



Model 065-1063FSx series
RS-232/422/485 to 100BaseFX
Device Server/Managed Media Converter

User's Manual

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1 About This Guide

1.1 Welcome

Thank you for selecting the Signamax 065-1063FSx series RS-232/422/485 to 100BaseFX Device Server / Managed Media Converter. This unit is designed to provide an RS-232/422/485 connection over twisted-pair cable where the connected devices have RS-232/422/485 interfaces. By enabling serial devices such as CNCs and PLCs to instantly connect to an existing Ethernet/ Fast Ethernet network, the 065-1063FSx series Serial-to-Ethernet Device Server / Managed Media Converter represents a robust solution for devices controllers for MIS personnel. This product can either be used as a Device Server or a Managed Media Converter.

1.2 Purpose

This guide discusses how to install and configure your 065-1063FSx series RS-232/422/485 to 100BaseFX Device Server / Managed Media Converter.

1.3 Terms/Usage

In this guide, the term “Device Server / Managed Media Converter” (first letter upper case) refers to your 065-1063FSx series RS-232/422/485 to 100BaseFX Device Server / Managed Media Converter, and “device server / media converter” (first letter lower case) refers to other device servers / media converters.

1.4 Features

- Device Server & Managed Media Converter Mode option
- Complies with EIA/TIA and IEEE standards
- 100Mbps Fast Ethernet fiber port
- Supports 4-wire full duplex asynchronous serial data transmission (RS-422/485)
- Supports 2-wire half-duplex asynchronous serial data transmission (RS-485)
- Supports serial port asynchronous data rates up to 115.2 Kbps
- Extended distances up to 1.2 km (24 AWG) using RS-422/485
- Terminator feature improves signal quality and distance
- LEDs for ‘at-a-glance’ device status
- Wall mount or DIN-rail mountable installation
- Power range 9~32V DC
- FCC Class A & CE approved

1.5 Specifications

Standards:	IEEE 802.3 (10BaseT Ethernet); IEEE 802.3u (100BaseTX/ Fast Ethernet); EIA/TIA RS-232/422/485; EIA/TIA-5744
Ports:	1x Fiber; Singlemode / Multimode 1x 9-pin serial connector; D-sub, Male
Max. Distance:	Fiber: Up to 120 km (> 15 km via special order) Serial: 15 meters (RS-232) 1,200 meters (RS-422, RS-485)
Data Rates:	Fiber: 100 Mbps Serial: 115.2 kbps (asynchronous)
Signals:	RS-232: TxD, RxD, CTS, RTS, DTR, DSR, RI, DCD, GND RS-422: TxD+/-, RxD+/-, GND RS-485: Data+, Data-, GND
Configuration:	Bits Per Second: 38400 Parity: None Data bits: 8 Stop bits: 1 Flow Control: None (The console connection is only available once the DIP switch 1 is ON)
Switches:	DIP 1: Enables / disables console / data communication mode DIP 2: Enables / disables RS-232 DIP 3: Enables / disables RS- 422/485 (4-wire) DIP 4: Enables / disables RS-485 (2-wire) DIP 5: N/A DIP 6: N/A DIP 7: Enables / disables termination (TMR)
Power:	External power adapter; 9~32V DC @800mA Frequency: 47Hz to 63Hz
Environment:	Operating: Temperature: 32°F to 122°F (0°C to 50°C) Relative Humidity: 10% to 80%, non-condensing Storage: Temperature: -4°F to 176°F (-20°C to 80°C) Relative Humidity: 5% to 90%, non-condensing
Emissions:	FCC Part 15 of Class A & CE approved
Dimensions:	4.30 x 3.54 x 1.18 in., L x W x H (109.2 x 90 x 30 mm)
Weight:	9.88 ounces (280 grams)

1.6 Package Contents

The package should include the following:

- One 065-1063FSx series Device Server / Managed Media Converter
- One power adapter (please check connector type and input power specification)
- Four self-adhesive pads
- DIN-rail Kit
- Screws for wall-mount installation
- Quick Installation Guide
- User's Manual CD
- Serial IP Redirector software CD

2 Hardware Description

2.1 Product Overview

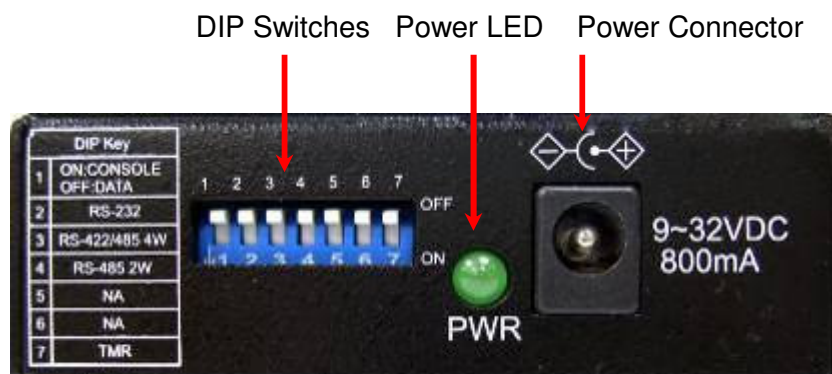
The Signamax 065-1063FSx series Device Server / Managed Media Converter features complete Ethernet and TCP/IP network support that allows devices in industry with RS-232/422/485 connectors such as milling machines, measurement instruments, and robots to connect to LAN based automation. Other devices typically found on campus networks such as card readers, code readers, lab equipment, medical equipment, and other similar serial devices can now instantly migrate to a TCP/IP network. Additionally, by deploying the device server mode, enable users to monitor and manage up to 256 serial devices from single PC with the help of Serial IP Redirector software for Device Server mode.

2.2 Product Illustrations

Front Panel



Rear Panel



3 Installation

To install your Device Server / Managed Media converter, please see the following procedures:

- Location
- DIN-rail Mounting
- Desktop Installation
- Powering On Unit
- Connecting Fiber Cables
- DB9 Male Connector Pin Assignment
- Serial Connection

3.1 Location

The location selected for installing the Device Server / Managed Media Converter may greatly affect its performance. When selecting a site, we recommend considering the following rules:

1. Install the Device Server / Managed Media Converter in a fairly cool and dry place. See *Technical Specifications* for the acceptable temperature and humidity operating ranges.
2. Install the Device Server / Managed Media Converter in a location free from strong electromagnetic field generators (such as motors), vibration, dust, and direct exposure to sunlight.
3. Leave at least 5cm of space at the front and rear of the unit for ventilation.
4. Affix the provided rubber pads to the bottom of the Device Server / Managed Media Converter for grip, and to protect the case from scratching.

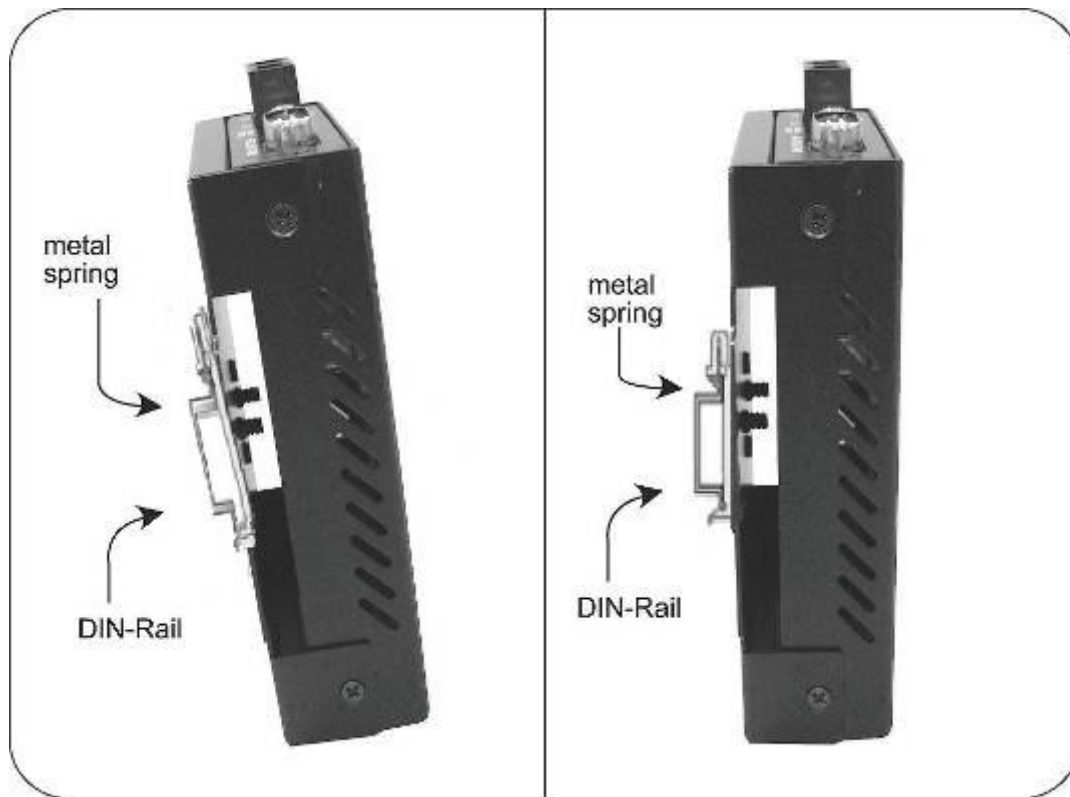
3.2 Wall Mount Installation

The 065-1063FSx series Device Server / Managed Media Converter can also be installed by wall mounting. The backside casing provides space for two screws each side. Identify the exact location at wall by placing the Device Server / Managed Media Converter and marking the screw positions. Use the screws (included in the package) and tighten them well to affix the Device Server / Managed Media Converter to the wall.

