

H-10



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Introduction

Thank you for purchasing this product by Arrakis Systems. Our company has provided professional audio equipment to the broadcast, commercial audio, and consumer audio markets for more than 40 years. Our products are sold worldwide and are well known for leading edge technology, quality, and reliability.

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Safety Instructions

1. Read All Instructions. All safety and operating instructions must be read before operating the product.

2. Retain All Instructions. All safety and operating instructions must be retained for future reference.

3. Heed All Warnings. All warnings on the product and those listed in the operating instructions must be adhered to.

product usage instructions must be followed placed upon or against them. Pay particular 5. Heat. This product must be situated away attention to the cords at AC wall plugs and from any heat sources such as radiators, heat convenience receptacles, and at the point registers, stoves, or other products (including power amplifiers) that produce heat.

6. Ventilation. Slots and openings in the product are provided for ventilation. They ensure reliable operation of the product, keeping it from overheating. These openings product due to lightning and power line must not be blocked nor covered during operation. This product should not be placed 13. Overloading. Do not overload AC wall into a rack unless proper ventilation is provided through following the manufacturer's recommended installation procedures.

7. Water and Moisture. Do not use this product near water-for example; near a bath tub, wash bowl, kitchen sink or laundry voltage points or short-out parts that could tub; in a wet basement; or near a swimming result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill pool or the like.

not recommended by the product manufacturer as they may cause hazards. 9. Power Sources. This product must be operated from the type of power source indicated on the marking label and in the

installation instructions. If you are not sure of the type of power supplied to your facility, consult your local power company. 10. Grounding and Polarization. This product is equipped with a polarized AC plug with integral safety ground pin. Do not overturn. defeat the safety ground in any manner. 11. Power Cord Protection. Power supply cords must be routed so that they are not 4. Follow All Instructions. All operating and likely to be walked on nor pinched by items product from the wall AC outlet and refer where the cord plugs into the product. 12. Lightning. For added protection for this product. c. If the product has been exposed product during a lightning storm, or when it to rain or water. d. If the product does not is left unattended and unused for long periods of time, unplug it from the AC wall outlet. This will prevent damage to the

> surges. outlets, extension cords, or integral convenience outlets as this can result in a fire or electric shock hazard.

14. Object and Liquid Entry. Never push objects of any kind into this product through the same characteristics as the original parts. openings as they may touch dangerous liquid of any kind on the product. 8. Attachments. Do not use any attachments 15. Accessories. Do not place this product on an unstable cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or determine that the product is in proper table. The product may fall, causing serious operating condition. damage to a child or adult, and serious product needs to follow manufacturer's

installation instructions.

16. A Product and Cart Combination should be moved with care. Quick stops, excessive force, and uneven surfaces may cause the product and the cart combination to

17. Servicing. Refer all servicing to qualified servicing personnel. 18. Damage Requiring Service. Unplug this servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions: a. When the AC cord or plug is damaged. b. If liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the operate normally (following operating instructions). e. If the product has been dropped or damaged in any way. f. When the product exhibits a distinct change in performance. This indicates a need for service.

19. Replacement Parts. When replacement parts are required, be sure the service technician has used replacement parts specified by the manufacturer or that have Unauthorized substitutions may result in fire, electric shock, or other hazards. 20. Safety Check. Upon completion of any repairs to this product, ask the service technician to perform safety checks to

21. Cleaning. Do not use liquid cleaners or damage to the product. Any mounting of the aerosol cleaners. Use only a damp cloth for cleaning.



Hazard / Warning Label Identification

WARNING: SHOCK HAZARD - DO NOT OPEN AVIS: RISQUE DE CHOC ELECTRIQUE - NE PAS OUVRIR

CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK DO NOT REMOVE ANY COVER OR PANEL. NO USER SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.

WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THE CONSOLE TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.



The Exclamation Point symbol, within an equilateral triangle, alerts the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in product literature and instruction manuals.

The Lightning Flash With Arrowhead symbol, within an equilateral triangle, alerts the user to the presence of uninsulated dangerous voltage within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock.

WARNING— This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy. If not installed and used in accordance with the instructions in this manual it may cause interference to radio communications. It has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A computing device (pursuant to Subpart J of Part 15 FCC Rules), which are designed to provide reasonable protection against such interference when operated in a commercial environment. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause interference, in which case the user, at his own expense, will be required to take whatever measures may be required to correct the interference.



Warranty

This console carries a manufacturer's warranty subject to the following guidelines and limitations: A) Except as expressly excluded herein, Arrakis Systems inc. ("Seller") warrants equipment of its own manufacture against faulty workmanship or the use of defective materials for a period of one (1) year from date of shipment to Buyer. The liability of the Seller under this Warranty is limited to replacing, repairing or issuing credit (at the Seller's discretion) for any equipment, provided that Seller is promptly notified in writing within five (5) days upon discovery of such defects by Buyer, and Seller's examination of such equipment shall disclose to its satisfaction that such defects existed at the time shipment was originally made by Seller, and Buyer returns the defective equipment to Seller's place of business in Loveland, Colorado, packaging and transportation prepaid, with return packaging and transport guaranteed.

B) Equipment furnished by Seller, but manufactured by another, shall be warranted only to the extent provided by the other manufacturer.

C) Thermal filament devices (such as lamps and fuses) are expressly excluded from this warranty.

D) The warranty period on equipment or parts repaired or replaced under warranty shall expire upon the expiration date of the original warranty.

E) This Warranty is void for equipment which has been subject to abuse, improper installation, improper operation, improper or omitted maintenance, alteration, accident, negligence (in use, storage, transportation or handling), operation not in accordance with Seller's operation and service instructions, or operation outside of the environmental conditions specified by Seller.

F) This Warranty is the only warranty made by Seller, and is in lieu of all other warranties, including merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, whether expressed or implied, except as to title and to the expressed specifications contained in this manual. Seller's sole liability for any equipment failure or any breach of this Warranty is as set forth in subparagraph (A) above; Seller shall not be liable or responsible for any business loss or interruption, or other consequential damages of any nature whatsoever, resulting from any equipment failure or breach of this warranty.

For the latest warranty information, please visit our website.



Product Description



H-10 Analog Broadcast Console

- 10 Channels
- Inputs 2 Built in Mic (gain 2 more mic inputs by purchasing the ARC-MIC-PRE), 7 Stereo Line, 1 USB , 1 Mix-Minus, 1 Bluetooth.
- Outputs 2 Stereo Mixing buses (PGM & AUD).
- 2 high quality mic channels (with optional 48VDC phantom power).
- 7 stereo line inputs.
- USB input/output. Record or playback.
- Mix minus telephone output for interfacing with an external phone hybrid.
- Conductive plastic slide faders & LED switch lamps for long life.
- Works with H-Series Controller for remote control and other added features.



Technical Description

Mechanical	
Switch type:	Electronic. Multi-Million operation.
Switch illumination:	LED, for long life.
Linear Fader type:	Conductive plastic for highest possible resolution and life. 30,000 cycles.
PC Boards:	Single motherboard.
IC sockets:	All IC's, except for two, are socketed for ease of service.
VU Meters:	Long life Analog or LED meters.
Electronic	
Stereo Line Input	
Freq Response- +(-).5d	B 20-20kHz
S/N82dB typ, +8dBu	in, +8 dBu out
THD01% typ, +8dBu i	n, +8 dBu out
CMRR75dB typ 1kHz	
Max Input- +23dBu, bal	anced
Mono Mic Input	
Freq Response- +(-).5d	B 20-20kHz
EIN115dBu typ, -50d	Bu in, +8 dBu out
THD05% typ , -50dBu	ı in, +8 dBu out
CMRR60dB typ 1kHz	
Impedances	
Mic Input- > 2000 ohms	5
Line Input- > 10000 ohr	ns
Outputs- < 100 ohms	
System	
Max Output- +23dBu ba	alanced
Stereo Separation75	dB typ 1KHz
Cue to Pgm XTalk900	JB typ 1KHz-75dB typ 20kHz
Power Supply	
110vac - 220 VAC, 50-60) hz, autosensing
Certified: UL, CE, CS, C	B

External inline module: 3"W x 5 3/4"L x 1 3/4"D

Logic

On Air Light Logic: reed relay closure, 500mA max Mic Turret Logic: none



Operating Instructions



Audition or Cue channels on or off.

