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Network box camera with H.264 and embedded VCA

User Manual



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1 About this manual

What this manual covers

This manual applies to the BC840-PID, Siqura's full HD IP box camera with integrated analytics.

It explains:

- ▶ How to communicate with the unit
- ▶ How to configure the device settings
- ▶ How to operate the unit

Who should read this manual

This manual is intended for technicians and operators involved in the configuration and operation of BC840-PID cameras.

What you should already know

To work with a BC840-PID a technician or operator should have adequate knowledge and skills in the following fields:

- ▶ Basic understanding of camera technologies
- ▶ CCTV systems and components
- ▶ Ethernet network technologies and Internet Protocol (IP)
- ▶ Windows environments
- ▶ Web browsers
- ▶ Video, audio, and contact closure transmissions
- ▶ Video compressions methods

Before you proceed

Before you proceed, please read and observe all instructions and warnings in this manual. Retain this manual with the original bill of sale for future reference and, if necessary, warranty service. When unpacking your product, check for missing or damaged items. If any item is missing, or if damage is evident, do not install or operate this product. Contact your supplier for assistance.

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2 Safety and compliance

This chapter presents the BC840-PID safety instructions and compliance information.

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2.1 Safety

The safety information contained in this section, and on other pages of this manual, must be observed whenever this unit is operated, serviced, or repaired. Failure to comply with any precaution, warning, or instruction noted in the manual is in violation of the standards of design, manufacture, and intended use of the module. Siqura assumes no liability for the customer's failure to comply with any of these safety requirements.

Trained personnel

Installation, adjustment, maintenance, and repair of this equipment are to be performed by trained personnel aware of the hazards involved. For correct and safe use of the equipment and in order to keep the equipment in a safe condition, it is essential that both operating and servicing personnel follow standard safety procedures in addition to the safety precautions and warnings specified in this manual, and that this unit be installed in locations accessible to trained service personnel only.

Safety requirements

The equipment described in this manual has been designed and tested according to the **UL/IEC/EN 60950-1** safety requirements. See the CE Declaration of Conformity for compliance information.

Warning: If there is any doubt regarding the safety of the equipment, do not put it into operation.

This might be the case when the equipment shows physical damage or is stressed beyond tolerable limits (for example, during storage and transportation).

Important: Before opening the equipment, disconnect it from all power sources.

The equipment must be powered by a *SELV** power supply. This is equivalent to a Limited Power source (LPS, see UL/IEC/EN 60950-1 clause 2.5) or a "NEC Class 2" power supply. When this module is operated in extremely elevated temperature conditions, it is possible for internal and external metal surfaces to become extremely hot.

* SELV: conforming to IEC 60950-1, <60 Vdc output, output voltage galvanically isolated from mains. All power supplies or power supply cabinets available from Siqura comply with these SELV requirements.

Power source and temperature ratings

Verify that the power source is appropriate before you plug in and operate the unit. Use the unit under conditions where the temperature remains within the range given in the Technical Specifications of this product.

Optical safety

The following optical safety information applies to BC840-PID models with SFP interface only.

This product complies with 21 CFR 1040.10 and 1040.11 except for deviations pursuant to Laser Notice No. 50, dated June 24, 2007. This optical equipment contains Class 1M lasers or LEDs and has been designed and tested to meet **IEC 60825-1:1993+A1+A2** and **IEC 60825-2:2004 safety class 1M** requirements.

Warning: Optical equipment presents potential hazards to testing and servicing personnel, owing to high levels of optical radiation.

When using magnifying optical instruments, avoid looking directly into the output of an operating transmitter or into the end of a fiber connected to an operating transmitter, or there will be a risk of permanent eye damage. Precautions should be taken to prevent exposure to optical radiation when the unit is removed from its enclosure or when the fiber is disconnected from the unit. The optical radiation is invisible to the eye.

Use of controls or adjustments or procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

The installer is responsible for ensuring that the label depicted below (background: yellow; border and text: black) is present in the restricted locations where this equipment is installed.



EMC

This device has been tested and found to meet the CE regulations relating to EMC and complies with Part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against interference to radio communications in any installation. The equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy; improper use or special circumstances may cause interference to other equipment or a performance decrease due to interference radiated by other equipment. In such cases, the user will have to take appropriate measures to reduce such interactions between this and other equipment.

Any interruption of the shielding inside or outside the equipment could make the equipment more prone to fail EMC requirements.

Non-video signal lines must use appropriate shielded Cat 5 cabling (S-FTP), or at least an equivalent. Ensure that *all* electrically connected components are carefully earthed and protected against surges (high voltage transients caused by switching or lightning).

ESD

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage or destroy electronic components. *Proper precautions should be taken against ESD when opening the equipment.*

Care and maintenance

The unit will normally need no maintenance. To keep it operating reliably:

- ▶ Prevent dust from collecting on the unit.
- ▶ Do not expose the equipment to moisture.

Handle the camera carefully

Do not abuse the camera. Avoid bumping and shaking. The camera can be damaged by improper handling or storage.

Do not disassemble the camera

To prevent electric shock, do not remove screws or covers. There are no user serviceable parts inside. Consult technical support if a camera is suspected of malfunctioning.

Do not use strong or abrasive detergents to clean the camera

Use a dry cloth to clean the camera when it is dirty. If the dirt is hard to remove, use a mild detergent and wipe gently. To clean the lens, use lens tissue or a cotton tipped applicator and ethanol. Do *not* clean the lens with strong detergents.

Never face the camera towards the sun

Do not aim the camera at bright objects. Whether the camera is in use or not, never aim it at the sun or other extremely bright objects, as this can damage the camera.

RoHS statement



Global concerns over the health and environmental risks associated with the use of certain environmentally-sensitive materials in electronic products have led the European Union (EU) to enact the Directive on the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) (2002/95/EC). Siqura offers products that comply with the EU's RoHS Directive. The full version of the Siqura RoHS statement can be viewed at www.siqura.com.

Product disposal



The unit contains valuable materials which qualify for recycling. In the interest of protecting the natural environment, properly recycling the unit at the end of its service life is imperative.



When processing the printed circuit board, dismantling the lithium battery calls for special attention. This kind of battery, a button cell type, contains so little lithium, that it will never be classified as reactive hazardous waste. It is safe for normal disposal, as required for batteries by your local authority.



2.2 Compliance



DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY



Product identification

Products: Surveillance Camera (IP box camera)
Ethernet over Coax SFP Module

Brand: Siquira

Model/type: **BC620, BC840** series

Versions: **ECO-Plug**
BC620(a)-(b), BC840(a)-(b)

Ratings: 11-30VDC; 20-30VAC; PoE; 7.0W

Tested: System is tested in a typical configuration: ECO-Plug SFP module is inserted in the SFP slot in the BC620 camera



Means of conformity

In conformity with provisions of the following EC directives:
LVD: 2006/95/EC, EMC: 2004/108/EC, 89/336/EEC.

A sample of the product has been evaluated by

Safety: Siquira B.V., Gouda, The Netherlands

Standards: IEC 60950-1:2005,
Information Technology Equipment – Safety - Part 1: general requirements.

EMC: D.A.R.E!! Consultancy B.V., Woerden, The Netherlands

Standards: EN 61000-6-3 - Generic, Emission, Residential. (Class A)
EN 55022 - Emission, Residential. (Class A)
FCC 47 CFR 15 - Emission, Residential (Class A)
EN 50121-3-2 - Railway, rolling stock (table 9.1: 80-800MHz tested at 10V/m)
EN 50121-4 - Railway, signalling and telecom apparatus
EN 61000-6-2 - Generic, Immunity, Industrial
EN 61000-series: Parts: 3-2, 3-3, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 4-5, 4-6, 4-11

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3 Product overview

This chapter introduces the BC840-PID and its features.

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3.1 Features



BC840-PID

- ▶ 1/2.8" Progressive scan CMOS imager
- ▶ Full HD 1080p resolution
- ▶ Built-in analytics for perimeter intrusion detection
- ▶ ONVIF Profile S
- ▶ Day/Night with IR-cut filter
- ▶ Wide dynamic range
- ▶ Backlight compensation
- ▶ Alarm: two inputs / two outputs
- ▶ Analogue video output
- ▶ Two-way audio
- ▶ Ten privacy masks
- ▶ 24 Vac; 12 Vdc / 24 Vdc; 802.3af PoE
- ▶ SFP Interface (optional)
- ▶ SD card slot for edge recording

3.2 Models

The BC840-PID series includes the following models.

BC840-PID	Network box camera, 1080p, CMOS, dual H.264, Perimeter Intrusion Detection
BC840-PID/SFP	Network box camera, 1080p, CMOS, dual H.264, Perimeter Intrusion Detection, with SFP interface

3.3 Description

The BC840-PID is a network box camera which provides high-quality, high-definition images. It is also a highly flexible platform which can provide both embedded analytics as well as multistream encoding. With a built-in SFP option, the BC840-PID is ready for the widest range of applications. The built-in Perimeter Intrusion Detection is based on i-LIDS® certified video analytics for accurate and secure detection with the lowest possible false-alarm rate.

Dual stream

The BC840-PID is capable of streaming two H.264, two MJPEG, or one H.264 and one MJPEG stream simultaneously. The H.264 implementation is based on dedicated hardware resulting in unparalleled video quality.

Perimeter Intrusion Detection

The embedded analytics for PID is derived from software which is certified by i-LIDS® for primary sensor in a sterile environment. With two detection lines or two zones the PID analytics can be configured easily using the web interface. The quality of PID is determined by a number of external factors, such as lighting, field-of-view, mounting, shadows, etc. The BC840-PID is suited for outdoor intrusion detection under well-lit conditions. When reliable detection is required you should contact Siquira for expertise and configuration services.

Edge recording

The BC840-PID offers edge recording when the connection with the NVR is lost. The recorded images are available as AVI and can easily be downloaded from the device. The recordings are stored on a single µSDHC card with a maximum capacity of 32 GB.

Open Streaming Architecture (OSA) and ONVIF

The BC840-PID is designed with OSA offering standardised streaming video and remote control based on international standards and tested with different vendors. A comprehensive HTTP API gives access to all controls and makes integration easy. The BC840-PID also fully supports ONVIF and is listed as ONVIF Profile S conformant.

Image quality monitor and tampering alarm

When the image from the camera becomes too poor, an image quality alert is raised. The built-in Image Quality Monitor continuously monitors the camera image on contrast, exposure, sharpness, and noise. In addition, the built-in Tamper Detector monitors changes in the camera's position or field of view. The instant a camera's position is changed a tamper detect alert is raised.

Privacy masks

Privacy masks can be configured through the web interface of the BC840-PID to conceal sensitive areas, such as point-of-sale keypads in retail or ATM applications as well as windows or other exposed areas appearing in city centre surveillance situations.

Web interface

Configuration, management, and live viewing are simplified by the access-controlled web interface. Full in-band control is available through Siquira Device Manager, Siquira's MX™ Configuration Tool Kit, and the HTTP API. The BC840-PID is field-upgradeable.

FTP push

Upon an event, the BC840-PID can push a JPG image to one or two FTP servers. The event can be triggered externally by VMD, the Image Monitor, or Tamper Detect. The BC840-PID can also periodically upload images to the remote server(s).

Video Motion Detection (VMD)

The BC840-PID is fitted with a motion detector, which raises an event when a certain amount of motion is detected in a predefined area in the image. The motion detector runs real-time on the live images. The detection itself is based on 'averaged pixel change'. The region of interest (ROI) is obtained by masking the parts of the image of less or no interest, such as trees or a fountain which would otherwise trigger false events. The mask can be drawn freely over the image.

Audio and I/O channels

By combining streaming video with duplex audio and I/O contacts over IP, the BC840-PID provides all the interfaces necessary for any IP CCTV application. The balanced audio inputs/outputs are suitable for all industrial audio systems.

Fiber and EoC options

The BC840-PID is available with an optional, pluggable SFP slot. This offers unparalleled flexibility in connectivity. With fiber SFPs you can connect over multimode or single-mode optical fiber cable and cover distances from 100 m to 120 km or more. To connect over (existing) coax, you can use the Siquira® ECO-plug for Ethernet over Coax.

Analogue output

With its analogue output, the hybrid BC840-PID solution can provide local video for a public view monitor or local DVR.

Power source choices

The BC840-PID camera can be powered by 24 Vac, 12 Vdc / 24 Vdc, or over the network with 802.3af-compliant PoE sources.

Reliability

Dependability and high reliability are key factors in this camera's design cycle. Siquira BC840-PID cameras are assembled with meticulous care and thorough testing at our ISO 9001-compliant factory.

4 Interfaces

A variety of methods can be employed to communicate with the BC840-PID. This chapter outlines the interfaces you can use to control the unit and manage the media streams it is handling.

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4.1 ONVIF

The Open Network Video Interface Forum (ONVIF) is an open industry forum for the development of a global standard for the interface of IP-based physical security products. ONVIF is committed to the adoption of IP in the security market. The ONVIF specification ensures interoperability between products regardless of manufacturer. It defines a common protocol for the exchange of information between network video devices including automatic device discovery, video streaming and intelligence metadata. The BC840-PID fully supports ONVIF. It has been tested to support ONVIF Profile S.

4.2 OSA

Sigura's Open Streaming Architecture (OSA) consists of a standard set of open communication protocols to govern media streaming via RTSP and equipment management via HTTP. The *Sigura Programming Interface* enables easy integration of the BC840-PID with third-party products. The protocol consists mainly of different CGI (Common Gateway Interface) program calls for listing and configuring parameters. For detailed information, refer to the *Sigura Programming Interface* specification. You can download this HTTP API specification at www.sigura.com.

4.3 Web UI

Using the BC840-PID's web server is the most straightforward way to access the unit. The webpages enable you to configure the settings of the BC840-PID and view live video images from a standard web browser.

4.4 MX/IP

MX/IP is a proprietary Siquira protocol which gives direct access to the settings of the BC840-PID. Using special MX software, such as *MX Configuration Tool*, BC840-PID settings can be read from and written to the *Management Information Base (MIB)*, a list of variables stored inside the unit. Offering full control of the BC840-PID, the MIB enables you to remotely configure device settings and manage media streams. Additional MX viewing and control software offers real-time monitoring of video streams and playback of recorded images. For more information about MX/IP, the MIB, and Siquira's EMX network service, refer to the manuals which document the MX SDK and the MX applications.

Note: If you prefer using open standards, you can disable the MX/IP protocol. This is done on the MX tab of the Device Management page. Be aware that doing so prevents you from upgrading the BC840-PID firmware through *MX Firmware Upgrade Tool*.

4.5 SNMP

The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP), part of the internet protocol suite, can be used to monitor network devices such as the BC840-PID for conditions or events that require administrative attention. For more information, refer to appropriate literature on SNMP.

The BC840-PID supports in-band SNMP. Via SNMP, several status variables can be read and traps can be generated on events. You can configure BC840-PID SNMP settings on the SNMP tab of the Device Management page.

The SNMP Agent is MIB-2 compliant and supports versions 1 and 2c of the SNMP protocol.

Note: The BC840-PID includes SNMP support for its image quality monitor and tamper detect functions. A trap is sent when bad image quality or camera tampering is detected and another one when the situation returns to normal.

Required MIB files can be downloaded at www.siquira.com.

4.6 SAP

The BC840-PID supports the Session Announcement Protocol (SAP), a protocol used for broadcasting multicast session information. A SAP listening application can listen to the announcements advertised by the BC840-PID SAP announcer. The application can use this information to receive a video or audio stream that the BC840-PID is transmitting to the advertised multicast address. For more information, see the description of the Video and Audio pages.

4.7 NTCIP

The National Transportation Communications for ITS Protocol (NTCIP) is a communication protocol deployed in Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) in the USA. It is a family of standards designed to provide definitions of common data elements and communication protocols for the interaction between traffic management centre(s) and road-side devices such as cameras, traffic signals, and highway lighting. The goal of the standards is to achieve interoperability and interchangeability between systems manufactured by different vendors in order to reduce the total cost of traffic systems, including maintenance.

The BC840-PID supports all the mandatory parts and some of the optional parts of the NTCIP CCTV specification as laid down in the NTCIP 1205:2001 v01.08 document. For details about the NTCIP configuration of the BC840-PID, see *Appendix: NTCIP Configuration*.

The BC840-PID supports the standard NTCIP SNMP MIB. This MIB database is used to store information, which in turn will be used to control cameras and other devices in the transportation management system. An electronic version of the MIB is available from a NEMA FTP site. To get access to the FTP site, send your name, organisation name, and email address to ntcip@nema.org, and request access.

5 Stream media via RTSP

The easiest way to extract a video or audio stream from the BC840-PID is to use the Real-Time Streaming Protocol (RTSP). This chapter explains the role of the BC840-PID in RTSP media sessions and describes how to open a media stream from the unit in a video player plug-in.

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5.1 RTSP and RTP

The BC840-PID implements an RTSP server. A hardware or software decoder (the latter within a viewing application, for example) is the RTSP client. Media sessions between client and server are established and controlled with RTSP. Media stream delivery itself is handled by the Real-Time Transport Protocol (RTP). The BC840-PID supports video and audio streaming via UDP and TCP.

Use the following URL format to get a video stream into, for example, VLC or QuickTime.

rtsp:// <IP address of encoder>:<RTSP Port>/VideoInput/<x>/<y>/<z>

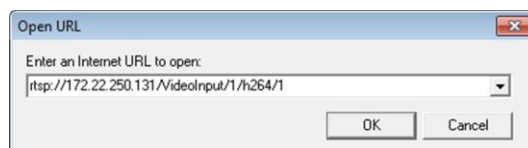
where:

- <x> is the number of the Video Input
- <y> is the media type of the required encoder
- <z> is the encoder number

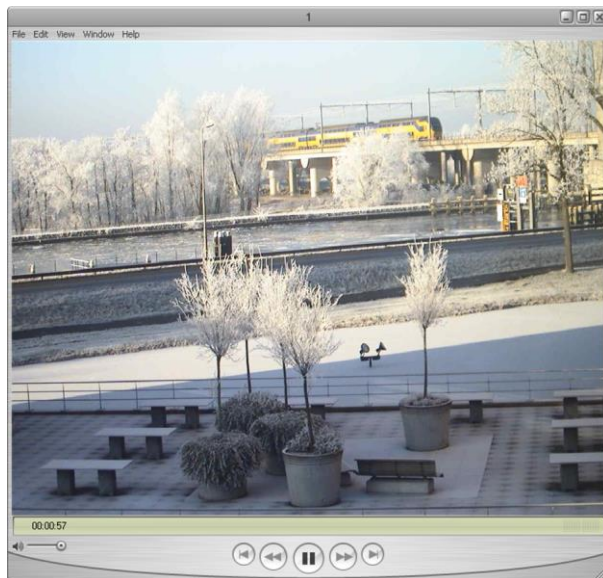
Note: The <RTSP Port> is optional. If not entered, port 554 is used by default.

Note: The encoder number index <z> in the URL only takes enabled encoders into account, with the encoder mode set to the indicated media type <y> (RTSP is a streaming protocol which takes care of stream control; it does not handle device configuration).

The stream in the following figure will be pulled from the unit with the IP address 172.22.250.131, using Video Input 1 and the first enabled H.264 encoder.



RTSP URL format



A BC840-PID video stream viewed in QuickTime

5.2 Transfer via UDP or TCP

The BC840-PID supports the following types of streaming.

- ▶ UDP/IP (multicast and/or unicast)
- ▶ TCP/IP (RTP, RTP over RTSP, RTP over RTSP over HTTP)

The BC840-PID reports to the client that it supports transfer over UDP and TCP. The choice is made on the client side. In VLC, for example, using a TCP connection can be forced (*Preferences > Inputs and Codecs > Network > RTP over RTSP (TCP)*).

For details on controlling BC840-PID media streams through HTTP and RTSP, refer to the *Siqua Programming Interface* specification. You can download this HTTP API specification at www.siqua.com.

6 Access the webpages

The webpages of the BC840-PID offer a user-friendly interface for configuring the settings of the unit and viewing live video images over the network. This chapter explains how to connect to the built-in web server.

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6.1 System requirements

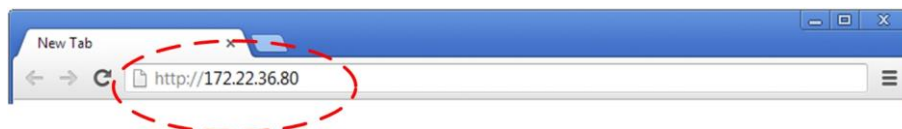
To access the webpages of the BC840-PID you need the following.

- ▶ A PC with a web browser installed.
- ▶ An IP connection between the PC and the BC840-PID.

6.2 Connect via web browser

▶ To connect to the unit via your web browser

1. Open your web browser.
2. Type the IP address of the BC840-PID in the address bar, and then press ENTER.
If your network configuration is correct you are directed to the login page of the unit.
If the page is not displayed correctly, make sure that JavaScript is enabled in your web browser (see *Appendix: Enable JavaScript*).



Type the IP address of the BC840-PID in the address bar of the browser

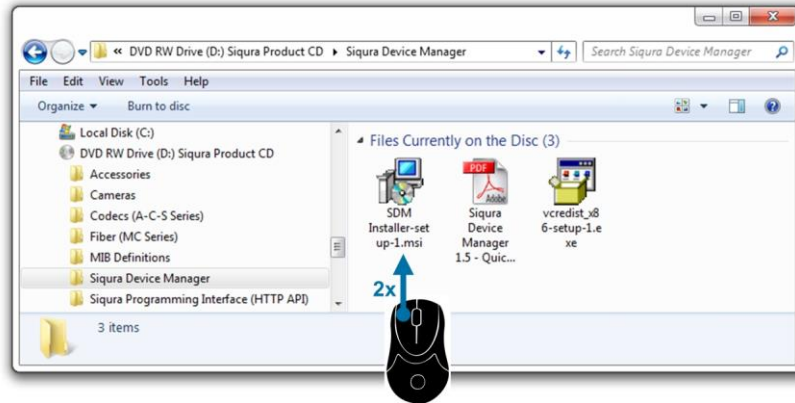
6.3 Find the unit with Siquira Device Manager

With Siquira Device Manager - a tool included on the supplied Siquira Product CD - you can locate, manage, and configure Siquira IP cameras and video encoders.

Note: The tool is also available at www.siquira.com. Download the Siquira Device Manager application from the *Support/Software/Software* downloads folder.

► To install Siqura Device Manager

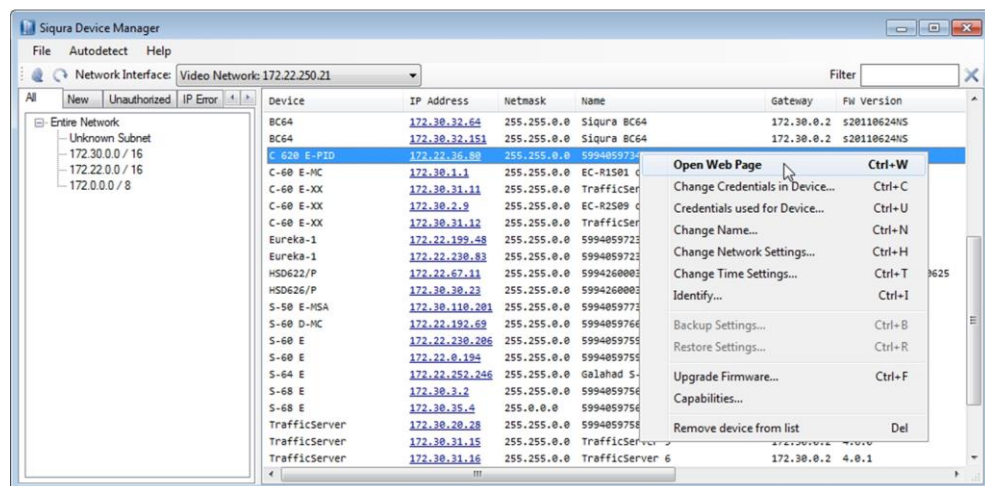
1. Insert the supplied Siqura Product CD into your CD drive.
2. Browse to the Siqura Device Manager folder.
3. Double-click the setup file.
4. Follow the installation steps to install Siqura Device Manager.



Install Siqura Device Manager from the supplied CD

► To connect to the unit via Siqura Device Manager

1. Start Siqura Device Manager
The network is scanned.
Detected devices appear in the List View pane.
2. If multiple network adapters exist, select the appropriate adapter to scan the network that you wish to connect to.
3. To perform a manual search, click the **Rescan** button.
4. Use the tabs in the *Tree View* pane to define the scope of your search.
5. Click the column headings in the *List View* pane to sort devices by type, IP address, or name.
6. To connect to the webpages of the BC840-PID, double-click its entry in the device list, - or -
Right-click the entry, and then click **Open Web Page**.
The login page of the BC840-PID is opened in your web browser.



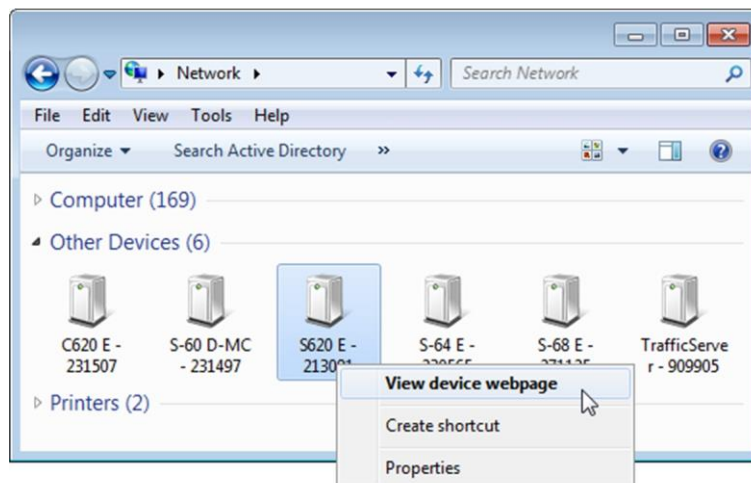
Connect to a device via Siqura Device Manager

6.4 Connect via UPnP

Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) support is enabled by default on the BC840-PID. With the UPnP service enabled in Windows (see *Appendix: Enable UPnP in Windows 7*), you can access the unit from Windows Explorer.

► To connect to the unit via UPnP

1. In Windows Explorer, open the **Network** folder.
Detected devices in the same subnet as the computer are displayed, including Siquira codecs and cameras with UPnP support.
2. Double-click the BC840-PID,
- or -
Right-click the unit, and then click **View device webpage**.
The login page of the BC840-PID is opened in your web browser.



Connect to a device via Windows Explorer

For more information about UPnP, see *Auto Discovery (Device Management chapter)*.

6.5 Log on to the unit

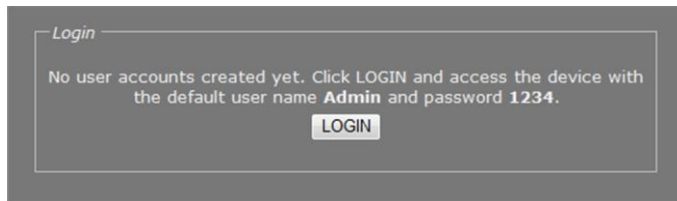
Users with a valid account for the BC840-PID can log on to the unit.

► To log on to the BC840-PID

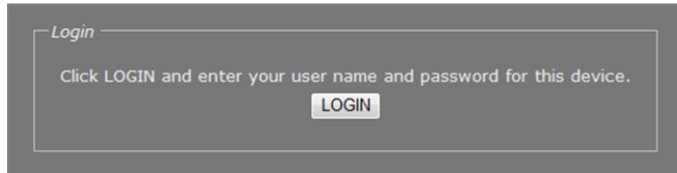
1. On the Login page, click **LOGIN**.
2. Log on with the account that was created for you.
User name and password are case sensitive.
The default user name set at the factory for the BC840-PID is "Admin" with password "1234".

Note: To prevent unauthorised access from people using the default account, we recommend that the administrator changes the default password after first login and creates separate user accounts as needed. This also removes the default account details from the login screen.

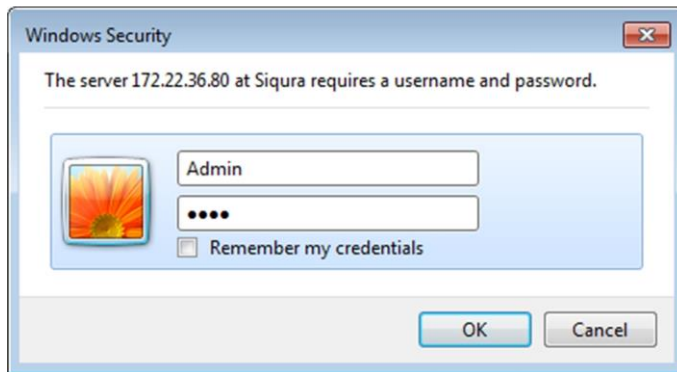
3. Click **OK** or press ENTER.
On successful login, the Live Video page appears.



Access possible with default Admin account only (default Admin password unchanged)



Access possible with the user account created for you (default Admin password has been changed)



Connect dialogue box

7 Navigate the webpages

This chapter introduces the webpages and common elements found on them. It also discusses user account types and associated access levels.

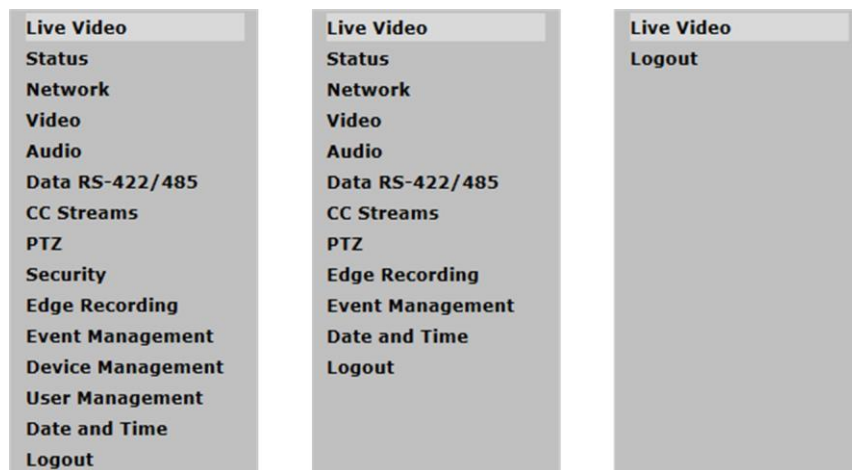
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7.1 Menu

Use the menu on the left of each webpage to go to the other pages.

- ▶ Click the option associated with the user or device settings you want to view or configure.
- ▶ Click **Live Video** to reopen the home page of the BC840-PID.
- ▶ Click **Logout** to log out the current user and display the Login box.



BC840-PID menus available to (from left to right) Admin, Operator, and Viewer accounts

7.2 Access control





Whether a specific BC840-PID webpage is available to you on the navigation menu depends on the user account you logged in with. The unit supports three account types with associated access levels.

Account	User rights
Admin	Full access to all pages. Create, edit, and delete user accounts on User Management page.
Operator	Access to device configuration pages. No access to Device Management, User Management, and Security.
Viewer	Home page only. View live video.

7.3 Webpage elements

Apart from the menu, the webpages share the following features.

- ▶ **Sections** are used to organise parameters and their values.
- ▶ **Buttons** (see below) appear in sections with editable fields.
- ▶ **Tabs** are used to organise page content.
- ▶ **Check boxes** enable you to select features.

This Button	Does This	Note
	Writes changes to the unit.	Some sections (for example, those on the VMD tab of the Video page) do not have <i>Save</i> and <i>Cancel</i> buttons. Changes you make here are immediately written to the device.
	Undoes unsaved changes and shows values as they were before editing.	
	Opens the Advanced Settings section with additional settings.	Important: Be aware that configuring Advanced Settings requires in-depth understanding of the impact of your changes on the workings of your BC840-PID. If in doubt, do <i>not</i> change the default values.
	Closes the Advanced Settings section.	

8 View live video via browser

On the Live Video page, you can view live video from the BC840-PID and - if PTZ functionality is implemented - control the camera from your web browser.

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8.1 Activate Live View

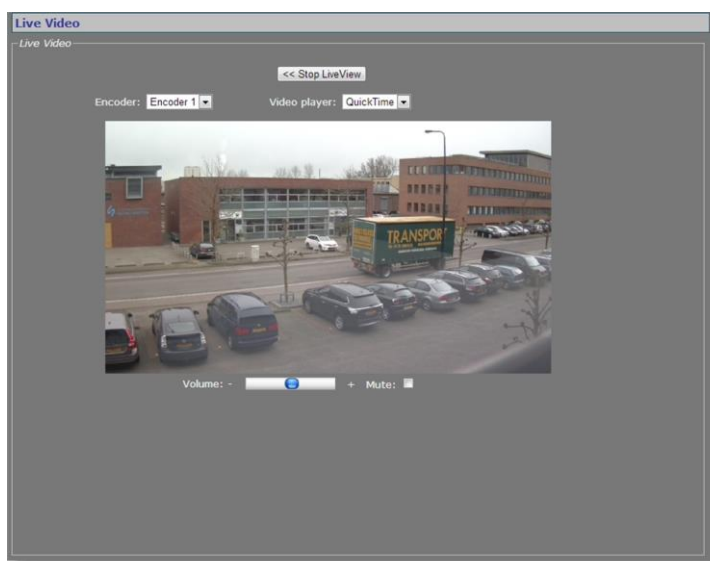


Live View inactive

The Live View function is inactive when you open the Live Video page.

