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System Applications

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Accom A-6000 Video Server

This document covers the installation of the Accom (Abekas) A-6000 video server to Fastrack.

COVERED IN THIS TECHNOTE

- Connections between the A-6000 and Fastrack
- Setting IP address on the A-6000
- Configuring Fastrack to work with the A-6000
- Recording to the A-6000

CONNECTIONS

- 1. Connect the Fastrack and the A-6000 to a network hub or switch.
- 2. Optionally, connect the two directly with a cross-over Ethernet cable.

SETTING THE IP ADDRESS ON THE A-6000

Decide if you will keep the A-6000's current IP address or change it to better match the Fastrack. The IP addresses must be close (only the fourth triple should vary due to C-Net issues).

To Check/Change the A-6000 IP address:

- 3. With a VGA monitor and keyboard attached, boot the A-6000 (power on).
- 4. After boot up, press [ENTER].
- 5. At the prompt, type: **bootChange** (note the inter capital "C" all others lower case)
- 6. Press **[ENTER]** multiple times until the IP address is showing (ex. 192.200.200.1). To accept, press **[ENTER]** multiple times to exit dialog.
- 7. To change, type in the new IP address (ex. 192.168.100.1) and press **[ENTER]**. Press **[ENTER]** multiple times to exit the dialog.
- 8. At the prompt, type: **reboot** (all lower case).
- 9. Press [ENTER]

CONFIGURING FASTRACK

There are two methods of configuring Fastrack to use the A-6000.

Method 1 - Assignment Page

10. Press [SHIFT][ASSIGN] on the Fastrack keyboard (K6). The following dialog window will appear...

Track	On	Media / Name	Class	Device	Auto	Port		
1.1	×	Server-1	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:1		
1.2	×	Server-2	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:2		
1.3	×	Server-3	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:3		
1.4	×	Server-4	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:4		
1.5	×	Server-5	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:5		
1.6	×	Server-6	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:6		
1.7	×	Server-7	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:7		
1.8	×	Server-8	A6000	A6000	×	192.168.100.1:8		
ASSIGN DIALOG						Video Switcher		

- 11. Select a Track for each channel of A-6000 (NAME field is optional)
- 12. Chose A-6000 from the CLASS drop-down menu
- 13. Chose A-6000 from the DEVICE drop-down menu
- 14. Click the **PORT** area and type in the **IP address** given to the A-6000, then add a colon (:) followed by the channel number (1-8) for each channel (1 per track)

Example: 192.168.100.1:1 for channel 1, 192.168.100.1:2 for channel 2, etc.

Method 2 - FTConfig.ini file (edit with NotePad)

Add the following to the FTConfig.ini, where 192.168.100.1 is the IP address, and :1 is the channel. It can be added anywhere within the file. The header must appear in brackets as shown.

[A6000Ports] Host=192.168.100.1:1 Host=192.168.100.1:2 Host=192.168.100.1:3 Host=192.168.100.1:4 Host=192.168.100.1:5 Host=192.168.100.1:6 Host=192.168.100.1:7 Host=192.168.100.1:8

After the FTConfig.ini file is edited to include the above text, restart the Fastrack application. Fastrack will now list the available channels in the PORT dialog of the **Assignment Page**.

RECORDING

To record onto the A-6000, the input audio and video types must be set in the **Abekas_6000-Net.dev** file located at: **C:\Fastrack\FTRuntime\Dev\Abekas_6000-Net.dev**.

Open and edit the Abekas_6000-Net.dev file (with NotePad), and enter the number that corresponds to the type of video and audio being fed into the A-6000 for recording for TrackVideo and TrackAudio.

In the example below, the **TrackVideo=5** is **DV25 Video** and the **TrackAudio=8** is **DV Audio**. Incorrect settings will result in no recording of audio or video.

[TrackTypes] TrackVideo=5 TrackAudio=8

#define TRACK_TYPE_AES_AUDIO	0
#define TRACK_TYPE_CCIR601_VIDEO	1
#define TRACK_TYPE_CCIR601_KEY	2
#define TRACK_TYPE_UNKNOWN	3
#define TRACK_TYPE_DV25_KEY	4
#define TRACK_TYPE_DV25_VIDEO	5
#define TRACK_TYPE_DV50_VIDEO	6
#define TRACK_TYPE_DV50_KEY	7
#define TRACK_TYPE_DV_AUDIO	8
#define TRACK_TYPE_DV_AUDIO_HALF	9
#define TRACK_TYPE_MPEG25_KEY	10
#define TRACK_TYPE_MPEG25_VIDEO	11
#define TRACK_TYPE_MPEG50_VIDEO	12
#define TRACK_TYPE_MPEG50_KEY	13

SAVE the file, ensuring it is saved in .dev format (not .txt).

[Timing] PlayDelay=6 RecDelay=23