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General information

About the ISDN gateway

The ISDN GW 3201 Series is a range of high performance video gateways which enables ISDN network connectivity for the Codian IP-based video infrastructure products as well as IP-based endpoints.

Package contents

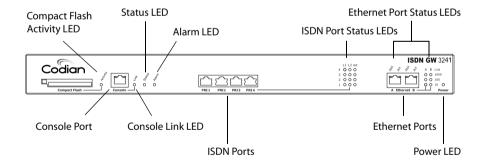
The following items are included with the ISDN gateway. Verify that you have these items before installing the device:

- Codian ISDN GW 3201 Series device
- ▶ Console cable (blue)
- Power cable
- ▶ Rack mounting kit

Port and LED location

Figure 1 shows the position of ports and LEDs on the ISDN gateway.

Figure 1: ISDN gateway front panel



LED behavior

Table 1 describes the behavior of the LEDs.

Table 1: ISDN gateway LED behavior

LED	Color	Indicates
Compact Flash Activity	Flashing green	One of: • the ISDN gateway is booting • a configuration change has been made
		▶ the configuration is being transferred by FTP
Console Link	Green	A PC is connected to the console port
Status	Green	The ISDN gateway is operating normally
Alarm	Red	The ISDN gateway is booting or has developed a fault, for example:
		 temperature is outside normal limits
		► fan failure
		 battery failure of the internal clock
		Refer to the web interface for more information
	0 1 70	about the problem (go to Status > Health)
ISDN Port Status		DN port:
L1	Off	There is no connection on this port, or the ISDN gateway is not receiving framing (also known as Red Alarm)
	Flashing green	The ISDN gateway is receiving framing, but the far end is not receiving framing (also known as Yellow Alarm)
	Green	The port is connected to the far end
L2	Green	Layer 2 connectivity has been achieved with the ISDN network from this port. This means that D-channel signaling has been established with the network
Act	Green	There is at least one active call using this port. Data is currently being received on this port

Table 1: ISDN gateway LED behavior (continued)

LED		Color	Indicates	
Ethernet Port Status, for each Ethernet port:				
	FDX	Green	The link has been negotiated as a full-duplex link	
	Act	Green	Packets are being transmitted on this port	
	Link	Green	The speed of the link from this port, which is either 10, 100, or 1000 Mbps	
Power		Blue	The ISDN gateway is receiving power	

Connecting the ISDN gateway

Before you start



IMPORTANT: Before installing the ISDN GW 3201 (ISDN gateway), you must read the safety information at http://www.codian.com/safety.htm

Your ISDN connection



To reduce the risk of fire, use only 26 AWG or larger telecommunication line cord.

Outside North America

Check with your network provider to ensure that your incoming ISDN PRI line is terminated in an NTU/CSU (Network Termination Unit/ Channel Service Unit). If it is not, then seek their advice regarding the provisioning of such a device. Do not connect the ISDN gateway directly to an external ISDN line.

Within North America

If your network provider has not terminated all of your incoming ISDN PRI lines with an NTU/CSU, Codian recommends that you install a suitably approved CSU to protect the ISDN gateway from damage by surges on your ISDN PRI lines.



If you do not install a CSU between the incoming ISDN PRI lines and the ISDN gateway, then the ISDN gateway must be installed in a restricted location as defined by EN, IEC and UL60950. This is defined as an area intended for qualified or trained personal only with access controlled by a locking mechanism such as a key.



If you do not install a CSU between the incoming ISDN PRI lines and the ISDN gateway, then you are required to connect the ISDN gateway to a protective earth as follows:

Connect a protective earth cable (not supplied) to the terminals on the rear of the chassis marked with the earth symbol .

Connect the other end of this cable to a true earth.



The earth terminal accepts two M4 screws on a 16mm (5/8") spacing for use with a two hole copper lug (such as the Panduit LCD10-10A-L).

Step one: Connect power

Connect the power connector on the rear of the unit to the power supply using the supplied power cable. (There is no On/Off switch.)

Step two: Connect to Ethernet Port A

Connect an Ethernet cable from Ethernet Port A to an Ethernet switch (rather than a hub, to minimize interference from other devices on the network). The Ethernet port is a 10/100/1000 Mbps auto-sensing connection.



Only connect to Ethernet Port A. Ethernet Port B is reserved for future expansion; do not connect anything to Ethernet Port B.

Step three: Connect to the ISDN ports

The ISDN gateway uses a standard RJ48C ISDN interface for each PRI port. Use a single straight-through STP patch cable to connect each PRI port on the ISDN gateway to your ISDN connection.

FFor information about the behavior of the ISDN port LEDs, refer to Table 1, ISDN gateway LED behavior, on page 2.



For D-channel signaling to be established, the ISDN gateway must have found and synchronized with the ISDN network clock. In some installations, you may have to explicitly request your ISDN provider to enable the network clock before the link will be established.

