as normal data collected but won't be able to recognize Code 39 without checksum.</p> <p>After you set the "Enable but Do not Transmit Code 39 Checksum" function, the scanner will take the last digit of the Code 39 output as checksum but won't transmit it. And it won't be able to read Code 39 without checksum.</p>	



Exit and Save



Enter Setup



(\*) Code 39 without Checksum



Enable and Transmit Code 39  
Checksum



Enable but Do not Transmit Code 39  
Checksum

ASCII Code Recognition Range Setting



Enable All Code 39 ASCII Character



Disable All Code 39 ASCII character

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number)

Enable/Disable Code 39 VIN (Vehicle Identification Number)



Enable VIN



(\*) Disable VIN

Code 32

Enable/Disable Code 32





Code 32 is a special form of Code 39 that's applied to Italian medical products.  
The BCST-42 defaults disabling Code 32.





Exit and Save







Enter Setup

	
Enable Code 32	(*) Disable Code 32
The fixed initial character of a Code 32 is "A". The BCST-42 supports the function of enabling or disabling the initial character, and defaults disabling it.	
	
Enable Initial Character Output "A"	(*) Disable Initial Character Output "A"

## Code 93

Enable/Disable Code 93	
	
(*) Enable Code 93	Disable Code 93

## EAN-8

Enable/Disable EAN-8	
	
(*) Enable EAN-8	Disable EAN-8
Checksum Code	
	
(*) Transmit EAN-8 Checksum Code	Do not Transmit EAN-8 Checksum Code







Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## EAN-13

Enable/Disable EAN-13	
 (*) Enable EAN-13	 Disable EAN-13
Checksum Code	
 (*) Transmit EAN-13 Checksum	 Do not Transmit EAN-13 Checksum

## ISBN

Convert EAN-13 into ISBN	
You may decide whether to convert EAN-13 into ISBN. The scanner won't convert EAN-13 into ISBN by default.	
 Convert EAN-13 into ISBN	 (*) Do not Convert EAN-13 into ISBN
Convert EAN-13 into ISSN	
You may decide whether to convert EAN-13 into ISSN. The scanner disables the conversion by default.	
 Convert EAN-13 into ISSN	 (*) Do not Convert EAN-13 into ISSN







Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## MSI




Enable/Disable MSI	
 Enable MSI	 (*) Disable MSI
Checksum Code	
<p>The MSI barcode contains 1-digit compulsory checksum code. If there is a checksum code, it will be the last 1 or 2 digit(s). The checksum is the value added from all data collected to check if the data input is correct.</p> <p>After you set the "MSI without Checksum" function, the scanner can recognize all regular MSI barcodes. The default setting is "MSI without checksum".</p> <p>After you set the "MSI with One-digit Checksum" function, the scanner will take the last digit of the data as the checksum and won't be able to recognize MSI without checksum or with 2-digit checksum. The default setting is "MSI with One-digit Checksum".</p> <p>After you set the "MSI with Two-digit Checksum" function, the scanner will take the last two digits of the data as the checksum and won't be able to recognize MSI without checksum or with only 1 digit checksum.</p> <p>After you set the "Transmit MSI Checksum" function, the scanner will take the last one or two digit(s) of the regular data as the checksum. The default setting is "Transmit MSI Checksum".</p> <p>After you set the "Do not Transmit MSI Checksum" function, the scanner will no longer transmit MSI checksum.</p>	
 (*) MSI without Checksum	 MSI with One-digit Checksum







Exit and Save



Enter Setup

	
MSI with Two-digit Checksum	(*) Transmit MSI Checksum
	
Do not Transmit MSI Checksum	

## UPC-A





Enable/Disable UPC-A	
	
(*) Enable UPC-A	Disable UPC-A
UPC-A Outputs 0	
You may decide whether to add a character "0" to the output of UPC-A. The scanner defaults disabling the 0 output.	
	
UPC-A Outputs 0	(*) UPC-A Do not Output 0
Checksum Code	
You may decide whether to transmit checksum code. The scanner defaults disabling checksum code transmission.	







