

Using SideShow

What is SideShow?

Microsoft's Windows Vista operating system is expected to launch in early 2007 with a range of exciting new features. One of Vista's most innovative features is SideShow.

SideShow technology enables the incorporation of a secondary or auxiliary display in product designs. This display can be used to easily view critical information from your laptop computer, whether the laptop is on, off, or in sleep mode.

The convenience provided by these auxiliary displays saves time and battery life by allowing quick access to meeting schedules, phone numbers, addresses, and recent e-mail messages without having to start up your laptop PC.

Eleksen's product offering for SideShow

Using its unique patented fabric technology, Elektex®, Eleksen in collaboration with Microsoft has developed a SideShow module which can be incorporated in a wide range of soft-goods peripherals such as computer bags, briefcases, backpacks, fabric keyboards or even garments.



Example of Eleksen module for SideShow

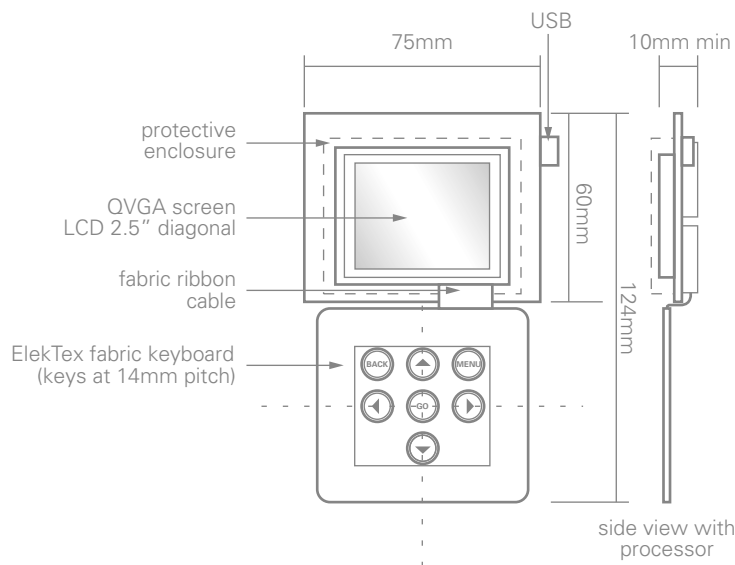
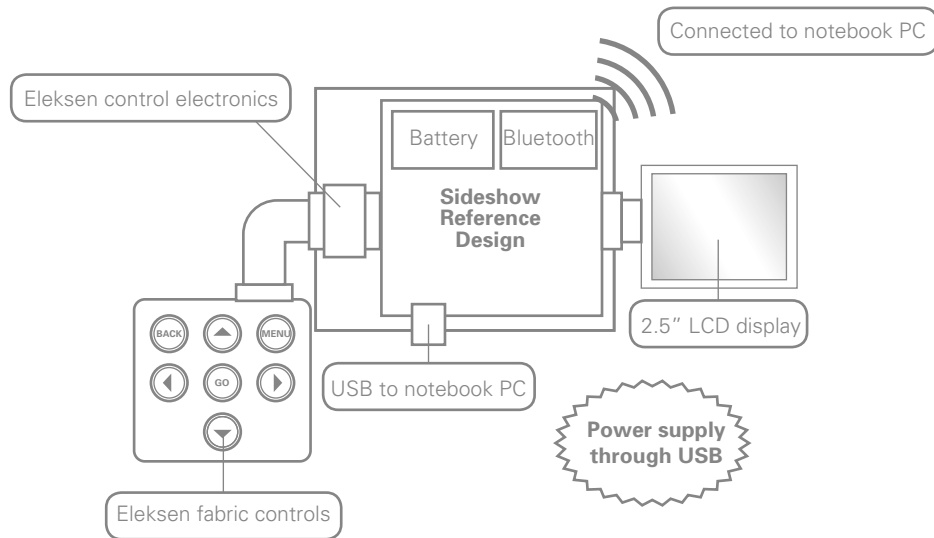
The module consists of three parts:

SideShow Electronics receive critical information from the laptop PC and update the on-board memory cache. The module can receive data from the laptop PC either wirelessly through Bluetooth or via the USB connection depending on the application.

A 2.5 inch LCD display presents the information to the user. Both portrait and landscape configurations can be supported depending on the industrial design requirements

ElekTex fabric controls allow navigation and access to the information stored in the on-board memory cache. Additional controls can be added for enhanced functionality or to support new applications such as MP3 playback, photo album show, video clips, etc.

All three parts are combined in a single, easy to integrate module unit as shown below.



An optional plastic housing (80mm x 55mm x 15mm) simplifies the integration of the module even further. With a small form factor and slim design, Eleksen's SideShow module can be incorporated into even the most demanding soft-goods product designs.

All dimensions are approximate. This information was correct at the time of publication. Eleksen reserves the right to alter specifications at its discretion and without notice. Up to date information can be found at www.eleksen.com.

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