

# **Network Video Recorder**

## **Quick Start Guide**

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### FCC Conditions

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference.
2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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### Industry Canada ICES-003 Compliance

This device meets the CAN ICES-3 (A)/NMB-3(A) standards requirements.



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These instructions are intended to ensure that user can use the product correctly to avoid danger or property loss.

The precaution measure is divided into “Warnings” and “Cautions”

**Warnings:** Serious injury or death may occur if any of the warnings are neglected.

**Cautions:** Injury or equipment damage may occur if any of the cautions are neglected.

	
<b>Warnings</b> Follow these safeguards to prevent serious injury or death.	<b>Cautions</b> Follow these precautions to prevent potential injury or material damage.



### Warnings

- Proper configuration of all passwords and other security settings is the responsibility of the installer and/or end-user.
- In the use of the product, you must be in strict compliance with the electrical safety regulations of the nation and region. Please refer to technical specifications for detailed information.
- Input voltage should meet both the SELV (Safety Extra Low Voltage) and the Limited Power Source with 100~240 VAC or 12 VDC according to the IEC60950-1 standard. Please refer to technical specifications for detailed information.
- Do not connect several devices to one power adapter as adapter overload may cause over-heating or a fire hazard.
- Please make sure that the plug is firmly connected to the power socket.
- If smoke, odor or noise rise from the device, turn off the power at once and unplug the power cable, and then please contact the service center.

## Preventive and Cautionary Tips

Before connecting and operating your device, please be advised of the following tips:



- Ensure unit is installed in a well-ventilated, dust-free environment.
- Unit is designed for indoor use only.
- Keep all liquids away from the device.
- Ensure environmental conditions meet factory specifications.
- Ensure unit is properly secured to a rack or shelf. Major shocks or jolts to the unit as a result of dropping it may cause damage to the sensitive electronics within the unit.
- Use the device in conjunction with an UPS if possible.
- Power down the unit before connecting and disconnecting accessories and peripherals.
- A factory recommended HDD should be used for this device.
- Improper use or replacement of the battery may result in hazard of explosion. Replace with the same or equivalent type only. Dispose of used batteries according to the instructions provided by the battery manufacturer.

## **Applicable Models**

This manual is applicable to Network Video Recorder.

## Symbol Conventions

The symbols that may be found in this document are defined as follows.

Symbol	Description
	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation, which if not avoided, could result in equipment damage, data loss, performance degradation, or unexpected results.
	Provides additional information to emphasize or supplement important points of the main text.

# Chapter1 Panels Description

## 1.1 Front Panel

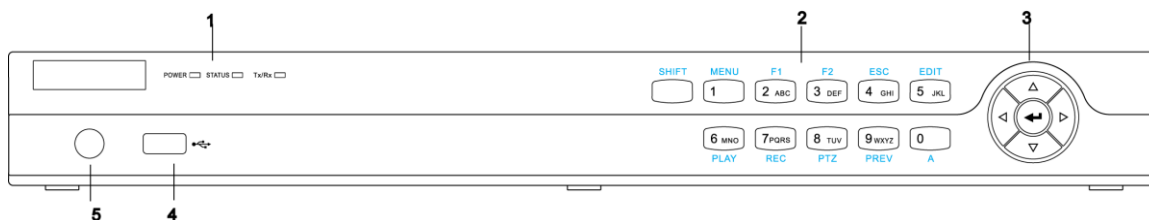


Figure 1. 1 Front Panel

Table 1. 1 Panel Description

No.	Name	Function Description	
1	POWER	Turns yellow when the device s running.	
	STATUS	Flickers red when data is being read from or written to HDD, and turns yellow when the SHIFT function is realized.	
	Tx/Rx	Flickers yellow when network connection is functioning properly.	
2	Composite Keys	SHIFT	Switches between the numeric or letter input and functions of the composite keys.
		1/MENU	Enters numeral “1”;
			Accesses the main menu interface.
		2/ABC/F1	Enters numeral “2”;
			Enters letters “ABC”;
			Uses the F1 button to select all items in a list field;
			Turns on/off PTZ light in PTZ Control mode, and use it to zoom out the image;
		3/DEF/F2	Switches between main and spot video output in live view or playback mode.
			Enters numeral “3”;
			Enters letters “DEF”;
		4/GHI/ESC	Uses the F2 button to change the tab pages;
			Zooms in the image in PTZ control mode.
			Enters numeral “4”;
		5/JKL/EDIT	Enters letters “GHI”;
			Exits and back to the previous menu.
Enters numeral “5”;			
Enters letters “JKL”;			
6/MNO/PLAY	Deletes characters before cursor;		
	Checks the checkbox and select the ON/OFF switch;		
	Starts/stops record clipping in playback.		



