

# Quick-Start Guide

Use this document to install the iQUBE<sup>2</sup> using Rice Lake Weighing Systems recommended settings. It is written for an 8-cell truck scale that is being used with two iQUBE<sup>2</sup> CPU boards.



**Note** Load cells or simulators must be connected before using the instructions in this document. See the iQube2 installation manual (available on the Rice Lake website at [www.ricelake.com](http://www.ricelake.com)).

RS-422 and RS-485 are used interchangeably. TEDS is not supported.

## Configuration using 920i

### Establish a Connection

1. Connect the iQUBE<sup>2</sup> and the 920i<sup>®</sup> using an RS-422 connection.



**Note** RS-422 is recommended due to the 115,200 baud rate and a maximum distance of 1000' at this high baud rate. RS-232 has a maximum distance of 10'.

Table 1 indicates the connections for RS-422 communications between a 920i and the iQUBE<sup>2</sup>. Two-wire half duplex is available on Port 4 of the 920i.

920i Board J10 Connector (Port 4)		iQUBE <sup>2</sup> J7 Connector	
RS-422 Signal	Pin	Pin	RS-422 Signal
GND	1	1	GND1
RS-422 A	5	4	RS-485 A
RS-422 B	6	5	RS-485 B

Table 1. RS-422 – 2-Wire Connections to 920i

2. Set **S2** dip switches on CPU board to 485 (both set to **OFF**). See Figure 10 on page 6 for **S2** dip switch locations.



**Note** If a change is made to switch position, cycle power on the iQUBE<sup>2</sup> while in Setup mode, switch position is read on power-up.

3. Once power is on again, place **SW1** in the **OFF** position.
4. Enter Config mode on the 920i and navigate to the **PORTTYPE** under the **SERIAL** menu.
5. Change the **PORTTYPE** parameter to **422**.

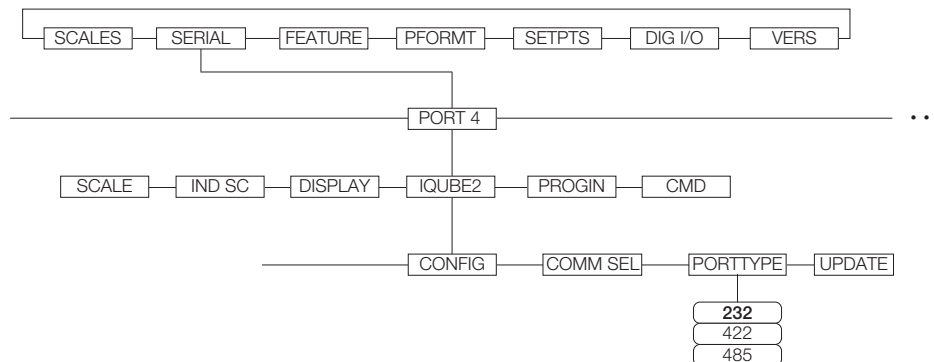


Figure 1. PORTTYPE Parameter

- Navigate to the **CONFIG** menu and press the **Connect** softkey (see Figure 2).

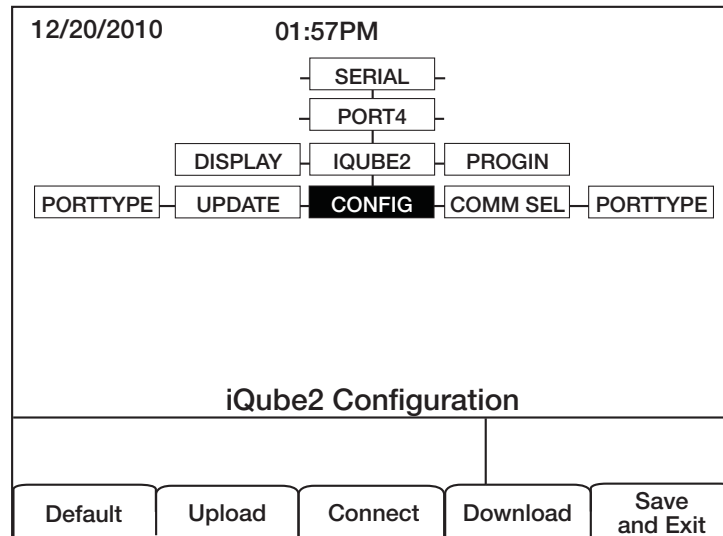


Figure 2. CONFIG Menu

- The serial number displays (i.e., 123XX456 \*NONE\* \*NONE\* NONE\*)  
If the serial number does not display, check wiring and dip switches.

### Add a Secondary Board to the System

- Under **CONFIG**, navigate to the **BOARDS** parameter and select the **Auto Assign** softkey. Green lights on the CPU board start blinking on all cells.