Initial configuration

Step one: Connect to the console port

- 1 Ensure power is connected to the ISDN gateway and the Status LED is green.
- 2 Connect the console port of the ISDN gateway to the serial port of your PC using the blue RJ45 to DB9 console cable supplied.
- 3 Use a serial terminal program, such as Secure CRT or HyperTerminal, to connect to the ISDN gateway. Set your terminal software to the following settings:

Baud rate: 38400
Data bits: 8
Parity: none
Stop bits: 1
Flow control: none

4 Press Enter and the following command prompt appears on the terminal: ISDN-GW:>

Step two: Configure Ethernet Port A settings

The default setting for the ISDN gateway Ethernet ports is auto-sensing mode. If the switch ports to which you connect the ISDN gateway are not also set to auto-sensing mode, then you need to configure the ISDN gateway Ethernet ports to use the same speed and duplex mode.



Only connect to Ethernet Port A. Ethernet Port B is reserved for future expansion; do not connect anything to Ethernet Port B.



Both ends of the Ethernet connection must be configured in the same way. For example, either configure both ends of the link to be autosensing or configure both ends to operate at the same speed and duplex.



To establish a 1000Mbps connection, both ends of the link must be configured as auto-sensing.

- To configure Ethernet Port A, enter the following for auto-sensing mode: ethertype auto or to configure a speed and duplex, use the following command: ethertype <10|100> <half|full>
- 2 To display the current configuration and status of the Ethernet ports, enter: status

For example, to configure a full-duplex 100Mbps link, enter:

ethertype 100 full



To establish a 1000Mbps connection, both ends of the link must be configured as auto-sensing.

Step three: Assign an IP address to the ISDN gateway (optional)

The default setting for the ISDN gateway is to use DHCP to obtain an IP address. You can assign a static IP address if you prefer or if a DHCP server is not available.

If you want the IP address of the ISDN gateway to be assigned by your DHCP server, omit this step.

To assign a static IP address, use the following command: static <IP address> <netmask> <default gateway address> <DNS server address>



If you do not have a DNS server, use 0.0.0.0 as the DNS server IP address.

For example, to assign an address of 192.168.1.2 where the default gateway is at 192.168.1.1, enter:

static 192.168.1.2 255.255.255.0 192.168.1.1 0.0.0.0

Step four: Discover the IP address of the ISDN gateway

- To display the current status of the IP address, enter: **status**If you have DHCP enabled on your network and you are allowing the ISDN gateway to acquire its address using DHCP, the IP address that has been acquired by Ethernet Port A will be shown; if you have assigned a static IP address, that is the address that will be shown.
- 2 Make a note of the IP address. You will use this to access the web interface of the unit.

Configuring the ISDN gateway

Step one: Log in to the ISDN gateway

All administration of the ISDN gateway is performed via the web interface.

To log in to the ISDN gateway:

- 1 Use your browser to navigate to the IP address of the ISDN gateway (to discover the IP address, refer to the previous section).
- 2 Click **Change log in** and enter the user name **admin** with no password.



Codian recommends that you change the admin account to use a password as soon as possible. To do that, go to **Users**, click the **admin** link, and provide the required user information.

Step two: Set up the ISDN interfaces

- 1 In the web interface, go to Settings > ISDN.
- 2 Select the **ISDN interface type** to match that of your installation; E1 is typically used in the UK and mainland Europe, T1 (USA and Canada) in North America, and T1(Japan) in Japan.
- 3 Complete the other settings as required by your network, referring to the online help for further information.
- 4 Click **Apply changes** to save any changes you have made to the configuration.
- 5 Restart the ISDN gateway (this is only necessary if you changed the ISDN configuration). To do this:
 - i Go to Settings > Shutdown, and click Shut down ISDN GW.
 - ii Confirm that you want to shut down the ISDN gateway.
 - iii Click Restart ISDN GW.
- 6 When the ISDN gateway has restarted, log in to the web interface again, and go to Settings > ISDN ports.
- 7 Complete the settings for ISDN Port 1 as required by your network, referring to the online help for further information. Note that all ISDN ports on the ISDN gateway are enabled by default.
- 8 Click **Apply changes** to save your configuration changes to the ISDN port.
- 9 If required, configure another ISDN port by selecting the port number from the numbered links at the top right of the ISDN port configuration page.

Step three: Configure an H.323 gatekeeper

If you have H.323 endpoints, using an H.323 gatekeeper can make it easier for callers to make their call. You can configure the ISDN gateway to use an external gatekeeper or its own built-in gatekeeper.

To configure the use of an H.323 gatekeeper, go to **Settings > Gatekeeper**. Typically you may want to add a Dial plan prefix for voice calls (for example 9) and another for video calls (for example 8).

