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# MINI Hawk High Performance Imager User Manual



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## About the MINI Hawk High Performance Imager

The key features of the MINI Hawk High Performance Imager are:

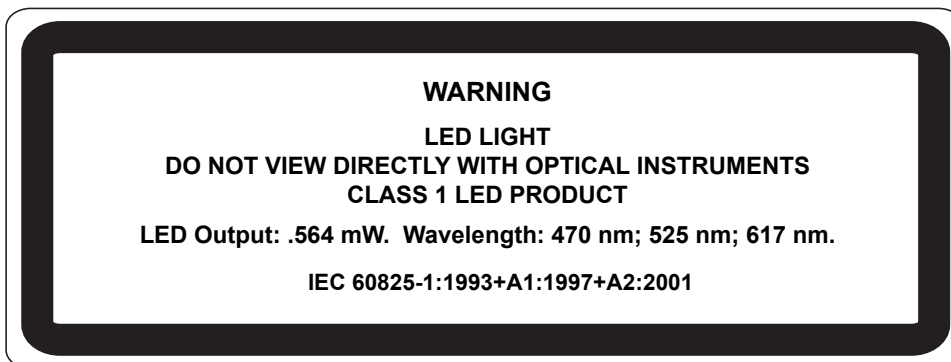
- Powerful X-Mode™ algorithm for Direct Part Mark decoding
- High Density (SXGA), High Speed (WVGA), and 3 Megapixel (QXGA) options
- ESD Safe option
- Software-adjustable focus
- USB, RS-232, and RS-422/485 connectivity
- Support for both linear and 2D symbologies
- High-output LED illumination
- EZ Button for setup and testing
- A blue target pattern that identifies the center point of the field of view
- A green flash (visible from all angles) to signal a successful read
- Compact size for easy integration into a wide variety of applications

## MINI Hawk Communications

There are three ways to configure and test the MINI Hawk:

- Omron Microscan's Windows-based **ESP** (Easy Setup Program), which offers point-and-click ease of use and visual responses to user adjustments.
- Serial commands, such as **<K100,1>**, that can be sent from **ESP's Terminal** or another terminal program.
- The **EZ Button** at the back of the imager.

## Warning and Caution Summary



- Viewing the MINI Hawk's LED output with optical instruments such as magnifiers, eye loupes, or microscopes within a distance of 100 mm could cause serious eye injury.
- Maximum LED output: .564 mW.
- Wavelength: 470 nm; 525 nm; 617 nm.
- Location of the MINI Hawk's LED aperture window:



*LED Aperture Window*

**CAUTION:** Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

**IMPORTANT:** The MINI Hawk is intended for connection to a UL-listed direct plug-in power unit marked Class II and rated 5 VDC at 3.5 Watts, or greater if using electrical accessories.

European models must use a similarly rated Class I or Class II power supply that is certified to comply with standard for safety EN 60950.

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The MINI Hawk has been tested for compliance with FCC (Federal Communications Commission) regulations and has been found to conform to all applicable FCC Rules and Regulations.

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The MINI Hawk has been tested by an independent electromagnetic compatibility laboratory in accordance with the applicable specifications and instructions.