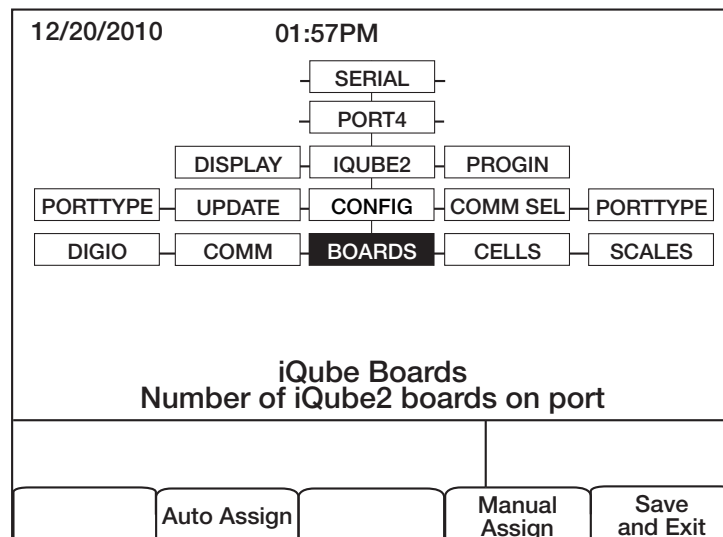


Figure 3. BOARDS Parameter

- Press and release the **SETUP (S1)** button on secondary board #1. Cells 5-8 are now available to the system and registers its serial number with the primary board. The lights on the board will stop blinking.
- Press the **SETUP (S1)** button on the primary board when the secondary unit has been assigned.
- The primary board serial number and any assigned secondary board serial numbers will display.

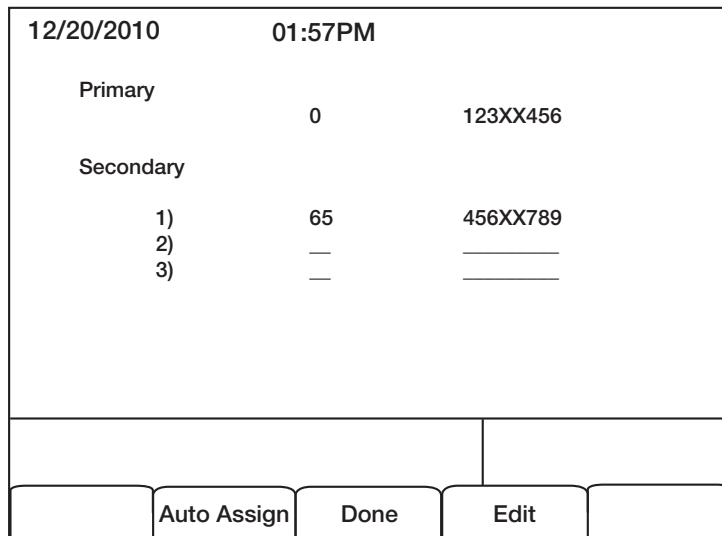


Figure 4. Primary and Secondary Boards screen

5. Press the Done softkey.

### Configure and Add Load Cells

1. Under **CELLS**, set the capacity and m/v.
2. Add cells 5-8 to Scale 1 under the **SCALES** » **SERIAL** menu.

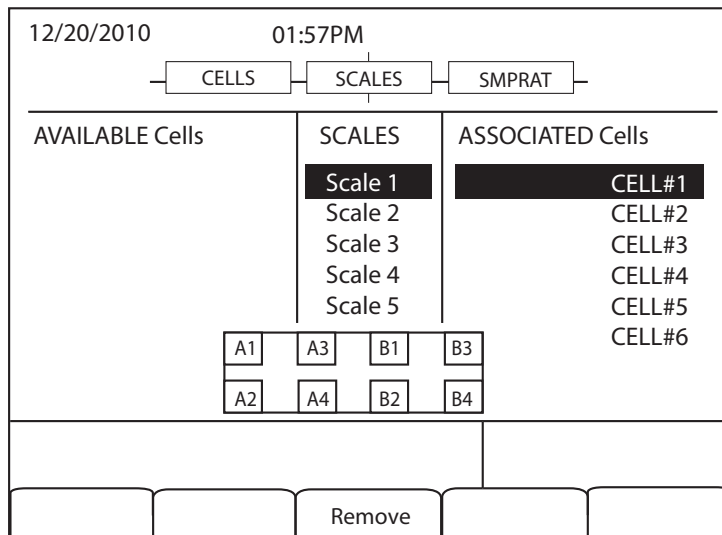


Figure 5. Cells 5-8 added to Scale 1

3. Download to the *iQUBE*<sup>2</sup>.

## Add iQUBE<sup>2</sup> to the 920i

1. From the **SCALES** menu, drop down to **CONFIG**.
2. Press the **Change Type** softkey until **Available iQubes** displays.