- » **To activate Live View**
 - ▶ Click **Play LiveView>>**.

8.2 View live video



Live View activated

With Live View enabled, the Live Video section includes the following items.

Item	Description	
<<Stop Live View	Closes the preview.	
Encoder	The video encoder used to encode the images seen in the preview.	
	<i>Encoder 1/2</i>	H.264/MJPEG encoding.
	<i>Live View</i>	Live View encoding.
Video player	<i>QuickTime</i>	The video player plug-in used for the previews on this page and the Video page. Note that QuickTime does not support H.264 High Profile mode.
	<i>VLC</i>	
	<i>No Player</i>	
Refresh rate	Live View encoder mode only	Indicates the current refresh rate of the web page.
Preview	Shows live images from the camera as encoded by the selected encoder. Encoder 1/2 previews are streamed over RTSP. Live View encoder previews are transported to the web page using HTTP.	
Volume	Encoder 1/2 mode only	Move the slider to control audio volume.
Mute	Encoder 1/2 mode only	Select/clear this box to mute/unmute audio.

Enable an encoder

The preview shows images from the selected encoder, unless the specific encoder is disabled. You can enable and disable encoders on the Video page.

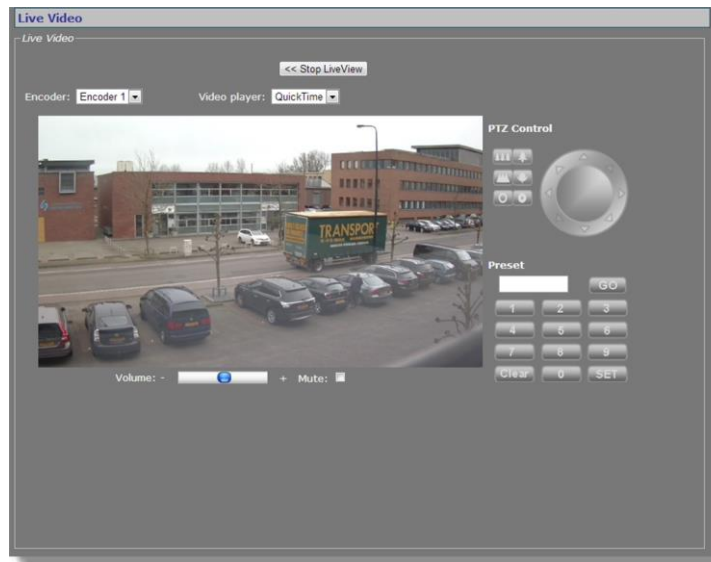
Enable audio

If the audio controls are not available in Encoder # mode, go to the Audio page and make sure that audio is enabled and properly configured.



Audio Disabled warning

8.3 Use your browser for PTZ control



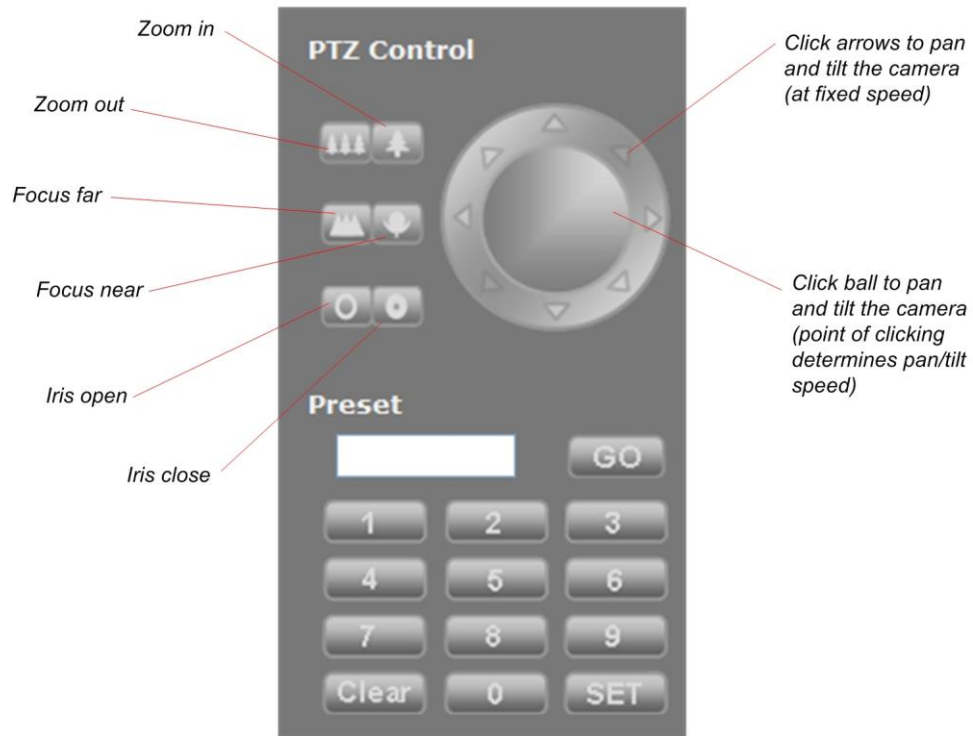
Live Video page with PTZ Control panel

Display the PTZ control panel

Although the BC840-PID itself does not have PTZ functionality, it can be mounted on a PTZ mounting bracket which can then be controlled from the BC840-PID's serial data port (RS-4xx). With a PTZ driver selected on the PTZ web page, the PTZ control panel is available on the Live Video page. If the BC840-PID supports the PTZ driver, you can use the panel to control the camera and manage the presets via the mounting bracket. PTZ drivers not included in the driver list on the PTZ page can be uploaded to the BC840-PID via PTZ Driver Management on the same page.

PTZ control

Use the upper section of the PTZ Control panel to pan, tilt, zoom, and focus the camera, and control the iris, as shown in the following figure.



PTZ Control panel

Preset

Use the Preset section to define and recall preset camera positions.

» To enter and save a preset camera position

1. Click the appropriate number button(s) to enter the preset number.
2. Adjust the position of the camera for the desired view.
3. When satisfied with the position, click **SET**.

Note: The SET button is not available to users with Viewer rights.

» To recall a preset camera position

1. Click the appropriate number button(s) to enter the preset number.
2. Click **GO**.

» To erase a preset camera position

1. Call the preset.
2. Press **Clear**.
3. If desired, override the preset with a new preset position.

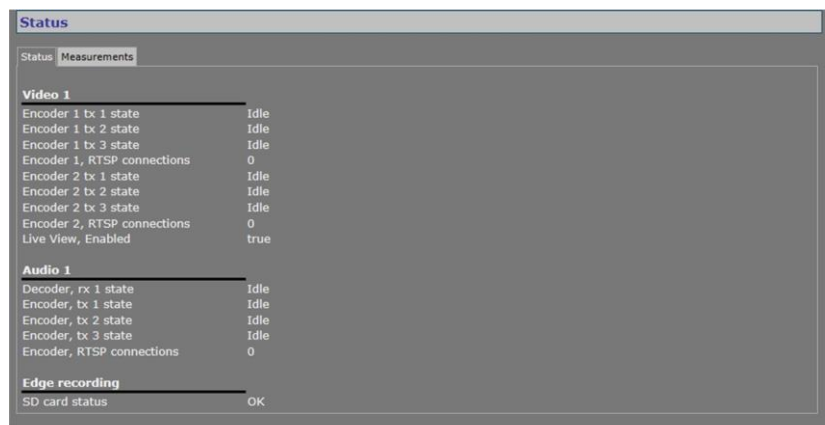
9 Status

The status information and measurements on the Status page may provide helpful clues to identify and troubleshoot technical issues.

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9.1 View status information



Status page: a snapshot with automatic page updating

9.1.1 Stream states

The Status tab provides information on the stream states of video and audio streams. A stream state is reported as *Idle*, *Waiting*, or *OK*.

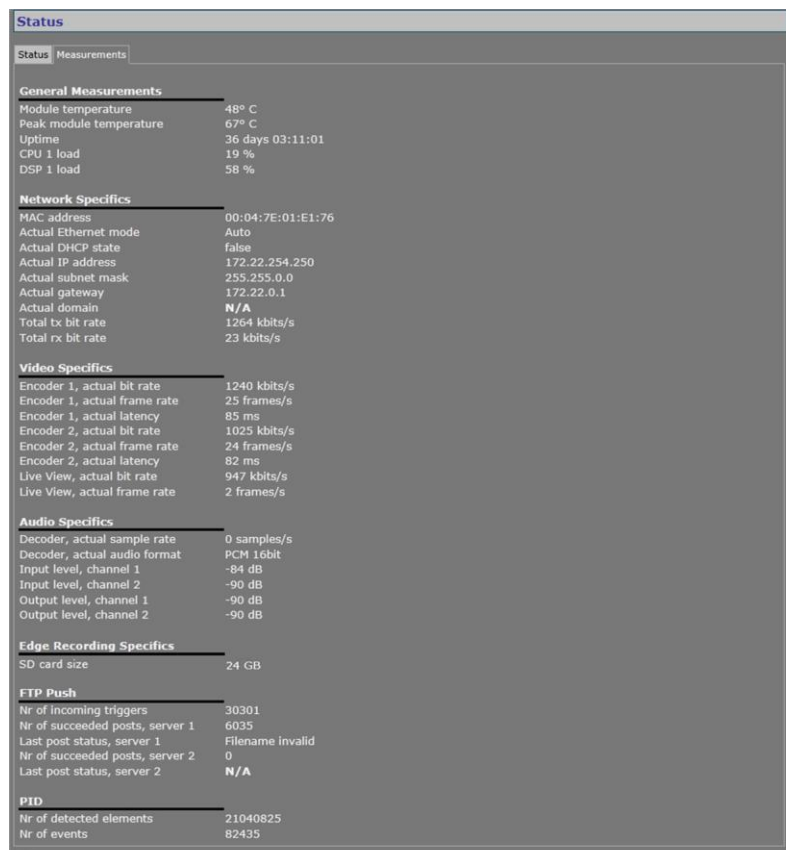
Stream state	Description
OK	There is nothing wrong with the stream. Note that if the video signal is removed from the video input on the encoder side, the Decoder rx state is still reported as <i>OK</i> , since the video transmitter is sending a stream, that is - a <i>No Video</i> image - to the decoder.
Idle	The transmitter/receiver is not enabled.
Waiting	The transmitter/receiver has lost its stream connection. Possible causes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ An incorrect port number. ▶ The transmitter on the encoder side is not enabled. ▶ No FloodGuard packets have been received for more than 3 seconds. For details on the FloodGuard flooding prevention mechanism, see the note on FloodGuard in the Video chapter.

9.1.2 Edge recording

The Edge recording section shows whether an SD card is present and if it can be accessed.

Item	Description	
SD card status	<i>OK</i>	SD card present and functioning.
	<i>Error</i>	Unable to access SD card. Possible damage to card, connectors, or slot.
	<i>Not present</i>	No SD card detected.

9.2 View measurements data



Status	
Measurements	
General Measurements	
Module temperature	48° C
Peak module temperature	67° C
Uptime	36 days 03:11:01
CPU 1 load	19 %
DSP 1 load	58 %
Network Specifics	
MAC address	00:04:7E:01:E1:76
Actual Ethernet mode	Auto
Actual DHCP state	false
Actual IP address	172.22.254.250
Actual subnet mask	255.255.0.0
Actual gateway	172.22.0.1
Actual domain	N/A
Total tx bit rate	1264 kbits/s
Total rx bit rate	23 kbits/s
Video Specifics	
Encoder 1, actual bit rate	1240 kbits/s
Encoder 1, actual frame rate	25 frames/s
Encoder 1, actual latency	85 ms
Encoder 2, actual bit rate	1025 kbits/s
Encoder 2, actual frame rate	24 frames/s
Encoder 2, actual latency	82 ms
Live View, actual bit rate	947 kbits/s
Live View, actual frame rate	2 frames/s
Audio Specifics	
Decoder, actual sample rate	0 samples/s
Decoder, actual audio format	PCM 16bit
Input level, channel 1	-84 dB
Input level, channel 2	-90 dB
Output level, channel 1	-90 dB
Output level, channel 2	-90 dB
Edge Recording Specifics	
SD card size	24 GB
FTP Push	
Nr of incoming triggers	30301
Nr of succeeded posts, server 1	6035
Last post status, server 1	Filename Invalid
Nr of succeeded posts, server 2	0
Last post status, server 2	N/A
PID	
Nr of detected elements	21040825
Nr of events	82435

Status page: a snapshot with automatic page updating

9.2.1 General, network, and stream measurements

The Measurements tab shows general measurements, such as the module temperatures (current and peak) and the module uptime.

You also find network specifics here, such as the MAC address, the actual IP address, the network load from this module, the load information per processor, and signal stream-specific details.

9.2.2 SD card size

Note that the capacity given under Edge Recording Specifics reflects 75% of the actual SD card size. For example, up to 24 GB of a 32 GB SD card is used for recording. This limit is to prevent slow read/write speeds.

9.2.3 FTP Push

You can use the FTP Push data to monitor the FTP Push process.

9.2.4 PID

The PID section shows counts of PID events and detected elements.

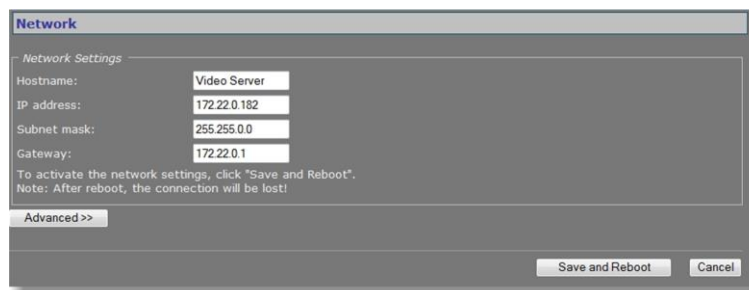
10 Network

On the Network page, you can change the network settings of the BC840-PID. In this chapter, you learn how to set a valid, fixed IP address and, alternatively, how to have an IP address automatically assigned by a DHCP server.

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10.1 Network settings



Network page

On the Network page, you can set the name of the unit, the IP address, the subnet mask, and the gateway IP address. For correct functioning of the BC840-PID, it is vital to set its network addressing to be compatible with the subnet it is hooked into.

Note: The factory-set IP address of the unit is in the 10.x.x.x range with a subnet mask of 255.0.0.0. Achieving initial communication with the unit requires that the network adapter of the browsing PC is set to the factory default subnet of the BC840-PID. Once you have made the webpages accessible in this way, you can use the Network page to change the default network settings to the desired settings.

For IP address input to be valid, the unit's IP address:

- ▶ must be within the 1.0.0.1 – 223.255.255.254 range
- ▶ cannot start with 127 (reserved for loopback on local host)

After changing IP settings, do not forget to save the new settings and reboot the unit (see chapter *Device Management*).

Important: It is essential to set at least the IP address and subnet mask correctly. Keep these value on record, otherwise management of the unit will require special software.

10.2 Advanced



Network > Advanced

10.2.1 Services

Item	Description
RTSP server enable	Select this check box to enable the BC840-PID to act as a server in RTSP media sessions.
RTSP server port	This is the port number used to contact the RTSP server. The default transport layer port number for the RTSP protocol is 554 for both UDP and TCP transports.

10.2.2 Network

Item	Description	
DHCP enable	Allows assigning of the IP address by a DHCP server instead of using static IP addressing.	
Ethernet mode	Transmission mode and speed.	
	<i>Auto</i>	Autonegotiation (default).
	<i>10 HDX</i>	Half duplex, 10 Mbit.
	<i>10 FDX</i>	Full duplex, 10 Mbit.
	<i>100 HDX</i>	Half duplex, 100 Mbit.
	<i>100 FDX</i>	Full duplex, 100 Mbit.
MTU size	Set to Ethernet (1500) by default. Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) is the maximum size (in bytes) of IP packet that can be transmitted over the network without dividing it into pieces. An MTU size that you select here must be supported on the other side of the link.	

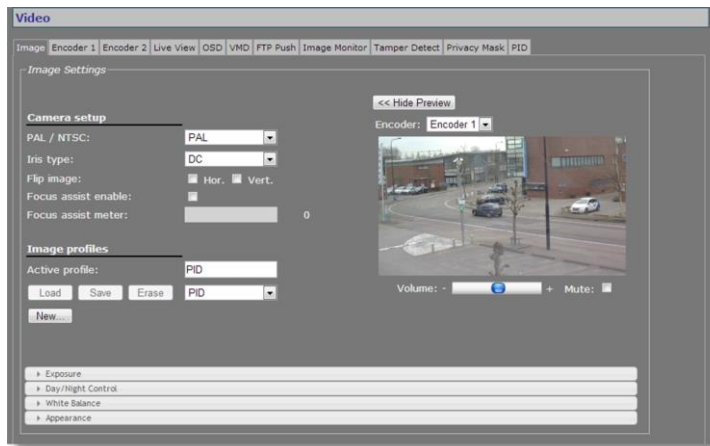
11 Video

On the Video page, you can configure settings for camera setup, video encoding, on-screen display, video motion detection, FTP push, image quality, tamper detect, privacy masks, and PID.

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11.1 Image



Video > Image

Tab layout

Settings on the Image tab are grouped in the following categories.

- ▶ Camera setup
- ▶ Image profiles
- ▶ Exposure
- ▶ Day/Night Control
- ▶ White Balance
- ▶ Appearance

Accordion style menus at the bottom of the Image tab are opened/closed by clicking the menu's title bar.

Preview

Click **Show Preview>>** to open the preview and see the effect of your current settings.

11.1.1 Camera setup

Item	Description	
PAL/NTSC	<i>PAL</i>	Sets the video display standard. Affects the selectable frame rates on the encoder tabs (PAL: 1-25 fps; NTSC: 1-30fps). Note that this setting also determines the video standard on the analogue output on the back of the camera.
	<i>NTSC</i>	
Iris type	<i>DC</i>	Activates electrical iris control. The camera will automatically handle the level of light allowed to enter the lens. Select this option for DC Auto Iris lenses. Video Auto Iris lenses are not supported.
	<i>Manual</i>	To be selected for lenses without iris setting or manual iris setting.
Flip image	<i>Horizontal</i>	Rotates the image around a vertical axis through the centre of the image (left becomes right, and vice versa). See pictures below.
	<i>Vertical</i>	Rotates the image around a horizontal axis through the centre of the image (top becomes bottom, and vice versa). See pictures below.
Focus assist enable	Activates the Focus Assist function. Alternatively, you can also press the Focus Assist button on the back of the camera. Using Focus Assist is described below.	
Focus assist meter	With Focus Assist enabled, a blue bar indicates the focus level. A white bar with the same function appears as an overlay over the image.	



Original image



Flip horizontal



Flip vertical



*Flip horizontal and vertical
(rotate 180°)*

11.1.2 Use Focus assist

BC840-PID includes Focus Assist functionality to achieve optimal image quality. Focus Assist can be used from the Video page but also from the back of the camera body. The latter may prove useful when setting the focus without a monitor.

» To use Focus Assist from the webpage

1. On the **Video** page, select the **Image** tab.
2. Under *Camera setup*, select **Focus assist enable**.
The focus level is indicated by the blue *Focus assist meter* bar. The meter is also overlaid over the image as a vertical white bar.
3. Aided by the feedback from the Focus assist meter, adjust the focus on the lens.
The greater the detail in the scene, the higher the number on the Focus assist meter.



Focus assist meter enabled

» To use Focus Assist from the camera body

1. To activate Focus Assist, turn the focus ring of the lens all the way in one direction, and then press the white button on the back of the camera housing.
The Focus LED - also on the back of the housing - shines orange, indicating that Focus Assist has not registered a maximum sharpness value yet.
2. Slowly turn the focus ring of the lens until the LED shines red.
3. Next, turn back the focus ring to find the point where the Focus LED shines green.
This is the point where the camera is properly focused.

LED state	Indicates	Action
Orange	Focus Assist has not registered a maximum focus value yet.	Turn the focus ring of the lens all the way from left to right until a maximum value is seen.
Red	Focus Assist has registered a maximum focus value, but is not properly focused yet.	Slowly turn the focus ring until the Focus LED shines green.
Green	The camera is properly focused.	None

11.1.3 Image profiles



Video > Image > Image profiles

Image profiles

The accordion style menus at the bottom of the Image tab allow you to configure Exposure, Day/Night, White Balance, and Appearance settings. Combinations of these settings can be saved to and loaded from a profile. In addition to custom profiles created by the user, the profile list includes preset profiles for specific purposes. When a profile has been selected, changing one of its defined parameters sets the Profile box to '--'.

Item	Description
Active profile	The active combination of settings.
Load	Activates the selected profile.
New	Enables you to enter a name for a new profile.
Save	Saves and activates the selected profile.
Erase	Removes the selected profile.
Profile list	Available profiles.

11.1.3.1 Image profile management

» To create a custom image profile

1. On the **Video** page, click the **Image** tab.
2. In the *Image profiles* section, click **New**.
3. Enter a name for the new profile, and then click **OK**.
4. Configure the required settings in the *Exposure*, *Day/Night Control*, *White Balance*, and/or *Appearance* sections.
5. Click **Save**.

» To load an image profile

1. On the **Video** page, click the **Image** tab.
2. In the *Image profiles* section, click to open the profile list.
3. Select the profile, and then click **Load**.
The profile displays in the Active profile box and the camera adopts the new settings.

» To erase an image profile

1. On the **Video** page, click the **Image** tab.
2. In the *Image profiles* section, click to open the profile list.
3. Select the profile, and then click **Erase**.
The profile is removed from the profile list.

11.1.4 Preview



Video > Image > Preview

Item	Description
Show Preview>>	Click to view live images and see the effect of the current settings.
<<Hide Preview	Closes the preview. This may improve webpage responsiveness.
Encoder	The encoder handling the images seen in the preview.
Volume	Encoder # mode Move the slider to control audio volume.
Mute	Encoder # mode Select/clear this box to mute/unmute audio.

11.1.5 Exposure

Exposure is the amount of light received by the image sensor and is determined by how wide you open the lens diaphragm (iris adjustment), by how long you keep the sensor exposed (shutter speed), and by other exposure parameters. In the Exposure section of the Image tab, you can define a variety of exposure settings.



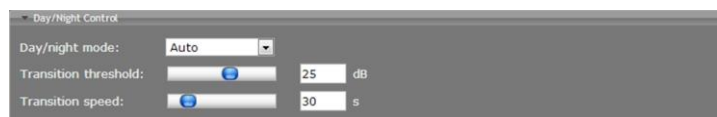
Video > Image > Exposure

Item	Description
Gain control mode	Gain is an electronic way of increasing the video signal to control the exposure. Higher gain values introduce more noise in the image.
	<i>Auto</i> The camera automatically controls gain. A maximum can be set via the <i>Max auto gain</i> parameter.
	<i>Manual</i> Enables gain configuration via the <i>Manual gain</i> parameter.
Actual gain	Auto gain control mode only Shows current gain level.

Item	Description	
Manual gain	Manual gain control mode only	Drag the slider to set a gain value manually.
Max auto gain	Auto gain control mode only	Drag the slider to set an upper limit for automatic gain control.
Shutter mode	The shutter speed determines how long the image sensor is exposed to light.	
	<i>Auto</i>	The camera automatically controls the shutter speed. Use <i>Min shutter time</i> and <i>Max shutter time</i> to set shutter speed limits.
	<i>Manual</i>	Enables shutter speed configuration via the <i>Manual shutter</i> list.
Min shutter time	Auto shutter mode only	Determines the minimum shutter speed. Selecting <i>Minimal</i> sets the minimum shutter speed to 1/10000 s.
Max shutter time	Auto shutter mode only	Determines the maximum shutter speed.
Manual shutter	Manual shutter mode only	Enables you to set a shutter speed. To see clear images in a dark environment, select a slow shutter speed.
Transition speed	<i>Slow, Medium, Fast</i>	Controls the transition time span between subsequent exposure levels. With a slow setting, the camera takes more time to adjust to a new light situation.
EV compensation	The camera is calibrated to expose images correctly for scenes that have a mix of light and dark areas. Use exposure value (EV) compensation for scenes where the major part of the image is either very bright or very dark. For a very bright scene (snow, for example), set the EV value as a positive number (+1/3 EV ~ +2 EV). For very dark scenes, set a negative EV value (-1/3 EV ~ -2 EV).	
Metering area	<i>Auto, Center, Left, Right, Top, Bottom</i>	Defines what zone of the image is to have most weight in measuring the exposure of the entire scene.
Backlight compensation	In images with a bright light source behind the subject of interest, use backlight compensation to adjust the exposure of the entire image to expose the subject in the foreground properly.	
Wide dynamic range	In images with indoor and outdoor contrast issues, use wide dynamic range to adjust exposure in areas of the image to preserve greater scene detail in both the shadows and highlights of the image.	
Flicker reduction	Compensates for flickering caused by discrepancies between the frame rate (video standard) and the AC frequency of the lighting.	

11.1.6 Day/Night Control

With Day/Night Control, the camera can still catch clear images at night. In daylight, the IR cut filter blocks infrared light for clear images. At night, the IR cut filter is removed to utilise infrared light; the displayed images will be in black and white.



Video > Image > Day/Night Control

Item	Description	
Day/night mode	<i>Auto</i>	Enables day/night switching. The internal circuit automatically decides when to place/remove the IR cut filter based on the value of the lighting conditions as determined by the Transition threshold.
	<i>Day</i>	Activates the IR cut filter. Camera is set to colour mode.
	<i>Night</i>	Removes the IR cut filter. Camera is set to black and white mode.
Transition threshold	Auto mode only	Sets the threshold for the camera to place/remove the IR cut filter. With a higher threshold value, the camera switches to night mode at lower light levels (higher gain value). With a lower threshold value, the camera switches to night mode at higher light levels (lower gain value).
Transition speed	Auto mode only	Sets the delay the camera takes into account when switching from day to night mode and vice versa. Using a higher value here prevents the camera to trigger on for example headlights of a car temporary shining directly into the camera at night.

11.1.7 White Balance

A digital camera needs to find a reference color temperature, which is a way of measuring the colour of a light source as a basis for calculating all the other colours. The unit for measuring this ratio is in degree Kelvin (K). You can select one of the white balance control modes according to the installation condition. The following table shows the colour temperature of some typical light sources.

Light source	Colour temperature in K
Cloudy sky	6,000 to 8,000
Noon sun and clear sky	6,500
Household lighting	2,500 to 3,000
75-watt bulb	2,820
Candle flame	1,200 to 1,500

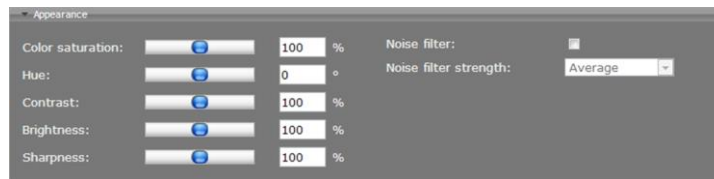
Light source reference



Video > Image > White Balance

Item	Description	
White balance mode	<i>ATW outdoor</i>	Use this option for outdoor applications.
	<i>ATW indoor</i>	Use this option for indoor applications.
	<i>AWB</i>	Can be applied to scenes without distinct white areas. A possible alternative for <i>ATW outdoor</i> and <i>ATW indoor</i> if you cannot achieve a satisfactory white balance with these.
	<i>Manual/Hold</i>	Activates the <i>Adjust Now</i> button, and the <i>White balance red</i> and <i>White balance blue</i> sliders. Use these for manual white balance setting.
White balance adjust	Manual/Hold mode only	Press <i>Adjust Now</i> to recalculate the white balance according to the current image and then lock it.
White balance red		Sliders to adjust colour temperatures. Drag the sliders to increase/decrease the red/blue values in the image while observing the preview.
White balance blue		

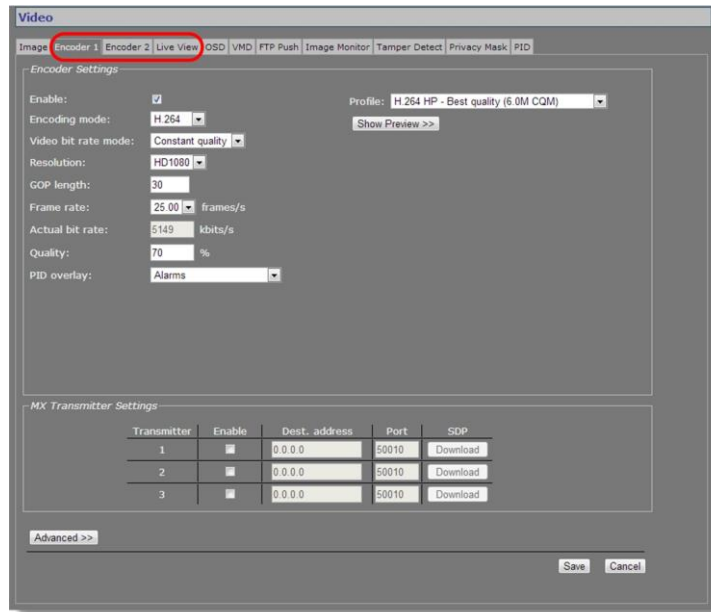
11.1.8 Appearance



Video > Image > Appearance

Item	Description	
Color saturation	Drag the slider or enter values into the boxes to adjust current settings aided by the visual feedback from the preview. Settings entered here apply to all video encoders.	
Hue		
Contrast		
Brightness		
Sharpness		
Noise filter	Activates the noise filter and the <i>Noise filter strength</i> list.	
Noise filter strength	<i>Average, Weak, Strong</i>	Enables you to set a level for the noise filter.

11.2 Video encoding overview



Encoder tabs on Video page

Video encoding

The BC840-PID features a built-in video server. Two video encoders can simultaneously generate independent digital video streams with different resolutions and frame rates. Encoders 1 and 2 can each convert the video signal into H.264 or MJPEG format.

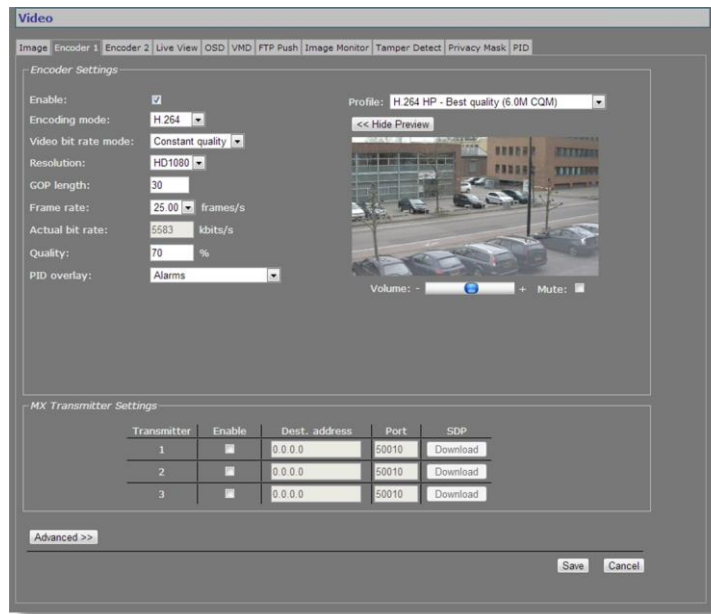
Multistreaming

Up to twenty streams can be retrieved using RTSP. A total of six copies – three per independent encoder – can be transmitted to different unicast and/or multicast destinations using Siquira's proprietary MX protocol. The BC840-PID supports source-specific multicast (SSM). H.264 and audio streams can also be transmitted to multicast destinations using the Session Announcement Protocol (SAP).

Live View encoder

The Live View encoder can convert the analog video input signal to (M)JPEG format for streaming to web applications or remote devices using the HTTP protocol. Via FTP Push, JPEG images can also be posted on an FTP server.

