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Product Data Sheet

## Industrial USB Flash Drive

**U-500k Series**  
USB 3.1 SuperSpeed, SLC

Commercial and Industrial  
Temperature Grade

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# U-500k Series – Industrial USB Flash Drive

## 2 GBytes up to 32 GBytes

### 1. Product Summary

- **Capacities:** 2 GBytes, 4 GBytes, 8 GBytes, 16 GBytes, 32 GBytes
- **Form Factor:** USB3.1 solid state flash drive with USB Type-A connector (68 mm x 18 mm x 8.3 mm)
- **Compliance:** USB 3.1 Gen 1 SuperSpeed specification compatible (backward compliance with USB 2.0/1.1)
- **Performance:**
  - Read Performance: Sequential Read up to 180 MBytes/s, Random Read IOPS up to 3,700
  - Write Performance: Sequential Write up to 100 MBytes/s, Random Write IOPS up to 1,980
- **Operating Temperature Range**<sup>1</sup>:
  - Commercial: 0 °C to 70 °C
  - Industrial: -40 °C to 85 °C
- **Storage Temperature Range:** -40 °C to 85 °C
- **Operating Voltage:** 5.0 V ± 10%
- **Data Retention:** 10 Years @ Life Begin; 1 Year @ Life End
- **Endurance in TeraBytes Written (TBW) @ Max Capacity:** 3380 (seq. write 128KB); 198 (random write 4KB)
- **High-Performance 32-Bit Processor with Integrated, Parallel Flash Interface Engines:**
  - Single-Level Cell (SLC) NAND Flash
  - Hardware BCH Code ECC (up to 6obit correction per 1 KByte page)
- **High Reliability:**
  - Mean Time Between Failure (MTBF): > 3,000,000 hours
  - Data Reliability: < 1 non-recoverable error per 10<sup>17</sup> bits read

<sup>1</sup> Adequate airflow is required to ensure the drive temperature, as reported in the S.M.A.R.T. data, does not exceed the specified maximum operating temperature.

## 2. Product Features

- Page based Flash management for increased endurance and random performance
- Optimized FW algorithms especially for high read access and long data retention applications
  - Proven power fail management for highest reliability
  - Near Miss ECC technology  
Minimize the risk of uncorrectable bit failure over the product life time. Each read command analyzes the ECC margin level and refreshes data if necessary.
  - Read Disturb Management  
The read commands are monitored and the content is refreshed when critical levels have occurred.
  - Wear Leveling technology  
Equal wear leveling of static and dynamic data. The wear leveling assures that dynamic data as well as static data is balanced evenly across the memory. This guarantees the maximum write endurance of the device.
  - Data Care Management  
The interruptible background process controls the user data for read disturb effects or high temperature related retention degradation and refreshes data if necessary.
- Detailed S.M.A.R.T. support and extended vendor information
- LED for operation indication
- In-field firmware update
- 30 µinch gold-plated USB 3.0 Type-A connector contacts
- Swissbit Life Time Monitoring (SBLTM) tool and SDK for SBLTM (on request)
- Controlled BOM & PCN process
- Customized options like removable or fixed drive configuration, customer specified strings and IDs, laser marking, FAT16, FAT32 or customer file system, preload service or customized logo on request



### 3. Ordering Information

**Table 1: Standard Product List**

Capacity	Temperature	
	Commercial	Industrial
	Part Number	Part Number
2 GBytes	SFU32048ExAE1T0-C-QT-1y1-STD	SFU32048ExAE1T0-I-QT-1y1-STD
4 GBytes	SFU34096ExAE1T0-C-MS-1y1-STD	SFU34096ExAE1T0-I-MS-1y1-STD
8 GBytes	SFU3008GExAE1T0-C-DB-1y1-STD	SFU3008GExAE1T0-I-DB-1y1-STD
16 GBytes	SFU3016GExAE1T0-C-QC-1y1-STD	SFU3016GExAE1T0-I-QC-1y1-STD
32 GBytes	SFU3032GExAE1T0-C-NC-1y1-STD	SFU3032GExAE1T0-I-NC-1y1-STD

x = product generation and y = firmware revision

**Table 2: Available Part Numbers**

Capacity	Temperature	
	Commercial	Industrial
	Part Number	Part Number
2 GBytes	SFU32048E1AE1T0-C-QT-1A1-STD	SFU32048E1AE1T0-I-QT-1A1-STD
4 GBytes	SFU34096E1AE1T0-C-MS-1A1-STD	SFU34096E1AE1T0-I-MS-1A1-STD
8 GBytes	SFU3008GE1AE1T0-C-DB-1A1-STD	SFU3008GE1AE1T0-I-DB-1A1-STD
16 GBytes	SFU3016GE1AE1T0-C-QC-1A1-STD	SFU3016GE1AE1T0-I-QC-1A1-STD
32 GBytes	SFU3032GE1AE1T0-C-NC-1A1-STD	SFU3032GE1AE1T0-I-NC-1A1-STD

