

# KD-EX18G

4K UHDoTP with HDR HDMI Extender Tx + Rx Kit. Extends 4K 18G to 35m (115ft), 1080p to 50m (164ft). 4K to 1080p Down Convert, HDMI Pass Thru, Power over CAT, 2 Way IR, Handshake Control, Forced HPD.

# Operating Instructions











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# Always follow the instructions provided in this Operating Manual.

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# Introduction

Key Digital® KD-EX18G is a UHDoTP HDMI extender Tx + Rx set with 4K/UHD resolution and bandwidth support up to 18Gbps and HDCP2.2 compliancy. KD-EX18G extends video resolutions up to 4096x2160 at 60hz with 4:4:4 chroma sub-sampling over a single CAT5e/6 cable up to 115ft (35m). 1080p signals are extended up to 164ft (50m). In addition to HDMI video and audio signals, KD-EX18G carries IR for controlling remotely located equipment. KD-EX18G features 4K to 1080p down convert, EDID handshake control, and hot plug detection integration tools, as well as an HDMI pass-thru port for connecting to AV Surround Receivers or local monitors.

- UHDoTP via Single CAT5e/6 UTP/STP Extension: With fully automatic adjustment of feedback, equalization, and amplification depending on cabling length
- **AK Resolution Support**: 4096x2160 or 3840x2160 24/25/30/60hz at 4:4:4 (signals up to 18Gbps bandwidth)
- Visually Lossless Compression: 18G enabling technology applied to all video formats exceeding 10.2Gbps to accommodate UHDoTP transmission channel
- > 4K to 1080p Down Convert: Optional resolution conversion applied at UHDoTP output provides added integration options in retrofit installations as well as added distance performance
- > 10G Pass-thru: Mode enables uncompressed 10.2Gbps signal extension
- Flexible Power over CAT (PoC): Only one power connection needed. Tx may power Rx, or Rx may power Tx.
- > Low Profile: Slim chassis design
- **Signal Extension**: For resolution and cable quality
  - » 4K/UHD: Up to 35m (115ft) using CAT5e/6, up to 40m (131ft) using CAT6A STP
  - » **1080p:** Up to 50m (164ft) maximum, up to 60m (197ft) using CAT6A STP
  - » Minimum: 5m (17ft) CAT5e/6 cable length required for all resolutions
- > HDR10 (High Dynamic Range): More life-like images through a greater range of luminance levels
- **> HDCP 2.2**: Compliancy up to HDCP 2.2 and backward compliant
- **Deep Color Support**: Up to UHD/4K 30Hz 4:4:4/12 bits or 60Hz 4:4:4/8 bit
- EDID Control: Internal library with 15 EDID handshakes including 4K with HDR in addition to native EDID data from Output/Display device connected to Rx
- Hot Plug Detection Control: Enables integrator to choose if active signal voltage is forced to connected display/output device
- > Full Buffer System™: Manages TMDS re-clocking / signal re-generation, HDCP authentication with source & display, EDID handshake control, and Hot Plug Detection control
- IR Sensor: Sensor powering via +5V on IR In port collects line-of-sight IR from remote(s) without external IR connecting block
- > Up/Down IR: Two channels of IR enable control to/from devices or control systems connected to Tx and Rx units
- **> HDMI Pass-Through**: Enables connection to local monitor or AV Receiver.
- > Surround Audio Support: On HDMI pass-thru and UHDoTP outputs:
  - » **HDMI Pass-Thru:** Supports Dolby®, Dolby® TrueHD, DTS $^{\text{\tiny{TM}}}$  and DTS-HD $^{\text{\tiny{TM}}}$  (formats up to 7.1)
  - » UHDoTP Output: Supports Dolby®, DTS $^{\text{\tiny{TM}}}$  (formats up to 5.1/6.1)

## **Included Accessories**

- > 1x 12V/2A, 24W DC Power Supply (Screw-In Type). SKU: KD-PS12V2ASC
- 4x Mounting Brackets
- > 1x IR Emitter, 1x IR Sensor

# **Quick Setup Guide**

## CONNECT:

Begin with the Tx and Rx units and all input/output devices turned off with power cables removed.