Exit and Save



Enter Setup

 <p>Transmit UPC-A Checksum</p>	 <p>(*)Do not Transmit UPC-A Checksum</p>
<p>UPC-A Number System Digit</p>	
<p>The first digit of a UPC-A barcode is the number system digit. The scanner default enabling the output of number system digit. You may disable it as per your needs.</p>	
 <p>(*) UPC-A Outputs Number System Digit</p>	 <p>UPC-A Do not Output Number System Digit</p>

## UPC-E

<p>Enable/Disable UPC-E</p>	
 <p>(*) Enable UPC-E</p>	 <p>Disable UPC-E</p>
<p>Enable/Disable UPC-E1</p>	
<p>The initial digit of most UPC-E is "0". If you want to read UPC-E barcodes with initial digit "1", please first enable the UPC-E and then set the "Enable UPC-E1" barcode. The scanner defaults disabling the UPC-E1.</p>	
 <p>Enable UPC-E1</p>	 <p>(*) Disable UPC-E1</p>



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

### Enable/Disable Initial Digit of UPC-E



(\*) Enable Initial Digit of UPC-E



Disable Initial Digit of UPC-E

### Convert UPC-E to UPC-A



Convert UPC-E to UPC-A



(\*) Do not Convert UPC-E to UPC-A

### Checksum Code



(\*) Transmit UPC-E Checksum



Do not Transmit UPC-E Checksum

### IATA 2 of 5

#### Enable/Disable IATA 2 of 5



Enable IATA 2 of 5



(\*) Disable IATA 2 of 5

### Interleaved 2 of 5

#### Enable/Disable Interleaved 2 of 5



(\*) Enable Interleaved 2 of 5



Disable Interleaved 2 of 5





Exit and Save







Enter Setup

## Matrix 2 of 5





Enable/Disable Matrix 2 of 5	
	
Enable Matrix 2 of 5	(*) Disable Matrix 2 of 5

## Standard 2 of 5 / Industrial 2 of 5

Enable/Disable Standard 2 of 5 / Industrial 2 of 5	
	
Enable Standard 2 of 5 / Industrial 2 of 5	(*) Disable Standard 2 of 5 / Industrial 2 of 5

## GS1 DataBar

GS1 DataBar Limited, GS1 DataBar Expanded, GS1 DataBar Stacked etc. share the same setting barcodes below with GS1 DataBar.

Enable/Disable GS1 DataBar	
	
(*) Enable GS1 DataBar	Disable GS1 DataBar
Enable/Disable GS1 DataBar Composite	
	
(*) Enable GS1 DataBar Composite	Disable GS1 DataBar Composite



Exit and Save




Enter Setup

## QR Code

Micro QR Code share the same setting barcodes below with QR Code.

Enable/Disable QR Code	
 (*) Enable QR Code	 Disable QR Code
Normal/Inverted QR Code Recognition	
<p>"Read Normal QR Code Only" means the scanner will only read the QR codes with white background and black lines. "Read Normal and Inverted QR Code" means those with black background and white lines can also be read like the normal ones. The scanner defaults reading normal QR codes with white background and black lines only. You can set it as "Read Normal and Inverted QR Code" as per your needs.</p>	
 (*) Read Normal QR Code Only	 Read Normal and Inverted QR Code

## Data Matrix

Enable/Disable Data Matrix	
 (*) Enable Data Matrix	 Disable Data Matrix



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

### Normal/Inverted Data Matrix Recognition

"Read Normal Data Matrix Only" means the scanner will only be capable of reading Data Matrix barcodes with white background and black lines. "Read Inverted Data Matrix Only" means the scanner will only be capable of reading the Data Matrix with black background and white lines. "Read Normal and Inverted Data Matrix" means the scanner can read both types of Data Matrix barcodes. The scanner defaults reading normal Data Matrix barcode. You can set it as "Read Inverted Data Matrix Only" or "Read Normal and Inverted Data Matrix" as per your needs.



(\*) Read Normal Data Matrix Only



Read Inverted Data Matrix Only



Read Normal and Inverted Data Matrix

### PDF 417

Micro PDF 417 share the same setting barcodes below with PDF 417.

### Enable/Disable PDF 417



(\*) Enable PDF 417



Disable PDF 417





Exit and Save





Enter Setup






## Aztec code

Enable/Disable Aztec Code	
 Enable Aztec Code	 (*) Disable Aztec Code

## Maxi code

Enable/Disable Maxi Code	
 Enable Maxi Code	 (*) Disable Maxi Code

## Han Xin Code

Enable/Disable Han Xin Code	
 Enable Han Xin Code	 (*) Disable Han Xin Code
Normal/Inverted Han Xin Code Recognition	
 (*) Read Normal Han Xin Code Only	 Read Inverted Han Xin Code Only
 Read Normal and Inverted Han Xin Code	



Exit and Save





Enter Setup

## To Edit Data Format

### Code ID

A Code ID character identifies the code type of a scanned barcode. This is useful when decoding more than one code type.