This also toggles the VU/LED meter display.



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Mono Mic Level Input Channels 1 & 2

Channels 1 & 2 are both designated as mic channels. These are mic-preamps, ready to be connected to dynamic microphones. If you are using condensor microphones, then you will need the ARC-48V Phantom Power supply, which can be purchased on our website.

Channel On & Off

To turn the channel on, simply push the red on button at the bottom of the fader. When the channel is on, the LED will be lighted. To turn the channel off, simply push the red on button again.

Channel On & Off Mute Monitor

Mic channels are programmed to mute the Monitor speakers when activated (Monitor output). This prevents audio feedback through the mic channel. Audio may still be heard through the headphone output.

TALK

Talkback is a simple 2 way intercom system to communicate with another studio such as an Announce booth, Interview room, News room, or Production studio. The H-10 has an audio output from the control room microphone that can be connected into a console in another studio. The H-10 has an audio input into the cue system for the other studio to talk to the H-10 console. Either or both Mic channels One & Two can feed the talkback output. To activate talkback, simply click on the red 'Talk' switch. To exit the talkback mode, click on the 'Talk' button again

PGM / AUD

Push the PGM (Program) or AUD (Audition) button to assign the particular channel to the output bus.







Stereo Line Level Input Channels 3 - 8

Channel 3 through 8 are stereo line level input channels. Channel 3 through 8 have both balanced RJ45 & unbalanced RCA inputs. Channel 10 can be used with an external phone hybrid. Channel 10 is balanced RJ45 only.

Channel On & Off

To turn the channel on, simply push the red on button at the bottom of the fader. When the channel is on, the switch will be lighted. To turn the channel off, simply push the red on button again.

CUE

To activate cue, click on the CUE button above the fader. To exit the cue mode, click on the CUE button again.

Cue audio will be heard on the Monitor & Head Phone outputs. Cue audio levels are prefader.

PGM / AUD

Push the PGM (Program) or AUD (Audition) button to assign the particular channel to the output bus.





USB Input/Output Channel 9

The H-10 console features a built in sound card on Channel 9 of the console. This enables the console to play & record audio directly from a Windows or Mac PC. Because the electronics is USB HID compliant, it will be recognized as a soundcard by the Windows or MAC operating system and can be used with any Windows or Mac compliant audio software (such as Adobe Audition). The PC will recognize the USB sound card as **USB Audio Codec**. Simply point your recording or playback software to the USB Audio Codec.

Channel On & Off

To turn the channel on, simply push the red on button at the bottom of the fader. When the channel is on, the switch will be lighted. To turn the channel off, simply push the red on button again.

CUE

To activate cue, click on the CUE button above the fader. To exit the cue mode, click on the CUE button again.

Cue audio will be heard on the Monitor & Head Phone outputs. Cue audio levels are prefader.

PGM / AUD

Push the PGM (Program) or AUD (Audition) button to assign the particular channel to the output bus.



PGM & AUD Button



Telephone Input Channel 10

The H-10 console supports a single phone caller for live on-air or off-line applications on channel 10.

Channel On & Off

To turn the channel on, simply push the red on switch at the bottom of the fader. When the channel is on, the switch will be lighted. To turn the channel off, simply push the red on button again.

Channel On & Off Logic (Hybrid control)

The H-10 has the ability to externally control the phone hybrid. The **CH10 Hybrid** connection on the H-10 allows you to connect to your phone hybrid to accept and drop the call via the on/off button of Channel 10. The hybrid may also be activated manually from the front panel of the hybrid.

Hybrid Audio Feed

The output to the phone hybrid that the caller will hear is determined by channel ten's output bus assignments: PGM only, AUD only, or a mix of PGM & AUD. The output to the phone hybrid will not include the phone callers voice which eliminates feedback.

Talking to the Caller (off line)

Push the 'TALK' button on the channel one mic to feed the control room mic to the caller. When the button is down, the program audio fed to the caller is muted and only the control room mic audio is heard by the caller. The caller will be heard in the monitor and earphone systems (Program audio dimmed below the caller's voice).

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PGM & AUD Button	• • • • • • • •	
CUE Button	POM POM POM POM POM POM POM POM AUD AUD AUD AUD AUD AUD AUD CALL DR TALK TALK CUE CUE CUE CUE CUE CUE	DP 0 CUE
Slide Fader Level control –		ALK O HEAD PHONE AIR PGM
Channel ON/OFF		



Control Room Monitor System

The Control Room Monitor system is the main audio monitoring system for the studio. It features an input selector switch and a volume level control. The output of the monitor system is connected to an external audio power amplifier and speakers. The level control on the external amplifier should be set for the maximum sound level desired in the studio.

Monitor Muting

When a control room microphone is turned on, the monitor system will mute (audio is turned off) so that there will not be feedback from the speakers to the microphone.

Monitor Selector Switch

This switch selects the audio source for the Monitor system. It also switches which feed the VU meters will follow.

- 1) AIR- this is usually an off air audio feed to monitor the actual transmitted signal
- 2) PGM- the main Program output bus from the console
- 3) AUD- a secondary Program bus that can be used for several purposes such as Recording

Monitor Volume Level Control

Sets the monitor level into the external audio amplifier and speaker.





The Cue System

The cue system is designed for monitoring an audio source without placing it on air. This feature is useful for listening to a network feed before bringing it to air, listening to an audio file to be certain it is the correct song, etc.

Activating Cue

To activate cue, click on the CUE button on an input source channel. To exit the cue mode, click on the CUE button again. The cue signal is PRE-fader and therefore the fader level and the channel ON-OFF status has no effect on the cue signal.

Cue Audio

Cue audio will be heard in the built in Cue speaker and the Headphones. In the Headphone system, Autocue will mute the Program in the headphones and play the cue audio over top of program audio.

Cue Fader

The cue fader adjusts the level in the internal cue speakers. It does not adjust the level of the cue in the headphones.

External Cue Input

The console has an unbalanced (-10dBu) input to the cue system on a RCA stereo jack on the rear panel of the console. The cue input sums into the cue bus and appears on the Cue speaker and Headphones.

Muting

The cue speaker audio will be muted to stop feedback whenever Mic channels One or Two are turned on by their respective On-off switches.





VU Meters

The H-10 console features a single set of fixed VU meters. These meters switch to follow the MONITOR SELECTOR SWITCH. Therefore the VU meters can be selected to the Program bus, Audition bus, and even the external AIR input. What is being heard on the monitor speakers is what is being seen on the VU meters. This simplifies operation and reduces operator error.

ARRAKIS Systems	20 15 1 0 1/2 20 -15 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -15 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -15 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -15 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -15 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -15 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -15 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -10 -5 -3 -1 0 -1/2 -20 -1/2	

Depending on the model of H-10 purchased, it is optional to have LED meters instead of analog meters. These LED meters feature standard 'VU' ballistics.



Bluetooth

The Bluetooth feature comes standard with the H-10 console. The Bluetooth channel is located on channel 10 of the board, which is summed with the phone mix minus.

Controls for the Bluetooth feature can be found on the right side of the board, with the CALL and DROP buttons.

		0 0			0 0		
PGM PGM		GM PGM	PGM PGM	PGM PGM	PGM	ARRAKIS Systems H10 Console	
					AUD	CALL DROP	°
TALK TALK	CUE	UE CUE	CUE	CUE	CUE		CUE
						TALK	\bigcirc_{\circ}
							HEAD PHONE
	_					PGM	
						AUD	

TO PAIR YOUR BLUETOOTH DEVICE

STEP 1 - Power up your H Series Console.