11.3 Encoder 1



Video > Encoder 1

11.3.1 Encoder Settings

Item	Description
Enable	All encoders are enabled by default. Use this check box to disable/re-enable this specific encoder.
Encoding mode	<i>H.264 or MJPEG</i> The method used to compress the video signal. The BC840-PID can stream (M)JPEG over UDP and HTTP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ To enable and configure UDP/MJPEG streaming, select MJPEG from the Encoding mode list and configure settings. ▶ To transport JPEG over HTTP and/or use the Live View previews in the webpages, go to the Live View tab, enable the Live View encoder, and configure its settings.
Video bit rate mode	Controls variations in bit rates. <p><i>Constant quality</i> Keeps the image quality constant, with varying network load. See <i>Constant Quality Mode (CQM) configuration</i> (below) for Siquira's recommended strategy for controlling image quality.</p> <p><i>Constant bit rate</i> Keeps network load constant at the cost of varying image quality. Frames may be skipped.</p>

Item	Description	
Resolution	Indicates the number of pixels that can be displayed in each dimension (width x height).	
	<i>HD1080</i>	1080p (1920x1080)
	<i>HD720</i>	720p (1280x720)
	<i>960H</i>	960x576 (PAL); 960x480 (NTSC)
	<i>D1</i>	720x576 (PAL); 720x480 (NTSC)
	<i>VGA</i>	640x480
	<i>2CIF</i>	720x288 (PAL); 720x240 (NTSC)
	<i>CIF</i>	352x288 (PAL); 352x240 (NTSC)
	With Encoder 1 and Encoder 2 both doing H.264 encoding or both doing MJPEG encoding, the BC840-AID will simultaneously handle single full HD encoding up to 30 fps and single CIF encoding up to 30 fps. Dual full HD H.264 encoding or dual full HD MJPEG encoding is supported up to 15 fps. For a combination of H.264 encoding and MJPEG encoding there are no limits. The maximum resolution for Live View encoding is D1	
GOP length	Distance in frames between two I-frames.	
Frame rate	<i>PAL: 1-25 fps; NTSC: 1-30 fps</i> . Selectable rates are determined by the video mode (PAL, NTSC) set on the Image tab.	
Bit rate	Constant bit rate mode only	The speed of the digital transmission - that is, the amount of information transferred/processed per unit of time.
Actual bit rate	Constant quality mode only	This field is dynamically updated with the current bit rate to provide feedback on the bit rate that is used on average with the current <i>Quality</i> setting.
Quality	Constant quality mode only	Reflects the amount of compression. Generally speaking: the higher the quality setting, the lower the compression ratio and the more bits are consumed. This means a trade-off has to be found between the desired quality level and available bandwidth.
PID overlay	PID alarms and PID configuration can be shown as overlays over the video images.	
	<i>None</i>	The images will not include PID overlays.
	<i>Alarms</i>	PID alarms are shown as overlays over the images.
	<i>Alarms and configuration</i>	PID alarms and PID configuration are shown as overlay over the images.
Profile	Preset combinations of settings for specific purposes. When a profile has been selected, changing one of its defined parameters sets the Profile box to '--', to indicate that a custom profile has been configured. When a freely chosen parameter value combination matches a preset profile, the name of the profile shows in the Profile box.	
Show Preview>>	Click to view live images and see the effect of the current settings.	
<<Hide Preview	Closes the preview. This may improve webpage responsiveness.	
Volume	Move the slider to control audio volume.	
Mute	Select/clear this box to mute/unmute audio.	

11.3.1.1 Parameter value combinations

Set sensible combinations of video bit rate mode, resolution, GOP length, and frame and bit rates. When you set and save these values, inappropriate value combinations are 'corrected' by automatic selection of the closest suitable combination.

Important: If in doubt about the effects of specific encoder settings, you are advised to select the profile offering the closest match to your required application.

11.3.2 Constant Quality Mode configuration

Constant Quality mode (CQM) can be used in situations with intermittent increases of movement in camera images. This mode provides better pictures when quickly panning a PTZ camera, for example. Siquira recommends the following strategy for Constant Quality mode configuration.

» To configure CQM settings

1. In *Encoder Settings*, open the **Video bit rate mode** list, and then select **Constant quality**.
2. With the video source connected and the encoder enabled, go to the *Quality* field and set the desired quality (range: [0 ... 100%]), aided by the visual feedback in the Preview.
3. Press **Save** to store your settings.
The Actual bit rate field is dynamically updated with the current bit rate.
4. Determine if the average bit rate used with the current *Quality* setting is acceptable. If not, modify the *Quality* setting.
5. To set the upper limit for the bit rate, open the **Advanced Settings** section and use the *CQM max bit rate* field to specify the maximum bit rate.
Generally, it is not necessary to change the default setting of 6000 kbit/s, unless there are physical limitations on the network.
6. Press **Save** to store your settings.

11.3.3 Make a video connection

Creating a video link between a video encoder and a video decoder involves two steps:

- ▶ Configuring settings of the encoder
- ▶ Configuring settings of the decoder

» To configure the encoder settings

1. Open the webpages of the encoder, go to the Video page, and then open the appropriate Encoder tab.
2. In the MX Transmitter Settings section, specify the destination IP address.
This is the address of the video decoder which will receive the video stream.
3. Enter the port number of the decoder.
For more information about port numbers, see the *Port Numbers* section.
4. Select **Enable**, and then click **Save**.

Transmitter	Enable	Dest. address	Port	SDP
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	172.22.250.132	50010	Download
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0.0	50010	Download
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0.0	50010	Download

Video Transmitter Settings (encoder side).
Transmitter 1 enabled, holding the decoder IP address and input port number.
An input port number must be used only once per device.

» **To configure the decoder settings**

1. Open the webpages of the decoder, go to the Video page, and select the Decoder tab.
2. In the MX Receiver Settings section, specify the source IP address.
This is the address of the video encoder which will transmit the video stream.
3. Enter the port number of the decoder.
For more information on port numbers, see the *Port Numbers* section.
4. Select **Enable**, and then click **Save**.

Receiver Settings			
Receiver	Enable	Source address	Port
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	172.22.250.131	50010

Video Receiver Settings (decoder side).

*Receiver 1 enabled, holding the encoder IP address and the decoder input port number.
An input port number must be used only once per device.*

With these settings configured correctly, the video link is established. The decoder takes the video stream from the encoder, detects the video format and uses the appropriate decoding algorithm to convert the stream to an analogue output signal.

Note: Source and destination IP addresses can be unicast or multicast. For more information, see the *Multicast* chapter.

Highlighted fields

The source address and port number fields are highlighted in green when the enabled receiver receives a stream from the specified source. The two fields are marked in red when no stream is received with the receiver enabled and correctly configured.

SDP download

Use the SDP Download button to download a Session Description Protocol (SDP) file from the encoder. SDP files contain streaming media initialisation parameters and properties. An SDP file does not deliver media itself but through file association the media stream can be opened in media players such as QuickTime and VLC. You can also use the SDP file to specify the URI in your web browser.

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Important: If in doubt about these settings, do *not* change the default values.

11.3.4.1 Encoder

Depending on the selected encoding mode, specific parameter values in this section are dimmed - that is, not available for configuration.

H.264 encoding, Constant Quality Mode

MJPEG encoding, Constant Quality Mode

Video > Encoder 1/2 > Advanced Settings > Encoder

Item	Description
Encoding profile	<i>Main profile</i> Compatibility mode for decoders which do not support High profile.
	<i>High profile</i> Improved encoding quality (as compared to Main profile).
CQM max bit rate	Available in <i>Constant quality</i> mode (CQM). Use this setting to set the maximum bit rate for a given picture quality configured in the Encoder Settings section.
Frame rate divider	Relates to the frame rate configured in the Encoder Settings section.
X-resolution	Variables that enable you to freely set picture resolution instead of using the resolution presets in the Encoder Settings section.
Y-resolution	
Request I-frame	When joining a multicast stream in the middle of a long GOP, requesting an I-frame will speed up response time, i.e. image display will start sooner.
Request I-frame hold off	Range: [0...255] frames. Requesting (too) many I-frames may add to latency. To prevent this, you can specify the distance in frames, starting after the previous I-frame, before another I-frame is sent upon request.
Scene change detect	Enables the scene detection algorithm. If enabled, the encoder can fully restart a new GOP with an I-slice and an instantaneous decoding refresh (IDR) picture, depending on image content.
Scene change detect period	Sets the minimum time between scene changes in milliseconds. This is a hold-off mechanism that prevents a scene change for the specified time, starting from the previous scene change.

Item	Description
Force frame mode	If <i>Force frame mode</i> is enabled, the H.264 video stream is compressed and sent using entire frames (Frame mode). If disabled, the stream is compressed and sent using entire frames or the separate fields (Field mode).
Deblocking filter	Enables the in-loop deblocking filter in the AVC encoder. H.264 encoding can handle portions of the video image in blocks of varying sizes which can be processed independently. The deblocking filter enhances image quality by smoothing block edges and reducing blocking distortion. Be aware, however, that applying the filter requires substantial processing power.
Deblocking filter alpha coefficient	Set the alpha/beta coefficients of the deblocking filter. Entering experimental values for these coefficients may help you in achieving optimal image quality.
Deblocking filter beta coefficient	
Meta data insertion mode	Determines the method used to add meta data to the stream. For details, see the section on Meta Data Insertion. <hr/> <i>Disabled</i> No meta data added to the stream. <hr/> <i>Fixed interval</i> Activates <i>Meta data insertion interval</i> parameter (below). <hr/> <i>Each I-frame</i> Data block is added after each I-frame. The interval is determined by the GOP length, therefore.
Meta data insertion interval	Range: [100-10000] ms. Sets the (fixed) interval at which meta data is added to the stream. Activate this parameter by setting <i>Meta data insertion mode</i> (see above) to <i>Fixed interval</i> .

11.3.4.2 Stream Manager

Stream Manager	
Stream bandwidth limit:	4692 kbit/s
Keep-alive interval:	100 ms
Low latency:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Video > Encoder # > Advanced > Stream Manager

Balancing network load

Peaks in the network load vary with encoder output. Use the Stream Manager to balance network load. It can limit the output rate per stream sent to the transmitters. Be warned that setting the Stream bandwidth limit to a lower value may introduce latency because peaks in the encoder output will be buffered.

Item	Description
Stream bandwidth limit	<p>Range: [0...100000] kbit/s. Sets the maximum bit rate per stream sent to the transmitters. This will serve to spread bursts but in its turn may give rise to latency, e.g. when handling large I-frames.</p> <p>You are advised to limit the outgoing bit rate per encoder to a maximum of 15 Mbit/s. The total outgoing bit rate of all encoders (including the Live View encoder), RTSP controlled streams, and SAP streams, should not exceed 25 Mbit/s. See the value for the Total tx bit rate parameter on the Measurements tab of the Status page.</p> <p>The Stream bandwidth limit mechanism is disabled when Low latency (see below) is selected. See also the graphic in the Note on FloodGuard.</p>
Keep-alive interval	<p>Range: [10 ... 100000] milliseconds. The frequency for sending keep-alive messages to the encoder.</p>
Low latency	<p>Raises the output bandwidth limit to allow for peaks in the network load. To be selected if you need to keep the delay between the input and output of images as short as possible, for improved tracking with a dome camera for example.</p> <p>Selecting <i>Low latency</i> disables the <i>Stream bandwidth limit</i> mechanism.</p>

Note on Low Latency mode: This mode may cause packet loss in the network. In this mode, short bursts of 100 MB data may overflow the input buffer of an Ethernet aggregation switch. As a rule of thumb, the average load of an Ethernet port should not exceed 40% of its maximum load (i.e. 40 MB for a 100 MB port).

11.3.4.3 Transmitter

Transmitter 1	
DSCP field:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Connection priority:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Multicast TTL:	<input type="text" value="10"/>
RTP control mode:	<input type="text" value="FloodGuard"/>
Stream type:	<input type="text" value="UDP + RTP + NKF"/>
RTP type:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Link loss alarm timeout:	<input type="text" value="10"/> s

Video > Encoder # > Advanced > Transmitter 1

Item	Description						
DSCP field	Range: [0...63]. DSCP (Differentiated Services Code Point) uses the first 6 bits of the ToS (Type of Service) field in the header of IP packets for packet classification purposes. The bit pattern in the field indicates the type of service and forwarding behavior at the next node. With 26 bits, up to 64 network service types can be defined. <i>RFC 2724</i> (http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2474.txt) describes the Differentiated Services (DS) field and the DiffServ Code Point. See also the note on Differentiated Services later in this chapter.						
Connection priority	Parameter intended for use with MX Software Development Kit (MX SDK).						
Multicast TTL	Range: [0...127]. Specify the number of routers (hops) that multicast traffic is permitted to pass through before expiring on the network.						
RTP control mode	Select the transport protocol to control the stream. <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>None</i></td> <td>No transport protocol selected.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>FloodGuard</i></td> <td>Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>RTCP</i></td> <td>Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>None</i>	No transport protocol selected.	<i>FloodGuard</i>	Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.	<i>RTCP</i>	Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.
<i>None</i>	No transport protocol selected.						
<i>FloodGuard</i>	Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.						
<i>RTCP</i>	Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.						
Stream type	<table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>UDP + RTP</i></td> <td>Default setting. Plain RTP stream over UDP.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>UDP + RTP + NKF</i></td> <td>Adds an extended RTP header for Siqura applications requiring extra information.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>UDP + RTP</i>	Default setting. Plain RTP stream over UDP.	<i>UDP + RTP + NKF</i>	Adds an extended RTP header for Siqura applications requiring extra information.		
<i>UDP + RTP</i>	Default setting. Plain RTP stream over UDP.						
<i>UDP + RTP + NKF</i>	Adds an extended RTP header for Siqura applications requiring extra information.						
RTP type	Default value: [0]. This parameter determines the RTP payload format (e.g. H.264, MPEG-2/4, or audio). To avoid an RTP type conflict, the values specified on both sides of the connection must be the same. The default value of "0" automatically sets the appropriate media type. You are advised not to change this setting.						
Link loss alarm timeout	Range: [1...1000] s. Default: 10 s. Time in seconds before alarm sent.						

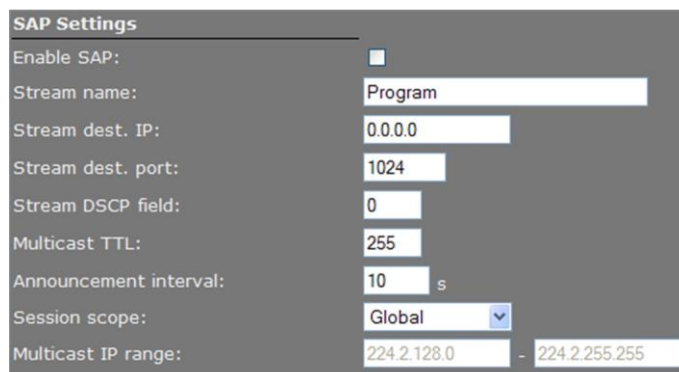
11.3.4.4 RTSP Transmitter

RTSP Transmitter	
DSCP field:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Enable multicast:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Default multicast IP address:	<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/> Invalid multicast address
Default multicast port:	<input type="text" value="50000"/>

Video > Encoder # > Advanced > RTSP Transmitter

Item	Description
DSCP field	Range: [0...63]. DSCP (Differentiated Services Code Point) uses the first 6 bits of the ToS (Type of Service) field in the header of IP packets for packet classification purposes. The bit pattern in the field indicates the type of service and forwarding behavior at the next node. With 26 bits, up to 64 network service types can be defined. <i>RFC 2724</i> (http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2474.txt) describes the Differentiated Services (DS) field and the DiffServ Code Point. See also the note on Differentiated Services later in this chapter.
Enable multicast	Activates the <i>Default multicast IP address</i> text box. The RTSP transmitter itself does not require enabling.
Default multicast IP address	Select <i>Enable multicast</i> (see above) to activate this check box. The "Invalid multicast address" warning disappears upon specification of a valid multicast address.
Default multicast port	Port number for multicast sessions.

11.3.4.5 SAP Settings



SAP Settings	
Enable SAP:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stream name:	Program
Stream dest. IP:	0.0.0.0
Stream dest. port:	1024
Stream DSCP field:	0
Multicast TTL:	255
Announcement interval:	10 s
Session scope:	Global
Multicast IP range:	224.2.128.0 - 224.2.255.255

Video > Encoder # > Advanced > SAP Settings

SAP announcer

The BC840-PID includes a SAP announcer. The Session Announcement Protocol is used to advertise that a media stream generated by the BC840-PID is available at a specific multicast address and port.

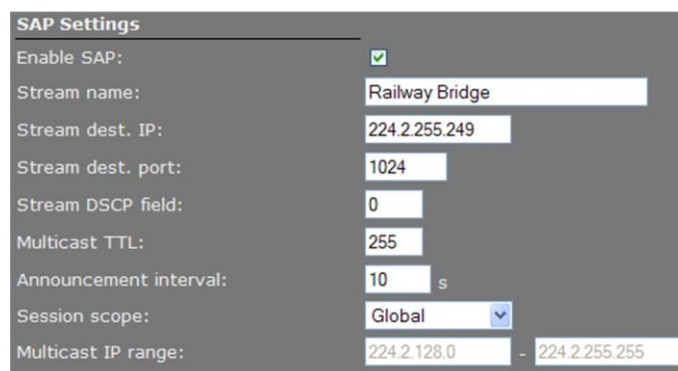
The BC840-PID can send SAP multicast streams generated by its H.264 and audio encoders. The video streams will include audio if audio is enabled on the Audio web page and if the multicast IP range is the same as for video. Note that audio in itself can also be received as a separate stream. For more information about SAP, see the note later in this chapter.

Item	Description
Enable SAP	When selected, session announcements are sent at the frequency determined by the Announcement interval parameter and the media stream is transmitted to the multicast IP address specified in the Stream dest. IP address box.
Stream name	Enter a descriptive name to identify the media stream.
Stream dest. IP	Enter the multicast IP address the media stream is to be sent to. The address must be within the range defined by the Multicast IP range parameter.
Stream dest. port	The destination port number. Default: 1024.
Stream DSCP field	Range: [0..63]. See the note on DSCP.
Multicast TTL	Range: [0..127]. Specify the number of routers (hops) that multicast traffic is permitted to pass through before expiring on the network.
Announcement interval	Determines the frequency of announcements.
Session scope	<i>Global</i> , the default session scope, sets the <i>Multicast IP range</i> parameter to 224.2.128.0 - 224.2.255.255 (IPv4 global scope sessions). A SAP listening application will recognize the global scope and automatically listen for SAP announcements at the 224.2.127.254 multicast IP address. The <i>Administrative</i> session scope allows you to enter a custom IP range within the 239.0.0.0 - 239.255.255.255 (IPv4 administrative scope sessions) range. For an Administrative session scope, the multicast address for SAP announcements will be set to the highest address in the relevant administrative scope. For example, for a scope range of 239.16.32.0 - 239.16.33.255, the IP address 239.16.33.255 is used for SAP announcements.
Multicast IP range	See Session scope.

► To configure SAP settings, do the following

1. In the SAP settings section, select **Enable SAP**.
2. Enter a stream name.
3. In the Session scope list, select **Global** or **Administrative**.
4. If you selected *Administrative* in the previous step, specify the Multicast IP range.
5. Enter the Stream Destination IP address and the port number.
The IP address must be within the scope range displayed for the Multicast IP range parameter.
6. Enter/modify the values for Stream DSCP field, Multicast TTL, and Announcement Interval, if desired.
7. Click **Save**.

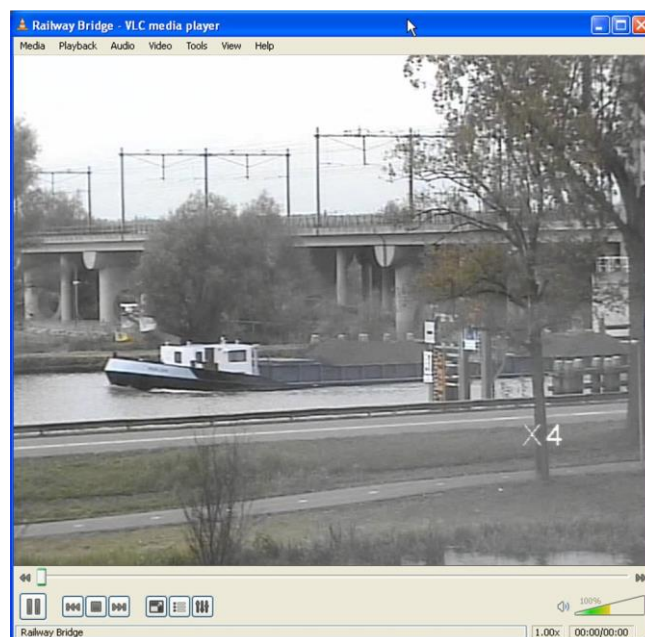
The video stream can now be viewed in a media player, such as QuickTime or VLC.



The screenshot shows the 'SAP Settings' dialog box with the following configuration:

Enable SAP:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Stream name:	Railway Bridge
Stream dest. IP:	224.2.255.249
Stream dest. port:	1024
Stream DSCP field:	0
Multicast TTL:	255
Announcement interval:	10 s
Session scope:	Global
Multicast IP range:	224.2.128.0 - 224.2.255.255

SAP example settings



BC840-PID SAP network stream opened via VLC Playlist

11.3.5 Meta data insertion

Enabling

All BC840-PID encoders can be configured to include meta data in the video streams they generate. The insertion of meta data is enabled by setting an interval via the Advanced Settings of the encoder. A meta data message is added to the stream as a block of data with a fixed format (see examples below). The messages can contain user data, product info, and status info.

Note: This section provides a general explanation of meta data insertion as implemented in Siqura products. The unit described in this manual, may or may not feature all of the media (e.g. audio, contact closure) and encoding formats included below.

User data message

For MPEG-2 and MPEG-4, User data is preceded by the User data header (00 00 01 B2):

0x00	0x00	0x01	0xB2	User data message
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For MJPEG, these (for the rest identical) messages are inserted as comment field (FF FE):

0xFF	0xFE	Size (MSB)	Size (LSB)	User data message
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For H.264, these (for the rest identical) messages are inserted as SEI NAL-unit (0x06), marked as type User Data Unregistered (0x05):

0x06	0x05	Size	UUID (16 bytes)	User data message
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Product info message

The Product info message (always inserted) is used to identify the source of a specific video stream. The data ID is 0x00, with the message in the following layout.

'O'	'P'	'T'	'C'	0x00	Prod. name (ASCII)	0x80	Serial nr (ASCII)	0x80	SW version (ASCII)	0x80
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Status info message

This message contains all relevant status messages, related to the video stream or codec. The data ID is 0x01, with the message in the following layout.

'O'	'P'	'T'	'C'	0x01	Status1	Status2	Status3	Status4	(future expansion possible)
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Status 1	Video status
Bit 0 (lsb)	Video loss on input
Bit 1	Black/white video
Bit 2	VMD alarm
Bit 3	Tampering alarm
Bit 4	Image quality alarm
Bit 5	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 6	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 7 (msb)	Fixed '0'

Status 2	General status
Bit 0	Reserved for Temperature alarm
Bit 1	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 2	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 3	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 4	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 5	Reserved for Audio present
Bit 6	Fixed '1'
Bit 7	Fixed '0'

Status 3	CC status (part 1)
Bit 0	CCin-1
Bit 1	CCin-2
Bit 2	CCin-3
Bit 3	CCin-4
Bit 4	CCin-5
Bit 5	CCin-6
Bit 6	CCin-7
Bit 7	Fixed '0'

Status 4	CC status (part 2)
Bit 0	CCin-8
Bit 1	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 2	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 3	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 4	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 5	(for future use, will be '0')
Bit 6	Fixed '1'
Bit 7	Fixed '0'

User defined text message

This message can be defined and enabled by the user, using the Siqura Programming Interface API, for example. There is no maximum limit on the amount of characters. Considering that this data is part of a video stream, the maximum should be reasonable.

11.3.6 Notes

Note on Differentiated Services: Differentiated Services (DiffServ, or DS) is a method for adding QoS (Quality of Service) to IP networks. In routed networks, critical network traffic such as video and audio streams, which require a relatively uninterrupted flow of data, can get blocked due to other traffic. DiffServ can be used to classify network traffic and give precedence - i.e. low-latency, guaranteed service - to high-priority traffic, while offering best-effort service to non-critical traffic such as file transfers or web traffic.

Each stream has a DSCP (Differentiated Services Code Point) field in the IP header. Routers will identify the network service type in the DSCP field and provide the appropriate level of service. Low-latency service can be realized, for example, through priority queuing, bandwidth allocation, or by assigning dedicated routes.

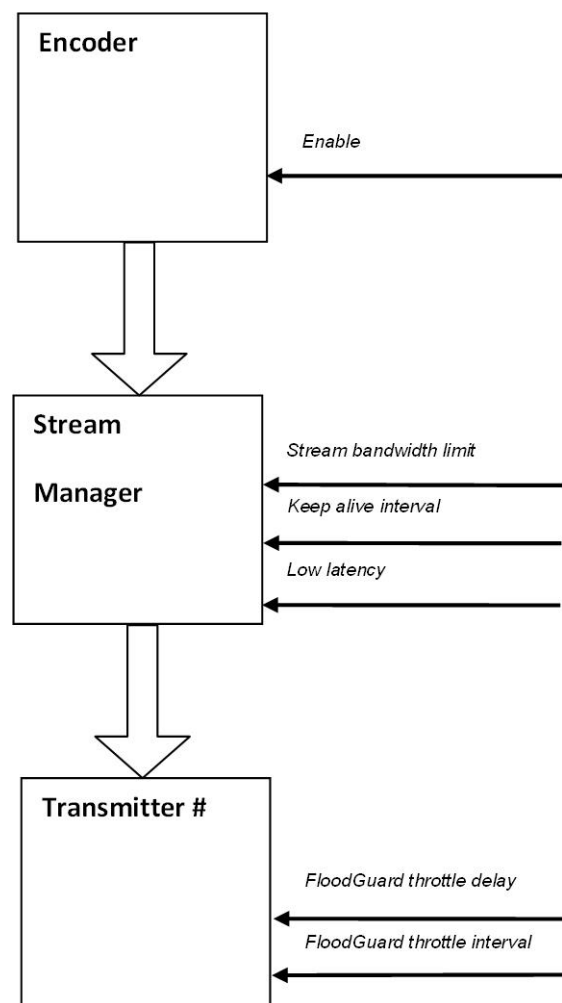
Note on RTP and RTCP: The Real-time Transport Protocol (RTP) is designed for end-to-end real-time, audio or video data flow transport. It is regarded as the primary standard for video/audio transport over multicast or unicast network services. RTP does not provide guaranteed delivery, but sequencing of the data makes it possible to detect missing packets. It allows the recipient to compensate for breaks in sequence that may occur during the transfer on an IP network. Error concealment can make the loss of packets unnoticeable. RTP is usually used in conjunction with the Real-time Transport Control Protocol (RTCP). RTP carries the media streams. RTCP provides reception quality feedback, participant identification and synchronization between media streams.

Note on the Session Announcement Protocol (SAP): SAP, defined in *RFC 2974* (see RFC 2974 - <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2974.txt>), is a protocol for advertising multicast session information. A SAP announcer periodically broadcasts announcement packets which include the session description information of multicast sessions presented by the announcer. SAP uses the Session Description Protocol (SDP) as the format of the session descriptions. The announcement is multicast with the same scope as the session it is announcing, ensuring that the recipients of the announcement are within the scope of the session the announcement describes. SAP listening applications can listen to the announcements and use the information to construct a guide of all advertised sessions. This guide can be used to select and start a particular session. The SAP announcer is not aware of the presence or absence of SAP listeners.

Note on FloodGuard: FloodGuard is a Siqura™ proprietary stream control mechanism that can be enabled/disabled independently for each video and sampled data transmitter. FloodGuard throttles the transmitter when it no longer receives control messages from the receiver, thereby preventing the transmitter from flooding the network.

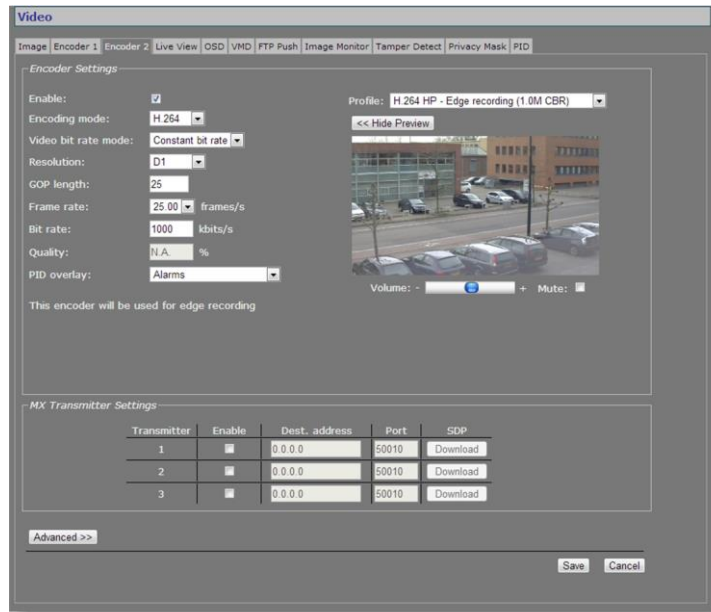
FloodGuard only works when enabled on both the transmitter and the receiver, and when the transmitter sends to a unicast address.

When a transmitter is enabled, it opens a control receive port with the port number equal to its source port number + 1. This port listens for control packets from the destination receiver. When no FloodGuard packets come in during the time set for the *FloodGuard throttle delay*, the receiver is expected to have disappeared (powered off, receiver disabled, network problem, etc.) and the stream is 'throttled'. In throttled mode the transmitter - in order to contact the intended receiver (again) - sends empty packets into the network at an interval determined by the *FloodGuard throttle interval* parameter. After reception of a valid FloodGuard packet the transmitter immediately resumes streaming.



Stream Manager and FloodGuard

11.4 Encoder 2

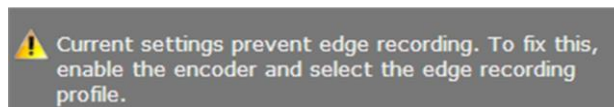


Video > Encoder 2

11.4.1 Edge recording

Configuring Encoder 2 settings is done in the same way as for Encoder 1. It is important to bear in mind, however, that edge recording uses video generated by Encoder 2 and that this requires specific *Video bit rate*, *GOP length*, and *Bit rate* settings.

Important: If you change these settings, edge recording may become impossible.



Warning: Incorrect encoder settings for edge recording

» To configure settings for edge recording

1. Select **Enable** to enable the encoder.
2. On the **Profile** list, select **H.264 HP - Edge recording (1.0M CBR)**.
3. Click **Save**.

This creates the following settings.

- Encoding mode: H.264
- Video bit rate mode: Constant bit rate
- GOP length: 25
- Bit rate: 1000 kbit/s

These settings are also the out-of-the box, factory-default settings for Encoder 2. If they are no longer correct just select the *H.264 - Edge recording (1.0M CBR)* profile to restore the proper settings.

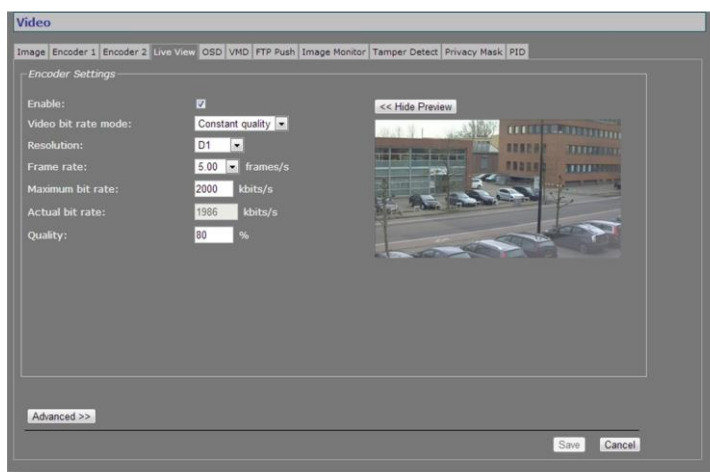
Note: For best results, we recommend to use CIF resolution for edge recording.

Custom settings

If you need to apply custom settings, you can do so with the following restrictions.

- ▶ Encoding mode: always set to H.264
- ▶ Video bit rate mode: always set to *Constant bit rate*
- ▶ GOP length: ≥ 25
- ▶ Bit rate: ≤ 1000 kbit/s
- ▶ Resolution: CIF (recommended)

11.5 Live View



Video > Live View

11.5.1 (M)JPEG output

The BC840-PID provides multiple (M)JPEG output methods.

- ▶ To transport JPEG over **HTTP** and/or to use the Live View previews in the webpages, enable the Live View encoder and configure its settings.
- ▶ To enable and configure **UDP/MJPEG** streaming, go to the Encoder 1/2 tab, select MJPEG encoding mode and configure settings.
- ▶ To activate the uploading of JPEG images to an FTP server, configure the required settings on the FTP Push tab and the Event Management page.

11.5.2 Encoder Settings

Item	Description				
Enable	All encoders are enabled by default. Use this check box to disable/re-enable this specific encoder.				
Video bit rate mode	Controls variations in bit rates. <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Constant quality</i></td> <td>Keeps the image quality constant, with varying network load. The quality is determined by the value set for the <i>Quality</i> parameter (see below).</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>Constant bit rate</i></td> <td>Keeps network load constant at the cost of varying image quality. Frames may be skipped.</td> </tr> </table>	<i>Constant quality</i>	Keeps the image quality constant, with varying network load. The quality is determined by the value set for the <i>Quality</i> parameter (see below).	<i>Constant bit rate</i>	Keeps network load constant at the cost of varying image quality. Frames may be skipped.
<i>Constant quality</i>	Keeps the image quality constant, with varying network load. The quality is determined by the value set for the <i>Quality</i> parameter (see below).				
<i>Constant bit rate</i>	Keeps network load constant at the cost of varying image quality. Frames may be skipped.				
Resolution	Set sensible combinations of mode, resolution, frame rate and (maximum) bit rate.				
Frame rate					
(Maximum) bit rate					
Actual bit rate	Constant Quality Mode (CQM) only This field is dynamically updated with the current bit rate to provide feedback on the bit rate that is used on average with the current <i>Quality</i> setting.				

Item	Description
Quality	Constant Quality Mode (CQM) only Reflects the amount of compression. Generally speaking: the higher the quality setting, the lower the compression ratio and the more bits are consumed. This means a trade-off has to be found between the desired quality level and available bandwidth.
Show Preview>>	Click to view live images and see the effect of the current settings.
<<Hide Preview	Closes the preview. This may improve webpage responsiveness.