3.3 DIN-rail Mount Installation

The aluminum DIN-rail attachment plate should already be affixed to the back panel of the Device Server / Managed Media Converter. If you need to attach the DIN-rail plate, make sure that the stiff metal spring is situated towards the top. Attaching the Device Server / Managed Media Converter to the DIN-rail is easy; just align, attach the top rail, then press down and snap forward the Device Server / Managed Media Converter to snap in the bottom rail, as shown in the figures below.

Use following steps set up the Device Server / Managed Media Converter:



- The surface must support at least 500 gm for the Device Server / Managed Media Converter.
- The power outlet should be within 6 feet (1.82 meters) of the Device Server / Managed Media Converter.
- Visually inspect the power adapter and make sure that it is properly connected. Make sure that there is proper heat dissipation from and adequate ventilation around the Device Server / Managed Media Converter. Do not place heavy objects on the product.



Warning: Please exercise caution when using power tools. Also, do not install this unit near damp or wet locations, or in close proximity to very hot surfaces. These types of environments can have a detrimental effect on the unit and cables.

3.4 Powering On Unit

The Device Server / Managed Media Converter uses an external power supply providing 9~32V DC @ 0.8A from an AC power line at 50~60 Hz.

1. Insert the power cable plug directly into the receptacle located at the back of the device.
2. Plug the power adapter into an available socket.
3. Check the rear-panel LEDs as the device is powered on to verify that the Power LED is lit. If not, check that the power cable is correctly and securely plugged in.

NOTE: The RJ-45 port accepts both 'straight-through' and 'cross-over' Ethernet cables without the need to re-configure the port.

3.5 Connecting Fiber Cable

When connecting fiber cable to a 100BaseFX port on the product, be sure the correct type – ST, SC, or WDM (available via special order) - connector is used. Follow the steps below to properly connect fiber cable:

1. Remove and keep the ST/SC/WDM port's rubber cover. When not connected to a fiber cable, the rubber cover should be replaced to protect the optics.
2. Check that the fiber terminators are clean. You can clean the cable plugs by wiping them gently with a clean tissue or cotton ball moistened with a little ethanol. Dirty fiber terminators on fiber optic cables will impair the quality of the light transmitted through the cable and lead to degraded performance on the port.
3. Connect one end of the cable to the ST/SC/WDM port on the Device Server / Managed Media Converter and the other end to the ST/SC/WDM port on the other device.

NOTE: When inserting the cable, be sure the tab on the plug clicks into position to ensure that it is properly seated.

4. Check the corresponding port LED on the Device Server / Managed Media Converter to be sure that the connection is valid. (Refer to the LED chart in next section)



Warning: Because invisible laser radiation may be emitted from the aperture of the fiber port when no cable is connected, avoid exposure to laser radiation and do not stare into the open apertures.

3.6 DB9 Male Connector Pin Assignments

	PIN	RS-232 (Full-duplex)	RS-422/485 4-wire (Full-duplex)	RS-485 2-wire (Half-duplex)
	1	DCD		
	2	RX	RX-	**DATA B(-)
	3	TX	TX-	
	4	DTR		
	5	GND	GND	GND
	6	DSR		
	7	RTS	RX+	**DATA A(+)
	8	CTS	TX+	
	9	RI		

NOTE: Bi-directional RS-485 BUS line.

3.7 Serial Connection

This Device Server / Managed Media Converter features DIP switches on the rear panel that sets the unit to the correct type of cable configuration to support connection with a RS-232 / 422 / 485 device.

Definition of DIP Switches

No	Dip description	Default
1	ON: Console / OFF: Data	OFF
2	RS-232	ON
3	RS-422 / 485 (4W)	OFF
4	RS-485 (2W)	OFF
5	NA	OFF
6	NA	OFF
7	TMR (Terminator)	OFF

For setting the control function of the serial port, see the table below:

DIP 1	Serial Connection
ON	RS-232 Console
OFF	Data Communication

NOTE:

1. If using the console mode, turn DIP Switch 1 to the ON position. For data communication from the serial device keep the switch in the OFF position. If the switch is in the ON position, data communication will be blocked, and in the OFF position, console port access will be blocked.
2. For some RS-422/485 devices which may not be designed to provide a DB-9 connection, please check the pin definition to connect the devices.
3. For the initial installation, you must use the console mode to setup the IP and TCP port configuration with a RS-232 cable. Always use a cross-over cable; if using a straight-through cable, you must use a "Null Modem" cable to use the Telnet option.

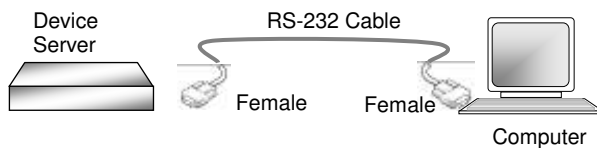
4 LED Indicators

This device has LED indicators located at the front of the device. The LEDs have been designed to provide easy at-a-glance network status and 'real-time' connectivity information. Please see the chart below for a description of their functions:

LED Indicators		
LED	Condition	Status
PWR	On (Green)	Unit is receiving power
	Off	Power off or failure
LNK / ACT	On (Green)	Receiving data packets
	Flashing (Green)	Data packets are being transmitted or received via the fiber port
	Off	Fiber optic cable is not connected
ACT	On (Green)	Serial connector is attached and link signals are being received
	Flashing	Data traffic is passing through the serial port
	Off	Serial port is idle or no link has been established

5 User Interface Startup

There are two separate methods for configuring this Device Server / Managed Media Converter for use. In the first section of this chapter, the Command line Interface (CLI) or Menu-driven interface via the *Console Port* to set the device IP and TCP configuration to monitor/managed the attached serial device via Serial IP Redirector software. The second section will describe *CLI or Menu-driven via Telnet* configuration. First, make the connection below:



DIP Switch 1 set to the 'ON' position

5.1 Console Port Access

The Device Server / Managed Media Converter is accessible via a terminal emulator attached to the RS-232 console port. Please follow the steps below.

1. Attach the serial cable to COM port of computer and serial port of the device server.
2. Select Hyper Terminal from (start menu → programs → Accessories → communication) a window will appear, assign the connection name. Then select the correct available COM port (COM1 or COM2). After this enter the port settings as described below:
Bits per second: 38400
Data bits: 8
Parity: None
Stop bits: 1
Flow Control: None
3. Once connection is established, you will see a log-in screen.

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Firmware version: 1.00.02 <built at Jan 9 2006 11:17:12>
Press <ENTER> key to start.
```

4. Press **ENTER** and on the following screen, type the default username **admin**, leave the password field blank since there is no default value and press **ENTER** to proceed.

```
Firmware version: 1.00.02 <built at Jan  9 2006 11:17:12>
Press <ENTER> key to start.

Username: admin
Password:
```

5. Select either CLI User Interface or Menu-driven Interface option by using the associated number key or using the **TAB** key and pressing **ENTER**. A relevant Main Menu screen appears.

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<1> CLI User Interface

<2> Menu-Driven Interface

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The Device Server / Managed Media Converter is preset with a factory IP address (192.168.0.254) that must be configured to the user's individual IP address. It is important to do this so that the device server / managed media converter doesn't conflict with other devices with the same defaults.

NOTE:

Prior to following the instructions for HyperTerminal Configuration, ensure that a serial cable connection between the device server / managed media converter and workstation exists.

Type the following command line to change the device IP address in CLI mode where **xxx's** represent values between **0** and **254** and the user should enter their own IP address in this form.

- a) set eth0 ip **xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx**

If using the Menu-driven interface. Select the **System Information** from the Main Menu and following screen will appear. Use **TAB** key to move the cursor and **<Enter>** to change the value. Once change the value, select **<SAVE>** to apply the changes.

