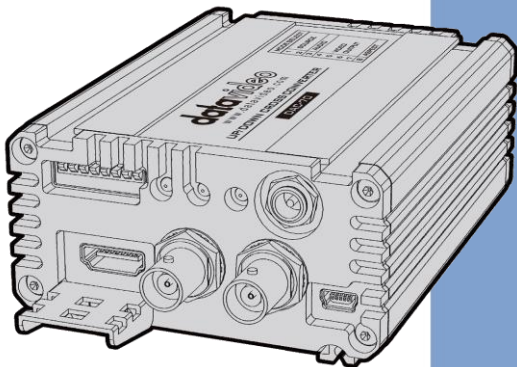


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FCC Compliance Statement

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference, and
2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Warnings and Precautions



1. Read all of these warnings and save them for later reference.
2. Follow all warnings and instructions marked on this unit.
3. Unplug this unit from the wall outlet before cleaning. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners. Use a damp cloth for cleaning.
4. Do not use this unit in or near water.
5. Do not place this unit on an unstable cart, stand, or table. The unit may fall, causing serious damage.
6. Slots and openings on the cabinet top, back, and bottom are provided for ventilation. To ensure safe and reliable operation of this unit, and to protect it from overheating, do not block or cover these openings. Do not place this unit on a bed, sofa, rug, or similar surface, as the ventilation openings on the bottom of the cabinet will be blocked. This unit should never be placed near or over a heat register or radiator. This unit should not be placed in a built-in installation unless proper ventilation is provided.
7. This product should only be operated from the type of power source indicated on the marking label of the AC adapter. If you are not sure of the type of power available, consult your Datavideo dealer or your local power company.
8. Do not allow anything to rest on the power cord. Do not locate this unit where the power cord will be walked on, rolled over, or otherwise stressed.
9. If an extension cord must be used with this unit, make sure that the total of the ampere ratings on the products plugged into the extension cord do not exceed the extension cord rating.

10. Make sure that the total amperes of all the units that are plugged into a single wall outlet do not exceed 15 amperes.
11. Never push objects of any kind into this unit through the cabinet ventilation slots, as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short out parts that could result in risk of fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind onto or into this unit.
12. Except as specifically explained elsewhere in this manual, do not attempt to service this product yourself. Opening or removing covers that are marked "Do Not Remove" may expose you to dangerous voltage points or other risks, and will void your warranty. Refer all service issues to qualified service personnel.
13. Unplug this product from the wall outlet and refer to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:
 - a. When the power cord is damaged or frayed;
 - b. When liquid has spilled into the unit;
 - c. When the product has been exposed to rain or water;
 - d. When the product does not operate normally under normal operating conditions. Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions in this manual; improper adjustment of other controls may result in damage to the unit and may often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the unit to normal operation;
 - e. When the product has been dropped or the cabinet has been damaged;
 - f. When the product exhibits a distinct change in performance, indicating a need for service.

Warranty

Standard Warranty

- Datavideo equipment is guaranteed against manufacturing defects for **one (1) year** from the date of purchase.
- A valid purchase invoice or other proof of purchase must be provided when requesting warranty service.

- The warranty period begins on the actual purchase date. If the purchase date cannot be verified, the warranty period will begin **thirty (30) days after shipment** from a Datavideo office.
- Non-Datavideo branded products (products without the Datavideo logo) are covered by a **one-year warranty** from the date of purchase.
- Damage caused by accident, misuse, unauthorized repair, or exposure to sand, grit, or water is **not covered** under warranty.
- Virus or malware infections on computer systems are **not covered** under warranty.
- Any issues caused by unauthorized third-party software installations that are not required by Datavideo systems are **not covered** under warranty.
- All shipping, mailing, or transportation costs, including insurance, are the responsibility of the owner unless otherwise stated.
- **Teleprompter glass is not covered** under warranty.
- Accessories, including **headphones, cables, batteries, metal parts, housings, protective cases, cable reels, and consumable items**, are **not covered** under warranty.
- Warranty is valid only in the country or region of purchase.
- All other claims **not explicitly stated** are not covered.
- Your statutory rights remain unaffected.

