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USER MANUAL

MODEL:

VA-4H
4-Channel HDMI EDID
Controller

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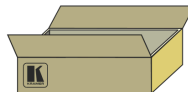
VA-4H 4 Channel HDMI EDID Controller Quick Start Guide



This guide helps you install and use your product for the first time. For more detailed information, go to http://www.kramerelectronics.com/support/product_downloads.asp to download the latest manual or scan the QR code on the left.

Step 1: Check what's in the box

- VA-4H** 4-Channel HDMI EDID Controller
- 1 Quick Start sheet
- 1 Power supply (5V DC)
- 4 Rubber feet



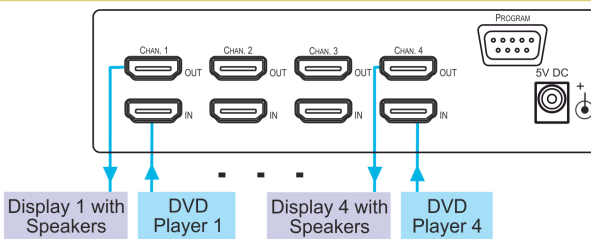
Save the original box and packaging in case your VA-4H needs to be returned to the factory for service.

Step 2: Install the VA-4H

Mount the machine in a rack (using the optional RK-13 rack adapter) or attach the rubber feet and place on a table.

Step 3: Connect the inputs and outputs

Always switch off the power on each device before connecting it to your **VA-4H**.



Always use Kramer high-performance cables for connecting AV equipment to the **VA-4H**.

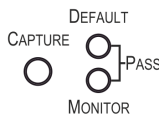
Step 4: Connect the power

Connect the 5V DC power adapter to the **VA-4H** and plug the adapter into the mains electricity.



Step 5: Operate the VA-4H

For each channel, press and hold the recessed Capture button to cycle through the settings: MONITOR, DEFAULT, PASS THROUGH. Release when the desired setting is reached.



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1 Introduction

Welcome to Kramer Electronics! Since 1981, Kramer Electronics has been providing a world of unique, creative, and affordable solutions to the vast range of problems that confront the video, audio, presentation, and broadcasting professional on a daily basis. In recent years, we have redesigned and upgraded most of our line, making the best even better!

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Congratulations on purchasing your Kramer **VA-4H 4-Channel HDMI EDID Controller**, which is ideal for the following typical applications:

- Distributing presentation graphics
- Using a display at a distance from the computer
- Using in graphics production studios

2 Getting Started

We recommend that you:

- Unpack the equipment carefully and save the original box and packaging materials for possible future shipment
- Review the contents of this user manual



Go to <http://www.kramerelectronics.com> to check for up-to-date user manuals, application programs, and to check if firmware upgrades are available (where appropriate).

2.1 Achieving the Best Performance

To achieve the best performance:

- Use only good quality connection cables (we recommend Kramer high-performance, high-resolution cables) to avoid interference, deterioration in signal quality due to poor matching, and elevated noise levels (often associated with low quality cables)
- Do not secure the cables in tight bundles or roll the slack into tight coils
- Avoid interference from neighboring electrical appliances that may adversely influence signal quality
- Position your Kramer **VA-4H** and away from moisture, excessive sunlight and dust



This equipment is to be used only inside a building. It may only be connected to other equipment that is installed inside a building.

2.2 Safety Instructions



Caution: There are no operator serviceable parts inside the unit

Warning: Use only the Kramer Electronics input power wall adapter that is provided with the unit

Warning: Disconnect the power and unplug the unit from the wall before installing

2.3 Recycling Kramer Products

The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2002/96/EC aims to reduce the amount of WEEE sent for disposal to landfill or incineration by requiring it to be collected and recycled. To comply with the WEEE Directive, Kramer Electronics has made arrangements with the European Advanced Recycling Network (EARN) and will cover any costs of treatment, recycling and recovery of waste Kramer Electronics branded equipment on arrival at the EARN facility. For details of Kramer's recycling arrangements in your particular country go to our recycling pages at <http://www.kramerelectronics.com/support/recycling/>.