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# 1 Quick Start

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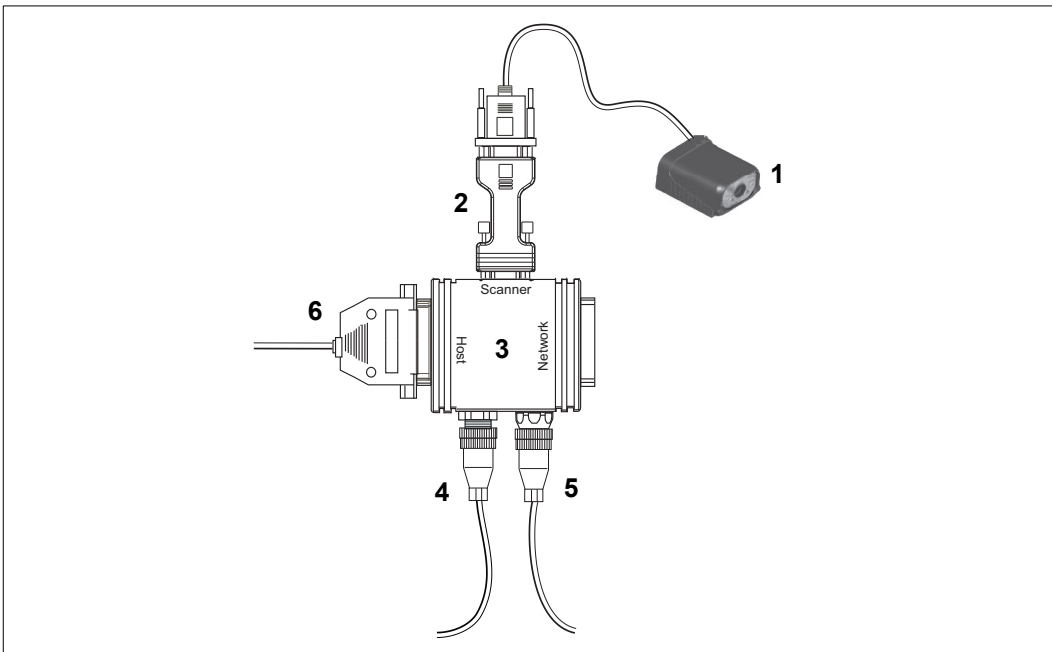
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This chapter is designed to get your MINI Hawk up and running quickly, using the **EZ** button or **ESP** (Easy Setup Program). Following these steps will allow you to get a sense of the imager's capabilities and to test sample symbols.

Detailed setup information for installing the imager into your actual application can be found in the subsequent chapters.

## Step 1 — Check Hardware

Item	Description	Part Number
1	MINI Hawk	FIS-6300-XXXXG
2	IC-332 Adapter	FIS-0001-0035G
3	IB-131 Interface Box	99-000018-01
4	Power Supply (90-264 VAC, 24VDC, USA/Euro plug)	97-100004-15
5	Object Detector	99-000017-01
6	Communication Cable	61-300026-03



Hardware Required

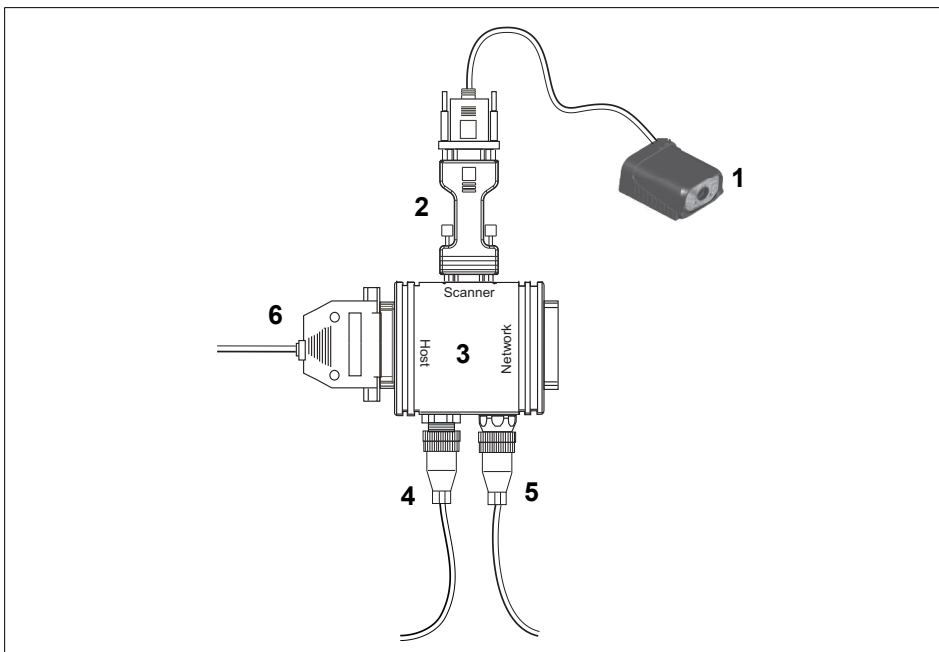
**Caution:** Be sure that all cables are connected **BEFORE** applying power to the system. Always power down **BEFORE** disconnecting any cables.