Five Year Warranty

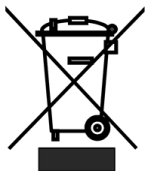
- Starting January 1, 2026, all Datavideo products that are successfully registered on the Datavideo official website are eligible for a **free four-year extended warranty**, in addition to the standard one-year warranty, for a total of **five years of coverage**.
- **Only registrations completed through the Datavideo official website qualify** for the five-year warranty. Registrations completed through local Datavideo offices, resellers, or authorized distributors **are not eligible**.
- Certain parts with limited service life — including **LCD panels, DVD drives, hard drives, solid-state drives, SD cards, USB thumb drives, lighting**



equipment, non-PCIe cards, and third-party PC components — are covered by a **one-year warranty only** and are **not eligible** for the extended warranty.

- **Camera modules** are covered by a **three-year warranty from the date of purchase**.

Disposal



For EU Customers only - WEEE Marking

This symbol on the product or on its packaging indicates that this product must not be disposed of with your other household waste. Instead, it is your responsibility to dispose of your waste equipment by handing it over to a designated collection point for the recycling of waste electrical and electronic equipment. The separate collection

and recycling of your waste equipment at the time of disposal will help to conserve natural resources and ensure that it is recycled in a manner that protects human health and the environment. For more information about where you can drop off your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local city office, your household waste disposal service or the shop where you purchased the product.



CE Marking is the symbol as shown on the left of this page.

The letters "CE" are the abbreviation of French phrase "Conformité Européene" which literally means "European Conformity". The term initially used was "EC Mark" and it was officially replaced by "CE Marking" in the Directive 93/68/EEC in 1993. "CE Marking" is now used in all EU official documents.

1. Introduction

The Datavideo DAC-70 is a broadcast quality up/down/cross converter. The unit allows the user to configure the device using a simple DIP switch or on a USB 2.0 interface utility. The DAC-70 case LEDs indicate the currently selected video source. The DAC-70 gives the user the capability of sharing VGA, HDMI or SDI inputs in an HDMI or SDI environment.

Housed in a metal case, the DAC-70 is tough enough to withstand the knocks of fast-paced live production setups in ENG or any studio. Built to the same dimensions as Datavideo's range of converters, the DAC-70 can also be mounted into a standard 19" RMK-2 rack with a mix of other units.

That's Datavideo, sharing the value!

Features

- 3G-SDI technology with full 10 bit processing and low SDI jitter
- DC or AC operation for convenient field or studio use
- DIP switch setup
- Micro USB 2.0 interface for firmware updates

Video Inputs - Choose from:

- HD / SD-SDI [BNC] with active SDI loop through
- HDMI
- VGA [15PIN D-Sub Female]

Audio Inputs

- HDMI / SDI embedded multi-channel audio
- Unbalanced RCA Phono sockets [Stereo L&R Channels @ line level]

Video outputs

- Two HD / SD-SDI [BNC] with embedded audio
- HDMI with embedded audio
- Simultaneous HDMI & SDI outputs regardless of settings

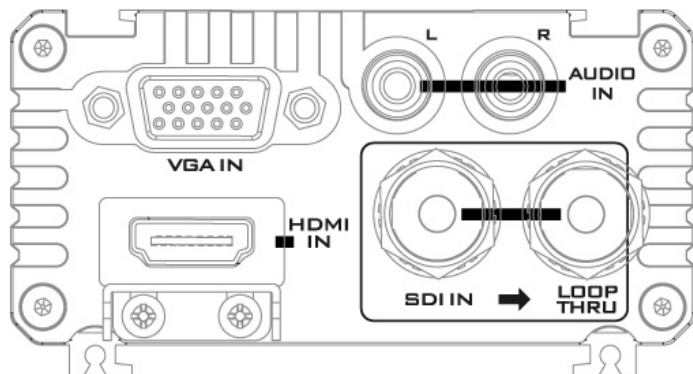
Control

- Windows only software utility for local configuration and control via Micro-USB 2.0 interface

Note: The DAC-70 supports HDCP copy protection, i.e. the DAC-70 outputs no signal when the user supplies protected DVD or BD video.

2. Connections & Controls

Front Panel



VGA IN

VGA IN connects the VGA equipment.

Supported Resolutions

800x600@60Hz, 1024x768@60Hz, 1280x1024@60Hz
1366x768@60Hz, 1400x1050@60Hz, 1600x1200@60Hz
1280x720@60Hz, 1920x1080@60Hz



HDMI IN

HDMI IN connects the HDMI equipment.

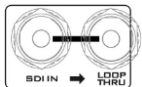
HDCP Copy Protection

For legal reasons, the HDMI input is unable to pass on video from copy protected HDMI sources.



