

# RSBRS02AA/I Bluetooth 5.0 Low Energy Module

**Version 1.1** 

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# 1 Device Overview

# 1.1 Description

RSBRS02AA/I is a compact size, cost-effective single-mode Bluetooth low energy module based on RF-star 256 KB flash SoC RS02A1-A chip with super low power consumption, good noise reduction, better sensitivity, robust transmission distance, and high reliability. The module integrates a 16 MHz crystal, an RF matching filter, a power filter, and a meander line inverted-F PCB antenna (RSBRS02AA) or an IPEX connector (RSBRS02AI). It supports BLE stack v5.0 and is preprogrammed with an easy-to-integrate serial interface communication protocol.

#### 1.2 Key Features

- RF Features
  - Bluetooth 5.0 low energy, support 2 Mbps data rate
- Frequency: 2402 MHz ~ 2480.0 MHz
- TX power: -20.0 dBm ~ +7.0 dBm
- Receiving Sensitivity: -95 dBm @ 1 Mbps
- CPU
  - ARM Cortex-M0+ @ 48 MHz
  - Single-cycle multiplier
  - 32 interrupts
- Memory
  - ROM 64 KB
  - SRAM 32 KB
  - Flash 256 KB
- Wide Operation Range
- Power supply range: 1.8 V ~ 3.6 V
- Operating temperature: -40 °C to +85 °C
- Storage temperature: -40 °C to +125 °C
- Wide Peripherals
  - 13 general purpose I/Os.
  - 2×UART with hardware flow control
  - 2×SPI with master/slave configurable

- 2×I2C with master/slave configurable
- I2S data in interface
- 7816 T-0 master interface
- Keyboard interface
- 8-channel 10-bit ADC
- Temperature sensor
- 5-channel DMA
- 32-bit timer
- Six 16-bit general purpose timers (PWM/Infra-Red generator)
- Real timer clock
- Watchdog
- Transmission range:
  - RSBRS02AA: 150 m
  - RSBRS02AI: 180 m (@external PCB antenna)
- Dimension:
  - RSBRS02AA: 15.2 mm x 11.2 mm x 1.5 mm
  - RSBRS02AI: 15.2 mm x 11.2 mm x 1.7 mm
- RSBRS02AA Certificates:
  - SRRC
  - RoHS

## 1.3 Applications

- Smart toys
- Fitness equipment
- Environmental sensor nodes

- Passive keyless entry (PKE)
- Smart door locks
- Phone accessories

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- Health-care equipment
- Smart lighting
- Energy harvesting
- Thermometer

- Human input devices
- Sports equipment
- Wearable

# 1.4 Functional Block Diagram

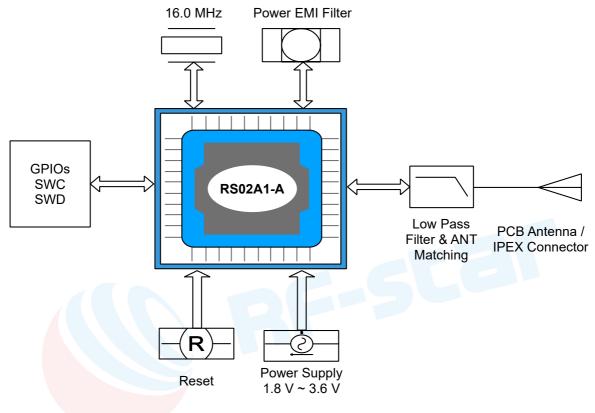


Figure 1. Functional Block Diagram of RSBRS02AA/I

## 1.5 Part Number Conventions

The part numbers are of the form of RSBRS02AA/I where the fields are defined as follows:

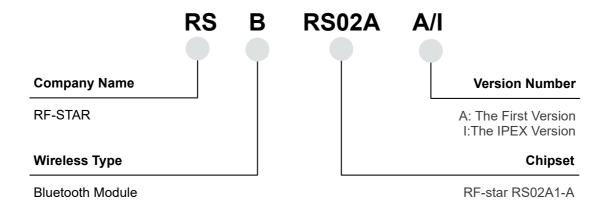


Figure 2. Part Number Conventions of RSBRS02AA/I



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# 2 Module Configuration and Functions