## Step 2 — Connect the System

### Connecting by RS-232/RS-422/RS-485

- Connect the imager (1) to the IB-131/IC-332 interface (2) and (3).
- Connect the host cable (6) to the host and to the host port on the IB-131 (3).
- Connect the object detector (5) to the IB-131 (3).
- Connect the power supply (4) to the IB-131 (3).
- Apply power to the imager.

**Important:** If you are using a **USB** model, you must connect the device to the host computer **before** powering-on. Otherwise the unit will not be recognized as a USB device.



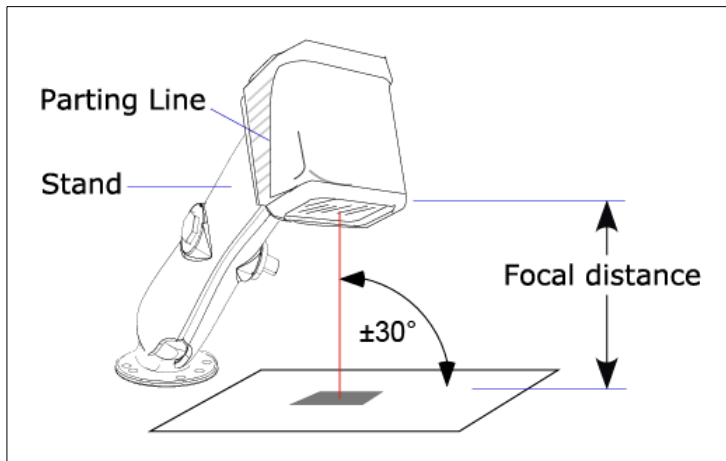
*Hardware Configuration*

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### Step 3 — Position Imager and Symbol

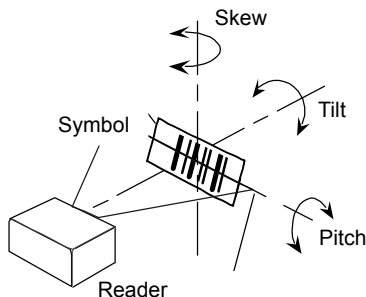
- Position the imager at a focal distance between **2** and **6** inches from the symbol.
- Tip the imager relative to the symbol to avoid the glare of direct (specular) reflection. The case parting line should be perpendicular to the plane of the symbol by either pitching the symbol or the imager as shown.
- Position the imager in a place with as little ambient light as possible.
- Symbols can be rotated (tilted) at any angle; however, for best results symbols should be aligned with the FOV (field of view).



*Imager and Symbol Orientation*

- In the case of linear symbols, aligning the bars in the direction of their movement (“ladder” orientation) will minimize the chances of blurring, and will produce better reads.

**Important:** Avoid excessive skew or pitch. Maximum skew is  $\pm 30^\circ$ ; maximum pitch is  $\pm 30^\circ$ . The illustration below shows skew axis, pitch axis, and tilt axis.



**Note:** For accuracy of testing and performance, Omron Microscan recommends using a mounting arm adapter kit. Contact your Omron Microscan sales manager for details about mounting arm adapter kits and other accessories.

