

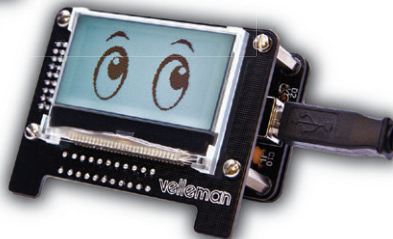
# K8101

ILLUSTRATED ASSEMBLY MANUAL H8101IP'1

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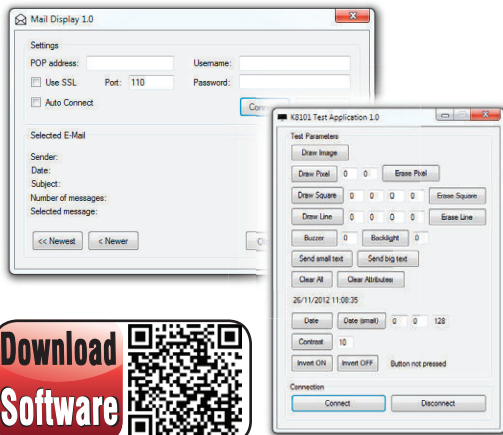
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## Features

- 4 downloadable example programs with source code supplied
  - Twitter Display: displays the incoming feeds
  - Mail Display: shows incoming mail subjects
  - Drive Display: shows info of your HDD
  - Eyes Display: mouse movement and click animation
- DLL supplied to easily code your own applications (VB.net - C#)
- 1 Button with 2 programmable functions (short & long press)
- Equipped with a buzzer that can be configured through software
- A test program (with source code) can also be downloaded to test all functions of the kit (button, backlight, buzzer, LCD draw routines)
- Available commands:
  - Send images to the display (.BMP 128x64)
  - Draw or erase pixels
  - Draw or erase a square
  - Draw or erase a line
  - Activate the buzzer by sending a beep amount (0-255)
  - Activate the backlight by sending an "ON-time" (0-254 sec / 255 = always on)
  - Send small or big text
  - Change the contrast
  - Invert the display
  - Clear everything but the background image
  - Clear everything
  - Do something on a short button press
  - Do something on a long button press

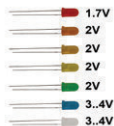


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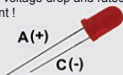
## Specifications

- LED - Backlight (white)
- LCD resolution: 128 x 64 pixels
- USB powered
- Max. power consumption: 35 mA
- dimensions: 77.5 x 60.5 x 38 mm (3.05" x 2.4" x 1.5")

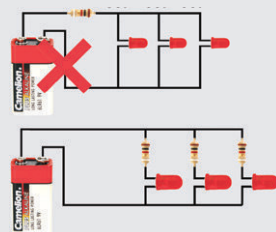
# Leds and how to use them



Leds feature a specific voltage drop, depending on type and colour. Check the datasheet for exact voltage drop and rated current !



Never connect leds in parallel



## How to Calculate the series resistor:

Example: operate a red led (1.7V) on a 9Vdc source.

Required led current for full brightness: 5mA (this can be found in the datasheet of the led)

$$\frac{\text{Supply voltage (V)} - \text{led voltage (V)}}{\text{required current (A)}} = \text{series resistance (ohms)}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{9V - 1.7V}{0.005A} = 1460 \text{ ohm}$$

closest value :  
use a 1k5 resistor

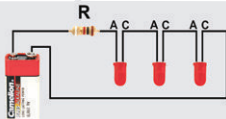
Required resistor power handling=  
voltage over resistor x current passed trough resistor

$$\rightarrow (9V - 1.7V) \times 0.005A = 0.036W$$

a standard 1/4W resistor  
will do the job

## LEDs in series:

Example: 3 x red led (1.7V) on 9V battery  
Required led current for full brightness: 5mA  
(this can be found in the datasheet of the led)