For more information refer to the online help topic: "Configuring gatekeeper settings".

Step four: Configure the dial plan

The default behavior of the ISDN gateway is to reject all calls. You must configure a dial plan to allow permitted calls to be placed.

Below are some simple configurations for dial plan rules.

IP to ISDN dial plan setup

This example allows IP codecs to dial (via a gatekeeper) the 'phone number of the destination endpoint, using a prefix of 9 for audio calls and 8 for video calls. It assumes that you require both video and voice calls to be made from your IP network to ISDN and that you have set up dial plan prefixes 8 and 9 on the ISDN gateway's **Settings > Gatekeeper** page.

- 1 In the web interface, go to **Dial plan > IP to ISDN** and click **Add rule**.
- 2 For **Condition**, select **Called number matches** and enter the correct match for example 9(D*).
- 3 For Action, select Call this number and enter \$1.
- 4 For **Call type**, select **Telephone**.
- 5 Leave the other values unchanged. Click **Add rule** to add the rule to the dial plan.
- 6 Repeat steps 1 to 5 to create a second dial plan to accept and forward the video calls with the correct format in **Called number matches**, for example 8(D*) and for **Call type**, select **Video**.

ISDN to IP dial plan setup

Options 1 and 2 will automatically handle both voice and video calls.

Option 1 - This example assumes that you have a PRI line that has 100 numbers (00 to 99) associated with it and that all your endpoints are registered to a gatekeeper with registrations in the range 5900 - 5999.

- 1 Go to Dial plan > ISDN to IP, and click Add rule.
- 2 For **Condition**, select **Called number matches** and enter the correct match for example D*(DD), which will match the last 2 digits of the dialed number. To match the last 3 digits, use D*(DDD).
- 3 For Action, select Call this number and enter 59\$1.
- 4 For Call type, select Video.
- 5 Leave the other values unchanged. Click **Add rule** to add the rule to the dial plan.

Option 2 - This example assumes that you have a PRI line which has 1 number associated with it but you require access to multiple endpoints on the IP side. When you dial you will be greeted by the ISDN gateway's auto attendant and using TCS-4 or DTMF you can dial the extension of the IP endpoint, if known.

- 1 Go to **Dial plan > ISDN to IP**, and click **Add rule**.
- 2 For Condition, select Match any called number.
- 3 For Action, select Enter the auto attendant + TCS-4.
- 4 For **Call type**, select **Video**.
- 5 Leave the other values unchanged. Click **Add rule** to add the rule to the dial plan.

There are a number of different ways in which you can use the dial plan. For example, you can use the dial plan to link specific bandwidths to certain prefixes, thereby enabling users to use the correct bandwidth for an IP to ISDN call. You can also use the dial plan to enable the ISDN gateway to join incoming ISDN calls to the correct conference on an MCU. These dial plan configurations — and the dial plan rule syntax — are explained in greater detail and with supporting examples in the online help accessible from the web interface.

Troubleshooting and technical support information

Refer to this section if you are experiencing difficulties with the ISDN gateway. Ensure that you have followed the instructions in this guide when installing and configuring the ISDN gateway.

Calls fail to complete

If outgoing calls fail to complete, check that you have configured the ISDN gateway and all other equipment correctly, paying particular attention to the number you are trying to call. Remember that endpoints may be busy when you call them.

Using the event log to help solve a problem

Unless you are experiencing a problem, all event logging sources should be set to the default, which is **Errors, warnings and information**. For more information about configuring the event log, refer to the online help accessible from the web interface.

You can use the event log to produce debugging information to assist technical support in solving your problem. However, we recommend that you only alter the setting of the event log under the guidance of technical support representatives. In particular, it is not recommended that you indiscriminately turn on event logging sources.

Getting more help

If the documentation does not answer your question or you have a problem with one of our products:

- 1 Refer to the Technical FAQ and Troubleshooter sections of the web site. We keep both sections up to date with the latest information from our technical support team regarding the resolution of customer issues.
- 2 Contact your reseller. Our resellers have a wealth of experience with our products and this is sometimes a quick way of solving a problem.
- If your query remains unsolved, there is a web form in the Support area of the web site that you can complete. Ensure that you provide all the details requested by the form to assist the technical support team in resolving your problem:
 - the serial number and product model number (for example: ISDN GW 3241) of the unit
 - the software build number (to find this, in the web interface, go to Status > General)
 - where you purchased the unit
 - your contact email address or telephone number

Pin outs

The pin numbering for the PRI ports on the ISDN gateway is shown in Figure 2. The pin assignments for the PRI ports are shown in Table 2:

Table 2: Pin assignments for PRI ports

Pin number	Signal
1	Receive -
2	Receive +
3	Not connected
4	Transmit -
5	Transmit +
6	Not connected
7	Not connected
8	Not connected

Figure 2: Pin numbering for PRI ports