## 4. Product Description

The Swissbit U-500k USB 3.1 embedded USB flash drive provides a robust, high performance, and reliable storage product with industry compatible interface and small form factor. The U-500k SLC technology both enables high NAND flash operation and excellent endurance. The use of page based Flash management and a global wear leveling extends the endurance to unprecedented values for USB products.

The standard USB3 Type-A connector allows easy operation with USB3 or USB2 Type-A sockets.

For outdoor use or in poorly ventilated systems the U-500k is available in industrial temperature grade from -40°C to +85°C. Each individual industrial temperature grade drive is tested at these corners to verify the temperature resistance.

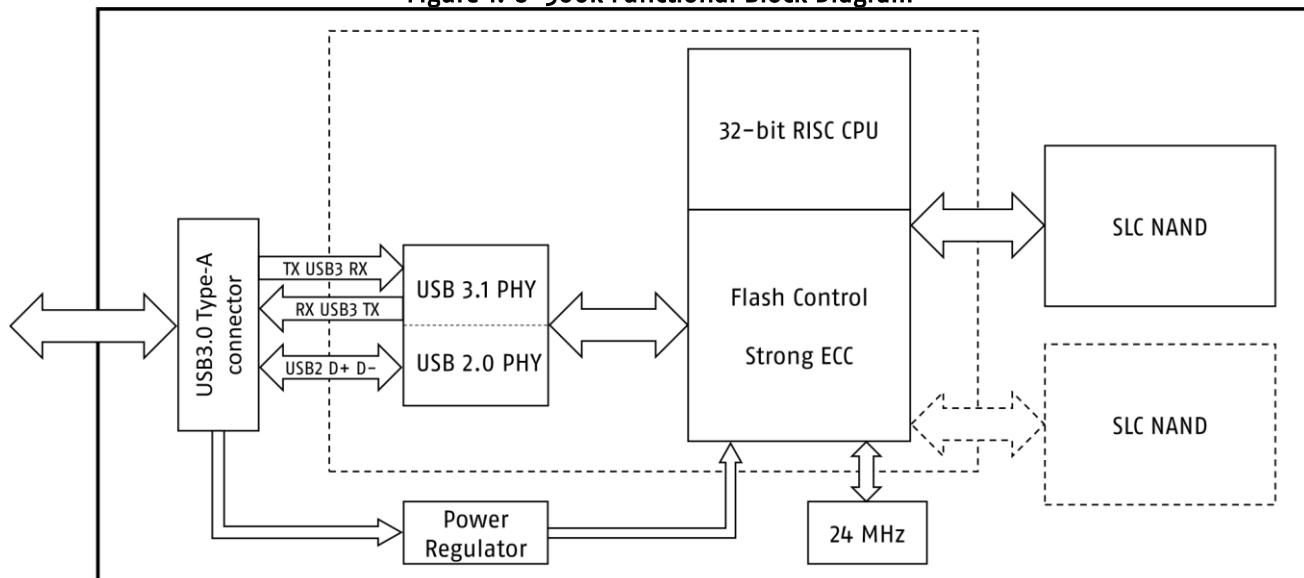
The U-500k firmware includes data care management features which refresh storage areas that are not or only infrequently read. At high temperature storage these areas are prone to retention loss. The firmware monitors the state of the NAND blocks and refreshes those that show a high level of degradation, thus preventing uncorrectable errors. This is an important feature for USB flash drives that are used as read only boot media.

The U-500k consists of a high performance 32bit RISC USB controller, the USB-A connector, power circuitry and different numbers of NAND dies. The U-500k 8/16/32GB keys use two flash channels for best performance.

The U-500k operates at 5V nominal with  $\pm 10\%$  tolerance.

It supports USB 3.1 Gen 1 SuperSpeed and is fully backwards compatible to USB 2.0/1.1 High/Full Speed.