```

      System Information
      =====

Description      : RS-232/422/485 To ETH Device Server
Model Name      : RS-232/422/485 To ETH Device Server
Company Name    :
Board Name     : 6700-00633-0100
MAC-1 Address  : 00:0B:04:FF:FF:F1

DHCP Client     : Disabled
IP Address      : 192.168.0.200
Subnet Mask     : 255.255.0.0
Gateway        : 192.168.0.1

      <SAVE>          <ESC>

      <Esc> to cancel ! <Enter> to select
    
```

After entering the new IP address the system will confirm whether the operation is successful.

NOTE:

Copy the new address down on a piece of paper. You will need the address when you are going to use Telnet or set up data transfer/communication connection.



Warning

IP addresses are unique! If an address isn't available, please contact the appropriate authorities to apply for one.

5.2 Telnet Access

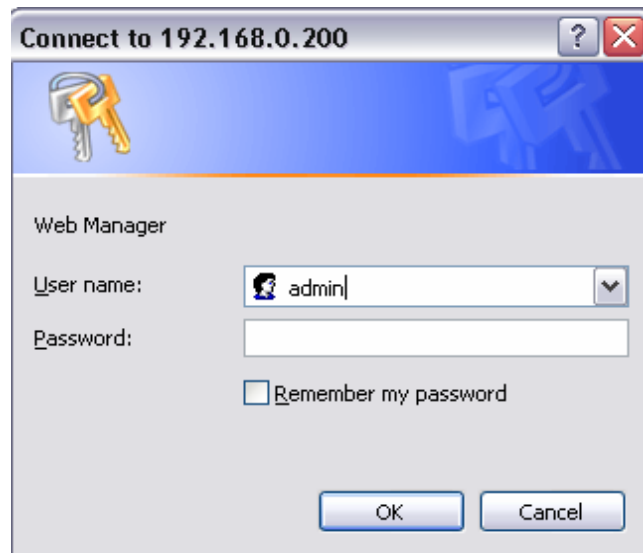
The Device Server / Managed Media Converter is accessible via a Telnet. At the command prompt type **telnet 192.168.0.254** (If connecting with default IP). You will be prompted to enter the user name and password as mentioned and shown in the topic Console Port Access. Use the CLI or the Menu-driven interface to perform the changes.

NOTE:

The only limitation of Telnet Access is that users can not assign a new IP address to the device server / managed media converter. Please use Console Port Access or Web Access to assign a new IP address to the unit.

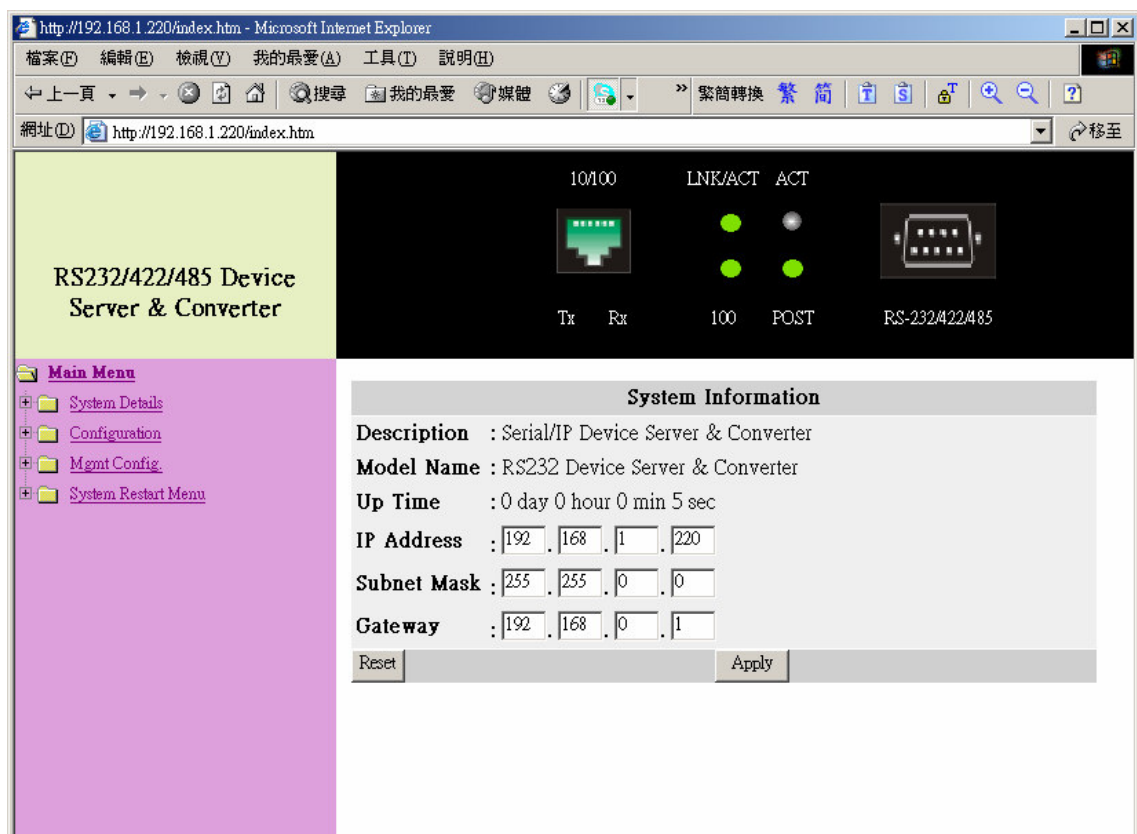
5.3 Web Access

The Device Server / Managed Media Converter is accessible via a web browser once connected to the network. Type the IP address at web browser **192.168.0.254** (if connecting with default IP). A window will prompt you to enter the user name and password.



(Note: IP 192.168.0.200 has been used for the purpose of writing this manual)

After a successful login, the main screen will appear.

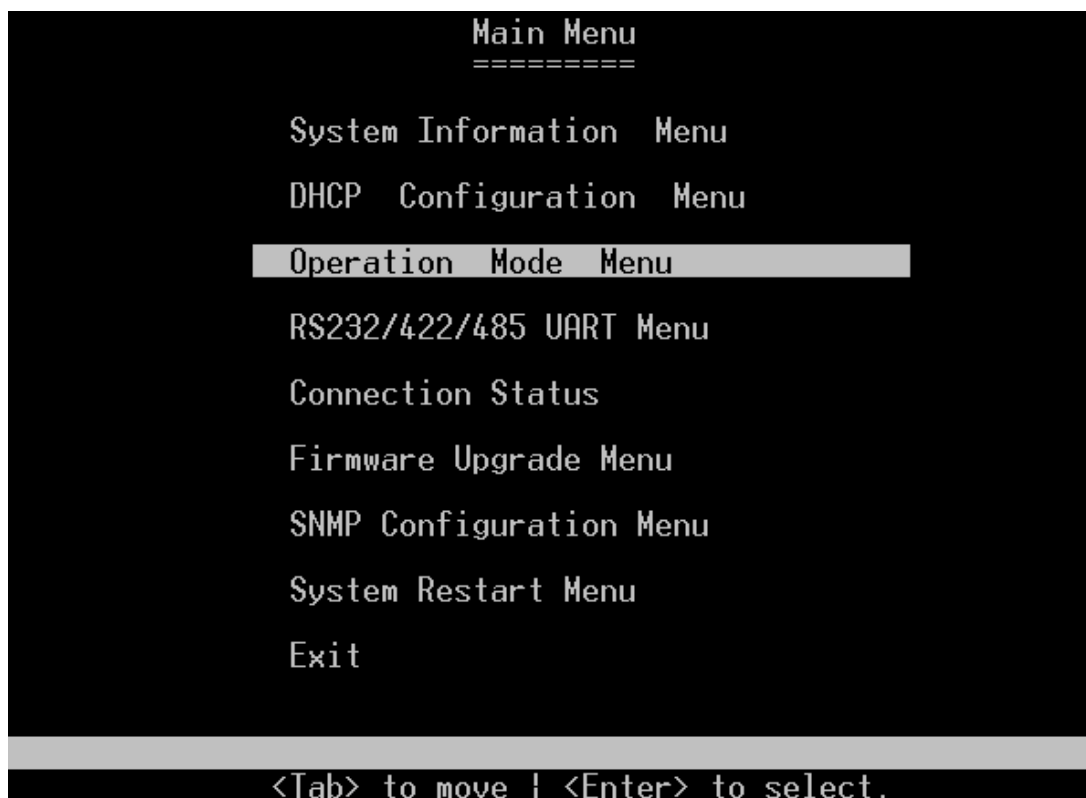


6 Configuration Management

Users can manage the Device Server via the menu-driven interface or command line interface from a Telnet or serial console, or via the Web-based graphical user interface.

6.1 Menu-driven User Interface

The figure below shows the Main Menu screen. From this screen the configuration options available provide the user the ability to quickly access and adjust the device server settings as required.



Main Menu Screen

Use the **TAB** key to move the cursor to different fields and press **Enter** to select/edit the option.

6.1.1 System Information Menu

From this menu, the user can view system-related information and the default IP address. The user should set up an appropriate IP address, subnet mask and Gateway for his/her own network. After entering a new IP address, Telnet and data communication will be based on the new address.

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                System Information
                =====

Description      : RS-232/422/485 To ETH Device Server
Model Name      : RS-232/422/485 To ETH Device Server
Company Name    :
Board Name      : 6700-00633-0100
MAC-1 Address   : 00:0B:04:FF:FF:F1

DHCP Client     : Disabled
IP Address      : 192.168.0.200
Subnet Mask     : 255.255.0.0
Gateway         : 192.168.0.1

                <SAVE>          <ESC>

                <Esc> to cancel ! <Enter> to select
    
```

System Information menu

Once changes are made, move the cursor to **<SAVE>** by using the **TAB** key and press **Enter** to save the settings. Changing the IP address will automatically restart the Device Server / Managed Media Converter.

