

# MultiVideo HDMI

1×4 Multi-head KVM Switch • HDMI • USB2.0 • Audio

## Installation and Operation Manual



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# LIMITED WARRANTY

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# INTRODUCTION

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## Disclaimer

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While every precaution has been taken in the preparation of this manual, the manufacturer assumes no responsibility for errors or omissions. Neither does the manufacturer assume any liability for damages resulting from the use of the information contained herein. The manufacturer reserves the right to change the specifications, functions, circuitry of the product, and manual content at any time without notice.

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## System Introduction

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Thank you for choosing the MultiVideo HDMI. It is the result of Rose Electronics commitment to providing state-of-the-art solutions for today's demanding workplace. It is capable of switching up to four dual-head or quad-head HDMI computers through a single user console.

The MultiVideo HDMI is HDMI compliant, and supports screen resolutions up to 4K Ultra-HD (3840x2160 @ 30Hz). Up to four USB 2.0 devices can be connected to the unit, which can be switched in tandem with the video or separately. The switch can be controlled through the front panel buttons, keyboard hot-key commands, or from a computer through an RS-232 interface. A separate analog audio interface can also be switched in tandem or independently. The HDMI signal also passes the embedded audio with no restriction.

EDID pass-through and full USB and mouse emulation of all connected monitors, keyboards and mice allow for smooth switching.

## Features

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- Quad-head or dual-head HDMI video input
- Resolutions up to 3840×2160 @ 30 Hz
- HDMI 1.4a compliant
- Full USB keyboard and mouse emulation to all computers provides switching without interruption
- Independent switching of KVM, peripheral USB devices, and audio
- Unit can be controlled using front panel push buttons, keyboard hot key commands, or RS-232 commands from an external controller
- Front panel LEDs indicate the active computer connection
- Can be used with any major operating system: Windows, Linux, MAC OS
- EDID pass-through enables smooth and efficient switching
- Mounts in a standard 19 inch rack

## Package Contents

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The package contents consist of the following items:

- MultiVideo HDMI Switch
- External power supply
- Power cable
- User Manual

### **Additional Items that may be required**

- USB Type A to USB Type B M/M cable
- HDMI to HDMI M/M cable
- Stereo 3,5mm audio M/M cable
- Serial DB9 M/F cable

These cables can be ordered separately from Rose Electronics.

## MultiVideo HDMI Models

The MultiVideo HDMI comes as a dual-head or quad-head KVM switch.