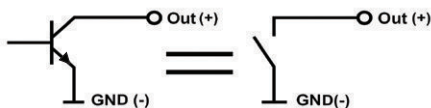
$$\frac{\text{Supply voltage (V)} - (\text{number of leds} \times \text{led voltage (V)})}{\text{required current (A)}} = \text{series resistance (ohms)}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{9V - (3 \times 1.7V)}{0.005A} = 780 \text{ ohm}$$

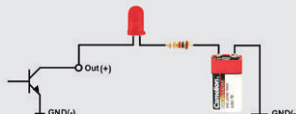
use an  
820 ohm resistor

## open collector outputs

An open collector output can be compared to a switch which switches to ground when operated



Example: How to switch an LED by means of an open collector output



## assembly hints

### 1. Assembly (Skipping this can lead to troubles ! )

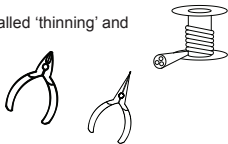
Ok, so we have your attention. These hints will help you to make this project successful. Read them carefully.



#### 1.1 Make sure you have the right tools:

- A good quality soldering iron (25-40W) with a small tip.
- Wipe it often on a wet sponge or cloth, to keep it clean; then apply solder to the tip, to give it a wet look. This is called 'thinning' and will protect the tip, and enables you to make good connections. When solder rolls off the tip, it needs cleaning.
- Thin raisin-core solder. Do not use any flux or grease.
- A diagonal cutter to trim excess wires. To avoid injury when cutting excess leads, hold the lead so they cannot fly towards the eyes.
- Needle nose pliers, for bending leads, or to hold components in place.
- Small blade and Phillips screwdrivers. A basic range is fine.

☞ For some projects, a basic multi-meter is required, or might be handy



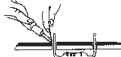
#### 1.2 Assembly Hints :

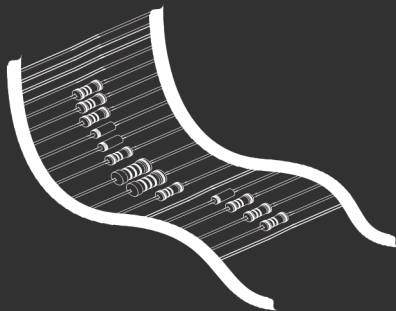
- Make sure the skill level matches your experience, to avoid disappointments.
- Follow the instructions carefully. Read and understand the entire step before you perform each operation.
- Perform the assembly in the correct order as stated in this manual
- Position all parts on the PCB (Printed Circuit Board) as shown on the drawings.
- Values on the circuit diagram are subject to changes, the values in this assembly guide are correct\*
- Use the check-boxes to mark your progress.
- Please read the included information on safety and customer service

\* Typographical inaccuracies excluded. Always look for possible last minute manual updates, indicated as 'NOTE' on a separate leaflet.

#### 1.3 Soldering Hints :

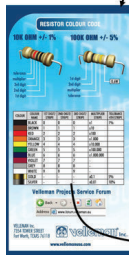
1. Mount the component against the PCB surface and carefully solder the leads
2. Make sure the solder joints are cone-shaped and shiny
3. Trim excess leads as close as possible to the solder joint



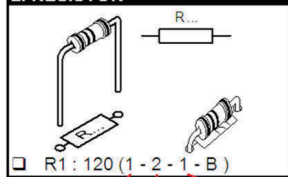


REMOVE THEM FROM THE TAPE ONE AT A TIME !

Included in  
this kit



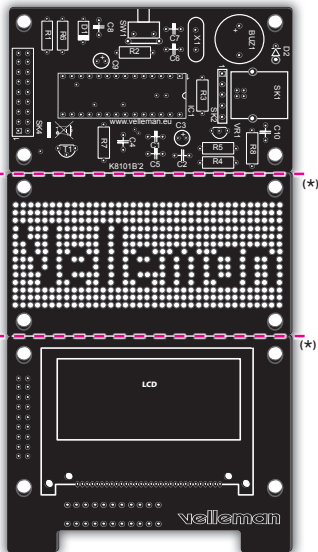
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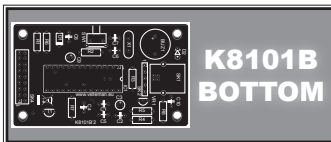
COLOUR	COLOUR NAME	1ST DIGIT/ STRIPE	2ND DIGIT/ STRIPE	3RD DIGIT/ STRIPE	MULTIPLIER STRIPE	TOL 4TH!
Black	BLACK	0	0	0	x1	1%
Brown	BROWN	1	1	1	x10	
Red	RED	2	2	2	x100	
Orange	ORANGE	3	3	3	x1.000	
Yellow	YELLOW	4	4	4	x10.000	
Green	GREEN	5	5	5	x100.000	
Blue	BLUE	6	6	6	x1.000.000	

