About this document
This manual is intended for administrators and users of the AXIS P1214-E Network Camera, and is applicable to firmware 5.40 and later. It includes instructions for using and managing the product on your network. Previous experience of networking will be of use when using this product. Some knowledge of UNIX or Linux-based systems may also be beneficial, for developing shell scripts and applications. Later version of this document will be posted to the Axis website, as required. See also the product’s online help, available via the web-based interface.

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• Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
• Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
• Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.
The product shall be connected using a shielded network cable (STP) that is properly grounded.

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The power supply used with this product shall fulfill the requirements for Safety Extra Low Voltage (SELV) and Limited Power Source (LPS) according to IEC/EN/UL 60950-1.

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Should you require any technical assistance, please contact your Axis reseller. If your questions cannot be answered immediately, your reseller will forward your queries through the appropriate channels to ensure a rapid response. If you are connected to the Internet, you can:
• download user documentation and software updates
• find answers to resolved problems in the FAQ database. Search by product, category or phrase
• report problems to Axis support staff by logging in to your private support area
• chat with Axis support staff (selected countries only)
• visit Axis Support at www.axis.com/techsup/

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Connectors and Buttons
For technical specifications, see page 45.

Network Connector
RJ45 Ethernet connector with Power over Ethernet (PoE).

**NOTICE**
The product shall be connected using a shielded network cable (STP). All cables connecting the product to the network shall be intended for their specific use. Make sure that the network devices are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. For information about regulatory requirements, see.
I/O Connector

Use with external devices in combination with, for example, tampering alarms, motion detection, event triggering, time lapse recording and alarm notifications. In addition to the 0 V DC reference point and power (DC output), the I/O connector provides the interface to:

- Digital output – For connecting external devices such as relays and LEDs. Connected devices can be activated by the VAPIX® Application Programming Interface, output buttons on the Live View page or by an Action Rule. The output will show as active (shown under System Options > Ports & Devices) if the alarm device is activated.

- Digital input – An alarm input for connecting devices that can toggle between an open and closed circuit, for example: PIRs, door/window contacts, glass break detectors, etc. When a signal is received the state changes and the input becomes active (shown under System Options > Ports & Devices).

Power Connector

2-pin terminal block for power input. Use a Safety Extra Low Voltage (SELV) compliant limited power source (LPS) with either a rated output power limited to ≤100 W or a rated output current limited to ≤5 A.

RJ12 Connector

The R12 connector is used for connecting the sensor unit to the main unit. For information on how to shorten the sensor unit cable see Shorten Sensor Unit Cable on page 6.

SD Card Slot

A microSD card (not included) can be used for local recording with removable storage. For more information, see Technical Specifications on page 45.

**NOTICE**

To prevent corruption of recordings, the SD card should be unmounted before removal. To unmount, go to Setup > System Options > Storage > SD Card and click Unmount.

**Note**

For SD card recommendations see www.axis.com

LED Indicators

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<th>Color</th>
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<td>Network</td>
<td>Green</td>
<td>Steady for connection to a 100 MBit/s network. Flashes for network activity.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Amber</td>
<td>Steady for connection to a 10 MBit/s network. Flashes for network activity.</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Unlit</td>
<td>No network connection.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Status</td>
<td>Green</td>
<td>Steady green for normal operation.</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Amber</td>
<td>Steady during startup and when restoring settings.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Red</td>
<td>Slow flash for failed upgrade.</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Unlit</td>
<td>No connection between sensor unit and main unit.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Power</td>
<td>Green</td>
<td>Normal operation.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Amber</td>
<td>Flashes green/amber during firmware upgrade.</td>
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Note
- The Status LED can be configured to be unlit during normal operation. To configure, go to Setup > System Options > Ports & Devices > LED. See the online help for more information.
- The Status LED can be configured to flash while an event is active.
- The Status LED can be configured to flash for identifying the unit. Go to Setup > System Options > Maintenance.

Shorten Sensor Unit Cable

The sensor unit is delivered with a cable. To shorten the cable follow these steps:

1. Cut the cable to the desired length. Measure from the sensor unit.
2. Strip the plastic outer coating from the end of the cable.
3. Peel back the shield.
4. Flatten the colored wires in the order described below.

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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Brown</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>White/brown</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Not used</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Not used</td>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>White/blue</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Blue</td>
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5. Insert the wires all the way into a shielded 6P6C RJ12 connector.

NOTICE
Make sure that the wires stay in the correct order and that the cable shield makes good contact with the connector shield.

6. Use a crimping tool to fasten the connector to the cable.
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Access the Product

Access the Product

To install the Axis product, refer to the Installation Guide supplied with the product.

The product can be used with most operating systems and browsers. The recommended browsers are Internet Explorer with Windows, Safari with Macintosh and Firefox with other operating systems. See Technical Specifications on page 45.

To view streaming video in Internet Explorer, allow installation of AXIS Media Control (AMC) when prompted.

The Axis product includes one (1) H.264 decoder license for viewing video streams. The license is automatically installed with AMC. The administrator can disable the installation of the decoders, to prevent installation of unlicensed copies.

Note

• QuickTime™ is also supported for viewing H.264 streams.
• If your computer restricts the use of additional software components, the product can be configured to use a Java applet for viewing Motion JPEG.

Access from a Browser

1. Start a browser (Chrome, Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari).

2. Enter the IP address or host name of the Axis product in the browser’s Location/Address field. To access the product from a Macintosh computer (Mac OS X), click on the Bonjour tab and select the product from the drop-down list.

If you do not know the IP address, use AXIS IP Utility to locate the product on the network. For information about how to discover and assign an IP address, see the Installation and Management Software CD or the document Assign an IP Address and Access the Video Stream on Axis Support web at www.axis.com/techsup

3. Enter your user name and password. If this is the first time the product is accessed, the root password must first be configured. For instructions, see Set the Root Password on page 8.

4. The product’s Live View page opens in your browser.

Note

The controls and layout of the Live View page may have been customized to meet specific installation requirements and user preferences. Consequently, some of the examples and functions featured here may differ from those displayed in your own Live View page.
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Access the Product

Access from the Internet

Once connected, the Axis product is accessible on your local network (LAN). To access the product from the Internet you must configure your network router to allow incoming data traffic to the product. To do this, enable the NAT-traversal feature, which will attempt to automatically configure the router to allow access to the product. This is enabled from Setup > System Options > Network > TCP/IP Advanced.

For more information, see NAT traversal (port mapping) for IPv4 on page 35. See also AXIS Internet Dynamic DNS Service at www.axiscam.net

For Technical notes on this and other topics, visit the Axis Support web at www.axis.com/techsup

Set the Root Password

To access the Axis product, you must set the password for the default administrator user root. This is done in the Configure Root Password dialog, which appears when the product is accessed for the first time.

To prevent network eavesdropping, the root password can be set via an encrypted HTTPS connection, which requires an HTTPS certificate. HTTPS (Hypertext Transfer Protocol over SSL) is a protocol used to encrypt traffic between web browsers and servers. The HTTPS certificate ensures encrypted exchange of information. See HTTPS on page 34.

The default administrator user name root is permanent and cannot be deleted. If the password for root is lost, the product must be reset to the factory default settings. See Reset to Factory Default Settings on page 40.

To set the password via a standard HTTP connection, enter it directly in the dialog.

To set the password via an encrypted HTTPS connection, follow these steps:

1. Click Create self-signed certificate.
2. Provide the requested information and click OK. The certificate is created and the password can now be set securely.
3. Enter a password and then re-enter it to confirm the spelling.
4. Click OK. The password has now been configured.

Set Power Line Frequency

Power line frequency is set the first time the Axis product is accessed and can only be changed from Plain Config (see page 40) or by resetting the product to factory default.
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Select the power line frequency (50 Hz or 60 Hz) used at the location of the Axis product. Selecting the wrong frequency may cause image flicker if the product is used in fluorescent light environments.

When using 50 Hz, the maximum frame rate is limited to 25 fps.

**Note**

Power line frequency varies depending on geographic region. The Americas usually use 60 Hz, whereas most other parts of the world use 50 Hz. Local variations could apply. Always check with the local authorities.

The Live View Page

The controls and layout of the Live View page may have been customized to meet specific installation requirements and user preferences. Consequently, some of the examples and functions featured here may differ from those displayed in your own Live View page. The following provides an overview of each available control.

**Controls on the Live View Page**

Click **View size** to scale the image down to 800 pixels wide or to full scale. Only available in MJPEG.

Select a stream profile for the Live View page from the **Stream Profile** drop-down list. For information about how to configure stream profiles, see *page 17*.

Click **Pulse** to activate the product’s output port for a defined period of time. For information about how to enable and configure output buttons, see *page 21*.

Click the **Active/Inactive** buttons to manually activate and inactive the product’s output port. For information about how to enable and configure output buttons, see *page 21*.

The **Manual Trigger** button is used to trigger an action rule from the Live View page. For information about how to configure and enable the button, see *Manual Trigger on page 9*.

Click **Snapshot** to save a snapshot of the video image. This button is primarily intended for use when the AXIS Media Control viewer toolbar is not available. Enable this button from Live View Config > Action Buttons.