STEP 2 - Press and hold the **CALL** button on the H Series console for 2 seconds and then release. The console will now be in pairing mode for 2.5 minutes.

STEP 3 – On your bluetooth enabled device, search for the name **ARC-Blue**. Select the device to now pair.

INCOMING CALL

While a call is incoming on the Bluetooth enabled device, the **CALL** LED will blink. Press the **CALL** button to accept, and the **DROP** button to reject the call.

DURING CALL

While the call is active on your device, the console **CALL** LED will be constant lit, and the **DROP** LED will blink. To end the call, press the **DROP** button.



Installation Instructions

Unpacking

A) Packing slips – Check the packing slips that come with the shipment, to be certain that all packages have been received.

B) Check for damage – Check all packages and equipment for damage immediately upon receipt. If damage is found, contact Arrakis Systems immediately to report the damage. Refer to the website for the latest contact information.

C) Carefully go through each box -

Arrakis inspects every shipment for accuracy. You will receive all of the appropriate documentation, install kit, spare parts kit, and equipment. Be very careful to not throw away anything if you decide to throw out shipping materials.

D) Keep all packing materials -

Arrakis consoles are shipped in custom shipping containers. Keep all containers at least until the installation is complete. This is in case some piece of equipment may need to be returned to the factory for service.

It is a good idea to keep the shipping materials for the life of the product.

Arrakis is not responsible for shipping damage to products not shipped to the factory in the original packing materials.





Before you start

A) Physical space – It is important to install the console with sufficient space around it to operate and service the console easily.

B) Adequate ventilation – It is important to provide adequate ventilation to electronic equipment. High temperatures can reduce the life of the equipment.

C) 110V – 220VAC Operation – The console comes with a 110VAC – 220VAC auto-sensing external power supply as standard equipment.

D) Static – Static discharge to electronic devices can cause damage, reduce performance, or cause noise in the system. Proper choice of carpet is important consideration when building a studio. There are ways to reduce static in rooms, and should be researched and implemented prior to installation. You may also ground the chassis if necessary.

E) Console power supply – The console is powered by an external, regulated power supply. The supply simply plugs into the back of the console. There are no high voltages within the console.

F) AC Power considerations – If possible, plug all of the equipment in your studio into a single AC Power strip. A good policy would be to have each room on the same AC outlet. A single power outlet will have a 1500-2000 watt capacity. That is plenty of power for most studios. Simply plug a multi-outlet AC power strip into the single wall outlet and then all of your equipment into the power strip. If possible, the power strip should be the kind that has internal surge protection, and battery backup.

G) 60 Cycle Hum & Audio interference – Most consumer audio equipment will have a 2 prong AC power plug. Some equipment has a 3 prong AC power plug. The third plug on a 3 prong plug is a "Safety Ground" which grounds the chassis to reduce shock hazard. The 3rd prong must never be removed even though it creates a 2nd ground path along with the audio cable shield ground. Two ground paths creates a Ground Loop antenna, which picks up 60 cycle AC hum. If possible, use only equipment that has 2 prong AC power plugs. This is often less expensive than making custom audio cable with audio transformer isolation.

If there are no other ground connected to the studio, a single piece of equipment with a 3 prong AC plug does not create a ground loop. However, if there is another ground, or a 2nd piece of equipment with a 3 prong AC power plug, then a ground loop is completed. If you can not change to two prong equipment, it may be necessary to use an audio isolation transformer on the audio cable to break the audio ground path. Contact a technician or factory on how to build a transformer isolated audio cable.

In some stubborn cases of hum (or RF interference), the best solution is to make the ground resistance between ALL of the equipment as low as possible. To do this, connect all of the equipment chassis' together with #12 stranded, insulated wire. Each piece of equipment is to have its own wire that returns in a star configuration to a single point in the studio. That single point should return by a single ground wire back to the main station ground. A 2"-4" copper ground strap to station ground is best.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Audio cables should be kept well away from AC power cables. A magnetic field is created by an electric current. The larger the current, the larger the magnetic field. AC ground and power wires have large currents and create significant AC magnetic fields. If an audio cable is physically close to an AC ground or power cable, then a 60 cycle AC noise voltage can be magnetically coupled into the audio signal cable.

H) Connecting multiple studios - When connecting multiple studios, long audio cables are sometimes necessary. These long cables can introduce AC hum into your audio. In these cases, it may be necessary to use distribution amplifiers with balanced inputs and outputs (or audio isolation transformers) to break the ground path and to cancel the AC hum.



I) Setup your studio, one piece at a time - When building a studio, it is important to be able to isolate problems that may be causing noise, hum, or even not passing audio. To do this properly, the studio should be assembled and tested one piece of equipment at a time. Each problem is detected and eliminated as it occurs. This manual provides a basic step by step process to assemble and test your studio.



Step by Step Installation Instructions

IMPORTANT NOTE: Follow this step by step procedure. Each step has specific tests to determine if the console installation has been performed correctly to that point.

STEP 1 - Power Supply Installation. The console power supply should be plugged into a surge protected outlet. First plug the power supply into the back of the console and then plug the power supply into the AC outlet.

TEST- The console should now be on. To test for power, simply push one of the console On/Off switches to see that the Channel On LED lights.



STEP 2 – Connect an audio source. Connect an audio source to the Channel 3 on the rear of the board. A simple connection would be to connect an MP3 player 1/8" headphone jack to Channel 3 of the H-10 console on its RCA jacks.

On Channel 3, turn the channel on by pushing the red button(the red on LED should now be on), and bring the slide fader on that channel to the in hand setting (0).

Press play on your MP3 player.

TEST- The VU meters on the console should move as the MP3 player plays a song.

	RCA Left Male plugs	
R R	RCA Right Male Plugs	

Balanced CH 3 input. Channel 3 also includes a balanced RJ45 input, that is set to a +4dBu gain.

Pinout

Pin 1 – Left (+) Pin 2 – Left (-) Pin 3 – Right (+) Pin 4 – Ground Pin 5 – NC Pin 6 – Right (-) Pin 7 – NC Pin 8 – NC





STEP 3 – Listen to audio on the headphones. Plug headphones into the headphone jack on the back (**HEADPHONE**) right side of the console. The console supports both low (8 ohm) and high impedance (>20 ohm) headphones. On the console, the Monitor Selector switch should be set to the PGM bus and set the Headphone Volume control to 1/2. Play audio on your MP3 player as in Step 2. Adjust the headphone level control on the console to a comfortable audio level.

TEST- You should hear the song on the MP3 player clearly. There should be no audible hum or noise. If you hear no audio or there is hum or noise, then repeat Steps 1,2,&3. You may review the Before you start section of this manual, as this will help with any noise issues.

Pinout

Tip – Left Ring – Right Sleeve - Ground





STEP 4 – Monitor Speaker Connection. The console has a low level monitor audio output that is designed to connect to an external audio power amplifier. The console output will not directly drive speakers. Connect the audio amplifier input to the console Monitor Output on the back panel of the console.

The monitor output of the console is unbalanced, consumer level and will use an RCA cable (usually supplied with the amplifier). Follow the amplifier's instructions and connect speakers to the amplifier.

Turn the console power on and the amplifier power on. On the console, select PGM on the Monitor Selector switch and set the Monitor Volume control to 1/2. Set the audio power amplifier level and front panel switches per the amplifier instruction manual.

WARNING- do not have all level controls at maximum. Too much audio level through your speakers can damage the speakers.

There should be an audio source (such as MP3 player) connected to the console as described in Steps 1,2, & 3. Turn the console source channel on and play a song. The VU meters should move with the audio and audio should be present at the headphone jack at the back of the console. Be certain that any mic channel is turned off because it will mute the audio out of the speakers so that there is no feedback. Audio should now be audible through the monitor speakers.