You may decide whether to add code ID in front of a barcode output. The scanner defaults disabling Code ID.

 <p>Output Code ID</p>	 <p>(*) Do not Output Code ID</p>
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### Code ID List

Code Type	Code ID
Code 128	a
EAN-13	b
EAN-8	c
UPC-A	d
UPC-E	e
Code 39	f
Code 93	g
Codabar	h
Interleaved 2 of 5	i
Standard 2 of 5, Industrial 2 of 5	j
Matrix 2 of 5	k
IATA 2 of 5	l
MSI	m
Code 11	n
ISBN	P
ISSN	q



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

QRCode	A
PDF-417	B
Aztec Code	C
Maxi Code	D
Data Matrix	E
Han Xin Code	F
GS1 128	G
GS1 DataBar, GS1 DataBar Expanded, GS1 DataBar Limited	H

## Code End Character Setting

You may decide whether to add a "Enter" after a barcode output. The scanner defaults adding an "Enter" after a barcode.



(\*) Add "Enter" after Barcode



Do not Add "Enter" after Barcode

## Custom Code Prefix/Suffix Setting

The BCST-42 supports customizing 1-32 digit(s) of barcode prefix, and 1-32 digit(s) of barcode suffix. The prefix and suffix can be either shown or hidden. The scanner defaults showing the prefix and suffix. Please refer to the Appendix for the supported prefix/suffix characters.

Steps to set the prefix as "#" and the suffix as "D" are as below:

1. Read the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Read the "Set Prefix" barcode.
3. Read the "#" barcode in Appendix I.
4. Read the "Set Suffix" barcode.
5. Read the "D" barcode in Appendix I.
6. Read the "Exit and Save" barcode.







Note: After you successfully set prefix and suffix, the BCST-42 will by default output scanning result with prefix and suffix.



Exit and Save



Enter Setup



 Set prefix	 (*)Show prefix
 (*)Show suffix	 Set suffix
 Hide prefix	 Hide suffix

## Delete Characters on Output Result

When outputting scanning result, the BCST-42 supports deleting 0–99 digit(s) front characters and 0–99 digit(s) end characters from a barcode.

Steps to set deleting front 12-digit characters and end 4-digit characters are as below:

1. Read the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Read the "Set the Number of Front Digit(s) to be Deleted" barcode.
3. Scan the "1 Digit" barcode.
4. Scan the "2 Digits" barcode.
5. Scan the "Set the Number of End Digit(s) to be Deleted".
6. Scan the "4 Digits" barcode.
7. Scan the "Exit and Save" barcode.





 Set Number of Front Digit(s) to be Deleted	 Set Number of End Digit(s) to be Deleted
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Exit and Save





Enter Setup

	
(*) 0 Digit	1 Digit
	
2 Digits	3 Digits
	
4 Digits	5 Digits
	
6 Digits	7 Digits
	
8 Digits	9 Digits

## Upper/Lower Case Setting

The BCST-42 can convert all letters in a barcode into upper case form, or all into lower case form. The case of letters remains unchanged by default. You may change the setting of the upper and lower case by reading the barcodes below.

	
Convert All Letters to Upper Case	Convert All Letters to Lower Case



Exit and Save





Enter Setup



(\*) Do Not Convert Letter Case

## Additional Code

Barcodes like EAN-8, EAN-13, ISBN, ISSN, UPC-A and UPC-E can have additional codes. These additional codes appear on the right of the main code and are shorter than the main code, which can be 2-5 digits. The BCST-42 will only read the main code after you disable the additional code.

### 2-digit Additional Code

You may decide whether to recognize the 2-digit additional code by set this function that is applicable to EAN-8, EAN-13, ISBN, ISSN, UPC-A, and UPC-E. The BCST-42 defaults disabling the recognition of 2-digit additional code.



Enable 2-Digit Additional Code



(\*) Disable 2-Digit Additional Code

### 5-digit Additional Code

You may decide whether to recognize the 5-digit additional code by setting this function which is applicable to EAN-8, EAN-13, ISBN, ISSN, UPC-A and UPC-E. The scanner defaults disabling the recognition of 5-digit additional code.



Enable 5-digit Additional Code



(\*) Disable 5-digit Additional Code



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Mode of Recognition Only for Barcodes with Additional Code

The scanner can only recognize the barcodes with additional code if you set the mode as "Recognition Only for Barcodes with Additional Code".

The scanner can recognize the barcodes without additional code if you set the mode as "Recognition Not Only for Barcodes with Additional Code".