## Step 4 — Install ESP

**ESP Software** can be found on the Omron Microscan Tools Drive that is packaged with the reader.

1. Follow the prompts to install ESP from the Tools Drive.
2. Click on the ESP icon to run the program.



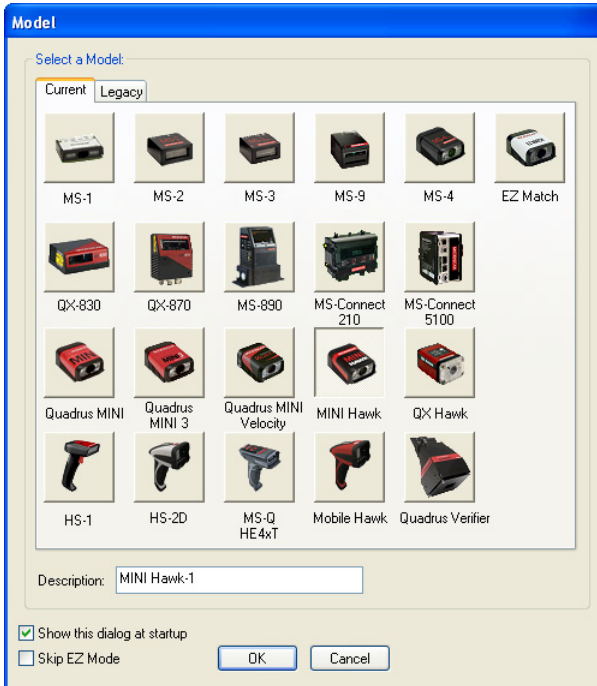
**Note:** ESP can also be installed from the **Download Center** at [www.microscan.com](http://www.microscan.com).

### Minimum System Requirements

- 233 MHz Pentium PC
- Windows 8, 7, Vista, or XP operating system (32-bit or 64-bit)
- Internet Explorer 6.0 or higher
- 128 MB RAM or greater
- 160 MB free disk space
- 800 x 600 256 color display (1024 x 768 32-bit color recommended)

## Step 5 — Select Model

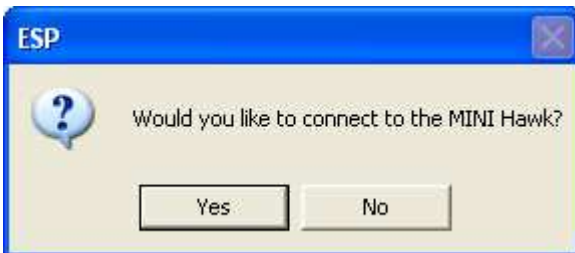
When you start **ESP**, the following menu will appear:



1. Click the button showing the MINI Hawk.
2. Click **OK**.

**Note:** You can also double-click the MINI Hawk button to make your selection.

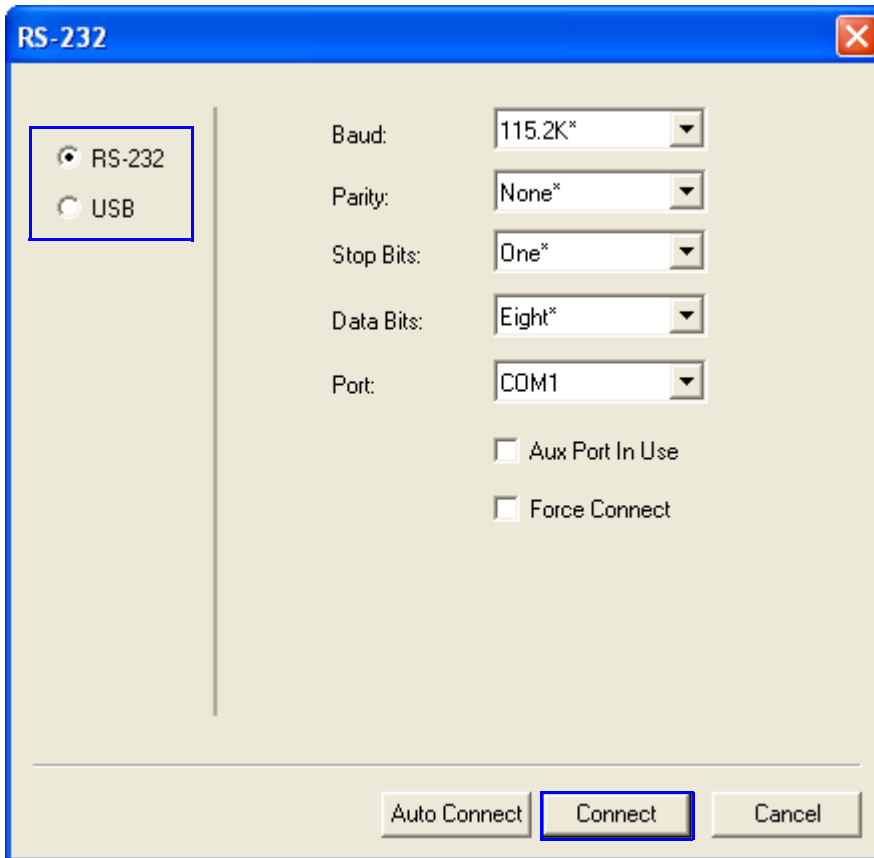
3. Click **Yes** when this dialog appears:



**Note:** If you need to select another model later, click the **Switch Model** button near the top of the screen or use **Model > New Model** in the menu toolbar.

## Step 6 — Select Protocol and Connect

- Choose the connection protocol you are using and click **Connect**.



- Once you select your communications mode, follow the simple prompts to establish your connection.

## Step 6 — Select Protocol and Connect (cont.)

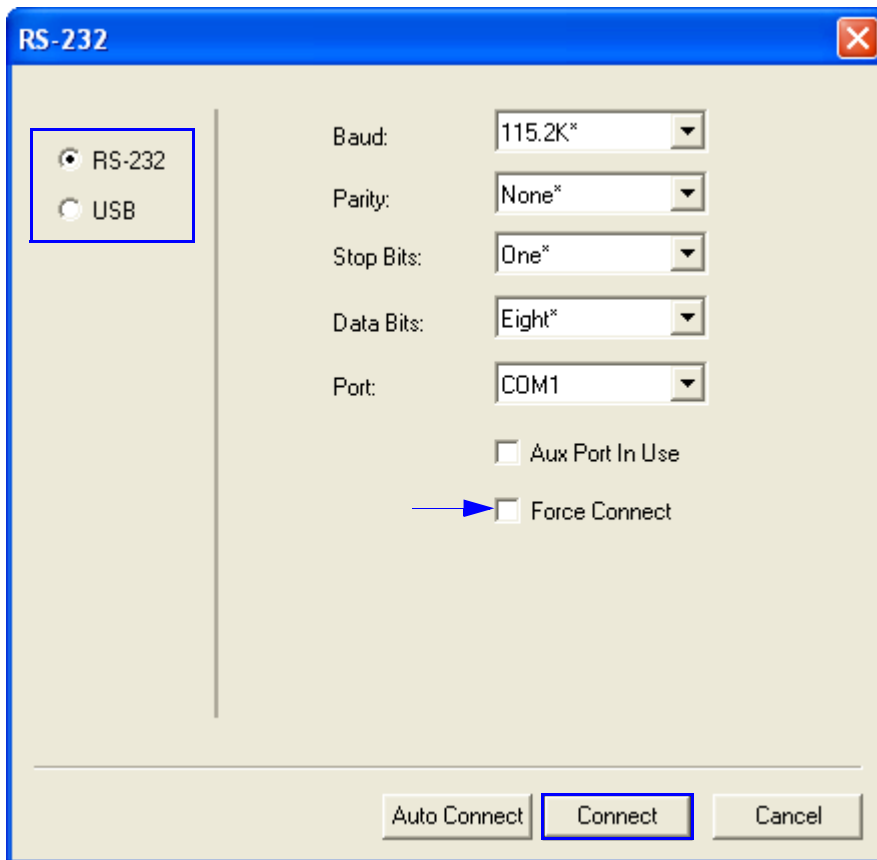
When you are connected, you will see the green connection indicator in the status bar at the bottom right of your screen.

RS-232: CONNECTED Point-to-Point COM1

USB: CONNECTED USB

- If your RS-232 connection attempt fails, click the **Autoconnect** button, select a different communications port, and try again.