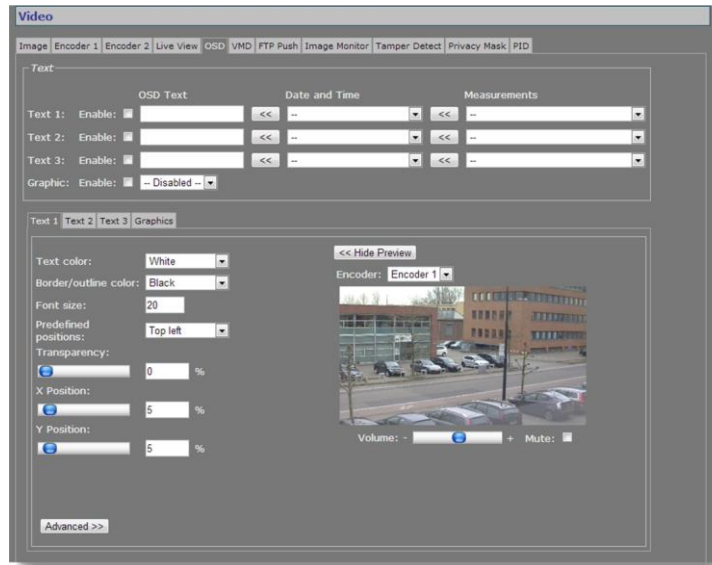
11.5.3 Advanced



Video > Live View > Advanced

Item	Description
Frame rate divider	Relates to the frame rate configured in the Encoder Settings section.
X-resolution	Variables that enable you to freely set picture resolution instead of using the resolution presets in the Encoder Settings section.
Y-resolution	
Meta data insertion mode	Determines the method used to add meta data to the stream. For details, see the section on Meta Data Insertion.
	<i>Disabled</i> No meta data added to the stream.
	<i>Fixed interval</i> Activates <i>Meta data insertion interval</i> parameter (below).
	<i>Each frame</i> Data block is added after each frame.
Meta data insertion interval	Range: [100-10000] ms. Sets the (fixed) interval at which meta data is added to the stream. Activate this parameter by setting <i>Meta data insertion mode</i> (see above) to <i>Fixed interval</i> .

11.6 OSD



Video > OSD

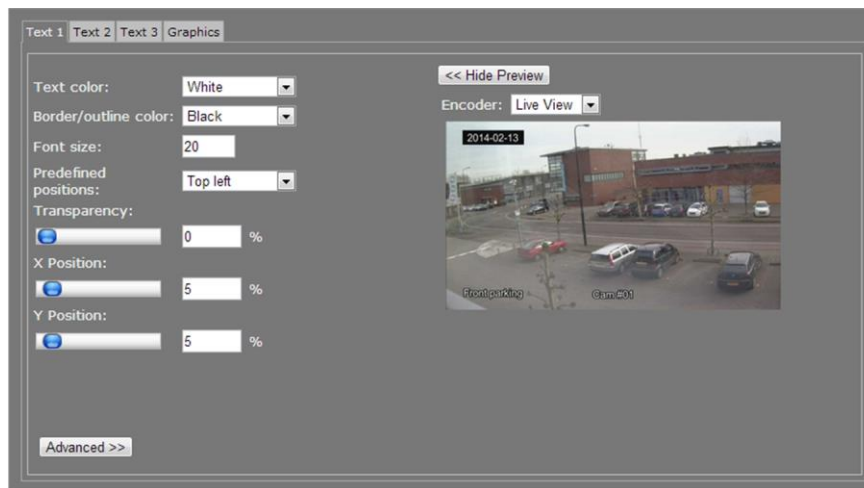
11.6.1 OSD facilities

The BC840-PID features programmable on-screen display (OSD) facilities. One graphic and up to three OSD text bars can be displayed, each of which can be independently configured. Visual feedback is provided in the preview.

11.6.2 Text Settings

Item	Description
Enable	All OSD objects can be enabled and configured separately. To (temporarily) remove a bar or graphic from the screen, clear the Enable check box.
OSD text	The text to be displayed. Maximum: 255 characters. Text is displayed in a single line. The number of characters visible on screen is determined by the font size and the space offered by the screen line.
Date and Time	Select a format from the list and click the Append button to add the information to the OSD text box.
Measurements	Select a measurement from the list and click the Append button to add the information to the OSD text box.
Graphic	Graphics that have been uploaded to the module (see Graphics tab, Advanced settings) can be selected from the list and enabled.

11.6.3 Text



Video > OSD >Text 1, with 3 OSD bars in the preview.
Render modes: 'Border' (top left) and 'Outline' (bottom right & bottom centre)

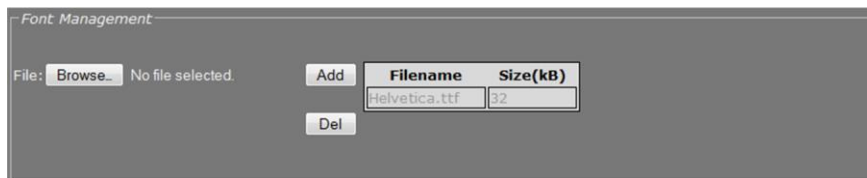
Item	Description
Text color	Changes made here and in the other fields are immediately written into the device and reflected in the preview.
Border/outline color	
Font size	Range: [0...256].
Predefined positions	Presets for positioning the OSD object.
Transparency	Move the slider or type a percentage.
X Position	Variables that enable you to freely position the object, instead of using the presets. Drag the sliding buttons or enter a percentage. When a preset has been selected, changing one of its defined parameters sets the <i>Predefined positions</i> box to '--', indicating that a custom position has been configured.
Y Position	
Show Preview>>	Click to view live images and see the effect of the current settings.
<<Hide Preview	Closes the preview. This may improve webpage responsiveness.
Encoder	The encoder handling the images seen in the preview.

11.6.3.1 Advanced



Video > OSD > Text 1 > Advanced > Advanced OSD Bar 1 Settings

Item	Description
Font name	Offers a selection from default and uploaded fonts (see Font Management).
Render mode	<i>Outline</i> or <i>Border</i> .
X-Position anchor point	Variables that enable you to shift the OSD object relative to the anchor point.
Y-Position anchor point	
Rotation angle	Background size automatically adjusts to text dimensions when a bar is rotated.



Video > OSD > Text 1 > Advanced > Font Management

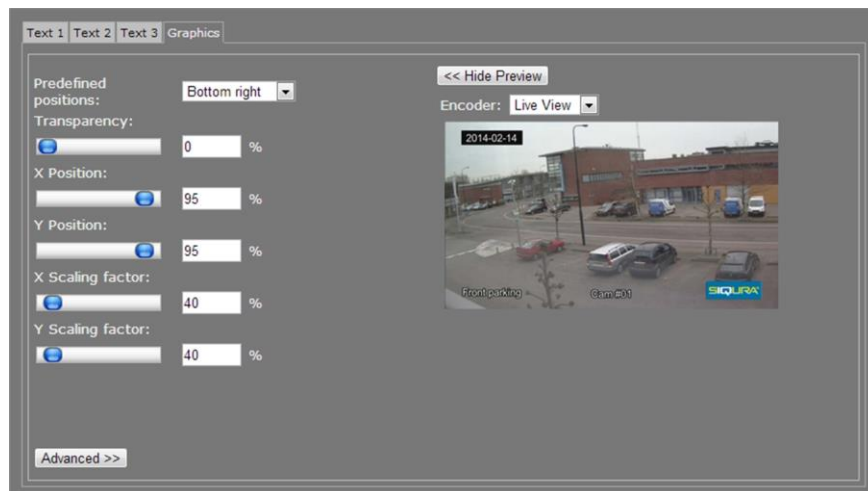
» To upload a font

- In the Font management section, click **Browse**.
The Open dialog box displays.
- Browse to the folder containing the font to be uploaded.
- Select the correct file (.ttf extension), and then click **Open**.
The file appears in the File text box on the web page.
- To start the upload, click **Add**.
The new font is added to the Font list and to the Font name list in the Advanced OSD Bar # Settings section.

» To remove a font

- In the Font management section, select the font.
- Click the **Del** button.

11.6.4 Graphics



Video > OSD > Graphics, with 3 OSD bars and a graphic (bottom right) in the preview

The Graphics tab enables you to manage graphics, and scale and position a selected graphic on your screen.

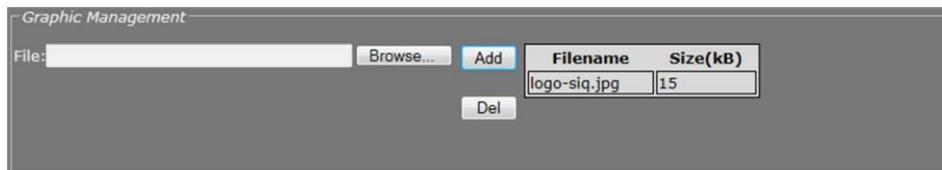
Item	Description
Predefined positions	Presets for positioning the OSD object.
Transparency	Move the slider or type a percentage.
X-Position	Variables that enable you to freely position the object, instead of using the presets. Drag the sliding buttons or enter a percentage. When a preset has been selected, changing one of its defined parameters sets the <i>Predefined positions</i> box to '--', indicating that a custom position has been configured.
Y-Position	
X Scaling factor	Variables that enable you to freely configure the dimensions of the object.
Y Scaling factor	
Show Preview>>	Click to view live images and see the effect of the current settings.
<<Hide Preview	Closes the preview. This may improve webpage responsiveness.
Encoder	The encoder handling the images seen in the preview.

11.6.4.1 Advanced



Video > OSD > Graphics > Advanced > Advanced Picture Settings

Item	Description
X-Position anchor point	Variables that enable you to shift the OSD object relative to the anchor point.
Y-Position anchor point	
Animation speed scaling factor	Enables you to set the speed for an animated GIF graphic.



Video > OSD > Graphics > Advanced > Graphic Management

You can upload your own graphics with a maximum file size of 100 kB to the BC840-PID. If necessary, use a picture resize tool to reduce the file size.

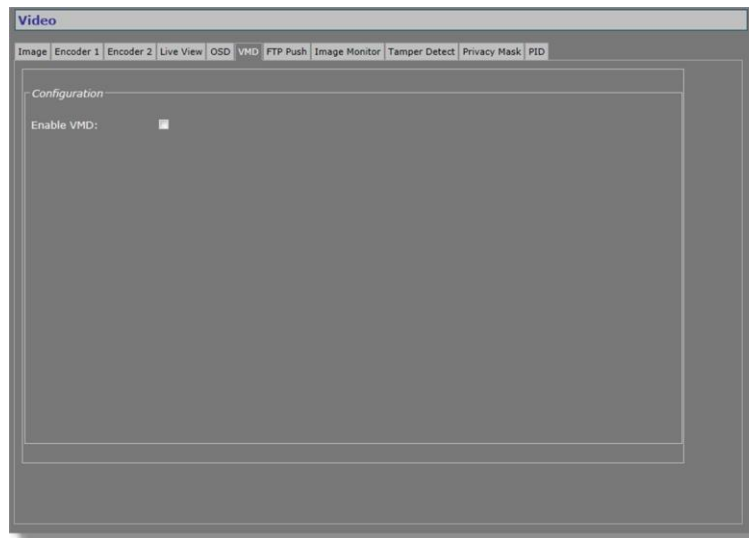
» To upload a graphic

1. In the *Graphic Management* section, click **Browse**.
The *Open* dialog box displays.
2. Browse to the folder containing the graphic to be uploaded.
3. Select a file with the correct file extension (.bmp, .gif, .jpg, jpeg), and then click **Open**.
The file appears in the *File* textbox.
4. To start the upload, click **Add**.
The graphic is added to the graphics list and to the *Graphic* drop-down list in the *Text* section.

» To remove a graphic

1. In the *Graphic Management* section, select the graphic.
2. Click **Del**.

11.7 VMD



Video > VMD

Video Motion Detection (VMD) enables the user to define a portion or portions of the screen and to detect picture changes there. These changes could be caused by motion or varying lighting, for example. Regions of less interest can be masked.

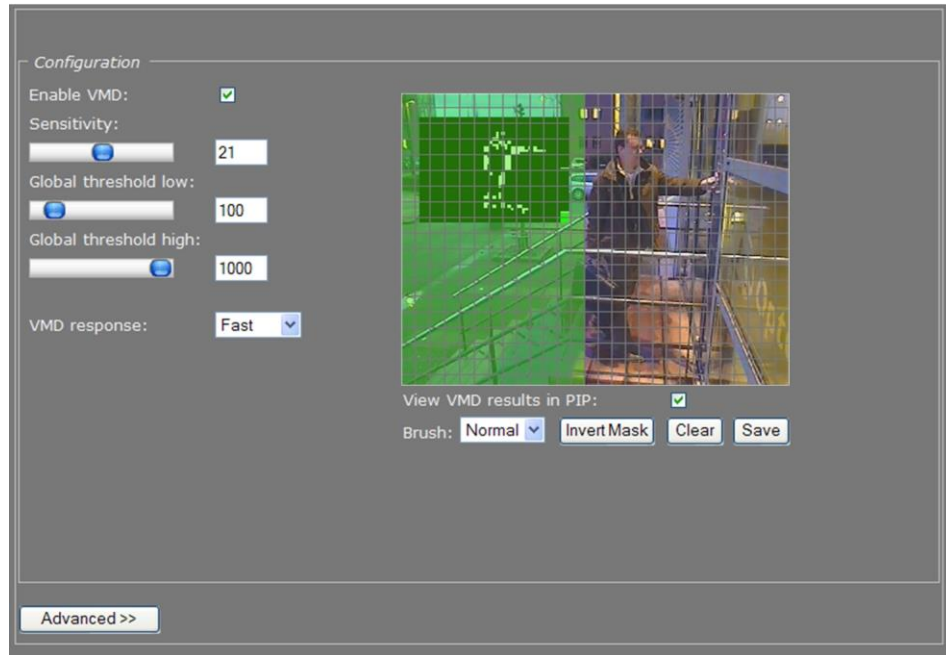
11.7.1 VMD startup

» **To start Video Motion Detection**

1. On the Video page, click the **VMD** tab.
2. Select **Enable VMD** to activate the detection process.

Depending on the current VMD settings, a VMD alarm will be generated on changes in the picture.

11.7.2 Configure detection parameters



Video > VMD > Configuration

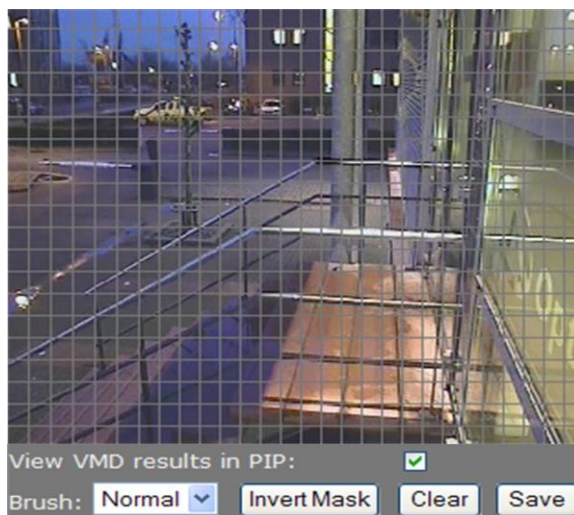
VMD enabled: Configuration section with controls, video picture, and motion detection inset, the latter with mask applied. The mask permits motion detection in the right half of the picture only, at the top of the stairs, so passers-by and cars would not be registered by the detector facility; neither will the details in the background (the trees are reflected in the window pane though, and this could be masked separately).

Item	Description
Enable VMD	Expands the Configuration section, as shown in the above figure.
Sensitivity	This setting relates to local detection levels: local change is only detected if its level exceeds a certain value. The sensitivity setting can be used to eliminate unwanted ('false') triggering (e.g. caused by background noise or constant local movement).
Global threshold low	These settings relate to the summed amount of change within fully or partly unmasked portion(s) of the screen; a value between the two thresholds gives rise to a corresponding VMD alarm. The level of this alarm can be set (A-N) using separate Siquira software.
Global threshold high	
VMD response	<i>Fast or Filtered.</i> Filtering is used to suppress a single peak as false triggering.

11.7.3 Set the mask

- » **To set a mask**
 - ▶ To edit the mask, click on the grid that is put over the image. One or more mask elements at, and possibly around, that position, are produced.
 - ▶ Hold the standard mouse button and drag, to 'brush' (i.e. mask) larger areas, with a 'Normal', 'Small', or 'Large' brush.
 - ▶ Use the 'Invert Mask' button to reverse a selection.
 - ▶ Hold the right mouse button and drag, to erase mask areas.
 - ▶ Use the 'Save' button to store the mask in the unit.

- » **To delete a mask**
 - ▶ Press the **Clear** button.

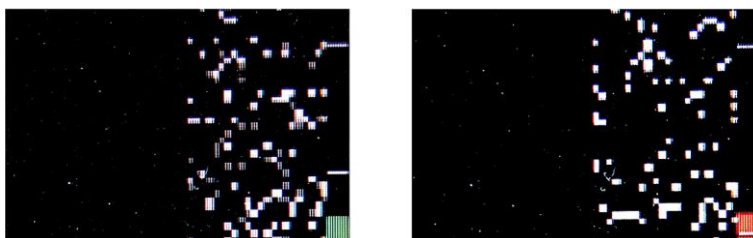


Masking grid

Item	Description	
Brush	<i>Normal</i>	Allows grid elements to be accessed in 4-element groups.
	<i>Large</i>	Allows grid elements to be accessed in 16-element groups.
	<i>Small</i>	Allows grid elements to be accessed one at a time.
Invert Mask	Enables you, for example, to start creating a mask by marking the (smaller) area(s) you <i>do</i> wish to monitor and then use this button to reverse the selection.	
View VMD results in PIP	Inserts the Video Motion Detection inset providing feedback on current VMD settings.	
Clear	Clears the mask.	
Save	Makes the current mask effective and stores it for later use.	

11.7.4 VMD detection window

The VMD detection window shows up as a small picture within the larger picture. Depending on the thresholds set, the motion detection bar on the right side of the picture shows up green or red (see figures below), the latter indicating a VMD alarm will be generated. In the pictures, the upper and lower thresholds are shown as two white markers. If the bar runs over the highest marker, it will turn green again and there will be no alarm condition.



VMD detection windows, with mask applied to the left half of the window. The small white blocks indicate grid elements where change occurred above the sensitivity level. The summed change is reflected in the bars on the right, the green one (left) not reaching the lower threshold. The red one (right picture) extending past it, since this threshold is set much lower.

11.7.5 VMD alarm

If movement is detected, a module alarm (VMD) will be generated and sent out over the network using the (unsolicited) notification mechanism. Such alarms can be caught using appropriate software.

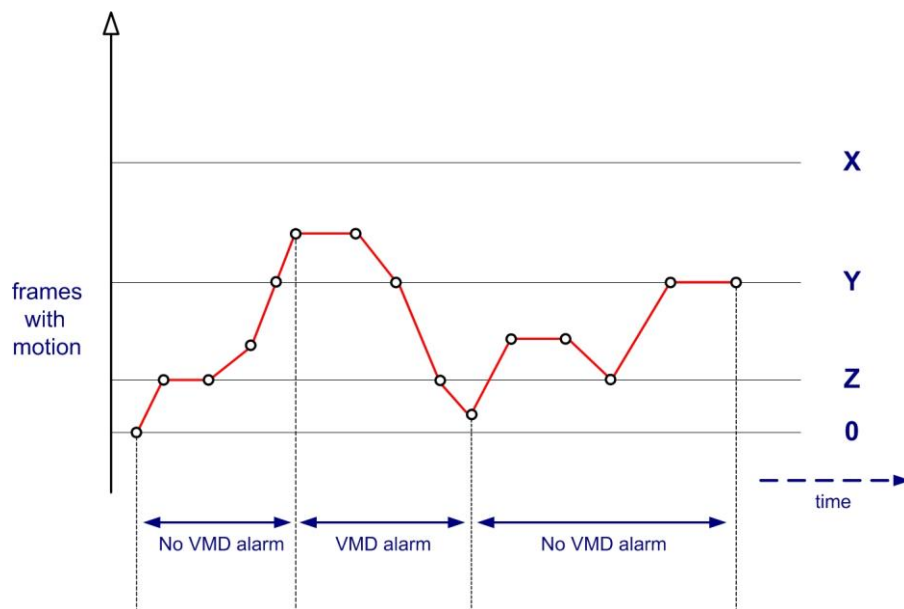
11.7.6 Advanced

Video > VMD > Advanced > VMD

Item	Description
Frame rate divider	Range: [1...100]. Used to determine the number of frames used for VMD. Only 1 divided by this value frames are evaluated.
Delay	Range: [1...10] frames. The delay in frames between the currently processed frame and the stored frame with which it is to be compared.
Event window size	Range: [1...32]. Number of frames evaluated at a time to determine if there is a VMD alarm.
Event window low mark	Range: [0...31]. Thresholds determining if there is a VMD alarm.
Event window high mark	
Feedback position	Enables you to position the detection window (not to be confused with an event window).

Note on Advanced VMD Settings: Motion is detected by comparing the current frame with a reference image (e.g. a previous frame) and calculating the difference between the two. The value you enter for the *Event window size* parameter determines how many frames are evaluated for VMD purposes at a time. Not all frames from the original video stream are used for VMD. Only 1 divided by the value set for the *frame rate divider* frames are evaluated.

A VMD event becomes active when, within the Event window, the number of frames with motion exceeds a configurable value, the *Event window high mark*. After this, the VMD event will remain active until the number of frames with motion drops below another configurable value, the *Event window low mark*.



VMD Alarm: Event window high/low mark

X = Event window size

Y = Event window high mark

Z = Event window low mark

VMD alarm becomes active when in at least Y out of X frames motion is detected.

VMD alarm becomes inactive when in at least Z out of X frames *no* motion is detected.

11.8 FTP Push

Video > FTP Push

11.8.1 Post JPEG images

The BC840-PID can be configured to upload images, generated by its Live View encoder, to an FTP server. Posting the files in JPEG format can be set to be continuous or event-triggered. On the Event Management page, one or more events can be associated with FTP Push.

11.8.2 General

Item	Description	
Post when	<i>Never</i>	No image posting
	<i>Event On</i>	Image is posted when configured event occurs.
	<i>Event Off</i>	Image is posted when configured event ceases.
	<i>Event Changed</i>	Images are posted when configured event occurs or ceases.
	<i>Continuous</i>	Posting not associated with any event. Images are sent continuously at the frequency set for the <i>Continuous posting interval</i> parameter.
Continuous posting interval	Range: [1-300] s. Applies to continuous posting only. Determines the frequency of image posts.	
Posted file name	Enter a descriptive name. Use the Append list and button (<<) to include extra information to identify the files. The "\$", "#", and "@" symbols described below can also be typed directly after the name.	

Item	Description
Append list	Options to add information and file extension to the file name entered.
<UTC-Time/date>.jpg	Time/date. Appended as "_\$.jpg".
<SeqNr>.jpg	Sequence number. Appended as "_#.jpg".
<SeqNr>_<UTC-Time/date>.jpg	Sequence number and time/date. Appended as "_#\$.jpg".
<SeqNr>_<Event State>.jpg	Sequence number and event state. Appended as "_#@.jpg". Examples of event state: T=true, F=false.
<UTC-Time/date>_<Event State>.jpg	Time/date and event state. Appended as "_\$#@.jpg".

11.8.3 FTP server

A target FTP server must hold a user account associated with the BC840-PID. You can assign a primary server and a secondary server. Images are posted simultaneously to both the primary server and secondary server.

The screenshot shows a configuration window titled "Primary Server" with the following fields:

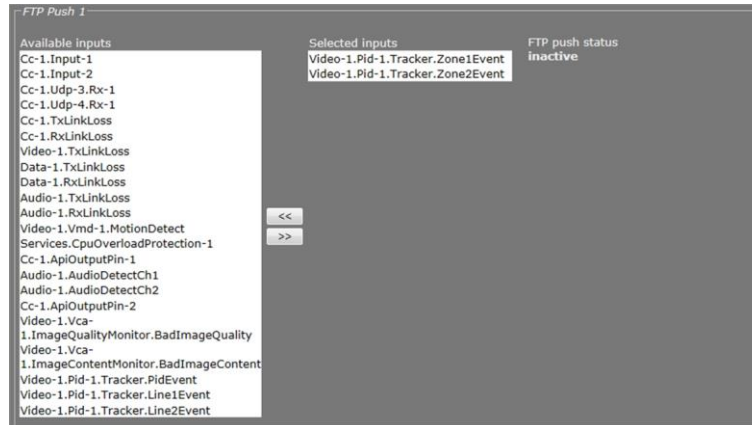
- Enable:
- IP address: 172.22.250.21
- Port: 21
- User name: SiquiraEncoder
- Password: [masked with dots]
- Server path: \Captures

Video > FTP Push > Primary Server, example settings

Item	Description
Enable	Select or clear to respectively enable/disable the connection with this server.
IP address	IP address of the FTP server.
Port	The FTP protocol typically uses port 21 on the FTP server to listen for clients initiating a connection. Port 21 is also where the server is listening for commands issued to it.
User name	The authorization to access the FTP server.
Password	
Server path	Folder on the FTP server assigned to the FTP client. To be used, for example, if the client is not allowed to access the server root folder.

11.8.4 Event management

Having selected *Event On*, *Event Off*, or *Event Changed* as a trigger, do not forget to go to the Event Management page to associate one or more events with the FTP push.



Event Management > FTP Push 1. Two inputs associated with FTP Push.

11.8.5 Monitor and troubleshoot FTP Push

You can monitor FTP push on the Measurements tab of the Status page. Measurements on this tab are continuously updated. In the FTP Push section, you can compare the number of incoming triggers with the number of succeeded posts.

FTP Push 1	
Nr of incoming triggers	23
Nr of succeeded posts, server 1	22
Last post status, server 1	OK
Nr of succeeded posts, server 2	0
Last post status, server 2	N/A

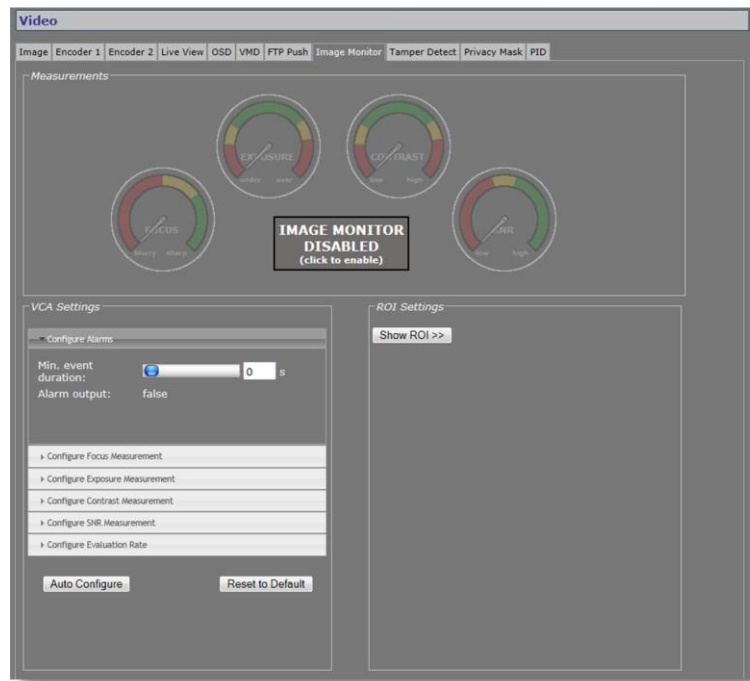
Status > Measurements > FTP Push 1

If you need to troubleshoot the file upload process, the messages reporting the last post status will in most cases point you to possible causes of problems.

FTP Push 1	
Nr of incoming triggers	154
Nr of succeeded posts, server 1	0
Last post status, server 1	ftpput: unexpected server response to STOR: 550 Filename invalid
Nr of succeeded posts, server 2	0
Last post status, server 2	N/A

Last post status: example of error message

11.9 Image Monitor



Video > Image Monitor

11.9.1 Image quality check

The Image Monitor can detect if images produced by the camera are still usable. It can give an indication of the performance of the camera and show whether or not it needs attention. A quality check is made against what is normally a good picture.

Examples of detectable occurrences:

- ▶ The camera is in focus during sunny days, but out of focus in low light situations.
- ▶ The initial daytime camera position seemed ok, but streetlights and spot lights affect the image during nighttime.
- ▶ The lens has got dirty.
- ▶ The iris control has got stuck.
- ▶ Camera failure.

11.9.2 Enable the Image Monitor

The Image Monitor can measure camera focus, exposure, contrast level, and SNR (Signal-to-Noise Ratio). The four measurements are disabled by default. You can enable them simultaneously or separately.

Note: Enabling/disabling a measurement also enables/disables the associated alarm.

► To enable all measurements simultaneously

- In the *Measurements* section, click **IMAGE MONITOR DISABLED**.
The four dials are activated, the pointers indicating the current measurements.



Image Monitor: all measurements enabled

► To enable/disable individual measurements

1. In the VCA Settings section, click the accordion style menu labelled with the measurement you require.
The settings of the selected measurement display.
2. Select/Clear the **Enable** box to enable or disable the measurement, respectively.

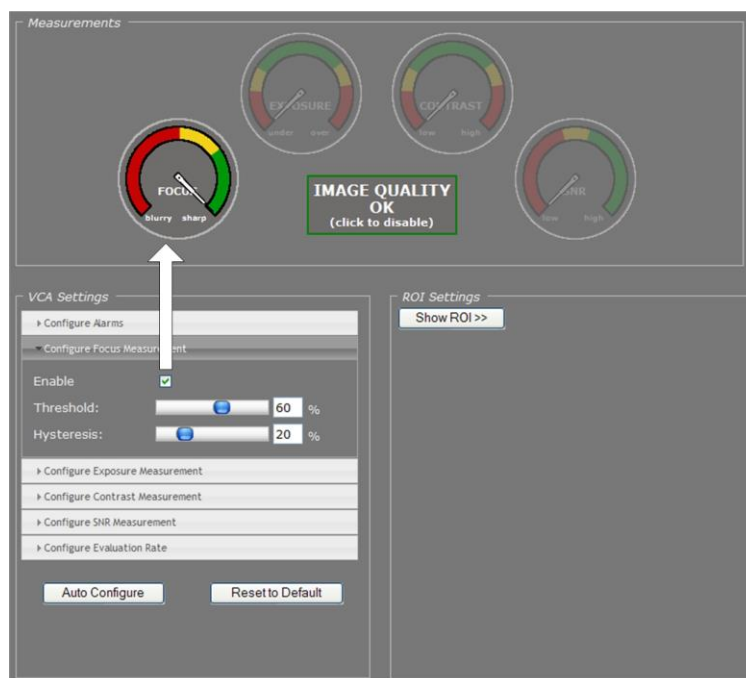


Image Monitor: FOCUS measurement enabled only

11.9.3 Dial legend

The coloured dials in the Measurements section provide a quick and easy glance at the health of the camera. You can fine-tune each measurement's alarm thresholds to your needs in the VCA Settings section.

Dial legend



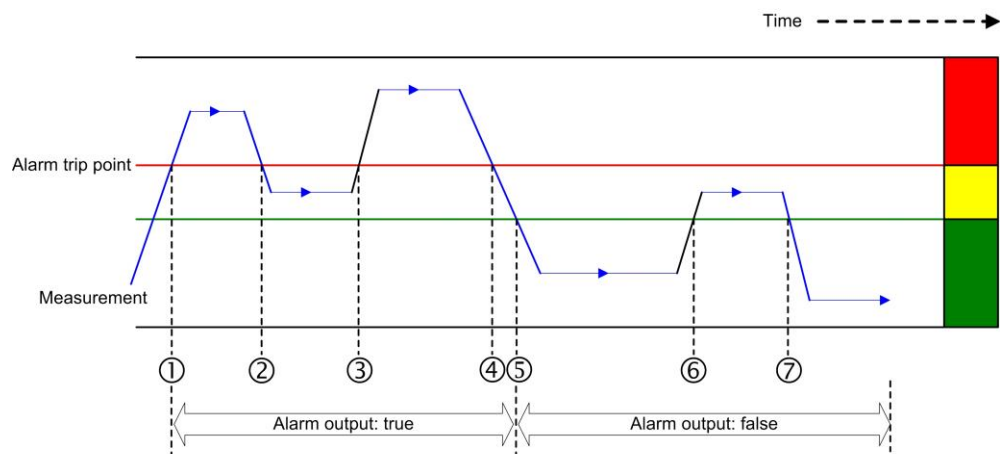
Error state.



Hysteresis: the area where the alarm output is either "true" or "false" depending on the preceding alarm state, as illustrated in the figure below.



Correct camera performance.



Hysteresis and alarm output

- 1 The Measurement rises above the trip point. After expiry of the delay set for the Min. event duration, the alarm is activated.
- 2 The Measurement drops into the Hysteresis area (i.e. the margin between incorrect and correct performance) but falls short of the "safe" area. The alarm is continued.
- 3 The Measurement re-enters the Error state area. The alarm continues.
- 4 The Measurements drops into the Hysteresis area. The alarm continues.
- 5 Camera performance is correct. The alarm is deactivated after expiry of the *Min. event duration*.
- 6 The Measurement rises into the Hysteresis area. The alarm trip point is not reached. Alarm output remains "false".
- 7 Camera performance is correct. Alarm output remains "false".