Recognition Only for Barcodes with  
Additional Code



(\*)Recognition Not Only for Barcodes  
with Additional Code

## Separation Character

You may decide whether to add a separation character "-" between the main code and additional code. This function is applicable to the barcodes with additional code, e.g., ISBN code, and ISSN code.



Add Separation Character



(\*) Do not Add Separation Character

## Caps Lock Control

When using the BCST-42 on a Windows system, the content of a barcode may change with the status of the caps lock key. To avoid errors caused by such change, you may enable the "Rid Barcode of Caps Lock Control".



(\*) Caps Lock Control Barcode



Rid Barcode of Caps Lock Control



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Read Code with Specific Initial Characters Only

Under this mode you may set 1-6 digits as initial characters, and the scanner will only recognize the barcodes with these initial characters. Please refer to the Appendix I for the supported characters.

Steps to enable reading barcodes with initial characters "A" and "6" are as below:

1. Read the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Read the "Set the Special Initial Character" barcode.
3. Read the "A" barcode in Appendix I;
4. Read the "6" barcode in Appendix I;
5. Read the "Exit and Save" barcode.

Note: After you set the initial characters by steps above, the BCST-42 will only recognize the barcodes with specific initial characters. If you want to disable the function, please read the "Enter Setup" - "Remove the Restriction on Initial Characters" - "Exit and Save".



Set Initial Characters



Only Read the Barcodes  
with Specific Initial Characters



(\*) Remove the Restriction on Initial Characters

## Read 1D Inverted Barcode



The inverted barcode refers to the 1D barcode with white lines on black ground (The recognition of different inverted 2D barcodes is set separately).



Exit and Save




Enter Setup

 <p>Recognize Inverted Barcode</p>	 <p>(*) Do not Recognize Inverted Barcode</p>
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## Hide Special Initial Character

Code 128 and Code 39 may contain some special initial characters to indicate some sort of parameter of a product. For example, the character "p" as initial character can indicate "Part Number", and character "Q" can indicate quantity. The BCST-42 can hide such initial characters. If the initial characters are set to be hidden, the initial characters for code 128 and code 39 including D, K, P, Q, S, V, 1P, 1T, 1OD, 17V, 2P or 4L will be hidden and won't output. "Hide Special Initial Character" function is disabled by default.

 <p>Hide Special Initial Character</p>	 <p>(*) Show Special Initial Character</p>
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## Time Stamp Function

The time stamp includes time (hour/minute/second) and date (day/month/year). The BCST-42 disables time stamp function by default. You may decide whether to output it. You can enable either the time or date, or both time and date output. After you set the time output function, the time stamp will be added to the output of each barcode in the format of 24-hour time system.













 <p>Output Time</p>	 <p>(*) Do not Output Time</p>
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Exit and Save



Enter Setup

	
Output Date	(*) Do not Output Date
Due to the time zone difference or the shortage of battery, you may encounter problems such as the time stamp does not synchronize with the local time. You can scan the barcodes below to set the time stamp.	
	
Set the Year of Time Stamp	Set the Month of Time Stamp
	
Set the Day of Time Stamp	Set the Hour of Time Stamp
	
Set the Minute of Time Stamp	Set the Second of Time Stamp
	
Number 0	Number 1
	
Number 2	Number 3



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

 Number 4	 Number 5
 Number 6	 Number 7
 Number 8	 Number 9

For example, if you want to set the time stamp as "09:34:07 2019/04/18", you may follow the steps as indicated below:

1. Read the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Read the "Set the Year of Time Stamp" barcode.
3. Read the "Number 1" barcode.
4. Read the "Number 9" barcode.
5. Read the "Set the Month of Time Stamp" barcode.
6. Read the "Number 4" barcode.
7. Read the "Set the Day of Time Stamp" barcode.
8. Read the "Number 1" barcode.
9. Read the "Number 8" barcode.
10. Read the "Set the Hour of Time Stamp" barcode.
11. Read the "Number 9" barcode.
12. Read the "Set the Minute of Time Stamp" barcode.
13. Read the "Number 3" barcode.
14. Read the "Number 4" barcode.
15. Read the "Set the Second of Time Stamp" barcode.
16. Read the "Number 7" barcode.
17. Read the "Exit and Save" barcode.

Note: The year of the time stamp can only be set between 2000 and 2099.



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Use of Shortcut Barcodes

There are two types of shortcut barcodes.

Input Type: With these shortcut barcodes you can quickly input some characters.

Please refer to Appendix I.

Function Type: These shortcut barcodes work either alone or in combination way. Please refer to the Appendix II and Appendix III.