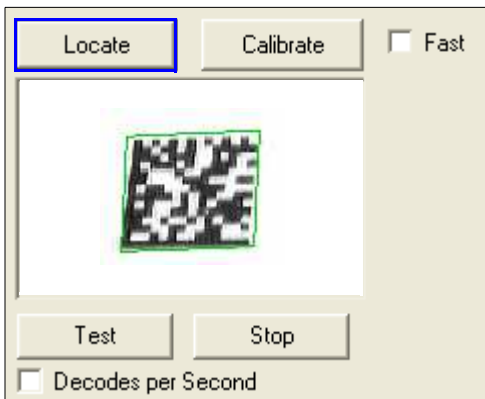
**Note:** If your RS-232 host settings cannot be changed to match the imager's settings, check the **Force Connect** box in the **RS-232** dialog and click the **Connect**.



## Step 7 — Locate the Symbol in the Field of View

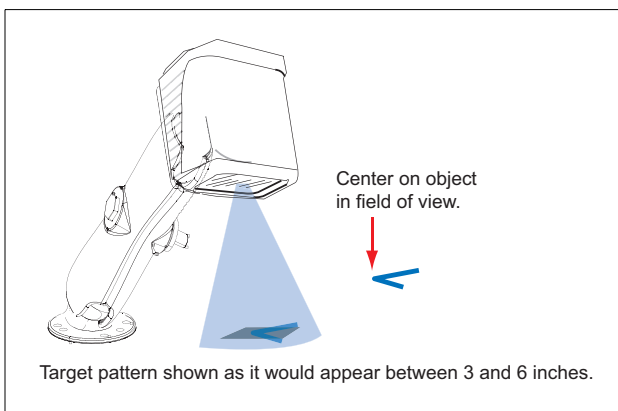
### Locate by ESP

- In ESP's **EZ Mode**, click the **Locate** button to enable the blue target pattern.



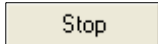
The symbol in the field of view will appear in the video view beneath the **Locate** and **Calibrate** buttons, and you will see the blue target pattern projected from the front of the imager.

- Center the target pattern on the symbol.  
At 2 to 3 inches, the pattern resembles an **X**. At 3 to 6 inches, the pattern resembles a **V**.



**Important:** The entire symbol should fall within the field of view (FOV) of the imager. The field of view is what appears in **ESP's Locate/Calibrate** window in **EZ Mode**.

- Click the **Stop** button to end the **Locate** function.

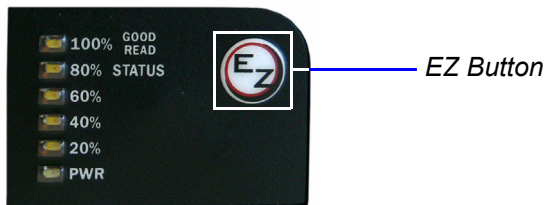


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## Locate the Symbol in the Field of View

### Locate by EZ Button

If you are not connected to a host computer, the EZ Button allows you to locate a symbol in the imager's field of view.



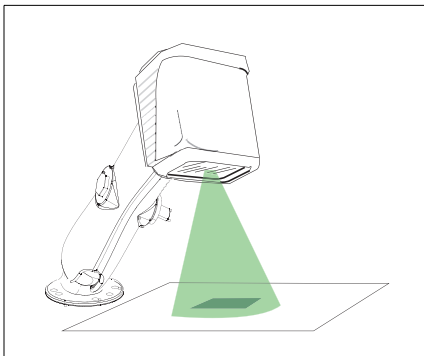
- Hold down the EZ Button for about one second and release when you hear one short beep. The amber **20%** LED will illuminate, and you will see the blue target pattern projected from the front of the imager.
- Center the target pattern on the symbol.

**Note:** To end all EZ Button functions, press the EZ Button once and quickly release.

## Step 8 — Calibrate

MINI Hawk settings can be adjusted automatically for optimum symbol decoding performance by either the EZ Button or by **ESP**.

During the calibration routine, the reader will flash its amber Read Rate percent LEDs and red illumination LEDs while searching camera settings and determining the best configuration for decoding symbol data. Upon successful completion of this routine, a green LED pattern will flash brightly and illuminate the symbol. If unsuccessful, the imager will emit 5 short beeps and stop searching.