# 2.1 Module Parameters

Table 1. Parameters of RSBRS02AA/I

| Chipset                        | RS02A1-A   |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Supply Power Voltage           | 1.8 V ~ 3.6 V, recommended to 3.3 V  |
| Modulation                     | GFSK   |
| Frequency                      | 2402 MHz ~ 2480.0 MHz  |
| Transmit Power                 | -20.0 dBm ~ +7.0 dBm   |
| Receiving Sensitivity          | -95 dBm @ 1 Mbps PHY   |
| GPIO                           | 13   |
| Crystal                        | 16 MHz   |
| ROM                            | 64 KB  |
| SRAM                           | 32 KB  |
| Flash                          | 256 KB   |
| Package                        | SMT Packaging (1.27-mm half-hole pitch stamp stick)                              |
| Frequency Error                | ±24 kHz  |
| Dimension                      | RSBRS02AA: 15.2 mm x 11.2 mm x 1.50 mm<br>RSBRS02AI: 15.2 mm x 11.2 mm x 1.70 mm |
| Type of Antenna                | RSBRS02AA: PCB antenna RSBRS02AI: IPEX connector                                 |
| Transmission Range in Open Air | RSBRS02AA: 150 m (@ PCB antenna) RSBRS02AI: 180 m (@ external PCB antenna)       |
| Operating Temperature          | -40 °C ~ +85 °C  |
| Storage Temperature            | -40 ℃ ~ +125 ℃   |



# 2.2 Module Pin Diagram

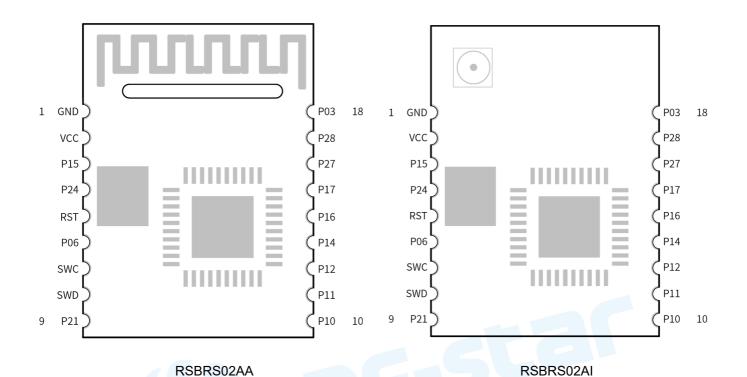


Figure 3. Pin Diagram of RSBRS02AA/I

## 2.3 Pin Functions

Table 2. Pin Functions of RSBRS02AA/I

| Pin | Name | Chip Pin | Pin Type | Remarks   |
|-----|------|----------|----------|---|
| 1   | GND  | GND      | Ground   | Ground  |
| 2   | VCC  | VCC      | VCC      | Power supply: 1.8 V ~ 3.6 V; Recommended to 3.3 V |
| 3   | P15  | P15      | I/O      |   |
| 4   | P24  | P24      | I/O      |   |
| 5   | RST  | RST      | RESET    | Active low  |
| 6   | P06  | P06      | I/O      |   |
| 7   | SWC  | SWCLK    | SWCLK    | Connect J-Link SWCLK                              |
| 8   | SWD  | SWD      | SWDIO    | Connect J-Link SWDIO                              |
| 9   | P21  | P21      | I/O      |   |
| 10  | P10  | P10      | I/O      |   |
| 11  | P11  | P11      | I/O      |   |
| 12  | P12  | P12      | I/O      |   |



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| 13 | P14 | P14 | I/O |  |
|----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| 14 | P16 | P16 | I/O |  |
| 15 | P17 | P17 | I/O |  |
| 16 | P27 | P27 | I/O |  |
| 17 | P28 | P28 | I/O |  |
| 18 | P03 | P03 | I/O |  |





# 3 Specifications

# 3.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Table 3. Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Identification             | Condition    | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Unit     |
|----------------------------|--------------|------|------|------|----------|
| Source & IO                | Battery mode | 1.8  | 3.3  | 3.6  | V        |
| Operating Temperature      | 1            | -40  | +25  | +85  | ℃        |
| Environmental Hot Pendulum | 1            | -20  |      | +20  | °C / Min |