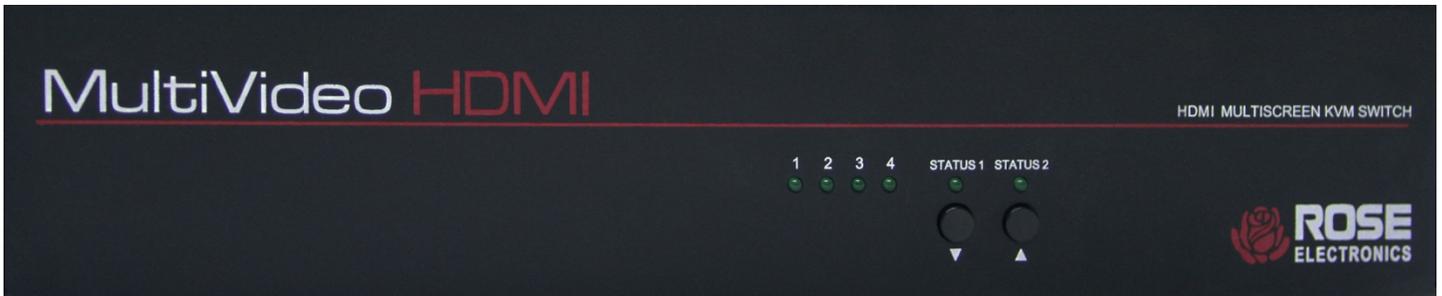


Figure 1. MultiVideo HDMI Dual Front Panel



Figure 2. MultiVideo HDMI Dual Rear Panel

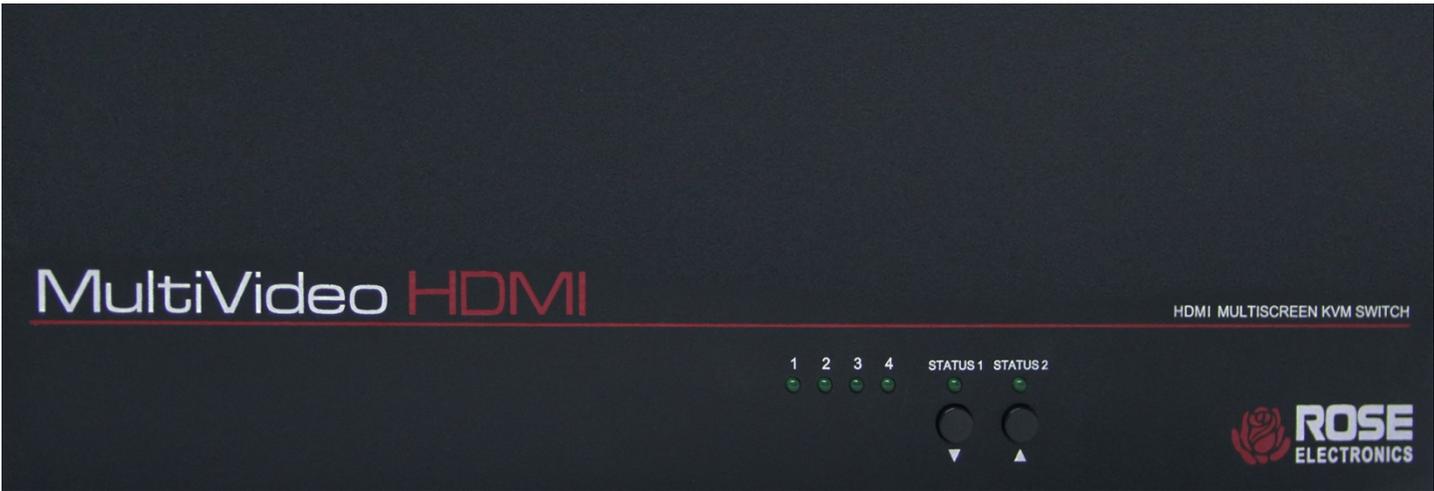


Figure 3. MultiVideo HDMI Quad Front Panel



Figure 4. MultiVideo HDMI Quad Rear Panel

## Installing the MultiVideo HDMI Switch

Installation of the MultiVideo HDMI is very simple.



**Figure 5. MultiVideo HDMI Dual typical application**

Ensure that power is disconnected from MultiVideo HDMI.

1. Connect HDMI cables and USB type A to type B cables between each computer and its respective ports on the MultiVideo HDMI.
2. If desired, use 3.5mm stereo jack audio cables (male to male) to connect the computers' analog audio line out ports to their respective audio input ports on the switch.
3. Optionally connect a serial control cable from an external controller to the DB9 connector.
4. Connect the console displays to the video output connectors.
5. Connect the USB keyboard and mouse to the unit's console keyboard and mouse connectors located at the lower right hand side of the rear panel.
6. Optionally connect analog audio output equipment to the 3.5mm analog output stereo jack.
7. Optionally connect up to two USB 2.0 devices (flash drive, printer, etc.) to the USB 2.0 connectors.
8. Apply power to the MultiVideo HDMI.

## Operation

### Controlling the Multivideo HDMI

The computers on the Multivideo HDMI can be switched using the buttons on the Front Panel, through keyboard hot-key commands, or RS-232 commands. The video, keyboard, and mouse can all be switched simultaneously or independently of each other. Each of these is described below.

#### Front Panel Control

To switch ports using the front panel, press the ▲ button to navigate up and ▼ button for down.

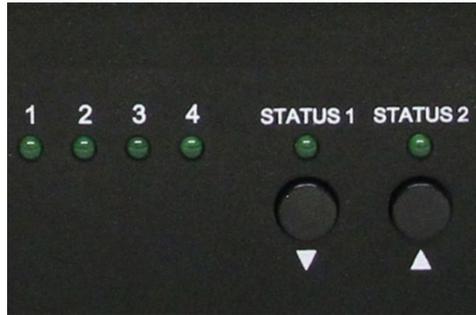


Figure 6. Front Panel Buttons

#### Hotkey Commands

A Hotkey command is a keyboard sequence used to trigger an action on the Multivideo HDMI through the use of the keyboard connected on the USB port of the Multivideo HDMI. To activate the hotkey sequence, press the CTRL key twice and then enter the desired hotkey commands.

Commands	Hotkeys	RS-232 Control
Switch all devices (KVM, USB 2.0, and Audio)	[CTRL] [CTRL] m [port#] [ENTER]	//m[port #][cr]
Switch KVM only	[CTRL] [CTRL] c [port#] [ENTER]	//c[port #][cr]
Switch audio only	[CTRL] [CTRL] a [port#] [ENTER]	//a[port #][cr]
Switch USB2.0 only	[CTRL] [CTRL] u [port#] [ENTER]	//u[port #][cr]
Switch analog audio only	[CTRL] [CTRL] a [port#] [ENTER]	//a[port #][cr]
EDID learning	[CTRL] [CTRL] e [ENTER]	//e[cr]
Same as front panel ▲ button	[CTRL] [CTRL] ↑ (up arrow key)	n/a
Same as front panel ▼ button	[CTRL] [CTRL] ↓ (down arrow key)	n/a
Reset	[CTRL] [CTRL] r	//r
Reset to factory defaults	[CTRL] [CTRL] f	//f

Table 1. Keyboard hotkey and RS-232 serial port commands

## Control using the RS-232 port

Controlling the Multivideo HDMI via RS-232 requires an RS-232 card installed on your computer or a USB to RS-232 adapter. Below are instructions on how to create an RS-232 connection between a PC and the Multivideo HDMI switch.

Use a terminal client software to connect the host PC or notebook to the switch. Make sure to use communication settings 9600 bps, N, 8, 1 No flow control.

Check the device and your PC to determine if you need a male to male or a male to female cable and how long it needs to be. The Multivideo HDMI requires a straight through cable. You can use a Null Modem Adapter to convert a crossed cable to a straight through cable. Examples of crossed and straight through cable pin-outs are shown below. The standard maximum length for an RS-232 cable is 50 feet (15 meters).

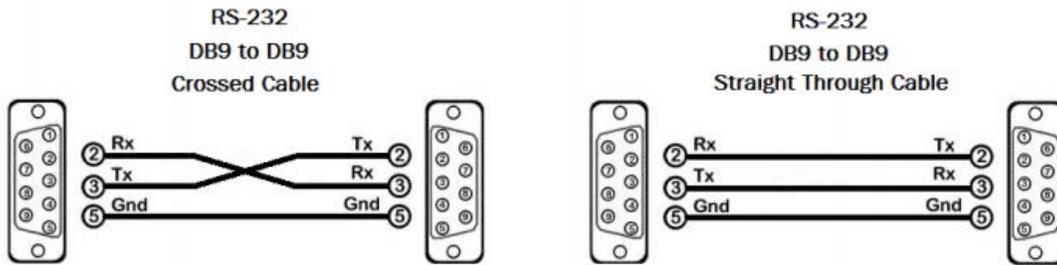


Figure 7. Examples of 9 pin RS-232 Straight Through and Crossed Cables

## Establish a connection to the Multivideo HDMI switch

1. Connect an RS-232 cable to the RS-232 connector on the PC.
2. Connect the other end of the cable to the RS-232 port of the Multivideo HDMI.
3. On Windows, use the Windows Control Panel / Device Manager to identify the COM port number. See instructions and Figure 8. below.
4. Power on the device.

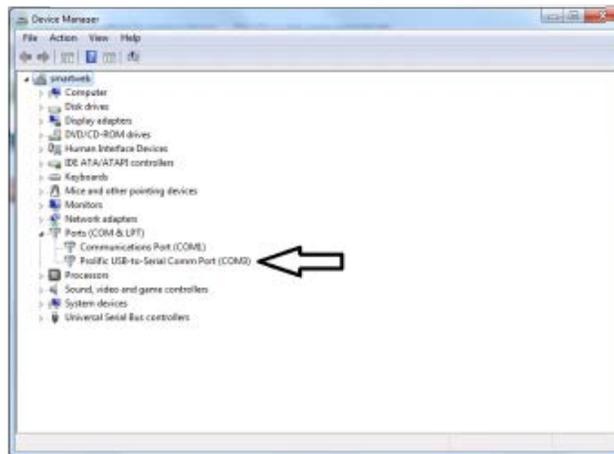


Figure 8. Identifying Serial Ports on Window Device Manager

If you are using a USB to COM port adapter on a Windows PC and need to identify the COM port used, do the following:

5. Click on the Windows Start button.
6. Click on Control Panel.
7. Click on Device Manager.
8. Click on the arrow next to Ports (COM & LPT).

You should see the name of your adapter and the COM port number in use.

## **EDID Learning and Programming**

The Multivideo HDMI features plug-and-play EDID, making the switch easy to implement in virtually any application. As soon as a user plugs in a monitor, the switch automatically learns and copies the EDID to all ports. The plug-and-play EDID helps make switching hassle free and simple.

## Safety

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The MultiVideo HDMI KVM Switch, like all electronic equipment, should be used with care. To protect yourself from possible injury and to minimize the risk of damage to the Unit, read and follow these safety instructions.

- Follow all instructions and warnings marked on this Unit.
- Except where explained in this manual, do not attempt to service this Unit yourself.
- Do not use this Unit near water.
- Assure that the placement of this Unit is on a stable surface.
- Provide proper ventilation and air circulation.
- Keep connection cables clear of obstructions that might cause damage to them.
- Use only power cords, power adapter and connection cables designed for this Unit.
- Keep objects that might damage this Unit and liquids that may spill, clear from this Unit. Liquids and foreign objects might come in contact with voltage points that could create a risk of fire or electrical shock.
- Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners to clean this Unit. Always unplug this Unit from the power source before cleaning.

Remove power from the unit and refer servicing to a qualified service center if any of the following conditions occur:

- The connection cables are damaged or frayed.
- The Unit has been exposed to any liquids.
- The Unit does not operate normally when all operating instructions have been followed.
- The Unit has been dropped or the case has been damaged.
- The Unit exhibits a distinct change in performance, indicating a need for service.

# SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE

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## Maintenance and Repair

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This Unit does not contain any internal user-serviceable parts. In the event a Unit needs repair or maintenance, you must first obtain a Return Authorization (RA) number from Rose Electronics or an authorized repair center. This Return Authorization number must appear on the outside of the shipping container.

See Limited Warranty for more information.

When returning a Unit, it should be double-packed in the original container or equivalent, insured and shipped to:

Rose Electronics

Attn: RA \_\_\_\_\_

10707 Stancliff Road

Houston, Texas 77099 USA

## Technical Support

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If you are experiencing problems, or need assistance installing your product, consult the appropriate section of this manual. If, however, you require additional information or assistance, please contact the Rose Electronics Technical Support Department at:

Phone: (281) 933-7673

E-mail: [TechSupport@rose.com](mailto:TechSupport@rose.com)

Web: [www.rose.com](http://www.rose.com)

Technical Support hours are from: 8:00 am to 6:00 pm CST (USA), Monday through Friday.

Please report any malfunctions in the operation of this Unit or any discrepancies in this manual to the Rose Electronics Technical Support Department.

# APPENDICES

## Appendix A – Specifications

<b>Chassis Dimensions (W x D x H) and Weight</b>		
Dimensions	Dual-Head	12.8" x 6.0" x 3.0" (325mm x 152mm x 76mm)
	Quad-Head	12.8" x 6.0" x 4.5" (325mm x 152mm x 114mm)
Weight	Dual-Head	4.4 lbs. (2.0 Kg)
	Quad Head	5.7 lbs. (2.6 Kg)
<b>Power Requirements</b>		
Power Source	100-240 VAC +5VDC 4A	
<b>Video</b>		
Computer Interface Connectors	HDMI A female; 8 for Dual-Head Models, 16 for Quad-Head Models	
User Interface Connectors	HDMI A female; 2 for Dual-Head Models, 4 for Quad-Head Models	
Maximum Resolution	3840 x 2160 @ 30HZ (4K2K @ 30Hz)	
Video Bandwidth	10.2 Gbps	
Input Cable Length	Up to 65 ft (20 m)	
Output Cable Length	Up to 65 ft (20 m)	
HDCP Compliant	Yes	
<b>Audio</b>		
Analog Audio Input	4 x 3.5mm stereo jack inputs	
Analog Audio Output	1 x 3.5mm stereo jack output	
Frequency Response	20Hz ~ 20KHz	
<b>USB</b>		
Signal Type	USB 2.0, 1.1, and 1.0 w/ internal hub	
Input Interface	4 x USB Type B female	
Output Interface	2 x USB 1.1 Type A female for keyboard and mouse; 2 x USB 2.0 Type A Transparent	
<b>Controls</b>		
PC Selection	Front, panel pushbutton, RS-232 DB9(F) serial port, and keyboard hotkey control	
Status LED's	4 LED's on the front panel for PC selection/operation Status 1 / Status 2 = Green	
Serial	RS-232, DB9(F), 9600bps, N,8,1 no flow control	
<b>Environmental</b>		
Operating Temp	23°F to 95°F (-5°C to 35°C)	
Storage Temp	-4°F to 185°F (-20°C to 85°C)	
Operating Humidity	5-90% relative, non-condensing	
<b>Approvals</b>		
	UL, CE, RoHS compliant	

# APPENDICES

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## Appendix B – Part Numbers

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Part Numbers	Description
MDM-4T2HD-A1	1X4 KVM Switch, Dual-head HDMI KVM switch
MDM-4T4HD-A1	1X4 KVM Switch, Quad-head, HDMI KVM switch
CAB-HDMIMM006	HDMI M/M 6 ft (2.0m) cable
CAB-USBMM006	USB-AB 6ft M/M (2.0m) cable
CAB-D9MF006	Serial DB9 M/F 6 ft (2.0 m)

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