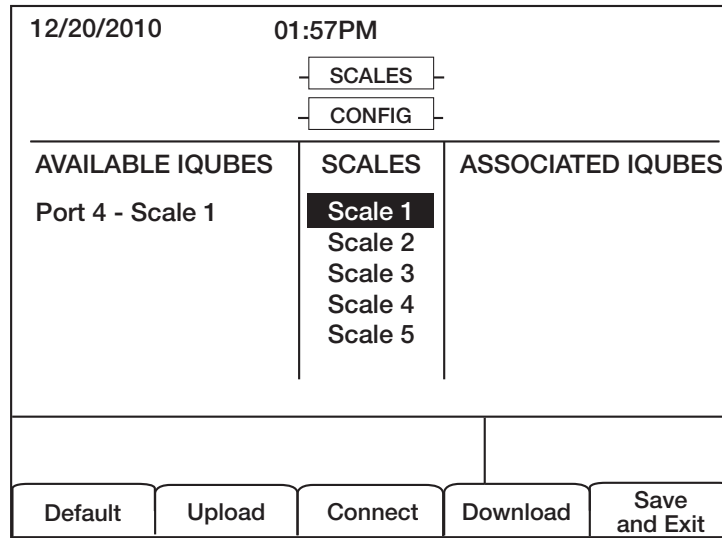


Figure 6. Scale Association screen

3. Select **Port 4 - Scale 1** and press the **ADD** softkey to add it to **Associated iQUBES**.
4. Press the **Save and Exit** softkey.
5. Continue with calibration using the installation manual.

## Configuration using iRev

1. Complete Steps 1 - 4 on page 1.
2. From the iRev4 **File** menu, select **New**.

### Configure Communications

1. From the **System Parameters** section, press **Communications**.
2. Click on Port 4.
3. In the **General** tab, set the input type to **iQube2** and the Port type to **RS-485**.



## Configure and Add Load Cells and Secondary Board

1. Select the **iQUBE<sup>2</sup>** tab.

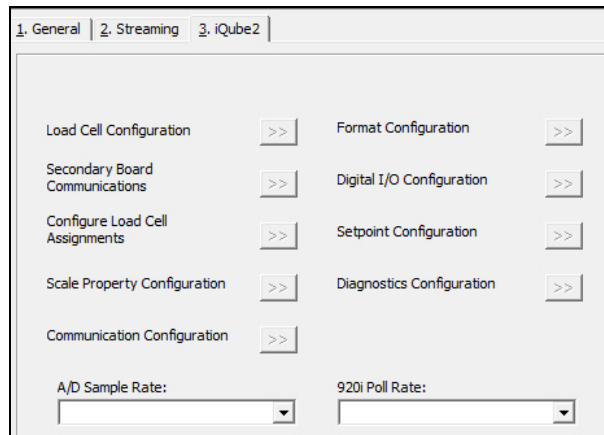


Figure 7. Serial port iQUBE<sup>2</sup> settings

2. Press **Load Cell Configuration** and update as needed.

3. Press **Secondary Board Communications**.
4. In the **Secondary Board One ID** text box, enter the serial number found on the secondary board (see Figure 10 on page 6).
5. In the **Address** text box, enter a number higher than one. Starting secondary board address numbering at 65 is recommended.



Figure 8. Secondary Board Communications

6. Press **Configure Load Cell Assignments** and move desired cells to the right.

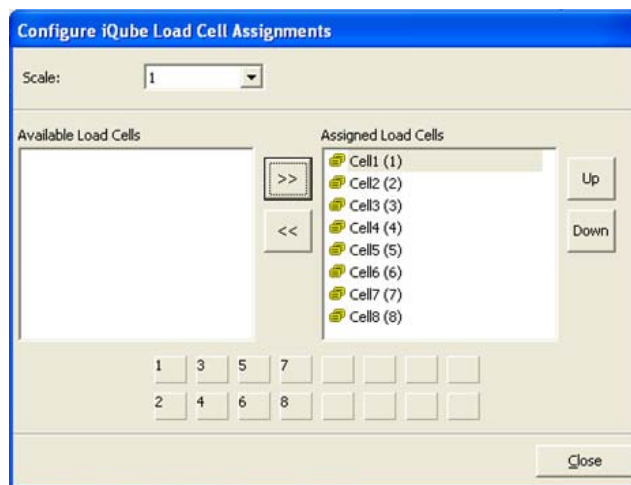


Figure 9. Load cell assignments

7. Press **Scale Property Configuration** and update as needed.

### Configure Scale #1

1. From the **System Parameters** section, click **Scales**. See Figure 1.
2. Double-click **Scale #1**.
3. Under **Source Types**, select **iQube2 Systems** and associate Port 4.