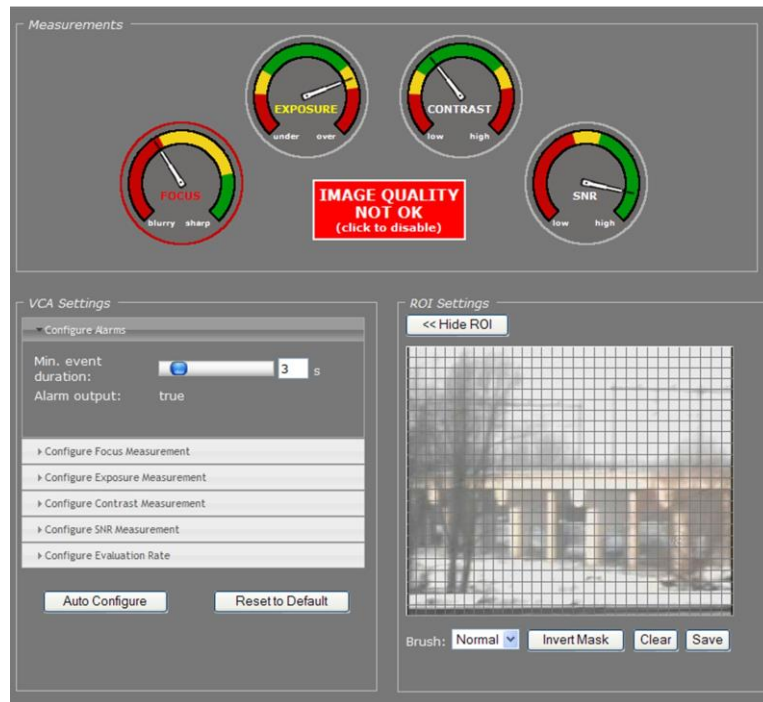
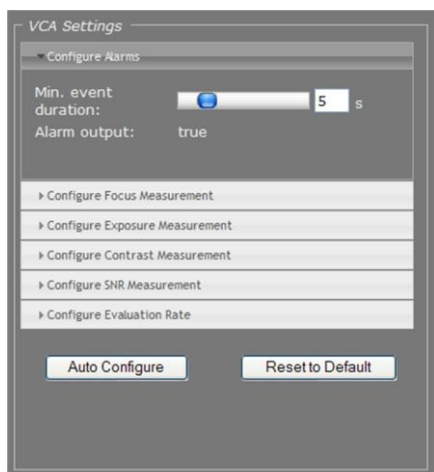


Image Quality not OK: Alarm output = true

The red circle around the Focus dial in the figure above indicates that the alarm is raised by the Focus measurement. The Exposure dial has no red circle, although the pointer is in the Hysteresis area. This shows that Exposure was correct before and that this measurement in itself is not the cause of the alarm.

Note: In addition to the visual indications on the web pages, alarms can also be read from the BC840-PID 's internal Management Information Base (MIB) using appropriate software, or through Siqura's Open Streaming Architecture (OSA) - that is, the "Siqura Programming Interface" (API). The BC840-PID includes SNMP support for its image monitor and tampering detection. A trap is sent when bad image quality or camera tampering has been detected and another one when the situation returns to normal. This support requires a new SNMP MIB, the OPTC-VCA-MIB, which can be downloaded at www.siqura.com.

11.9.4 Measurements configuration



Video > Image Monitor > VCA Settings

The default Measurements values will mostly work well for you. If you do need to modify them you can do so in the VCA Settings section.

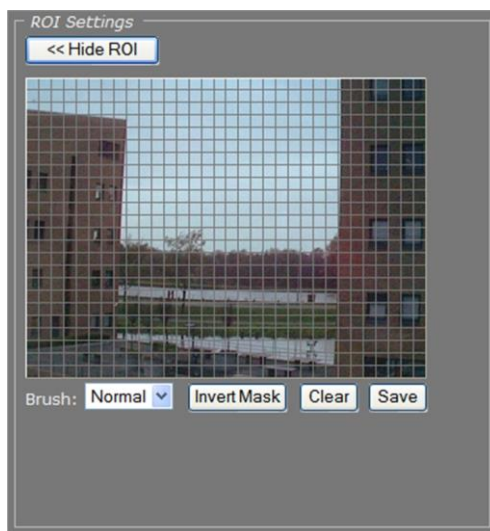
Item	Description
Configure Alarms	<i>Min. event duration</i> Alarm output delay time: the time span that is to elapse before a continued change in conditions actually activates/deactivates the alarm output.
	<i>Alarm output</i> <i>True or False</i> . Indication of current status.
Configure Focus Measurement	Allow you to enable/disable each measurement separately and customise its alarm threshold and hysteresis to your requirements.
Configure Exposure Measurement	
Configure Contrast Measurement	
Configure SNR Measurement	
Configure Evaluation Rate	The value entered here determines the speed at which the host machine processes the algorithms underlying the measurements. Higher values take up more CPU power.
Auto Configure	Adjusts the alarm thresholds, based upon the current measurements. The green area is centred around the current pointer position.
Reset to Default	Restores the original thresholds. Does not affect the current activity status of the measurements (i.e. being Enabled or Disabled).

Tip: A PTZ camera moving from one preset to the next may trigger an alarm if the scene change takes too long. Setting an appropriate time for the Min. event duration parameter can delay the alarm output until the camera has adopted the new position and the alarm condition has ceased.

» **To configure a measurement**

1. In the *VCA Settings* section, click the button for the measurement you wish to configure. The measurement's settings display.
2. Select the **Enable** box, if necessary.
3. Set the alarm threshold to your requirements.
Note that you can set two thresholds for *Exposure* (under- and overexposure) and *Contrast* (low and high contrast).
4. Set the Hysteresis.
5. Click the **Configure Alarms** button and set the *Min. event duration*, if desired.
6. Click the **Configure Evaluation Rate** button and modify this setting, if desired.

11.9.5 Region of Interest (ROI)



Video > Image Monitor > ROI Settings

ROI preview

Pressing Show ROI>> in the ROI Settings section opens a preview with a grid overlay. You can use it to mask portions of the image you wish to exclude from monitoring. Certain regions can disrupt the measurements or be of no importance. You may want to filter out a bright source of light, a region with low contrast, or differences in focus, for example. The part of the image that you have *not* selected on creating the mask is called the Region of Interest (ROI).

» **To set a mask**

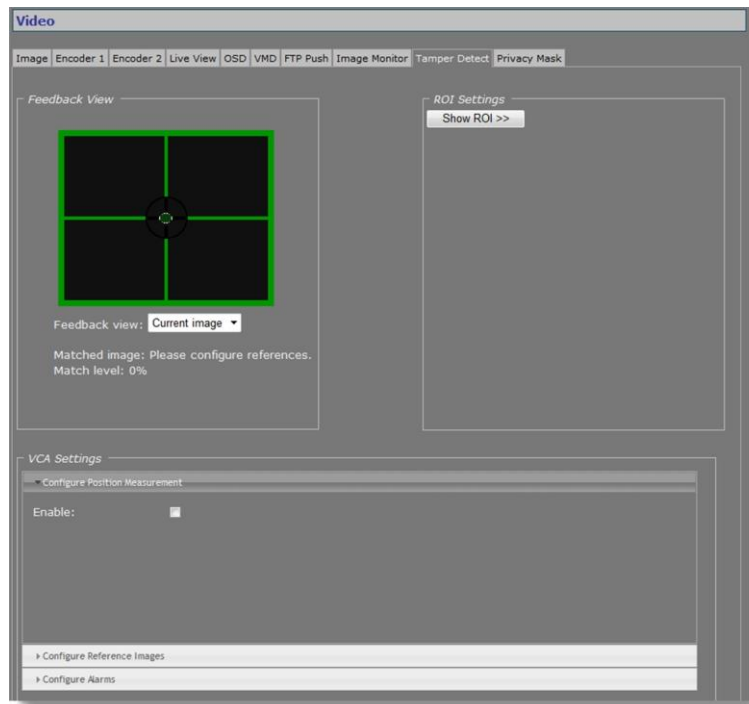
- ▶ To edit the mask, click on the grid that is put over the image. One or more mask elements at, and possibly around, that position, are produced.
- ▶ Hold the standard mouse button and drag, to 'brush' (i.e. mask) larger areas, with a 'Normal', 'Small', or 'Large' brush.
- ▶ Use the 'Invert Mask' button to reverse a selection.
- ▶ Hold the right mouse button and drag, to erase mask areas.
- ▶ Use the 'Save' button to store the mask in the unit.

» **To delete a mask**

- ▶ Press the **Clear** button.

Item	Description
Brush	<i>Normal</i> Allows grid elements to be accessed in 4-element groups.
	<i>Large</i> Allows grid elements to be accessed in 16-element groups.
	<i>Small</i> Allows grid elements to be accessed one at a time.
Invert Mask	Enables you, for example, to start creating a mask by marking the (smaller) area(s) you <i>do</i> wish to monitor and then use this button to reverse the selection.
Clear	Clears the mask.
Save	Makes the current mask effective and stores it for later use.

11.10 Tamper Detect



Video > Tamper Detect

11.10.1 Camera movement and scene changes

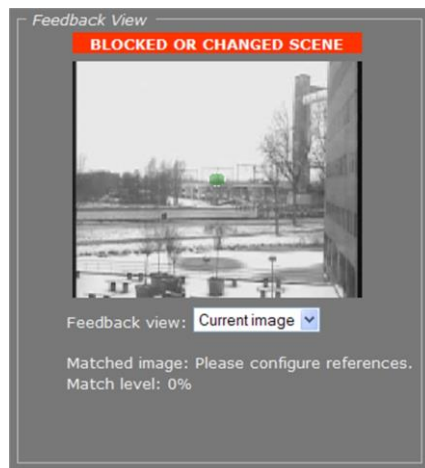
As a result of tampering, or more accidentally, after cleaning, a camera may no longer cover the area designated for monitoring. The Tamper Detect function can detect camera position changes and scene changes such as a blocked camera view, for example. It does so by comparing the current image to one or more reference images that were captured and stored earlier.

11.10.2 Enable Tamper Detect

Tamper Detect is disabled by default.

- » **To enable Tamper Detect**
 - In the *VCA Settings* section, select **Enable**.
The Position Measurement settings are opened.

Important: If no reference images have been stored yet, a **BLOCKED OR CHANGED SCENE** alarm displays in the Feedback View. Tamper Detect cannot find a match with the current image. You will need to create one or more reference images first.



Tamper Detect enabled: No reference images found

11.10.3 Reference images

You can create up to 16 reference images. This enables you to store images captured in different day/night situations and/or from multiple PTZ preset positions. When the camera moves to a different preset Tamper Detect tries to match the new scene to the available reference images.

11.10.3.1 Create a reference image

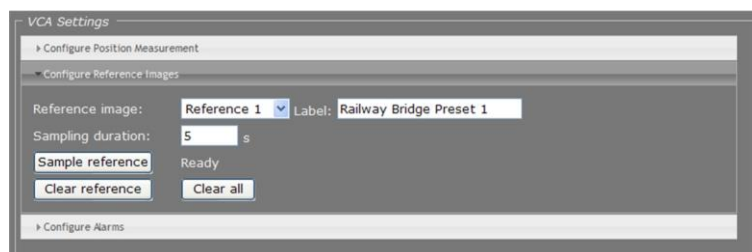
» **To create a reference image**

1. In the *VCA Settings* section, click **Configure Reference Images**.
2. Open the **Reference image** list, and then select the image you want to create.
3. Enter a descriptive name in the *Label* box.
4. Enter a value (in seconds) for the *Sampling duration*.

This parameter enables you to capture the background of a scene only and have specific elements such as moving objects filtered out of the image. With a longer time span for the sampling duration, persons passing in front of the camera, for example, or cars driving on a highway can be smoothed out to prevent them from triggering a changed scene alarm.

5. Click the **Sample reference** button.

The current image is sampled.



Reference image 1 created

11.10.3.2 Mask the ROI

You can use the ROI settings section to exclude portions of the image from monitoring, as explained earlier in the Region of Interest section.



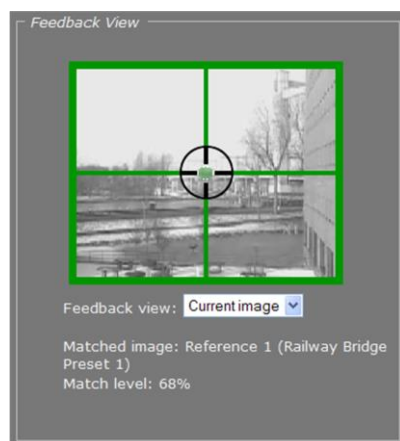
Region of less interest masked

11.10.3.3 Compare images

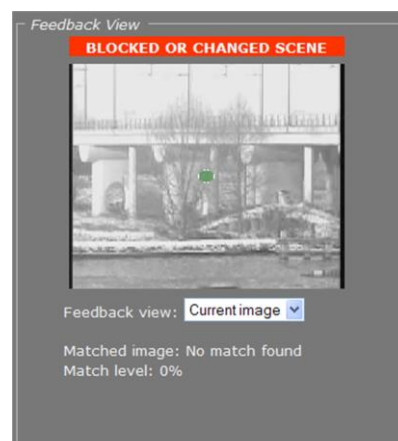
Tamper Detect compares the current scene with all available reference images. If a match is found a green crosshair is superimposed on the image in the Feedback view. Information about the matched image and the match level is displayed under the Feedback view.

The small green circle in the middle of the image indicates the amount of camera movement that is allowed. A position alarm is raised when the green circle is outside the crosshair centre. For information about adjusting the amount of allowed camera movement, see Position Measurement.

If no match is found a BLOCKED OR CHANGED SCENE alarm is raised.

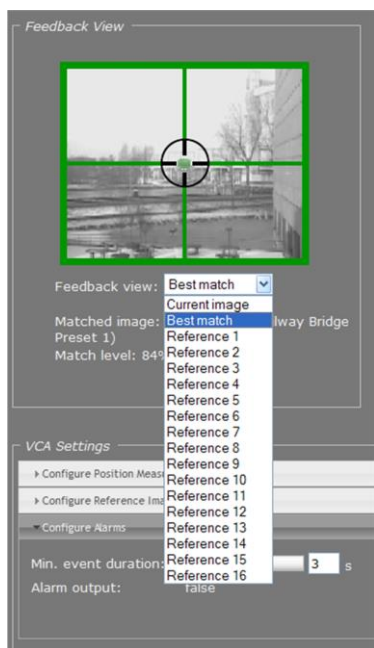


Current image matches Reference 1



Reference image(s) available. No match found with current image, though.

The drop-down list in the Feedback View section can be used to display the current image, the best matching reference image, or a specific reference image.



Feedback view list

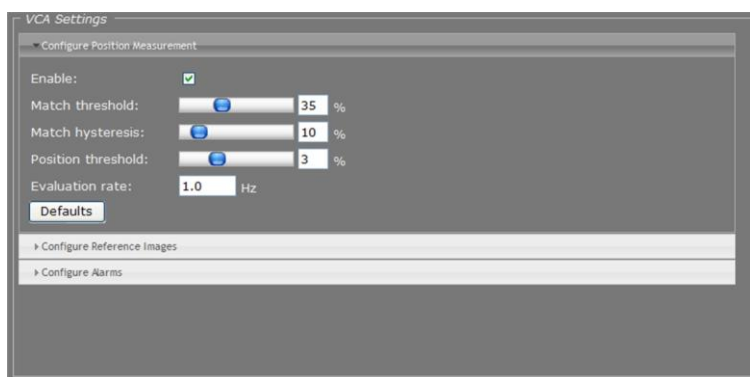
11.10.3.4 Delete a reference image

» **To delete a reference image**

1. In the *VCA Settings* section, open the **Reference image** list.
2. Select the image you wish to delete.
3. Press **Clear reference**.

Note that the *Clear all* button deletes *all* available references.

11.10.4 Position measurement



Video > Tamper Detect > Position Measurement

After creating one or more reference images you can configure the Position Measurement settings to define thresholds for allowed camera movement and image matching.

Item	Description
Enable	Enables Tamper Detect functionality.
Match threshold	The current image and the reference image it is compared with are considered a match upon reaching the degree of similarity specified here. The lower the percentage entered for this parameter, the fuzzier the match.
Match hysteresis	This is the margin area where there is either a match or no match, depending on the preceding match level. If your alarm output frequently alternates between "true" and "false" you can use this parameter to fine-tune your settings. For more information on hysteresis, see also Dial legend.
Position threshold	Determines the amount of camera movement that is allowed before a position alarm is raised. Raising this value allows more camera movement. This is indicated by the increased size of the green circle in the center of the image.
Evaluation rate	The value entered here determines the speed at which the host machine processes the algorithms underlying the measurements. Higher values take up more CPU power.
Defaults	Restores the original settings. Does not affect the current activity status of Tamper Detect - that is, being Enabled or Disabled.

11.10.5 Alarms



Video > Tamper Detect > Configure Alarms

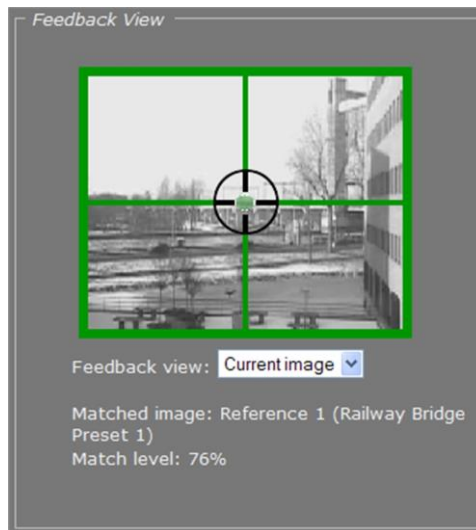
The Configure Alarms section enables you to view the current status of the alarm output and to set a delay for the activation/deactivation of alarm outputs.

Note: In addition to the status indication in this section, alarms can also be read from the BC840-PID 's internal Management Information Base (MIB) using appropriate software, or through Siqura's Open Streaming Architecture (OSA) - that is, the "Siqura Programming Interface" (API). The BC840-PID includes SNMP support for its image monitor and tamper detect functions. A trap is sent when bad image quality or camera tampering has been detected and another one when the situation returns to normal. This support requires a new SNMP MIB, the OPTC-VCA-MIB, which can be downloaded at www.siqura.com.

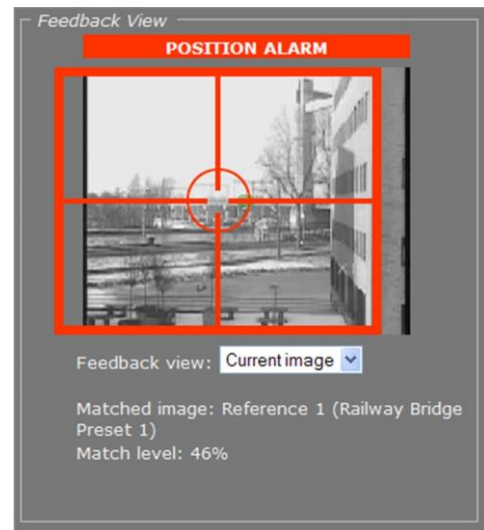
Item	Description
Min. event duration	Alarm output delay time: the time span that is to elapse before a continued change in conditions actually activates/deactivates the alarm output.
Alarm output	<i>True or False</i> . Indication of current status.

Tip: A PTZ camera moving from one preset to the next may trigger an alarm if the scene change takes too long. Setting an appropriate time for the Min. event duration parameter can delay the alarm output until the camera has adopted the new position and the alarm condition has ceased.

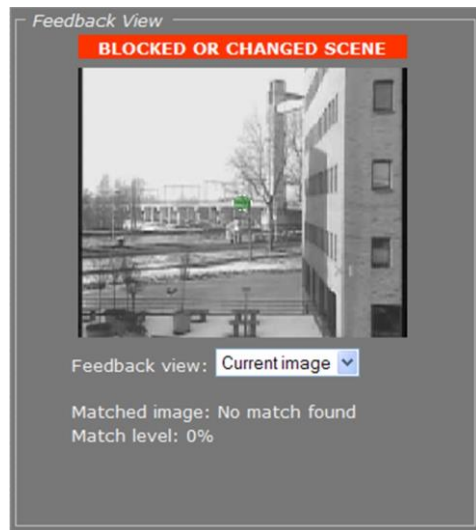
11.10.5.1 Alarm examples



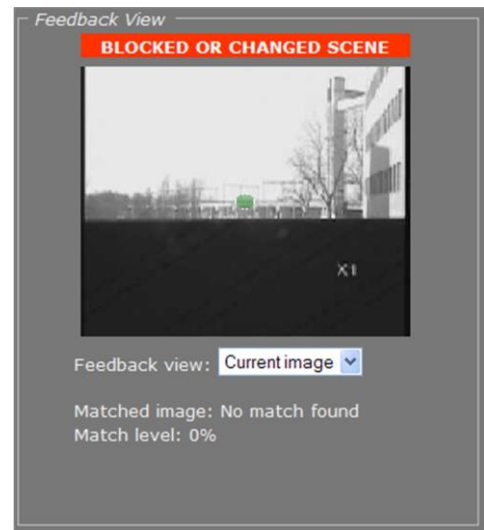
Original camera position



Camera has moved to the right. Although the current image still matches Reference 1, the changed camera position results in a position alarm.

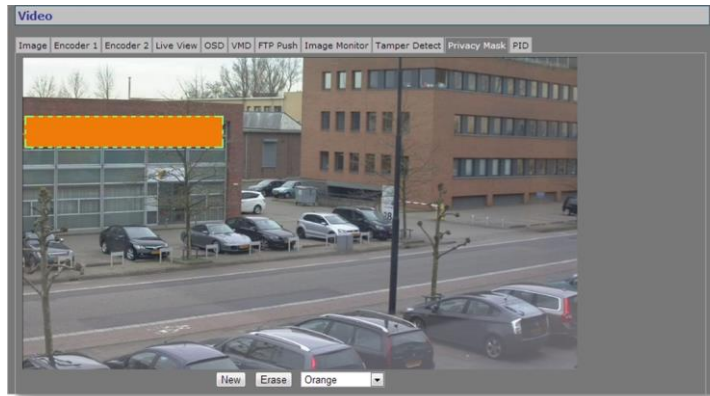


Camera has moved further to the right. Current image no longer matches any reference image, resulting in a changed scene alarm.



Blocked scene alarm

11.11 Privacy Mask



Video > Privacy Mask

The privacy mask function aims to avoid intrusive monitoring. The BC840-PID supports up to 10 masks.

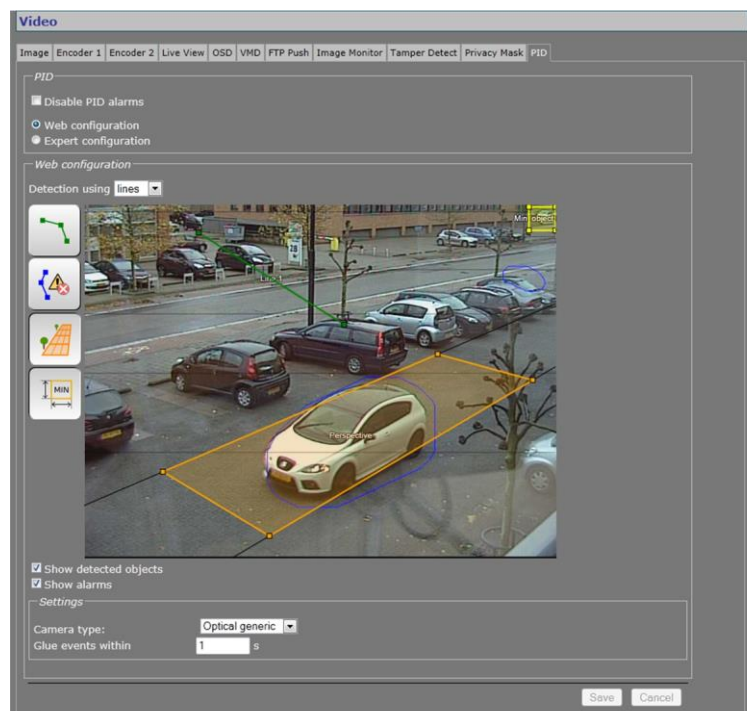
» **To create a privacy mask**

1. On the *Video* page, click the **Privacy Mask** tab.
2. Under the preview, click **New**.
A square mask appears as an overlay in the centre of the preview.
3. Use the pointer to position and size the mask.
If desired, click to select the mask, and then select a mask colour from the list under the preview.

» **To delete a mask**

1. On the *Video* page, click the **Privacy Mask** tab.
2. Using the pointer, select the mask in the preview.
3. Click **Erase**.

11.12 PID



Video > PID

11.12.1 PID overview

Perimeter Intrusion Detection (PID) is an early warning application which triggers an alert when a predefined perimeter within the area monitored by the BC840-PID is violated. The PID video analytics use configurable detection zones, detection lines, object size filters, and detection algorithms to identify and track an object through the camera scene. The video content analysis algorithms continuously monitor the video images and decide when to issue an alert.

Through the Event Management webpage, PID events can be associated with a CC Output, a CC Stream, or an FTP Push event to notify an operator in a control room of security issues. Once alerted, it is up to the operator to assess the specific event and undertake appropriate action.

11.12.2 Camera installation

The following sections describe how to use the PID page to set up the PID functionality. However, before you are ready to embark on this task, it is imperative to make sure that the camera is properly installed for PID application.

Installing cameras and lighting for surveillance purposes requires specific professional skills. The requirements for camera images processed with automatic PID functionality differ significantly from the requirements for images monitored by human observers.

For example, in conventional surveillance camera setups, the camera is often aligned such that it provides a clear overview of the entire site, including a natural horizon showing some of the sky. For PID purposes, however, the only relevant part of that image is the detection zone. All other parts of the image are irrelevant and can decrease PID sensitivity, because they leave fewer pixels for the objects within the detection zone, thus potentially leading to degraded detection performance.

Also, for example, a bright sky or a bright street light in the image causes the Automatic Gain Control (AGC) of the camera to adjust, leaving a darker image in which objects are to be detected.

Warning: For optimal PID performance and a stable and reliable detection system, it is essential that installers meticulously follow the detailed installation instructions and lighting guidelines provided in Siqura's *PID Camera Installation* application note.

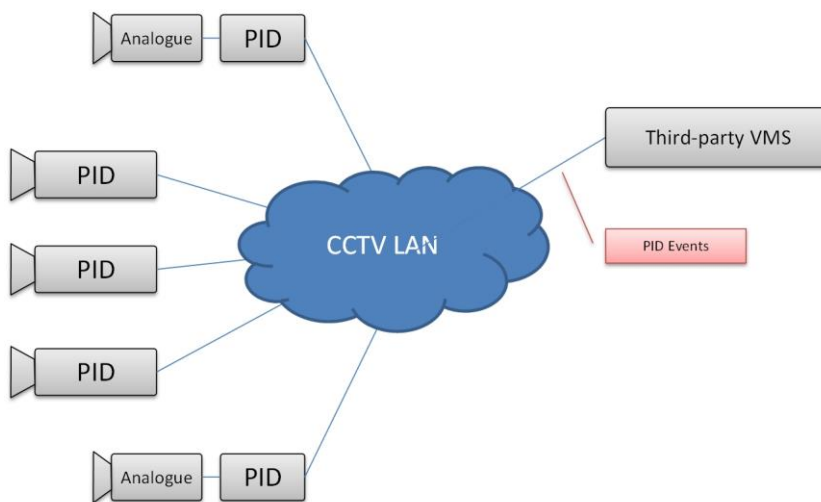
11.12.3 Siqura PID solutions

PID detection can be active in an edge device, such as the BC840-PID, or in a remote server. The detector analyses the images and separates the moving objects from the background. These objects are called 'blobs'. By adding detection lines or detection zones, specific rule-sets are applied on the blobs triggering events, which can be read by DIVA or other video management systems.

Siqura offers a variety of intrusion detection solutions:

- ▶ Stand-alone Siqura PID device
- ▶ Siqura PID device(s) and DIVA VMS
- ▶ Siqura PID device(s) and VCA Configuration Server (VCS)

11.12.3.1 Stand-alone solution

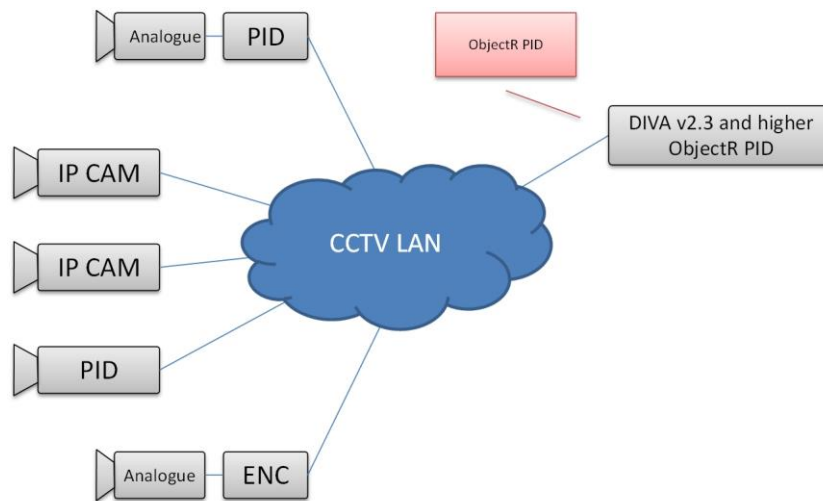


BC840-PID as stand-alone PID solution

The BC840-PID can run stand-alone. The device offers an intuitive web interface to draw the multipoint detection lines or zones in the image as described later in this chapter.

The detection is limited to either two direction-sensitive multipoint detection lines or two multipoint detection zones.

11.12.3.2 BC840-PID/DIVA solution



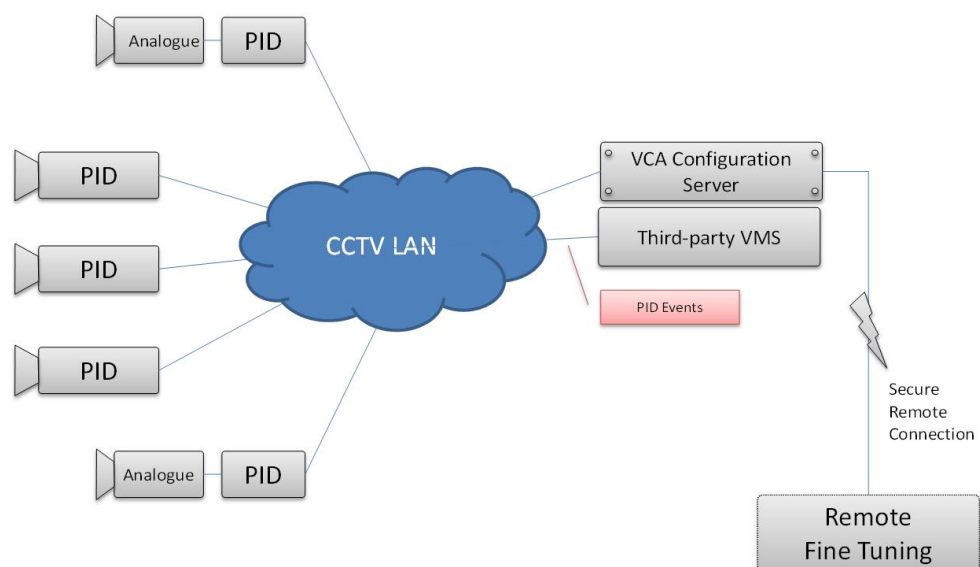
BC840-PID/DIVA solution

In the BC840-PID/DIVA solution, detection is done either in the BC840-PID or in DIVA. In both cases DIVA can be used for configuration and recording of the blob stream.

The VCA features available together with DIVA are:

- ▶ Super fast forensic search on the recorded images
- ▶ 8x Multipoint detection zones
- ▶ 4x Multipoint detection lines, direction sensitive
- ▶ Perspective, minimum and maximum object size
- ▶ Object life time and displacement
- ▶ Counting

11.12.3.3 BC840-PID/VCS solution



BC840-PID/VCS solution

In case of an installation without DIVA, the Siqura VCA Configuration Server (Siqura VCS) can be used to extend the number of VCA features.

The VCA features available together with the Siqura VCS are:

- ▶ Super fast forensic search on the recorded images
- ▶ 8x Multipoint detection zones
- ▶ 4x Multipoint detection lines, direction sensitive
- ▶ Perspective, minimum and maximum object size
- ▶ Object life time and displacement
- ▶ Counting
- ▶ (Remote) PID Fine tuning

11.12.4 Configuration methods

The PID functionality on the BC840-PID can be set up from the PID page in the following ways.

- ▶ Use **Web configuration** to configure settings on the fly.
- ▶ Use **Expert configuration** to upload an external configuration file containing predefined settings to the unit.

11.12.5 Web configuration

Configuring PID from the webpage involves the following steps.

1. Enable web configuration
2. Select a detection type
3. Set up the detection layout
4. Configure zone and line properties
5. Configure event settings

Note: After you have gone through the steps above it may take a few minutes before PID performance is optimal. The BC840-PID uses this time to process the scene, the detection layout, and the event settings.

11.12.5.1 Enable web configuration

- ▶ **To enable Web configuration**
 1. On the *Video* page, click the **PID** tab.
 2. In the *PID* section, (if necessary) click **Web configuration**.
The preview and various buttons, options, and parameters are now available for configuration.

11.12.5.2 Set the detection type

Perimeter intrusion can be detected using zones or lines. It is not possible to use the two types simultaneously.

- ▶ **To select a detection type**
 1. In *Web configuration*, click to open the **Detection using** list
 2. Select either **zones** or **lines**.
The associated shape button is displayed to the left of the preview.

