LONMARK®
Functional Profile:
Real Time Keeper
Overview

The basic function of this object is to provide the real time on the network. The real time information on the network can be used to “time-stamp” events (e.g. alarms) and to synchronize schedulers. A device using this object will have built-in Time Keeping hardware (e.g. a battery backup time keeper, or an AM receiver). Optionally, a time and date display could be connected to the device for display purposes, and also hardware inputs for manual adjustment of the time. There is no embedded time and/or date encryption method provided in this object. This may be a problem for security systems, but for lighting it is not deemed necessary.

Data File Transfer

Real Time Keeper Object

![Figure 1.1 Real Time Keeper Functional Profile](image)

Example Usage

Each LONMARK device has embedded within it a Node Object with the network input variable `nviTimeSet` (SNVT_time_stamp). The real time keeper object will provide at regular intervals real time updates to those devices which require the actual time of day for e.g. time stamping alarm messages through the node object NV.

It should be possible to have more than one time keeper in the network, if this is the case only one should be defined as master, for synchronization. If the master timing is not received the slave node shall provide the node's internal real time (timer redundancy).

![Figure 1.2 Example Usage of Real Time Keeper Object](image)
The real time keeper object provides the actual real time on the network.

**Figure 1.3** Real Time Keeper Object Details

**Table 1.1** SNVT Details

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<td>nvoTimeDate</td>
<td>Out</td>
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<td>nv</td>
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Table 1.2 SCPT Details

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<td>Manual update allowed</td>
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Mandatory Network Variables

The only mandatory network variable in the object is `nvoTimeDate` variable. For those hardware implementations without an external time synchronisation (AM driven timers) the node object shall contain the `nviTimeSet` to enable time and date settings for synchronisation.

Variable Name Output

```plaintext
network output SNVT_time_stamp nvoTimeDate;
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This output network variable provides the actual real time and date on the network for all linked objects.

Valid Range

The complete range of the `SNVT_time_stamp`.

When Transmitted

If master slave indication is set to “master”, every Time Update interval. If the object is working as a slave object, then only when a manual time setting is performed on the host module.

Update Rate

Configurable, default 1 minute.

Default Service Type

Unacknowledged repeated.

Optional Network Variables

There are no optional network variables.
Mandatory Configuration Properties

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Optional Configuration Properties

The object has following configuration properties:

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<td>allow manual updating on product</td>
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Master Operation

network input config SNVT_Boolean nciMasterSlave;

This input configuration (network) variable provides the possibility to set this object as a master Clock or as a slave Clock, in case of multiple clock use.

Valid Range
TRUE or FALSE

Default Value
TRUE
Only one time keeper in the network

SCPT Reference
SCPTMasterSlave #97

Time Broadcast

network input config SNVT_time_sec nciUpdateRate;

This input configuration (network) variable provides for a Clock in master configuration the update rate of the output nvoTimeDate network variable.

Valid Range
1 minute, 1 hour, 1 day

Default Value
1 minute

SCPT Reference
**Summer date and time**

network input config SNVT_time_stamp nciSummerTime;

This input configuration (network) variable provides the definition of the start of the summer time. At the defined Summer date and time the Clock will increase its time automatically with one hour.

**Valid Range**

1 January 0 hours to 31 December 23 hours.
Year, Minutes and Seconds are ignored.

When not used entry shall be all “0”.

**Default Value**

Not used.

**SCPT Reference**

SCPTSummerTime #99

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**Winter date and time**

network input config SNVT_time_stamp nciWinterTime;

This input configuration (network) variable provides the definition of the start of the winter time. At the defined Winter date and time the Clock will decrease its time automatically with one hour.

**Valid Range**

1 January 0 hours to 31 December 23 hours.
Year, Minutes and Seconds are ignored.

When not used entry shall be all “0”.

**Default Value**

Not used.

**SCPT Reference**

SCPTWinterTime #100

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**Manual allowed**

network input config SNVT_Boolean nciManualAllowed;
This input configuration network variable provides for a Clock with a manual time update input the possibility to discard manual time updating for this clock.

**Valid Range**

TRUE or FALSE

**Default Value**

TRUE

**SCPT Reference**

SCPTManualAllowes #101

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**Data Transfer**

No File transfer for data in this object.

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**Power-up State**

No action at Power Up. The object (if designated Master) will transmit on the first occurrence of the update definition the time over the network.

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**Boundary and Error Conditions**

The summer and winter time should not be at the same moment. If this becomes the case than no change to winter or summer time is executed.

When the internal time keeper is not functional, then an alarm of the type (1) is generated via the node object.

If the timer operates in a slave mode, and when no updates from the Master timer are received, the timer will provide the other objects in the node with real time information.

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**Additional Considerations**

The object can have following states:

- in_alarm
- self_test_in_progress
- internal timer malfunction
- when factory test (e.g. verification of the working of the hardware time keeper is in progress)

The object can be requested to do a manufacturing test.