**Manual Trigger**

The **Manual Trigger** is used to trigger an action rule from the Live View page. The manual trigger can for example be used to validate actions during product installation and configuration.

To configure the manual trigger:

1. Go to Setup > Events.
2. Click **Add** to add a new action rule.
3. From the **Trigger** drop-down list, select **Input Signal**.
4. From the second drop-down list, select **Manual Trigger**.
5. Select the desired action and configure the other settings as required.
For more information about action rules, see Events on page 27.

To show the manual trigger buttons in the Live View page:
1. Go to Setup > Live View Config.
2. Under Action Buttons, select Show manual trigger button.

AXIS Media Control viewer toolbar
The AXIS Media Control viewer toolbar is available in Internet Explorer only. See AXIS Media Control (AMC) on page 11 for more information. The toolbar displays the following buttons:

- The Play button connects to the Axis product and starts playing a media stream.
- The Stop button stops the media stream.
- The Snapshot button takes a snapshot of the video image. The location where the image is saved can be specified in the AMC Control Panel.
- Click the View Full Screen button and the video image will fill the entire screen. Press ESC (Escape) on the computer keyboard to cancel full screen view.
- The Record button is used to record the current video stream. The location where the recording is saved can be specified in the AMC Control Panel. Enable this button from Live View Config > Viewer Settings.
Media Streams

The Axis product provides several video stream formats. Your requirements and the properties of your network will determine the type you use.

The Live View page in the product provides access to H.264 and Motion JPEG video streams, and to the list of available stream profiles. Other applications and clients can access video streams directly, without going via the Live View page.

How to Stream H.264

H.264 can, without compromising image quality, reduce the size of a digital video file by more than 80% compared with the Motion JPEG format and as much as 50% more than the MPEG-4 standard. This means that much less network bandwidth and storage space are required for a video file. Or seen another way, much higher video quality can be achieved for a given bit rate.

Deciding which combination of protocols and methods to use depends on your viewing requirements, and on the properties of your network. The available options in AXIS Media Control are:

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<th>Protocol</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tr>
<td>Unicast RTP</td>
<td>This unicast method (RTP over UDP) is used for live unicast video, especially when it is important to always have an up-to-date video stream, even if some frames are dropped.</td>
<td>Unicasting is used for video-on-demand transmission so that there is no video traffic on the network until a client connects and requests the stream. Note that there are a maximum of 20 simultaneous unicast connections.</td>
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<tr>
<td>RTP over RTSP</td>
<td>This unicast method (RTP tunneled over RTSP) is useful as it is relatively simple to configure firewalls to allow RTSP traffic.</td>
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<tr>
<td>RTP over RTSP over HTTP</td>
<td>This unicast method can be used to traverse firewalls. Firewalls are commonly configured to allow the HTTP protocol, thus allowing RTP to be tunneled.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Multicast RTP</td>
<td>This method (RTP over UDP) should be used for live multicast video. The video stream is always up-to-date, even if some frames are dropped. Multicasting provides the most efficient usage of bandwidth when there are large numbers of clients viewing simultaneously. A multicast cannot however, pass a network router unless the router is configured to allow this. It is not possible to multicast over the Internet, for example. Note also that all multicast viewers count as one unicast viewer in the maximum total of 20 simultaneous connections.</td>
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AXIS Media Control negotiates with the Axis product to determine the transport protocol to use. The order of priority, listed in the AMC Control Panel, can be changed and the options disabled, to suit specific requirements.

Note

H.264 is licensed technology. The Axis product includes one H.264 viewing client license. Installing additional unlicensed copies of the client is prohibited. To purchase additional licenses, contact your Axis reseller.

MJPEG

This format uses standard JPEG still images for the video stream. These images are then displayed and updated at a rate sufficient to create a stream that shows constantly updated motion.

The Motion JPEG stream uses considerable amounts of bandwidth, but provides excellent image quality and access to every image contained in the stream. The recommended method of accessing Motion JPEG live video from the Axis product is to use the AXIS Media Control in Internet Explorer in Windows.

AXIS Media Control (AMC)

AXIS Media Control (AMC) in Internet Explorer in Windows is the recommended method of accessing live video from the Axis product.
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Media Streams

The AMC Control Panel can be used to configure various video settings. Please see the AXIS Media Control User’s Manual for more information.

The AMC Control Panel is automatically installed on first use, after which it can be configured. Open the AMC Control Panel from:

- Windows Control Panel (from the Start screen or Start menu)
- Alternatively, right-click the video image in Internet Explorer and click Settings.

![AXIS Media Control Panel](image)

Alternative Methods of Accessing the Video Stream

You can also access video and images from the Axis product in the following ways:

- **Motion JPEG server push** (if supported by the client, Firefox, for example). This option maintains an open HTTP connection to the browser and sends data as and when required, for as long as required.

- **Still JPEG images in a browser.** Enter the path `http://<ip>/axis-cgi/jpg/image.cgi`

- **Windows Media Player.** This requires AXIS Media Control and the H.264 decoder to be installed. The following paths can be used:
  - Unicast via RTP: `axrtpu://<ip>/axis-media/media.amp`
  - Unicast via RTSP: `axrtsp://<ip>/axis-media/media.amp`
  - Unicast via RTSP, tunneled via HTTP: `axrtsphttp://<ip>/axis-media/media.amp`
  - Multicast: `axrtpm://<ip>/axis-media/media.amp`

- **QuickTime™.** The following paths can be used:
  - `rtsp://<ip>/axis-media/media.amp`
  - `rtsp://<ip>/axis-media/media.3gp`
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Media Streams

Note
- <ip> = IP address
- The Axis product supports QuickTime 6.5.1 and later.
- QuickTime may add latency to the video stream.
- It may be possible to use other players to view the H.264 stream using the paths above, although Axis does not guarantee this.
Set Up the Product

The Axis product can be configured by users with administrator or operator rights. To open the product’s Setup pages, click Setup in the top right-hand corner of the Live View page.

- **Administrators** have unrestricted access to all settings.
- **Operators** have access to all settings except System Options

See also the online help.

Basic Setup

Basic Setup provides shortcuts to the settings that should be made before using the Axis product:

2. TCP/IP. See page 32.
3. Date & Time. See page 31.

The Basic Setup menu can be disabled from System Options > Security > Users.
It is possible to configure the following video features in your Axis product:

- Video stream. See page 15.
- Stream profiles. See page 17.
- Camera settings. See page 17.
- Overlay image. See page 18.
- Privacy mask. See page 19.

### Video Stream

You can define the following video stream settings from Video > Video Stream:

- Image. See page 16.
- H.264. See page 16.
- MJPEG. See page 16.

### Pixel Counter

The pixel counter shows the number of pixels in an area of the image. The pixel counter is useful in situations where there is a requirement that the image is a certain size, for example in face recognition.

The pixel counter can be accessed from:

- Video > Video Stream. Under Preview, click Open and select the Show pixel counter option to enable the rectangle in the image. Use the mouse to move and resize the rectangle, or enter the number of pixels in the Width and Height fields and click Apply.

- The Live View page in Internet Explorer with AXIS Media Control (AMC) in Windows. Right-click in the image and select Pixel counter. Use the mouse to move and resize the rectangle.
Image
The default image settings can be configured under Video > Video Stream. Select the Image tab.

The following settings are available:

- **Resolution.** Select the default resolution.
- **Compression.** The compression level affects the image quality, bandwidth and file size of saved images; the lower the compression, the higher the image quality with higher bandwidth requirements and larger file sizes.
- **Mirror image.** If required, the image can be mirrored.
- **Rotate image.** If required, the image can be rotated.
- **Maximum frame rate.** To avoid bandwidth problems, the frame rate allowed to each viewer can be Limited to a fixed amount. Alternatively, the frame rate can be set as Unlimited, which means the Axis product always delivers the highest frame rate possible under the current conditions.
- **Overlay settings.** See Overlay on page 18.

Click Save to apply the new settings.

**H.264**

H.264, also known as MPEG-4 Part 10/AVC, is a video compression standard that provides high quality video streams at low bit rates. An H.264 video stream consists of different types of frames such as I-frames and P-frames. An I-frame is a complete image whereas P-frames only contain the differences from previous frames.

The H.264 stream settings can be configured from the Video > Video Stream page. Select the H.264 tab. The settings defined in this page will apply to all H.264 streams that do not use a stream profile.

The **GOV length** is the number of frames between two consecutive I-frames. Increasing the GOV length may save considerably on bandwidth requirements in some cases, but may also have an adverse affect on image quality.

The Axis product supports the following H.264 profile(s):

The bit rate can be set as Variable bit rate (VBR) or Constant bit rate (CBR). VBR adjusts the bit rate according to the image complexity, using up more bandwidth for increased activity in the image, and less for lower image activity. When the activity in the scene increases, the bit rate would usually increase as well. If there is a surplus in bandwidth, this may not be an issue and selecting Variable bit rate (VBR) will be sufficient. But if bandwidth is limited, it is recommended to control the bit rate by selecting Constant bit rate (CBR). When the activity in the scene increases, VBR adjusts the bit rate according to the complexity, using up more bandwidth for increased activity in the scene, and less for lower scene activity. CBR allows you to set a target bit rate that limits the bandwidth consumption.