- 1. Connect your HDMI source to the input port of the Tx unit
- 2. Connect your HDMI display to the output port of the Rx unit
- 3. Connect a CAT5e/6 cable between Tx and Rx unit. Use 568-B termination.
- **4.** Connect IR emitter from Tx or Rx unit to the IR receptor of the device you wish to control.
- **5.** Mount IR Sensor in a location that can easily collect line of sight IR signals from remotes. Connect into the Tx or Rx unit's IR In port.
  - » Refer to the Tx unit's silkscreen for supported IR Input type (Sensor or Serial IR) as support varies depending on hardware revision.
- **6. BEFORE** connecting power supply to power outlet, screw-in the power supply to the Tx or Rx unit
- 7. AFTER all connections are made, plug-in power supply to power outlet
- **8.** Power on source and display

# **CONFIGURE:**

The default EDID handshake is 4Kx2K@60, 18G, HDR, 2ch audio (setting A) with 18G signal bypass. Use the EDID rotary to choose desired handshake to provide to connected source and the slide-switches to adjust 18G signal and hot plug detection handling.

# **Rack Mounting**

In addition to mounting with the supplied L-Brackets, multiple KD-EX18G units may be mounted in KD-SMS16 using the side mounting screws. KD-SMS16 is a mounting shelf for Key Digital units with side mounting screw spacing of 2.912", 2.582", or 2.252".

> Do NOT exceed 12 units as doing so will result in unit damage by overheating.



# **Application Example**



# Connections, Buttons, and LEDs

Before making any connections, power off your source and display devices.

# **HDMI Input & HDMI Output Connections**





- HDMI Input: Using a short HDMI cable, connect your source device to the HDMI port labeled HDMI Input.
- > HDMI Output: Using a short HDMI cable, connect your display device to the HDMI port labeled HDMI Output.
- For DVI-D/DVI-I sources or monitors, use appropriate adapters. For Display Port, use active converters.
  - » Supports up to UHD/4K @ 50/60 fps [4:4:4], 18Gbps signals
    - » See Supported standard 4K Video Formats table
  - » Supports HDR10
  - » Compliant with HDCP 2.2 and previous
  - » Supports CEC pass thru
    - » HDMI Input & Pass-thru ports support Dolby®, Dolby® TrueHD, DTS™ and DTS-HD™ formats up to 7.1ch

## Supported standard 4K Video Formats:

	Resolution	Bandwidth
1	4K@24/25/30 [4:4:4] 8bit	< 10.2Gbps
2	4K@24/25/30 [4:2:2] 8/10/12bit	< 10.2Gbps
3	4K@50/60 [4:2:0] 8bit	< 10.2Gbps
4	4K@24/25/30 [4:4:4] 10/12bit	< 18Gbps
5	4K@50/60 [4:2:2] 8/10/12bit	< 18Gbps
6	4K@50/60 [4:2:0] 10/12bit	< 18Gbps
7	4K@50/60 [4:4:4] 8bit	< 18Gbps

## **UHDoTP Output & UHDoTP Input Connections:**





- Connect Tx unit's UHDoTP Output port to Rx unit's UHDoTP Input port using CAT5e/6 UTP or STP in 568-B termination.
  - » UHD/4K: Up to 115ft (35m)
  - » 1080p: Up to 164ft (50m)
  - » Support Dolby®, DTS (5.1 formats max)
  - » Use with third-party Tx or Rx extenders is not supported