TEST- The audio through the monitor speakers should be clear and without significant noise or hum.



Monitor Left & Right outputs are also included on the LOGIC connector pins 3 (Left) & 6 (Right).



STEP 5 – **Connect a Dynamic mic to the console.** Using a mic to XLR cable, connect a dynamic mic to the Mic 1 input on the console. Turn Channel One on (the red LED should be on) and set the channel one fader to the in hand position (middle). If the mic itself has an on/off switch, then turn it on.

TEST- Speak into the microphone and the console VU meters should follow your voice. There should be no audio out of the monitor speakers (they are muted to eliminate feedback) but there should be audio in the Headphones.

If mic level is low, use a small screwdriver to adjust the 25 turn trimpot on the back of the console located next to the mic XLR connector.



IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are using a condenser microphone, you will need the ARC-48V phantom power supply. This may be purchased on our website.

Connecting a Condenser mic to the console (optional). With the console main power & 48V power supplies unplugged, connect the condenser microphone. Then connect the main console power, along with the 48V power supply.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are using a condenser microphone and have the ARC-48V phantom power supply, be sure NOT to unplug or plug in microphones while the 48V supply is connected to the board. Doing so may damage the mic preamp IC.

Pinout

Additional microphones. The H-10 comes with 2 mic preamps. This gives you two mic inputs by default. You may however choose to buy the ARC-MIC-PRE, which will give you 2 additional mic inputs.





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PIN 2

PIN 3

PIN 1

RCA Left Male plugs

RCA Right Male Plugs

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STEP 6 – Connect the Program (PGM) output. The console has both balanced and unbalanced Program bus outputs.

UNBALANCED PROGRAM OUTPUT - The console program output (PGM) is located on the console back panel. It is an unbalanced (-10dBu) audio output on RCA connectors.

BALANCED PROGRAM OUTPUT - The console program output (PGM) is located on the console back panel. It is a balanced (+4dBu) audio output on XLR connectors.

CONNECTING THE PROGRAM OUTPUT TO THE SIGNAL CHAIN - The console Program output is both unbalanced analog (-10dBu level) and balanced (+4dBu). The equipment that the Program output drives must accept one of these input types and levels. You must refer to the product manual for that product. In some cases, it may be useful to connect the Program output of the console to an audio distribution amplifier which is designed to connect analog audio products that are of different types and levels.

TEST- The Program output of the console is connected to additional equipment (processor, distribution amp, etc) to form a signal chain. Check for presence and quality of audio at each point along the signal chain.



Connecting recording equipment (optional). With a Balanced & Unbalanced output, it is simple to connect a separate recording device. Simply connect the recorder to either the balanced or unbalanced PGM output.

Console Record Output

The console AUDITION output (AUD) is usually the bus that is used for recording. By using the Audition bus for recording, a recording can be occurring at the same time as the Program bus is used On Air. If you want to record the On Air signal on the Program bus, simply assign all of the channels in PGM also to AUD.

The Audition output connectors are located on the console back panel. It is an unbalanced (-10dBu) audio output.

CONNECTING TO AN AUDIO RECORDER

Most audio recorders will directly connect to consumer type unbalanced sources such as the Audition (Record) output of the console. Connect to the recorder with the analog cable supplied with the recorder.

TEST - Once connected, send audio from the console output to the recorder and view the input signal on the recorder. Refer to the recorder manual for more information.



STEP 7 – Connect a telephone hybrid.

CONSOLE PHONE INPUT- A telephone hybrid has an audio input and an audio output. The hybrid audio output is the callers voice and is connected to the source input channel 10 on pins 7 & 8 of the RJ45 connector **CH10 HYB** of the console.

CONSOLE MIX MINUS OUTPUT- The input to the hybrid is from pins 4 & 5 on the console **CH10 HYB** connector on the back. A mix minus bus is a special audio mixing bus that contains all audio on the console program bus MINUS the callers voice. In this way the caller hears everything except himself. If he was not "minused" from the mix, then the caller would feed back to himself. The mix minus output is balanced (+4dBu) located on **CH10 HYB** connector.

CONTROL LOGIC- The hybrid has two ways to "answer" the caller and pick up the telephone line: front panel manual control of the hybrid itself and remote control. For manual control, an On and Off button will be located on the front panel of the hybrid. For remote control, the **CH10 HYB** back panel connector (RJ45) must have a custom cable connecting it to the console source start/stop logic. The logic is dry reed relay closures for both Start and Stop.

You may also choose to go with one of our USB relay kits to control the phone hybrid. Visit our website for more details.

Pre-built cables can also be purchased, for quickly connecting to your phone hybrid. Contact our sales team for more information.

LEVELS- The console PHONE IN and PHONE OUT connectors are set for +4dBu levels.



CH10 HYB

<u>Pinout</u>

- Pin 1 Phone Logic Stop
- Pin 2 Phone Logic Start
- Pin 3 Phone Logic Stop 100 ohm
- Pin 4 Mix (-)
- Pin 5 Mix (+)
- Pin 6 Phone Logic Start 100 ohm
- Pin 7 Phone Audio In (+)
- Pin 8 Phone Audio In (-)





Talkback to another Studio. The Talkback feature is designed so that a console can easily communicate with another studio. In the H-10 studio, the operator pushes the TALK button on mic channels One or Two and speaks through his control room mic into the Monitor/Cue system of the other studio. The second studio responds back to the H-10 studio and the audio is heard through the CUE system.

INSTALLATION - The H-10 has a talkback audio output to be sent to the remote studio and an audio input to the Cue system to receive audio from the remote studio. All connections are made to the **LOGIC** connector on the rear of the console. On site installation requires the building of a custom cable to link the console to the studio at the other end.



OTHER CONSOLES - Talkback can be accomplished between non H-10 series consoles and studios. Care should be taken to assure compatibility between logic voltages.

GROUND LOOPS AND HUM - Because of long cable lengths between studios, it is possible for the talkback system to introduce hum into one or both studios. Isolation transformers may be required on the analog inputs and outputs.

FACTORY CABLE - Arrakis has optional cables available in various lengths from the factory.

TEST - Test talkback between the two studios. It is important to also listen for hum or noise in the Program output on the control room monitor speakers.



STEP 8 – External monitor input.

OFF AIR MONITORING - The Monitor Selector Switch (EXT) is usually used to monitor the actual radio station on air signal from a radio tuner.

NOTE: it is important to monitor the actual signal from the radio station and not just the output of the console. This is so as to monitor the entire radio chain from the console to the transmitter.



Connect the output of a radio tuner or professional on air monitor to the AIR IN connector on the back of the console.

IMPORTANT: if using a consumer tuner, use a line level output and not the speaker output.

CALIBRATION. The EXTERNAL IN is calibrated to -10dBu input level.

TEST - Set up the tuner or monitor to your station's frequency and switch the console control room monitor to the AIR position. You should hear the audio output of the tuner. Audio quality should be high and there should be no objectionable audio hum.



STEP 9 – PMM out, AMM out & CUE IN

PMM - The H-10 comes with a mono mixdown of the Program and Audition outputs. This gives you a mono signal that you can use for AM playback, recording, or other needs.

CUE IN – The console has an unbalanced (-10dBu) input to the cue system on a stereo RCA jack on the rear panel of the console. The cue input sums into the cue bus and appears on the Monitor output and Headphones.





STEP 10 – USB Channel

The H-10 console features a built in sound card on Channel 9 of the console. This enables the console to play & record audio directly from a Windows or Mac PC. Because the electronics is USB HID compliant, it will be recognized as a soundcard by the Windows or Mac operating system and can be used with any Windows or Mac compliant audio software (such as Adobe Audition).



IMPORTANT - It is important to have the PC and the H-10 console on the same power outlet. Doing so will protect you from added noise.



Logic Output

The H-10 comes with a logic output for an On-Air light.