**DO NOT BLINDLY FOLLOW THE ORDER OF THE COMPONENTS ONTO THE TAPE. ALWAYS CHECK THEIR VALUE ON THE PARTS LIST!**

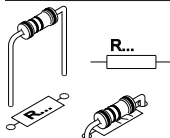
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(\*) Break the three circuit boards from each other.

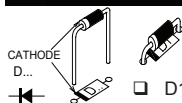


## 1 Resistors



- ☐ R1 : 15Ω (1 - 5 - 0 - B)
- ☐ R2 : 10KΩ (1 - 0 - 3 - B)
- ☐ R3 : 10Ω (1 - 0 - 0 - B)
- ☐ R4 : 680 (6 - 8 - 0 - 0 - 1)\*
- ☐ R5 : 1K (1 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 1)\*
- ☐ R6 : 10KΩ (1 - 0 - 3 - B)
- ☐ R7 : 10KΩ (1 - 0 - 3 - B)
- ☐ R8 : 4K7 (4 - 7 - 2 - B)

## 2 Diodes



Watch the polarity!

- ☐ D1 : 1N4148

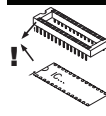
\* metal film resistor !

## 3 Ceramic Capacitors

- ☐ C1 : 100nF (104)
- ☐ C2 : 100nF (104)
- ☐ C4 : 100nF (104)
- ☐ C5 : 100nF (104)
- ☐ C8 : 100nF (104)



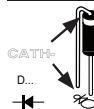
## 4 IC socket



Watch the position of the notch!

- ☐ IC1: 28p

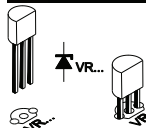
## 5 Vertical diodes



Watch the polarity!

- ☐ D2 : 1N4148

## 6 Voltage regulator

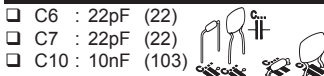


- ☐ VR1 : LM317LZ

## 7 Transistor



## 8 Ceramic Capacitors



## 9 Push button



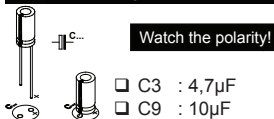
## 10 Buzzer



## 11 USB connector



## 12 Electrolytic capacitors



## 13 Quartz crystal



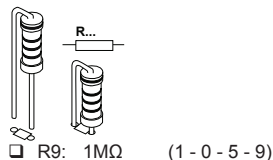
## 14 Male header



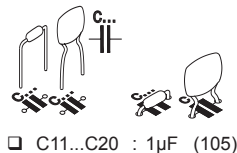
## 15 IC



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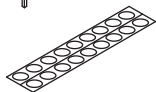
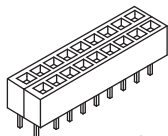


## 2 Ceramic Capacitors

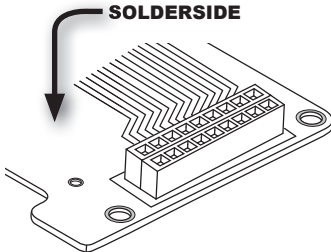




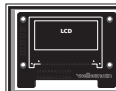
### 3 Female header



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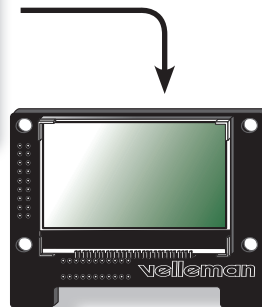