Audio IN

Inputs for 2 channels of RCA unbalanced audio



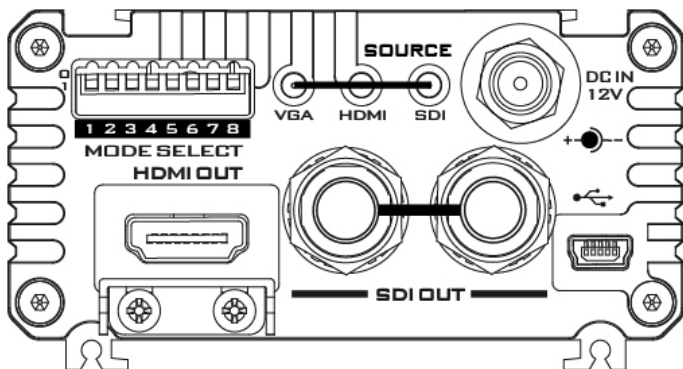
HD-SDI IN & Output (Loop Thru)

HD-SDI input and loop-through output connectors.

Left BNC connector: HD/SD-SDI Input

Right BNC connector: Loop Thru Output

Rear Panel



Mode Select (DIP switch)

Use the DIP switch to manually set the DAC-70 modes; please refer to the [DIP Switch Mode Selection](#) section for details.



Source Indicator

Indicates video source format.



HDMI OUT

HDMI Video and Audio output.



HD/SD - SDI OUT

SDI Video and Audio output.



DC IN Socket

Connects the supplied 12V PSU to this socket. The connection can be secured by screwing the outer fastening ring of the DC IN plug to the socket.



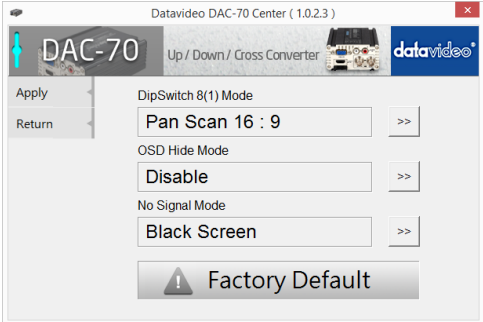
USB

The USB port connects the DAC-70 to the PC for **Firmware upgrade** and access to the **DAC-70 Center Utility**.

3. DIP Switch Mode Selection

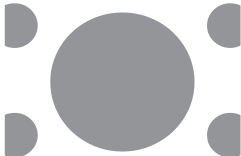
MODE SELECT 				
DIP SW 1/2	DIP SW 3	DIP SW 4/5/6/7	DIP SW 8	
Source	Audio	Video Output	Aspect Ratio	
00 VGA 01 HDMI 10 SDI 11 PC	0 INT. 1 EXT.	0000 1920x1080 p60 0001 1920x1080 p59.94 0010 1920x1080 p50 0011 1920x1080 p30 0100 1920x1080 p29.97 0101 1920x1080 p25 0110 1920x1080 p24 0111 1920x1080 p23.98 1000 1920x1080 i60 1001 1920x1080 i59.94 1010 1920x1080 i50 1011 1280x720 p60 1100 1280x720 p59.94 1101 1280x720 p50 1110 720x480 i59 (525i) 1111 720x570 i50 (625i)	0 Full Screen 1 Pan Scan 16:9 / Keep Aspect Ratio (1:1)	Select “ Pan Scan 16:9” or “ Keep Aspect Ratio” (1:1) on the DAC-70 Center Utility. Please refer to the next page for details.
DIP Switch is disabled when SOURCE is set to 11.				

DIP Switch PIN 8

0	Full Screen
1	Pan Scan 16:9 / Keep Aspect Ratio (1:1) On the MAIN page of the DAC-70 Center Utility, click the Setting tab to enter the page on which the user is allowed to select “Pan Scan 16:9” or “Keep Aspect Ratio” (1:1). Reboot the device after setting. 

PAN SCAN 16:9

If the Pan Scan 16:9 mode is selected, the table below provides an illustration as to how the image will be displayed on the 16:9 and 4:3 monitors given that their respective input aspect ratios are 4:3 and 16:9.

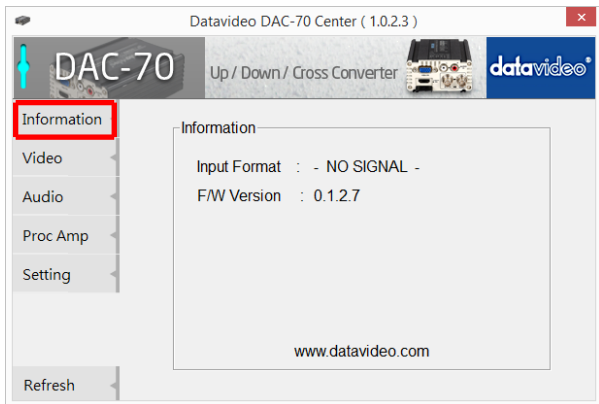
Input 4:3 / Output 16:9	Input 16:9 / Output 4:3
	

4. DAC-70 Center Utility

DAC-70 Center Utility is a Graphical User Interface that allows the user to obtain the device information and perform various video and audio settings. To use the utility, the user should first copy the **DAC-70 Center.exe** utility software from the installation CD to the computer running Windows. After that, switch on the DAC-70, connect the DAC-70 to the same computer using the USB cable and open the DAC-70 Center Utility software.

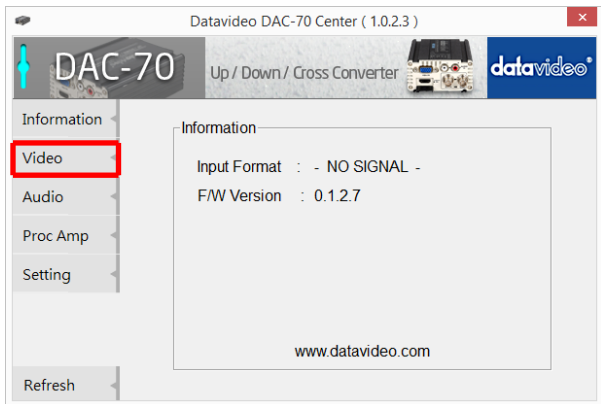
Information

- Click the **Information tab** to obtain the information on input format and firmware version.

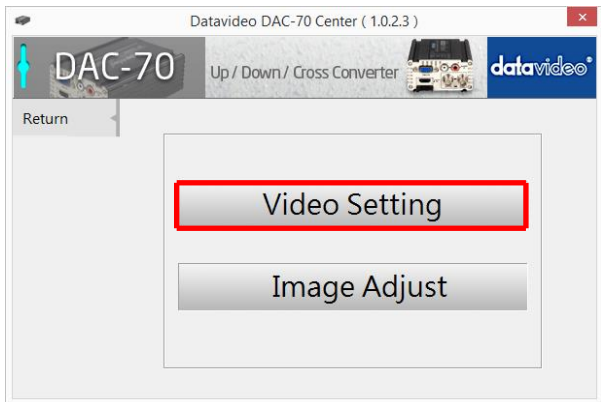


Video

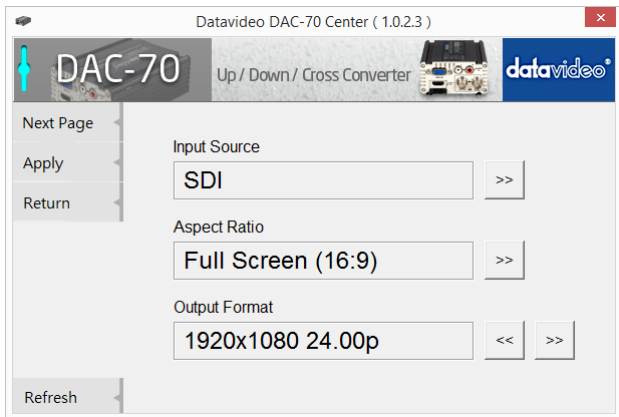
- Click the **Video tab** to enter the video setup page.



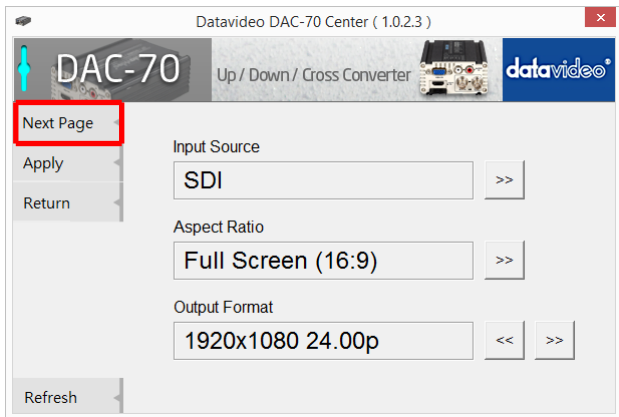
- On the video setup page, click the **Video Setting** button to enter the video configuration page.



- Set the input source, aspect ratio and output format.



- Click **Next Page**

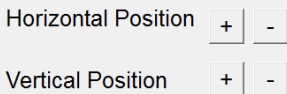


- Set the HDMI Output Colour, HDMI Output Range and Edge Enhance. Enable 3G Level B if your video resolution is 1080p50/59.94/60.



- Click **Apply** after all settings are configured.

Note 1: When “**Input Source**” is set to “**VGA**”, the user will be allowed to adjust “**Horizontal Position**” and “**Vertical Position**” in the **Image Adjust**.

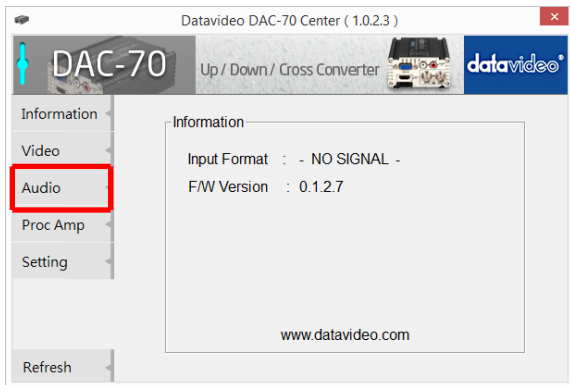


Note 2: When “**Aspect Ratio**” is set to “**Under Scan**”, the user will be allowed to adjust “**Horizontal Size**” and “**Vertical Size**” in the **Image Adjust**.

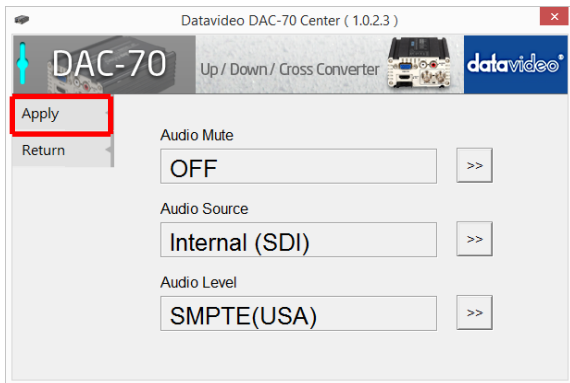


Audio

- Click the **Audio tab** to set audio parameters.



- Click **Apply** after setting Audio Mute, Audio Source and Audio Level.

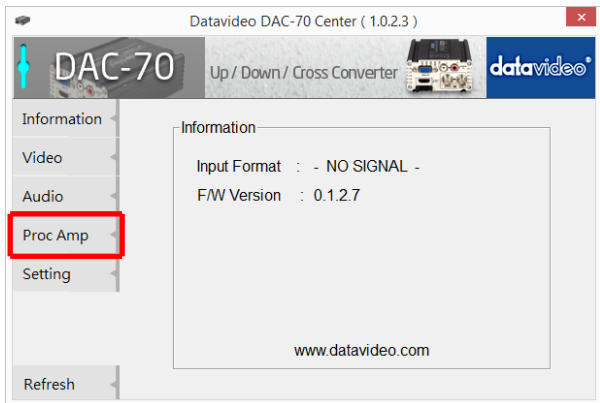


Note 1: Audio Level allows the user to select between EBU and SMPTE standards.

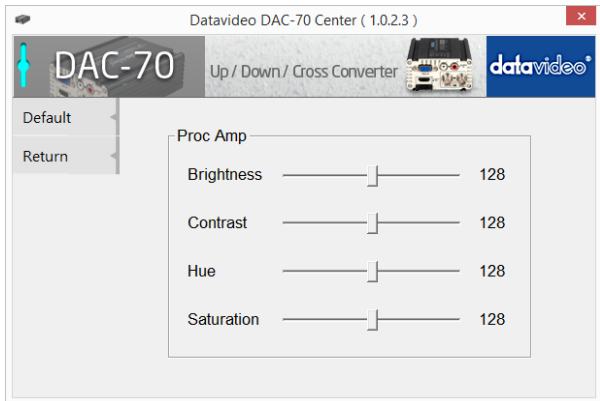
Note 2: Audio Level setting is enabled only for RCA input.

Picture

- Click the **Proc AMP** tab to adjust the picture settings.

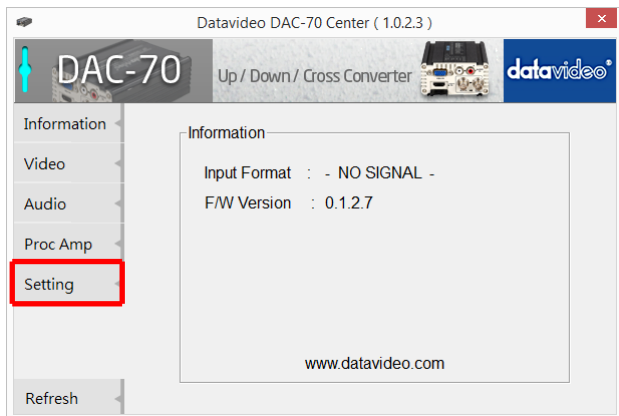


- Set the **Brightness**, **Contrast**, **Hue**, and **Saturation** levels on the Proc Amp setup page.

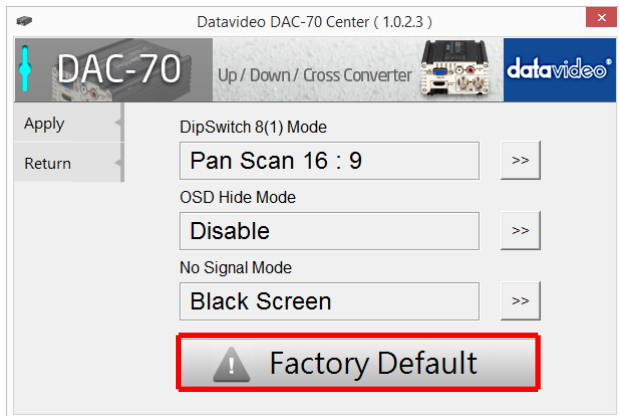


Setting

- To restore the factory default settings, click the **Setting** tab.



- Click the **Factory Default** button to reset the DAC-70 to factory defaults.



In addition, the user can also set **Dip Switch 8 (1) Mode**, **OSD Hide Mode** and **No Signal Mode**.

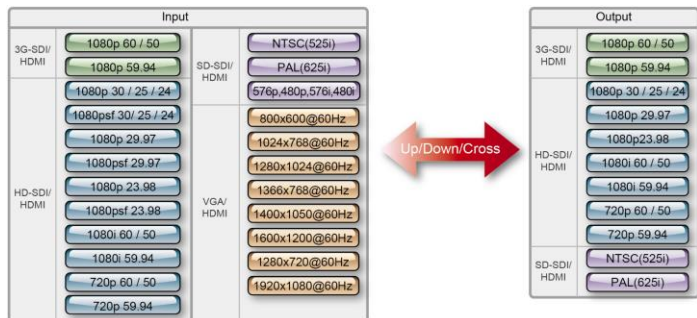
Dip Switch 8 (1) Mode When 8th bit of the DIP switch is set to 1, this option allows the user to select Pan Scan 16:9 or Keep Aspect Ratio (1:1).

OSD Hide Mode When enabled, source information and output resolution will not be displayed on the information page upon resolution change.

No Signal Mode This sets how the screen looks like when there is no signal.

5. Format Conversion

The DAC-70 allows users to up-convert, down-convert and cross-convert between different resolutions and I/O interfaces. See the table below for details.



6. Firmware Update

From time to time Datavideo may release new firmware to either add new features or fix reported bugs in the current DAC-70 firmware. Customers can update the DAC-70 firmware themselves or contact their local dealer for assistance.

This section describes the firmware update process and it should take **approximately 10 minutes of total time to complete**. Please note the **current DAC-70 settings**. *The update process should not be interrupted* once started as this could result in a non-responsive unit.

A working DAC-70 requires the following:

1. The latest firmware file for the DAC-70. This can be obtained from your local Datavideo dealer or office.
 2. The Upload Firmware utility. This can also be obtained from your local Datavideo dealer or office.
 3. A Windows PC with USB 2.0 port.
 4. A USB A to micro USB cable (USB 2.0).
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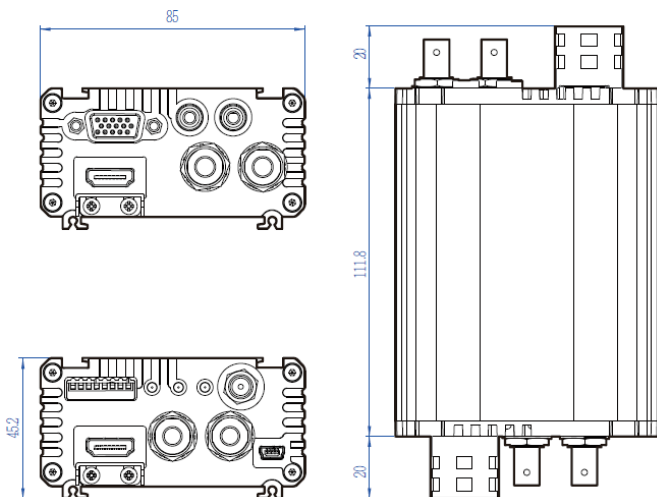
How to update the DAC-70 firmware

1. Switch off the DAC-70 power.
 2. Save the latest **firmware** file and the **Upload Firmware utility** to the PC desktop.
 3. Open the Datavideo Upload Firmware utility, which will show **Disconnected** and the connect button is greyed out.
 4. Use USB 2.0 cable to connect the DAC-70 to the computer.
 5. Switch on the DAC-70 power and the connect button will now be enabled. Click the connect button and the Utility will show **Connected**.
- Note: If the Utility still shows Disconnected, unplug-replug power cord.**
6. Click the Open File button and select the new firmware file.
 7. Click the Start button and wait for the progress bar to finish.
 8. After the update is finished, the utility will show **PASS** to confirm that the unit has been updated successfully.
 9. The utility will automatically disconnect the DAC-70 unit.
 10. Unplug the USB cable from the DAC-70 and power cycle the unit.
 11. The updated DAC-70 is now ready for use.



DataVideo Upload Firmware.exe
DataVideo Upload Firmware
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7. Dimensions



All measurements in millimeters (mm)

8. Specifications

Input	VGA x 1 HDMI x 1 HD/SD-SDI x 1 Analog Audio L/R
Output	SDI x 2 HDMI x 1 SDI Loop thru BNC (front panel)
Micro USB	Firmware upgrade Aspect ratio mode selection
Video Input Format	SDI (YUV) 1080p60/59.94/50, 1080p30/29.97/25/24/23.98 1080psf30/29.97/25/24/23.98 1080i60/59.94/50, , 720p60/59.94/50 525i, 625i HDMI (YUV / RGB) 1080p60/59.94/50, 1080p30/29.97/25/24/23.98 1080psf30/29.97/25/24/23.98 1080i60/59.94/50, 720p60/59.94/50 480p, 576p, 480i, 576i 800x600@60Hz, 1024x768@60Hz, 1280x1024@60Hz 1366x768@60Hz, 1400x1050@60Hz, 1600x1200@60Hz VGA (RGB) 800x600@60Hz, 1024x768@60Hz, 1280x1024@60Hz 1366x768@60Hz, 1400x1050@60Hz, 1600x1200@60Hz 1280x720@60Hz, 1920x1080@60Hz
Video Output Format	SDI / HDMI 1080p60/59.94/50, 1080p30/29.97/25/24/23.98 1080i60/59.94/50, 720p60/59.94/50 525i, 625i

Audio Format	Input Analog Audio L/R : stereo audio SDI / HDMI embedded audio up to 8CH, 48KHz, PCM audio HDMI embedded audio up to 8CH, 44.1/48/96KHz, PCM audio Output SDI embedded audio up to 8CH, 48KHz, PCM audio HDMI embedded audio up to 8CH, 48KHz, PCM audio
Operating Temperature	0~40°C [32~104°F]
Storage Temperature	-10~ +60°C
Dimensions	144.8mm(L) x 85mm(W) x 45.2mm(H)
Weight	0.4 kg
Certifications	CE/FCC

Notes

Service & Support

It is our goal to make your products ownership a satisfying experience. Our supporting staff is available to assist you in setting up and operating your system. Please refer to our web site www.datavideo.com for answers to common questions, support requests or contact your local office below.

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