11.12.5.3 Shapes

To establish the exact dimensions and position of the area(s) to be monitored for events, you overlay shapes over the preview.

Shapes come in three categories.

- ▶ trigger shape
- ▶ ignore shape
- ▶ helper shape

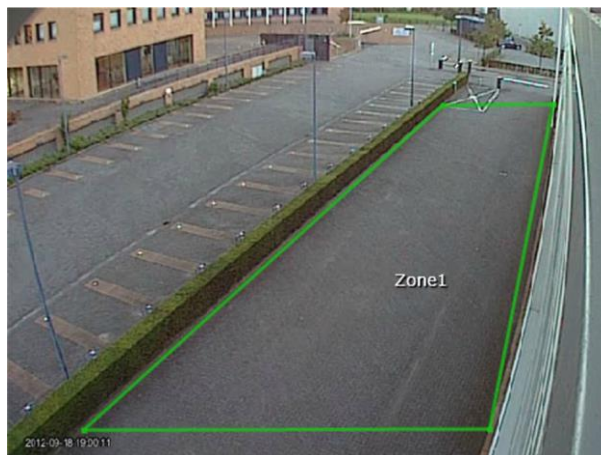
Trigger shapes are used to define the area where objects can trigger an event. Ignore shapes do the opposite. They suppress the triggering of events. Helper shapes are used to provide a visual (graphical) input for object size.

The following overlays are available.

- ▶ Detection zone (trigger)
- ▶ Detection line (trigger)
- ▶ Ignore line (ignore)
- ▶ Perspective (helper)
- ▶ Minimum object size filter (helper)

Detection zone

A detection zone shape is initially drawn as a box, but nodes can be added to allow for more complex shapes. Trigger conditions can be set through the context menu of the zone.



Detection zone shape

Detection line

A detection line is a single line between two points which triggers when an object crosses it. Extra nodes can be added to provide a more flexible line. Trigger conditions can be set through the context menu of the line.



Detection line shape

Ignore line

The ignore line is a single line between two points which can be placed to suppress the triggering of an event for a limited amount of time. An ignore line suppresses *all* triggers from *all* objects. Trigger conditions can be set through the context menu of the line.

Perspective

The perspective shape is used to establish the perspective of the scene. To make calculations of the perspective correction as accurate as possible it is best to draw it in a part of the scene that shows the perspective, the bottom line and the top line of the shape must run parallel.








Correct placement of perspective shape

Minimum object size filter

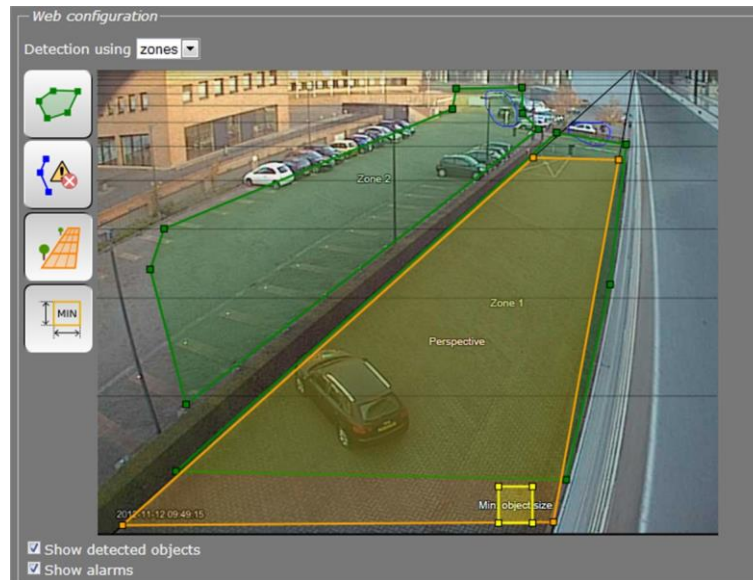
The Minimum object size shape describes the size of the required objects. If used in combination with the Perspective shape the Minimum object size shape will be perspective corrected.

11.12.5.4 Edit the preview

The Web configuration section has the following shape buttons.

This button	Does this
	Add detection zone Overlays a detection zone shape over the preview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Mode: detection using zones ▶ Maximum: 2 detection zones
	Add detection line Overlays a detection line shape over the preview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Mode: detection using lines ▶ Maximum: 2 detection lines
	Add ignore line Overlays an ignore line shape over the preview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Maximum: 1 ignore line
	Perspective Overlays a perspective shape over the preview
	Minimum object size filter Overlays a minimum object size filter shape over the preview

- ▶▶ **To add a shape**
 - ▶ Click the respective button.
- ▶▶ **To position a shape**
 - ▶ Drag the shape to where you want it.
- ▶▶ **To resize a shape**
 - ▶ Drag the the sizing handle(s) of the shape in the desired direction.
- ▶▶ **To add a node to a detection zone or detection line**
 - ▶ Right-click the shape, and then click **Add node** on the context menu.
- ▶▶ **To remove a shape**
 - ▶ Right-click the shape, and then click **Remove ...** on the context menu.
 - or -
 - ▶ Click the button once again (Perspective or Minimum object size filter shape only).



Detection layout example with two Detection zones, a Perspective box, and a Minimum object size box. Both zones have extra nodes added to them to enable resizing the shape to the desired detection area. Black horizontal lines (appearing on insertion of a Perspective box) give you a good perspective and depth perception, and can be used as guide lines when drawing detection zones or lines.

11.12.5.5 Configure shape settings

The trigger conditions of a detection zone, detection line, and ignore line can be defined through their respective context menus. You can use these settings as a filter to determine when an object triggers an event. Right-click a shape to open its context menu.

Detection zone

Item	Description
Detect delay	The time to elapse after the events described below, before a trigger is generated.
Trigger mode	<p><i>Touch</i></p> <p><i>Inside</i></p> <p><i>Enter</i></p> <p><i>Exit</i></p>
Trigger point	<p><i>Center of gravity</i></p> <p><i>Bottom center</i></p>
<p>Note: <i>Center of gravity</i> and <i>Bottom center</i> do not apply to trigger modes <i>Touch</i> and <i>Inside</i> (they are ignored in these modes).</p>	

Detection line

Item	Description	
Trigger Mode	<i>Touch</i>	Determines whether an object needs to touch the detection line or pass it clockwise, counterclockwise, or either of these two, to generate a trigger.
	<i>Pass CW</i>	
	<i>Pass CCW</i>	
	<i>Pass either</i>	
Trigger Point	<i>Center of gravity</i>	The line is triggered when the center of gravity of an object passes it CW, CCW, or either of these.
	<i>Bottom center</i>	The line is triggered when the bottom center of an object passes it CW, CCW, or either of these.
Note: <i>Center of gravity</i> and <i>Bottom center</i> do not apply to trigger mode <i>Touch</i> (they are ignored in this mode).		

Ignore line

Item	Description	
Ignore time	After the ignore line is touched or completely covered (see below), the event is suppressed for the number of seconds set here.	
Type	Touch	Ignore time countdown starts when an object touches the ignore line.
	Completely cover	Ignore time countdown starts when an object completely covers the ignore line.

11.12.5.6 Show detected objects and alarms

- » **To display detected objects and/or alarms in the preview**
 - In *Web configuration*, select the respective option(s).
Detected objects are shown in blue. Alarms are highlighted in red boxes.

11.12.5.7 Select the camera type

Use the *Camera type* list in the *Settings* section to specify the camera type.

11.12.5.8 Glue events

If consecutive events occur with short intervals it may be more efficient to "glue" them together. This means that one longer event is generated.

- » **To set the glue events time**
 - In the *Settings* section of the PID page, specify the Glue events time in the *Glue events within box*.
The effect of the glue time is that for a given event the start time remains the same, but the peak time and end time are pushed forward in time for every glued event. When the event is retrieved, the peak time will be that of the last glued event.

11.12.6 Expert configuration

As an alternative to configuring PID settings on the fly through Web configuration, you can use Expert configuration to upload a configuration file to the BC840-PID.

Note: Creating a configuration file for optimal PID performance is a complex task which requires a high level of PID expertise. The technical specialists of Siquira can assist you with this and with a variety of other tasks.

» **To upload a PID configuration file**

1. Access the BC840-PID webpages from your browser.
2. On the *Video* page, click the **PID** tab.
3. In the *PID* section, select **Expert configuration**.
4. In the *Upload* section, click **Choose file**.
5. Browse and select the file, and then click **Open**.
6. Click **Add**.

The file can now be selected on the configuration file list.

» **To remove a PID configuration file**

1. In the *Upload* section, (under *Filename*) select the file that you wish to remove.
2. Click **Del**.
3. Click **Save**.

» **To download the active PID configuration to your PC**

- ▶ In *Expert configuration*, click **Export**.
The file is exported to your download folder.

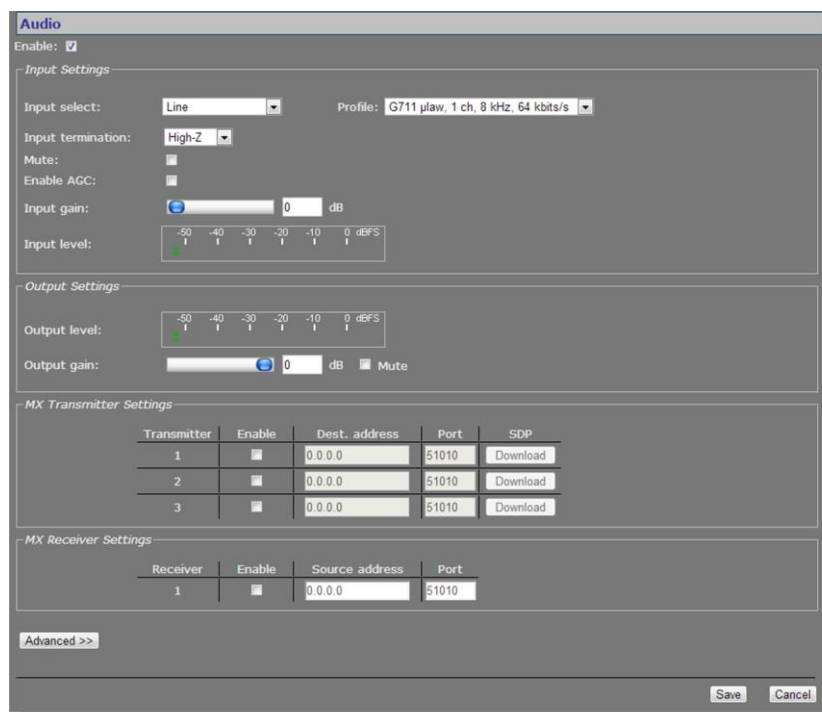
12 Audio

This chapter describes the functionality and settings found on the Audio page of the BC840-PID.

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12.1 Enable audio



Audio page

Using the *Enable* check box at the top of the Audio page, you can enable/disable the entire audio functionality (the latter, for example, to prevent unwanted eavesdropping). Remember to *Save* the configuration to make it effective.

12.1.1 Input Settings

Item	Description
Input select	<i>Line, Microphone, or Microphone + bias.</i>
Input termination	Can be set to High-Z or 600 ohms, to match audio source. Single-ended.
Mute	Audio on/off.
Enable AGC	To adjust the gain to an appropriate level, Automatic Gain Control reduces the volume if the signal is strong and raises it when it is weaker.
Input gain	Range: [0...30] dB. Is disabled when AGC is enabled. Drag the sliding button or type a value. Gain control reacts directly, without the need to press <i>Save</i> .
Input level	VU meter to display audio input level.
Profile	Preset combinations of settings. A non-standard setting configured through the Advanced Settings gives '---' in the Profile selector. <hr/> <i>G711 A-law. 1 ch. 8 kHz</i> <i>64 kbit/s</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ default setting▶ mainly used in Europe▶ mono, low quality▶ used for QuickTime <hr/> <i>G711 μ-law. 1 ch. 8kHz.</i> <i>64 kbit/s</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ mainly used in USA▶ mono, low quality▶ used for Genetec's Omnicast <hr/> <i>Legacy PCM</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ 2 channels (stereo)▶ high quality, 15.7 kHz▶ compatible with all Siqua products (including C-20, C-40, S-40)

12.1.2 Output Settings

Item	Description
Output level	VU meter to display audio output level.
Output gain	Range: [-80...0] dB.
Mute	Select/clear this box to mute/unmute audio.

12.2 Make audio connections

-MX Transmitter Settings-				
Transmitter	Enable	Dest. address	Port	SDP
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	172.22.250.131	51010	Download
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0.0	51010	Download
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0.0	51010	Download

-MX Receiver Settings-			
Receiver	Enable	Source address	Port
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	172.22.250.131	51010

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Audio streams

The BC840-PID provides bidirectional audio. The BC840-PID can send three audio streams to different destinations, multicast or unicast, to an A-80, or any C-/S-series codec with an audio interface. It can also receive one audio stream from an A-80 or any C-/S-series codec that features audio.

Highlighted fields

The source address and port number fields are highlighted in green when the enabled receiver receives a stream from the specified source. The two fields are marked in red when no stream is received with the receiver enabled and correctly configured.

Two-way audio

The figure above shows the setup for two-way audio on the side of the BC840-PID. The device on the other side of the connection (with the IP address 172.22.250.131) would need similar settings, that is - it must hold the IP address of the BC840-PID as the destination and source. Transmitters and receivers must be enabled in order for streaming to start. Remember to Save a configuration to make it effective.

SDP download

Use the SDP Download button to download a Session Description Protocol (SDP) file from the encoder. SDP files contain streaming media initialisation parameters and properties. An SDP file does not deliver media itself but through file association the media stream can be opened in media players such as QuickTime and VLC. You can also use the SDP file to specify the URI in your web browser.

12.2.1 MX Transmitter Settings

Item	Description
Enable	Select/Clear to enable/disable the stream transmission, respectively.
Dest. address	IP address of the codec that will receive the stream.
Port	The local port number of the codec that will receive the stream.
SDP	To download a Session Description Protocol (SDP) file from the encoder, click the Download button.

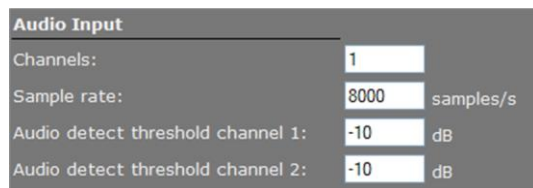
12.2.2 MX Receiver Settings

Item	Description
Enable	Select/Clear to enable/disable the stream reception, respectively.
Source address	IP address of the codec that will transmit the stream.
Port	The local port number of the BC840-PID.

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Important: If in doubt about these settings, do *not* change the default values.

12.3.1 Audio Input



Audio > Advanced > Audio Input

Item	Description
Channels	Range: [1...2]. When selecting 1 channel, only the signal on the 'A1' input is used (either line or microphone).
Sample rate	Range: [7850...48000]. Allows you to enter custom settings (other than those included in the Profile list in the Input Settings section), e.g., for communication with a C-20 codec. Examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 7850 Hz A-law ▶ 15710 Hz A-law ▶ 15710 Hz PCM ▶ 43200 Hz PCM
Auto detect threshold channel 1	Range: [-60...0] dB. The audio level is measured. When the audio level reaches the threshold set here, the audio detect flag is set. This flag can be used to generate a 'silence' alarm or a 'too much noise' alarm.
Auto detect threshold channel 2	

12.3.2 Audio Output



Audio > Advanced > Audio Output

Item	Description
Bass	Range: [0...18] dB.
Treble	Range: [0...6] dB.

12.3.3 Audio Encoder



Audio > Advanced > Audio Encoder

Item	Description
Audio format	PCM 16bit, A-law 8bit, μ -law 8bit.

12.3.4 Audio Decoder



Audio > Advanced > Audio Decoder

Generally speaking, Audio Decoder settings follow the settings of the source - that is, the encoder on the other side of the connection. The settings shown in the figure above are defaults, used when receiving a stream of which the format cannot be determined, for example.

Item	Description
Channels	Range: [1-2]. Default: 1. When selecting 1 channel, the incoming audio stream is sent to both the 'A1' and 'A2' outputs.
Sample rate	Range: [7850...48000]. Examples (for 1 and 2 channels): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 7850 Hz A-law ▶ 15710 Hz A-law ▶ 15710 Hz PCM ▶ 43200 Hz PCM
Audio format	PCM 16bit, A-law 8bit, μ -law 8bit.

12.3.5 Transmitter

Transmitter 1	
DSCP field:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Connection priority:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Multicast TTL:	<input type="text" value="10"/>
RTP control mode:	<input type="text" value="FloodGuard"/>
Stream type:	<input type="text" value="UDP + RTP + NKF"/>
RTP type (0 = auto):	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Link loss alarm timeout:	<input type="text" value="10"/> s

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Item	Description						
DSCP field	Range: [0...63]. DSCP (Differentiated Services Code Point) uses the first 6 bits of the ToS (Type of Service) field in the header of IP packets for packet classification purposes. The bit pattern in the field indicates the type of service and forwarding behavior at the next node. With 26 bits, up to 64 network service types can be defined. <i>RFC 2724</i> (http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2474.txt) describes the Differentiated Services (DS) field and the DiffServ Code Point. See also the note on Differentiated Services later in this chapter.						
Connection priority	Parameter intended for use with MX Software Development Kit (MX SDK).						
Multicast TTL	Range: [0...127]. Specify the number of routers (hops) that multicast traffic is permitted to pass through before expiring on the network.						
RTP control mode	Select the transport protocol to control the stream. <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>None</i></td> <td>No transport protocol selected.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>FloodGuard</i></td> <td>Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>RTCP</i></td> <td>Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>None</i>	No transport protocol selected.	<i>FloodGuard</i>	Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.	<i>RTCP</i>	Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.
<i>None</i>	No transport protocol selected.						
<i>FloodGuard</i>	Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.						
<i>RTCP</i>	Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.						
Stream type	<table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>UDP + RTP</i></td> <td>Default setting. Plain RTP stream over UDP.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>UDP + RTP + NKF</i></td> <td>Adds an extended RTP header for Siqura applications requiring extra information.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>UDP + RTP</i>	Default setting. Plain RTP stream over UDP.	<i>UDP + RTP + NKF</i>	Adds an extended RTP header for Siqura applications requiring extra information.		
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<i>UDP + RTP + NKF</i>	Adds an extended RTP header for Siqura applications requiring extra information.						
RTP type (0 = auto)	Default value: [0]. This parameter determines the RTP payload format (e.g. H.264, MPEG-2/4, or audio). To avoid an RTP type conflict, the values specified on both sides of the connection must be the same. The default value of "0" automatically sets the appropriate media type. You are advised not to change this setting.						
Link loss alarm timeout	Range: [1...1000] s. Default: 10 s. Time in seconds before alarm sent.						

12.3.6 Receiver 1

Receiver 1	
Filter on source port:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Connection priority:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Reorder buffer size:	<input type="text" value="6"/>
Stream fail delay:	<input type="text" value="300"/> ms
RTP control mode:	FloodGuard ▾
RTP type (0 = auto):	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Link loss alarm timeout:	<input type="text" value="10"/> s

Audio > Advanced > Receiver 1

Item	Description						
Filter on source port	Can be used to filter incoming signals. With multiple signals sent to the same IP address and destination port number, <i>Filter on source port</i> can be used to filter the input, i.e. to accept only signals from the transmitting port specified here. The filter will not be active if set to 0 (the default and recommended setting).						
Connection priority	Parameter intended for use with MX Software Development Kit (MX SDK).						
Reorder buffer size	Used to reorder incoming packets.						
Stream fail delay	Range: [0...10000] ms. Default: 300 ms. Timeout in ms before going to NoStream state.						
RTP control mode	Select the transport protocol to control the stream. <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>None</i></td> <td>No transport protocol selected.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>FloodGuard</i></td> <td>Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>RTCP</i></td> <td>Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>None</i>	No transport protocol selected.	<i>FloodGuard</i>	Flooding prevention mechanism. For more information, see the note on FloodGuard later in this chapter.	<i>RTCP</i>	Real-Time Control Protocol, a network control protocol for use in communications systems to control streaming media servers.
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RTP type (0 = auto)	Default value: [0]. This parameter determines the RTP payload format (e.g. H.264, MPEG-2/4, or audio). To avoid an RTP type conflict, the values specified on both sides of the connection must be the same. The default value of "0" automatically sets the appropriate media type. You are advised not to change this setting.						
Link loss alarm timeout	Range: [1...1000] s. Default: 10 s. Time in seconds before alarm sent.						

12.3.7 RTSP Transmitter

RTSP Transmitter	
DSCP field:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Default multicast IP address:	<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/>
Default multicast port:	<input type="text" value="50000"/>

Audio > Advanced > RTSP Transmitter

Item	Description
DSCP field	Range: [0...63]. DSCP (Differentiated Services Code Point) uses the first 6 bits of the ToS (Type of Service) field in the header of IP packets for packet classification purposes. The bit pattern in the field indicates the type of service and forwarding behavior at the next node. With 26 bits, up to 64 network service types can be defined. <i>RFC 2724</i> (http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2474.txt) describes the Differentiated Services (DS) field and the DiffServ Code Point. See also the note on Differentiated Services later in this chapter.
Default multicast IP address	Destination IP address for multicast sessions.
Default multicast IP port	Port number for multicast sessions.

Note on Differentiated Services: Differentiated Services (DiffServ, or DS) is a method for adding QoS (Quality of Service) to IP networks. In routed networks, critical network traffic such as video and audio streams, which require a relatively uninterrupted flow of data, can get blocked due to other traffic. DiffServ can be used to classify network traffic and give precedence - i.e. low-latency, guaranteed service - to high-priority traffic, while offering best-effort service to non-critical traffic such as file transfers or web traffic.

Each stream has a DSCP (Differentiated Services Code Point) field in the IP header. Routers will identify the network service type in the DSCP field and provide the appropriate level of service. Low-latency service can be realized, for example, through priority queuing, bandwidth allocation, or by assigning dedicated routes.

Note on RTP and RTCP: The Real-time Transport Protocol (RTP) is designed for end-to-end real-time, audio or video data flow transport. It is regarded as the primary standard for video/audio transport over multicast or unicast network services. RTP does not provide guaranteed delivery, but sequencing of the data makes it possible to detect missing packets. It allows the recipient to compensate for breaks in sequence that may occur during the transfer on an IP network. Error concealment can make the loss of packets unnoticeable. RTP is usually used in conjunction with the Real-time Transport Control Protocol (RTCP). RTP carries the media streams. RTCP provides reception quality feedback, participant identification and synchronization between media streams.

12.3.8 SAP Settings

Audio > Advanced > SAP Settings

The BC840-PID includes a SAP announcer. The Session Announcement Protocol is used to advertise that a media stream generated by the BC840-PID is available at a specific multicast address and port. For more information about SAP, see the note below.

Item	Description
Enable SAP	When selected, session announcements are sent at the frequency determined by the Announcement interval parameter and the media stream is transmitted to the multicast IP address specified in the Stream dest. IP address box.
Stream name	Enter a descriptive name to identify the media stream.
Stream dest. IP	Enter the multicast IP address the media stream is to be sent to. The address must be within the range defined by the Multicast IP range parameter.
Stream dest. port	The destination port number. Default: 1024.
Stream DSCP field	Range: [0..63]. See the note on DSCP.
Multicast TTL	Range: [0..127]. Specify the number of routers (hops) that multicast traffic is permitted to pass through before expiring on the network.
Announcement interval	Determines the frequency of announcements.
Session scope	<i>Global</i> , the default session scope, sets the <i>Multicast IP range</i> parameter to 224.2.128.0 - 224.2.255.255 (IPv4 global scope sessions). A SAP listening application will recognize the global scope and automatically listen for SAP announcements at the 224.2.127.254 multicast IP address. The <i>Administrative</i> session scope allows you to enter a custom IP range within the 239.0.0.0 - 239.255.255.255 (IPv4 administrative scope sessions) range. For an Administrative session scope, the multicast address for SAP announcements will be set to the highest address in the relevant administrative scope. For example, for a scope range of 239.16.32.0 - 239.16.33.255, the IP address 239.16.33.255 is used for SAP announcements.
Multicast IP range	See Session scope.

Note on the Session Announcement Protocol (SAP): SAP, defined in *RFC 2974* (see *RFC 2974* - <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2974.txt>), is a protocol for advertising multicast session information. A SAP announcer periodically broadcasts announcement packets which include the session description information of multicast sessions presented by the announcer. SAP uses the Session Description Protocol (SDP) as the format of the session descriptions. The announcement is multicast with the same scope as the session it is announcing, ensuring that the recipients of the announcement are within the scope of the session the announcement describes. SAP listening applications can listen to the announcements and use the information to construct a guide of all advertised sessions. This guide can be used to select and start a particular session. The SAP announcer is not aware of the presence or absence of SAP listeners.

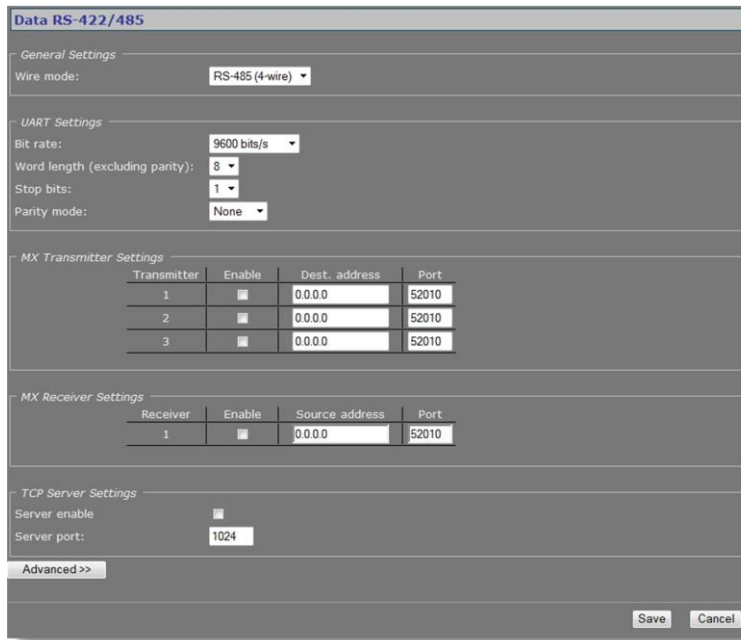
13 Data RS-422/485

This chapter describes the Data RS-422/485 page of the BC840-PID.

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13.1 General Settings



Data RS-422/485

General Settings

Wire mode:

UART Settings

Bit rate:

Word length (excluding parity):

Stop bits:

Parity mode:

MX Transmitter Settings

Transmitter	Enable	Dest. address	Port
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0	52010
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0	52010
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0	52010

MX Receiver Settings

Receiver	Enable	Source address	Port
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.0.0	52010

TCP Server Settings

Server enable:

Server port:

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Save Cancel

Data RS-422/485 page

Item	Description
Wire mode	<p><u>RS-422</u> The RX-4xx interface type is set in software. Select the appropriate type from this list.</p> <p><u>RS-485 (2-wire)</u></p> <p><u>RS-485 (4-wire)</u></p>

13.2 UART Settings

The BC840-PID uses a Universal Asynchronous Transmitter/Receiver (UART) for data transmission. The UART recognises and reproduces the words in the data stream. This is only possible if the UART is programmed to understand the serial data format.

Item	Description
Bit rate	1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200 bit/s. The speed of the digital transmission - that is, the amount of information transferred/processed per unit of time.
Word length (excluding parity)	5, 6, 7, 8. Determines the number of bits that is transferred in a single operation.
Stop bits	1, 2. Indicate the end of a data character to enable the receiver to resynchronise with the stream.
Parity mode	None, Even, Odd, Mark, Space. Enables sending of an extra bit with each data character for error detection purposes.

13.3 Make data connections

The screenshot shows two configuration panels. The top panel, 'MX Transmitter Settings', has a table with columns: Transmitter, Enable, Dest. address, and Port. It lists three transmitters. Transmitter 1 is enabled (checkbox checked) with destination address 172.22.250.136 and port 52010. Transmitters 2 and 3 are disabled (checkbox unchecked) with destination address 0.0.0.0 and port 52010. The bottom panel, 'MX Receiver Settings', has a table with columns: Receiver, Enable, Source address, and Port. It lists one receiver, which is enabled (checkbox checked) with source address 172.22.250.136 and port 52010.

Data RS-422/485 > MX Transmitter/Receiver Settings

After selecting a data mode (see General Settings) and configuring the interface (see UART Settings), data link configuration is done in the same fashion as described for video links.

► To configure a data link

1. In the *Transmitter Settings* section, set at least one destination IP address.
2. Set a port number or leave it at the default.
3. Enable the stream.
4. Click **SAVE** to write the new configuration to the device.

The data interface is bidirectional in the sense that apart from a streams transmitter, a receiver is available on the same unit. However, the data transmitter and receiver are independent of one another, except for the data interface settings.

Do not forget to enable both the transmitter and the receiver, and to configure the UART correctly (see Advanced Settings).

When using multicasting, it is possible for a group of codecs to both send and listen to the same multicast address.

Highlighted fields

The source address and port number fields are highlighted in green when the enabled receiver receives a stream from the specified source. The two fields are marked in red when no stream is received with the receiver enabled and correctly configured.

13.4 TCP Server Settings

The screenshot shows a window titled 'TCP Server Settings'. It contains two controls: a checkbox labeled 'Server enable' which is currently unchecked, and a text input field labeled 'Server port:' containing the value '1024'.

Data RS-422/485 > TCP Server Settings

TCP connections are always bidirectional, so no separate transmitter and receiver settings are needed.

Item	Description
Server enable	Enables streaming of UART data over TCP using a client/server connection. The server accepts requests from a specific client, or any host if not specified.
Server port	Range: [0...65535].

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Important: If in doubt about these settings, do *not* change the default values.

13.5.1 RS-4xx Settings

The screenshot shows a window titled 'RS-4xx Settings'. It contains three controls: a text input field for 'Bit rate:' with the value '19200' and the unit 'bits/s'; a text input field for 'UART gap timeout:' with the value '15' and the unit 'words'; and a text input field for 'UART max. latency:' with the value '15' and the unit 'words'.

RS-422/485 > Advanced > RS-4xx Settings

For details about 'data words' and data transfer optimisation, see the note below.

Item	Description
Bit rate	Range: [300...115200]. The speed of the digital transmission, that is - the amount of information transferred/processed per unit of time. Enables you to set a bit rate other than the presets in the UART settings section.
UART gap timeout	Range: [0...255] data words. Will have the next packet sent when the line has remained idle for longer than the timeout.
UART max. latency	Range: [0...255] data words. The maximum latency of the data channel is controlled by forcing a packet to be sent when the first data word of the packet was received longer ago than the number of word times set here.

Note on Data Transfer Optimisation: A 'word time' is the transmit time for one data word. The amount of time one data word takes to travel on the line is determined by bit rate and word length. Using the *UART gap timeout* and *UART max. latency* variables you can tailor the data channel for your specific protocol. A delay < 5 milliseconds is possible with minimal settings. One or more data words are bundled in packets. The packaging process influences the performance of the UART mode. At high bit rates, say 115 kbit/s, it may be desirable to adjust some of the low-level UART settings to prevent high CPU loads. At such speeds, a large number of small network packets might increase CPU load by 15%. The process can be optimised using the RS-4xx settings in the Advanced Settings section. Packets can be sent depending on the configuration of the *UART gap timeout* and *UART max. latency* variables. These can be set such that fewer but larger packets are sent, making the stream simpler to handle, at a considerably lower CPU load. Configuring these settings is often a trade-off between latency (due to packaging) and payload efficiency. In other words, many network packets with a small payload (low latency) versus fewer packets with a large payload (higher latency). At lower bit rates, a need for smoother PTZ may also require modification of these low-level settings. Note that this depends on the application. For example, PTZ commands must be sent frequently, but require few words. Latency can be minimised by proper fine-tuning of the *UART gap timeout* and *UART max. latency* variables.

13.5.2 Transmitter

Transmitter 1	
Connection priority:	0
Multicast TTL:	10
FloodGuard enable:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FloodGuard throttle delay:	3 s
FloodGuard throttle interval:	100 ms
Stream type:	UDP + NKF
Link loss alarm timeout:	10 s

Data RS-422/485 > Advanced > Transmitter 1

Item	Description
Connection priority	Parameter intended for use with MX Software Development Kit (MX SDK).
Multicast TTL	Range: [0...127]. Specify the number of routers (hops) that multicast traffic is permitted to pass through before expiring on the network.
FloodGuard enable	Should be on when sending to a unicast IP address, so that an alarm can be generated if no control messages from the receiver have come in for the time set by the FloodGuard throttle delay variable.
FloodGuard throttle delay	Amount of time after which the transmitter will enter throttled mode.
FloodGuard throttle interval	Sets the frequency of empty packets being sent into the network while the transmitter is in throttled mode.
Stream type	The UDP + NKF option will add an extended RTP header for Siquira applications requiring extra information.
Link loss alarm timeout	Range: [1...1000] s. Default: 10 s. Time in seconds before alarm sent.

