Using the USB-Serial "Dongle"

The 3-pin USB-Serial cable that we've been shipping since 2014 is not compatible with Windows 11 (thanks, Microsoft…). In its place, we are now supplying a USB "dongle" that performs the same function.   Since the dongle terminates in a header rather than wires with socket pins, you'll need to use the included cable and plug the wires into the header.   The colors of the cable may vary, so you need to note the colors used for each function.

Old Cable Pin / Color	Dongle Pin	Dongle Cable Color
GND / Black	GND	_____
RXD / White	RXD	_____
TXD / GREEN	TXD	_____

DO NOT connect a wire to the VCC or 3V3 pins on the dongle (except for the Eggfinder RX receiver as called for in the instructions.)

When the instructions for your Eggtimer device call for a specific color, substitute the appropriate function/color for the dongle. For example, to recover the passkey on the Quantum you'd use the GND/black and the RXD/white wires; if you're using the dongle, you'd use the GND/<GND color> and the RXD/<rxd color> wires instead.

The dongle uses a CP2102 driver chip instead of the PL2303TA, you can get the driver at

https://www.silabs.com/documents/public/software/CP210x_Universal_Windows_Driver.zip

Use the usual process to load the driver (i.e. install it BEFORE plugging in the dongle for the first time), and we recommend that you set the port to COM2 in Device Manager.