**Figure 1: U-500k Functional Block Diagram**





## 4.3 Environmental Specifications

### 4.3.1 Recommended Operating Conditions

The recommended operating conditions for the U-500k USB flash drives are provided in the following Table 6.

**Table 6: Recommended Operating Conditions<sup>4</sup>**

Parameter	Value
Commercial Operating Temperature	0 °C to 70 °C
Industrial Operating Temperature	-40 °C to 85 °C
Power Supply V <sub>CC</sub> Voltage	5.0 V ± 10%

### 4.3.2 Recommended Storage Conditions

The recommended storage conditions are listed in the following Table 7.

**Table 7: Recommended Storage Conditions**

Parameter	Value
Commercial Storage Temperature	-40 °C to 85 °C <sup>5</sup>
Industrial Storage Temperature	-40 °C to 85 °C <sup>5</sup>

### 4.3.3 Shock, Vibration and Humidity

The maximum shock, vibration and humidity conditions are listed in the following Table 8.

**Table 8: Shock, Vibration and Humidity**

Parameter	Value
Non-Operating Shock	1,500 g (JESD22-B110, IEC 60068-2-27)
Non-Operating Vibration	20 g (IEC 60068-2-6, MIL-STD-883 M2007.3)
Humidity (Non-Condensing)	85% RH 85 °C, 1000 hrs (JESD22-A101)

<sup>4</sup> Adequate airflow is required to ensure the drive temperature, as reported in the S.M.A.R.T. data, does not exceed the specified maximum operating temperature.

<sup>5</sup> The retention at high temperature is reduced. The acceleration factor at 85°C compared with 40°C is 170, i.e. the initial endurance at 10 years@40°C is reduced to 22 days@85°C.

#### 4.4 Regulatory Compliance

The U-500k devices comply with the standards listed in the following Table 9.

**Table 9: Regulatory Compliance**

Compliance	Country	Type	Standard(s)/Directive
CE	European Union	Compliance	2014/30/EU EN 55032:2015 EN 61000-6-4:2007 +A1:2011 EN 55035:2017 EN 61000-6-2:2005/AC:2015 EN 61000-4-2:2009
FCC	United States	Compliance	47 CFR Part 15, class B
RoHS	European Union	Compliance	2011/65/EU, 2015/863
WEEE	European Union	Compliance	2012/19/EU
REACH	European Union	Compliance	1907/2006
UL	United States	Compliance	Conformity by subparts

#### 4.5 Mechanical Specifications

Physical dimensions (including cap) are detailed in the following Table 10. Figure 3 on page 13 illustrates the U-500k dimensions.

**Table 10: Measured Physical Dimensions**

Physical Dimensions		Unit
Length	67.8±0.4	mm
Width	18.0±0.2	
Thickness (Max)	8.3±0.2	
Weight (Max Capacity)	10	g

## 4.6 Reliability and Endurance

The Mean Time Between Failure (MTBF) is specified to exceed the value listed in the following Table 11. Data reliability with effective error tolerance and data retention at the beginning and end of life is also provided.

**Table 11: Reliability**

Parameter	Value
MTBF (at 25 °C)	> 3,000,000 hours
Data Reliability	< 1 Non-Recoverable Error per $10^{17}$ Bits Read
Data Retention	10 Years at Start (JESD47), 1 Year at EOL

Endurance represented as TeraBytes Written (TBW) is provided in the following Table 12.

**Table 12: Endurance<sup>6</sup>**

Drive Capacity	TeraBytes Written (TBW) @ Seq. Write 128kB Operation <sup>7</sup>	TeraBytes Written (TBW) @ Random Write 128kB Operation <sup>7</sup>	TeraBytes Written (TBW) @ Random Write 4kB Operation <sup>7</sup>
2 GBytes	204	83	32
4 GBytes	423	123	60
8 GBytes	808	232	52
16 GBytes	1691	414	101
32 GBytes	3380	858	198

## 4.7 Drive Geometry Specification

**Table 13: Drive Geometry**

Raw Capacity	Total LBA	User Addressable Bytes (Unformatted)
	Decimal	
2 GBytes	3,921,664	2,007,891,968
4 GBytes	7,843,328	4,015,783,936
8 GBytes	15,663,104	8,019,509,248
16 GBytes	31,326,208	16,039,018,496
32 GBytes	62,533,296	32,017,047,552

<sup>6</sup> The Endurance values depend strongly on the use case, the preconditioning, the operation sequence, use of trim commands and usage level of the flash drive. The given values are for orientation only.