### Save and Download Configuration to iQUBE<sup>2</sup>

1. From the **File** menu, select **Save As** to save the file. Name it appropriately.
2. From the **Communications** menu, select **Connect**.
3. Download all configuration steps. Mark the **Download to iQube2** checkbox.
4. On the 920i, press the **Save and Exit** softkey. A weight displays.
5. Continue with calibration using installation manual.

## J7 SERIAL COMMUNICATIONS

J7 Pin	RS-232	RS-485 2-Wire	RS-485 4-Wire
1	GND1	GND1	GND1
2	RxD	—	Rx+ A
3	—	—	Rx- B
4	—	A / +	Tx+ Y
5	TxD	B / -	Tx- Z
6	—	—	—

## J12 M/S PORT

J12 Pin	Primary iQUBE <sup>2</sup>	Secondary iQUBE <sup>2</sup>
1	iQA →	iQA
2	iQB →	iQB
3	GND2 →	GND2
4	GND2 →	GND2

## S2 SWITCH SETTINGS

	OFF	ON
1	RS-485 ←	RS-232 →
2*	2-WIRE ←	4-WIRE →

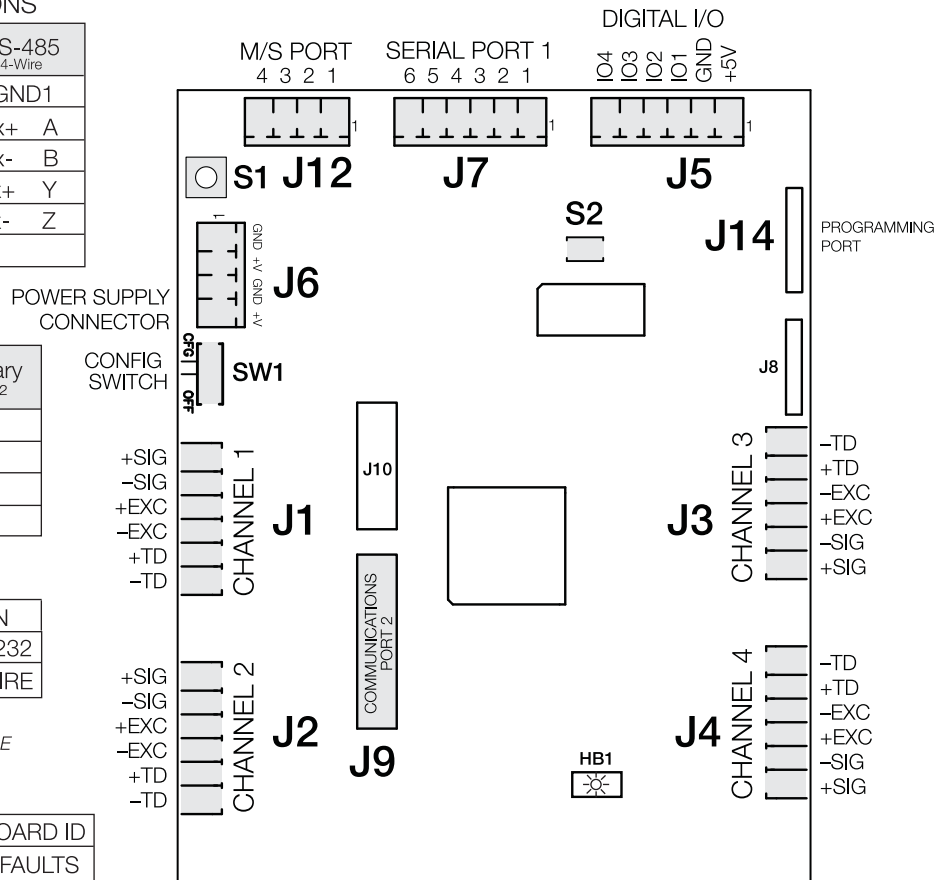
SWITCHES READ ON POWER-UP ONLY

\*SWITCH IS ONLY VALID IN RS-485 MODE

## S1 SWITCH SETTINGS

PRESS & RELEASE	ASSIGN BOARD ID
PRESS & HOLD**	RESET DEFAULTS

\*\*HOLD FIVE SECONDS



DO NOT connect sense to TD+ or TD-. These terminals are for TEDS communication only

Figure 10. iQUBE<sup>2</sup> CPU Board Wiring



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