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Abstract

Smart Card Reader

A portable smart card reader for reading and displaying information stored on a smart card comprising a thin housing having an upper surface and an exposed lower surface, a plurality of electrical contacts on the exposed lower surface, a reader circuit contained within the housing and connected to the electrical contacts and a display on the housing connected to the reader circuit. A smart card can be placed against the contacts and the circuit can read information stored on the smart card and display the information. Since the reader has no slot with a rigid lower portion, the reader is thin and more easily carried.

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