#### IR In & Out Connections:





- > IR Control ports are simultaneous and bi-directional
  - » Tx Unit IR In corresponds with Rx unit IR Out. Tx Unit IR Out corresponds with Rx unit IR In.
  - » Rx Unit IR In corresponds with Tx unit IR Out. Rx Unit IR Out corresponds with Tx unit IR In.
- Only the provided IR Sensor and IR Emitter should be used. Third-party sensors or emitters may not be compatible and/or may result in damage

#### IR In & Sensor:





- Connect sensor directly into the Rx unit's IR In port to collect line-of-sight signals from device remotes.
  - » No external IR distribution block or power supply is needed
- > Receives signals from a 90° angle at up to 30 ft. away.
  - » Maximum supported IR burst frequency is 55kHz.
- > Rx Unit IR In (Sensor) Pinout (3.5mm Stereo):
  - » <u>Tip</u>: IR Signal <u>Ring</u>: 5V Power for powering IR Sensor <u>Sleeve</u>: Ground
- > Tx Unit IR In (Serial IR) Pinout (3.5mm Stereo/Mono):
  - » <u>Tip</u>: IR Signal <u>Ring (optional)</u>: No connect <u>Sleeve</u>: Ground
- Refer to the Tx unit's silkscreen for supported IR Input type (Sensor or Serial IR) as support varies depending on hardware revision.
  - » First gen Tx hardware supports Sensor IR only. If using first gen Tx, IR from a control processor or IR connection block may be achieved by coupling IR emitter and IR sensor.
  - » Later gen Tx units supports Serial IR (hard-wired) input

## IR Out & Emitter:





- > IR Out driving power: 5V with 32mA minimum current
- > IR Out Pinout (3.5mm Mono)
  - » Tip: IR Signal
  - » Sleeve: Ground
- > IR Emitter Wiring:
  - » Dashed/Marked wire: IR Signal
  - » Solid/No Marking: Ground

## **Power Connection:**





- > 12V/2A (24W) power supply
- > Only one power connection needed. May be connected at Tx or Rx unit
- > Flexible Power over CAT (PoC). Tx may power Rx, or Rx may power Tx.
- > Not compatible with third-party PoC devices

## **LED Indicator Lights:**





#### > Power:

- » Color: Blue
- » Solid illumination during power on state, as provided by healthy connection with power supply and healthy PoC extension.
- » Steady blink if unit has is has a power short

#### > Live:

- » Color: Yellow
- » Steady blink from healthy unit CPU state

#### > UHDoTP Link:

- » Color: Blue
- » Solid illumination from healthy UHDoTP link between Tx and Rx units

#### > Video:

- » Color: Orange
- » Illumination with active TMDS (video + audio) signal
- » Off with no TMDS (video + audio) signal

#### > HDMI Link:

- » Color: Blue
- » Tx Unit: Solid illumination from active signal from connected source
- » Rx Unit: Solid illumination from active Hot Plug Detection voltage with connected display/output device

# **EDID Rotary**

- » EDID authentication is provided from the Tx unit to the connected input/source device.
- » The EDID file (AKA "handshake") is selected using the EDID rotary on the unit and provides a list of compatible video and audio formats as well as digital data, informing the source device what it should output.
- » Most sources will comply with a new EDID file without a power-cycle, but each source may behave differently.
- » Adjustments may be necessary to help achieve desired video and audio formatting and may speed up sync time.
- » The default EDID setting is position 7, 4K@60fps, 18G, 2ch audio