ON-AIR LIGHT

The console has a logic output for triggering an external On Air Light. This installation procedure requires a professional technician to select an interface for driving the On Air light that you have chosen. Some lights require low voltages (such as 24VDC) and others require 110VAC. Some have built in drivers, but most do not. To simplify the setup process, plug & play on-air light kits may be purchased from our website.

MUTING LOGIC Sustained, dry reed relay closure. Maximum of 500 milliamps. The relay closure is between Pin 1 & 2 on the RJ45 Logic connector.



IMPORTANT- The logic output will not directly drive an AC light bulb and will be destroyed if AC is applied to any console logic pin.





TEST - Activating the On Air Light should not produce an audio pop in the console audio.



Audio Calibration

The console has been calibrated at the factory to normal -10dBu and +4dBu levels and should not require field calibration. Usually, it is better to adjust the level out of the source device than to adjust the console trim levels. Field calibration should only be done with proper test equipment and by a qualified audio technician.

VU METER ADJUSTMENT

The VU meters are factory set for +4dBu at 0VU. These levels should not be changed from factory settings unless directed by factory service technicians.

MIC GAIN ADJUSTMENT

The only user level adjustments are on the two mic channels. These trim pots are set at the factory for typical microphone gain levels. These trim pots can be adjusted if different mic gains are required. To adjust, the simplest method is to speak into the mic and adjust the trim pot with a small straight edge screwdriver until the desired level is reached.

UNBALANCED SOURCE CHANNEL GAIN ADJUSTMENT

No gain adjust is required for unbalanced -10dBu source devices

BALANCED SOURCE CHANNEL GAIN ADJUSTMENT (Channels 3-8 only)

These channels are set at the factory for +4dBu levels. If the levels must be adjusted, trim pots are available on the bottom of the motherboard. This requires the bottom panel of the console to be removed. Care must be taken when adjusting the trimpots to not short any electronics.

PHONE CHANNEL TEN LEVEL ADJUST

The phone in and out audio connectors are balanced +4dBu outputs. If the levels must be adjusted, trim pots are available on the bottom of the motherboard. This requires the bottom panel of the console to be removed. Care must be taken when adjusting the trimpots to not short any electronics.

PROGRAM & AUDITION OUTPUT LEVEL ADJUST

The Program balanced output has a trim pot level adjust on the rear panel beside the XLR. The Audition output is unbalanced -10dBu consumer level and does not require trimming.



Mic gain trim pots.



Service & Maintenance

General Repair Considerations

WARNING

The console should be repaired by qualified, professional, & experienced, audio technicians ONLY. Before beginning any type of repair or opening the console CALL Arrakis customer support for recommendations.

DESIGNED FOR MODULAR PART REPLACEMENT

The ARC series console is designed for modular replacement rather than repair. The power supply is external and plug in. The rotary faders are plug in. All ICs are plug in. ICs can be individually replaced to test for functionality. A small amount of disassembly is required.

PC BOARD COMPONENT LEVEL REPAIR

If possible, PC board component level repair requiring soldering should be performed at the factory. In particular, replacement of slide faders and switches should be performed at the factory. If the repair must be made in the field, then extreme care must be taken to not damage the PC board or other components. Arrakis can not warranty non-factory service.

POWER SUPPLY

The power supply is a sealed module that must be replaced in whole if there is a problem. Using the incorrect power supply, not supplied by Arrakis, will void the warranty.

REPEATED EQUIPMENT FAILURES

If a specific part of the console is failing regularly, it is likely that it is being subject to unusual stresses. Examples are;

- (1) Switch or fader failure- rough physical treatment.
- (2) Mic channel IC failure- static discharge to mic.
- (3) Input op amp failure- lightning, power surge, or other transient on this cable.
- (4) Output op amp failure- lightning, power surge, or other transient on this cable.
- (5) Power Supply failure- lightening, power surge, or other transient on the AC power line.



Suggested Repair Procedures

NO AUDIO OUT OF ONE INPUT CHANNEL- (Swap Cables) Be certain that the problem is in the console itself. If mic channel two doesn't function but mic channel one functions properly, then plug the cable from the good mic into the channel that you suspect to be bad. If the channel that you suspect to be bad now functions, then the problem is external to the console and is in the source or the wiring. This is a very fast and easy way to test your system.

VU METERS MOVE BUT NO AUDIO OUT OF THE CONSOLE- The VU meters measure the actual output of the console itself. If the meters move but no audio is present, the problem is after the console output and is in the following signal chain. Plug a set of headphones into the output of the console and listen to the Program output to confirm this.

LOUD LOW FREQUENCY HUM IN AUDIO- Many years ago this would mean a power supply failure. In today's electronics, this is an installation problem such as a ground loop. To confirm the problem is not in the console, remove ALL wiring from the console and connect a pair of headphones to the output you are testing. The hum should be absent. All wiring must be removed and headphones only used. A very common problem is for an audio power amp and speakers to create the ground loop with the console.

NO AUDIO OUT OF THE MONITORS- Be certain that the monitor system is not muted due to a mic channel being on or talkback being activated.



Opening the Console

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ACCESSING THE MOTHERBOARD

The motherboard is accessed from the bottom of the console. Six screws must be removed from the bottom panel to have access to the console electronics for test and IC replacement. Be careful to not scratch the console when turning the console over.

REMOVING THE MOTHERBOARD

The motherboard is attached on the top of the front panel (slide fader screws) and with screws on the bottom of the motherboard, requiring access to the inside of the console. When replacing the motherboard, be certain to replace all of the screws so that switches and faders will operate properly.

ACCESSING THE INTERIOR OF THE VU METER PANEL

The VU meter panel is opened by removing the screw at the left and right rear of the panel.



REMOVING THE MOTHERBOARD

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Replacing Slide Faders, Switches, and other parts

Slide faders and switches are soldered onto the PC board and should be replaced at the factory if at all possible. The procedure requires proper tools, and it can be difficult to remove the parts without damaging traces or pads on the PC board. Also, the switches are very sensitive to temperature and duration during the soldering process and can be electronically damaged or destroyed when being soldered. If a slide fader, switch, or other part must be replaced in the field, then extreme care must be taken.

Tools required:

1) Hand held solder sucker (stranded solder wick is not suggested)

2) Temperature controlled soldering iron with pencil tip (soldering guns should not be used)

Procedure:

1) Suck the solder from all holes until the damaged component is entirely free from the PC board. Remove the damaged part.

2) Place the new part onto the PC board. Slide faders and switches (and some other parts) ARE oriented and MUST be replaced in the correct orientation.

3) Carefully solder the new part to the PC board.

- a) Clean the tip of the soldering iron on a wet sponge.
- b) Tin the tip of the soldering iron (cover the tip of the soldering iron with a small amount of solder).
- c) Set the soldering iron to 734 degrees Fahrenheit (390 degrees Celsius).
- d) Touch the tip of the 'soldering iron' to the junction of the PC board pad AND the component lead.
- e) Immediately touch the 'solder' to the junction of the soldering iron and the PC board pad.
- f) Flow only enough solder to fill the hole. Immediately remove the soldering iron from the part.
- g) Do not keep the soldering iron on the part for more than 2 seconds.
- h) Clean the solder rosin from the PC board if required. (See Note #1 below)

Note: Arrakis uses aqueous core (water soluble) solder that requires the solder joint to be cleaned by water after soldering. Aqueous core solder is acidic and must be cleaned so as to not damage the PC board over time. Rosin core solder is not water soluble and requires a flux remover if it is to be cleaned. The rosin residue however does not have to be removed for rosin core solder.

Warranty: Arrakis can only warranty service performed at the factory. All field service is performed at the customer's risk.

Replacing ICs

ICs must be replaced with care. All ICs in the console are socketed so that they can be replaced.