<sup>7</sup> Sequential write 128kB simulates a continuous stream recording on a drive which has been preconditioned with a sequential write of the complete drive. Random Write 128KB or 4KB represent data logging applications with large or small block sizes.

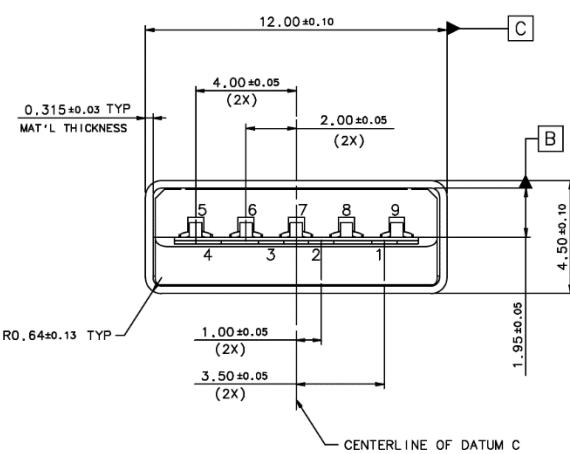
## 5. Electrical Interface

- USB3 Type-A connector, 9pin
- USB 3.1 Gen1 SuperSpeed interface, USB2.0 high-speed and 1.1 full-speed compatible

**Table 14: Electrical pinout from device and host view.**

Pin	Signal device view	Signal host view	Description host view
1	V_Bus	V_Bus	Operating voltage
2	D-	D-	Data signal pair
3	D+	D+	Data signal pair
4	GND	GND	Power Ground
5	SSTX-	SSRX-	Host receive -
6	SSTX+	SSRX+	Host receive +
7	GND	GND	Signal Ground
8	SSRX-	SSTX-	Host transmit -
9	SSRX+	SSTX+	Host transmit +
Shield			Connector shield

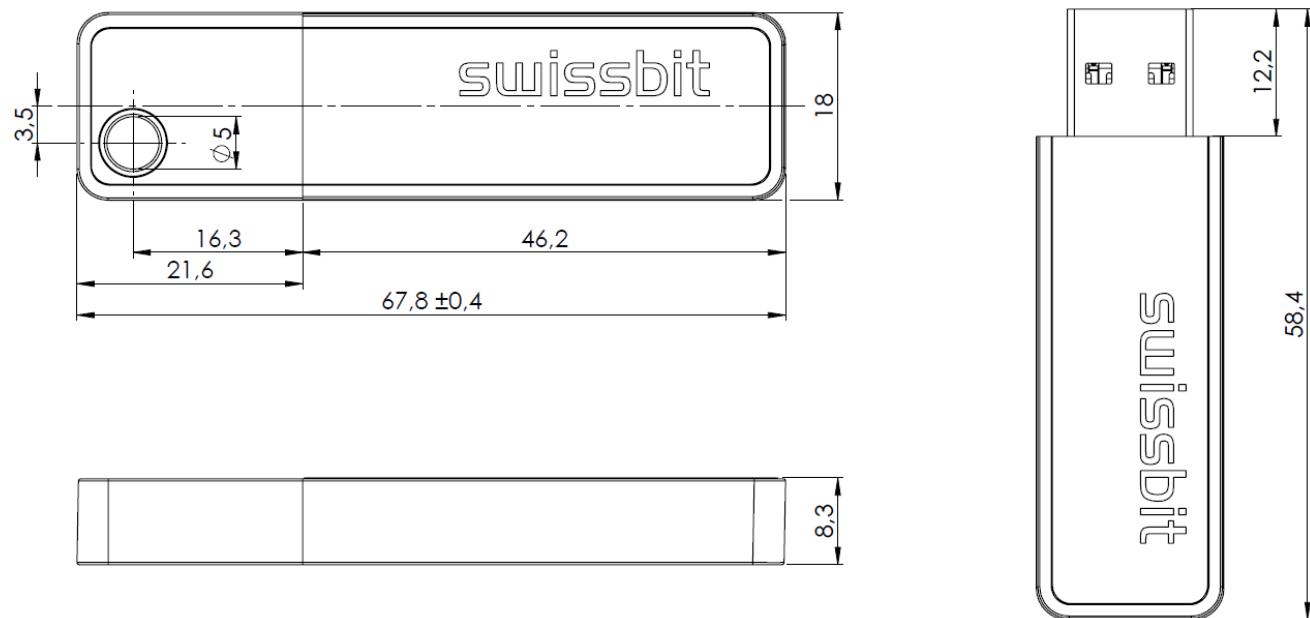
**Figure 2: USB3 Type-A connector pinout**