NOTE:

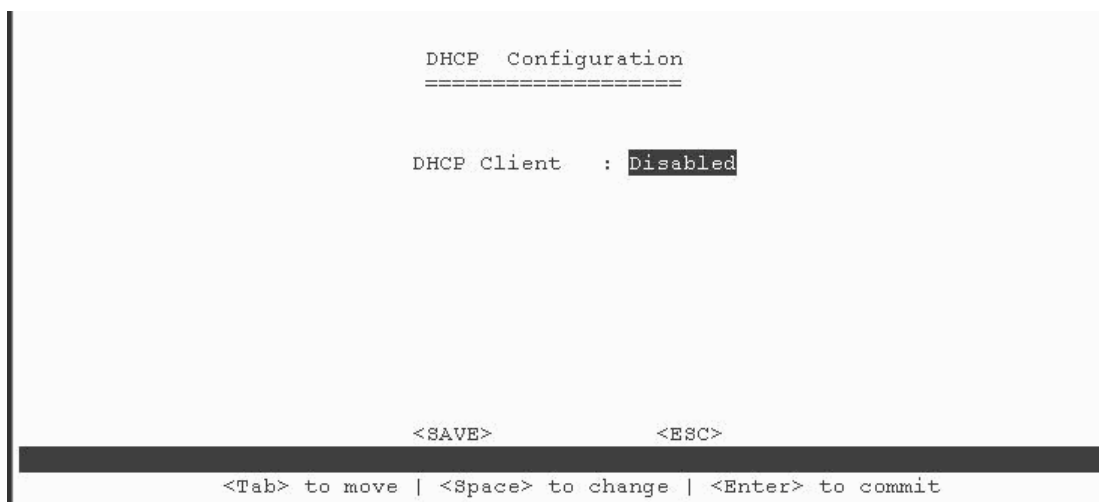
In Telnet mode you can't change the IP address.

6.1.2 DHCP Configuration Menu

DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) allows the Device Server / Managed Media Converter to obtain an IP address from the DHCP server automatically.

NOTE:

A DHCP server must exist and be available in your local network prior to enabling the DHCP client.



DHCP Configuration menu

Use the **Spacebar** to enable/disable the DHCP Client settings. Select **<SAVE>** to apply the settings and **<ESC>** to move to the previous menu. If you don't want to save the changes made, just select **<ESC>** and you will move to the previous menu without making any changes.

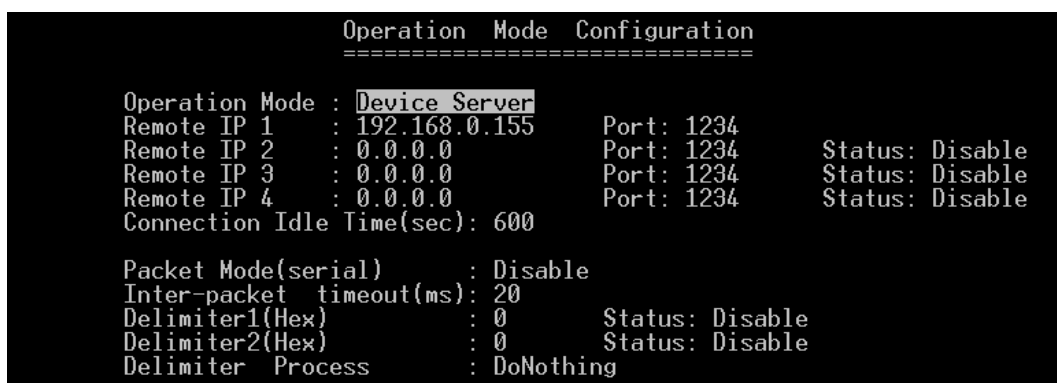
6.1.3 Operation Mode Menu

This page offers the option for the communication model and operation mechanism of Device Server. Please select the appropriate mode as required for your application. The user can also monitor the serial port status and configure TCP port numbers from this menu.

- The unit offers six modes (TCP Server / TCP Client / Converter Mode / UDP Server / UDP Client / Device Server). Please restart the unit after selecting the desired mode.

Note: If you are using this device in Converter Mode, we recommend you keep the Packet Mode option set at **Disable**.

A detailed explanation of the setting choices are given underneath the following screenshot:



EXPLANATION: Server/Client Mode Configuration

Operation Mode	TCP Server: the TCP Server mode of the Device Server allows TCP connections from up to four Device Servers with TCP Client mode or PC with Serial IP Redirector program running.
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	<p>TCP Client: the TCP Client mode of the Device Server can establish up to four TCP connections with Device Servers of TCP Server mode.</p> <p>UDP Server: the UDP Server mode of the Device Server allows the communication initiated from up to four UDP Clients.</p> <p>UDP Client: the UDP Client mode can communicate with up to four UDP Servers in UDP communication model.</p> <p>Device Server: the Device Server acts as Server role of RFC-2217 COM Port Control Protocol.</p> <p>Converter Mode: two Device Servers communicate with each other through point-to-point architecture in TCP communication model. The TCP Client and Server roles of two Device Server peers are negotiated automatically.</p>
Remote IP 1~4	IP addresses of the other end device or Serial IP Redirector workstations.
Port	The TCP port number corresponding to each remote IP that the TCP Server is bound to.
Status	Toggle between “Enable” and “Disable” for activating or deactivating the second to the fourth remote IP/Port entries.
Connection Idle Time	In seconds. The TCP Server or Client will disconnect the TCP session if no packets are transmitted in the set period.
Packet mode (serial)	<p>Enabled – input data from the serial interface is treated as serial packets.</p> <p>Disabled – input data from the serial interface is treated as bit streams.</p>
Packet mode inter-packet timeout	In milliseconds. The delimiter value for recognizing the timeout gap between serial packets if Packet Mode is enabled.
Delimiter1(Hex)/Status	Besides the inter-packet timeout, serial packets can be delimited by one or two trailer bytes of specific values. Delimiter 1 is the hexadecimal number of the first delimiter byte. Toggle to “Enable” on the “Status” field for delimiting serial packets according to trailer byte rather than inter-packet timeout.
Delimiter2(Hex)/Status	The hexadecimal number of the second delimiter byte. If this byte is “Disable” and the Delimiter 1 is “Enable”, the delimiter byte length is one.
Delimiter Process	<p>Do Nothing: keep the delimiter bytes when transforming to IP packets.</p> <p>Strip Delimiter: Strip off the delimiter bytes when transforming to IP packets.</p>

NOTE:

For Device Server Mode, in case you are using a serial device with a 2-wire RS-485 application or Modbus RTU protocol, do not forget to “**Enable**” the “Packet” mode of serial input. Also enter the appropriate inter-packet timeout value or delimiter byte values to enable smooth data communication.

To set the timeout value via console mode, first “**Enable**” the packet mode and “**Save**” the settings. Once settings are applied, you will be able to change the timeout or delimiter values.



Changes to the settings are saved to a system flash memory and do NOT take effect until a system reset or reboot has occurred. This action validates the new settings. Please note that you can't change the operation mode by using Telnet. Always use Web Interface or Console access to change the Mode.