Position	EDID Handshake Description	EDID Rotary
0	Copy EDID from Rx Display/Output	Note: Default position is "7"
1	1080i, 2CH AUDIO	
2	1080i, DOLBY/DTS 5.1	
3	1080i, HD AUDIO	
4	4Kx2K@60, 10.2G, HDR10, 2CH AUDIO	
5	4Kx2K@60, 10.2G, HDR10, DOLBY/DTS 5.1	
6	4Kx2K@60, 10.2G, HDR10, HD AUDIO	
7	4Kx2K@60, 18G, HDR10, 2CH AUDIO	
8	4Kx2K@60, 18G, HDR10, DOLBY/DTS 5.1	
9	4Kx2K@60, 18G, HDR10, HD AUDIO	
Α	1280x720p@60 DVI (no audio)	
В	1920x1080p@60 DVI (no audio)	
С	4Kx2K@60, 18G, 2CH AUDIO → 1080p Downconvert at Rx	IMPORTANT: Please apply light pressure to the EDID rotary when making your selection.
D	4Kx2K@60, 18G, DOLBY/DTS 5.1 → 1080p Downconvert at Rx	
E	4Kx2K@60, 18G, HD AUDIO → 1080p Downconvert at Rx	
F	Copy EDID from HDMI Pass-through	

# Forced HPD Troubleshooting Tool:





In cases of many layers of connectivity or non-standard devices in-line, hot plug detection (HPD) may be lost or drop below standard levels, leading to the video display not detecting a connected source and resulting in no image.

- If set to ON, Hot Plug Detection (HPD) voltage is forced at the HDMI connection of the Rx unit. The connected display will be fed a constant voltage to inform the device that a partner is always connected and active.
- > If set to OFF, Hot Plug Detection (HPD) voltage is passed-thru from connected source to the display

# **Specifications**

### Technical:

» Inputs Tx (Each): 1 HDMI, 1 IR

» Outputs Tx (Each): 1 UHDoTP, 1 IR

» Inputs Rx (Each): 1 UHDoTP, 1 IR

» Outputs Rx (Each): 1 HDMI, 1 IR

» Bandwidth: TMDS bandwidth 18Gbps

» Deep Color Support: Digital video formats in Deep Color Mode up to 12 bits per color

» DDC Communication: EDID and HDCP Bi-directional buffering from Display to Source

» HDMI Connector: Type A, 19 Pin Female

» RJ45 Connector: Shielded Link Connector, UHDoTP

» IR In & Out Connectors (Each): 3.5mm

» Power: (1) 12V/2A, 24W DC Power Supply (Screw-In Type). 100-240VAC, 50-60Hz. Interchangeable transformer plug with screw-in connector. SKU: KD-PS12V2ASC

#### General:

» Regulation: CE, RoHS, WEEE, EAC

» Enclosure: Black Metal

» Product (Each): 4.1" x 2.8" x 0.875", Weight: 0.75 lbs

## Accessories:

» 4x Mounting Brackets, 1x IR Emitter, 1x IR Sensor, 1x Power Supply

# Important Product Warnings:

- **1.** Connect all cables before providing power to the unit.
- **2.** Test for proper operation before securing unit behind walls or in hard to access spaces.
- 3. If installing the unit into wall or mounting bracket into sheet-rock, provide proper screw support with holts or sheet-rock anchors.



# ▲ Safety Instructions:

Please be sure to follow these instructions for safe operation of your unit.

- **1.** Read and follow all instructions. Heed all warnings.
- **2.** Do not use this device near water. Clean only with dry cloth.
- **3.** Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- 4. Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- **5.** Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- 6. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the device has been damaged in any way including:
  - » Damage to the power supply or power plug
  - » Exposure to rain or moisture



# A Power Supply Use:

You MUST use the Power Supply PROVIDED with your unit or you VOID the Key Digital® Warranty and risk damage to your unit and associated equipment.

# Contacting Key Digital®

# **Technical Support**

For technical questions about using Key Digital® products, please contact us at:

> Phone: 914-667-9700 or E-mail: tech@keydigital.com

## Repairs and Warranty Service

Should your product require warranty service or repair, please obtain a Key Digital® Return Material Authorization (RMA) number by contacting us at:

> Phone: 914-667-9700 or E-mail: rma@keydigital.com

# **Warranty Information**

All Key Digital<sup>®</sup> products are built to high manufacturing standards and should provide years of troublefree operation. They are backed by a Key Digital Limited 3 Year Product Warranty Policy.

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