If the shortcut barcode is enabled and you scan some shortcut barcodes of input type, BCST-42 will output corresponding characters. When you scan the shortcut barcodes of function type, BCST-42 will simulate the effect on a keyboard, like a standalone function key or combination ones.



Enable Shortcut Barcodes



(\*) Disable Shortcut Barcodes

## Settings of Data Coding Format

To let the host print Chinese data in given code format, you may complete the setting by reading the "Data Coding Format" barcode. The scanner defaults outputting data in GBK coding format.

1. Original Data Format, the data coding output format is closely connected with the code generation environment. The output format can be GBK or UNICODE.
2. The GBK (GB2312) is applicable to software like Notepad, Excel, etc.
3. The UNICODE is applicable to software like WORD etc.



(\*) Original Data Coding Format






GBK Data Coding Format



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

 <p>Unicode Data Coding Format</p>	 <p>(*) Disable Original and GBK Chinese Character Recognition</p>
 <p>Enable Original and GBK Chinese Character Recognition</p>	




## Replace GS (^)] with Specific Character

The BCST-42 supports replacing the GS separation character (^)] with specific characters. The scanner defaults disabling the function.

Steps to set replacing GS separation character with character "A" are as below:

1. Read the "Enter Setup" barcode.
2. Read the "Set the GS Replacement Character" barcode.
3. Read the "A" barcode in Appendix I.
4. Read the "Exit and Save" barcode.

Note: After you complete setting the replacement character by following steps above, the BCST-42 will automatically enable the replacing GS with other characters function. If you want to disable the function, please read the "Enter Setup" - "Disable Replacing GS with Other Character" - "Exit and Save" barcodes in turn.

 <p>Set the Replacement Character</p>	 <p>Enable Replacing GS with Other Characters</p>
 <p>(*) Disable Replacing GS with Other Characters</p>	

















Exit and Save





Enter Setup

## Appendix I : Characters















 !	 "
 #	 \$
 %	 &
 ,	 (
 )	 *
 +	 /
 -	 .



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

 /	 0
 1	 2
 3	 4
 5	 6
 7	 8
 9	 :
 ;	 <



Exit and Save



Enter Setup















 =	 >
 ?	 @
 A	 B
 C	 D
 E	 F
 G	 H
 I	 J



Exit and Save



Enter Setup















 K	 L
 M	 N
 O	 P
 Q	 R
 S	 T
 U	 V
 W	 X



Exit and Save



Enter Setup















 Y	 Z
 [	 \"
 ]	 ^
 _	 `
 a	 b
 c	 d
 e	 f



Exit and Save



Enter Setup





 g	 h
 i	 j
 k	 l
 m	 n
 o	 p
 q	 r
 s	 t



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

 u	 v
 w	 x
 y	 z
 {	 
 }	 ~

















Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Appendix II: Independent Function Key

 Enter Key	 Space Key
 F1	 F2
 F3	 F4
 F5	 F6
 F7	 F8
 F9	 F10
 F11	 F12

















Exit and Save





Enter Setup

 Tab	 Backspace
 Delete	 Move Cursor Upward
 Move Cursor Downward	 Move Cursor Leftward
 Move Cursor Rightward	 Ctrl
 Esc	 Insert
 Home	 End
 Page Up	 Page Down







Exit and Save



Enter Setup

## Appendix III: Function Key Combinations















 NUL(Ctrl+@)	 SOH(Ctrl+A)
 STX(Ctrl+B)	 ETX(Ctrl+C)
 EOT(Ctrl+D)	 ENQ(Ctrl+E)
 ACK(Ctrl+F)	 BEL(Ctrl+G)
 BS(Ctrl+H)	 HT(Ctrl+I)
 LF(Ctrl+J)	 VT(Ctrl+K)
 FF(Ctrl+L)	 CR(Ctrl+M)



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

 SO (Ctrl+N)	 SI (Ctrl+O)
 DLE (Ctrl+P)	 DC1 (Ctrl+Q)
 DC2 (Ctrl+R)	 DC3 (Ctrl+S)
 DC4 (Ctrl+T)	 NAK (Ctrl+U)
 SYN (Ctrl+V)	 ETB (Ctrl+W)
 CAN (Ctrl+X)	 EM (Ctrl+Y)
 SUB (Ctrl+Z)	 ESC (Ctrl+[])



Exit and Save



Enter Setup

FS(Ctrl+ \)	GS(Ctrl+])
RS(Ctrl+ ^)	US(Ctrl+ -)



Exit and Save