



ABOUT a Portuguese Taxi Company

A Portuguese taxi association is the one that sets the standards (e.g. payment method, compulsory facility installation) for the taxi industry.

The Challenge

The trend of compatibility with the tablets and smart phones has become a challenge to the traditional taximeters; passengers today also expect cashless payments. Taximeters communicate over serial port; while most tablets and smart phones offer Bluetooth and Wi-Fi. This taxi company in Portugal needed to find a solution that integrates tablets or smart phones with card processing with the ability to fully leverage a taximeter while printing receipts.



The Solution

This taxi company selected Blue Bamboo's PocketPOS™ P25i, in order to turn into a solution that meets the need of credit and debit card processing features; receipt printing; Bluetooth communications; Serial communications and the ability to create a bridge between Bluetooth and Serial ports.

Specifically, the three devices connect to each other via different communication channels: 1) The iPad tablet connects to Blue Bamboo's P25i over Bluetooth; 2) The P25i connects to the taximeter over serial. The entire communication procedure is indicated in the following exhibit:



SUMMARY

This Portuguese taxi company selected Blue Bamboo's PocketPOS™ P25i terminal to integrate iPad tablets/smartphones with taximeter to print receipts of Credit/Debit Card Payment.

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