# 3.2 Handling Ratings

Table 4. Handling Ratings of RSBRS02AA/I

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|---|-----------|------|-------|------|------------|
| Items   | Condition | Min. | Тур.  | Max. | Unit       |
| Storage Temperature                           | Tstg      | -40  | +25   | +125 | $^{\circ}$ |
| Human Body Model                              | НВМ       |      | ±2000 |      | V          |
| Moisture Sensitivity Level                    |           |      | 3     |      |            |
| Charged Device Model                          | 1818      |      | ±250  |      | V          |

# 3.3 RF Characteristics

When measured on the RSBRS02AA/I with TA = 25 °C, VBAT = 3.3 V with DC/DC, the channel of 39<sup>th</sup> (2442 MHz) enabled unless otherwise noted.

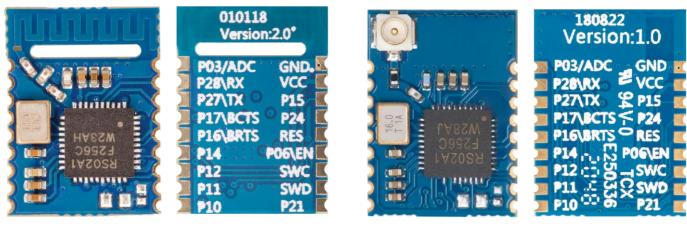
Table 5. Table of RF Test

| Test Item   | Parameter            | Test Value | Unit |
|-------------|----------------------|------------|------|
| Transmitter | Power                | 0.42       | dBm  |
| Hansintte   | Frequency Deviation  | 2.168      | kHz  |
| Receiver    | Sensitivity (8% PER) | -93.5      | dBm  |



# 4 Application, Implementation, and Layout

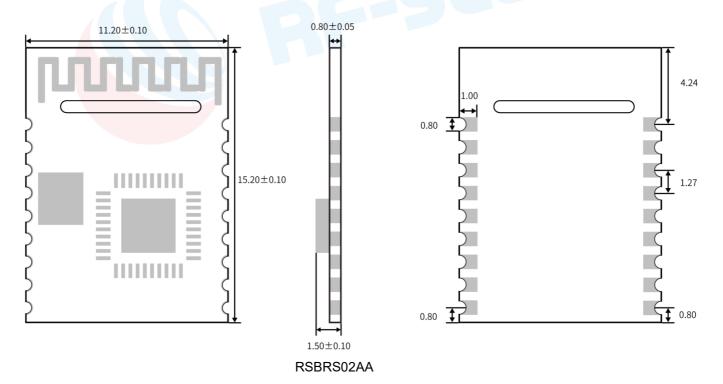
## **4.1 Module Photos**



RSBRS02AA RSBRS02AI

Figure 4. Photos of RSBRS02AA/I

# **4.2 Recommended PCB Footprint**





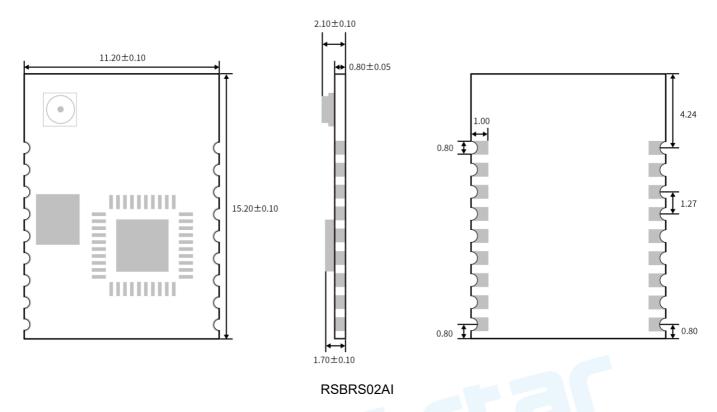


Figure 5. Recommended PCB Footprint of RSBRS02AA/I (mm)