When replacing an IC, be careful to not bend legs under the IC or outside the socket. Be extremely careful to not shock an IC or the motherboard with a static discharge. In some cases, you must use a grounded arm or anklet if there is a possibility of a static discharge. Make sure the IC is being placed in the proper orientation.

In all cases, retain the old IC because it may be found to not be damaged.



IMPORTANT NOTE: Disconnect power to the console before opening the console & while swapping IC's. IC's should never be swapped while the board is still connected to power.





Warranty Replacement of Parts

To have a part replaced under warranty, you must: 1) Provide a valid product serial number that is within the warranty period

2) Contact the Arrakis customer service department and describe what parts need replacement and the circumstances of the failure. (The customer service department may require on site test by your technician to confirm the part replacement is appropriate for your problem.)

3) A Return Merchandise Authorization Number (RMA #) will be issued when a part s to be returned to the factory.

4) Return ALL defective parts to the factory (shipping prepaid) to the attention of the "Customer Service Department" with a letter including your name, address, call letters, serial number, date, and valid RMA #.

5) Parts replaced under warranty will be shipped at Arrakis expense by UPS ground. Any expense over and above UPS ground will be born by the customer.

IMPORTANT- If the defective parts are not returned to the factory within 30 days, you will be invoiced for them and it will be assumed that they do not fall under warranty. Further customer service will be denied until the defective parts are returned of paid for.

Purchased Parts

An Arrakis customer may purchase spare or replacement parts from the factory. The cost of the parts will include a service charge, the cost for the parts, and the cost of the shipping.

Details for purchasing parts may be found on our website.

IMPORTANT- Non payment or late payment for parts will result in refusal of further customer service until the problem is resolved.



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H Series Controller Software

Introduction

The H Series Consoles can be controlled using the H Series Controller software. One major benefit of the H Series Controller is that it enables you to remotely control your H Series Analog console from anywhere in the world. To achieve this, you will need:

- A Windows PC running the H Series Controller connected to your H Series Console via a USB cable.
- An internet connection to the PC running the H Series Controller.
- Third-party remote access software that allows you to connect remotely to the H Series Controller PC.

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The H Series Controller combines the versatility of software with the reliability and user-friendliness of analog technology. Its features include:

- Channel on/off control.
- Audio input channel monitoring.
- User presets for swift and simple channel activation/deactivation.
- Auto-startup in the event of a power loss.
- Robust logic control capabilities.
- And much more.



Support

The H Series Controller is free software that comes with the H Series Console. This software offers email support exclusively, available from Monday to Friday, 8 am to 4 pm MST, excluding holidays. You can expect responses within 1 business day. To contact our email support team, please use the following address:

controllersupport@arrakis-systems.com

PC Requirements

A) Windows 10 Pro or newer

B) 8GB of RAM or more.

C) CPU with a benchmark of 6,000 or greater. A great site that gives accurate CPU benchmarks can be found at this link here: <u>http://www.cpubenchmark.net/cpu_list.php</u>

D) SSD - A solid state drive is not required, but highly recommended. This allows quicker restart times, and better performance.

E) For better reliability, it is best to dedicate this PC to running the Controller software, and to not install other unnecessary programs. Contact our support team if you would like to schedule a PC Configuration for a minimal cost.

Setup

STEP 1 – Download the software. You can download the H Series Controller software from the console support page on our website.

STEP 2 – Double-click the installation file and follow the setup instructions.

STEP 3 – Connect the H Series Console to your Windows PC using a USB cable.

STEP 4 – Power up the H Series Console and launch the H Series Controller software.

STEP 5 – During startup, the H Series Controller will search for the serial port of the H Series Console. If successful, it will automatically establish a connection, and you're ready to proceed. If it fails, the External Hardware Screen will appear with an error message.

IF CONNECTION FAILS – In case the H Series Controller fails to connect to the H Series Console, please follow these steps:

- Ensure that the Console is powered on and connected via USB to the computer running the H Series Controller.
- Try restarting both the console and the computer running the software.
- If the issue persists, click the Manually Find External Hardware button on the External Hardware Screen.
- Consider installing the Controller software on another Windows PC and attempt to establish a connection from there.
- If none of the above solutions work, capture a screenshot of the External Hardware Setup Screen that appears during startup and send it to our support team for further assistance.



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Main Screen

PGM (Program Button) – Pressing the Program Button toggles the Program output bus on or off on the H Series Console. This output plays a mix of all selected input channels.

AUD (Audition Button) – Pressing the Audition Button toggles the Audition output bus on or off on the H Series Console. This output plays a mix of all selected input channels.

CUE (Cue Button) – Pressing the Cue Button toggles the Cue output bus on or off on the H Series Console. Audio will be played through the Cue speaker and the Cue output on the H Series Console.

TALK (Talk Button) – Pressing the Talk Button sends audio from the designated Mic input to the external studio.

Pre-Fader (Pre Fader Button) – When pressed, the selected input channel switches from the Fader Level audio to a Pre-Fader level. This is useful when no one is at the studio, and you need to activate a channel, but the physical fader on the H Series Console is turned down. Press the Pre-Fader button to switch to the audio levels prior to the Fader.

Channel Label – This is a custom label for each input channel, which can be changed within the Setup Screen.

ON / OFF (On & Off Button) – Pressing the On / Off Button toggles the input channel on or off on the H Series Console.

Soft Keys – These are assignable buttons that can either trigger a User Preset or Closure (KMTronic USB device required for sending closures). User Preset assignments are made in the User Preset Setup screen.



Meters

The H Series Controller features meter level displays for each input. These meters show input levels as well as the mix of the Program and Audition busses.



These meters help remote users visualize whether audio is being played on an input source and if audio is being routed to the Program or Audition output busses.

IMPORTANT NOTE - The levels shown in the software are approximate and are not meant for calibrating audio inputs and outputs on your console. For accurate calibration, it's recommended to use the physical meters on the H Series Console.

INPUT METERS – Each input displays audio levels. To view the input levels, make sure the channel On/Off button is activated, but the Program and Audition busses do not need to be turned on.

These levels are measured post-fader. If the level is too low, and you know there's audio on the input, you can press the **Pre-Fader** button to see a pre-fader level. It's essential to calibrate your pre-fader levels appropriately on the H Series Console for the Pre-Fader button to be effective.

PROGRAM & AUDITION METERS – These meters show the maximum level from all the active channels.

Please note that this is not a physical reading of the Program or Audition channel; it's a software-generated representation to provide a basic idea of the levels playing through the respective output buses.





screen.

Toggle count up /

Up / Down Timer

The up/down timer allows you to keep track of time, either counting up or down. The default setting is to count up, indicated by an up arrow.

Starts timer count down **UP TIMER** The up timer can be started manually or automatically when a Whitney 00:00 channel is turned on. You can adjust this setting in the Settings Allison Audition 00:03 Pause Timer Stop Timer Timer settings Starts timer **DOWN TIMER** 20:00 The down timer will count down from a specific start time. The default is 20 minutes. Select the Timer Settings button to change the count down time.





External Hardware Setup Screen

You may connect external hardware to work with the H Series Controller software. These devices are:

-H Series Console (Required)

-KMTronic output relay. 2 output or 8 output.

- IMPORTANT NOTE: You may only have one KMTronic device connected at a time.
- -Broadcast Tools GPI-16 input relay.

	EXTERNAL HARDWARE SETUP	
Received Serial Commands Test Mode		
Sending Test Message Did not find H Series Console on port: COM1 No saved port for H Series Console, trying port: COM3	Manually Find E	xternal Hardware
Conflected to part cOMS Sending Test Message Did not find H Series Console on port: COM3 No saved port for H Series Console, trying port: COM4 Connected to port: COM4 Sending Test Message	H Series Console comport found: COM4	KMTronic Relay 2 Status
>>> Successfully connected to H Series Console On port: COM4 <<<	Serial Poll Count: 7 Firmware Version 1.3.4	Relay Out 1 Phone Hybrid Accept Call (momentary
Searching for KMTronic2	Soft Key 1 Profile 1 ~	Relay Out 2 Phone Hybrid Drop Call (momentary)
No saved port for KMTronic2, trying port: COM1 Connected to port: COM1	Soft Key 2 Profile 2 ~	
Sending Test Message Did not find KMTronic2 on port: COM1	Soft Key 3 Profile 3 V	
No saved port for KMTronic2, trying port: COM3 Connected to port: COM3	Soft Key 4 Profile 4 V	GPI 16 Status
Sending Test Message Did not find KMTronic2 on port: COM3	Soft Key 5 Profile 5 ~	Ci i i build
No saved port for KMTronic2, trying port: COM4 Connected to port: COM4	Soft Key 6 Profile 6 ~	
Sending Test Message Did not find KMTronic2 on port: COM4	Soft Key 7 Profile 7	Relay In 1 EAS On
Tested all available ports. Device KMTronic2 not found	Soft Key 8 Profile 8	Relay In 2 EAS OFF
No saved port for KMIronic8, trying port: COM1 Connected to port: COM1	Soft Key 9 Profile 9	Relay In 3 Surface Mode
Did not find KMTronic8 on port: COM1	Soft Key 10 Profile 10 ~	Relay In 4 Virtual Mode
Connected to port: COM3	Soft Key 11 Closure 1 (S)	Relay In 5 Channel 1 On
Did not find KMTronic8 on port: COM3	Soft Key 12 Closure 2 (M)	Relay In 6 Channel 1 Off
Connected to port: COM4		Relay In 7 Channel 2 On
Did not find KMTronic8 on port: COM4	KMTronic Relay 8 Status	Relay In 8 Channel 2 Off
No saved port for CPI16 trying port: COM1	Belay Out 1 a weeks to a second	Relay In 9 Channel 3 On
Connected to port COM1	Reldy Out 1 On-Air Light Tally (sustained)	Relay In 10 Channel 3 Off
Did not find GPI16 on port: COM1 No saved port for GPI16, trying port: COM3	Reldy Out 2 Phone Hybrid 1 Accept Call (momentary) V	Relay In 11 Channel 4 On
Connected to port: COM3 Sending Test Message	Relay Out 3 Phone Hybrid 1 Drop Call (momentary)	Relay In 12 Channel 4 Off
Did not find GPI16 on port: COM3	Relay Out 4 Channel 2 Tally (sustained)	Relay In 13 Channel 5 On
Connected to port: COM4	Relay Out 5 Channel 3 Tally (sustained)	Relay In 14 Channel 5 Off
Did not find GPI16 on port: COM4 Tested all available ports. Device GPI16 not found	Relay Out 6 Channel 4 Tally (sustained)	Relay In 15 Profile 1
Connected to H-Series Console on port: COM4	Relay Out 7 Channel 5 Tally (sustained)	Relay In 16 Profile 2
	Relay Out 8 Channel 6 Tally (sustained)	
Clear Messages		

Soft Key

These assignments can be triggered by clicking on the soft keys in the H Series Controller software. You have the following options:

Profile – Choose from 12 different user presets. These presets are created from the User Preset Setup screen.

Closure – Choose this option to send a closure when the Controller soft key is pressed. Choose from:

A) Momentary (M) - For example, Closure 1(M) will do a momentary closure on pin 1 of the relay.

B) Sustained (S) – For example, choosing Closure 2(S) will activate a sustained closure when pressed for pin 2 on the relay. Pressing the button again will turn Closure 2 off, indicated by a red line at the top of Closure 2 (S) the soft key when it's active.

IMPORTANT NOTE: You can either have a KMTronic 2 or 8 connected via USB, but you cannot have both connected simultaneously.





KMTronic Relay 2 & 8

Follow steps listed in KMTronic instructions for setup. Connect the Relay via USB, and the H Series Controller software will auto-recognize the device.

This device is capable of sending closures to do tasks such as: **On-Air Light Tally (sustained)** – This will turn an on-air light relay on and off. This is a sustained closure. High will turn the light on, while Low will turn the on-air light off. The KMTronic does not have enough power to power an on-air light.

Phone Hybrid Accept Call (momentary) – This will send a momentary closure to make a phone hybrid accept a call. It is triggered when the Phone Channel is turned on.

Phone Hybrid Drop Call (momentary) – This will send a momentary closure to make a phone hybrid drop a call. It is triggered when the Phone Channel is turned off.

KMTronic Relay 8 not found on comport

Relay Out 1	On-Air Light Tally (sustained)	\sim
Relay Out 2	Phone Hybrid Accept Call (momentary)	\sim
Relay Out 3	Phone Hybrid Drop Call (momentary)	\sim
Relay Out 4	Channel 2 Tally (sustained)	\sim
Relay Out 5	Channel 3 Tally (sustained)	\sim
Relay Out 6	Channel 4 Tally (sustained)	\sim
Relay Out 7	Channel 5 Tally (sustained)	\sim
Relay Out 8	Channel 6 Tally (sustained)	\sim

Channel '#' Tally (sustained) - This will send a sustained closure whenever the particular channel is turned on or off.

IMPORTANT NOTE: You cannot have both the KMTronic 2 & KMTronic 8 connected at the same time.

Broadcast Tools GPI 16

Follow steps listed in the GPI 16 instruction manual for setup. Connect the device via USB, and the DARC Virtual software will auto-recognize the device.

The GPI 16 gives you the ability to receive closures to trigger specific tasks: **EAS On** – When this closure is received, it will switch to the designated EAS channel. Additional info about EAS and setup can be found in the Setup Screen section of this manual.

EAS Off – When this closure is received, it will turn the EAS channel off and go back to the previous feed. Additional info about EAS and setup can be found in the Setup Screen section of this manual.

Channel '#' On / Off – When this closure is received, it will either turn the channel on, or off, depending on the setting selected.

Profile '#' - When this closure is received, it will switch to the selected profile. Additional information about profiles, and user presets can be found in this manual.

GPI16 not found on comport

EAS On 🗸
EAS Off 🗸 🗸
Surface Mode 🗸 🗸 🗸
Virtual Mode 🗸 🗸 🗸
Channel 1 On 🗸
Channel 1 Off 🛛 🗸
Channel 2 On 🗸
Channel 2 Off V
Channel 3 On 🗸
Channel 3 Off 🛛 🗸
Channel 4 On 🗸
Channel 4 Off 🛛 🗸
Channel 5 On 🗸
Channel 5 Off 🛛 🗸
Profile 1 V
Profile 2 V



User Preset Setup Screen

These 12 buttons can be assigned to various functions, such as triggering an external closure, or switching to a user preset.

Creating & Editing User Presets



User presets allow you to create a custom setup that will determine whether a channel is off or on, as well as their Program & Audition status.

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Select User F	Preset to Edit										
Soft Key 1	Soft Key 2	Soft Key 3	Soft Key 4	Soft Key 5	Soft Key 6	Soft Key 7	Soft Key 8	Soft Key 9	Soft Key 10	Soft Key 11	Soft Key 12
Change nam	e of User Pre	set									
Whitney	James	Allison	Matthew	Paige	Morning	Drivetime	Soft Key 8	Soft Key 9	Soft Key 10	Soft Key 11	Soft Key 12
					Apply	Changes					

To create and adjust a user preset: STEP 1 – Click on **File** and select **User Preset Setup**.

STEP 2 – To change the name of the user preset, select a box under **Change name of User Preset**. Change the name as desired, and click on **Apply Changes**.

STEP 3 – To adjust the settings of the user preset, click on the desired user preset under the **Select User Preset to Edit.** Now, turn on or off the desired channels. This includes PGM, AUD and CUE assignments. Once those settings are to your preference, click on **Apply Changes**.

When you click on the User Preset buttons, you will have those channels automatically turn on or off.