The CBR target bit rate works like the ceiling of a tent. It limits the bit rate, while maintaining some flexibility. The bit rate may bounce up and down within the set target but when it nears the set target value, the limitation kicks in. However, because CBR will always prioritize a continuous video stream, it allows temporary overshoots from the target bit rate. Because setting a target value prevents the bit rate from increasing, frame rate and image quality are affected negatively. To partly compensate for this, select which variable shall be prioritized, frame rate or image quality. Not setting a priority means that frame rate and image quality are equally affected.

The current bit rate can be set to appear as text overlay. Under Overlay Settings, select Include text and enter the modifier #b in the field.

To apply the settings, click Save.

**MJPEG**

Sometimes the image size is large due to low light or complex scenery. Adjusting the maximum frame size helps to control the bandwidth and storage used by the Motion JPEG video stream in these situations. Setting the frame size to the Default setting provides consistently good image quality at the expense of increased bandwidth and storage usage in low light. Limiting the frame size optimizes bandwidth and storage usage, but may give poor image quality. To prevent increased bandwidth and storage usage, the maximum frame size should be set to an optimal value.
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**Video**

**Stream Profiles**
A stream profile is a set of predefined stream settings including resolution, compression, frame rate and overlay settings. Stream profiles can be used:

- When setting up recording using action rules. See Events on page 27.
- When setting up continuous recording. See Continuous Recording on page 29.
- In the Live View page – select the stream profile from the Stream profile drop-down list.

For quick setup, use one of the predefined stream profiles. Each predefined profile has a descriptive name, indicating its purpose. If required, the predefined stream profiles can be modified and new customized stream profiles can be created.

To create a new profile or modify an existing profile, go to Setup > Video > Stream Profiles.

To select a default stream profile for the Live View page, go to Setup > Live View Config.

**Camera Settings**
The Video > Camera Settings page provides access to advanced image settings for the Axis product.

**Image Appearance**
Increasing the Color level increases the color saturation. The value 100 gives maximum color saturation. The value 0 gives a black and white image.

The image Brightness can be adjusted in the range 0–100, where a higher value produces a brighter image.

Increasing the Sharpness can increase bandwidth usage. A sharper image might increase image noise especially in low light conditions. A lower setting reduces image noise, but the whole image will appear less sharp.

The Contrast changes the relative difference between light and dark. It can be adjusted using the slidebar.

**White Balance**
White balance is used to make colors in the image appear the same regardless of the color temperature of the light source. The Axis product can be set to automatically identify the light source and compensate for its color. Alternatively, select the type of light source from the drop-down list. For a description of each available setting, see the online help.

**Exposure Settings**
Configure the exposure settings to suit the image quality requirements in relation to lighting, frame rate and bandwidth considerations.

**Exposure value** – Use the Exposure value slider to adjust the overall brightness of the image.

**Exposure control** – This setting is used to adapt to the amount of light used. Automatic is the default setting and can be used in most situations. The shutter speed is automatically set to produce optimum image quality. Flicker-free 50 or 60 Hz is used to remove flicker which can be caused by fluorescent and other light sources. The Hold current option locks the current exposure settings.

**Enable Backlight compensation** – Enable this option if a bright spot of light, for example a light bulb, causes other areas in the image to appear too dark.

**Exposure zones** – This setting determines which part of the image is used to calculate the exposure. For most situations, the Auto setting can be used. For particular requirements, select a predefined area.

**Exposure priority** – When Motion is prioritized and maximum Shutter time is set to a small value, motion blur in the image is minimized. This can be useful for recognition of moving objects such as people and vehicles. However, prioritizing motion may cause an increase in image noise, especially in low light situations. When Low noise is prioritized and Gain is set to a small value, image
noise is minimized. The file size is reduced, which can be useful if storage space or bandwidth is limited. However, prioritizing low noise may result in a very dark image, especially in low light situations.

**Overlay**

Overlays are used to provide extra information, for example for forensic video analysis or during product installation and configuration. Overlays are superimposed over the video stream.

An overlay text can display the current date and time, or a text string. When using a text string, modifiers can be used to display information such as the current bit rate or the current frame rate. For information about available modifiers, see *File Naming & Date/Time Formats* in the online help.

To enable overlays:

1. Go to Video > Video Stream and select the Image tab.
2. To include an overlay image, select *Include overlay image at the coordinates*. The overlay image must first be uploaded to the Axis product, see *Overlay Image*.
3. To include date and time, select *Include date and Include time*.
4. To include a text string, select *Include text* and enter the text in the field. Modifiers can be used, see *File Naming & Date/Time Formats* in the online help.
5. Define text overlay characteristics in the relevant fields.
6. Click *Save*.

To modify the date and time format, go to System Options > Date & Time. See *Date & Time on page 31*.

**Overlay Image**

An overlay image is a static image superimposed over the video stream. The image, for example a company logo, is used to provide extra information or to mask a part of the image.

For more information about privacy masks, see *Privacy Mask on page 19*.

To use an overlay image, the image must first be uploaded to the Axis product. The uploaded image should be a Windows 24-bit BMP image with maximum 250 colors. The image width and height, in pixels, must be exactly divisible by 4 and cannot be larger than the maximum image resolution. If combining text and image overlays, take into consideration that the text overlay occupies 16 or 32 pixels in height (depending on the resolution) and has the same width as the video image.

To automatically scale the image to the resolution used by the Axis product, select the option *Scale with resolution* from the Transparency Settings page which is displayed when uploading in the image.

To upload an overlay image:

1. Go to Video > Overlay Image.
2. Click *Browse* and browse to the file.
3. Click *Upload*.
4. The Transparency Settings page is now displayed:
   - To make a color in the overlay image transparent, select *Use transparency* and enter the RGB hexadecimal value for the color. Example: To make white transparent, enter #FFFFFF.
   - To scale the image automatically, select *Scale with resolution*. The image will be scaled down to fit the resolution used by the Axis product.
5. Click *Save*. 
To select the image to use as overlay:
1. Go to Video > Overlay Image.
2. Select the image to use from the Use overlay image list and click Save.

To display the overlay image:
1. Go to Video > Video Stream and select the Image tab.
2. Under Overlay Settings, select Include overlay image at the coordinates.
3. To control the image's position, enter the X and Y coordinates. The X=0 and Y=0 position is the top left corner. If a part of the image is positioned outside the video image, the overlay image will be moved so that the whole image is visible.
4. Click Save.

Privacy Mask

A privacy mask is a user-defined area that prevent users from viewing parts of the monitored area. Privacy masks appear as blocks of solid color and are applied on the video stream. Privacy masks cannot be bypassed using the VAPIX® application programming interface (API).

The Privacy Mask List (Video > Privacy Mask) shows all the masks that are currently configured in the Axis product and indicates if they are enabled.

You can add a new mask, re-size the mask with the mouse, choose a color for the mask, and give the mask a name.

For more information, see the online help.

**Important**

Adding many privacy masks may affect the product’s performance.
Configure the Live View Page

You can customize the Live View page and alter it to suit your requirements. It is possible to define the following features of the Live View page.

- **Stream Profile.** See page 17.
- **Default Viewer for Browser.** See page 20.
- **Viewer Settings.** See page 21.
- **Action Buttons.** These are the buttons described in Controls on the Live View Page on page 9.
- **User Defined Links.** See page 21.
- **Output Buttons.** See page 21.

### Default Viewer for Browsers

From Live View Config > Default Viewer select the default method for viewing video images in your browser. The product attempts to show the video images in the selected video format and viewer. If this is not possible, the product overrides the settings and selects the best available combination.
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<td>Displays still images only. Click the Refresh button in your browser to view a new image.</td>
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For more information, please see the online help 🔗.

**Viewer Settings**

To configure options for the viewer, go to Live View Config > Viewer Settings.

- Select Show viewer toolbar to display the AXIS Media Control (AMC) or the QuickTime viewer toolbar under the video image in your browser.

- **H.264 decoder installation.** The administrator can disable installation of the H.264 decoder included with AXIS Media Control. This is used to prevent installation of unlicensed copies. Further decoder licenses can be purchased from your Axis reseller.

- Select Enable recording button to enable recording from the Live View page. This button is available when using the AMC viewer. The recordings are saved to the location specified in the AMC Control Panel. See AXIS Media Control (AMC) on page 11.

**User Defined Links**

To display user-defined links in the Live View page, select the Show custom link option, give the link a name and then enter the URL to link to. When defining a web link do not remove the 'http://' from the URL address. Custom links can be used to run scripts or activate external devices connected to the product, or they can link to a web page. Custom links defined as cgi links will run the script in the background, in a hidden frame. Defining the link as a web link will open the link in a new window.

**Output Buttons**

External I/O devices connected to the Axis product's output ports can be controlled directly from the Live View page.

To display output buttons in the Live View page:

1. Go to Setup > Live View Config.

2. Under **Output Buttons**, select the type of control to use:

   - **Pulse** activates the output for a defined period of time. The pulse time can be set from 1/100 second to 60 seconds.

   - **Active/Inactive** displays two buttons, one or each action.