## 7. Package Mechanical

Figure 3: Mechanical Dimensions for U-500k



All dimensions are in millimeters, tolerance: ±0.2







### 8.3.4 S.M.A.R.T. Read Attribute Thresholds (D1h)

When the drive receives the S.M.A.R.T. Read Attribute Thresholds subcommand, it returns one sector (512 bytes) of data similar as S.M.A.R.T. Read data sector, but with the threshold value in offset 1 of each attribute (see Table 24).

### 8.3.5 S.M.A.R.T. Enable Operations (D8h)

This command enables access to the S.M.A.R.T. capabilities of the drive. The state of SMART (enabled or disabled) is preserved across power cycles.

### 8.3.6 S.M.A.R.T. Disable Operations (D9h)

This command disables access to the S.M.A.R.T. capabilities of the drive. The state of SMART (enabled or disabled) is preserved across power cycles.

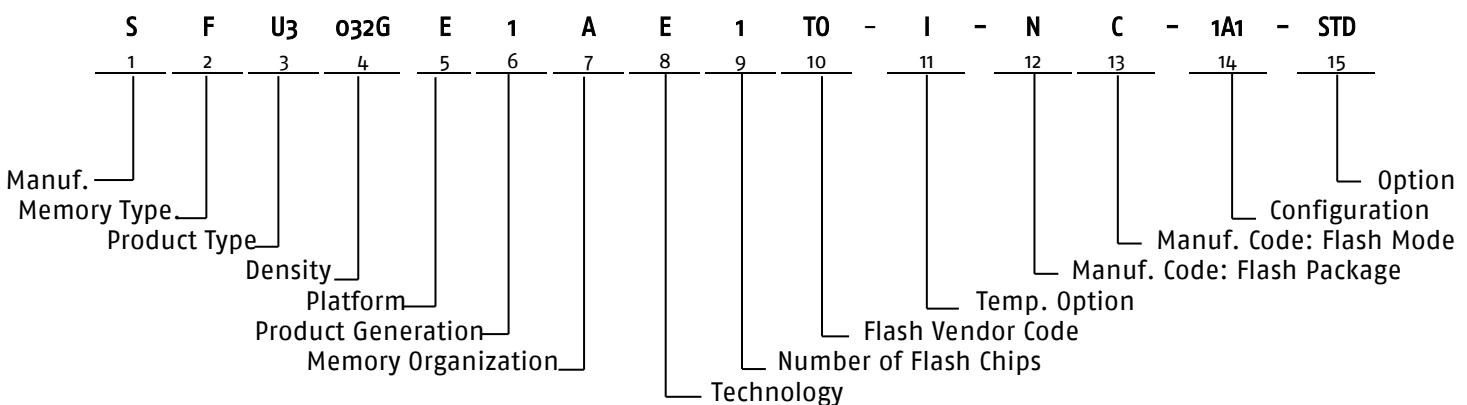
### 8.3.7 S.M.A.R.T. Return Status (DAh)

**Table 25: S.M.A.R.T. Return Status**

Operation	Feature	Sect Count	LBA low	LBA mid	LBA high	DRV head	Com-mand
Command S.M.A.R.T. Return Status	DAh	xx	xx	4Fh	C2h	Eoh	Boh
<b>Response</b>							
S.M.A.R.T. Return Status OK	xx	xx	xx	4Fh	C2h	xx	xx
S.M.A.R.T. Return Status Pre-FAIL*	xx	xx	xx	F4h	2Ch	xx	xx

\* If a threshold exceeded condition exists for either the Spare Block Count Worst Channel attribute or the Erase Count attribute, the device will set the Cylinder Low register to F4h and the Cylinder High register to 2Ch. In this case the drive should be replaced soon.

