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1 INTRODUCTION

The Heartbeat Add-On Instruction (AOI) continuously toggles a bit on and off for a certain duration. This function can be used to monitor communication with remote PLCs.

![Heartbeat AOI as it appears in ladder logic](image)

2 FEATURES

2.1 Configuration Tags

Configuration tags are inputs to the AOI that are set by the engineer during programming and equipment start-up. A “C_” prefix is used to indicate that the tag modifies the configuration of an equipment or instrument.

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2.2 Input Tags

Input tags are inputs to the AOI that are set by the I/O and indicate equipment status. The “I_” prefix is used to indicated that the tag is displaying an equipment or instrument status. The Heartbeat AOI does not contain any input tags.

2.3 Output Tags

Output tags are outputs from the AOI that are used to control equipment. The “O_” prefix is used to indicate that the tag controls a real-world output within the PLC. The Heartbeat AOI does not contain any output tags.

2.4 HMI Tags

HMI tags are inputs to the AOI that are set by the operator. The “H_” prefix is used to indicate that the tag modifies a PLC register from the operator interface. The Heartbeat AOI does not contain any HMI tags.

2.5 PLC Logic Tags

PLC Logic tags are attributes internal to the AOI. The “P_” prefix is used to indicate that the tag is modified or calculated within the PLC.

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