3 Overview

The **VA-4H** is an EDID controller for HDMI signals. The unit inputs up to four HDMI channels and lets you select an EDID for each channel from the display, an internal default EDID or to pass the signal through without change.

The **VA-4H** features:

- A maximum data rate of 2.25Gbps per channel for a total of 6.75Gbps
- A maximum input resolution of 1080p
- HDTV compatibility
- Compliance with standards: HDMI and HDCP 1.2
- Support of HDMI (V.1.4 with Deep Color, x.v.Color™, Lip Sync, HDMI Uncompressed Audio Channels, Dolby TrueHD, DTS-HD, CEC)
- Four input/output channels
- Four tamper-proof, recessed selector pushbuttons
- Non-volatile memory that saves final settings
- LED indicators for power and EDID source settings
- An RS-232 port for upgrading firmware
- A 5V DC power source
- A compact MultiTools enclosure that can be rack mounted with an optional RK-13 rack adapter

4 Defining the VA-4H 4-Channel HDMI EDID Controller

This section defines the **VA-4H**.

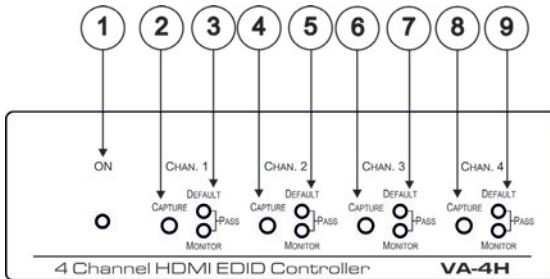


Figure 1: VA-4H 4-Channel HDMI EDID Controller Front Panel

| # | Feature | Function | |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | ON LED | Illuminates green when 5V DC power is connected | |
| 2 | CHAN. 1 | CAPTURE Button | Press to choose the channel 1 EDID source |
| 3 | | DEFAULT PASS MONITOR LEDES | Upper LED illuminates red when default EDID is chosen, both LEDES illuminate when pass-through is chosen, lower green LED illuminates when the monitor EDID is chosen |
| 4 | | CHAN. 2 | CAPTURE Button |
| 5 | DEFAULT PASS MONITOR LEDES | | Upper LED illuminates red when default EDID is chosen, both LEDES illuminate when pass-through is chosen, lower green LED illuminates when the monitor EDID is chosen |
| 6 | CHAN. 3 | CAPTURE Button | Press to choose the channel 3 EDID source |
| 7 | | DEFAULT PASS MONITOR LEDES | Upper LED illuminates red when default EDID is chosen, both LEDES illuminate when pass-through is chosen, lower green LED illuminates when the monitor EDID is chosen |
| 8 | CHAN. 4 | CAPTURE Button | Press to choose the channel 4 EDID source |
| 9 | | DEFAULT PASS MONITOR LEDES | Upper LED illuminates red when default EDID is chosen, both LEDES illuminate when pass-through is chosen, lower green LED illuminates when the monitor EDID is chosen |

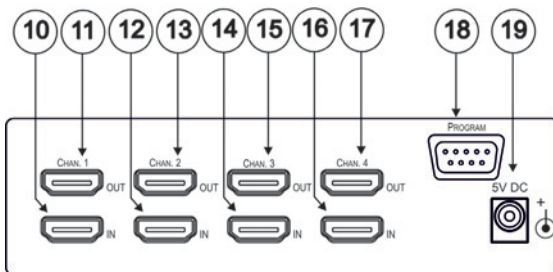


Figure 2: VA-4H 4-Channel HDMI EDID Controller Rear Panel

| # | Feature | Function |
|----|--------------------------|--|
| 10 | CHAN. 1 | IN HDMI Connector |
| 11 | | OUT HDMI Connector |
| 12 | CHAN. 2 | IN HDMI Connector |
| 13 | | OUT HDMI Connector |
| 14 | CHAN. 3 | IN HDMI Connector |
| 15 | | OUT HDMI Connector |
| 16 | CHAN. 4 | IN HDMI Connector |
| 17 | | OUT HDMI Connector |
| 18 | PROGRAM RS-232 Connector | Connects to a PC for upgrading the device firmware (see <i>Upgrading the VA-4H Firmware</i> document on the Kramer Web site) |
| 19 | 5V DC Connector | Connects to the 5V DC power supply |

5 Connecting the VA-4H



Always switch off the power to each device before connecting it to your **VA-4H**. After connecting your **VA-4H**, connect its power and then switch on the power to each device.