To configure the active and inactive states, go to System Options > Ports & Devices > I/O Ports and set the port's Normal state.
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For more information about I/O ports, see I/O Ports on page 38.
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Camera Tampering

Camera Tampering can generate an alarm whenever the camera is repositioned, or when the lens is covered, sprayed or severely defocused. To send an alarm, for example an email, an action rule must be set up.

To configure tampering:

1. Go to Detectors > Camera Tampering.
2. Set the Minimum duration, that is, the time that must elapse before an alarm is generated. Increase time to prevent false alarms for known conditions that affect the image.
3. Select Alarm for dark images if an alarm should be generated if lights are dimmed or turned off, or if the lens is sprayed, covered, or rendered severely out of focus.
4. Click Save.

To configure the product to send an alarm when tampering occurs:

1. Go to Events > Action Rules.
2. Click Add to set up a new action rule.
3. Enter a Name for the action rule.
4. Under Condition, select Detectors from the Trigger list.
5. Select Tampering from the list of detectors.
6. Optionally, select a schedule and set additional conditions.
7. Select the action. To send an email, select Send Notification and select a Recipient from the list of defined recipients.

Note

The While the rule is active option under Duration cannot be used with camera tampering, since camera tampering does not have a duration and once it has been triggered it will not automatically return to its untriggered state.

For more information on actions rules, see Events on page 27.

Motion Detection

Motion detection is used to generate an alarm whenever movement starts or stops in the camera view.

Motion detection is configured by defining up to 10 Include and Exclude windows:

- Include windows — define areas where motion should be detected
- Exclude windows — define areas within an Include window that should be ignored (areas outside Include windows are automatically ignored).

For instructions, see Set Up Motion Detection Windows on page 24.

To control the number of motion detection alarms, the parameters Object Size, History and Sensitivity can be adjusted. See Motion Detection Parameters on page 24.

Once motion detection windows are configured, the Axis product can be configured to perform actions when motion is detected. Possible actions include uploading images and start recording. For more information, see Set Up Action Rules on page 27.
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Note
- Using the motion detection feature may decrease the product’s overall performance.
- The position of the Motion Detection Window is relative to the orientation of the Camera. Changing the orientation of the camera will also change the position of the Motion Detection Window.

Set Up Motion Detection Windows
To set up a motion detection Include Window, follow these instructions:

1. Go to Detectors > Motion Detection.
2. Select the Configure Included Windows option and click New. Select the new window in the list of windows and enter a descriptive name.
3. Adjust the size (drag the bottom right-hand corner) and the position (click on the text at the top and drag to the desired position) of the window.
4. Adjust the Object Size, History and Sensitivity profile sliders (see Motion Detection Parameters for details). Any detected motion within an active window is indicated by red peaks in the Activity window.
5. Click Save.

To exclude parts of the include window, select the Configure Excluded Windows and position the exclude window within the include window.

To delete an include or exclude window, select the window in the list of windows and click Del.

Motion Detection Parameters
The parameters controlling motion detection are described in the table below:

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<td>Description</td>
<td>Object size relative to window size.</td>
<td>Object memory length.</td>
<td>Difference in luminance between background and object.</td>
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<td>High level (100%)</td>
<td>Only very large objects trigger motion detection.</td>
<td>An object that appears in the window triggers motion detection for a long time before it is considered as non-moving.</td>
<td>Ordinary colored objects on ordinary backgrounds trigger motion detection.</td>
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<td>Medium level (50%)</td>
<td></td>
<td>A large difference in luminance is required to trigger motion detection.</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Low level (0%)</td>
<td>Even very small objects trigger motion detection.</td>
<td>An object that appears in the window triggers motion detection only for a very short time before it is considered as non-moving.</td>
<td>Only very bright objects on a dark background trigger motion detection.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Recommended values</td>
<td>5–15%</td>
<td>60–90%</td>
<td>75–95%</td>
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<td>Default values</td>
<td>15%</td>
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Note

- To trigger on small objects or movements, use several small motion detection windows rather than one large window and select a low object size.
- To avoid triggering on small objects, select a high object size.
- While monitoring an area where moving objects are not expected, select a high history level. This will cause motion detection to trigger as long as the object is present in the window.
- To only detect flashing light, select a low sensitivity. In other cases high sensitivity is recommended.
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Applications

Applications

Third party applications can be uploaded to and installed on the Axis product. Applications add functionality to the product, for example video analytics and intelligent video capabilities such as recognition, tracking, detection and counting. For information about available applications, downloads, trials and licenses, go to www.axis.com/applications

Note

- It is recommended to run one application at a time.
- Avoid running applications when the built-in motion detection is active.
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Events

The Event pages allow you to configure the Axis product to perform actions when different events occur. For example, the product can start a recording or send an email notification when motion is detected. The set of conditions that defines how and when the action is triggered is called an action rule.

Set Up Action Rules

An action rule defines the conditions that must be met for the product to perform an action, for example record video or send an email notification. If multiple conditions are defined, all of them must be met to trigger the action.

For more information about available triggers and actions, see and .

The following example describes how to set up an action rule to record video to a network share if there is movement in the camera’s field of view.

Set up motion detection and add a network share:

1. Go to Detectors > Motion Detection and configure a motion detection window. See page 24
2. Go to System Options > Storage and set up the network share. See page 37.

Set up the action rule:

1. Go to Events > Action Rules and click Add.
2. Select Enable rule and enter a descriptive name for the rule.
3. Select Detectors from the Trigger drop-down list.
4. Select Motion Detection from the drop-down list. Select the motion detection window to use.
5. Optionally, select a Schedule and Additional conditions. See below.
6. Under Actions, select Record Video from the Type drop-down list.
7. Select a Stream profile and configure the Duration settings as described below.
8. Select Network Share from the Storage drop-down list.

To use more than one trigger for the action rule, select Additional conditions and click Add to add additional triggers. When using additional conditions, all conditions must be met to trigger the action.

To prevent an action from being triggered repeatedly, a Wait at least time can be set. Enter the time in hours, minutes and seconds, during which the trigger should be ignored before the action rule can be activated again.

The recording Duration of some actions can be set to include time immediately before and after the event. Select Pre-trigger time and/or Post-trigger time and enter the number of seconds. When While the rule is active is enabled and the action is triggered again during the post-trigger time, the recording time will be extended with another post-trigger time period.

For more information, see the online help.

Add Recipients

The product can send media files and messages to notify users about events. Before the product can send media files or notification messages, you must define one or more recipients. For information about available options, see .

To add a recipient:

1. Go to Events > Recipients and click Add.
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2. Enter a descriptive name.
3. Select a recipient Type.
4. Enter the information needed for the recipient type.
5. Click Test to test the connection to the recipient.
6. Click OK.

Create Schedules

Schedules can be used as action rule triggers or as additional conditions, for example to record video if motion is detected outside office hours. Use one of the predefined schedules or create a new schedule as described below.

To create a new schedule:

1. Go to Events > Schedules and click Add.
2. Enter a descriptive name and the information needed for a daily, weekly, monthly or yearly schedule.
3. Click OK.

To use the schedule in an action rule, select the schedule from the Schedule drop-down list in the Action Rule Setup page.

Set Up Recurrences

Recurrences are used to trigger action rules repeatedly, for example every 5 minutes or every hour.

To set up a recurrence:

1. Go to Events > Recurrences and click Add.
2. Enter a descriptive name and recurrence pattern.
3. Click OK.

To use the recurrence in an action rule, first select Time from the Trigger drop-down list in the Action Rule Setup page and then select the recurrence from the second drop-down list.

To modify or remove recurrences, select the recurrence in the Recurrences List and click Modify or Remove.
Recordings

The Axis product can be configured to record video continuously or according to an action rule:

- To start a continuous recording, see page 29.
- To set up action rules, see page 27.
- To access recordings, see Recording List on page 29.
- To configure camera controlled storage, see Storage on page 37.

Recording List

Recorded videos are listed on the Recordings > List page. The list shows each recording’s start date and time, duration and the event that triggered the recording.

To play or download a recording, follow these steps:

1. Go to Recordings > List.
2. Use the filter to narrow the list of recordings. Enter the desired filter criteria and click Filter. Some filters may take a long time to complete.
3. Select the recording.
4. Click Play to play the recording, or click Download to download the recording.

Multiple recordings can be downloaded at the same time. Select the recordings and click Download. The downloaded file is a zip file containing a minimum of three files, of which the Matroska (.mkv) files are the actual recordings. The recordings are time-stamped with the date and time they were downloaded (that is, not the date the recordings were made).

Note

To play recordings in Windows Media Player, AXIS Matroska File Splitter must be installed. AXIS Matroska File Splitter can be downloaded from www.axis.com/techsup/software.

For detailed recording and video information, select a recording and click Properties.

To remove a recording, select the recording and click Remove.

Continuous Recording

The Axis product can be configured to continuously save video to a storage device. For information about storage devices, see Storage on page 37. To prevent the disk from becoming full, it is recommended to configure the disk to automatically remove old recordings.

If a new stream profile is selected while a recording is ongoing, the recording will be stopped and saved in the recording list and a new recording with the new stream profile will start. All previous continuous recordings will remain in the recording list until they are removed manually or through automatic removal of old recordings.