# 4.3 Schematic Diagram

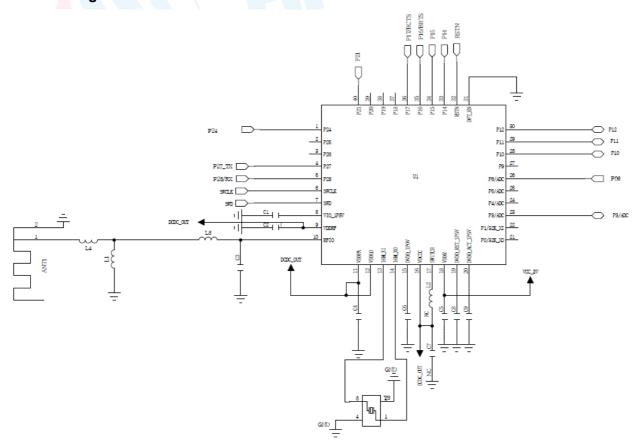


Figure 6. Schematic Diagram of RSBRS02AA/I



## 4.4 Reference Design

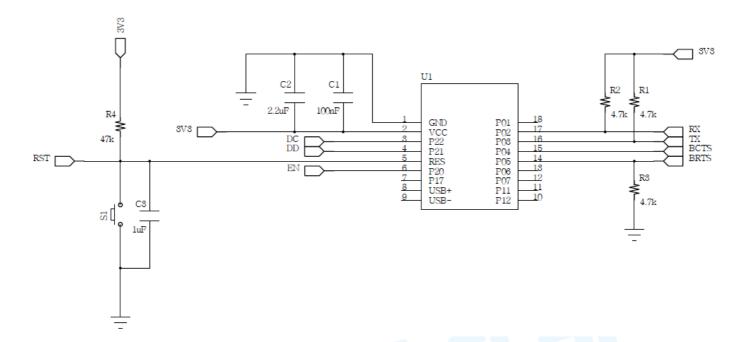


Figure 7. Reference Design of RSBRS02AA/I

#### 4.4 Antenna

# 4.5.1 Antenna Design Recommendation

- 1. The antenna installation structure has a great influence on the module performance. It is necessary to ensure the antenna is exposed and preferably vertically upward. When the module is installed inside of the case, a high-quality antenna extension wire can be used to extend the antenna to the outside of the case.
- 2. The antenna must not be installed inside the metal case, which will cause the transmission distance to be greatly weakened.
- 3. The recommendation of antenna layout.

The inverted-F antenna position on PCB is free-space electromagnetic radiation. The location and layout of the antenna are key factors to increase the data rate and transmission range.

Therefore, the layout of the module antenna location and routing is recommended as follows:

- (1) Place the antenna on the edge (corner) of the PCB.
- (2) Make sure that there is no signal line or copper foil in each layer below the antenna.
- (3) It is best to hollow out the antenna position in the following figure to ensure that the S11 of the module is minimally affected.



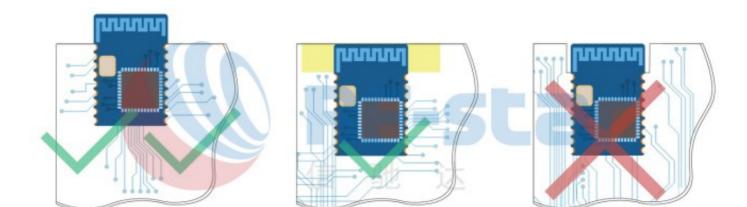


Figure 8. Recommendation of Antenna Layout

Note: The hollow-out position is based on the antenna used.

# 4.5.2 IPEX Connector Specification

RSBRS02Al module is integrated the IPEX version 1 antenna seat, the specification of the antenna seat is as follows:

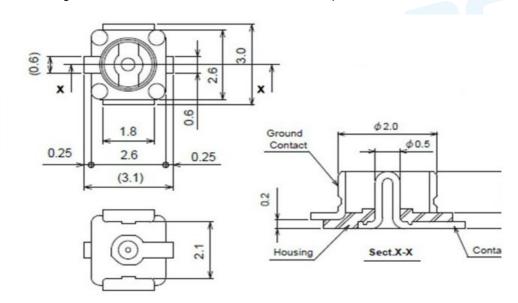


Figure 9. Specification of Antenna Seat



The specification of the IPEX wire end is as follows:

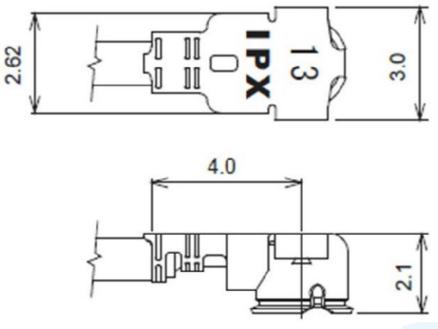


Figure 10. Specification of IPEX Wire

# 4.6 Basic Operation of Hardware Design

- 1. It is recommended to offer the module a DC stabilized power supply, a tiny power supply ripple coefficient, and reliable ground. Please pay attention to the correct connection between the positive and negative poles of the power supply. Otherwise, the reverse connection may cause permanent damage to the module;
- 2. Please ensure the supply voltage is between the recommended values. The module will be permanently damaged if the voltage exceeds the maximum value. Please ensure a stable power supply and no frequently fluctuating voltage.
- 3. When designing the power supply circuit for the module, it is recommended to reserve more than 30% of the margin, which is beneficial to the long-term stable operation of the whole machine. The module should be far away from the power electromagnetic, transformer, high-frequency wiring, and other parts with large electromagnetic interference.
- 4. The bottom of the module should avoid high-frequency digital routing, high-frequency analog routing, and power routing. If it has to route the wire on the bottom of the module, for example, it is assumed that the module is soldered to the Top Layer, the copper must be spread on the connection part of the top layer and the module, and be close to the digital part of the module and routed in the Bottom Layer (all copper is well-grounded).
- 5. Assuming that the module is soldered or placed in the Top Layer, it is also wrong to randomly route the Bottom Layer or other layers, which will affect the spurs and receiving sensitivity of the module to some degree;
- 6. Assuming that there are devices with large electromagnetic interference around the module, which will greatly affect the module performance. It is recommended to stay away from the module according to the strength of the interference. If circumstances permit, appropriate isolation and shielding can be done.
- 7. Assuming that there are routings of large electromagnetic interference around the module (high-frequency digital,



high-frequency analog, power routings), which will also greatly affect the module performance. It is recommended to stay away from the module according to the strength of the interference. If circumstances permit, appropriate isolation and shielding can be done.

8. It is recommended to stay away from the devices whose TTL protocol is the same 2.4 GHz physical layer, for example, USB 3.0.

## 4.7 Trouble Shooting

#### 4.7.1 Unsatisfactory Transmission Distance

- When there is a linear communication obstacle, the communication distance will be correspondingly weakened.
  Temperature, humidity, and co-channel interference will lead to an increase in the communication packet loss rate.
  The performances of ground absorption and reflection of radio waves will be poor when the module is tested close to the ground.
- 2. Seawater has a strong ability to absorb radio waves, so the test results by the seaside are poor.
- 3. The signal attenuation will be very obvious if there is metal near the antenna or if the module is placed inside the metal shell.
- 4. The incorrect power register set or the high data rate in the open air may shorten the communication distance. The higher the data rate, the closer the distance.
- 5. The low voltage of the power supply is lower than the recommended value at ambient temperature, and the lower the voltage, the smaller the power is.
- 6. The unmatchable antennas and modules or the poor quality of antenna will affect the communication distance.

# 4.7.2 Vulnerable Module

- 1. Please ensure the supply voltage is between the recommended values. The module will be permanently damaged if the voltage exceeds the maximum value. Please ensure a stable power supply and no frequently fluctuating voltage.
- 2. Please ensure the anti-static installation and the electrostatic sensitivity of high-frequency devices.
- 3. Due to some humidity-sensitive components, please ensure the suitable humidity during installation and application.

  If there is no special demand, it is not recommended to use at too high or too low temperature.

#### 4.7.3 High Bit Error Rate

- 1. There are co-channel signal interferences nearby. It is recommended to be away from the interference sources or modify the frequency and channel to avoid interferences.
- 2. The unsatisfactory power supply may also cause garbled. It is necessary to ensure the power supply's reliability.
- 3. If the extension wire or feeder wire is of poor quality or too long, the bit error rate will be high.