Next Page: More information on Operation Modes

Applications for Operation Modes:

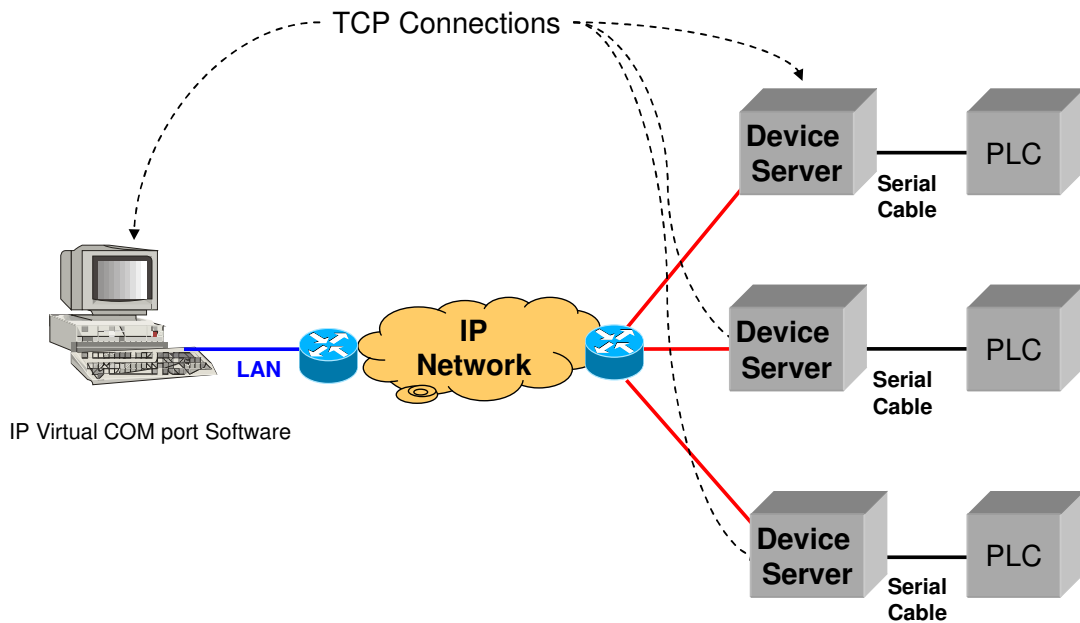


Diagram 1 – Central Management Application (Device Server Mode)

Device Server Mode: In this mode the Device Server acts in the Server role of the RFC-2217 COM Port Control Protocol.

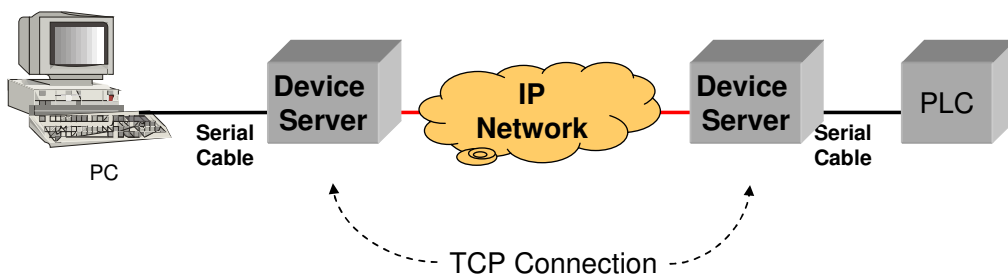
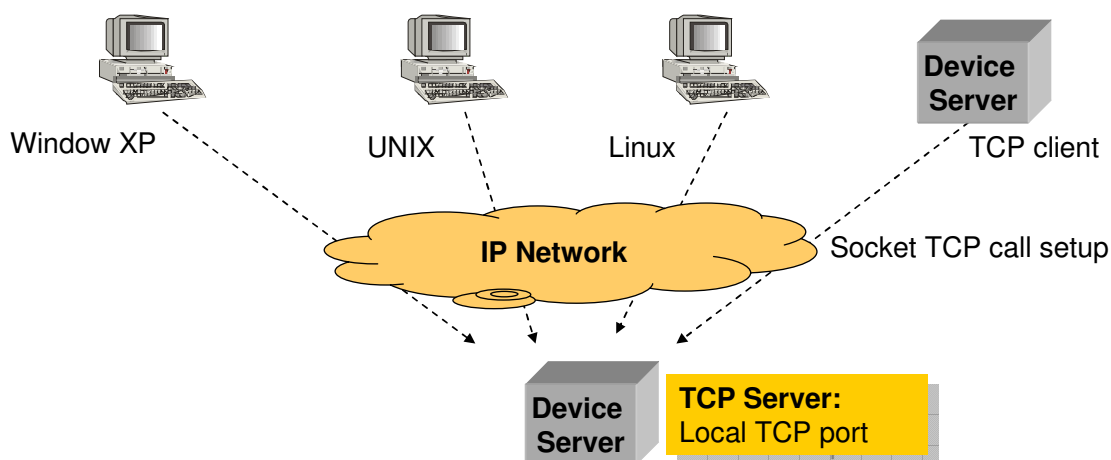


Diagram 2 – Peer-to-Peer Application (Converter Mode)

Converter Mode: In this mode the Device Server acts like an advanced media converter. Like a normal converter, the Device Server communicates with a remote Device Server in a peer-to-peer way. Also, the Device Servers communicate with each other through an IP network in the TCP communication model. The TCP Client and Server roles of the two Device Server peers are negotiated automatically.

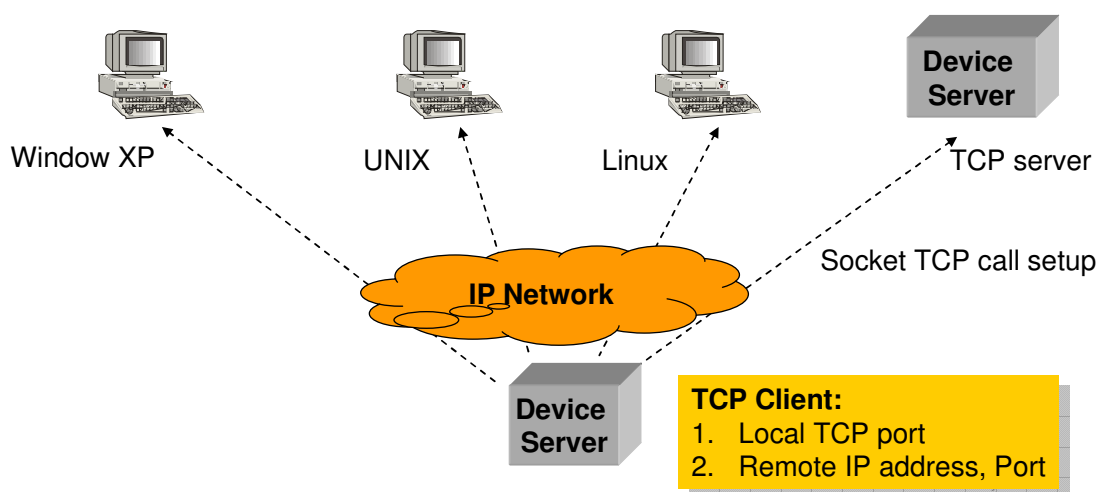


A maximum of 4 remote devices can connect to a device server.

Diagram 3 – Multi-host Application (TCP Server mode)

TCP Server Mode: In this mode the Device Server acts as a device server and functions as a network agent for the serial device. For example, when a serial device with a serial console port is connected to the Device Server while it is in TCP Server mode, the console port becomes a network-accessible interface via the Device Server. In TCP Server Mode, the Device Server can link the serial device and a TCP-operating control host by providing two-way transmission between the two.

In TCP **Server** mode, the Device Server **waits** for the control host to initiate communication with the serial device. Conversely, in TCP **Client** mode (next diagram) the Device Server **initiates** communication with one or up to four remote devices simultaneously – when the serial device experiences a communication event and prompts the Device Server to initiate communication.



A device server can connect up to 4 remote devices.

Diagram 4 – Multi-host Application (TCP Client mode)

TCP Client Mode: This mode lets the Device Server act as a bridge for serial devices that must communicate with server hosts like the Linux, UNIX, and Windows systems. In this Client mode, the Device Server establishes a temporary TCP connection with

the servers automatically after powering up. All the data received from the serial device is then sent to remote servers. The servers can also send data back to the serial device while the connection is active. The Device Server automatically ends the connection when all information is sent and the connection becomes idle for a specified length of time. It will reestablish the connection when it receives data from the serial device.

In TCP **Server** mode (previous section), the Device Server **waits** for the control host to initiate communication with the serial device. Conversely, in TCP **Client** mode the Device Server **initiates** communication with one or up to four remote devices simultaneously – when the serial device experiences a communication event and prompts the Device Server to initiate communications.

6.1.4 RS-232/422/485 UART Menu

This window will show you the serial port configuration.

The screenshot below shows the different configuration options (the screenshot is followed by a detailed explanation of the different options):

```

RS232/422/485 UART Configuration
=====
Operation Mode: Console Mode
Baud Rate      : 115200
Parity         : None
Word Length    : 8
Stop Bits      : 1
Flow Control   : NONE
    
```

RS232/422/485 UART Configuration (Serial Port Configuration)

Operation Mode	A read-only attribute. It shows the RS232/422/485 mode set by the DIP switch.
Baud Rate	The speed of the serial interface.
Parity	Select or disable the parity checking method
Word Length	The length of data in bits
Stop Bits	The bit length of stop bits
Flow Control	The flow control method for informing the correspondent

6.1.5 Connection Status

This screen provides at-a-glance system status information.

Connection Status =====				
Port Number	1	2	3	4
Connect Status	Not-Connected	Not-Connected	Not-Connected	Not-Connected
Peer IP Address	0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0	0.0.0.0
Dest/src Port	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Bytes from UART	0			
Bytes to Net	0	0	0	0
Bytes from Net	0	0	0	0
Bytes to UART	0			

6.1.6 TFTP Firmware Upgrade

From this menu, the user can upgrade the existing firmware to newer firmware available from a TFTP server. Simply enter the file name of the updated firmware in the file name field and enter the IP address of the TFTP server in the IP address field to perform the upgrade. Selecting **<update>** will start downloading the newer firmware and system will restart to apply the firmware. For ensuring correct parameter values for Device to be functioning after firmware upgrade from a prior version with different configuration structure and data format, please Restore Factory Default Settings in System Restart Menu.