To start a continuous recording, follow these steps:

1. Go to Recordings > Continuous.
2. Select Enabled.
3. Select the type of storage device from the Storage list.
4. Select a Stream profile to use for continuous recordings.
5. Click Save to save and start the recording.
System Options

Security

Users

User access control is enabled by default and can be configured under System Options > Security > Users. An administrator can set up other users by giving them user names and passwords. It is also possible to allow anonymous viewer login, which means that anybody may access the Live View page.

The user list displays authorized users and user groups (access levels):

- **Viewer** – Access to the Live View page
- **Operator** – Access to the Live View page and to all settings except System Options
- **Administrator** – Unrestricted access to all settings; can add, modify and remove other users.

Under HTTP/RTSP Password Settings, select the type of password to allow. You may need to allow unencrypted passwords if there are viewing clients that do not support encryption, or if you upgraded the firmware and existing clients support encryption but need to log in again and be configured to use this functionality.

Under User Settings, select the Enable anonymous viewer login option to allow anonymous users access to the Live View page.

Deselect the Enable Basic Setup option to hide the Basic Setup menu. Basic Setup provides quick access to settings that should be made before using the Axis product.

ONVIF

ONVIF (Open Network Video Interface Forum) is a global interface standard that makes it easier for end users, integrators, consultants, and manufacturers to take advantage of the possibilities offered by network video technology. ONVIF enables interoperability between different vendor products, increased flexibility, reduced cost and future-proof systems.

By creating a user you automatically enable ONVIF communication. Use the user name and password with all ONVIF communication with the product. For more information see [www.onvif.org](http://www.onvif.org)

IP Address Filter

IP address filtering is enabled on the System Options > Security > IP Address Filter page. Once enabled, the listed IP address are allowed or denied access to the Axis product. Select Allow or Deny from the list and click Apply to enable IP address filtering.

The administrator can add up to 256 IP address entries to the list (a single entry can contain multiple IP addresses).

HTTPS

The Axis product supports encrypted browsing using HTTPS. This is configured on the System Options > Security > HTTPS page.

A self-signed certificate can be used until a Certificate Authority-issued certificate has been obtained. Click Create self-signed certificate to install a self-signed certificate. Although self-signed certificates are free and offer some protection, installing a signed certificate issued by a Certificate Authority provides a much higher level of protection.

To obtain a signed certificate from an issuing Certificate Authority, click Create Certificate Request. When the signed certificate is returned, click Install signed certificate to import the certificate. The properties of any certificate request currently resident in the product or installed can be viewed by clicking Properties.

To enable HTTPS in the Axis product, the HTTPS Connection Policy must be set for each user group.

For more information, see the online help.
IEEE 802.1X

IEEE 802.1X is a standard for port-based Network Admission Control providing secure authentication of wired and wireless network devices. IEEE 802.1X is based on EAP (Extensible Authentication Protocol).

To access a network protected by IEEE 802.1X, devices must authenticate themselves. The authentication is performed by a third-party entity called an authentication server, typically a RADIUS server, examples of which are FreeRADIUS and Microsoft Internet Authentication Service.

In Axis’ implementation, the network device and the authentication server authenticate themselves with the help of digital certificates using EAP-TLS (Extensible Authentication Protocol - Transport Layer Security). The certificates are provided by an Certification Authority (CA). You need:

- a CA certificate to validate the identity of the authentication server
- a CA-signed client certificate and a private key to authenticate the network device.

To allow the network device to access a network protected by IEEE 802.1X:

1. Obtain a CA certificate, a client certificate and a client private key (contact your network administrator).
2. Go to Setup > System Options > Security > IEEE 802.1X and upload the CA certificate, the client certificate and the client private key.
3. Under Settings, select the EAPOL version, provide your EAP identity and private key password.
4. Check the box to enable IEEE 802.1X and click Save.

Certificates

- **CA Certificate**: The CA certificate is used to validate the identity of the authentication server. Enter the path to the certificate directly, or locate the file using the Browse button. Then click Upload. To remove a certificate, click Remove.
- **Client certificate**: The client certificate and private key are used to authenticate the network device. They can be uploaded as separate files or in one combined file (e.g. a PFX file or a PEM file). Use the Client private key field if uploading one combined file. For each file, enter the path to the file, or locate the file using the Browse button. Then click Upload. To remove a file, click Remove.

Settings

- **EAPOL version**: Select the EAPOL version (1 or 2) as used in your network switch.
- **EAP identity**: Enter the user identity (maximum 16 characters) associated with your certificate.
- **Private key password**: Enter the password (maximum 16 characters) for the private key.
- **Enable IEEE 802.1X**: Check the box to enable the IEEE 802.1X protocol.

Date & Time

The Axis product’s date and time settings are configured under System Options > Date & Time.

**Current Server Time** displays the current date and time (24h clock). The time can be displayed in 12h clock in the text overlay (see below).

To change the date and time settings, select the preferred Time mode under New Server Time:

- **Synchronize with computer time** – Sets date and time according to the computer’s clock. With this option, date and time are set once and will not be updated automatically.
- **Synchronize with NTP Server** – Obtains date and time from an NTP server. With this option, date and time settings are updated continuously. For information on NTP settings, see NTP Configuration on page 34.
If using a host name for the NTP server, a DNS server must be configured. See DNS Configuration on page 34.

- Set manually – Allows you to manually set date and time.

If using an NTP server, select your Time zone from the drop-down list. If required, check Automatically adjust for daylight saving time changes.

The Date & Time Format Used in Images is the date and time format displayed as a text overlay in the video stream. Use the predefined formats or see File Naming & Date/Time Formats in the online help for information on how to create custom date and time formats. To include date and time in the overlay text, go to Video and select Include date and Include time.

**Network**

**Basic TCP/IP Settings**

The Axis product supports IP version 4 and IP version 6. Both versions can be enabled simultaneously, and at least one version must always be enabled.

**IPv4 Address Configuration**

By default, the Axis product is set to use IPv4 (IP version 4) and to obtain the IP address automatically via DHCP. The IPv4 settings are configured under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Basic.

DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) allows network administrators to centrally manage and automate the assignment of IP addresses. DHCP should only be enabled if using dynamic IP address notification, or if the DHCP can update a DNS server. It is then possible to access the Axis product by name (host name).

If DHCP is enabled and the product cannot be accessed, run AXIS IP Utility to search the network for connected Axis products, or reset the product to the factory default settings (see page 49) and then perform the installation again.

To use a static IP address, check Use the following IP address and specify the IP address, subnet mask and default router.

**IPv6 Address Configuration**

If IPv6 (IP version 6) is enabled, the Axis product will receive an IP address according to the configuration in the network router.

To enable IPv6, go to System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Basic. Other settings for IPv6 should be configured in the network router.

**ARP/Ping**

The product's IP address can be assigned using ARP and Ping. For instructions, see Assign IP Address Using ARP/Ping on page 32.

The ARP/Ping service is enabled by default but is automatically disabled two minutes after the product is started, or as soon as an IP address is assigned. To re-assign IP address using ARP/Ping, the product must be restarted to enable ARP/Ping for an additional two minutes.

To disable the service, go to System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Basic and clear the option Enable ARP/Ping setting of IP address.

Pinging the product is still possible when the service is disabled.

**Assign IP Address Using ARP/Ping**

The product's IP address can be assigned using ARP/Ping. The command must be issued within 2 minutes of connecting power.

1. Acquire a free static IP address on the same network segment as the computer.
2. Locate the serial number (S/N) on the product label.
3. Open a command prompt and enter the following commands:
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Linux/Unix syntax

arp -s <IP address> <serial number> temp
ping -s 408 <IP address>

Linux/Unix example

arp -s 192.168.0.125 00:40:8c:18:10:00 temp
ping -s 408 192.168.0.125

Windows syntax (this may require that you run the command prompt as an administrator)

arp -s <IP address> <serial number>
ping -l 408 -t <IP address>

Windows example (this may require that you run the command prompt as an administrator)

arp -s 192.168.0.125 00-40-8c-18-10-00
ping -l 408 -t 192.168.0.125

4. Check that the network cable is connected and then restart the product by disconnecting and reconnecting power.

5. Close the command prompt when the product responds with Reply from 192.168.0.125:... or similar.

6. Open a browser and type http://<IP address> in the Location/Address field.

For other methods of assigning the IP address, see the Installation and Management Software CD or the document Assign an IP Address and Access the Video Stream on Axis Support web at www.axis.com/techsup

Note

- To open a command prompt in Windows, open the Start menu and type cmd in the Run/Search field.
- To use the ARP command in Windows 8/Windows 7/Windows Vista, right-click the command prompt icon and select Run as administrator.
- To open a command prompt in Mac OS X, open the Terminal utility from Application > Utilities.

AXIS Video Hosting System (AVHS)

AVHS used in conjunction with an AVHS service, provides easy and secure Internet access to live and recorded video accessible from any location. For more information and help to find a local AVHS Service Provider go to www.axis.com/hosting

The AVHS settings are configured under System Options > Network > TCP IP > Basic. The possibility to connect to an AVHS service is enabled by default. To disable, clear the Enable AVHS box.