# 4.8 Electrostatics Discharge Warnings

The module will be damaged by the discharge of static. RF-star suggests that all modules should follow the 3 precautions below:

- 1. According to the anti-static measures, bare hands are not allowed to touch modules.
- 2. Modules must be placed in anti-static areas.
- 3. Take the anti-static circuitry (when inputting HV or VHF) into consideration in product design.

  Static may result in the degradation in performance of the module, even causing failure.

# 4.9 Soldering and Reflow Condition

- 1. Heating method: Conventional Convection or IR/convection.
- 2. Solder paste composition: Sn96.5/Ag3.0/Cu0.5
- 3. Allowable reflow soldering times: 2 times based on the following reflow soldering profile.
- 4. Temperature profile: Reflow soldering shall be done according to the following temperature profile.
- 5. Peak temperature: 245 °C.

Table 6. Temperature Table of Soldering and Reflow

| Profile Feature   | Sn-Pb Assembly | Pb-Free Assembly       |
|---|----------------|------------------------|
| Solder Paste  | Sn63 / Pb37    | Sn96.5 / Ag3.0 / Cu0.5 |
| Min. Preheating Temperature (T <sub>min</sub> )                           | 100 ℃          | 150 ℃                  |
| Max. Preheating Temperature (T <sub>max</sub> )                           | 150 ℃          | 200 ℃                  |
| Preheating Time (T <sub>min</sub> to T <sub>max</sub> ) (t <sub>1</sub> ) | 60 s ~ 120 s   | 60 s ~ 120 s           |
| Average Ascend Rate (T <sub>max</sub> to T <sub>p</sub> )                 | Max. 3 °C/s    | Max. 3 ℃/s             |
| Liquid Temperature (T <sub>L</sub> )                                      | 183 ℃          | <b>217</b> ℃           |
| Time above Liquidus (t <sub>L</sub> )                                     | 60 s ~ 90 s    | 30 s ~ 90 s            |
| Peak Temperature (T <sub>p</sub> )  | 220 ℃ ~ 235 ℃  | 230 ℃ ~ 250 ℃          |
| Average Descend Rate (T <sub>p</sub> to T <sub>max</sub> )                | Max. 6 ℃/s     | Max. 6 ℃/s             |
| Time from 25 ℃ to Peak Temperature (t₂)                                   | Max. 6 minutes | Max. 8 minutes         |
| Time of Soldering Zone (t <sub>P</sub> )                                  | 20±10 s        | 20±10 s                |

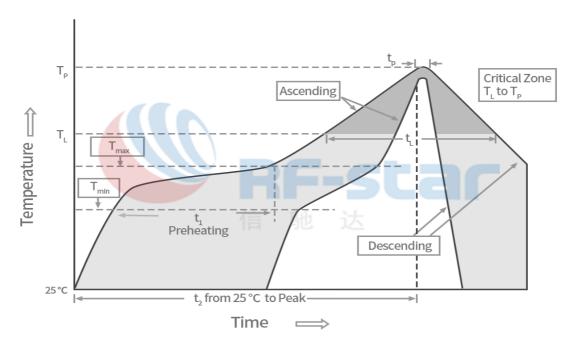
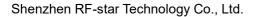


Figure 11. Recommended Reflow for Lead-Free Solder





# **5 Optional Package Specification**

The default package method is **by tray**. If you need the modules to be shipped by tape & reel, pls contact us in advance.