TFTP FIRMWARE UPGRADE
=====

File Name :

IP address : 192.168.0.206

<Update> <ESC>

<Tab> to move | <Enter> to select_

TFTP Firmware Upgrade menu

6.1.7 SNMP Configuration

Use the SNMP Configuration screen to display and modify parameters for the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). The product includes an onboard SNMP agent that monitors the status of its hardware as well as the traffic passing through its ports. A computer attached to the network, called a Network Management Station (NMS), can be used to access this information. Community strings control access rights to the agent module. To communicate with the Device Server / Managed Media Converter, the NMS must first submit a valid community string for authentication.

```

SNMP Configuration
=====

System Name   : RS-232/422/485 To ETH Device Server & Converter
Location      :
Contact name   :
Get Community  : public
Set Community  : private

[SNMP Trap]



| Index | Status   | IP address | Community |
|-------|----------|------------|-----------|
| 1     | Disabled | 0.0.0.0    | public    |
| 2     | Disabled | 0.0.0.0    | public    |
| 3     | Disabled | 0.0.0.0    | public    |
| 4     | Disabled | 0.0.0.0    | public    |
| 5     | Disabled | 0.0.0.0    | public    |



<SAVE>          <ESC>

<Tab> to move ! <Enter> to select ! <Esc> to Cancel_

```

The options for configuring community strings and related trap functions are described as below.

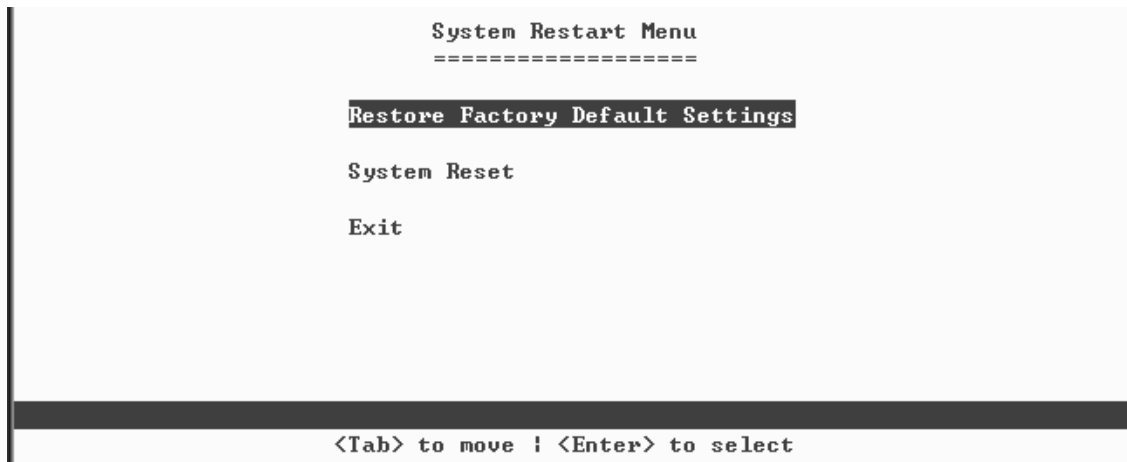
Use the <Tab> and <Enter> keys as previously. Enter the IP address of computers for when abnormalities on a connection occur and an alarm to be sent. Enter their community names and disable or enable their alarm function accordingly. See descriptions below:

Parameter	Description
Index	Number assigned to each trap
Status	Disable or enable their alarm function accordingly
IP Address	Enter the IP address of computers for when abnormalities on a connection occur and an alarm to be sent. Enter their community names and disable or enable their alarm function accordingly
Community	Enter their community names

You can use an external SNMP-based application to configure and manage the Device Server / Managed Media Converter. This management method requires the SNMP agent on the Device Server / Managed Media Converter and the SNMP Network Management Station to use the same community string. This management method, in fact, uses two community strings: the get community string and the set community string. If the SNMP Network Management Station only knows the set community string, it can read and write to the MIBs. However, if it only knows the get community string, it can only read MIBs. **The default Get and Set community strings for the product are public.**

6.1.8 System Restart Menu

This menu allows users to restore the factory default setting for the Device Server / Managed Media Converter and/or to reset the system manually. Selecting this option will lead to another window with the following two options to select.



Restore Factory Default Settings

Selecting this option will lead to restore factory default settings to the device server / managed media converter. Highlight the field and hit the **<ENTER>** key to execute.

System Restart

The System Restart allows a user to perform a 'warm' restart and validate newly saved configuration to the device server / managed media converter. Highlight the System Restart field and hit the **<ENTER>** key to reset the unit.



After each configuration session, be sure to set DIP switch 1 to the 'OFF' position. Otherwise, the unit will not transmit any data.

6.2 Command Line Interface

Once you logged in and select the option of Command Line Interface, a window with a command prompt will appear. Type **?** or **help** and it will show you the command list.

```
CLI>?  
[Command List]  
?..... Help commands  
backup..... backup configuration file  
exit..... Logout  
help..... Help commands  
logout..... Logout  
ping..... Ping a specified host with IP address  
reset..... Reset system or reset factory default setting  
set..... Set commands  
show..... Show commands  
upgrade..... Upgrade run-time firmware or configuration file  
CLI>
```

Command List

Command Definitions

backup: Use this command to save configuration settings to a file.

exit: Type exit or logout and press **ENTER** to quit the program.

help: To access the help commands list.

logout: To logout from the device server.

ping: Type **ping** followed by a **space**, and then the **IP address** of the device to send a test signal. If a response is received, then the device is connected. To view a full list of **ping** options, type ping and press **ENTER**.

reset: Type **reset config** and press **ENTER** to load factory default settings, or type **reset system** and press **ENTER** to restart the system.

show: Type **show** to display a variety of device server settings.

set: To configure the management settings, type the commands below, followed by the **ENTER** key.

NOTE: Separate each port of the command line with a space.

set admin - follow the prompts to change the user name and password

set eth0 - the command is for changing the factory IP address setting. The syntax is **set eth0 ip** (new IP address) **network mask** (new network mask) **gateway** (new gateway). Use this command to set new Ethernet settings.

set idle - (time in seconds) – set an automatic logout time for situations when either the program or the communication link is idle

set xfer - the command is used for RS-232 configuration and data communication setting. The command syntax is as shown below:

```
set xfer [arg_1 data_1] [arg_2 data_2] ...  
[arg_n data_n]  
[Argument List]  
Port..... Set TCP port number  
statistics..... Clear statistics
```

upgrade - Use this command to upgrade the firmware.
i.e. upgrade firmware xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx Soft2.bin

set snmp - Use this command to set SNMP settings of the device server.



After each configuration session, be sure to set DIP switch 1 to the 'OFF' position. Otherwise, the unit will not transmit any data.

6.3 Web Graphic User Interface

Please see the previous chapter to log-in to the Device Server / Managed Media Converter via the web browser interface.

6.3.1 System Information

System information will show the IP Address, Subnet Mask and Gateway settings. After editing the setting, press **Apply** to implement the new settings.

System Information	
Description	: Serial/IP Device Server
Model Name	: RS-232/422/485 To ETH Device Server
Up Time	: 0 day 0 hour 36 min 34 sec
IP Address	: <input type="text" value="192"/> <input type="text" value="168"/> <input type="text" value="0"/> <input type="text" value="200"/>
Subnet Mask	: <input type="text" value="255"/> <input type="text" value="255"/> <input type="text" value="0"/> <input type="text" value="0"/>
Gateway	: <input type="text" value="192"/> <input type="text" value="168"/> <input type="text" value="0"/> <input type="text" value="1"/>
<input type="button" value="Reset"/> <input type="button" value="Apply"/>	

6.3.2 Master Information

Master Info will show the hardware and firmware version.

Master Information	
Hardware Version	: 6700-00633-0100
Firmware Version	: 1.00.02 (built at Jan 9 2006 11:17:12)

6.3.3 RS-232/422/485 Transfer Mode Configuration

This page lets you configure the communication model and operation mechanism of the Device Server / Managed Media Converter. Please select the appropriate mode as required for your application. The user can also monitor the serial port status and configure TCP port numbers from this menu.

- A. The unit offers six modes (TCP Server / TCP Client / Converter / UDP Server / UDP Client / Device Server). Please restart the unit after selecting the desired mode.

Note: If you are using this unit in Converter Mode, we recommend that you **Disable** the Packet Mode option.

A detailed explanation of the setting choices is provided underneath the following screenshot. This is followed by diagrams and descriptions of the different network setups and operating modes.