One-click enabled – Press and hold the product’s control button (see Hardware Overview on page 4) for about 3 seconds to connect to an AVHS service over the Internet. Once registered, Always will be enabled and the Axis product stays connected to the AVHS service. If the product is not registered within 24 hours from when the button is pressed, the product will disconnect from the AVHS service.

Always – The Axis product will constantly attempt to connect to the AVHS service over the Internet. Once registered the product will stay connected to the service. This option can be used when the product is already installed and it is not convenient to use the one-click installation.

AXIS Internet Dynamic DNS Service

AXIS Internet Dynamic DNS Service assigns a host name for easy access to the product. For more information, see www.axiscom.net

To register the Axis product with AXIS Internet Dynamic DNS Service, go to System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Basic. Under Services, click the AXIS Internet Dynamic DNS Service Settings button (requires access to the Internet). The domain name currently registered at AXIS Internet Dynamic DNS service for the product can at any time be removed.

Note

AXIS Internet Dynamic DNS Service requires IPv4.
Advanced TCP/IP Settings

DNS Configuration
DNS (Domain Name Service) provides the translation of host names to IP addresses. The DNS settings are configured under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced.

Select Obtain DNS server address via DHCP to use the DNS settings provided by the DHCP server.

To make manual settings, select Use the following DNS server address and specify the following:

Domain name – Enter the domain(s) to search for the host name used by the Axis product. Multiple domains can be separated by semicolons. The host name is always the first part of a fully qualified domain name, for example, myserver is the host name in the fully qualified domain name myserver.mycompany.com where mycompany.com is the domain name.

Primary/Secondary DNS server – Enter the IP addresses of the primary and secondary DNS servers. The secondary DNS server is optional and will be used if the primary is unavailable.

NTP Configuration
NTP (Network Time Protocol) is used to synchronize the clock times of devices in a network. The NTP settings are configured under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced.

Select Obtain NTP server address via DHCP to use the NTP settings provided by the DHCP server.

To make manual settings, select Use the following NTP server address and enter the host name or IP address of the NTP server.

Host Name Configuration
The Axis product can be accessed using a host name instead of an IP address. The host name is usually the same as the assigned DNS name. The host name is configured under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced.

Select Obtain host name via IPv4 DHCP to use host name provided by the DHCP server running on IPv4.

Select Use the host name to set the host name manually.

Select Enable dynamic DNS updates to dynamically update local DNS servers whenever the Axis product’s IP address changes.

For more information, see the online help.

Link-Local IPv4 Address
Link-Local Address is enabled by default and assigns the Axis product an additional IP address which can be used to access the product from other hosts on the same segment on the local network. The product can have a Link-Local IP and a static or DHCP-supplied IP address at the same time.

This function can be disabled under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced.

HTTP
The HTTP port used by the Axis product can be changed under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced. In addition to the default setting, which is 80, any port in the range 1024–65535 can be used.

HTTPS
The HTTPS port used by the Axis product can be changed under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced. In addition to the default setting, which is 443, any port in the range 1024–65535 can be used.

To enable HTTPS, go to System Options > Security > HTTPS. For more information, see HTTPS on page 30.
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NAT traversal (port mapping) for IPv4

A network router allows devices on a private network (LAN) to share a single connection to the Internet. This is done by forwarding network traffic from the private network to the "outside", that is, the Internet. Security on the private network (LAN) is increased since most routers are pre-configured to stop attempts to access the private network (LAN) from the public network (Internet).

Use NAT traversal when the Axis product is located on an intranet (LAN) and you wish to make it available from the other (WAN) side of a NAT router. With NAT traversal properly configured, all HTTP traffic to an external HTTP port in the NAT router is forwarded to the product.

NAT traversal is configured under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced.

Note
- For NAT traversal to work, this must be supported by the router. The router must also support UPnP®.
- In this context, router refers to any network routing device such as a NAT router, Network router, Internet Gateway, Broadband router, Broadband sharing device, or a software such as a firewall.

Enable/Disable – When enabled, the Axis product attempts to configure port mapping in a NAT router on your network, using UPnP®. Note that UPnP® must be enabled in the product (see System Options > Network > UPnP®).

Use manually selected NAT router – Select this option to manually select a NAT router and enter the IP address for the router in the field. If no router is specified, the product automatically searches for NAT routers on your network. If more than one router is found, the default router is selected.

Alternative HTTP port – Select this option to manually define an external HTTP port. Enter a port in the range 1024–65535. If the port field is empty or contains the default setting, which is 0, a port number is automatically selected when enabling NAT traversal.

Note
- An alternative HTTP port can be used or be active even if NAT traversal is disabled. This is useful if your NAT router does not support UPnP and you need to manually configure port forwarding in the NAT router.
- If you attempt to manually enter a port that is already in use, another available port is automatically selected.
- When the port is selected automatically it is displayed in this field. To change this, enter a new port number and click Save.

FTP

The FTP server running in the Axis product enables upload of new firmware, user applications, etc. The FTP server can be disabled under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced.

Note
- This FTP server has nothing to do with the product’s ability to transfer images via FTP to other locations and servers.

RTSP

The RTSP server running in the Axis product allows a connecting client to start an H.264 stream. The RTSP port number can be changed under System Options > Network > TCP/IP > Advanced. The default port is 554.

Note
- H.264 video streams will not be available if the RTSP server is disabled.

SOCKS

SOCKS is a networking proxy protocol. The Axis product can be configured to use a SOCKS server to reach networks on the other side of a firewall or proxy server. This functionality is useful if the Axis product is located on a local network behind a firewall, and notifications, uploads, alarms, etc need to be sent to a destination outside the local network (for example the Internet).

SOCKS is configured under System Options > Network > SOCKS. For more information, see the online help.
QoS (Quality of Service)

QoS (Quality of Service) guarantees a certain level of a specified resource to selected traffic on a network. A QoS-aware network prioritizes network traffic and provides a greater network reliability by controlling the amount of bandwidth an application may use.

The QoS settings are configured under System Options > Network > QoS. Using DSCP (Differentiated Services Codepoint) values, the Axis product can mark different types of traffic.

SMTP (email)

To send email messages from the Axis product via SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol), an SMTP mail server must be set up. This is done under System Options > Network > SMTP (email).

Enter the host names or IP addresses and port numbers for the primary and secondary mail servers in the fields provided. A From email address is also required. If the mail server requires authentication, check Use authentication to log in to this server and enter the necessary information.

SNMP

The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) allows remote management of network devices. An SNMP community is the group of devices and management station running SNMP. Community names are used to identify groups.

To enable and configure SNMP in the Axis product, go to the System Options > Network > SNMP page.

Depending on the level of security required, select the version on SNMP to use.

Traps are used by the Axis product to send messages to a management system on important events and status changes. Check Enable traps and enter the IP address where the trap message should be sent and the Trap community that should receive the message.

**Note**

If HTTPS is enabled, SNMP v1 and SNMP v2c should be disabled.

Traps for SNMP v1/v2 are used by the Axis product to send messages to a management system on important events and status changes. Check Enable traps and enter the IP address where the trap message should be sent and the Trap community that should receive the message.

The following traps are available:

- Cold start
- Warm start
- Link up
- Authentication failed

SNMP v3 provides encryption and secure passwords. To use traps with SNMP v3, an SNMP v3 management application is required.

To use SNMP v3, HTTPS must be enabled, see HTTPS on page 30. To enable SNMP v3, check the box and provide the initial user password.

**Note**

The initial password can only be set once. If the password is lost, the Axis product must be reset to factory default, see Reset to Factory Default Settings on page 40.

UPnP™

The Axis product includes support for UPnP™. UPnP™ is enabled by default and the product is automatically detected by operating systems and clients that support this protocol.

UPnP™ can be disabled under System Options > Network > UPnP™.
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RTP/H.264
The RTP port range and multicast settings are configured under System Options > Network > RTP.
The RTP port range defines the range of ports from which the video ports are automatically selected. For multicast streams, only certain IP addresses and port numbers should be used.
Select Always Multicast Video to start multicast streaming without opening an RTSP session.

Bonjour
The Axis product includes support for Bonjour. Bonjour is enabled by default and the product is automatically detected by operating systems and clients that support this protocol.
Bonjour can be disabled under System Options > Network > Bonjour.

Storage

SD Card

**NOTICE**
To prevent corruption of recordings, the SD card should always be unmounted before it is ejected.

**Note**
For SD card recommendations see www.axis.com

Supports microSD cards with up to 64 GB of storage. For best recording performance, use a microSDHC or microSDXC card with speed class 10.
The following SD card file systems are supported:

- **ext4** — recommended due to its resilience against data loss if the card is ejected or if there is abrupt power loss. To access data stored on the card from the Windows operating system, a third-party ext4 driver or application is required.
- **vFAT** — supported by most operating systems for personal computers.
The SD card is managed on the System Options > Storage page. Click SD Card to open Storage Management.
If the card’s status shows as failed, click Check disk to see if the problem can be found and then try Repair. This option is only available for SD cards with ext4. For SD cards with vFAT, use a card reader or computer to troubleshoot the card.
To avoid filling the card, it is recommended to remove recordings continuously. Under General Settings, select Remove recordings older than and select the number of days or weeks.
To stop writing to the card and protect recordings from being removed, select Lock under General Settings.

Network Share

Network share allows you to add network storage such as a NAS (network-attached storage). The NAS shall be dedicated for recordings and data from the Axis products connected to the network. For information about reference NAS devices, go to www.axis.com/products/cam_companion_software/supported.htm

**Note**
For NAS recommendations see www.axis.com

To add a network share:

1. Go to System Options > Storage.
2. Click Network Share.
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3. Enter the IP address, DNS or Bonjour name to the host server in the Host field.
4. Enter the name of the share in the Share field. Sub folders cannot be used.
5. If required, select The share requires login and enter the user name and password.
6. Click Connect.

To clear all recordings and data from the Axis product’s folder on the designated share, click Clear under Storage Tools.

To avoid filling the share, it is recommended to remove recordings continuously. Under Recording Settings, select Remove recordings older than and select the number of days or weeks.

To stop writing to the share and protect recordings from being removed, select Lock under Recording Settings.

Ports & Devices

I/O Ports

The Axis product provides one input port and one output port for connection of external devices. For information about how to connect external devices, see Connectors on page 47.

The I/O ports are configured under System Options > Ports & Devices > I/O Ports. The ports can be given descriptive names and their Normal states can be configured as Open circuit or Grounded circuit.

Port Status

The list on the System Options > Ports & Devices > Port Status page shows the status of the product’s input and output ports.

Maintenance

The Axis product provides several maintenance functions. These are available under System Options > Maintenance.

Click Restart to perform a correct restart if the Axis product is not behaving as expected. This will not affect any of the current settings.

Note: A restart clears all entries in the Server Report.

Click Restore to reset most settings to the factory default values. The following settings are not affected:

- the boot protocol (DHCP or static)
- the static IP address
- the default router
- the subnet mask
- the system time
- the IEEE 802.1X settings
- uploaded applications are kept but must be restarted

Click Default to reset all settings, including the IP address, to the factory default values. This button should be used with caution. The Axis product can also be reset to factory default using the control button, see Reset to Factory Default Settings on page 40.

To identify the product or test the Status LED, click Flash LED under Identify and specify the duration in seconds, minutes or hours. This can be useful for identifying the product among other products installed in the same location.
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For information about firmware upgrade, see Upgrade the Firmware on page 41.

Support

Support Overview

The System Options > Support > Support Overview page provides information on troubleshooting and contact information, should you require technical assistance.

See also Troubleshooting on page 41.

System Overview

To get an overview of the Axis product’s status and settings, go to System Options > Support > System Overview. Information that can be found here includes firmware version, IP address, network and security settings, event settings, image settings and recent log items. Many of the captions are links to the proper Setup page.

Logs & Reports

The System Options > Support > Logs & Reports page generates logs and reports useful for system analysis and troubleshooting. If contacting Axis Support, please provide a valid Server Report with your query.

System Log – Provides information about system events.

Access Log – Lists all failed attempts to access the product. The Access Log can also be configured to list all connections to the product (see below).


You can view or download the server report. Downloading the server report creates a .zip file that contains a complete server report text file in UTF–8 format. Select the Include snapshot with default image settings option to include a snapshot of the product’s Live View. The server report .zip file should always be included when contacting support.

Parameter List – Shows the product’s parameters and their current settings. This may prove useful when troubleshooting or when contacting Axis Support.

Connection List – Lists all clients that are currently accessing media streams.

Crash Report – Generates an archive with debugging information. The report takes several minutes to generate.

The log levels for the System Log and the Access Log are set under System Options > Support > Logs & Reports > Configuration. The Access Log can be configured to list all connections to the product (select Critical, Warnings & Info).

Advanced

Scripting

Scripting allows experienced users to customize and use their own scripts.

NOTICE

Improper use may cause unexpected behavior and loss of contact with the Axis product.

Axis strongly recommends that you do not use this function unless you understand the consequences. Axis Support does not provide assistance for problems with customized scripts.

To open the Script Editor, go to System Options > Advanced > Scripting. If a script causes problems, reset the product to its factory default settings, see page 40.
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For more information, see www.axis.com/developer

File Upload

Files, for example webpages and images, can be uploaded to the Axis product and used as custom settings. To upload a file, go to System Options > Advanced > File Upload.

Uploaded files are accessed through http://<ip_address>/local/<user>/<file_name> where <user> is the selected user group (viewer, operator or administrator) for the uploaded file.

Plain Config

Plain Config is for advanced users with experience of Axis product configuration. Most parameters can be set and modified from this page.

To open Plain Config, go to System Options > Advanced > Plain Config. Axis Support does not provide assistance.

Reset to Factory Default Settings

Important

Reset to factory default should be used with caution. A reset to factory default will reset all settings, including the IP address, to the factory default values.

Note

The installation and management software tools are available on the CD supplied with the product and from the support pages on www.axis.com/techsup

To reset the product to the factory default settings:

1. Disconnect power from the product.
2. Press and hold the control button and reconnect power. See Hardware Overview on page 4.
3. Keep the control button pressed for about 15–30 seconds until the status LED indicator flashes amber.
4. Release the control button. The process is complete when the status LED indicator turns green. The product has been reset to the factory default settings. If no DHCP server is available on the network, the default IP address is 192.168.0.90
5. Using the installation and management software tools, assign an IP address, set the password, and access the video stream.

It is also possible to reset parameters to factory default via the web interface. Go to Setup > System Options > Maintenance.
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Check the Firmware

Firmware is software that determines the functionality of network devices. One of your first actions when troubleshooting a problem should be to check the current firmware version. The latest version may contain a correction that fixes your particular problem. The current firmware version in the Axis product is displayed in the page Setup > Basic Setup and in Setup > About.

Upgrade the Firmware

Important

- Your dealer reserves the right to charge for any repair attributable to faulty upgrade by the user.
- Preconfigured and customized settings are saved when the firmware is upgraded (providing the features are available in the new firmware) although this is not guaranteed by Axis Communications AB.

Note

- After the upgrade process has completed, the product will restart automatically. If restarting the product manually after the upgrade, always wait 10 minutes even if you suspect the upgrade has failed.
- When you upgrade the Axis product with the latest firmware from Axis website, the product receives the latest functionality available. Always read the upgrade instructions and release notes available with each new release before upgrading the firmware.

To upgrade the product’s firmware:

1. Save the firmware file to your computer. The latest version of the firmware is available free of charge from Axis website at www.axis.com/techsup
2. Go to Setup > System Options > Maintenance in the product’s webpages.
3. Under Upgrade Server, click Browse and locate the file on your computer. Click Upgrade.
4. Wait approximately 10 minutes while the product is being upgraded and restarted. Then access the product.

AXIS Camera Management can be used for multiple upgrades. See www.axis.com for more information.
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### Emergency Recovery Procedure

If power or network connection is lost during the upgrade, the process fails and the product becomes unresponsive. Flashing red Status indicator indicates a failed upgrade. To recover the product, follow the steps below. The serial number is found on the product’s label.

1. In UNIX/Linux, type the following from the command line:
   
   ```
   arp -s <IP address> <serial number> temp
   ping -l 408 <IP address>
   ```
   
   In Windows, type the following from a command/DOS prompt (this may require that you run the command prompt as an administrator):
   
   ```
   arp -s <IP address> <serial number>
   ping -l 408 -t <IP address>
   ```

2. If the product does not reply in 30 seconds, restart it and wait for a reply. Press CTRL+C to stop Ping.

3. Open a browser and type in the product’s IP address. In the page that opens, use the Browse button to select the upgrade file to use. Then click Load to restart the upgrade process.

4. After the upgrade is complete (1–10 minutes), the product automatically restarts and shows a steady green on the Status indicator.

