



# TECH NOTE EW2 - CGA to VGA Converter

## INTRODUCTION

The **EW2** scan doubler enables a VPE editor with CGA (TTL) video display to be connected to a standard VGA / XGA monitor. This applies to VPE-131 through VPE-251 editors. VPE-300 and DPE-500 series editors are already VGA compatible.

CGA requires a monitor that will lock to a lower frequency horizontal scan than is supported by standard VGA monitors. The **EW2** scan doubler reads the original video signals into memory at the original frequency and sends a signal out at twice the original rate. Due to the technology involved, occasionally pixels are misplaced. The output signal is compatible with standard, low-cost and easily available VGA monitors.

The **EW2** module (3.9 in. x 2.3 in. x 1.1 in.) accepts CGA video input signals. It connects directly to the VPE editor via a 9-pin D male to 9-pin D female lead supplied by Editware.

Video is output via a 15-pin high density D female socket.

Power is supplied by a 9v to 12v external Power Supply on a DC coaxial connector with the center pin positive.

The standard **EW2** unit is programmed with default parameters suitable for a CGA input with a typical VGA monitor output. It also has a range of manual adjustments to modify the signal capture and picture position. These adjustments are made with the PS/2 style keyboard supplied by Editware. Adjustments made are stored in non-volatile memory and retained when power is off (default settings can be restored if required).

For non-Editware editor applications, see **EXTENDED EW-2 ADJUSTMENTS FOR NON-EDITWARE EQUIPMENT** at the end of this document.

## MAKING THE CONNECTION



## MAKING ADJUSTMENTS

After you have made your connections and you have connected to a VGA monitor, you may find that adjustments need to be made to improve the appearance of the on-screen image. To enter the programming mode, first plug in the PS/2 keyboard, remove power and wait 3 seconds, re-apply power, and if necessary begin adjustments.

#### PS/2 KEYBOARD FUNCTIONS

- 1. Press [A] to enter the Programming Mode.
- 2. Press [Q] to Quit the current mode.
- 3. Press [S] to Save the current settings.
- 4. Press [P] to adjust the Picture quality.
- 5. Press **[H]** to adjust the Horizontal position.
- 6. Press [**↑**] to adjust up.
- 7. Press  $[\Psi]$  to adjust down.

#### KEYBOARD LED'S (LED'S ARE LOCATED ON THE UPPER RIGHT OF KEYBOARD)

When you press **[A]**, you will notice all three LED's on the top right of the PS/2 keyboard flashing. This notifies you that you are in the Programming Mode.

When you press [H] or [P] to adjust picture quality or the horizontal picture:

- The left LED (Num Lock) ON means that you have reached the **minimum** adjustment limit.
- The right LED (Scroll Lock) ON means that you have reached the **maximum** adjustment limit.
- The middle LED (Caps Lock) ON means that you have reached the **default** adjustment limit.

#### TO ADJUST PICTURE QUALITY

- 8. Press the [A] key. All three LED's will flash.
- 9. Press the **[P]** key. Press **[↑]** and **[↓]** keys until the best picture is obtained.
- 10. Press the **[Q]** key. All three LED's will flash.
- 11. Press the **[S]** key. This will save your current settings.
- 12. Press the [Q] key. All three LED's will go out.

#### TO ADJUST HORIZONTAL POSITION

- 1. Press the [A] key. All three LED's will flash.
- 2. Press the **[H]** key. Press  $[\uparrow]$  and  $[\lor]$  keys until the desired position is obtained.
- 3. Press the [Q] key. All three LED's will flash.
- 4. Press the **[S]** key. This will save your current settings.
- 5. Press the [Q] key. All three LED's will go out.

#### NOTE: TO QUIT ANY MODE WITHOUT SAVING, PRESS THE [Q] KEY THREE TIMES, POWER DOWN, THEN POWER UP.

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

INPUT	Description:	6-bit TTL video Separate TTL H & V syncs - Horizontal ~ 15.75KHz Vertical ~ 50-60Hz
	Connector:	9-pin 'D' male
		<ol> <li>Connect to Ground</li> <li>Leave open</li> <li>RED input signal</li> <li>GREEN input signal</li> <li>BLUE input signal</li> <li>Leave open</li> <li>Leave open</li> <li>Horizontal Sync input signal</li> <li>Vertical Sync input signal</li> </ol>
OUTPUT	Description: Connector:	Analog RGB video Separate TTL H & V syncs 15-pin HDD female
SIGNAL LEVELS	Description:	All signals are 5 Volt TTL level signals. Sync signals are positive polarity. Color signals are positive polarity.
PROGRAMMING INTERFACE	Description: Connector:	PS/2 type PC keyboard 6-pin mini-DIN socket
POWER SUPPLY	Description: Connector:	+9v to 12v regulated 2.1mm DC coaxial connector Center pin positive
PHYSICAL UNIT	Description: Size:	ABS case, flame retardant to UL94-V0 3.9 in. high x 2.3 in. wide x 1.1 in. deep 100mm high x 60mm wide x 28mm deep

## **EXTENDED EW-2 ADJUSTMENTS FOR NON EDITWARE EQUIPMENT**

These adjustments are to be used only by NON-editor applications. Use these adjustment modes like the others but substitute the appropriate letter.

USE THE UP / DOWN ARROW KEYS TO ADJUST SETTINGS. USE THE [1] AND [0] KEYS ON THE INVERT HSYNC MODE.

1.	Press the <b>[M]</b> key.	Sets display Mode (CGA, EGA, MDA).	
2.	Press the [C] key.	Change dotclock division ratio.	
3.	Press the [P] key.	Adjust DPA delay.	
4.	Press the [H] key.	Horizontal sync pulse start point.	
5.	Press the [W] key.	Horizontal sync pulse width.	
6.	Press the [E] key.	Blanking period end point.	
7.	Press the [B] key.	Blanking period start point.	
8.	Press the [D] key.	Data capture start point.	
9.	Press the [V] key.	Invert Hsync pulse polarity.	
		The [I] key Inverts Input, the [O] key Inverts Output.	
10.	Press the <b>[S]</b> key.	Save new settings.	
11.	Press the [Q] key.	Quit.	
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