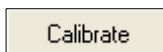
### Calibrate by EZ Button

1. Hold down the EZ Button for about two seconds and release when you hear **two short beeps**. The **20%** and **40%** LEDs will illuminate.
2. The imager will search camera settings to determine the best configuration for decoding symbol data.

**Note:** To end all EZ Button functions, press the EZ Button once and quickly release.

### Calibrate by ESP

1. Click the **Calibrate** button.



2. The imager will search camera settings to determine the best configuration for decoding symbol data.

A successful calibration will display a green frame around the symbol, and the following message will appear: "Uploading all reader parameters." After a moment the symbol data will be presented in the field below the image display window.

### Calibrate by Serial Command

Send **<@CAL>** from a terminal program to begin calibration.



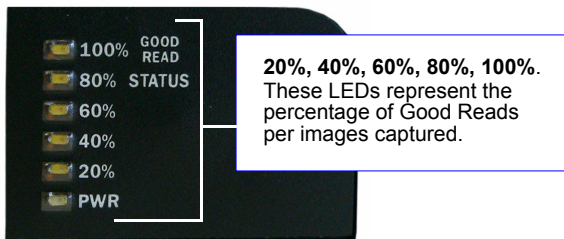
## Step 9 — Test Read Rate

**Read Rate** indicates the number of successful decodes per second achieved by the imager.

### Test Read Rate by EZ Button

1. To start the Read Rate test, hold down the EZ Button about three seconds until you hear **three short beeps**. The **20%**, **40%**, and **60%** LEDs will illuminate.

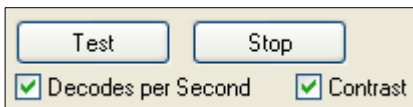
While the symbol is being inspected, the Read Rate LEDs will indicate the corresponding read rate percentage on the back of the unit.



2. To end the Read Rate test, press the EZ Button and quickly release.

### Test Read Rate by ESP

1. Click the **Test** button to start the Read Rate test and **Stop** to end it.



If a symbol has been successfully decoded, the symbol's data and related features will be presented in the field below the image display window. Also, while the symbol is being inspected, the Read Rate LEDs will indicate the corresponding Read Rate percentage on the back of the unit.

2. To end the test, click the **Stop** button.

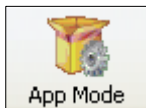
**Note:** Read Rate can also be tested using the **Read Rate** interface in **Utilities**.

### Test Read Rate by Serial Command

You can also start a test with the **<C>** or **<Cp>** command and end it with the **<J>** command.

## Step 10 — Configure the Imager in ESP

To make setup changes to the MINI Hawk, click the **App Mode** button.



The following modes are accessible by clicking the buttons in the first row of **App Mode** icons:



- Click the **EZ Mode** button to return to EZ Mode.
- Click the **Autoconnect** button to establish communication.
- Click the **Send/Recv** button to send or receive commands.
- Click the **Switch Model** button to open the model menu, or to return to a previous model.
- Click the **Parameters** button to show the tabbed tree controls for Communication, Read Cycle, Symbologies, I/O Parameters, Symbol Quality, Matchcode, and Diagnostics.
- Click the **Setup** button to access a Camera Setup tree control and Video view, and to Evaluate image captures, Calibrate the imager, set the Window of Interest, fine-tune capture settings and processing settings in the Configuration Database, set up output filters and parse symbol data in Ordered Output and Output Format, and control multiple read cycle functions in Dynamic Setup.
- Click the **Terminal** button to display tube or cap detection data or decoded symbol data, and to send serial commands to the imager using text or macros.
- Click the **Utilities** button to test Read Rate, request or clear Counters, enable or disable the imager or send output pulses in Device Control, determine the Differences from Default in the current settings, add or remove master symbol data in Master Database, and verify or update the imager's Firmware.

For further details, see **ESP Help** in the dropdown Help menu.