5. Reinstall the product, referring to the Installation Guide.

If the emergency recovery procedure does not get the product up and running again, contact Axis support at www.axis.com/techsup/

### Symptoms, Possible Causes and Remedial Actions

#### Problems setting the IP address

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<td>Try the installation again. The IP address must be set within two minutes after power has been applied to the product. Ensure the Ping length is set to 408. For instructions, see Assign IP Address Using ARP/Ping on page 32.</td>
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<td><strong>The product is located on a different subnet</strong></td>
<td>If the IP address intended for the product and the IP address of the computer used to access the product are located on different subnets, you will not be able to set the IP address. Contact your network administrator to obtain an IP address.</td>
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| **The IP address is being used by another device** | Disconnect the Axis product from the network. Run the Ping command (in a Command/DOS window, type `ping` and the IP address of the product):
  * If you receive: `Reply from <IP address>:` `bytes=32; time=10...` this means that the IP address may already be in use by another device on the network. Obtain a new IP address from the network administrator and reinstall the product.
  * If you receive: `Request timed out`, this means that the IP address is available for use with the Axis product. Check all cabling and reinstall the product. |
| **Possible IP address conflict with another device on the same subnet.** | The static IP address in the Axis product is used before the DHCP server sets a dynamic address. This means that if the same default static IP address is also used by another device, there may be problems accessing the product. |
| **The product cannot be accessed from a browser** | When HTTPS is enabled, ensure that the correct protocol (HTTP or HTTPS) is used when attempting to log in. You may need to manually type `http` or `https` in the browser’s address field. If the password for the user root is lost, the product must be reset to the factory default settings. See Reset to Factory Default Settings on page 40. |
| **Cannot log in**                            |                                                                               |


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<td>IP addresses obtained from a DHCP server are dynamic and may change. If the IP address has been changed, use AXIS IP Utility or AXIS Camera Management to locate the product on the network. Identify the product using its model or serial number, or by the DNS name (if the name has been configured). If required, a static IP address can be assigned manually. For instructions, see the Installation and Management Software CD or the document Assign an IP Address and Access the Video Stream on Axis Support web at <a href="http://www.axis.com/techsup">www.axis.com/techsup</a>.</td>
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<td>For authentication to work properly, the date and time settings in the Axis product should be synchronized with an NTP server. See Date &amp; Time on page 31.</td>
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The product is accessible locally but not externally

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<td>To configure your router to allow incoming data traffic to the Axis product, enable the NAT-traversal feature which will attempt to automatically configure the router to allow access to the Axis product, see NAT traversal (port mapping) for IPv4 on page 35. The router must support UPnP®.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Firewall protection</td>
<td>Check the Internet firewall with your network administrator.</td>
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<td>Default routers required</td>
<td>Check if you need to configure the router settings from System Options &gt; Network &gt; TCP/IP &gt; Basic.</td>
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Problems with streaming H.264

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<td>Problems with AXIS Media Control (Internet Explorer only)</td>
<td>To enable the updating of video images in Internet Explorer, set the browser to allow ActiveX controls. Also, make sure that AXIS Media Control is installed on your computer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No H.264 displayed in the client</td>
<td>Check that the relevant H.264 connection methods and correct interface are enabled in the AMC Control Panel (streaming tab). See AXIS Media Control (AMC) on page 11. In the AMC Control Panel, select the H.264 tab and click Set to default H.264 decoder. Check that RTSP is enabled under System Options &gt; Network &gt; TCP/IP &gt; Advanced.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Multicast H.264 only accessible by local clients</td>
<td>Check if your router supports multicasting, or if the router settings between the client and the product need to be configured. The TTL (Time To Live) value may need to be increased.</td>
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<tr>
<td>No multicast H.264 displayed in the client</td>
<td>Check with your network administrator that the multicast addresses used by the Axis product are valid for your network. Check with your network administrator to see if there is a firewall preventing viewing.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Installation of additional ActiveX component restricted or prohibited</td>
<td>Configure the Axis product to use a Java applet for updating video images in your browser. Go to Setup &gt; Live View Config and select Java applet under Default viewer.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Poor rendering of H.264 images</td>
<td>Ensure that your graphics card is using the latest driver. The latest drivers can usually be downloaded from the manufacturer’s website.</td>
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<td>Color saturation is different in H.264 and Motion JPEG</td>
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Lower frame rate than expected

See Performance Considerations on page 48.

Reduce the number of applications running on the client computer.

Limit the number of simultaneous viewers.

Check with the network administrator that there is enough bandwidth available.

Check in the AMC Control Panel (H.264 tag) that video processing is NOT set to Decode only key frames.

Lower the image resolution.

The maximum frames per second is dependent on the utility frequency (60/50 Hz) of the Axis product. See Technical Specifications on page 45.

Status and Network indicator LEDs are flashing red rapidly

Hardware failure

Contact your Axis reseller.

Video and image problems, general

Image unsatisfactory

Check the video stream and camera settings under Setup > Video > Video Stream and Setup > Video > Camera Settings.

Motion Detection triggers unexpectedly

Changes in luminance

Motion detection is based on changes in luminance in the image. This means that if there are sudden changes in the lighting, motion detection may trigger mistakenly. Lower the sensitivity setting to avoid problems with luminance.

Storage and disk management problems

Storage disruption

A storage disruption alarm is sent if a storage device is unavailable, removed, full, locked or if other read or write problems occur. To identify the source of the problem, check the System Log under System Options > Support > Logs & Reports. Depending on the problem, it might be necessary to re-mount the storage device.

For information on how to set up a storage disruption alarm, see Events on page 27.

Video cannot be recorded

Check that the SD card is not write protected (that is, read only).

SD card cannot be mounted

Reformat the SD card and then click Mount.

**NOTICE**

Formatting the card will remove all content, including all recordings, from the SD card.
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<td>Progressive scan RGB CMOS 1/4&quot;</td>
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<td><strong>Lens</strong></td>
<td>f=2.8 mm, F2.0, fixed iris, fixed focus</td>
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<td>Horizontal angle of view: 81°</td>
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<td>Diagonal angle of view: 87°</td>
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<td><strong>Light sensitivity</strong></td>
<td>1.0 lux – 10000 lux, F2.0</td>
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<td><strong>Shutter time</strong></td>
<td>1/24500 s to 1/6 s</td>
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<td>Up to 25/30 fps (50/60 Hz) in all resolutions</td>
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<td><strong>Video streaming</strong></td>
<td>Multiple, individually configurable streams in H.264 and Motion JPEG</td>
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<td>Password protection, IP address filtering, HTTPS encryption*, IEEE 802.1X network access control*, digest authentication, user access log</td>
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<td>IPv4/IPv6, HTTP, HTTPS*, SSL/TLS*, QoS Layer 3 Diffserv, FTP, CIFS/SMB, SMTP, Bonjour, UPnP, SNMPv1/v2c/v3(MIB-II), DNS, DynDNS, NTP, RTSP, RTP, TCP, UDP, IGMP, RTCP, ICMP, DHCP, ARP, SOCKS</td>
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<td><strong>System Integration</strong></td>
<td><strong>Application Programming Interface</strong></td>
<td>Open API for software integration, including VAPIX® and AXIS Camera Application Platform from Axis Communications; specifications available at <a href="http://www.axis.com">www.axis.com</a> Includes the ONVIF specification available at <a href="http://www.onvif.org">www.onvif.org</a> Support for AXIS Video Hosting System (AVHS) with One-Click Camera Connection</td>
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<td>Sensor unit: IP66 Nema 4X-rated metal casing (aluminum)</td>
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<td>256 MB RAM , 128 MB Flash</td>
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<td>Support for recording to network share (Network Attached Storage or file server).</td>
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<td>EN 55022 Class B, EN 61000-3-2, EN 61000-3-3, EN 61000-6-1, EN 55024, FCC Part 15</td>
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<td><strong>Dimensions (HxWxD)</strong></td>
<td>Main unit: 31 x 76 x 103 mm (1.1” x 3.0” x 4.1”)</td>
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<td>Sensor unit: diameter 20 mm (0.8”), depth 53 mm (2.1”)</td>
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<td><strong>Weight</strong></td>
<td>Main unit: 109 g (0.24 lb.)</td>
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<td>Axis PoE Midspans</td>
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Connectors

I/O Connector

4-pin terminal block for:

- Auxiliary power (DC output)
- Digital Input
- Digital Output
- 0 V DC (-)

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<td>0 V DC (-)</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>0 V DC</td>
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<td>DC output</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Can be used to power auxiliary equipment.</td>
<td>3.3 V DC</td>
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<td>Note: This pin can only be used as power out.</td>
<td>Max load = 50 mA</td>
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<td>Digital Input</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Connect to pin 1 to activate, or leave floating (unconnected) to deactivate</td>
<td>0 to max 40 V DC</td>
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<td>Digital Output</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Connected to pin 1 when activated, floating (unconnected) when deactivated. If used with an inductive load, e.g. a relay, a diode must be connected in parallel with the load, for protection against voltage transients.</td>
<td>0 to max 40 V DC, open drain, 100 mA</td>
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![Diagram of I/O Connector](image)
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Power Connector

2-pin terminal block for power input. Use a Safety Extra Low Voltage (SELV) compliant limited power source (LPS) with either a rated output power limited to ≤100 W or a rated output current limited to ≤5 A.

SD Card Slot

Supports microSD cards with up to 64 GB of storage. For best recording performance, use a microSDHC or microSDXC card with speed class 10.

Performance Considerations

When setting up your system, it is important to consider how various settings and situations will affect performance. Some factors affect the amount of bandwidth (the bit rate) required, others can affect the frame rate, and some affect both. If the load on the CPU reaches its maximum, this will also affect the frame rate.

The following factors are among the most important to consider:

- High image resolution and/or lower compression levels result in images containing more data. Bandwidth affected.
- Access by large numbers of Motion JPEG and/or unicast H.264 clients. Bandwidth affected.
- Simultaneous viewing of different streams (resolution, compression) by different clients. Effect on frame rate and bandwidth.
- Accessing Motion JPEG and H.264 video streams simultaneously. Frame rate and bandwidth affected.
- Heavy usage of event settings affect the product’s CPU load. Frame rate affected.
- Heavy network utilization due to poor infrastructure. Bandwidth affected.
- Viewing on poorly performing client computers lowers perceived performance. Frame rate affected.
- Running multiple ACAP Applications simultaneously may affect performance.
- If the product includes several camera units, running applications on multiple cameras may affect the frame rate.