RS232/422/485 Transfer Configuration			
Server Client Mode Configuration			
Operation Mode	Device Server		
Remote IP 1	192.168.0.155	Port	1234 (1024~65535)
Remote IP 2	0.0.0.0	Port	1234 <input type="checkbox"/> Enable
Remote IP 3	0.0.0.0	Port	1234 <input type="checkbox"/> Enable
Remote IP 4	0.0.0.0	Port	1234 <input type="checkbox"/> Enable
Connection Idle Time (sec)	600 (30~3600)		
Packet mode inter-packet timeout	20 mS (1~5000) <input type="checkbox"/> Enable		
Delimiter (Hex)	1. 0 <input type="checkbox"/> Enable 2. 0 <input type="checkbox"/> Enable		
Delimiter Process	Do Nothing		
Serial Port Configuration			
Operation Mode	: RS232 Mode		
Baud Rate	115200		
Parity	None		
Word Length	8		
Stop Bits	1		
Flow Control	None		
Reset		Apply	

EXPLANATION: Server/Client Mode Configuration

Operation Mode	<p>TCP Server: the TCP Server mode of the Device Server allows TCP connections from up to four Device Servers with TCP Client mode or PC with Serial IP Redirector program running.</p> <p>TCP Client: the TCP Client mode of the Device Server can establish up to four TCP connections with Device Servers of TCP Server mode.</p> <p>UDP Server: the UDP Server mode of the Device Server allows the communication initiated from up to four UDP Clients.</p> <p>UDP Client: the UDP Client mode can communicate with up to four UDP Servers in UDP communication model.</p> <p>Device Server: the Device Server acts as Server role of RFC-2217 COM Port Control Protocol.</p> <p>Converter Mode: two Device Servers communicate with each other through peer-to-peer architecture in TCP communication model. The TCP Client and Server roles of two Device Server peers are negotiated automatically.</p>
Remote IP 1~4	IP addresses of the other end device or Serial IP Redirector workstations.
Port	The TCP port number corresponding to each remote IP that the TCP Server is bound to.
Status	Toggle between “Enable” and “Disable” for activating or deactivating the second to the fourth remote IP/Port entries.
Connection Idle Time	In seconds. The TCP Server or Client will disconnect the TCP session if no packets are transmitted in the set period.
Packet mode (serial)	<p>Enabled – input data from the serial interface is treated as serial packets.</p> <p>Disabled – input data from the serial interface is treated as bit streams.</p>
Packet mode inter-packet timeout	In milliseconds. The delimiter value for recognizing the timeout gap between serial packets if Packet Mode is enabled.
Delimiter1(Hex)/Status	Besides the inter-packet timeout, serial packets can be delimited by one or two trailer bytes of specific values. Delimiter 1 is the hexadecimal number of the first delimiter byte. Toggle to “Enable” on the “Status” field for delimiting serial packets according to trailer byte rather than inter-packet timeout.
Delimiter2(Hex)/Status	The hexadecimal number of the second delimiter byte. If this byte is “Disable” and the Delimiter 1 is “Enable”, the delimiter byte length is one.

Serial Port Configuration

Operation Mode	A read-only attribute. It shows the RS232/422/485 mode set by the DIP switch.
Baud Rate	The speed of the serial interface.
Parity	Select or disable the parity checking method
Word Length	The length of data in bits
Stop Bits	The bit length of stop bits
Flow Control	The flow control method for informing the correspondent

While using this unit in the Device Server mode, in case you are using a serial device with a 2-wire RS-485 application or Modbus RTU protocol, do not forget to “Enable” the “Packet” mode of serial input. Also enter the appropriate inter-packet timeout or delimiter byte values to enable smooth data communication.

Note: You will not be able to change the serial port settings (Baud Rate, Parity, Stop bits etc) while working in Device Server mode; they are managed through IP Serial Redirector software.

Applications for Operation Modes:

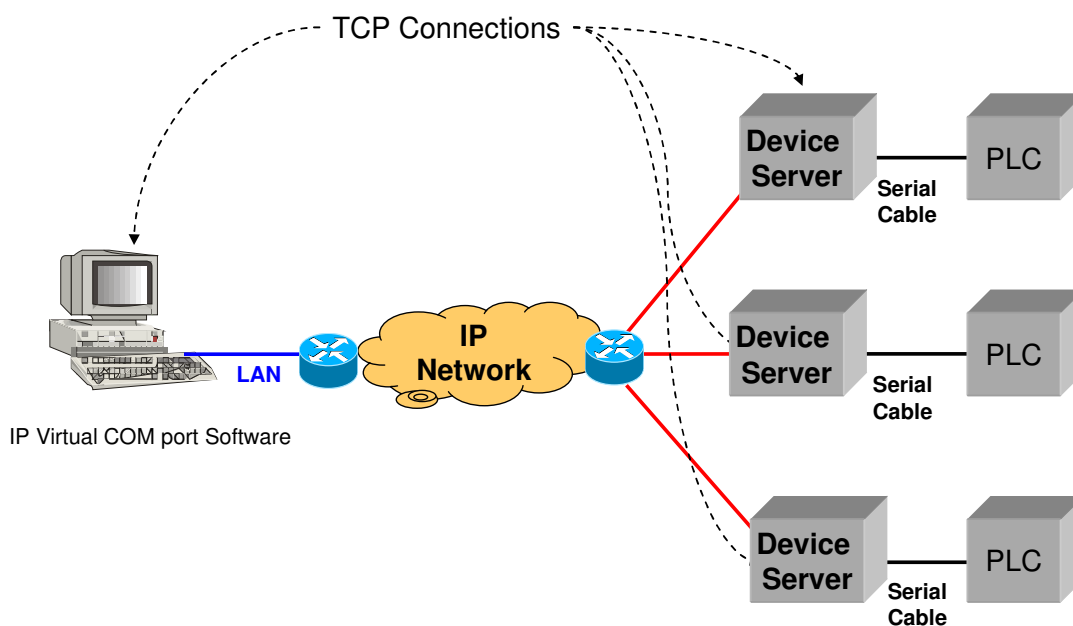


Diagram 1 – Central Management Application (Device Server Mode)

Device Server Mode: In this mode the Device Server acts in the Server role of the RFC-2217 COM Port Control Protocol.

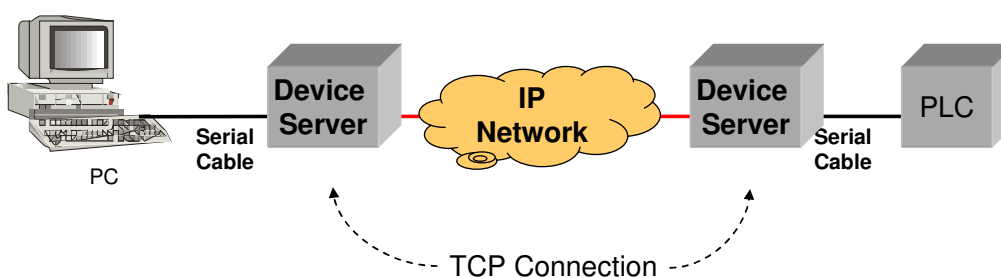


Diagram 2 – Peer-to-Peer Application (Converter Mode)

Converter Mode: In this mode the Device Server acts like an advanced media converter. Like a normal converter, the Device Server communicates with a remote Device Server in a peer-to-peer way. Also, the Device Servers communicate with each other through an IP network in the TCP communication model. The TCP Client and Server roles of the two Device Server peers are negotiated automatically.

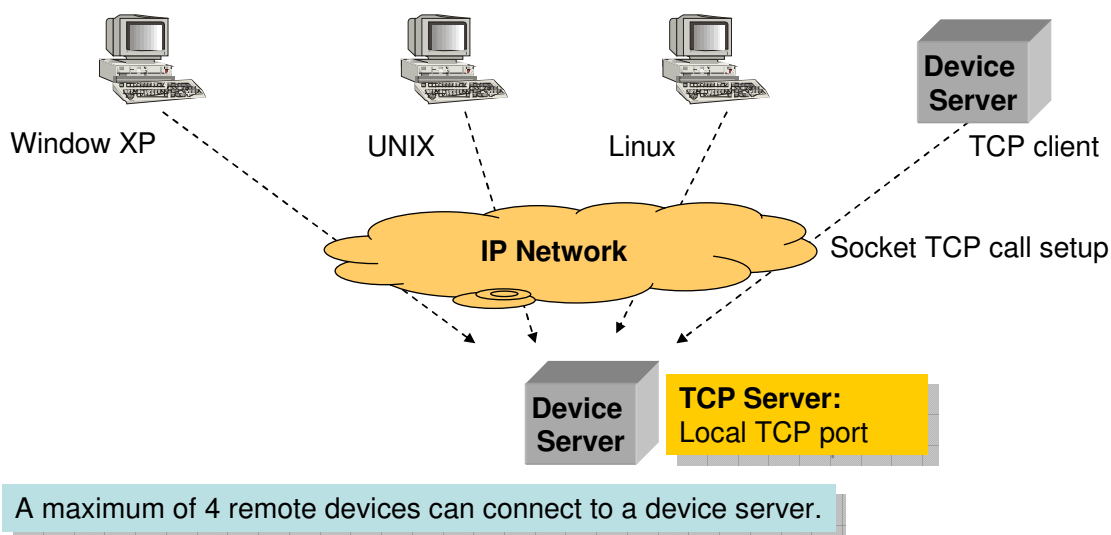


Diagram 3 – Multi-host Application (TCP Server mode)

TCP Server Mode: In this mode the Device Server acts as a device server and functions as a network agent for the serial device. For example, when a serial device with a serial console port is connected to the Device Server while it is in TCP Server mode, the console port becomes a network-accessible interface via the Device Server device server. In TCP Server Mode, the Device Server can link the serial device and a TCP-operating control host by providing two-way transmission between the two. In TCP **Server** mode, the Device Server **waits** for the control host to initiate communication with the serial device. Conversely, in TCP **Client** mode (next diagram) the Device Server **initiates** communication with one or up to four remote devices simultaneously – when the serial device experiences a communication event and prompts the Device Server to initiate communication.