No.	Name	Function Description
		Enters letters “MNO”;
		Accesses to playback interface in Playback mode.
		<b>7/PQRS/REC</b>
	Enters letters “PQRS”;	
	Accesses to manual record interface; Manually enables/disables record.	
	<b>8/TUV/PTZ</b>	Enters numeral “8”;
		Enters letters “TUV”;
		Accesses PTZ control interface.
	<b>9/WXYZ/PREV</b>	Enters numeral “9”;
		Enters letters “WXYZ”;
		Multi-channel display in live view.
	<b>0/A</b>	Enters numeral “0”;
Shifts the input methods in the editing text field. (Upper and lowercase, alphabet, symbols or numeric input).		
3	<b>DIRECTION</b>	Navigates between different fields and items in menus.
		Uses the Up and Down buttons to speed up and slow down the playing of video files in Playback mode. The Left and Right button will select the next and previous record files.
		Cycles through channels in Live View mode.
		Controls the movement of the PTZ camera in PTZ control mode.
		<b>ENTER</b>
	Checks the checkbox.	
	Plays or pauses the playing of video files in Playback mode.	
	Advances the video by a single frame in single-frame Playback mode.	
	Stops/starts auto switch in Auto-switch mode.	
	4	<b>USB Interface</b>
5	<b>IR Receiver</b>	Receiver for IR remote control.

## 1.2 Rear Panel

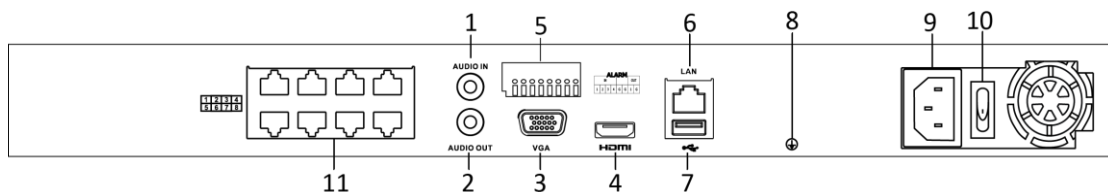


Figure 1. 2 Rear Panel for 16ch PoE NVR

Table 1. 2 Panel Description

No.	Name	Description
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1	<b>Audio In</b>	RCA connector for audio input.
2	<b>Audio Out</b>	RCA connector for audio output.
3	<b>VGA Interface</b>	DB9 connector for VGA output. Display local video output and menu.
4	<b>HDMI Interface</b>	HDMI video output connector.
5	<b>ALARM IN</b>	Connector for alarm input.
	<b>ALARM OUT</b>	Connector for alarm output.
6	<b>LAN Network Interface</b>	1 10/100/1000 Mbps self-adaptive Ethernet interface
7	<b>USB Interface</b>	Universal Serial Bus ports for additional devices such as USB mouse and USB Hard Disk Drive (HDD).
8	<b>Ground</b>	Ground (needs to be connected when NVR starts up).
9	<b>Power Supply</b>	100 to 240 VAC for 8ch/16ch.
10	<b>Power Switch</b>	Switch for turning on/off the device.
11	<b>Network Interfaces with PoE function</b>	Network interfaces for the cameras and to provide power over Ethernet.

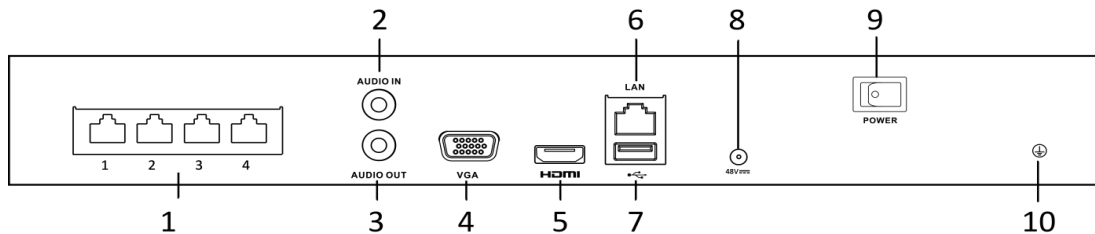


Figure 1. 3 Rear Panel for 4ch PoE NVR

Table 1. 3 Panel Description

No.	Name	Description
1	<b>Network Interfaces with PoE function</b>	Network interfaces for the cameras and to provide power over Ethernet.
2	<b>Audio In</b>	RCA connector for audio input.
3	<b>Audio Out</b>	RCA connector for audio output.
4	<b>VGA Interface</b>	DB9 connector for VGA output. Display local video output and menu.
5	<b>HDMI Interface</b>	HDMI video output connector.
6	<b>LAN Network Interface</b>	1 10/100 Mbps self-adaptive Ethernet interface
7	<b>USB Interface</b>	Universal Serial Bus ports for additional devices such as USB mouse and USB Hard Disk Drive (HDD).
9	<b>Power Supply</b>	48 VDC power supply.
10	<b>Ground</b>	Ground (needs to be connected when NVR starts up).

## Chapter 2 Installation and Connections

### 2.1 NVR Installation

During installation of the NVR:

1. Use brackets for rack mounting.
2. Ensure ample room for audio and video cables.
3. When routing cables, ensure that the bend radius of the cables are no less than five times than its diameter.
4. Connect the alarm cable.
5. Allow at least 2cm (≈0.75-inch) of space between racks mounted devices.
6. Ensure the NVR is grounded.
7. Environmental temperature should be within the range of -10 to +55 °C, +14 to +131 °F.
8. Environmental humidity should be within the range of 10% to 90%.

### 2.2 Hard Disk Installation

**Before you start:**

Disconnect the power from the NVR before installing a hard disk drive (HDD). A factory recommended HDD should be used for this installation.

**Tools Required:** Screwdriver.



As the installation steps of HDD are similar among different models, here we take the steps of one model as the example.

**Steps:**

1. Remove the cover from the NVR by unfastening the screws on the rear and side panel.



Figure 2. 1 Remove Cover

2. Connect one end of the data cable to the motherboard of NVR and the other end to the HDD.

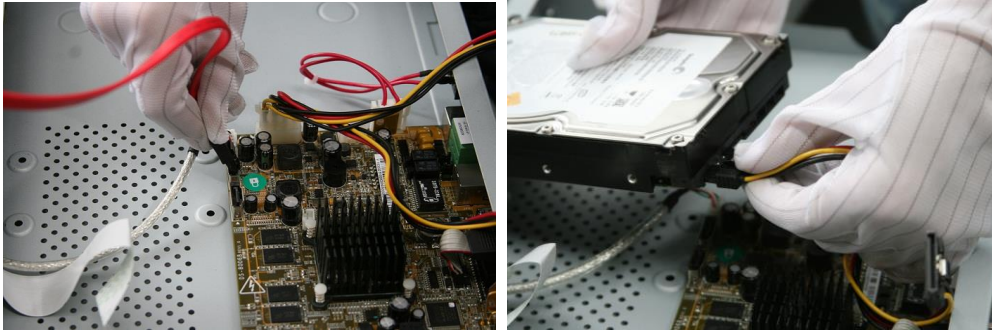


Figure 2. 2 Connect Data Cable

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3. Connect the power cable to the HDD.



Figure 2. 3 Connect Power Cable

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4. Place the HDD on the bottom of the device and then fasten the screws on the bottom to fix the HDD.



Figure 2. 4 Fix Hard Disk

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## 2.3 Connections

### 2.3.1 Alarm Input Wiring

The alarm input is an open/closed relay. To connect the alarm input to the device, use the following diagram.



If the alarm input is not an open/close relay, please connect an external relay between the alarm input and the device.

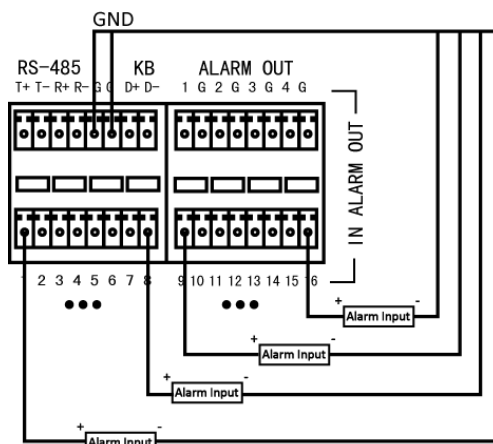


Figure 2. 5 Alarm Input Wiring

### 2.3.2 Alarm Output Wiring

To connect to an alarm output (AC or DC load), use the following diagram:

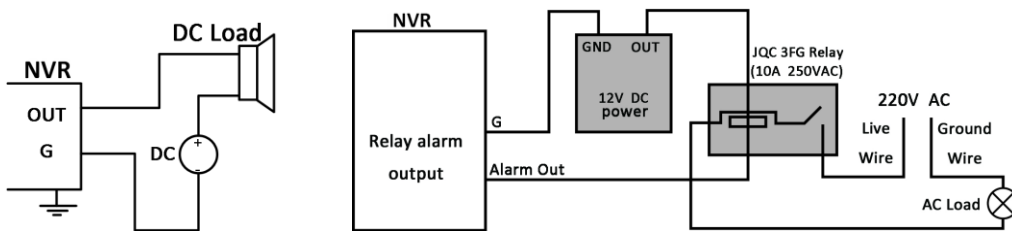


Figure 2. 6 Alarm Output Wiring

For DC load, the jumpers can be used within the limit of 12V/1A safely.

To connect an AC load, jumpers should be left open (you must remove the jumper on the motherboard in the NVR). Use an external relay for safety (as shown in the figure above).

There are 4 jumpers (JP6, JP9, JP10, and JP11) on the motherboard, each corresponding with one alarm output. By default, jumpers are connected. To connect an AC load, jumpers should be removed.

**Example:**

If you connect an AC load to the alarm output 3 of the NVR, then you must remove the JP 3 jumper.

### 2.3.3 Using Alarm Connectors

To connect alarm devices to the NVR:

1. Disconnect *pluggable block* from the ALARM IN /ALARM OUT terminal block.
2. Unfasten stop screws from the *pluggable block*, insert signal cables into slots and fasten stop screws. Ensure signal cables are tight.
3. Connect *pluggable block* back into terminal block.

## 2.4 HDD Storage Calculation Chart

The following chart shows an estimation of storage space used based on recording at one channel for an hour at a fixed bit rate.

Bit Rate	Storage Used
96K	42M
128K	56M
160K	70M
192K	84M
224K	98M
256K	112M
320K	140M
384K	168M
448K	196M
512K	225M
640K	281M
768K	337M
896K	393M
1024K	450M
1280K	562M
1536K	675M
1792K	787M
2048K	900M
4096K	1.8G
8192K	3.6G
16384K	7.2G



Please note that supplied values for storage space used is just for reference. The storage values in the chart are estimated by formulas and may have some deviation from actual value.

# Chapter 3 Menu Operation

## 3.1 Menu Structure

Refer to the following figure for the menu structure:

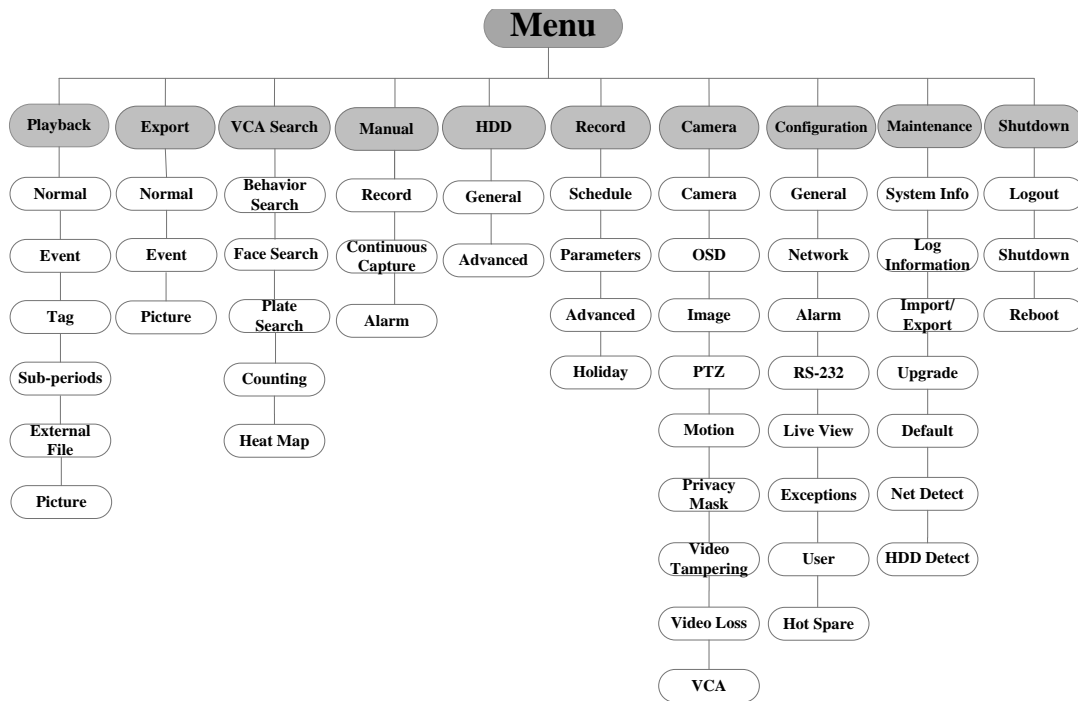


Figure 3. 1 Menu Structure



The menu structure may vary according to different models.

## 3.2 Startup and Shutdown

Proper startup and shutdown procedures are crucial to expanding the life of the NVR.

To start your NVR:

1. Check the power supply is plugged into an electrical outlet. It is **HIGHLY** recommended that an Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) be used in conjunction with the device. The Power button) on the front panel should be red, indicating the device is receiving the power.
2. Press the POWER button on the front panel. The Power LED should turn blue. The unit will begin to start. After the device starts up, the wizard will guide you through the initial settings, including modifying password, date and time settings, network settings, HDD initializing, and recording.



To shut down the NVR:

1. Enter the Shutdown menu.  
Menu > Shutdown

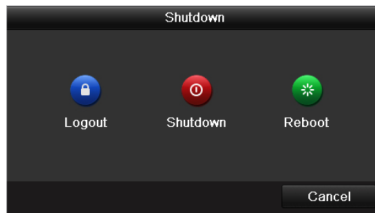


Figure 3. 2 Shutdown

2. Select the **Shutdown** button.
3. Click the **Yes** button.

### 3.3 Activating Your Device

**Purpose:**

For the first-time access, you need to activate the device by setting an admin password. No operation is allowed before activation. You can also activate the device via Web Browser, SADP or client software.

**Steps:**

1. Input the same password in the text field of **Create New Password** and **Confirm New Password**.

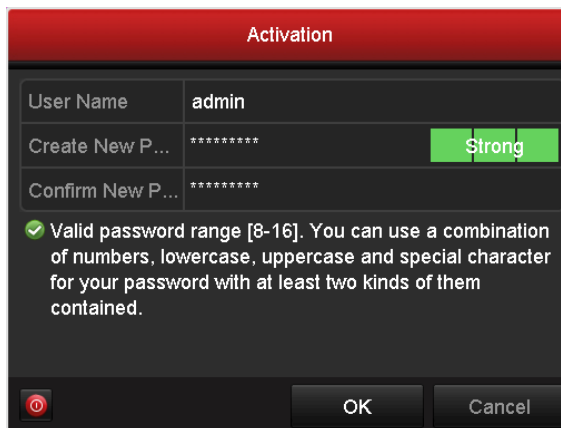


Figure 3. 3 Set Admin Password

**! STRONG PASSWORD RECOMMENDED**—We highly recommend you create a strong password of your own choosing (Using a minimum of 8 characters, including at least three of the following categories: upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters.) in order to increase the security of your product. And we recommend you reset your password regularly, especially in the high security system, resetting the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

2. Click **OK** to save the password and activate the device.



For the old version device, if you upgrade it to the new version, the following dialog box will pop up once the device starts up. You can click **YES** and follow the wizard to set a strong password.

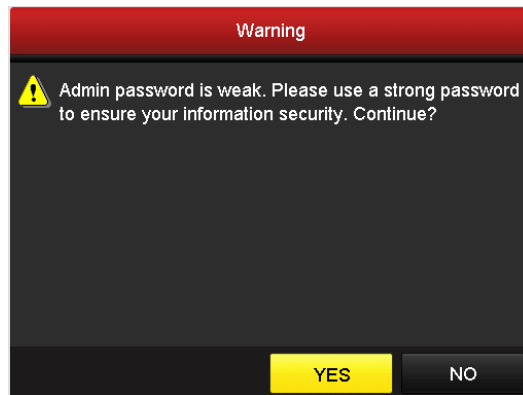


Figure 3. 4 Warning of Weak Password

## 3.4 Using the Unlock Pattern for Login

For the Admin user, you can configure the unlock pattern for device login.

After the device is activated, you can enter the following interface to configure the device unlock pattern.

*Steps:*

1. Use the mouse to draw a pattern among the 9 dots on the screen. Release the mouse when the pattern is done.



Figure 3. 5 Draw the Pattern



- Connect at least 4 dots to draw the pattern.
  - Each dot can be connected for once only.
2. Draw the same pattern again to confirm it. When the two patterns match, the pattern is configured successfully.
  3. You can use the configured unlock pattern for future login.

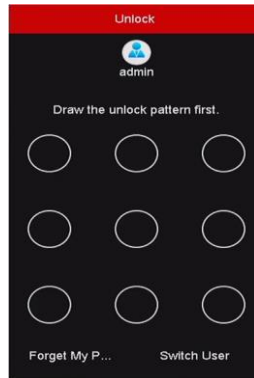


Figure 3. 6 Draw the Unlock Pattern

## 3.5 Login and Logout

### 3.5.1 User Login

**Purpose:**

If NVR has logged out, you must login the device before operating the menu and other functions.

**Steps:**

1. Select the **User Name** in the dropdown list.

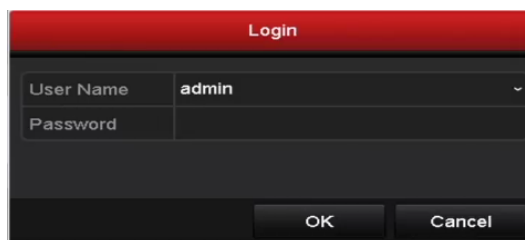


Figure 3. 7 Login

2. Input **Password**.
3. Click **OK** to log in.



In the Login dialog box, if you enter the wrong password 7 times, the current user account will be locked for 60 seconds.

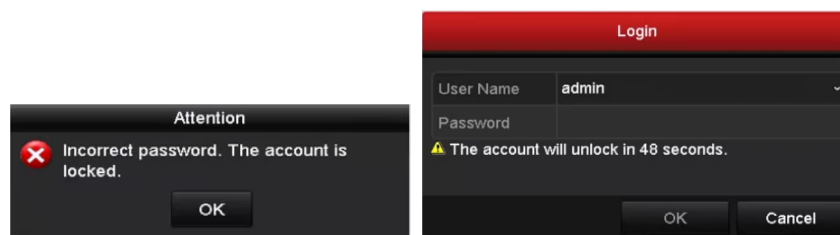


Figure 3. 8 Account Lock

## 3.5.2 User Logout

### *Purpose:*

After logging out, the monitor turns to the live view mode and if you want to perform any operations, you need to enter user name and password log in again.

### *Steps:*

1. Enter the Shutdown menu.

Menu > Shutdown

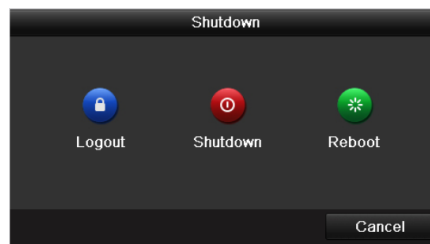


Figure 3.9 Logout

2. Click **Logout**.



After you have logged out the system, menu operation on the screen is invalid. It is required to input a user name and password to unlock the system.

## 3.6 Using the Setup Wizard

The Setup Wizard can walk you through some important settings of the device. By default, the Setup Wizard starts once the device has loaded.

Check the checkbox to enable Setup Wizard when device starts. Click **Next** to continue the setup wizard. Follow the guide of the Setup Wizard to configure the system resolution, system date/time, network settings, HDD management, record settings, etc.



Figure 3.10 Wizard

## 3.7 Network Settings

### *Purpose:*

Network settings must be properly configured before you operate NVR over network.

### *Steps:*

1. Enter the Network Settings interface.

Menu > Configuration > Network

NIC Type	10M/100M/1000M Self-adaptive
Enable DHCP	<input type="checkbox"/>
IPv4 Address	172 .6 .23 .190
IPv4 Subnet Mask	255 .255 .255 .0
IPv4 Default Gateway	172 .6 .23 .1
IPv6 Address 1	fe80::212:42ff:fe46/64
IPv6 Address 2	
IPv6 Default Gateway	
MAC Address	00:12:42:fd:ec:46
MTU(Bytes)	1500
Preferred DNS Server	
Alternate DNS Server	
Internal NIC IPv4 Address	192 .168 .254 .1

Figure 3. 11 Network Settings



- One self-adaptive 10M/100M/1000M network interface for 8ch and 16ch NVR.
  - One self-adaptive 10M/100M network interface for 4ch NVR.
2. Select the **General** tab.
  3. In the **General Settings** interface, you can configure the following settings: NIC Type, IPv4 Address, IPv4 Gateway, MTU and DNS Server.  
If the DHCP server is available, you can check the checkbox of **DHCP** to automatically obtain an IP address and other network settings from that server.
  4. After having configured the general settings, click the **Apply** button to save the settings.

## 3.8 Adding IP Cameras

### *Purpose:*

Before you can get live video or record the video files, you should add the network cameras to the connection list of the device.


### *Before you start:*

Ensure the network connection is valid and correct, and the IP camera to add has already been activated. Please refer to the *User Manual* for activating the inactive IP camera.

You can select one of the following three options to add the IP camera.

- **OPTION 1:**

### *Steps:*

1. Click to select an idle window in the live view mode.
2. Click the  icon in the center of the window to pop up the Add IP Camera interface.

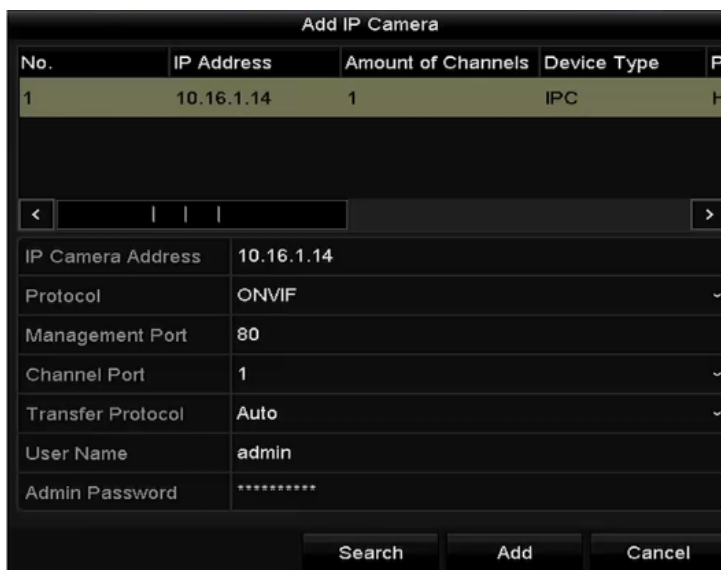


Figure 3. 12 Add IP Camera

3. Select the detected IP camera and click the **Add** button to add it directly, and you can click the **Search** button to refresh the online IP camera manually.  
Or you can choose to custom add the IP camera by editing the parameters in the corresponding text field and then click the **Add** button to add it.

## 3.9 Live View

Icons are provided on screen in Live View mode to indicate camera status. These icons include:

### Live View Icons

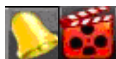
In the live view mode, there are icons at the upper-right corner of the screen for each channel, showing the status of the record and alarm in the channel for quick reference.



Alarm (video loss, tampering, motion detection, VCA or sensor alarm)



Record (manual record, continuous record, motion detection, VCA or alarm triggered record)



Alarm and Record



Event/Exception (event and exception information, appears at the lower-left corner of the screen.)

## 3.10 Recording Settings

### Before you start:

Make sure that the disk has already been installed. If not, please install a disk and initialize it. You may refer to the user manual for detailed information.

### Purpose:

Two kinds of record types are introduced in the following section, including Instant Record and All-day Record. And for other record types, you may refer to the user manual for detailed information.



After rebooting all the manual records enabled are canceled.

**Steps:**

1. On the live view window, right click the window and move the cursor to the **Start Recording** option, and select **Continuous Record** or **Motion Detection Record** on your demand.

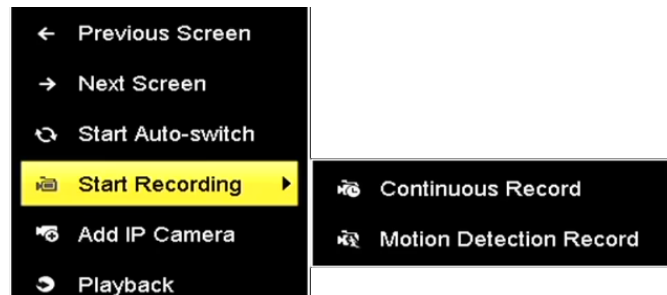


Figure 3. 13 Start Recording from Right-click Menu

2. Click the **Yes** button in the pop-up Attention message box to confirm the settings. All the channels will start to record in the selected mode.

## 3.11 Playback

The recorded video files on the hard disk can be played back in the following modes: instant playback, all-day playback for the specified channel, and playback by normal/event/smart/tag/sub-periods/external file search.

**Steps:**

1. Enter playback interface.  
Click menu>playback or from the right-click menu.
2. Check the checkbox of channel(s) in the channel list and then double-click to select a date on the calendar.
3. You can use the toolbar in the bottom part of Playback interface to control playing progress.



Figure 3. 14 Playback Interface

Select the channel(s) to or execute simultaneous playback of multiple channels.



## Chapter 4 Accessing by Web Browser



You shall acknowledge that the use of the product with Internet access might be under network security risks. For avoidance of any network attacks and information leakage, please strengthen your own protection. If the product does not work properly, please contact with your dealer or the nearest service center.

### **Purpose:**

You can get access to the device via web browser. You may use one of the following listed web browsers: Internet Explorer 6.0, Internet Explorer 7.0, Internet Explorer 8.0, Internet Explorer 9.0, Internet Explorer 10.0, Apple Safari, Mozilla Firefox, and Google Chrome. The supported resolutions include 1024\*768 and above.

### **Steps:**

1. Open web browser, input the IP address of the device and then press Enter.
2. Login to the device.
  - If the device has not been activated, you need to activate the device first before login.

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Activation". It contains a form with the following fields and elements:

- User Name:** A text input field containing the text "admin".
- Password:** A password input field with a green checkmark icon to its right. Below the field is a green progress bar and the word "Strong".
- Confirm:** A second password input field for confirmation.
- OK:** A button located at the bottom right of the form.
- Instructions:** Text below the password field reads: "Valid password range [8-16]. You can use a combination of numbers, lowercase, uppercase and special character for your password with at least two kinds of them contained."

Figure 4. 1 Set Admin Password

- 1) Set the password for the admin user account.
- 2) Click **OK** to login to the device.



**STRONG PASSWORD RECOMMENDED**– We highly recommend you create a strong password of your own choosing (using a minimum of 8 characters, including upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters) in order to increase the security of your product. And we recommend you reset your password regularly, especially in the high security system, resetting the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

- If the device is already activated, enter the user name and password in the login interface, and click the **Login** button.

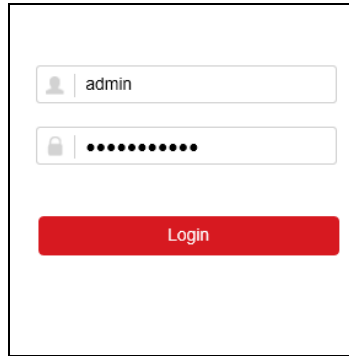


Figure 4. 2 Login

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3. Install the plug-in before viewing the live video and managing the camera. Please follow the installation prompts to install the plug-in.



You may have to close the web browser to finish the installation of the plug-in.

After login, you can perform the operation and configuration of the device, including the live view, playback, log search, configuration, etc.