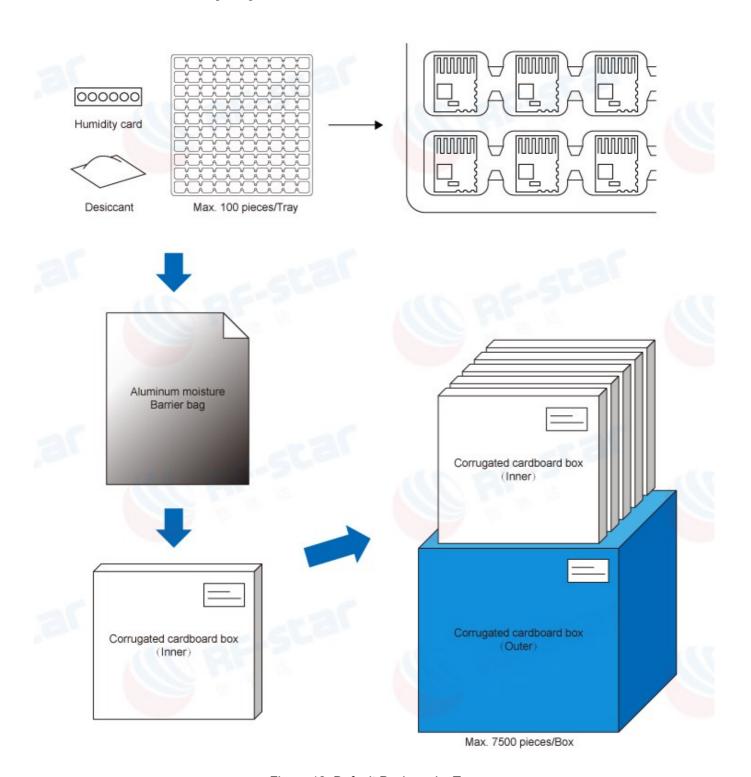


Figure 12. Default Package by Tray



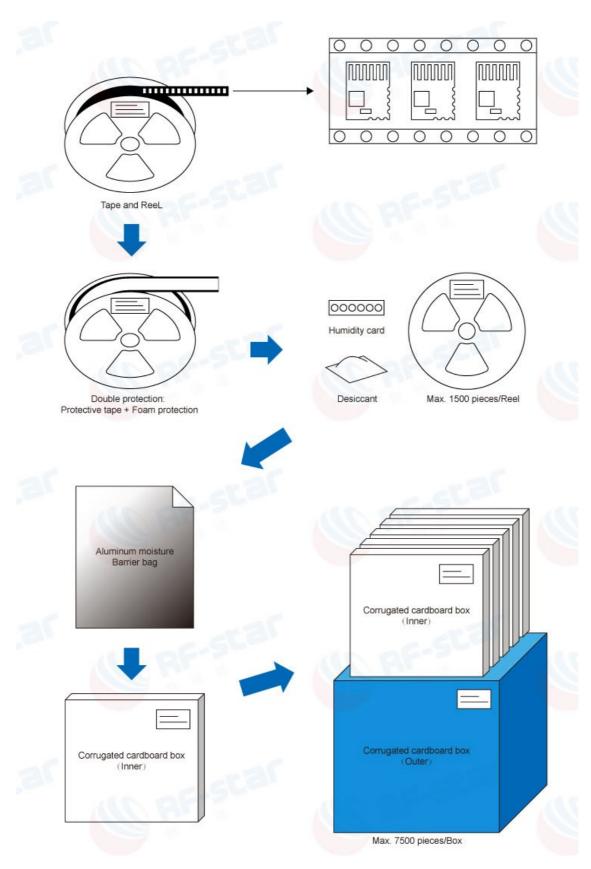


Figure 13. Package by Tape & Reel



## **6 Certification**

## **6.1 RoHS**

RoHS Report No.: DTI201805214713



Figure 14. RoHS certificate of RSBRS02AA

#### **6.2 SRRC**

SRRC CMIIT ID: 2019DP6696(M)





Figure 15. SRRC Certificate of RSBRS02AA



# 7 Revision History

| Date                   | Version No.       | Description                         |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2017.12.07             | V1.0              | The initial version is released.    |
| 2018.03.08             | V1.1              | Update module parameters.           |
| 2018.08.02             | V1.1              | Update module home page.            |
| 2019.07.30             | V1.1              | Update company address.             |
| 2020.05.15             | V1.1              | Add RF-star BLE module list.        |
| 2022.07.13             | V1.1              | Add RSBSR02Al part.                 |
| 2022.07.13             | V 1.1             | Modify the specification.           |
| <b>2023.05.26</b> V1.1 | Update MSL level. |                                     |
| 2023.03.20             | V 1.1             | Update the Shenzhen office address. |

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