

## 2 ×16 LCD Controller

### 1. Introductions

The LCD Keypad shield is developed for Arduino compatible boards, to provide a user-friendly interface that allows users to go through the menu, make selections etc. It consists of a 1602 white character blue backlight LCD. The keypad consists of 5 keys — select, up, right, down and left. To save the digital IO pins, the keypad interface uses only one ADC channel. The key value is read through a 5 stage voltage divider.

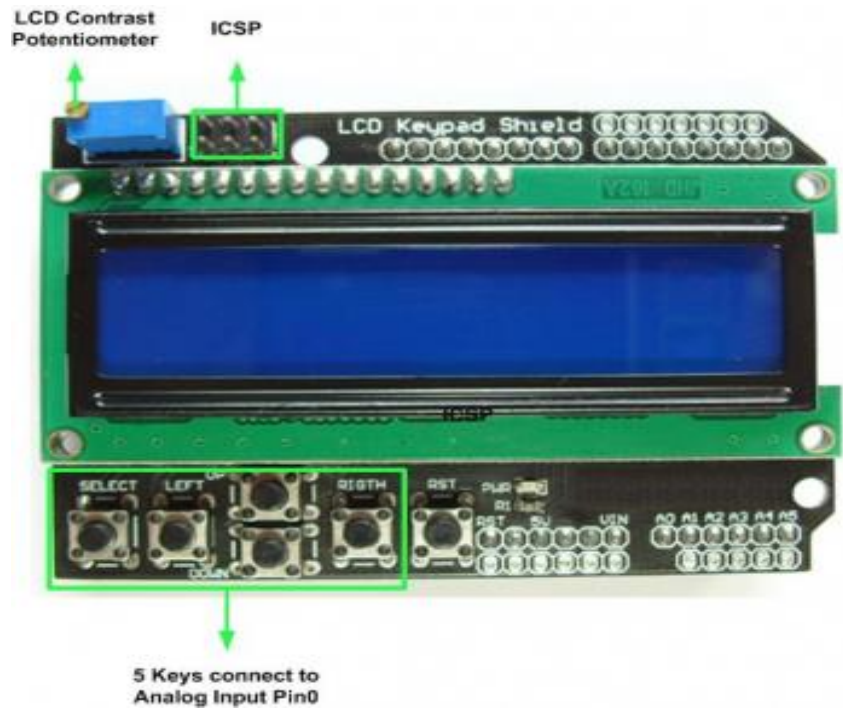
Tip: this module is as same as the DFRobot LCD keypad shield([www.dfrobot.com/wiki/index.php?title=Arduino\\_LCD\\_KeyPad\\_Shield\\_\(SKU:\\_DFR0009\)#Diagram](http://www.dfrobot.com/wiki/index.php?title=Arduino_LCD_KeyPad_Shield_(SKU:_DFR0009)#Diagram))

### Specifications:

- Blue Backlight with white words
- uses 4 Bit Arduino LCD Library
- Left, Right, Up, Down and Select buttons
- Screen contrast adjustment
- Arduino Reset button

### 2 Pin Instruction

Pin	Function
Analog 0	Button (select, up, right, down and left)
Digital 4	DB4(the LCD)
Digital 5	DB5(the LCD)
Digital 6	DB6(the LCD)
Digital 7	DB7(the LCD)
Digital 8	RS
Digital 9	RW
Digital 10	Backlit Control



### 3. Example

Here is a example to test the button function of this module.

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*****code begin*****
//Sample using LiquidCrystal library
#include <LiquidCrystal.h>

/*****

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This program will test the LCD panel and the buttons  
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// select the pins used on the LCD panel
LiquidCrystal lcd(8, 9, 4, 5, 6, 7);

// define some values used by the panel and buttons
int lcd_key = 0;
int adc_key_in = 0;
#define btnRIGHT 0
#define btnUP 1
#define btnDOWN 2
#define btnLEFT 3

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#define btnSELECT 4
#define btnNONE 5

// read the buttons
int read_LCD_buttons()
{
  adc_key_in = analogRead(0); // read the value from the sensor
  // my buttons when read are centered at these values: 0, 144, 329, 504, 741
  // we add approx 50 to those values and check to see if we are close
  if (adc_key_in > 1000) return btnNONE; // We make this the 1st option for speed reasons since it
  will be the most likely result
  // For V1.1 us this threshold
  if (adc_key_in < 50) return btnRIGHT;
  if (adc_key_in < 250) return btnUP;
  if (adc_key_in < 450) return btnDOWN;
  if (adc_key_in < 650) return btnLEFT;
  if (adc_key_in < 850) return btnSELECT;

  // For V1.0 comment the other threshold and use the one below:
  /*
  if (adc_key_in < 50) return btnRIGHT;
  if (adc_key_in < 195) return btnUP;
  if (adc_key_in < 380) return btnDOWN;
  if (adc_key_in < 555) return btnLEFT;
  if (adc_key_in < 790) return btnSELECT;
  */

  return btnNONE; // when all others fail, return this...
}

void setup()
{
  lcd.begin(16, 2); // start the library
  lcd.setCursor(0,0);
  lcd.print("Push the buttons"); // print a simple message
}

void loop()
{
  lcd.setCursor(9,1); // move cursor to second line "1" and 9 spaces over
  lcd.print(millis()/1000); // display seconds elapsed since power-up
}

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lcd.setCursor(0,1);      // move to the begining of the second line
lcd_key = read_LCD_buttons(); // read the buttons

switch (lcd_key)        // depending on which button was pushed, we perform an action
{
  case btnRIGHT:
    {
      lcd.print("RIGHT");
      break;
    }
  case btnLEFT:
    {
      lcd.print("LEFT ");
      break;
    }
  case btnUP:
    {
      lcd.print("UP ");
      break;
    }
  case btnDOWN:
    {
      lcd.print("DOWN ");
      break;
    }
  case btnSELECT:
    {
      lcd.print("SELECT");
      break;
    }
  case btnNONE:
    {
      lcd.print("NONE ");
      break;
    }
}

}

*****Code End*****
```