

NAUTITECH FAQs – Spitfire Data and Comms

1. What applications can the Spitfire® solution be used for?

Cameras, telemetry, monitoring, analytics, diagnostics, remote operations, Wi-Fi hotspots, 2way communications, data and video transfer

2. What is the data transfer speed of the Spitfire®?

200 Mbps PHY maximum link capacity

3. What's the recommended cable length for Spitfire®?

Recommended length is less than 500 metres.

4. What is the difference between a Spitfire® and a Super Spitfire?

Spitfire® is the modem fitted on a machine to convert input data for transmission over a powerline cable. On the receiving end, another Spitfire converts the signal back and connects through a network switch to the LAN. This allows it to transmit data between equipment and the surface.

The Super Spitfire is a repeater which can extend the range of the Spitfire® powerline network

5. Does the Wingman need to be on the same layer (layer2) as the Spitfire® devices?

YES

6. Do I need to twist the Red Pair together on the Capacitive Coupler?

YES

7. Do the Capacitive Coupler wires need to be on the same phases on all equipment?

YES

8. Do I need a Wingman?

NAUTITECH® recommends using the Wingman to set and monitor your Spitfire® network and view diagnostics. It is a tool to manage the configuration of network.

9. Do I need a Wingman in every DCB or just one on the surface?

NAUTITECH® recommends having a Wingman at every DCB to assist with fault finding if the mine is using a Super Spitfire repeater.