

QC20-W COM port profile for Windows 8

Overview

The purpose of this application note is to configure Ballbar 20 software to connect to QC20-W via a Bluetooth device set up as a COM port. This process should only be considered when it is not possible to get a PC to communicate with the QC20-W ballbar using the Microsoft Bluetooth stack, either by the PC's on-board Bluetooth or using a Bluetooth dongle.

If it has not been possible to get the QC20-W to communicate through the Microsoft Bluetooth stack, activate either the internal Bluetooth or connect a Bluetooth dongle before continuing with the following steps.

Note: If using an external Bluetooth dongle, ensure the internal Bluetooth is switched off so that they do not conflict.

Step 1 - Pair the QC20-W with Windows

- 1. Turn on the QC20-W device
- 2. Right click the Bluetooth icon () in the bottom right corner of the taskbar
- 3. Click 'Add a Device'
- 4. The 'Select a Device' screen will be presented.
- 5. Select the QC20-W device (identified by the serial number).



6. An option to enter a 'pairing code' will appear. Enter '0000' and click 'Next'.



7. Return to the Windows desktop.

Step 2 - Configure Renishaw Ballbar 20 software

1. In the bottom right of the task bar, right click the Bluetooth icon ()) and click 'Open settings'.

2. Click the box saying 'Allow bluetooth devices to find this computer', then select 'Apply'.

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3. Select the 'COM Ports' tab and make a note of the 'Outgoing' COM port, which in this example is COM9.

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4. Open the BallbarCatalog.xml file which can be found using the following steps:

 Start > My Computer > System C: > Users > Public > Documents > Renishaw Ballbar 5 > Application

(On some network PC's you may need to subsitute 'Public' for your user name)

- 5. Right click on 'BallbarCatalog.xml' and click 'Edit'.
- 6. Type the following as it appears below after the <BALLBAR_CATALOG> tag:

<BALLBAR ID="QC20-W_NOTSET">

<MODEL>QC20-W</MODEL>

<SERIAL_NUMBER>NOTSET</SERIAL_NUMBER>

<BALLBAR_ADDRESS>COM9</BALLBAR_ADDRESS>

</BALLBAR>

Replacing COM9 in <BALLBAR_ADDRESS> with the outgoing COM port noted previously.

7. Save the .xml file which is produced.

- 8. Start Renishaw Ballbar 20 in Advanced mode and navigate to the Connection screen.
- 9. Select QC20-W from the 'Port' drop down.

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			If you are using a QC20-W, check that the serial number on the screen matches the one on the unit itself.
			If you are using a QC10, check that the scale factor and serial number are correct before proceeding.
			If the test needs a calibrated length ballbar, fit the ballbar to the length calibrator, as shown. Check the serial number and
			length, and click 짝 to calibrate.
			If the calibrator serial number is wrong, select the correct one from the drop-down list.
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10. Select 'NOTSET' and click 'OK'. A connection to the QC20-W should be established.

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11. Select QC20-W from the 'Port' drop down again

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12. Select 'NOTSET' and click 'Remove'

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13. Select the correct QC20-W by serial number and click 'OK'.

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- 14. The QC20-W should now always connect via COM port.
- 15. To add another QC20-W to Ballbar 20, repeat all steps from the beginning.



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