## 9. Part Number Decoder



### 9.1 Manufacturer

Swissbit code	S
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### 9.2 Memory Type

Flash	F
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### 9.3 Product Type

USB 3.1 Flash Drive	U3
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### 9.4 Density

2 GBytes	2048
4 GBytes	4096
8 GBytes	008G
16 GBytes	016G
32 GBytes	032G

### 9.5 Platform

Full size USB drive	E
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### 9.6 Product Generation

First generation	1
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### 9.7 Memory Organization

x8	A
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### 9.8 Technology

U-5xx platform UFD	E
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## 9.9 Number of Flash Chips

1 Flash	1
2 Flash	2

## 9.10 Flash Code

Toshiba	T0
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## 9.11 Temperature Option

Industrial Temperature Range: -40 °C to 85 °C	I
Standard Temperature Range: 0 °C to 70 °C	C

## 9.12 Die Classification

SLC MONO (single die package)	M
SLC DDP (dual die package)	D
SLC QDP (quad die package)	Q
SLC ODP (octal die package)	N

## 9.13 Pin Mode

	BGA	TSOP
Single nCE and Single R/nB	A	S
Dual nCE and Dual R/nB	B	T
Quad nCE and Quad R/nB	C	U

## 9.14 Configuration XYZ

X = Configuration

Configuration	X
Removable	1

Y = Firmware Revision

FW Revision	Y
Revision 1	A

Z = Optional setting

Optional Setting	Z
Default (SLC)	1

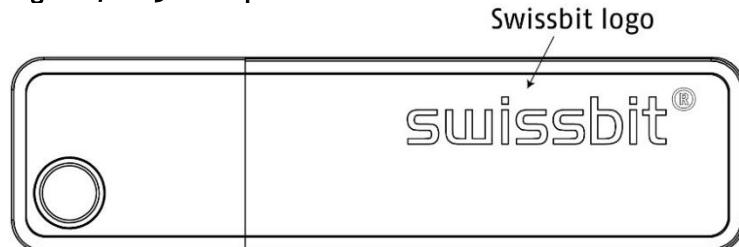
## 9.15 Option

Swissbit / Standard	STD
Customized version	XXX

## 10. Marking Specification

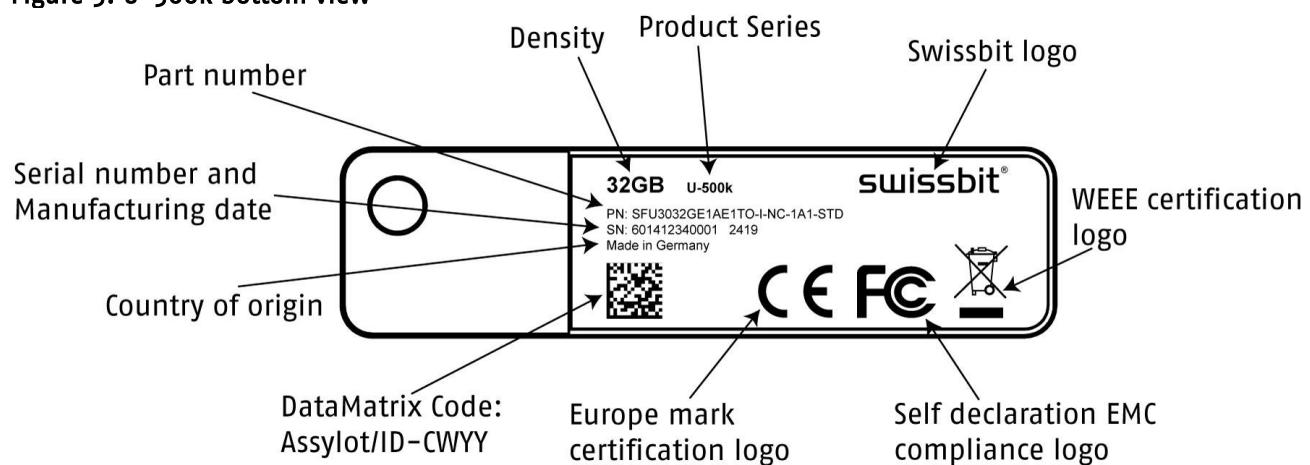
### 10.1 Top View

Figure 4: U-500k top view



### 10.2 Bottom View

Figure 5: U-500k bottom view



## 11. Revision History

**Table 26: Document Revision History**

Date	Revision	Description	Revision Details
27-Aug-2018	0.91	First preliminary release	
16-Oct-2018	0.92	Small adjustments in Table 8	
11-Jun-2019	1.00	Initial release	Doc. req. no. 2984

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