□ SK3: 18p



**K8101T  
Topside !**

### 1 LCD

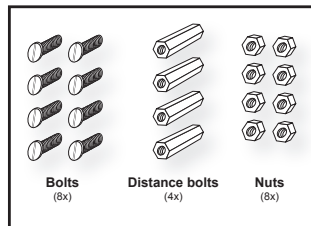


**Solder on backside !**



**Be careful when soldering the LCD connections.  
Overheating will damage the LCD screen.**

## II. ASSEMBLY



**K8101T**



**K8101B**

**Metal distance bolt**  
(20mm M3)



**M3 nut**

**M3 bolt**

### III. SOFTWARE INSTALLATION

After assembly of the circuit, it is now time to install the software.



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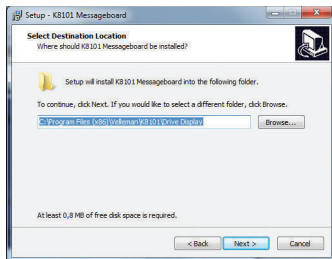
**Step 1:** Download the software on our website or via the QR-code.



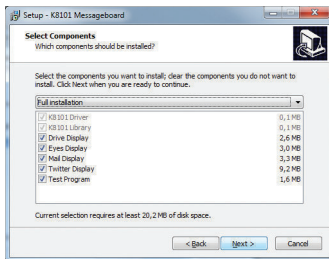
**Step 2:** open the file en select the software.



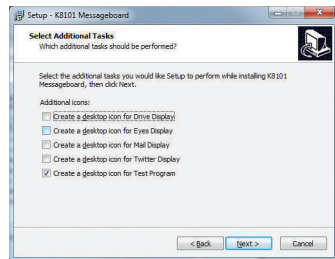
**Step 3:** Select "next" to begin the installation procedure.



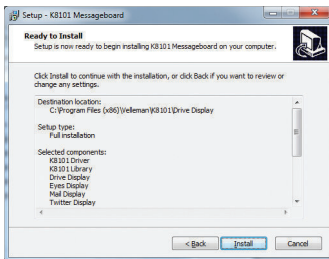
**Step 4:** Select the destination on your PC



**Step 5:** Select the type of installation, we recommend the full installation



**Step 6:** Select additional tasks you would like to be performed.



**Step 7:** Select "install" for installing the software.



**Step 8 :** Click "finish" to exit setup.

## IV. DRIVER INSTALLATION

Connect the USB connector of the K8101 to your PC using an USB cable.

With the first connection, you should install the USB driver onto the PC first. You can download the manual for installing the driver on our website or via the QR-code.



## V. PROGRAMS



**Eyes - display :** mouse movement and click animation.  
Source can be found on: "c:\...\k8101\Eyes Display\source"



**Mail - display :** shows incoming mail subjects.  
Source can be found on: "c:\...\k8101\Mail Display\source"



**Test program :** create your won text or bitmap images on the screen.  
Source can be found on: "c:\...\k8101\Test Display\source"

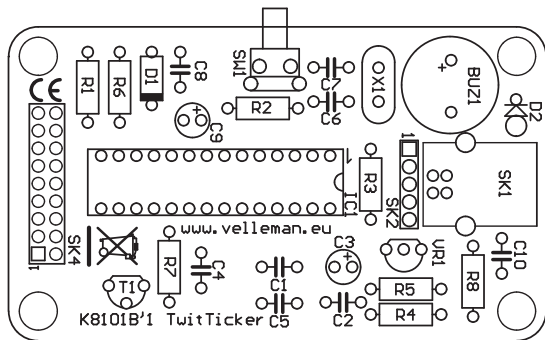


**Drive - display :** shows info of your HDD.  
Source can be found on: "c:\...\k8101\Drive Display\source"



**Twitter - display :** displays the incoming feeds mail.  
Source can be found on: "c:\...\k8101\Twitter Display\source"

**DLL for programming your own software can be found on:** "c:\...\k8101\k8101 Library\"









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