13.5.3 Receiver 1

Receiver 1	
Source port filter:	0
Connection priority:	0
Reorder buffer size:	6
Stream fail delay:	300 ms
FloodGuard enable:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FloodGuard tx interval:	1000 ms
Stream type:	Auto
Link loss alarm timeout:	10 s

Data RS-422/485 > Advanced > Receiver 1

Item	Description
Source port filter	Can be used to filter incoming data traffic. With multiple signals sent to the same IP address and destination port number, Source port filter can be used to filter the input, that is - to accept only data from the transmitting port specified here. The filter will not be active if set to 0 (the default and recommended setting).
Connection priority	Parameter intended for use with MX Software Development Kit (MX SDK).
Reorder buffer size	Used to reorder incoming packets.
Stream fail delay	Range: [0...10000] ms. Default: 300 ms. Timeout in ms before going to NoStream state.
FloodGuard enable	Should be on, to enable the sending of control messages.
FloodGuard tx interval	Interval at which the receiver sends control messages to the transmitter (see the section on FloodGuard).
Stream type	The UDP + NKF option will add an extended RTP header for Siqura applications requiring extra information.
Link loss alarm timeout	Range: [1...1000] s. Default: 10 s. Time in seconds before alarm sent.

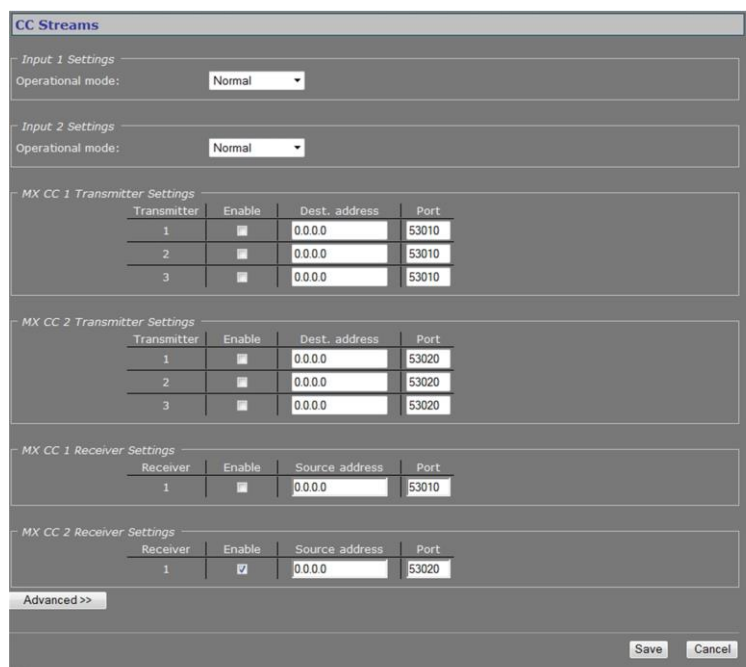
14 CC Streams

This chapter provides information about the BC840-PID's contact closure (CC) channels, CC status, and alarms.

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14.1 CC channels, CC status, and alarms



CC Streams page

CC channels

The contact closure channels of the BC840-PID, each capable of transmitting three copies per signal, are independent and their transmitters and receivers can also be used separately. It is possible to send a CC-signal from a CC 1 interface to a CC 2 and vice versa.

CC status

The receiver relays are normally open (fail-safe). Each CC input is sampled 100 times per second. Changes are transmitted directly, so overall latency of the contact closure signals is <20 ms. To confirm, the actual contact closure status is transmitted every 100 ms; there is no further forward error correction on these signals.

Alarms

If a contact closure signal is to be transmitted to a PC, the software requesting it can open a contact closure stream from the BC840-PID, which will carry the CC information. At the opposite end of the link (a PC running the software), the contact closures may be regarded as, and even named alarms, but those 'alarms' are not necessarily related to module alarms.

In the module, closing a physical CC input will change the payload of the existing stream, as described above, and additionally cause a module alarm saying the input status is 'closed'. A notification about the latter module alarm is also sent out over the network and can be caught separately by application software. Alternatively, application software can poll the BC840-PID and check for the module alarm. Stream alarms (link alarms in the modules, at both link ends) become active if the link fails.

14.2 Input # Settings



CC Streams > Input 1 Settings

Item	Description
Operational mode	<i>Normal</i> Direction.
	<i>Invert</i>
	<i>Force active</i> Always on (e.g. for testing purposes).
	<i>Force inactive</i> Always off.

14.3 Make contact closure connections

Making CC links is similar to making video/data/audio links, but without additional interface configuration.

► To make a contact closure connection

- ▶ On the Transmitter side, fill in a destination IP address and port number for each codec you want a CC stream to go to, and then enable the stream.
- ▶ On the other side of the link (i.e. the codec you want to receive the CC stream), fill in the source IP address, the local port number (the same as specified for the transmitter), and then enable the receiver.

Note: Clearing an Enable check box disables the transmission or reception of the stream, not the contact input or output itself. If the stream is disabled, the contact can still be controlled and read using MX software or the HTTP API.

14.4 Advanced

Important: If in doubt about these settings, do *not* change the default values.

14.4.1 Transmitter

CC 1 Settings

Transmitter 1

Connection priority:

Multicast TTL:

Link loss alarm timeout: s

CC Streams > Advanced > Transmitter 1

Item	Description
Connection priority	Parameter intended for use with MX Software Development Kit (MX SDK).
Multicast TTL	Range: [0...127]. Specify the number of routers (hops) that multicast traffic is permitted to pass through before expiring on the network.
Link loss alarm timeout	Range: [1...1000] s. Default: 10 s. Time in seconds before alarm sent.

14.4.2 Receiver 1

Receiver 1

Source port filter:

Connection priority:

Reorder buffer size:

Stream fail delay: ms

Link loss alarm timeout: s

CC Streams > Advanced > Receiver 1

Item	Description
Source port filter	Can be used to filter incoming data traffic. With multiple signals sent to the same IP address and destination port number, Source port filter can be used to filter the input, that is - to accept only data from the transmitting port specified here. The filter will not be active if set to 0 (the default and recommended setting).
Connection priority	Parameter intended for use with MX Software Development Kit (MX SDK).
Reorder buffer size	Used to reorder incoming packets.
Stream fail delay	Range: [0...10000] ms. Default: 300 ms. Timeout in ms before going to NoStream state.
Link loss alarm timeout	Range: [1...1000] s. Default: 10 s. Time in seconds before alarm sent.

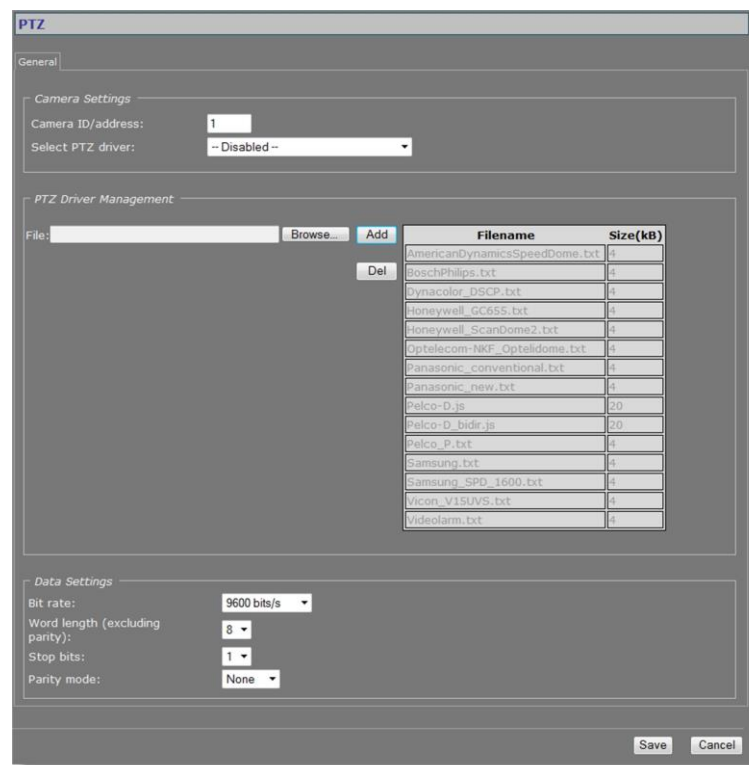
15 PTZ

The BC840-PID itself does not have PTZ functionality, but it can be mounted on a PTZ mounting bracket which can then be controlled from the BC840-PID's serial data port (RS-4xx). With a PTZ driver selected on the PTZ web page, the PTZ control panel is available on the Live Video page. This chapter explains how to enable PTZ control, upload and remove PTZ drivers, and configure data settings.

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15.1 Enable PTZ control



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PTZ camera control is enabled by selecting a driver that is supported by the camera. If the required driver is not included in the PTZ driver list, you can upload it to the BC840-PID (see below).

» **To enable PTZ control**

1. In the *Camera Settings* section, specify the Camera ID/address.
2. From the *PTZ driver* list, select the protocol supported by the PTZ device you wish to control.
3. Click **Save**.

You can now control the camera with the control panel on the Live Video page.

15.2 Upload/Remove PTZ drivers

» **To upload a PTZ driver**

1. In the *PTZ Driver Management* section, click **Browse**.
2. In the *File to Upload* dialog box, browse to the folder containing the driver.
3. Select the appropriate file (.txt or .js extension), and then click **Open**.

The driver displays in the *File* text box.

4. Click the **Add** button.

The driver is added to the list of available drivers in the *PTZ Driver Management* and *Camera Settings* sections.

» **To remove a PTZ driver**

1. In the *PTZ Driver Management* section, select the driver you wish to remove.
2. Click the **Del** button.

15.3 Data Settings



The screenshot shows a 'Data Settings' panel with the following values:

- Bit rate: 19200 bit/s
- Word length (excluding parity): 8
- Stop bits: 1
- Parity mode: None

PTZ > Data Settings

Item	Description
Bit rate	1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 115200 bit/s. The speed of the digital transmission - that is, the amount of information transferred/processed per unit of time.
Word length (excluding parity)	5, 6, 7, 8. Determines the number of bits that is transferred in a single operation.
Stop bits	1, 2. Indicate the end of a data character to enable the receiver to resynchronise with the stream.
Parity mode	None, Even, Odd, Mark, Space. Enables sending of an extra bit with each data character for error detection purposes.

Note: Changes you make in the Data Settings section are copied to the RS-422/485 page.

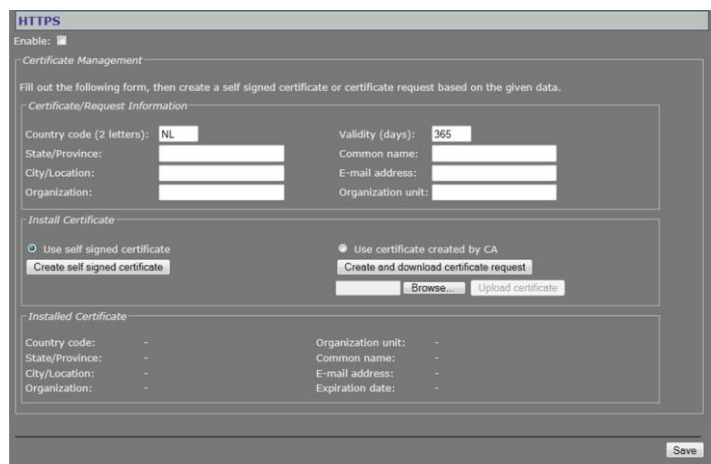
16 Security

From the Security page, Administrators can install security certificates to enable secure connections between the BC840-PID and web browsers. Certificates can be self-signed or obtained from a Certificate Authority.

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16.1 HTTPS



Security page

Secure connections

An HTTPS connection is a standard HTTP connection on top of an SSL/TLS connection, adding the security capabilities of SSL/TLS to standard HTTP communication. With HTTPS implemented and used on the BC840-PID, a safe exchange of data between the unit and a web browser is ensured. Information transported over the network, such as device settings and credentials, is encrypted to protect it against eavesdropping.

Certificates

To implement HTTPS on the BC840-PID, you need to install an HTTPS certificate. You can use a self-signed certificate or one created by a Certificate Authority (CA). CA-issued certificates provide a higher level of security and inspire more trust than self-signed certificates. Self-signed certificates are often installed for test purposes or as a temporary solution until a CA-issued certificate has been obtained.

16.2 Certificate/Request information

In the Certificate/Request Information section, you can provide the information required for a self-signed certificate or a CA-issued certificate.

Item	Description
Country code (2 letters)	The country where the certificate is to be used. Default: "NL".
State/Province	The administrative region in which the organisation is located.
City/Location	City/Location where the organisation is based.
Organisation	The name of the organisation which owns the entity specified in the "Common name" text box.
Validity (days)	The valid period (in days) of the certificate. Default: 365.
Common name	The name of the entity to be certified by the certificate.
E-mail address	The contact e-mail address
Organisation unit	The name of the organisational unit which owns the entity specified in the "Common name" text box.

Important: Make sure that the *Common name* you specify when you generate a security certificate matches the URL that is used to access the webpages of the BC840-PID. Generally, this is the IP address of the unit.

16.3 CA-Issued certificate

Steps towards implementing a certificate created by a CA

- ▶ Create the certificate request
- ▶ Send the request to a CA
- ▶ Upload the CA-signed certificate to the unit

Note: When you implement a certificate you may need to modify your browser settings to allow pop-ups.

▶▶ To generate a certificate request

1. In the *Certificate/Request Information* section, enter the required information as described above.
2. Click **Create and download certificate request**.
A pop-up displays.
3. In the pop-up, click **Save**.
You can copy the request from your download folder now and then send it to a CA.

- » **To install a signed certificate from a CA**
 1. Click **Browse**.
 2. Browse and select the certificate file.
 3. Click **Upload Certificate**.
A warning displays.
 4. Click **Yes** to continue.

16.4 Self-signed certificate

- » **To create a self-signed certificate**
 1. In the *Certificate/Request Information* section, enter the required information as described above.
 2. Click **Create self-signed certificate**.

16.5 Open a secure connection

With a security certificate installed, you can establish a secure connection.

- » **To enable HTTPS and open a secure connection**
 1. On the *Security* page, select **Use self-signed certificate** or **Use certificate created by CA** (depending on the type of certificate you want to use).
 2. At the top of the page, select **Enable**.
 3. Click **Save**.
 4. Refresh the page.
 5. Log on to the BC840-PID again.
Your browser is now using a secure connection to communicate with the unit.

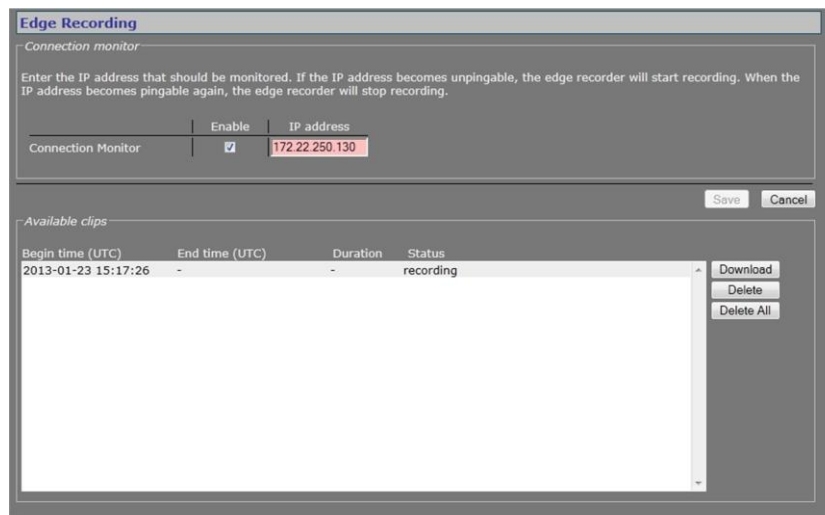
17 Edge recording

This chapter describes how you can use edge recording to record video from the BC840-PID to the embedded SD card.

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17.1 Edge recording basics



Connection monitor enabled. Edge recorder is recording video (the specified IP address is unpingable).

Edge recording makes it possible to record and store video locally - that is, at the BC840-PID. To prevent loss of video when the connection to a central network video recorder or VMS system is lost, recorded video clips can be stored on the SD card inside the BC840-PID. From the Edge recording page, the clips can then be downloaded for further processing.

17.2 Monitoring

Unlike 24-hour recording by an NVR, edge recordings are typically short recordings. Start and stop times for the recordings are triggered by external events, such as a lost or restored connection to an NVR or VMS, for example. To detect these events, the BC840-PID monitors the network connection to the device specified by its IP address. This is done by pinging it at regular intervals to test its reachability over the network.

» To monitor a connection

1. In the *Connector monitor* section, specify the IP address to be monitored.
2. Select **Enable**.
3. Click **Save**.

The device is now pinged every 15 seconds.

If the device is reachable, IP address highlighting goes from pink to green.

17.3 Recording

Detecting a loss of connection to the device at the monitored IP address triggers the following:

- ▶ Edge recording starts.
- ▶ The IP address of the device is highlighted in pink to indicate the connection loss.
- ▶ The video clip appears in the *Available clips* section with clip status shown as 'recording'. A recording status reported as 'pending' is an indication that the encoder used for edge recording is either not enabled or not correctly configured for edge recording.
- ▶ Edge recording continues until the device becomes responsive to ping messages again.

Important: Recording does not start if the device at the specified IP address has not been detected previously. In other words, recording is only possible if the device has acknowledged its presence on the network at least once by responding to ping messages. This is to prevent unintended recording to the SD card.

17.4 Clips

Details about clips can be found in the *Available clips* section.

- ▶ Clips with recording status 'recording' or 'ready' are available for download in .avi format.
- ▶ Clips include 30 seconds of prerecorded video and five seconds of postrecorded video. The prerecording mechanism is active at all times.
- ▶ Clip file size will not exceed 500 MB. If a recording requires more storage capacity, multiple clips are created.
- ▶ Clips can be deleted one at a time (select the clip, and then click *Delete*), or all in one go (click *Delete all*).

» To download a clip

1. In the *Available clips* section, select the clip.
2. Click **Download**.
3. Specify if you want to open, save, or cancel the download.

Clip file names are created automatically using UTC date/time information and the device name.

2013-01-24_08_33_48_West_Entry.avi

_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Device name</i>	<i>File</i>
(YYYY-MM-DD)	(HH_MM_SS)		format

17.5 SD card

You can check the SD card storage capacity through the Status page (see the Measurements tab).

Important: Note that the capacity given on the Status page reflects 75% of the actual SD card size. For example, up to 24 GB of a 32 GB SD card is used for recording. This limit is to prevent slow read/write speeds.

When the SD card is full, recording stops and a message is sent to the syslog (for a description of the syslog function, see *Device Management*).

Warning: Powering down or rebooting the BC840-PID, or insertion into an operational unit erases all content on the SD card! Clips will be irretrievably lost.

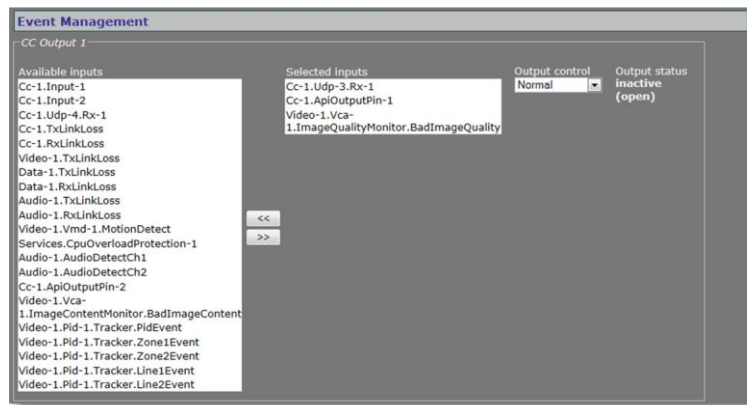
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This chapter describes the Event Management page.

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18.1 Associate events with output facilities



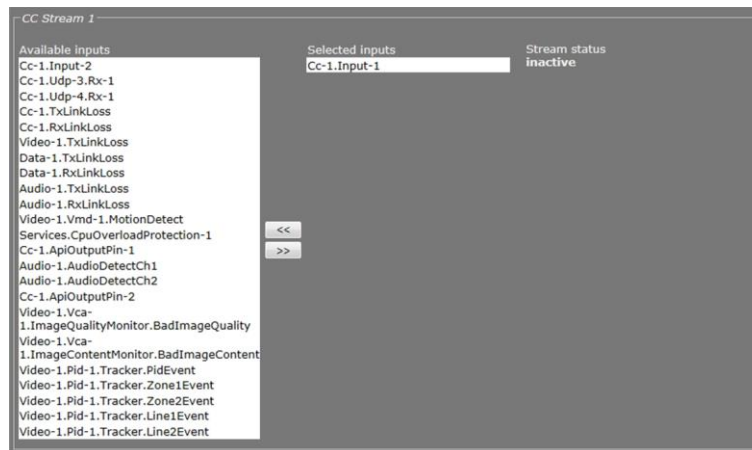
Event Management

On the Event Management page, you can configure how the BC840-PID is to handle incoming events/alarms. The event sources listed under Available inputs can be routed to a CC output, CC stream, or FTP push.

18.1.1 CC Output

Item	Description								
Available inputs	List of sources that can be selected as inputs for each of the two contact closure outputs.								
Selected inputs	Selected inputs are connected with a logical OR so that any one will cause a remote contact to close.								
Output control	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><i>Normal</i></td> <td>Direction.</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Invert</i></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Force active</i></td> <td>Always on (for testing purposes, for example).</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Force inactive</i></td> <td>Always off.</td> </tr> </table>	<i>Normal</i>	Direction.	<i>Invert</i>		<i>Force active</i>	Always on (for testing purposes, for example).	<i>Force inactive</i>	Always off.
<i>Normal</i>	Direction.								
<i>Invert</i>									
<i>Force active</i>	Always on (for testing purposes, for example).								
<i>Force inactive</i>	Always off.								
Output status	<i>Inactive (open)</i> or <i>active (closed)</i> . Active: one or more of the selected inputs is true. Inactive: none of the selected inputs is true.								

18.1.2 CC Stream

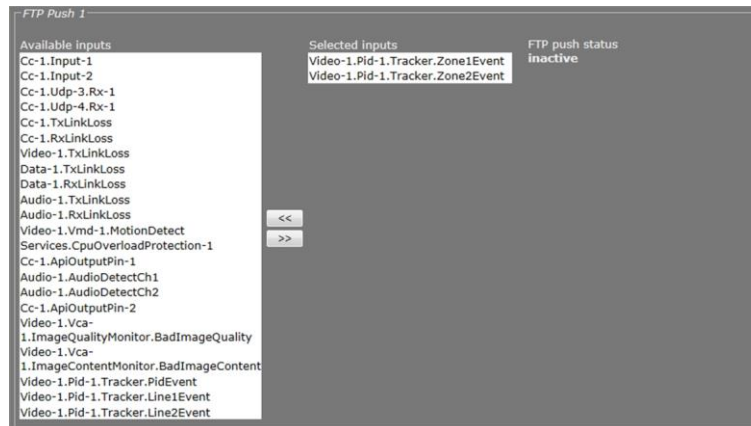


Event Management > CC Stream 1

Item	Description
Available inputs	List of sources that can be selected as inputs for each of the two contact closure streams.
Selected inputs	Selected inputs are connected with a logical OR so that any one will cause a remote contact to close when the corresponding transmitter is set up correctly from the CC Streams page.
Stream status	<i>Inactive (open)</i> or <i>active (closed)</i> . Active: one or more of the selected inputs is true. Inactive: none of the selected inputs is true.

18.1.3 FTP Push

If FTP push is configured to be event-triggered (see the FTP Push tab of the Video page), you need to select one or more sources from the Available inputs list that will activate an image upload to the FTP server(s).



Event Management > FTP Push 1. Two inputs associated with FTP Push.

Item	Description
Available inputs	List of sources that can be selected as triggers for an FTP push.
Selected inputs	On selection of multiple inputs, the inputs are connected with a logical OR. Any one will cause an image upload to the FTP server.
FTP push status	<i>Inactive (open) or active (closed).</i> Active: one or more of the selected inputs is true. Inactive: none of the selected inputs is true.

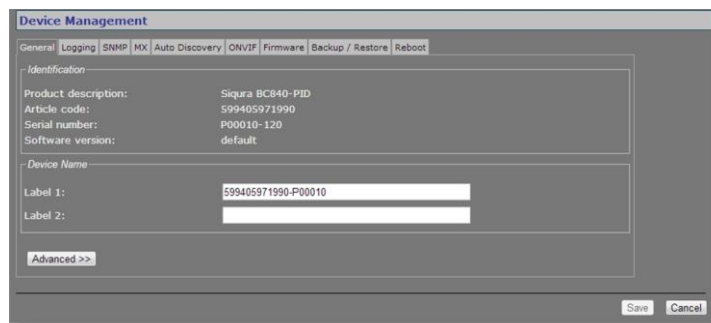
19 Device Management

On the Device Management page, you can view identification information and assign device labels. In addition, you can configure logging settings, prepare the BC840-PID for SNMP management, and enable support for Siqura's MX protocol, Auto Discovery, and ONVIF. You can also upgrade/downgrade the embedded firmware, back up and restore a configuration, and reboot the BC840-PID from this page.

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19.1 General



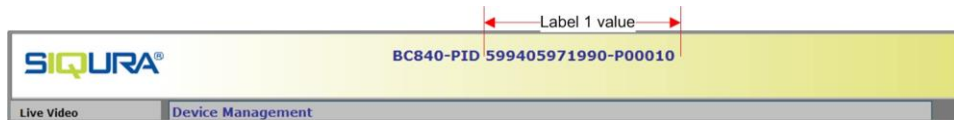
Device Management > General

19.1.1 Identification

This section offers administrative module information.

19.1.2 Device Name

Item	Description
Label 1	The Device name section contains label settings, which can be edited and saved. Values entered for the Label 1 and Label 2 variables are stored in the Management Information Base (MIB) of the module. The labels jointly constitute the device label, a user-friendly name for the physical device, which will serve to identify and address the module on the network when working with the MX network service and MX applications. The current value for Label 1 is displayed in the upper pane of the web pages.
Label 2	



Title pane with Label 1 value

19.1.3 Advanced



Device Management > General > Advanced

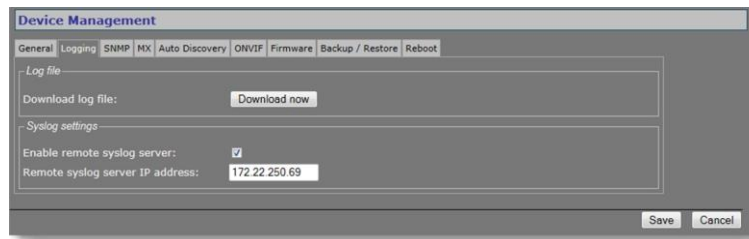
19.1.3.1 Alarm Settings

Item	Description
Board temperature alarm	A notification is issued on the network when the temperature value set here is exceeded. Module alarms can be read and processed using additional Siqura software (which will also enable you to configure alarm levels and destinations).

19.1.3.2 LED control

Item	Description
Disable LEDs	For security reasons or energy efficiency you can deactivate all LEDs on the unit here.
Flash DC LED	Range: [0 ... 1000]. To identify a BC840-PID among other units, enter a value and click Save . The power LED on this particular unit will blink for the number of seconds you set.

19.2 Logging



Device Management > Logging

19.2.1 Log file

Press the *Download now* button to download a log file from the BC840-PID to your computer. The 'system.log' file which opens in Notepad may prove useful when you are troubleshooting issues.

19.2.2 Syslog settings

Syslog is a standard which allows devices to send event notification messages over IP networks to event message collectors, also known as syslog servers.

- ▶ **To enable a remote syslog server**
 1. In *Syslog settings*, select **Enable remote syslog server**.
 2. Specify the IP address of the remote syslog server.
 3. Click **Save**.

19.3 SNMP

The screenshot shows the 'Device Management' web interface with the 'SNMP' tab selected. The interface is organized into several sections:

- SNMP System Information:** Contains three text input fields for 'Contact:', 'Name:', and 'Location:'.
- SNMP Communities:** Contains three text input fields for 'Read:' (value: public), 'Read/Write:' (value: private), and 'Trap:' (value: public).
- SNMP Agent:** Contains a text input field for 'Port:' with the value 161.
- SNMP Traps:** Contains a radio button selection for 'Version:' (v1 is selected, v2 is unselected), and two rows of 'Destination IP : port:' and 'Alternative destination IP : port:' fields, both with values 0.0.0.0 and 162. There is also an unchecked checkbox for 'Enable authentication trap:'.

'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons are located at the bottom right of the form.

Device Management > SNMP

19.3.1 SNMP System Information

The SNMP System Information section shows the network/device data specifically made available to the SNMP manager for making the device, its location and service manager(s) traceable.

19.3.2 SNMP Communities

The community strings (names which can be regarded as passwords) in the SNMP Communities section must conform to those configured in the SNMP manager. Often, these are 'public', mainly used for the read and trap communities, and 'private' or 'netman', for read-write operations. The manager program may offer additional choices.

19.3.3 SNMP Agent

The module has an SNMP Agent running which listens for information requests from the SNMP manager on port 161 by default.

19.3.4 SNMP Traps

A BC840-PID alarm status change generates a trap which can be caught by any SNMP manager. The BC840-PID can, for example, send traps on the occurrence of Image Quality and Camera Tampering events. Variables, which can be read from the BC840-PID's MIB through an SNMP manager, indicate why the alarm occurred. The OPTC-VCA-MIB required for this can be downloaded, together with the other BC840-PID MIBs, at www.siquira.com.

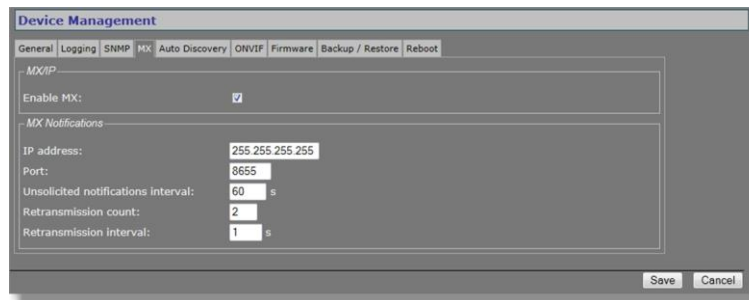
Note that *Version* and *Destination IP : port* are required fields.

Item	Description
Version	The SNMP version used.
Destination IP : port	The IP address associated with the manager program, and the destination port (162 is the default port).
Alternative destination IP : port	If desired, an alternative destination IP address and port can be added.
Enable authentication trap	It is possible to add an authentication trap to be able to catch attempts at access using the wrong community string.

19.3.5 Polling

Depending on facilities offered by the SNMP manager, a number of variables can be read out and in a few cases be edited and set. The Ethernet port variables are contained in the 'system' and 'interfaces' sections of RFC 1213-MIB.

19.4 MX



Device Management > MX

19.4.1 MX/IP

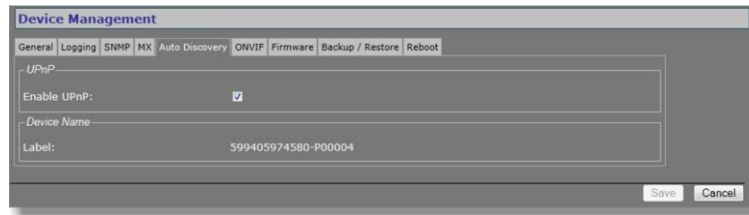
MX/IP is a UDP protocol used to communicate with Siqura equipment over a network connection. The Siqura Software Suite applications use the MX/IP protocol to access, configure, and control Siqura network devices.

Item	Description
Enable MX	In addition to the proprietary MX/IP protocol, a BC840-PID can be accessed, configured and managed using a variety of open standards. Therefore, you can disable the MX protocol. Be aware that doing so will prevent you from upgrading the BC840-PID firmware through the MX Firmware Upgrade Tool application.

19.4.2 MX Notifications

Item	Description
IP address	With 255.255.255.255 as the IP address for the manager, the MX notifications would be broadcast over the subnet.
Port	Generally, the MX notifications port must not be modified.
Unsolicited notifications interval	Sends the module status as MX notification at the specified interval to be picked up by a management program.
Retransmission count	If desired, notifications can be retransmitted. With a retransmission count value of 2, the actual number of transmissions equals 3 (including the original transmission).
Retransmission interval	Sets the frequency of retransmissions.

19.5 Auto Discovery



Device Management > Auto Discovery

19.5.1 Advertise the BC840-PID

On the Auto Discovery tab, you can enable UPnP (Universal Plug and Play). If enabled, UPnP allows the BC840-PID to advertise its presence and services to control points on the network. A control point can be a network device with embedded UPnP, a VMS application or a spy software tool, such as Device Spy. With the UPnP service enabled in Windows (see *Appendix: Enable UPnP in Windows 7*), you can connect to the BC840-PID from Windows Explorer.

19.5.1.1 Note

Note on UPnP: The goal of Universal Plug and Play (UPnP), a set of computer network protocols, is to enable peer-to-peer simple and robust connectivity among stand-alone devices and PCs from different vendors. UPnP networking involves (some or all of) the following steps.

Step 1: Discovery. Devices advertise their presence and services to a control point on the network. Control points can search for devices on the network. A discovery message is exchanged, containing a few essential specifics about the devices, e.g. its type, identifier and a pointer to more detailed information.

Step 2: Description. The control point can request the device's description from the URL provided in the discovery message. The device description is expressed in XML and includes vendor-specific information, such as the model name, serial number, manufacturer name, URLs to vendor-specific web sites.

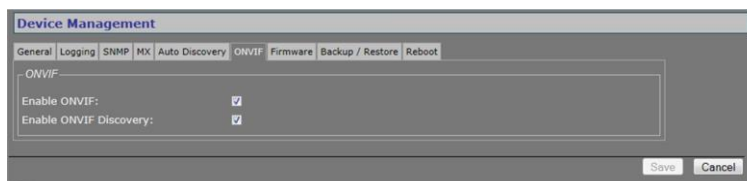
Step 3: Control. The control point can send actions to a device's service.

Step 4: Event. The control point listens to state changes in the devices.

Step 5: Presentation. If a device has a URL for presentation, the control point can display a page in a web browser, and – if the page offers these capabilities – allow the user to control the device and/or view the device status.

The BC840-PID supports the following Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) functionality: *Discovery*, *Description* (partly supported), and *Presentation*.

19.6 ONVIF



Device Management > ONVIF

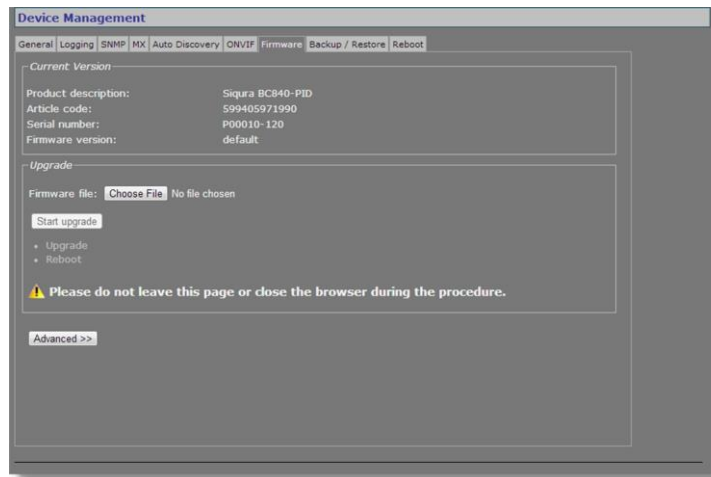
The BC840-PID supports the ONVIF standard. On the ONVIF tab, you can enable ONVIF compatibility and ONVIF discovery.

Item	Description
Enable ONVIF	Enables the ONVIF interface on the BC840-PID.
Enable ONVIF Discovery	Makes the BC840-PID discoverable for ONVIF clients. Clear this check box if you prefer to disable discovery. In that case, the BC840-PID can still be controlled from ONVIF clients that "know" of its existence.

19.6.1 Note

Note on ONVIF: The Open Network Video Interface Forum (ONVIF) is a global and open CCTV/security industry forum which aims to increase interoperability of cameras, codecs, and VMS and similar systems of different brands and manufacturers by standardising the discovery, management, control and other interfaces between them. The ONVIF architecture is largely built on top of web services. Web services typically use the HTTP protocol to exchange XML messages according to the Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP) standard. A standardised API is defined between server and client devices. ONVIF defines an NVT (Network Video Transmitter) to model the server side (that is, codecs and cameras) and an NVC (Network Video Controller) to model the client side (that is, VMS systems and the like). The communication between NVC and NVT is standardised by the ONVIF core specification document and the API is formally defined by making use of WSDL (Web Service Description Language) files.

19.7 Firmware



Device Management > Firmware

19.7.1 Firmware images

The BC840-PID has two firmware storage areas: a *fixed image* area and an *upgrade image* area. The fixed image area contains the original factory version of the firmware. This cannot be erased. The upgrade image area is usually empty upon factory release.

If the existing firmware in the BC840-PID is to be replaced, a new version can be written to the upgrade image area. There, the new image resides in erasable (flash) memory.

An upgrade image can replace an existing upgrade image written to the device at an earlier upgrade. It is essential that the upgrade image is compatible with the BC840-PID.

19.7.2 Current Version

This section offers information on the currently active firmware version.

19.7.3 Upgrade

This section of the webpage enables you to upgrade the firmware residing in the upgrade image area.

Important: On upgrading a BC840-PID to firmware version 4.0 and higher, all existing users are deleted. After a successful upgrade, you can access the webpages with the default Admin account (user name = Admin; password = 1234).

» **To upgrade the BC840-PID firmware**

1. On the *Device Management* page, open the **Firmware** tab.
2. In the *Upgrade* section, click **Browse**.
3. In the *Choose File to Upload* dialog box, browse to the folder containing the firmware image.
4. Select the firmware file (`.sqrfw` extension), and then click **Open**.

Note: Files with an `.nkffw` extension cannot be used to upgrade the BC840-PID via the webpage. You can use them to upgrade the unit through MX Firmware Upgrade Wizard. This software is embedded in Siqura's MX Configuration Tool and is also available as a stand-alone tool.

5. Click **Start upgrade**.
Progress of the upgrade is shown under the *Start upgrade* button.

Important: Do not leave the Firmware tab or close your browser during the upgrade procedure.

A "Successfully upgraded to version ..." message indicates a successful upgrade.

6. Click **refresh now** to refresh the web page immediately, or wait for it to refresh automatically after 30 seconds.
The new software version displays in the Current Version section of the Firmware tab.

19.7.4 Troubleshoot upgrade issues

Successful upgrades are reported as "Successfully upgraded to version ..." In the event of an unsuccessful upgrade, the following error messages may help you pinpoint the cause of the problem.

- ▶ *Upgrade procedure already in progress*
The unit received multiple upgrade requests at approximately the same time. However, only one request can be handled at a time. The later request receives this error message.
- ▶ *Invalid firmware file*
The unit performs a number of checks to determine the validity of the file. If it finds problems with the file, such as the file not being a firmware file with a `.sqrfw` extension, it displays this error message.
- ▶ *Device hardware is incompatible*
If the image identifier of the hardware does not match the image identifier of the firmware file, this error message indicates that the selected firmware file is not intended for the unit. In that case, the upgrade procedure is terminated. The fixed image and the upgrade image stay in the memory of the unit. After a reboot, the unit runs the **same image** as before the reboot.
- ▶ *Firmware file is corrupt*
The firmware file contains a CRC error. When this error occurs, the unit reboots automatically and restarts with the **fixed image**.
- ▶ *Rule validation failed*
The rules embedded in the firmware file and the result of checking these rules indicate that the firmware should not be installed on this unit.

- ▶ *Failed to write firmware to flash*
The firmware file is streamed directly into flash. Various errors may occur while writing the firmware to flash. There may be connection loss, for example, or a reboot during the upgrade procedure. If any such error occurs, the unit reboots automatically and restarts with the **fixed image**.
- ▶ *Failed to revert back to the factory firmware.*
This message displays in the unlikely case that something goes wrong reverting back to the factory-installed firmware.

19.7.5 Advanced

For various reasons you may want to downgrade the BC840-PID firmware to the original factory-installed image kept in the fixed image area. This can be done in the Advanced Settings section of the Firmware tab.

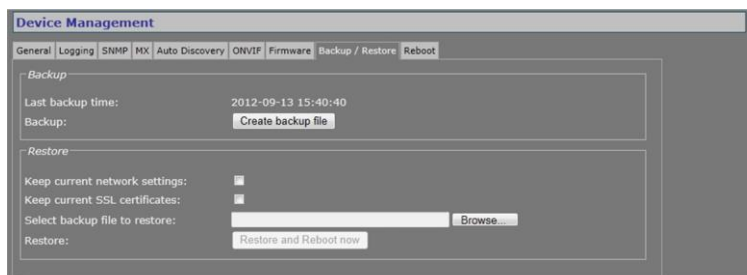
- ▶ **To revert to the BC840-PID's fixed image**
 1. On the *Device Management* page, open the **Firmware** tab.
 2. Click **Advanced >>**.
 3. Click **Revert to factory version**.
 4. To confirm the removal of the upgraded firmware, press **Continue**.
Progress of the downgrade process is shown under the *Revert to factory version* button.

Important: Do not leave the Firmware tab or close your browser during the downgrade procedure.

A "Successfully reverted to version ..." message indicates a successful downgrade.

5. Click **refresh now** to refresh the web page immediately, or wait for it to refresh automatically after 30 seconds.
6. Log on to the unit again.
On reopening the Firmware tab, the Current Version section has the version number of the factory-installed image.

19.8 Backup/Restore



Device Management > Backup / Restore

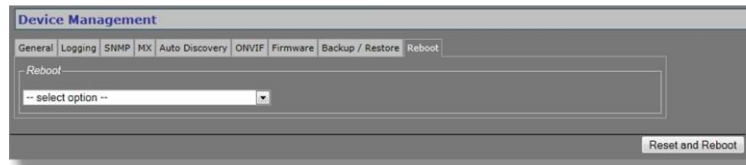
19.8.1 Backup

Item	Description
Last backup time	Date and time of the most recent backup.
Backup	Saves the current configuration of the BC840-PID to the designated download folder.

19.8.2 Restore

Item	Description
Keep current network settings	Select to preserve the current network settings when you restore a backed-up BC840-PID configuration.
Keep current SSL certificates	Select to preserve currently installed SSL certificates, if any, when you restore a backed-up BC840-PID configuration.
Select backup file to restore	Browse for and select the backed-up BC840-PID configuration you wish to restore.
Restore	Starts the restore process using the selected backup file.

19.9 Reboot



Device Management > Reboot

Item	Description
Reboot	Reboots the unit without resetting variables.
Reset to factory settings: keep network settings	Reset option for all variables that can be set by the user, with the exception of the network settings.
Reset to factory settings; incl. network settings	A complete reset which will restore the unit's settings, including the IP address/subnet mask, to their original, default values. This could make the unit unreachable for in-band communications, in which case the internal web pages are accessible only by (temporarily) moving a PC to the same subnet as the BC840-PID.

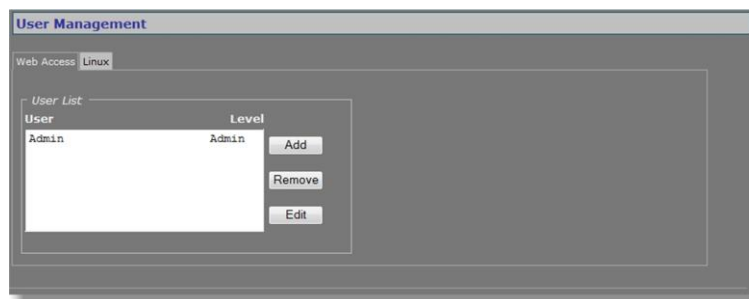
20 User Management

The User Management page is accessible to users with an Admin account. On this page, Administrators can manage user accounts and set the Linux root password.

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20.1 Web Access



User Management > Web Access

20.1.1 Access control

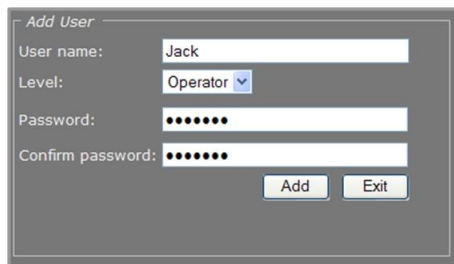
The BC840-PID has three levels of access to the internal web pages. User groups are: *Administrators*, *Operators*, and *Viewers*. Do *not* use the name of one of these groups as a user name. Out of the box, the unit has no user accounts configured. The BC840-PID supports up to 20 users at a time.

Important: On upgrading a BC840-PID to firmware version 4.0 and higher, all existing users are deleted. After a successful upgrade, you can access the webpages with the default Admin account (user name = Admin; password = 1234).

20.1.2 Manage user accounts

» To add a user

1. On the *User Management* page, open the **Web Access** tab.
2. In the *User List* section, click **Add**.
The Add User section displays.
3. Enter the new user name (alphanumeric and underscore only) and password. Confirm the password to prevent errors.
4. Select the appropriate access level.
5. To write the settings into the unit, click **Add**.
The user is added to the User List.

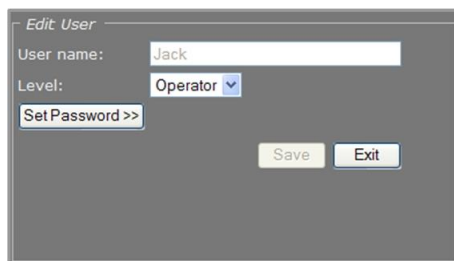


The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Add User". It has four input fields: "User name:" with the text "Jack", "Level:" with a dropdown menu showing "Operator", "Password:" with a masked field of seven dots, and "Confirm password:" with a masked field of seven dots. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "Add" and "Exit".

Adding a user

» To edit a user

1. On the *User Management* page, open the **Web Access** tab.
2. Select the user name from the *User List*, and then click **Edit**.
The Edit User section displays.
3. Modify the user name, permission level, and/or password.
4. To write the settings into the module, click **Save**.



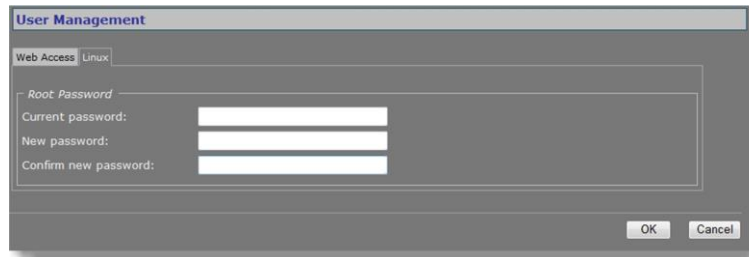
The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Edit User". It has three input fields: "User name:" with the text "Jack", "Level:" with a dropdown menu showing "Operator", and a "Set Password >>" button. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "Save" and "Exit".

Editing a user

» To delete a user

1. On the *User Management* page, open the **Web Access** tab.
2. Select the user name from the *User List*, and then click **Remove**.
3. To confirm the deletion, press **OK**.

20.2 Linux



The screenshot shows a 'User Management' dialog box with a 'Linux' tab selected. Under the 'Root Password' section, there are three input fields: 'Current password:', 'New password:', and 'Confirm new password:'. The 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons are visible at the bottom right of the dialog.

User Management > Linux

The root account is a special account that can be used for system administration. The account is always present and should be password protected at all times. The root password, which is required when logging on to Linux with root authority, is "1234" by default. Using the Linux tab an Admin can set or change the root password. Should you have forgotten the password to your Admin account and be locked out of the system, you can regain access by logging in as root with a valid root password. Through the root account you can then reset the Admin password.

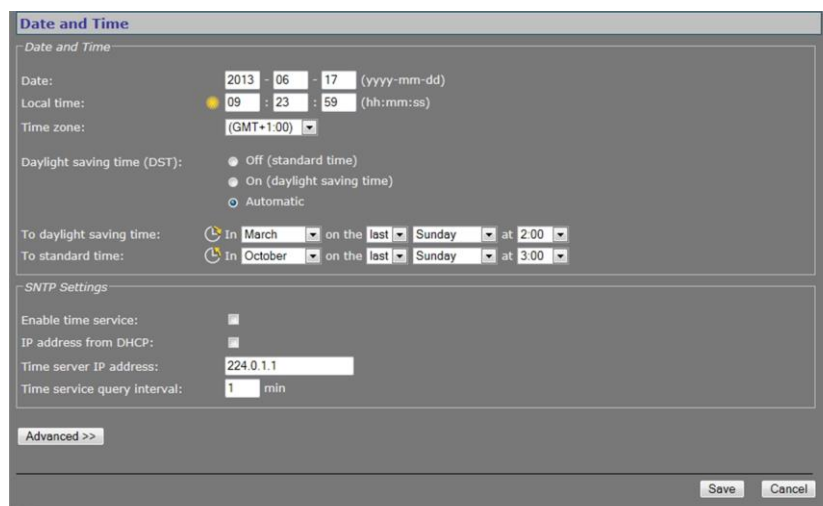
21 Date and Time

The BC840-PID has a battery-supported real-time clock. This chapter explains how to adjust the date and time.

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21.1 Date and time



Date and Time

You can set the date and time manually in the Date and Time section. Press **Save** to make your changes permanent.

On-screen date/time display can be activated on the OSD tab of the Video page. The on-screen position and colour of the text are governed by the relevant OSD settings.

- » **To set the date and time manually**
 1. In the SNTP Settings section, clear **Enable time service**.
This activates the Date and Local time text boxes.
 2. Set the date and local time.
 3. On the *Time zone* list, select your local zone.

- » **To disable Daylight saving time**
 - ▶ Select **Off (standard time)**.
Standard time will be used throughout the year.

- » **To activate Daylight saving time manually**
 - Select **On (daylight saving time)**.
This adds one hour to the currently configured local time. The unit will not automatically switch between summer and winter time.
- » **To activate automatic Daylight saving time switchover**
 1. Select **Automatic**.
 2. Use the *To daylight saving time* and *To standard time* lists to enter the appropriate start and end details.
The unit will automatically adjust at the given dates and times.

	DST begins	DST ends
Australia	2:00 AM local time on first Sunday in October	3:00 AM local time on first Sunday in April
China	N/A	N/A
Europe	2:00 AM local time on last Sunday in March	3:00 AM local time on last Sunday in October
Russia	N/A	N/A
USA	2:00 AM local time on second Sunday in March	2:00 AM local time on first Sunday in November

21.2 SNTP Settings

The date and time can be adjusted automatically with the aid of a Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP) server. If enabled, the SNTP server is queried automatically by the internal clocks, with a configurable time interval.

- » **To set up the BC840-PID for use with an SNTP server**
 1. In *SNTP Settings*, clear **Enable time service**, and then click **Save**.
 2. In *Date and Time*, open the **Time zone** list, and then select your local zone.
 3. Select the *Daylight saving time (DST)* option to be applied.
 4. Click **Save**, and then wait for 2 seconds.
 5. Set the **Date** and **Local time** values.
A maximum error of 5 minutes is allowed for these settings.
 6. Click **Save**.
 7. In *SNTP Settings*, select **Enable time service**.
 8. Select **IP address from DHCP** or specify the IP address of the time server.
Assigning the IP address via DHCP requires that DHCP is enabled in section Advanced of the Network page.
 9. Adjust the **Time service query interval** (if necessary), and then click **Save**.
The unit will now synchronise (within the interval set in the SNTP Settings section) to the time server and remain synchronised, also after reboots.

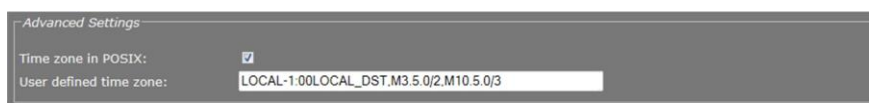
Note: (S)NTP synchronisation is mandatory for ONVIF.

Notes for advanced users

- ▶ Far off (more than a few minutes) or jumping time server values may be rejected by the unit.
- ▶ You should *never* test the tracking to the time server by changing the time in the NTP server. You can only test it by leaving Time Service mode, changing "Local Time" slightly (max 5 minutes), and then enabling Time Service mode again.
- ▶ After detecting a negative time jump (between 0 ... -1 hour), when connecting to the NTP server, for example, the next NTP client update cycle will be delayed for that time plus the normal polling interval. You may disable, and then enable NTP mode to immediately synchronise.
- ▶ Changing the local time may sometimes trigger a reboot of the unit. The time will be correct after the reboot.

Note: (S)NTP synchronisation is mandatory for ONVIF.

21.3 Advanced



Date and Time > Advanced

As an alternative to using the the Date and Time section values to configure time zone and DST settings, you can go to Advanced Settings and enter custom settings there. You may, for example, need to set a time zone which is not included in the list. Once you have saved a custom value, the Time zone list in the Date and Time section indicates "User defined".

Custom time zones can have the Time zone list format or the POSIX 1003.1 time zone strings format as defined in *Standard for Information Technology - Portable Operating System Interface (POSIX) - Base Definitions, IEEE Std 1003.1-2004, December 2004*. The benefit of the POSIX format is that time zone and DST details can be specified more explicitly than through the Date and Time section.

Note: Adjusting time zone and DST settings through POSIX is recommended only for advanced users who are familiar with the intricacies of POSIX.

▶▶ To adjust the time zone and DST through POSIX

1. Select **Time zone in POSIX**.
2. In the *User defined time zone* text box, enter a valid POSIX time zone string.
If the string is recognised, the Date and Local time values in the Date and Time section are adjusted accordingly.

22 Multicast, multi-unicast, and port numbers

The BC840-PID can be used in a multicast setting. This chapter outlines IP multicast and one of its methods in particular: source-specific multicast. It then describes the concept of multi-unicast. You also learn about assigning valid port numbers.

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22.1 Multicast

IP multicast

The BC840-PID supports IP multicast. This is a method for 'one-to-many' real-time communication over an IP network. The technique can be used to send BC840-PID media streams to a group of interested receivers in a single transmission. The intermediary network switches and routers replicate the data packets to reach the multiple receivers on the network. The switches and other network devices used must be carefully configured for, and capable of handling multicasting and its associated protocols (most notably IGMP). Packets should be sent over each link in the network only once. If not, broadcasting will occur, which can put a very heavy load on the network. This is a phenomenon inherent to multicasting and the facilities of network devices, not of the BC840-PID itself, although it is compounded by the density of the UDP streams used.

Multicast group

A multicast group is used by the source, that is - the BC840-PID, and the receivers to send and receive multicast messages. To define a multicast group, the source unit should be assigned a valid multicasting ('destination') TX stream address and the destination units should get this same address as source. IPv4 uses the address range 224.0.0.0 through 239.255.255.255 for multicast applications. The source unit has no knowledge of how many receivers there are. The group vanishes when the source is disabled, but the source will *not* automatically be disabled when the last remaining destination is cancelled and will keep transmitting at least towards the nearest switch. Additionally, it is possible to have the multicast group units send unsolicited membership reports, keeping it alive even if only one - any - unit of the group is still active.

Source-specific multicast

The BC840-PID also supports source-specific multicast (SSM). This technique allows a receiver to specify a specific source sending to the multicast group and receive traffic originating from that source only. Singling out the source in this way can considerably reduce the network load. Note that SSM must be supported by the last-hop router and the receiver's operating system, and that the receiver requires IGMPv3 to be able to specify the specific source.

SSM is implemented on the encoder side, by having the unit transmit a multicast stream to the 232.x.x.x group (the range assigned to SSM) via RTSP. The Session Description Protocol (SDP) file generated by the RTSP server includes additional information containing the source IP (S) and the multicast group (G). The RTSP client in the decoder can then issue an IGMP join message containing S and G. The intermediary routers can use this information to determine the shortest path between encoder and decoder to route the multicast stream. On the decoder side, the user requests a stream from the encoder, using an SSM aware RTSP client (such as VLC, for example).

For more information on source-specific multicast, refer to the following.

rfc4607 <http://tools.ietf.org/pdf/rfc4607.pdf>

rfc4570 <http://tools.ietf.org/pdf/rfc4570.pdf>

rfc3569 <ftp://ftp.rfc-editor.org/in-notes/pdf/rfc3569.txt.pdf>

rfc5760 <http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/pdf/rfc5760.txt.pdf>

22.2 Multi-unicasting

As an alternative to multicasting, the BC840-PID features 'multi-unicasting', that is - sending out up to 2x3 independent copies of video, and 3 of audio, data and contact closure streams. If the bit rates selected are moderate, it may be more convenient to use this mechanism instead of multicasting, even though the network gets more signal to carry from the encoder.

When such a destination is removed, the source also stops sending the corresponding stream. If the input channel of a destination is disabled without disabling the source, source transmission will be throttled, but not disabled (this behavior is selectable through the FloodGuard settings). The source downsizes the stream by sending empty UDP packets until a wake-up call is received. The empty packets, of course, carry the relevant IP/port information.

22.3 Port numbers

A valid UDP port number in a Siquira A-, C-, S-, and V-series system is an unsigned 16-bit integer between 1024 and 65536. Generally, you do not need to select other than the default receiver port numbers as given in the MIB (Management Information Base). If you want to change these receiver port numbers for some reason, use even numbers. A given receiver port number N is associated with the port number N+1, through which control information is returned to the source.

Eligible port numbers in general are within the range indicated above, with some exceptions. Those within the 3000-10000 range are reserved and/or hard-coded, or may become reserved, so only 10000-65535 are generally safe. Default port numbers (used by receivers) are shown in the following table.

General		Example	
Video	50xxx	Video	50010
Audio	51xxx	Audio	51010
Data	52xxx	Data 1	52010 (RS-4xx)
		Data 2	52020 (RS-232)
CC	53xxx	CC 1	53010
		CC 2	53020

Default port numbers

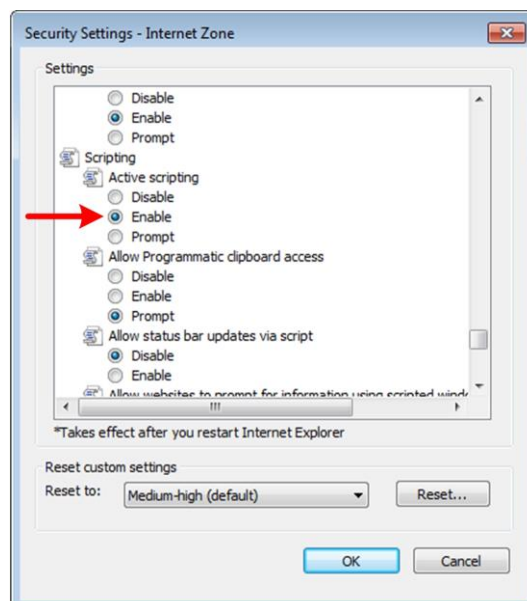
Siquira MX applications using automatic port number allocation may use 55000 and up.

Appendix: Enable JavaScript

To have the BC840-PID webpages displayed correctly, JavaScript must be enabled in your web browser.

► **To enable JavaScript in Internet Explorer**

1. On the *Tools* menu, click **Internet Options**.
2. On the *Security* tab, click the Internet globe icon, and then click **Custom level**.
3. On the *Settings* list, search for *Active scripting*, and then click **Enable**.
4. Click **OK**, and then close *Internet Options*.



Active scripting enabled

Appendix: Install a video player

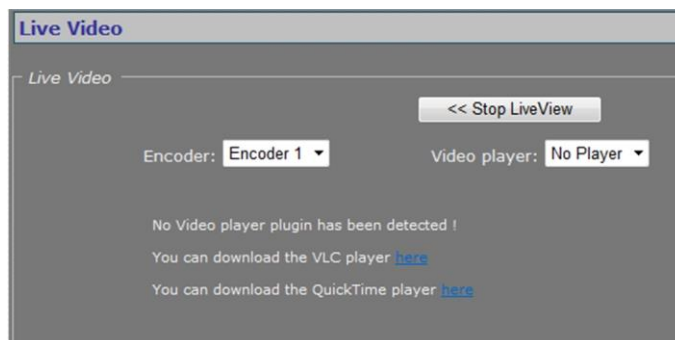
Viewing video streams on the webpages of the BC840-PID requires a video player installation on the machine running the web browser. This appendix provides instructions for installing QuickTime and VLC, the video plug-ins supported by the BC840-PID.

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Download video player software

The BC840-PID supports QuickTime and VLC. If neither is detected when you attempt to open a video stream in the webpages, the Video player list indicates “No Player”. You can use the hyperlinks on the webpage (see below) to download the required software.



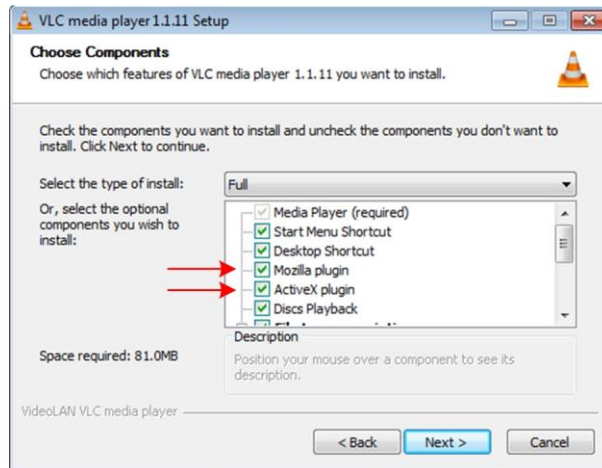
Live Video page with video player download links

Install QuickTime

QuickTime installation is straightforward and self-explanatory.

Install VLC

VLC installation requires special attention. When installing this software, make sure you select the Mozilla plug-in and ActiveX plug-in components in the VLC Setup wizard.



Required components: Mozilla and ActiveX plug-ins

Note: The support of VLC, an open source community, may differ between releases. The BC840-PID has been successfully tested with VLC v2.1.0.

VLC and Windows Vista/Windows 7

- ▶ **To configure VLC media player settings when running this plug-in on a Windows Vista or Windows 7 PC.**
 1. Open the VLC media player.
 2. On the *Tools* menu, click **Preferences**.
 3. In the *Show settings* section (lower left corner), click **All**.
 4. Expand the **Video** list, and then click **Output Modules**.
 5. In the *Video output module* list, click either DirectX video output, OpenGL video output, or Windows GDI video output.
 6. Expand **Output Modules**, and then click **DirectX**.
 7. Clear the **Use hardware YUV > RGB conversions** check box.
 8. Click **Save**.

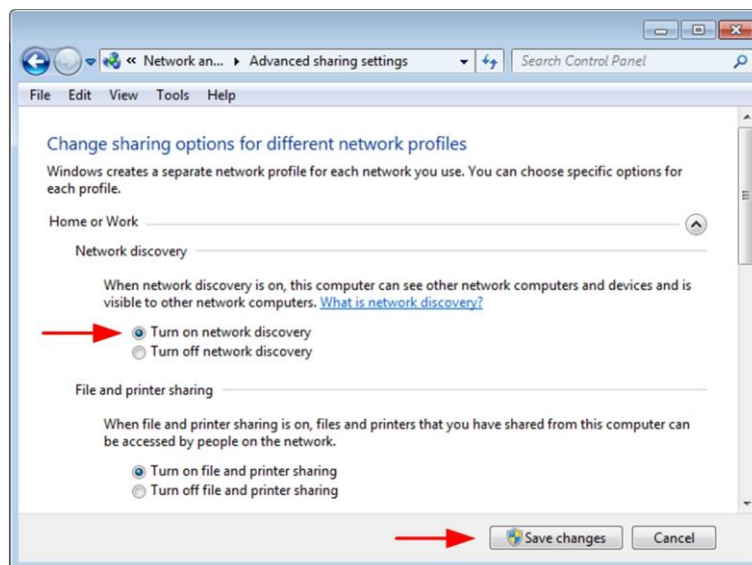
Appendix: Enable UPnP in Windows 7

With UPnP enabled in Windows, it is possible to see Siqura devices in Windows Explorer. You can double-click a device to open its webpages.

» **To enable UPnP in Windows 7**

1. In *Control Panel*, click **Network and Sharing Center**.
2. In the left pane, click **Change advanced sharing settings**.
3. Under the relevant network profile, click **Turn on network discovery**.
4. Click **Save changes**

UPnP will now automatically start when you turn on your computer.



Enable network discovery

Appendix: NTCIP Configuration

The National Transportation Communications for ITS Protocol (NTCIP) provides a communications standard that ensures the interoperability and interchangeability of traffic control and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) devices. This appendix provides information about the conformance groups which are supported by the BC840-PID.

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Supported conformance groups

The BC840-PID firmware supports all the mandatory parts and some of the optional parts (see table below) of the NTCIP CCTV specification as laid down in the NTCIP 1205:2001 v01.08 document. This means that - in terms of section 4 of this document - the following conformance groups are supported.

Conformance group	Reference	Conformance requirement
Configuration	NTCIP 1201:1996	mandatory
CCTV Configuration	NTCIP 1205	mandatory
Motion Control	NTCIP 1205	optional

Conformance statement table

Configuration

Most of the Configuration conformance group objects listed below contain static device information.

- ▶ Global Set ID parameter
- ▶ Maximum modules parameter
- ▶ Module table
- ▶ Module number
- ▶ Module device node
- ▶ Module make
- ▶ Module model
- ▶ Model version
- ▶ Module type
- ▶ Base standards parameter

CCTV configuration

The CCTV Configuration conformance group consist of objects that specify the configuration parameters of a CCTV. For details, refer to NTCIP 1205. Conformance requirement within the group is mandatory.

- ▶ rangeMaximumPreset
- ▶ rangePanLeftLimit
- ▶ rangePanRightLimit
- ▶ rangePanHomePosition
- ▶ trueNorthOffset
- ▶ rangeTiltUpLimit
- ▶ rangeTiltDownLimit
- ▶ rangeZoomLimit
- ▶ rangeFocusLimit
- ▶ rangeIrisLimit
- ▶ rangeMinimumPanStepAngle
- ▶ rangeMinimumTiltStepAngle
- ▶ timeoutPan
- ▶ timeoutTilt
- ▶ timeoutZoom
- ▶ timeoutFocus
- ▶ timeoutIris
- ▶ labelTable
 - labelEntry
 - labelIndex
 - labelText
 - labelFontType
 - labelHeight
 - labelColor
 - labelStartRow
 - labelStartColumn
 - labelStatus
 - labelLocationLabel
 - labelEnableTextDisplay

Motion control

The Motion Control group defines the variables that provide PTZ control. For details, refer to NTCIP 1205. Conformance requirement within the group is mandatory.

- ▶ presetGotoPosition
- ▶ presetStorePosition
- ▶ positionPan
- ▶ positionTilt
- ▶ positionZoomLens
- ▶ positionFocusLens
- ▶ positionIrisLens

Note: Camera control through NTCIP on Siquira multichannel products is limited to video channel 1.

SNMP MIB

NTCIP has its own SNMP MIB. This database is used to store information, which is used to control cameras and other devices in the transportation management system. An electronic version of the MIB is available from a NEMA FTP site. To get access to the FTP site, send your name, organisation name, and email address to ntcip@nema.org, and request access.