Assigning Soft Keys

Each of the 12 soft keys can be assigned various functions, such as user presets, or sending closures. This can be done by:

STEP 1 – Go to File and select External Device Setup.

STEP 2 – On this screen is listed 12 **Soft Key** settings. From the drop down list, select the desired User Preset, or if you have a KMTronic USB closure device, you may also choose to send a closure. Once you have changed to the desired settings, click on **Apply Changes** at the bottom to save the settings.

H Series (Console comport found: COM4
Serial Poll Count: 1	Firmware Version 1.3.4
Soft Key 1	Profile 1 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 2	Profile 2 🗸
Soft Key 3	Profile 3 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 4	Profile 4 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 5	Profile 5 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 6	Profile 6 🗸 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 7	Profile 7 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 8	Profile 8 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 9	Profile 9 🗸 🗸
Soft Key 10	Profile 10 🗸
Soft Key 11	Closure 1 (S) V
Soft Key 12	Closure 2 (M) 🗸



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Setup Screen

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SETUP SCREEN								
Output Labels Output 1 Program No Output 2 Audition No Channel 01 Mic 1 Mic 2 Channel 02 Mic 2 Channel 3 Channel 04 Channel 4	SETUP SCREEN EAS Channel Up Down Timer one Image: Colspan="2">Image: Channel Color Channel Color Image: Custom Image:	<u>tings</u> Is ∽ ensitivity						
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Apply	ly Changes							

To open the Setup Screen, go to File and select Setup Screen. Enter the password hybrid and click Enter.

Output Labels

You can change the output labels on the main screen. Simply change the label and click on **Apply Changes**. This will customize the output labels that are located above their respective meters.



EAS Channel

This feature is only available if a GPI 16 input relay device is connected. When a relay closure from a EAS device is received, it will mute the program audio, and switch to this specified channel. This channel will be your Emergency Alert Audio feed. Choose from channel 01 to channel 16.

To setup EAS:

STEP 1 – Connect the Broadcast Tools GPI 16 via USB to the DARC Virtual PC. Make sure the GPI 16 is being seen by the DARC Virtual. This can be viewed from the External Device Setup screen.

STEP 2 – Wire the EAS on & off closures to a pin input on the GPI-16 device. Be sure to follow the GPI-16 instructions for setup.

STEP 3 – Go to File in the Controller software, and select External Device Setup.

STEP 4 – For the relay input that was wired as the EAS On input, select **EAS On** from the drop down list. Do the same for the EAS Off relay. Click **Apply Changes**.

After this has been setup, when the GPI 16 receives a relay on the EAS 'On' channel, it will switch to the specified input channel that is selected on the Setup Screen. Same with the EAS Off closure. Once received, it will switch off the EAS feed and go back to the previous programming.

Auto Start – When checked, it will start the up or down timer whenever a channel is turned on. When not checked, it will only start manually via the Play button on the up/down timer.

Up Down Timer

Enabled – When checked, it will make the up/down timer visible on the screen. When not checked, it will not be visible or usable.

Auto Start – When checked, it will start the up or down timer whenever a channel is turned on. When not checked, it will only start manually via the Play button on the up/down timer.



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Channel Labels

Custom labels can be applied to the H Series Controller channel inputs. To change the labels:

STEP 1 – Enter the Setup Screen.

STEP 2 – Type in the desired label for the desired channel. Max of 15 characters.

STEP 3 – Click on Apply Changes.

Fader Color Select

You can assign custom colors to each fader channel. This will change the color of both the Channel Label and the center bar on the fader knob.

To change the fader color:

STEP 1 – Enter the Setup Screen.

STEP 2 – Select the desired color from the drop down menu for the fader. Choose **Custom** to choose from even more colors.

STEP 3 – Click on Apply Changes.

	Channel Labels	Channel Color	
Channel 01	Mic 1	Custom ~	Microphone
Channel 02	Mic 2	Custom ~	🗹 Microphone
Channel 03	Channel 3	Custom V	Microphone
Channel 04	Channel 4	Custom ~	Microphone
Channel 05	Channel 5	Custom ~	Microphone
Channel 06	Channel 6	Custom ~	Microphone
Channel 07	Channel 7	Custom ~	Microphone
Channel 08	Channel 8	Custom V	Microphone
Channel 09	USB	Custom ~	
Channel 10	Phone	Custom V	
	A	oply Changes	

Microphone Channels

Any input may be assigned as a microphone channel. The H-10 has 2 mic channels built-in. You may create 2 additional mic inputs by connecting the optional ARC-MIC-PRE to channels 3 & 4 of the H-10. The H-15 console has 1-5 mic inputs, and is assignable on the board.

Assigning a channel as a 'mic' channel in the Controller software will perform specific functions when turned on or off:

On-Air Light On/Off – Turning on a mic channel can also activate an on-air light. To achieve this, you'll need a KMTronic 2 or 8 relay. Additionally, make sure to configure the External Hardware settings accordingly.

To assign a channel as a microphone:

Check mark any of the inputs for microphone, and it will now operate as a mic channel. Click on the Apply Changes button to save the settings.

IMPORTANT NOTE – Assigning a channel in the Controller software does not mute the monitor speakers; this must be done physically on the H Series Console. For instance, the H-10 has 2 built-in mic inputs, and both Channels 1 & 2 will mute the monitor when activated, but other input channels will not mute the monitor speakers.



Meter Display Settings

Display Audio Levels – Toggles whether audio levels will be displayed for the individual channels and PGM & AUD meters. The default is **Active**, changing to **Disabled** will shut off the levels display.

<u>Minimum Audio Level Sensitivity</u> – This is the minimum audio threshold for displaying levels. Increase the number for a higher required audio level to display on the input channel. Decrease the number to display lower-level audio on the meters.

Fader Sample Time (ms) – This is the sample time for averaging the audio levels. 50mS = 20Hz, 100mS = 10Hz.

<u>Minimum Change in Audio</u> – This setting is for the minimum amount of change between levels for a change to be displayed. Default is 4. Increase this to lower the sensitivity. Lower the number to increase the sensitivity.

Button Delay

This is the maximum speed for pressing a button on the H Series Console. The default setting is 400 milliseconds (ms). This time of 4/10ths of a second represents the duration required between pressing the same button on and off again on the H Series Console. Lowering this value may result in the button being overly sensitive, potentially causing it to instantly toggle on and then off. Conversely, increasing this value will require a longer time gap between pressing the same button twice.

User Preset Delay

This is the delay time for serial communication between the H Series Controller and the H Series Console, particularly relevant when User Presets are activated. Lowering this value speeds up user preset button changes but may reduce reliability. Increasing this number slows down preset changes. It is not recommended to change this setting from the default value.

Auto-Restart after loss of power

If power is lost at your studio, you may lose power to your H Series Console, H Series Controller PC, or both. The H Series Controller has the ability to activate channels that were active prior to the power loss. On boot, the H Series Controller will check for a couple items before it makes changes to the H Series Console.

- 1. The H Series Controller will look to see if the H Series Console has been on for less than 5 minutes. If so, then it implies that the H Series Console lost power as well. If not, then it implies that only the PC running the H Series Controller crashed or lost power, and no channels will be changed.
- 2. The H Series Controller will look to see if any channels are already active on the H Series Console. If so, then that implies that the H Series Console never lost power. At which point, no channels will be changed.

If these two conditions are met, then the H Series Controller may activate channels that were active prior to the power loss.

These settings will change some of the interactions:

Active with PC Power Loss – With this setting, the H Series Controller on boot will look to see if the H Series Controller software has crashed (lost power). If so, it will then activate channels that were active prior to the PC crashing. This setting may be limiting in the instance that the H Series Console lost power, but not the PC running



the H Series Controller.

Active – With this setting, the H Series Controller on boot will not look to see if the PC has crashed, and will then activate channels that were active prior to the power loss. This is the recommended setting.

Disabled - If disabled, then the H Series Controller will not activate channels that were active prior to the power loss / crash.