To connect the **VA-4H** as illustrated in the example in [Figure 3](#):

1. Connect up to four HDMI sources (as an example, DVD players) to the HDMI IN connectors.
2. Connect the HDMI OUT connectors to up to four HDMI acceptors (as an example, displays with speakers).

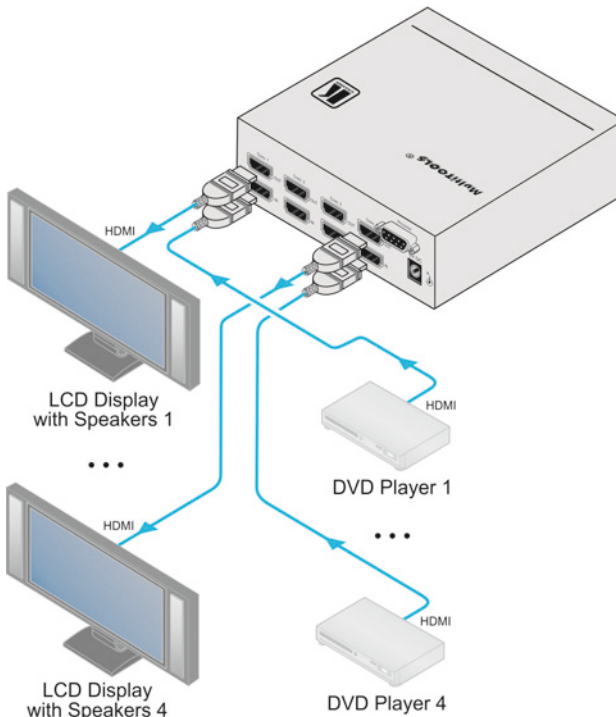


Figure 3: Connecting the VA-4H 4-Channel HDMI EDID Controller

6 Operating the VA-4H

To set the EDID source for each channel as illustrated in the example in [Figure 3](#):

1. Press and hold the CAPTURE pushbutton. The indicator LEDS illuminate in a cycle as follows:
MONITOR, lower green LED
DEFAULT, upper red LED
PASS, both LEDS together.
2. Release the pushbutton at the desired setting.
The setting is saved in non-volatile memory.

Notes:

- DEFAULT and MONITOR settings do not support HDCP key exchange. For the display to work properly with HDCP encryption, the **VA-4H** must be set to PASS
- If an EDID is captured the MONITOR LED flashes slowly
- If an EDID is not captured, the DEFAULT LED flashes quickly and the default EDID is loaded
- When exchanging a display, refresh the source by disconnecting and reconnecting the HDMI cable between the source and the device input

7 Technical Specifications

| | |
|--|---|
| INPUTS: | 4 HDMI connectors |
| OUTPUTS: | 4 HDMI connectors |
| MAX. DATA RATE | 2.25Gbps per data channel |
| COMPLIANCE WITH HDMI STANDARDS: | HDMI, HDCP 1.2 |
| RESOLUTION: | 1080p @60Hz |
| POWER SOURCE: | 5V DC, 50mA |
| CONTROLS: | 4 source selector pushbuttons, RS-232 port for firmware upgrade |
| INDICATORS: | Power and EDID source LEDs |
| OPERATING TEMPERATURE: | 0° to +40°C (32° to 104°F) |
| STORAGE TEMPERATURE: | -40° to +70°C (-40° to 158°F) |
| HUMIDITY: | 10% to 90%, RHL non-condensing |
| DIMENSIONS: | 14.3cm x 12.2cm x 4.4cm (5.6" x 4.8" x 1.7") |
| WEIGHT: | 0.42kg (0.92lb) |
| ACCESSORIES: | Power supply |
| OPTIONS: | RK-13 19" rack adapter |
| Specifications are subject to change without notice at http://www.kramerelectronics.com | |

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SAFETY WARNING

Disconnect the unit from the power supply before opening and servicing



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