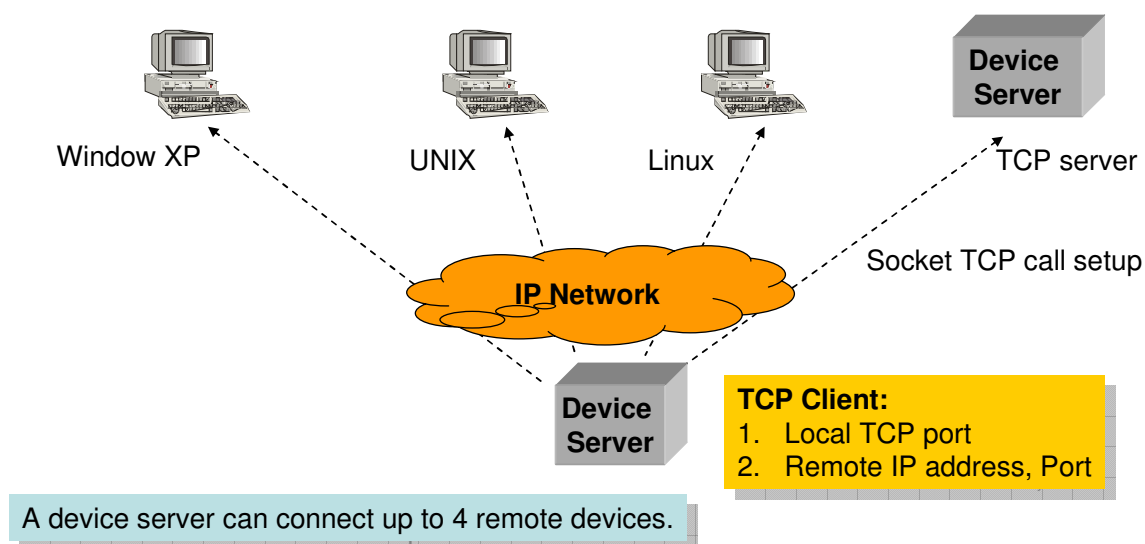


Diagram 4 – Multi-host Application (TCP Client mode)

TCP Client Mode: This mode lets the Device Server act as a bridge for serial devices that must communicate with server hosts like the Linux, UNIX, and Windows systems. In this Client mode, the Device Server establishes a temporary TCP connection with the servers automatically after powering up. All the data received from the serial device is then sent to remote servers. The servers can also send data back to the serial device while the connection is active. The Device Server automatically ends the connection when all information is sent and the connection becomes idle for a specified length of time. It will reestablish the connection when it receives data from the serial device.

In TCP **Server** mode (previous section), the Device Server **waits** for the control host to initiate communication with the serial device. Conversely, in TCP **Client** mode the Device Server **initiates** communication with one or up to four remote devices simultaneously – when the serial device experiences a communication event and prompts the Device Server to initiate communications.

6.3.4 Serial Connect Status

Serial Connect Status will show the serial port connection to the serial device. Serial port settings can only be changed when using Media Converter mode.

RS232/422/485 Connection Status	
Connect Status	: Server-Type
Peer IP Address	: 192.168.0.21
Dest/Srce Port Number	: 1753 / 1234
Byte Counts From UART	: 543
Byte Counts To Network	: 543
Byte Counts From Network	: 9
Byte Counts To UART	: 9

User can get instant information about the connectivity status.

Connect Status: Server or Client

Peer IP Address: IP of remote PC accessing the serial device via Device Server

Dest/Srce Port Number: Shows the destination and source Port numbers. Source port number will be as configured.

Byte Counts From UART: Displays the number of bytes transmitted from the serial device.

Byte Counts to Network: Displays the number of bytes received by the TCP/IP network.

Byte Counts From Network: Displaying the number of bytes transmitted from the Network.

Byte Counts to UART: Displays the number of bytes received by the serial device.

Mgmt. Configuration: This category offers multiple management options.

6.3.5 User Configuration

This option will allow user to change the “username” and “user password” for the device server / managed media converter management agent.

User Configuration	
User Name	User Password
<input type="text" value="admin"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Reset"/>	<input type="button" value="Apply"/>

Type the new user name in the “User Name” and password to “User Password”. Selecting **Apply** will implement the new user name and password, which will be required to manage the device server / managed media converter.



It is recommended to keep a written record in a safe place for the User Name and Password. In case, you lost the both or either one, you need to reset the system to default setting. This can be done by pressing a button at S1 location of PCB (near to capacitor) after removing the casing.

6.3.6 Firmware Download

The user can download the newer/latest firmware to upgrade the device server / managed media converter once available. The user has two options, either they can upgrade via HTTP with browse option to select the firmware file.

Upgrade System by HTTP	
File Name :	<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
<input type="button" value="Start Upgrade by HTTP"/>	

Upgrade System by TFTP	
IP Address :	<input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/> . <input type="text"/>
File Name :	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Start Upgrade by TFTP"/>	

If using TFTP method, user must provide the valid IP address of TFTP server and the file name, i.e. VK413.bin.

Once enter the parameters press “Start Upgrade by HTTP / TFTP” to upgrade the firmware. The window will appear to show the time to before restarting the device server to implement the upgraded firmware. For ensuring that the correct parameter values for the device will be functioning after a firmware upgrade from a prior version with different configuration structure and data format, please Restore Factory Default Settings in System Restart Menu.

6.3.7 SNMP Community Configuration

You can use an external SNMP-based application to configure and manage the Device Server / Managed Media Converter. This management method requires the SNMP agent on the Device Server / Managed Media Converter and the SNMP Network Management Station to use the same community string. This management method, in fact, uses two community strings: the **Get** community string and the **Set** community string. If the SNMP Network Management Station only knows the **Set** community string, it can read and write to the MIBs. However, if it only knows the **Get** community string, it can only read MIBs. The default **Get** and **Set** community strings for the Device Server / Managed Media Converter are public and private respectively.

SNMP Communities	
	Community Name
GET	<input type="text" value="public"/>
SET	<input type="text" value="private"/>
<input type="button" value="Reset"/>	<input type="button" value="Save"/>

If needed, assign the new parameters and press **Save** to implement the settings.

6.3.8 IP Trap

The following figure and table describe how to specify management stations that will receive authentication failure messages or other trap messages from the Device Server / Managed Media Converter. Up to 5 trap managers may be assigned.

IP Trap Manager		
IP Address	Community Name	Status
<input type="text" value="192.168.0.59"/>	<input type="text" value="public"/>	Enabled <input type="button" value="v"/>
<input type="text" value="192.168.1.112"/>	<input type="text" value="private"/>	Disable <input type="button" value="v"/>
<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/>	<input type="text" value="public"/>	Disable <input type="button" value="v"/>
<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/>	<input type="text" value="public"/>	Disable <input type="button" value="v"/>
<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/>	<input type="text" value="public"/>	Disable <input type="button" value="v"/>
<input type="button" value="Reset"/>	<input type="button" value="Save"/>	

Click on each parameter field to modify the desired setting, then click on **Undo** to restore previously saved configurations or click on **Save** to retain newly entered information. See descriptions below:

Parameter	Description
IP Address	Enter the IP address of terminals for situations when abnormalities on a connection occur and an alarm is to be sent. Enter their community names and disable or enable their alarm function accordingly.
Community Name	Enter their community names
Status	Disable or enable their alarm function

6.3.9 System Restart

Users can restart/reset the system via software from a remote location.

Restart Options

System Restore Factory Default Settings
Restore the factory default settings of the Device.
<input type="button" value="Restore"/>

System Reset
Press "Reset" if the device is abnormally functioning.
<input type="button" value="Reset"/>



Clicking on the Restore button will set the device server / managed media converter back to factory defaults. All saved configurations will be lost.

NOTES: