



# HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR

EXT-HD2IRS-LAN-TX  
EXT-HD2IRS-LAN-RX

User Manual



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# Important Safety Instructions

1. Read these instructions.
2. Keep these instructions.
3. Heed all warnings.
4. Follow all instructions.
5. Do not use this product near water.
6. Clean only with a dry cloth.
7. Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
8. Do not install or place this product near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
9. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized or grounding-type plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
10. Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
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13. Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
14. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.
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# Operating Notes

- The Sender and Receiver for the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR are sold separately. This User Manual describes how to connect and operate both Sender and Receiver units.
- This product requires a Gigabit switch that supports 8k jumbo frames in order for multicast mode to function correctly. If the LAN is not exclusively dedicated to this product, then a managed switch is highly recommended.
- CAT-5e or CAT-6 cables should not exceed 330 feet (100 meters) between the Sender / Receiver unit and the network.
- By default, all Sender and Receiver units are set to channel 0.

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## Features

- Extends HDMI, RS-232, and bi-directional IR over IP, using a Gigabit Local Area Network
- Supports resolutions up to 1080p Full HD and 1920 x 1200 (WUXGA)
- Supported HDMI Features
  - ▶ HDCP
  - ▶ Deep Color
  - ▶ LPCM 7.1, Dolby® TrueHD, and DTS-HD Master Audio™
  - ▶ Lip-sync pass-through
- Built-in web interface facilitates intuitive set up and operation
- Any of the Senders within a network can be accessed by any Receiver unit via a Web browser on a mobile device or computer, or by using the Gefen Keyboard Switching Controller software (available for free download at [www.gefen.com](http://www.gefen.com))
- Supports 256 Senders and a total of just over 65,000 Receiver units, depending on the network bandwidth and number of ports on your network switch
- Mode Selector function in Web interface for sharpness or motion-optimization of image
- Versatile IR In/Ext ports work with Gefen IR extenders and IR output signals from automation control devices
- Field-upgradable firmware via Web server interface
- Locking power supply connectors
- RS-232 3.5mm mini-stereo-to-DB-9 adapters included
- Surface-mountable



## Packing List

The Sender and Receiver for the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR are sold separately. The packing lists will vary, slightly, depending upon which unit was purchased. If any of these items are not present in the box when you first open it, immediately contact your dealer or Gefen.

### Sender Package (EXT-HD2IRS-LAN-TX)

- 1 x HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR (Sender unit)
- 1 x 6 ft. locking HDMI cable (M-M)
- 1 x 3.5 mini-stereo-to-DB-9 cable adapter (M-F)
- 1 x IR emitter
- 1 x 5V DC locking power supply
- 1 x Quick-Start Guide

### Receiver Package (EXT-HD2IRS-LAN-RX)

- 1 x HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR (Receiver unit)
- 1 x 3.5 mini-stereo-to-DB-9 cable adapter (M-M)
- 1 x IR extender
- 1 x 5V DC locking power supply
- 1 x Quick-Start Guide

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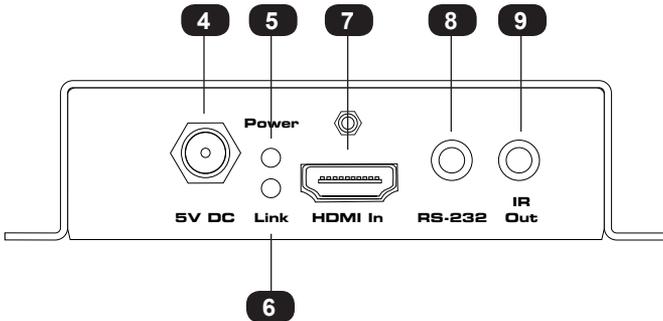
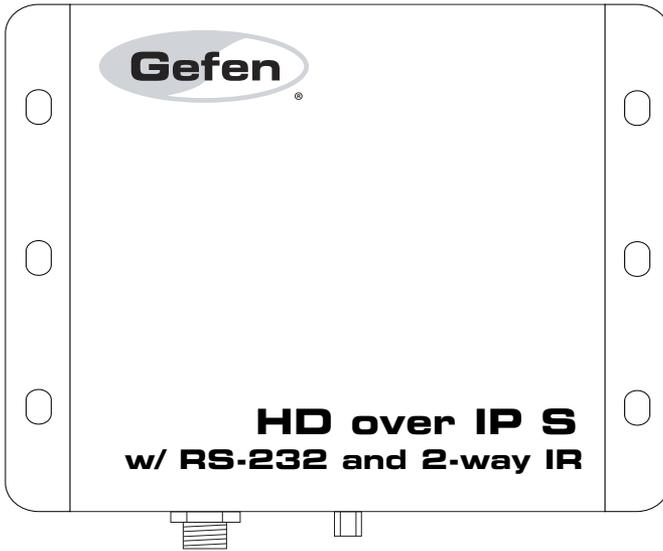
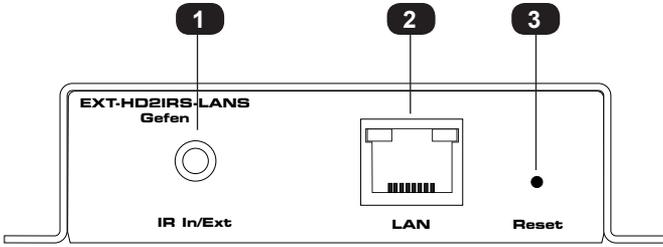
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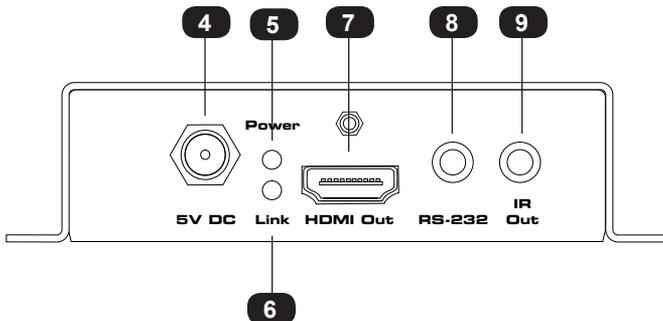
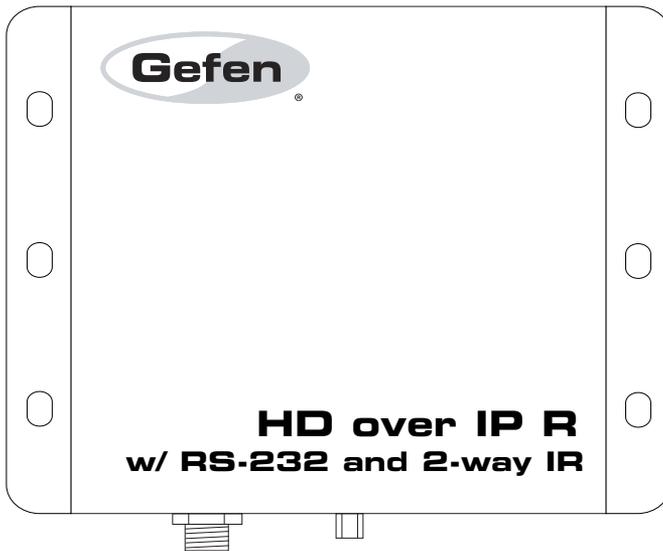
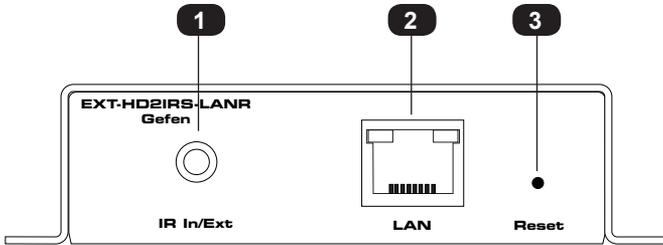
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### Sender Unit



ID	Name	Description
1	IR In/Ext	Connect an IR Extender (Gefen part no. EXT-RMT-EXTIRN) to this port. Alternatively, connect a mini-mono 3.5mm cable from this port to the output of an automation system with an electrical IR output.
2	LAN	Connects the Sender unit to the network (or directly to the <b>LAN</b> port on the Receiver unit) using an Ethernet cable.
3	Reset	Press this button to reset the Sender unit. See <a href="#">Resetting a Unit (page 40)</a> for instructions on restoring the Sender unit to factory-default settings.
4	5V DC	Connect the included 5V DC power supply to this locking power receptacle.
5	Power	This LED indicator will glow bright green and will remain illuminated as long as the power supply is connected to the Sender unit.
6	Link	This LED indicator will glow bright amber to indicate that the Sender unit is communicating with the Receiver unit. If this LED is not illuminated, inspect the connection between the Sender and Receiver unit.
7	HDMI In	Use the included HDMI cable to connect a Hi-Def source to this HDMI port.
8	RS-232	Connect the included 3.5mm mini-stereo-to-DB-9 (female) adapter to this port. Connect an RS-232 cable from the adapter to an automation device.
9	IR Out	Connect the included infrared IR emitter (Gefen part no. EXT-IREMIT) from this port to the IR sensor window of the source.

## Receiver Unit



ID	Name	Description
1	IR In/Ext	Connect the included IR Extender to this port. Alternatively, connect a mini-mono 3.5mm cable from this port to the output of an automation system with an electrical IR output.
2	LAN	Connects the Receiver unit to the network (or directly to the <b>LAN</b> port on the Sender unit) using an Ethernet cable. See the next page for installation instructions.
3	Reset	Press this button to reset the Receiver unit. See <a href="#">Performing a Factory Reset (page 5)</a> for instructions on restoring the Receiver unit to factory-default settings.
4	5V DC	Connect the included 5V DC power supply to this locking power receptacle.
5	Power	This LED indicator will glow bright green and will remain illuminated as long as the power supply is connected to the Receiver unit.
6	Link	This LED indicator will glow bright amber to indicate that the Receiver unit is communicating with the Sender unit. If this LED is not illuminated, inspect the connection between the Sender and Receiver unit.
7	HDMI Out	Connect an HDMI cable between this ports and an HDTV display.
8	RS-232	Connect the included 3.5mm mini-stereo-to-DB-9 (male) adapter to this port. Connect an RS-232 cable from the adapter to a display or other RS-232 device.
9	IR Out	Connect an infrared IR emitter (Gefen part no. EXT-IREMIT) from this port to the IR sensor window of the source.

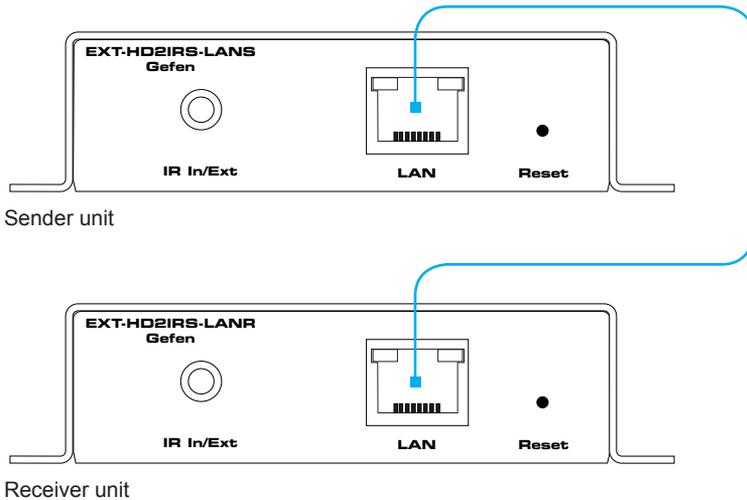
The HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR Sender and Receiver units can either be connected over a Local Area Network (LAN) or they can be directly connected to one another.

## Using a Direct Connection

By default, Sender and Receiver units are shipped in *Auto IP* mode. In *Auto IP* mode, each Sender and Receiver unit assigns itself a unique IP address within the range of `169.254.x.x`. Auto IP mode is used only when Sender and Receiver units are directly connected to one another. When connecting to a network, the Sender and Receiver units must be set to either *DHCP* or *Static IP* mode. See [Setting the IP Mode \(page 22\)](#) for more information .

1. Connect a CAT-5e (or better) cable from the **LAN** port on the Sender unit to the **LAN** port on the Receiver unit. The cable should not exceed 330 feet (100 meters) in length.

Figure 1.1 - Directly connecting the Sender and Receiver unit



2. Use the included HDMI cable to connect the Hi-Def source to the **HDMI In** port on the Sender unit.
3. Connect an HDMI cable from the HDTV display to the **HDMI Out** port on the Receiver unit.
4. See [Additional Connections \(page 8\)](#) to complete the installation process.

## Local Area Network (LAN) Connection

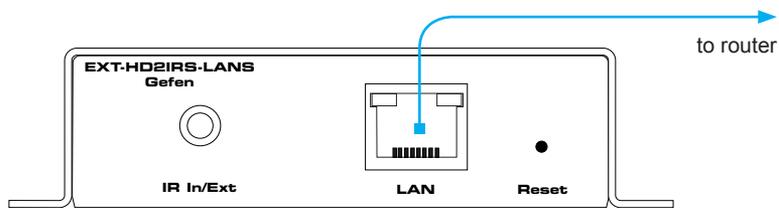


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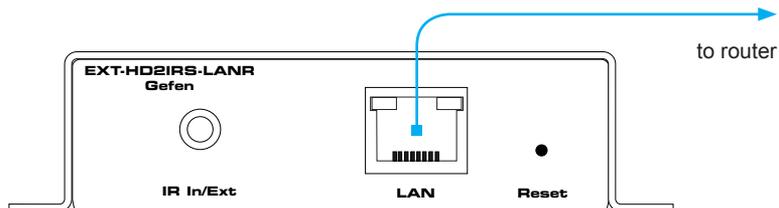
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In order to connect the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR to a Local Area Network (LAN), both the Sender and Receiver unit must first be set to *DHCP* or *static* IP mode. *DHCP* mode will use the DHCP server to automatically assign an IP address for each Sender and Receiver unit that is connected to the network. *Static* IP mode will allow the IP address for each Sender and Receiver unit to be configured manually. Contact your network administrator if necessary.

1. Connect an Ethernet cable from the **LAN** port on both the Sender and Receiver unit *directly* to the router. Each cable that is connected to the router should not exceed 330 feet (100 meters) in length.
2. Access the Web interface for the Sender unit by entering its IP address in the address bar of the Web browser. If the IP address is not known, see [Displaying the IP Address \(page 7\)](#).



Sender unit



Receiver unit

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3. Set the desired network mode (DHCP or static). Refer to [Setting the IP Address \(page 24\)](#) for instructions on setting the network mode.
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 for the Receiver unit.
5. Once the IP addresses have been assigned, disconnect the Sender and Receiver units from the router and connect them to the network.
6. Follow steps 2 - 4, under [Using a Direct Connection \(page 6\)](#), to complete the installation process.

## Additional Connections

### ▶ IR

1. Refer to the section entitled [Bidirectional IR Control \(page 12\)](#) for details on connecting IR devices.

### ▶ RS-232

2. Connect the mini-stereo-to-DB-9 (female) cable adapter from the **RS-232** port on the Sender unit to a DB-9 cable. Connect the DB-9 cable to an automation system.
3. Connect the mini-stereo-to-DB-9 (male) cable adapter from the **RS-232** port on the Receiver unit to a DB-9 cable. Connect the DB-9 cable to a display or other RS-232 device.

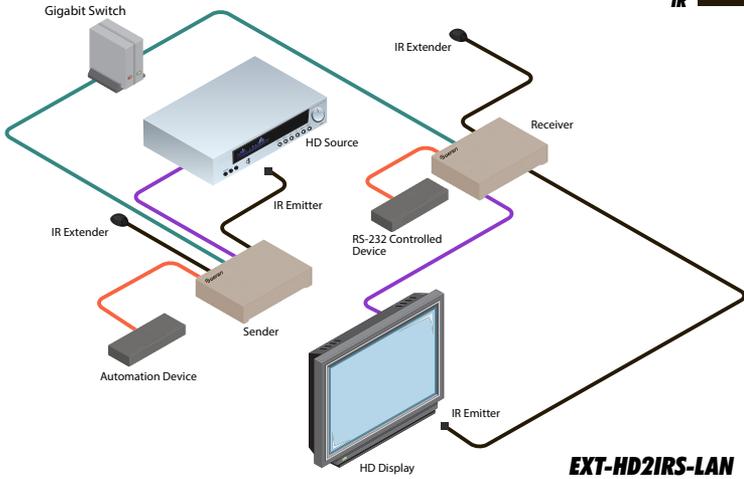
### ▶ Power

4. Connect the included 5V DC locking power supplies to the **5V DC** receptacle on the Sender unit and Receiver unit. Do not overtighten the locking connectors.
5. Connect the included AC power cords from the power supplies to available electrical outlets.

### Sample Wiring Diagram



- CAT-5 CABLE** (Up to 330 ft)
- HDMI CABLE**
- RS-232 CABLE**
- IR**





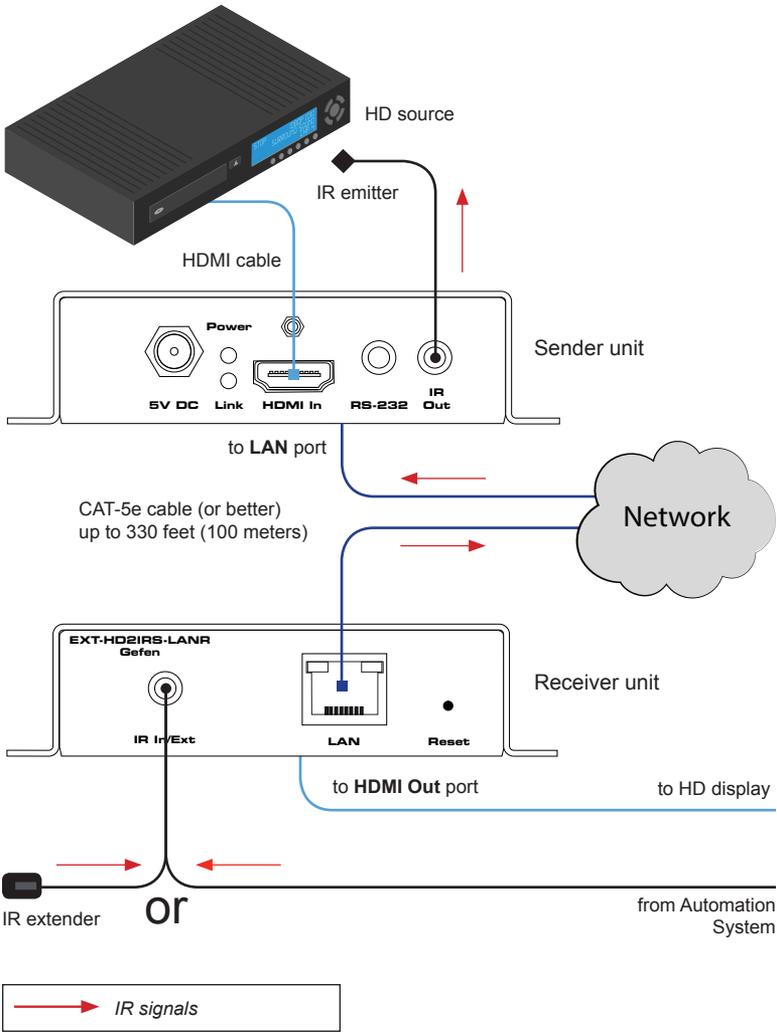
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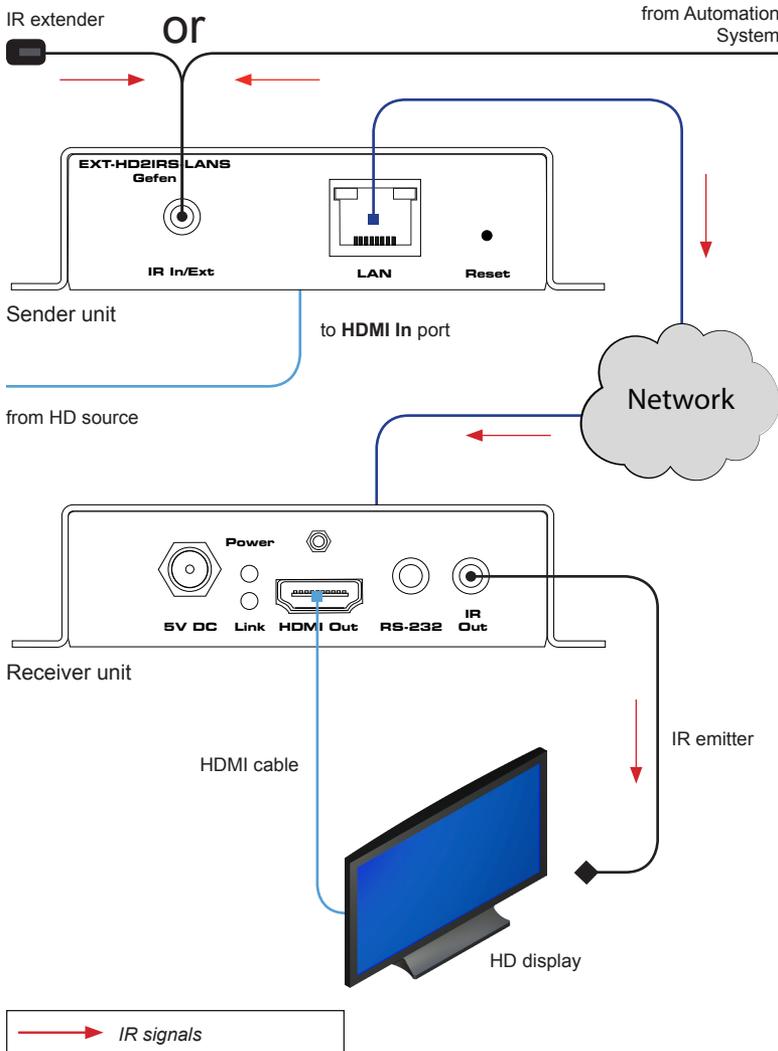
## Controlling the Source from the Viewing Location

1. Connect the included IR extender to the **IR In/Ext** port on the Receiver unit. If using an automation system, connect the 3.5mm mini-stereo connector from the **IR In/Ext** port on the Receiver unit to the automation system.
2. Connect the included IR emitter from the **IR Out** port on the Sender unit to the IR sensor window on the source device.



## Controlling the Display from the Source Location

1. Connect an IR extender (Gefen part no. EXT-RMT-EXTIRN) to the **IR In/Ext** port on the Sender unit. If using an automation system, connect the 3.5mm mini-stereo connector from the **IR In/Ext** port on the Sender unit to the automation system.
2. Connect an IR emitter (Gefen part no. EXT-IREMIT) from the **IR Out** port on the Receiver unit to the IR sensor on the display.



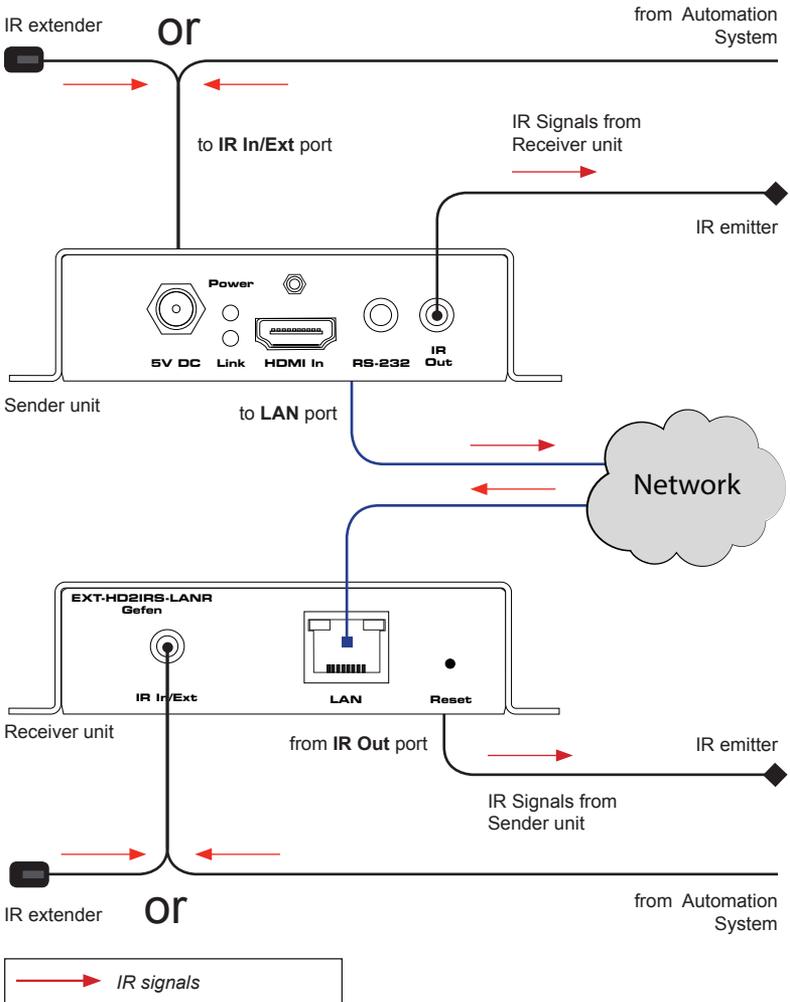
## Controlling the Source / Display from Different Locations



### Information

Additional IR extenders (Gefen part no. EXT-RMT-EXTIRN) and IR emitters (Gefen part no. RMT-2IREMIT) will be required for this configuration.

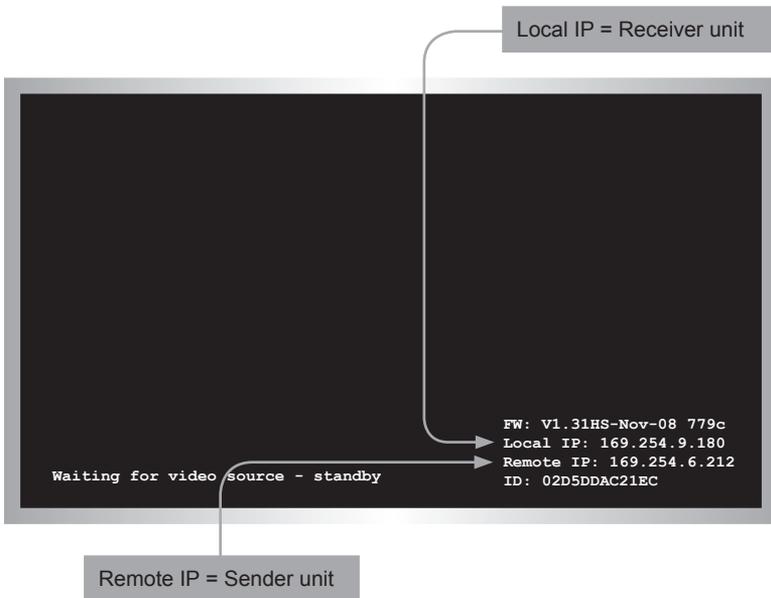
Using bidirectional IR, the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR allows the source and and/or display to be controlled from the viewing location or the source location. Refer to the diagram, below, for connection details. The video cables have been removed for clarity.



# Displaying the IP Address

The IP addresses of both the Sender and Receiver unit are briefly displayed during the initialization process, before an image is displayed. To retrieve the IP address of a Sender and/or Receiver unit, at any time, use the following procedure.

1. Disconnect the HDMI cable from the **HDMI In** port on the Sender unit. Do not disconnect the HDMI cable from the Receiver unit.
2. After a few moments, the screen will go blank and the IP address of both the Sender and Receiver unit will be displayed in the lower-right corner of the screen.

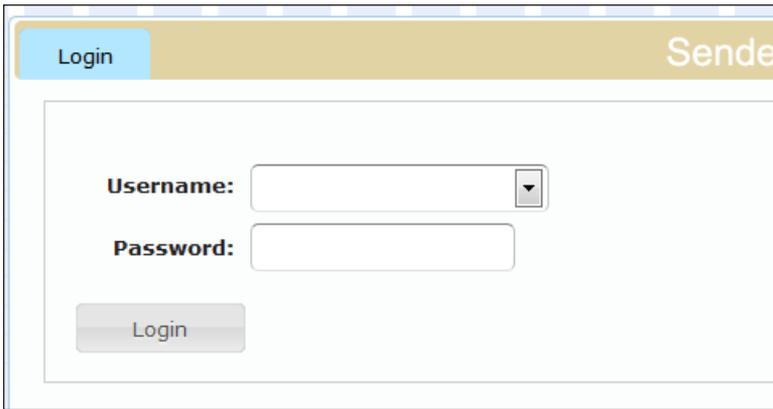


3. To display the source image, once again, reconnect the HDMI cable to the **HDMI In** port on the Sender unit .

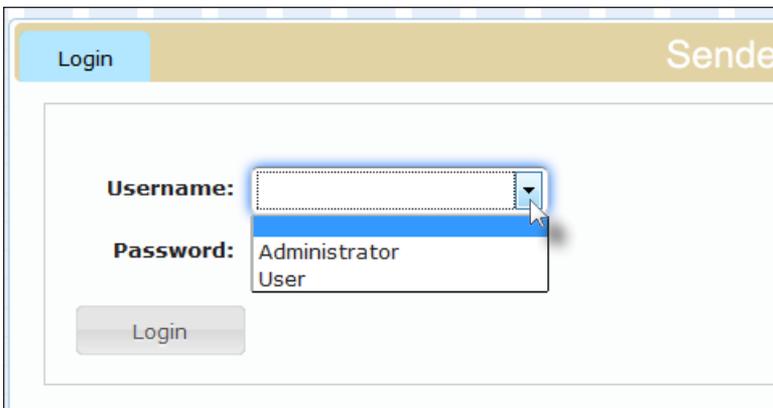
## Login Procedure

Each Sender and Receiver uses a built-in Web interface which is used to assign settings and control the features of each unit. The Web interface features a login screen which provides two access types: Administrator login provides access to all features and settings. Operator login limits access to channel switching and video modes.

1. Access the Web interface by entering the IP address of the Sender or Receiver unit in the address bar of a Web browser. Refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 16\)](#) if necessary.
2. The Login tab will be displayed in the Web interface.



3. Click the arrow next to the **Username** field.
4. Two user names will be displayed: **Administrator** and **User**.



- For this example, select the **User** name.
- Enter the password in the **Password** field. By default, the password for the **User** login is `user`. The default password for the **Administrator** login is `admin`. Note that these passwords are *case-sensitive*.

The screenshot shows a web interface with a header bar containing a 'Login' tab and a 'Send' button. Below the header is a form with two input fields: 'Username:' with a dropdown menu showing 'User', and 'Password:' with a text box containing 'user'. A 'Login' button is located below the password field. The password field is highlighted with a blue glow.

- Click the **Login** button.
- The **Network** tab will appear, just to the right of the **Login** tab.

The screenshot shows the same web interface as before, but now with a 'Network' tab added to the header bar, positioned to the right of the 'Login' tab. The 'Login' button in the form is highlighted with a blue glow.

If the **Administrator** login is used, additional tabs will be displayed:

The screenshot shows the web interface with three tabs in the header bar: 'Login', 'Network', and 'Functions', followed by a 'System' tab. The 'Send' button is also visible. The 'Login' tab is highlighted in blue.

## Viewing System Settings

The Login screen displays the current version of firmware, network mode, and IP addresses.

1. Access the Web interface for the Sender or Receiver unit. The password must be set for each Sender and Receiver unit.
2. The **Login** tab will be highlighted.
3. Locate the Firmware version and System settings sections, as shown below.

<b>Firmware version</b>
kernel version: A5.11 webfwh version: V1.35hs
<b>System settings</b>
Network Mode: Unicast Mode
IP Mode: autoip
IP Address: 169.254.6.204
Subnet Mask: 255.255.0.0
Default Gateway: 169.254.0.254



### Information

The firmware version can also be found under the **System** tab, when logging in as Administrator.

## Setting the Password

Both the User and Administrator passwords can be changed. Each Sender and Receiver unit can have a different password, if desired. To prevent unauthorized tampering of configuration settings, it is highly recommended that the Administrator password be changed as soon as each unit is configured. Passwords are case-sensitive.

The default password for Administrator is `admin`. The default password for User is `user`.

1. Access the Web interface for the Sender and Receiver unit. The password must be set for each Sender and Receiver unit.
2. Log in as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **System** tab.
4. Enter the new password for the desired user name(s). In the example, below, both the Administrator and User passwords are being changed.

**Password Change**

**Administrator:**

**User:**

5. Click the **Change** button under the appropriate user name.
6. The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page:

**Success:** New Password applied.

7. Return to the **Login** tab and login as with the new password. This step will terminate the current session (using the old password), allowing the new password to take effect.

## Setting the Video Channel

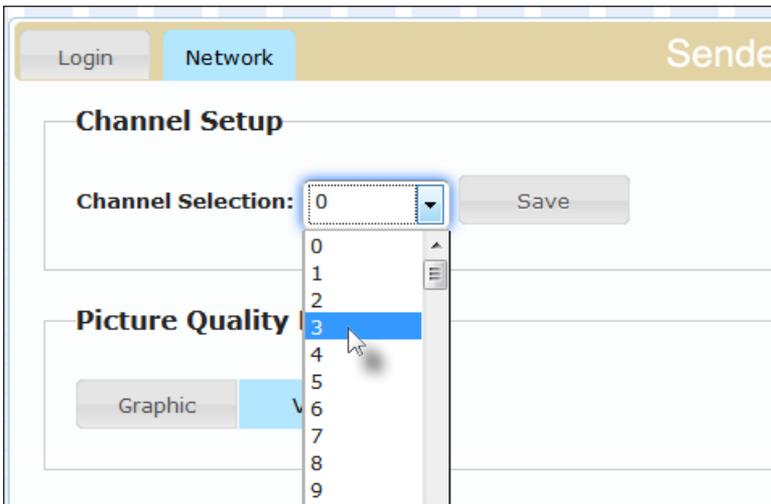
In order for Sender and Receiver units to communicate with one another, they must both be set to the same video channel. This is similar to changing the channel on a cable or satellite box in order to view a different program. By default, all Sender and Receiver units are set to channel 0.



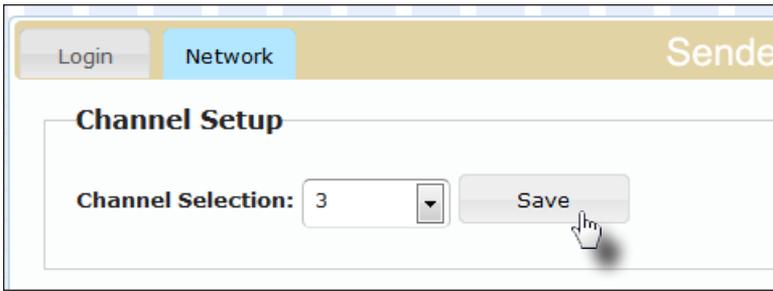
### Information

When connecting Sender and Receiver units, it is highly recommend that the video channel for each unit is set to a channel other than 0. This will allow for the addition of future Sender and/or Receiver units without causing video channel conflicts.

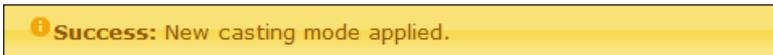
1. Access the Web interface by entering the IP address of the desired Sender or Receiver unit in the address bar of a Web browser. Refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 20\)](#) if necessary.
2. Log in as **Administrator** or **User**.
3. Click the **Network** tab. The current channel is displayed within the Network Mode window group.
4. Click the **Channel Selection** drop-down list and select the desired channel. Channel numbers can range from 0 to 255.



5. Click the **Save** button on the right-hand side of **Network Mode** window group.



- The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page, indicating that the casting mode has been applied to the Sender or Receiver unit.

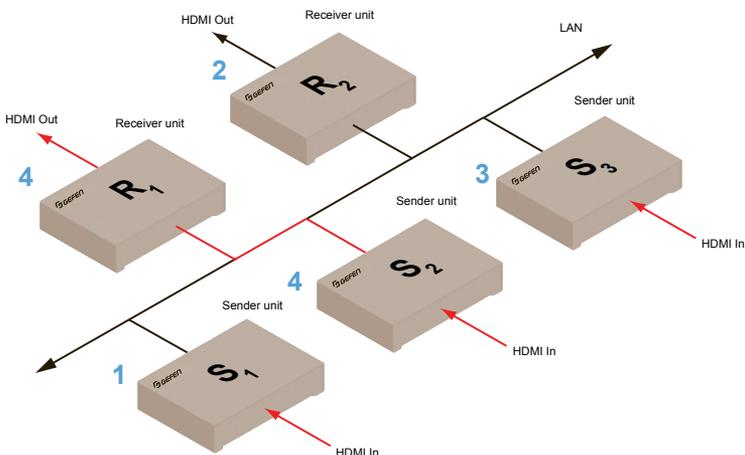


- Repeat steps 1 - 5 for each Sender and Receiver to be changed.

For example, in Figure 2.1, let's say we are currently connected to the Web interface of Receiver unit R1. The numbers in blue represent the video channel that has been assigned to each Sender and Receiver unit. Receiver unit R1 is set to video channel 4. Sender unit S2 is also set to video channel 4. Therefore, we are only able to view the source that is connected to Sender unit S2.

If we wanted to view the source that is connected to Sender unit S3, then we would change Receiver unit R1 from channel 4 to channel 3.

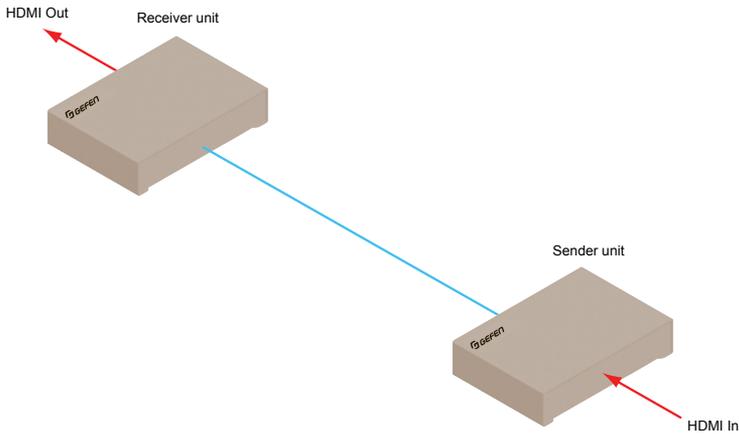
Figure 2.1 - Switching between Sender units (sources).



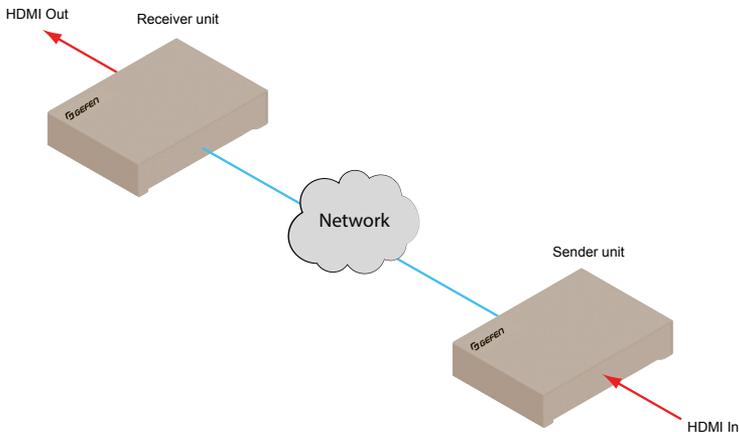
## Setting the IP Mode

The HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR can be set to *Auto IP*, *DHCP*, or *Static IP* mode. By default, Sender and Receiver units are shipped in *Auto IP* mode. *Auto IP* mode is used to directly connect a Sender and Receiver unit. In order to use the Sender and Receiver units in a LAN environment, they must be set to either *DHCP* or *Static IP* mode.

*Figure 2.2 - Auto IP mode: A Sender and Receiver directly connected to one another.*



*Figure 2.3 - DHCP or Static IP mode: A Sender and Receiver unit connected to a network (LAN).*



1. Access the Web interface by entering the IP address of the Sender unit in the address bar of a Web browser. Refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 23\)](#), if necessary.
2. Log in as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Network** tab. The current IP Mode will be highlighted within the IP Setup window group. In the illustration below, the (default) *Auto IP* button is highlighted.

**IP Setup**

**IP Mode:**

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**IP Address:**

**Subnet Mask:**

**Default Gateway:**

4. Click the desired **IP Mode** button. The selected **IP Mode** button will turn blue.

If **DHCP** is selected, a DHCP server will automatically assign an IP address to each Sender and Receiver unit.

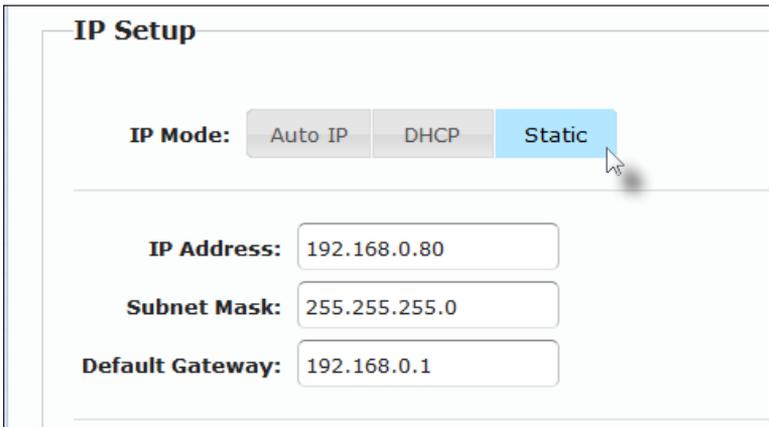
If **Static** is selected, the IP Address, Subnet Mask, and Default Gateway fields must be entered manually. Refer to [Setting the IP Address \(page 24\)](#).

5. Click the **Save** button on the right-hand side of IP Setup window group.
6. Click the **Reboot** button near the bottom of the page.
7. Repeat steps 2 - 5 for each Sender and Receiver to be changed.

## Setting the IP Address

The HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR can be set to *Auto IP*, *DHCP*, or *Static IP* mode. By default, the Sender and Receiver units are shipped in *Auto IP* mode. In order to use a specific IP address, the desired Sender and/or Receiver units must be placed in *Static IP* mode. See [Setting the IP Mode \(page 22\)](#). Contact the system administrator to obtain available IP addresses.

1. Access the Web interface by entering the IP address of the Sender unit in the address bar of a Web browser. Refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 24\)](#), if necessary.
2. Log in as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Network** tab. The current IP Mode will be highlighted within the IP Setup window group.
4. Click the **Static** button.



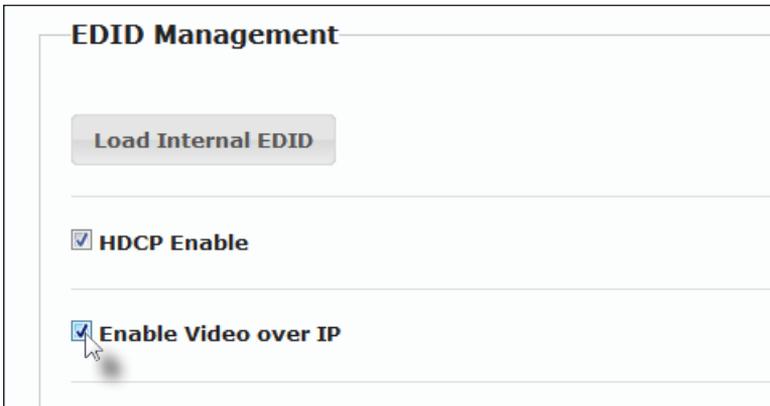
The screenshot shows the 'IP Setup' window. At the top, there are three buttons for 'IP Mode': 'Auto IP', 'DHCP', and 'Static'. The 'Static' button is highlighted in blue, and a mouse cursor is pointing at it. Below the buttons, there are three input fields: 'IP Address' with the value '192.168.0.80', 'Subnet Mask' with the value '255.255.255.0', and 'Default Gateway' with the value '192.168.0.1'.

5. Enter the IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway for this unit.
6. Click the **Save** button on the right-hand side of IP Setup window group.
7. Repeat steps 1 - 6 for each Sender and Receiver to be changed.

## Enabling or Disabling Video over IP

This feature is useful for masking video. Disabling the video on the Sender unit will mask the video on all connected Receiver units (*multicast mode* only). To mask the video on selected Receiver units, disable the video on the desired Receiver units. By default, the Video over IP option is *enabled*.

1. Access the Web interface by entering the IP address of the Sender or Receiver unit in a Web browser. Refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 25\)](#), if necessary.
2. Log in as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Functions** tab.
4. By default, the Video over IP option is enabled. Click the **Enable Video over IP** check box to remove the check mark and mask the video. Click the check box again to add the check mark and enable the video.

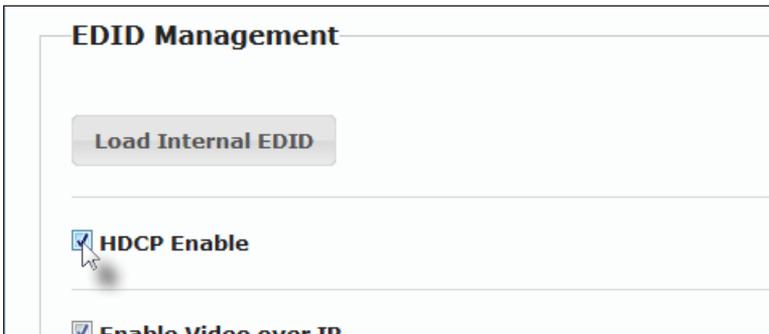


5. Click the **Save** button within the Video over IP group.
6. Click the **Reboot** button at the bottom of the page.
7. Repeat steps 1 through 5 for each Sender and/or Receiver unit in the system.

## Enabling or Disabling HDCP

As a rule, an HDCP-compliant display must be used when displaying HDCP content from a source device (e.g. Blu-ray). However, there may be instances where we simply want to view the desktop of a computer. Normally, this isn't a problem. Yet, some computers will always transmit HDCP even though HDCP is not required. Disabling this feature will force the computer to not transmit HDCP.

1. Access the Web interface by entering the IP address of the Sender unit in a Web browser. Refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 26\)](#), if necessary.
2. Log in as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Functions** tab.
4. By default, the HDCP content is passed through. To disable HDCP content from being passed, click the HDCP Enable check box to remove the check mark. Click the check box again to add the check mark and allow HDCP content to be passed.

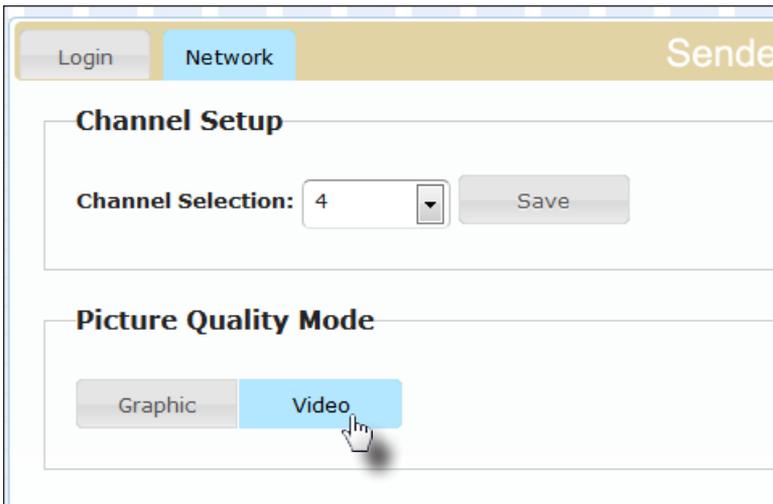


5. Click the **Save** button within the Video over IP group.
6. Click the **Reboot** button at the bottom of the page.
7. Repeat steps 1 through 5 for each Sender and/or Receiver unit in the system.

## Picture Quality Mode

The HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR provides two video modes: Video Mode and Graphic Mode. If the input signal is motion video, then use the Video Mode setting. This will optimize the frame rate. If the input signal is a static image, then use the Graphic Mode setting.

1. Access the Web interface for the Sender unit.
2. Log in as **Administrator** or **User**.
3. Click the **Network** tab.



4. Click the desired video mode button under the Picture Quality Mode window group. The select button will turn blue.
5. The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page:

The HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR features EDID Management. Before the source can send video (and/or audio) data, the source device (connected to each Sender unit) reads the EDID (Extended Display Identification Data) from the displays which are connected to each Receiver unit. The EDID contains information about what type of audio/video data can be sent by each source.

By default, the (downstream) EDID from the display, connected to the Receiver unit, is used. However, under certain circumstances, it may be desirable to use the internal EDID which is stored in the Sender unit.

## Using the Internal EDID

1. Access the Web interface for the Sender unit.
2. Login as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Functions** tab.
4. Click the **Load Internal EDID** button.



5. After a few moments, the following message will appear at the top of the page, indicating that the new Serial over IP options have been applied.

**Success:** New video mode applied.

Clicking the **Save** or **Reboot** button is *not* required for the changes to take effect.

## Using the Downstream EDID

By default, the (downstream) EDID from the display, connected to the Receiver unit, is used. If the internal EDID is being used (see previous page), then use the following procedure to use the downstream EDID.

1. Access the Web interface for the Receiver unit.
2. Login as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Functions** tab.
4. Make sure that the **Copy EDID of Connected Display** box is checked. This is the default setting. Click this box if it is not checked then click the **Save** button.



### Warning!

Clicking the **Load Internal EDID** button, under the Sender unit, will override the status of the **Copy EDID of Connected Display** check box.

5. Click the **Save** button within the Video over IP group.
6. The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page:

**Success:** New video mode applied.

7. After a few moments, the following message will be displayed:

**Warning:** Reboot for new settings to take effect.

8. Click the **Reboot** button at the bottom of the page.
9. The Sender unit will now use the EDID of the downstream sink device.

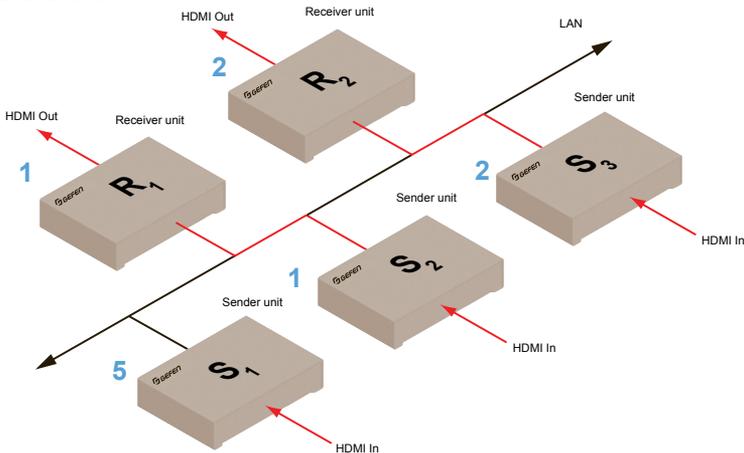
## Configuring Unicast Mode

The term *unicast* is used to describe a configuration where information is sent from one point to another point. It is possible to have multiple Sender and Receiver units connected in a system. However, in unicast mode a Sender unit can communicate with only one Receiver unit at a time. In *unicast* mode, the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR functions similar to an HDMI switcher.

**Information**  
The Sender and Receiver units are shipped from the factory in *unicast* mode.

The illustration, below, shows 3 Sender units (S1, S2, and S3) and 2 Receiver units (R1 and R2) on a network, operating in *unicast* mode. The video channels are notated in blue. The red lines represent the video signal.

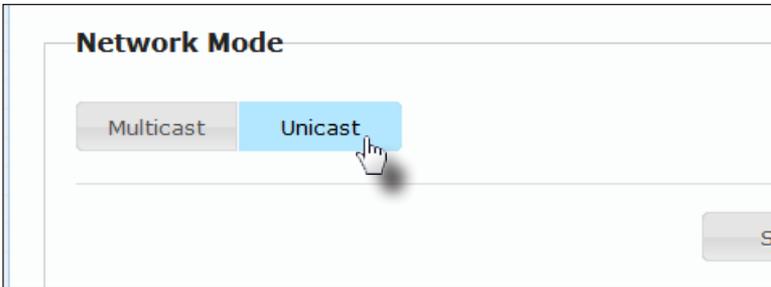
Figure 2.4 - Unicast mode: A Sender unit can communicate with only one Receiver unit at a time.



1. Access the Web interface by entering the IP address of the Sender or Receiver unit in a Web browser. Refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 30\)](#), if necessary. In this example, we will start with Receiver unit R1.
2. Log in as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Network** tab.

**Tip**  
In *unicast mode*, the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR functions as a Switcher.

- Click the **Unicast** button under the Network Mode window group. When selected, the **Unicast** button will be highlighted in blue.



- Click the **Save** button in the lower-right corner of the Network Mode window group.



- The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page, indicating that the casting mode has been applied to the Sender or Receiver unit.



- After a few seconds, the following message will appear at the top of the screen:



- Click the **Reboot** button near the bottom portion of the page to apply the changes.
- Repeat steps 1 - 7 to configure each Sender and Receiver unit to *unicast* mode.



### Important!

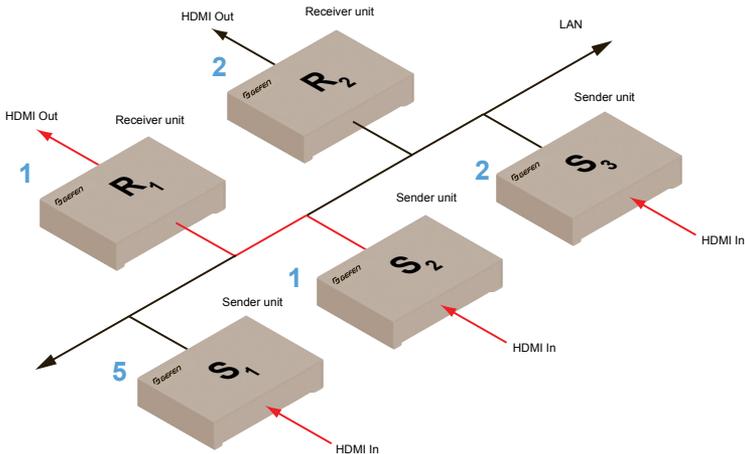
When switching between *unicast* and *multicast* modes, both Sender and Receiver units need to be configured identically.

## Switching between Sender units in Unicast mode

When multiple Sender and Receiver unit are used in unicast mode, the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR behaves as a switcher. In *unicast* mode, a Sender unit can communicate with only one Receiver unit at a time.

In the example below, we will switch Receiver unit R1 to receive the source on Sender unit S1.

Figure 2.5 - Unicast mode: Sender S2 transmitting to Receiver unit R1.

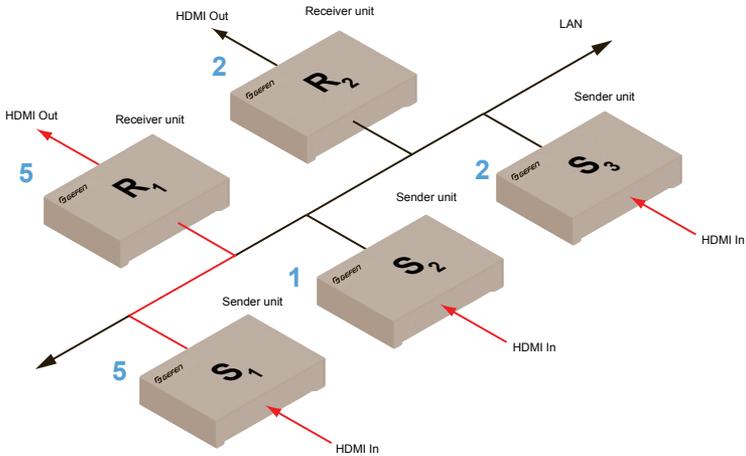


1. Access the Web interface for Receiver unit R1.
2. Login as **Administrator or User**.
3. Click the **Network** tab and change the video channel. Refer to [Setting the Video Channel](#) if necessary.
4. Click the **Save** button.
5. The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page, indicating that the casting mode has been applied to the Sender or Receiver unit.

**Success: New casting mode applied.**

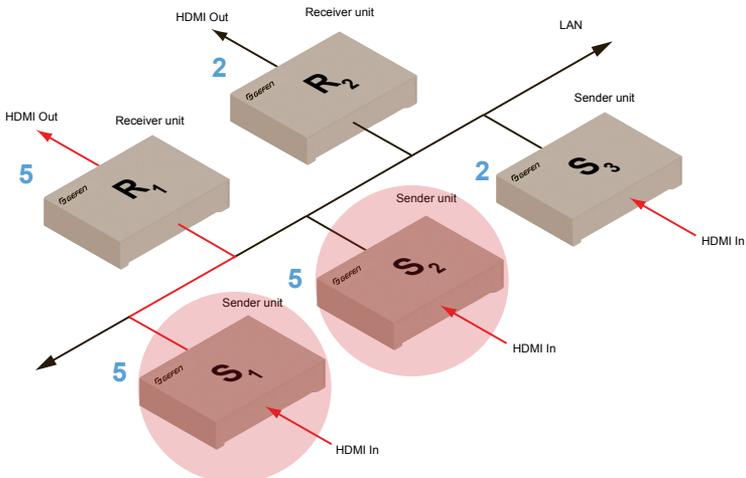
6. Receiver unit R1 is now receiving the source on Sender unit S1, as shown on the next page.

Figure 2.6 - Unicast mode: Sender unit S1 transmitting to Receiver unit R1



Note that each of the Sender units in Figure 2.6 is assigned a unique channel number. However, if we were to change the video channel on Sender unit S2 to channel 5, this would violate the *unicast* mode rule: A Sender unit can communicate with only one Receiver unit at a time.

Figure 2.7 - Unicast mode violation: Two Sender units (S1 and S2) using the same video channel.



In order to solve the problem, in Figure 2.7, we would need to make sure that each of the Sender units is set to a unique channel number.

When using unicast mode, each of the Sender units must be assigned a unique channel and should never be changed. Use the Receiver unit to switch (channels) between Sender units.

The HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR can be used with up to 256 Sender units to provide switching capability between each Receiver unit. Up to 256 Receiver units are supported. Each Receiver unit can be set to receive video data from any one of 256 Sender units.



### Information

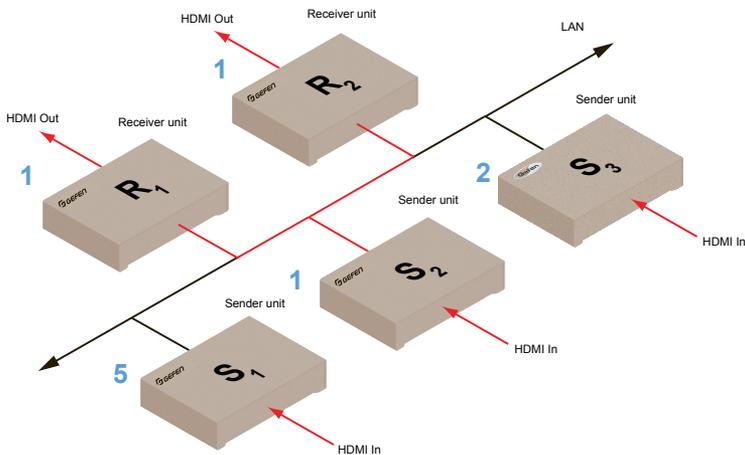
In *unicast* mode, if an additional Sender unit is introduced into a system with the same channel as another Sender unit, then the Receiver unit will continue to receive A/V data from the Sender unit which was connected first.

## Configuring Multicast Mode

The term *multicast* is used to describe a configuration where information is sent from one or more points to a set of other points. For example, a single Sender unit can transmit data to multiple Receiver units. In addition, if multiple Sender units are used, each Sender unit can transmit data to any Receiver that is not already receiving data from another Sender unit. In *multicast* mode, the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR functions similar to an HDMI matrix.

The following illustration shows three Sender units (S1, S2, and S3) and two Receiver units (R1 and R2) on a network, operating in *multicast* mode. Sender unit S2 is transmitting the video signal to Receiver units R1 and R2. The video channels are shown in blue. The video signals are shown in red.

Figure 2.8 - Multicast mode: A Sender unit can communicate with multiple Receiver units.



1. Access the Web interface for each Sender unit and Receiver unit that will be using *multicast mode*. In this example, we will start with Receiver S2.
2. Login as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Network** tab.



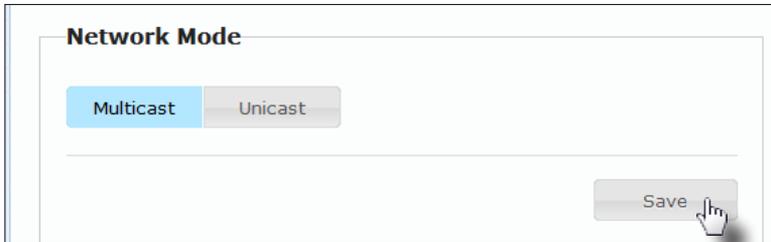
### Tip

In *multicast mode*, the HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR functions as a matrix.

- Click the **Multicast** button under the Network Mode group. When selected, the **Multicast** button will be highlighted in blue.



- Click the **Save** button in the lower-right corner of the Network Mode group.



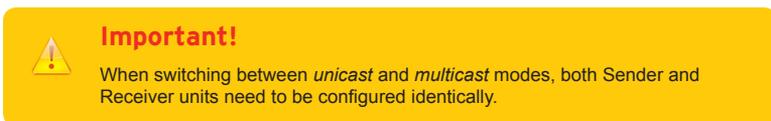
The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page, indicating that the casting mode has been applied to the Sender or Receiver unit.



- Click the **Reboot** button near the bottom portion of the page to apply the changes.



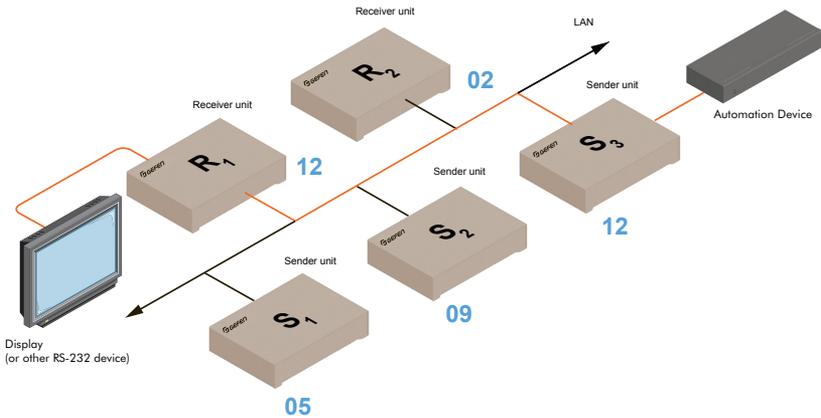
- Repeat the steps above in order to configure the Sender unit to *multicast* mode.



The HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR supports RS-232 pass-through, allowing the control of remote RS-232 devices. The Sender and Receiver unit which are being used to pass-through the RS-232 data must be set to the same baud rate as the RS-232 host and client.

In the example below, a display is connected to Receiver unit R1. This is the RS-232 client. We want to control this product from Sender unit S3, using an automation device (host). The channel numbers are listed in blue. The RS-232 data is shown in orange. The video signals have been removed, from the diagram, for clarity.

Figure 2.9 - Basic RS-232 connection



1. Connect the RS-232 automation device to the desired Sender unit.
2. Connect the display (or other RS-232 device) to the desired Receiver unit.
3. Consult the User Manual for the client device for the proper RS-232 settings. For example, our display device requires the following RS-232 settings:

Table 2.1: Setting for an example display (client) device.

Description	Setting
Baud rate	19200
Data bits	8
Parity	None
Stop bits	1
Hardware flow control	None

(continued on next page)

1. Access the Web interface for both the Sender and Receiver unit.
2. Login as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **Functions** tab.
4. Locate the Serial over IP group and change the RS-232 settings to match the settings of the RS-232 device that is being used. In this case, we need to use the settings from Table 2.1:

**Baudrate Setting for Type 2:**

**Baudrate:** 19200

**Data bits:** 8

**Parity:** None

5. Make sure that the **Enable Serial over IP** box is checked.

**Serial over IP**

**Enable Serial over IP**

**Baudrate Setting for Type 2:**

6. Click the **Save** button in the lower-right corner of the Serial over IP group.
7. The following message will be displayed, at the top of the page, indicating that the new Serial over IP options have been applied.

**Success:** New Serial over IP options applied.

8. Click the **Reboot** button near the bottom portion of the page to apply the changes.

If the unit is not rebooted within a certain period of time, the following message will be displayed:

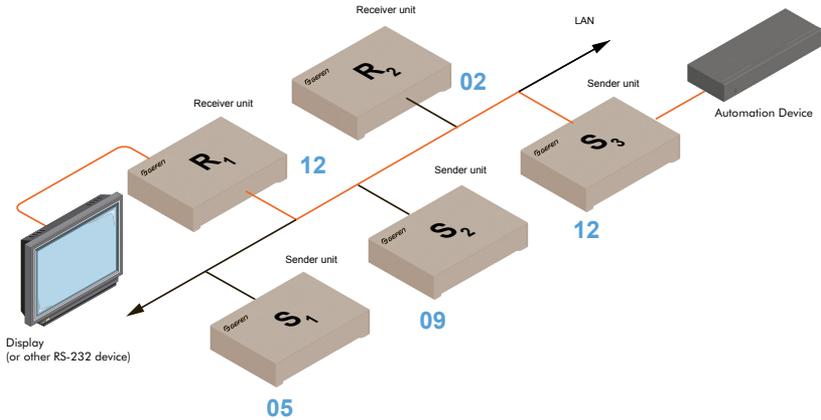
**Warning:** Reboot for new settings to take effect.

9. Repeat steps 1 - 7 for the Receiver unit.

## RS-232 under Unicast Mode

In *unicast mode*, a Sender unit will be able to communicate with only one Receiver unit at a time.

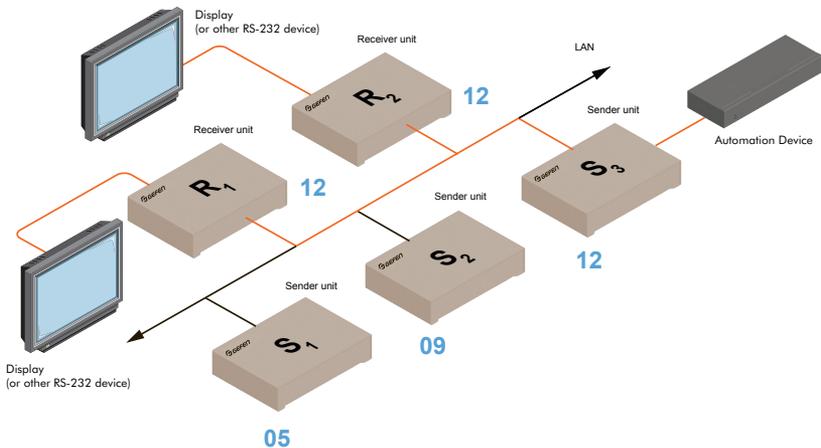
Figure 2.10 - In unicast mode, the host can talk to only one RS-232 device at a time.



## RS-232 under Multicast Mode

In *multicast mode*, a Sender unit can communicate with multiple Receiver units simultaneously.

Figure 2.11 - In multicast mode, the host can talk to multiple RS-232 devices.



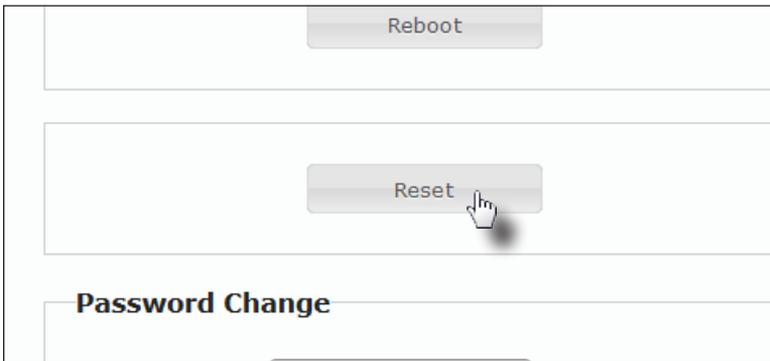
Any Sender or Receiver unit can be reset to factory-default settings using the Web interface. If the Web interface for a Sender or Receiver unit cannot be accessed, then refer to [Manual Reset Procedure \(page 56\)](#).



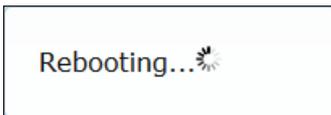
## Warning!

The following procedure will reset a Sender or Receiver unit to factory-default settings. All current configuration information will be lost.

1. Access the Web interface for the Sender and Receiver unit. The password must be set for each Sender and Receiver unit.
2. Log in as **Administrator**.
3. Click the **System** tab.
4. Click the **Reset** button.



5. The following message will be displayed in the Web interface, as the unit is reset. When the unit is reset, it will automatically reboot.



When a Sender or Receiver unit is reset, it will be set to *Auto IP* mode. The unit that was reset will now have a different IP address. To display the new IP address, refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 40\)](#).

6. The reset process is complete.





# HD over IP w/ RS-232 and 2-way IR

## 3 Appendix

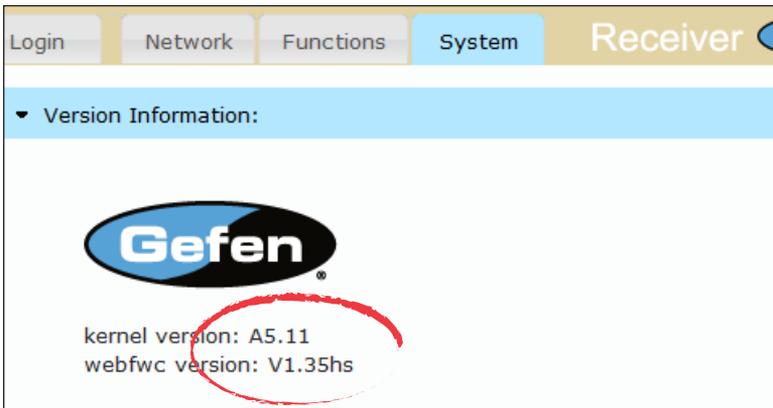
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# Upgrading the Firmware

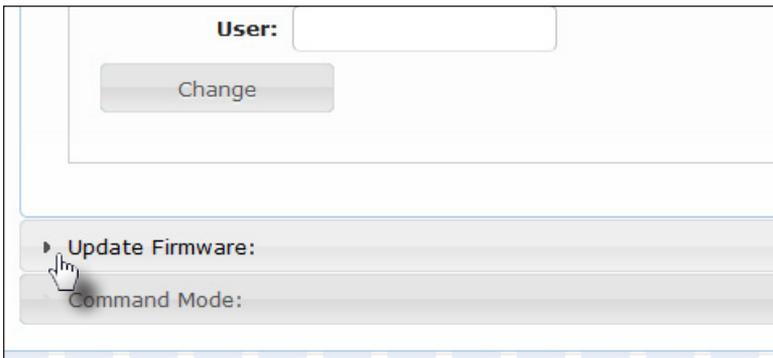
1. Download the latest firmware from the Gefen Web site.
2. Extract the contents of the .zip file to the desktop on your computer. There will be two firmware files:

TX_host_webfwh_[version].bin	(Sender unit)
RX_client_webfwc_[version].bin	(Receiver unit)

3. Access the Web interface for the Sender and Receiver unit. Each unit must be updated separately.
4. Log in as **Administrator**.
5. Click the **System** tab. The current firmware version will be displayed under the Gefen logo.

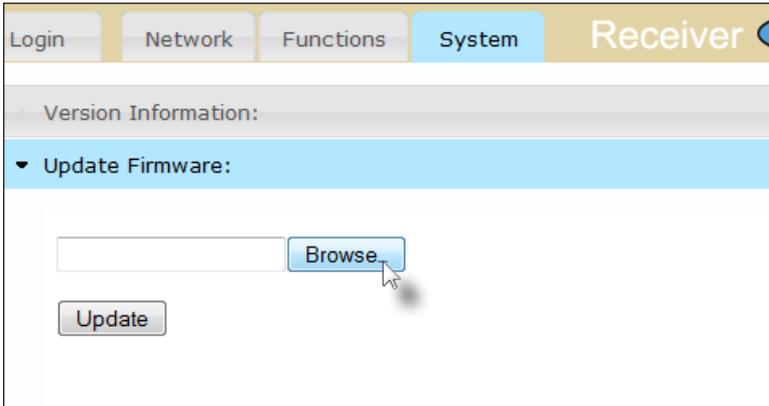


6. Click the **Update Firmware** tab, near the bottom of the page.

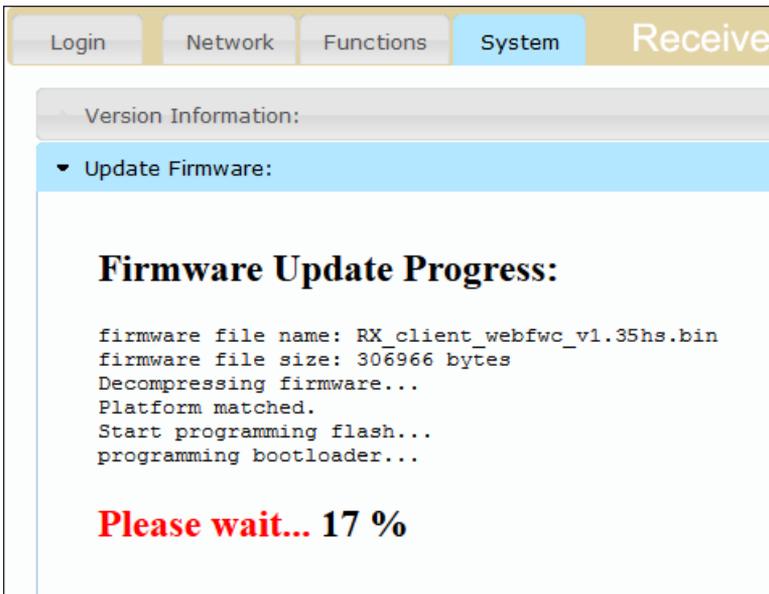


- Click the **Browse...** button and select the correct firmware file for the unit.

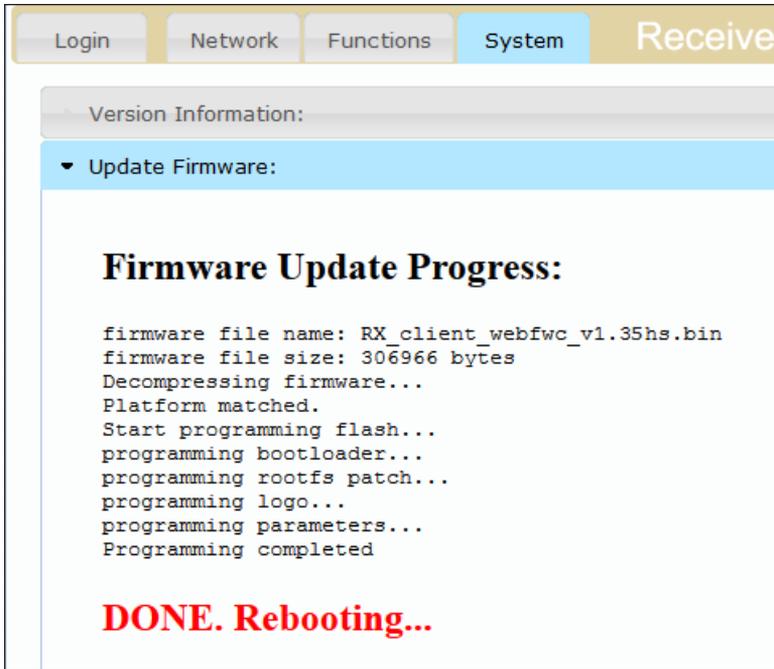
The order in which the Sender and Receiver units are updated is not important. In this example, we are updating the firmware for the Receiver unit.



- Click the **Update** button.
- After a few moments, the Web interface will indicate that the firmware update process has started. The current progress will be displayed.



After the firmware has been updated, the unit will automatically reboot.



The screenshot shows a web interface with a navigation bar at the top containing 'Login', 'Network', 'Functions', 'System', and 'Receive'. The 'System' tab is selected. Below the navigation bar, there is a 'Version Information:' section. Underneath, a dropdown menu is open, showing 'Update Firmware:'. The main content area displays the following text:

```
firmware file name: RX_client_webfwc_v1.35hs.bin
firmware file size: 306966 bytes
Decompressing firmware...
Platform matched.
Start programming flash...
programming bootloader...
programming rootfs patch...
programming logo...
programming parameters...
Programming completed
```

**DONE. Rebooting...**

If the Sender or Receiver unit was in *Auto IP* mode, the IP address will be changed. To get the new IP address, refer to [Displaying the IP Address \(page 46\)](#).

11. The firmware update process is complete.
12. Repeat steps 3 - 9 for each Sender and Receiver unit.

## Login tab

The screenshot displays the Login tab interface with five numbered callouts:

- 1**: Username field with a dropdown menu.
- 2**: Password field.
- 3**: Login button.
- 4**: Firmware version section showing kernel version: A5.11 and webfw version: V1.35hs.
- 5**: System settings section showing Network Mode: Unicast Mode, IP Mode: autoip, IP Address: 169.254.6.204, Subnet Mask: 255.255.0.0, and Default Gateway: 169.254.0.254.

- 1 Username**  
Select the desired username from the drop-down list. See [Login Procedure \(page 16\)](#) for details.
- 2 Password**  
Enter the password for the selected username. The default password for Administrator is `admin`. The default password for User is `user`. Passwords are case-sensitive.
- 3 Login**  
Click this button to login once the with the selected username and password.
- 4 Firmware version**  
Displays the current firmware version of the Sender unit.
- 5 System settings**  
Displays the network mode, IP mode, IP address, subnet mask, and gateway IP of the Sender unit.

## Network tab

The screenshot shows the Network tab configuration interface. It is divided into three main sections:

- Channel Setup:** Contains a 'Channel Selection' dropdown menu with the value '0' and a 'Save' button.
- Picture Quality Mode:** Contains two buttons: 'Graphic' and 'Video'. The 'Video' button is selected.
- IP Setup:** Contains an 'IP Mode' section with three buttons: 'Auto IP', 'DHCP', and 'Static'. The 'Auto IP' button is selected. Below this are three input fields: 'IP Address' (169.254.6.247), 'Subnet Mask' (255.255.0.0), and 'Default Gateway' (169.254.0.254). A 'Save' button is located at the bottom right of this section.

- 1 **Channel Selection**  
Select the desired channel from the drop-down list. See [Setting the Video Channel \(page 20\)](#) for more information.
- 2 **Save**  
Click the **Save** button to save the channel selection.
- 3 **Picture Quality Mode (Sender unit only)**  
Click the desired button to select the picture quality mode. See [Picture Quality Mode \(page 27\)](#) for more information.
- 4 **IP Mode**  
Click the desired button to select the IP mode. See [Setting the IP Mode \(page 22\)](#) for more information.

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**IP Setup**

IP Mode:  Auto IP  DHCP  Static

IP Address:

Subnet Mask:

Default Gateway:

**Network Mode**

Multicast  Unicast

**5 Address fields**

These fields must be completed when using Static IP mode, only. See [Setting the IP Mode \(page 22\)](#) for details.

**6 Save**

Click the **Save** button to save the channel selection.

**7 Network Mode**

Click the desired button to select the network mode. Click the **Save** button to save the network mode selection. See [Unicast and Multicast Modes \(page 30\)](#) for more information.

**8 Save**

Click the **Save** button to save the network mode setting.

**9 Reboot**

Click this button to reboot the unit.

## Functions tab

The screenshot shows two sections of the web interface:

- EDID Management:**
  - 1: **Load Internal EDID** button
  - 2:  **Copy EDID of Connected Display**
  - 3:  **HDCP Enable**
  - 4:  **Enable Video over IP**
  - 5: **Save** button
- Serial over IP:**
  - 6:  **Enable Serial over IP**
  - Baudrate Setting for Type 2:**
    - 7: A bracket groups the following dropdown menus:
      - Baudrate: 19200
      - Data bits: 8
      - Parity: None
      - Stop bits: 1

- 1 **Load Internal EDID (Sender unit only)**  
Click this button to use the internal EDID. See [EDID Management \(page 28\)](#) for details.
- 2 **Copy EDID of Connected Display (Receiver unit only)**  
When enabled (checked), the Sender unit will use the downstream EDID. See [EDID Management \(page 28\)](#) for details.
- 3 **HDCP Enable (Sender unit only)**  
Controls the transmission of HDCP content from the source device. See [Enabling or Disabling HDCP \(page 26\)](#) for details.
- 4 **Enable Video over IP**  
Controls the video masking on the Receiver unit. See [Enabling or Disabling Video over IP \(page 25\)](#) for details.

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**EDID Management**

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Copy EDID of Connected Display 2

HDCP Enable 3

Enable Video over IP 4

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**Serial over IP**

Enable Serial over IP 6

**Baudrate Setting for Type 2:**

Baudrate: 19200

Data bits: 8

Parity: None

Stop bits: 1

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- 5 **Save**  
Click this button to save the EDID Management settings.
- 6 **Enable Serial over IP**  
Enables / disables RS-232 transmission. See [Using RS-232 \(page 37\)](#) for details.
- 7 **Baudrate Settings**  
Use these drop-down boxes to select the serial port settings of the RS-232 client. See [Using RS-232 \(page 37\)](#) for more information.

## System tab - Version Information

▼ Version Information:

**Gefen**

kernel version: A5.11  
webfwc version: V1.35hs

Reboot **1**

Reset **2**

**Password Change**

Administrator:  **3**

Change **4**

User:  **5**

Change **6**

Update Firmware:

Command Mode:

- 1 Reboot**  
Click this button to reboot the unit. Rebooting a unit may be required after applying new settings.
- 2 Reset**  
Click this button to reset the current unit to factory-default settings. See [Resetting a Unit \(page 40\)](#) for details.
- 3 Administrator**  
Type the new Administrator password in this field. Passwords are case-sensitive. Refer to [Setting the Password \(page 19\)](#) for details.

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The screenshot displays the 'Version Information' section of a web interface. At the top, there is a blue header with a dropdown arrow and the text 'Version Information:'. Below this is the Gefen logo, which consists of the word 'Gefen' in white on a black oval background. Underneath the logo, the text reads 'kernel version: A5.11' and 'webfwc version: V1.35hs'. There are three main sections of controls: 1. A 'Reboot' button with a circled '1' next to it. 2. A 'Reset' button with a circled '2' next to it. 3. A 'Password Change' section containing two rows of input fields and buttons. The first row has an 'Administrator:' label, an input field, and a 'Change' button with a circled '3' next to the input field and a circled '4' next to the button. The second row has a 'User:' label, an input field, and a 'Change' button with a circled '5' next to the input field and a circled '6' next to the button. At the bottom of the interface, there are two disabled-looking sections: 'Update Firmware:' and 'Command Mode:'.

**4 Change**

Click this button to accept the new Administrator password.

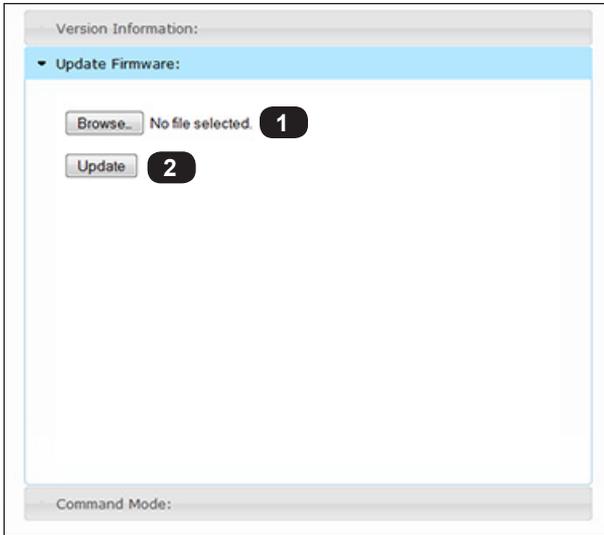
**5 User**

Type the new User password in this field. Passwords are case-sensitive. Refer to [Setting the Password \(page 19\)](#) for details.

**6 Change**

Click this button to accept the new User password.

## System tab - Update Firmware



- 1 Browse...**  
Click this button to select the firmware file. See [Upgrading the Firmware \(page 44\)](#) for details.
- 2 Update**  
Click this button to begin the firmware upgrade process.

## System tab - Command Mode

This section of the Web interface is for Technical Support and/or engineering use, only.

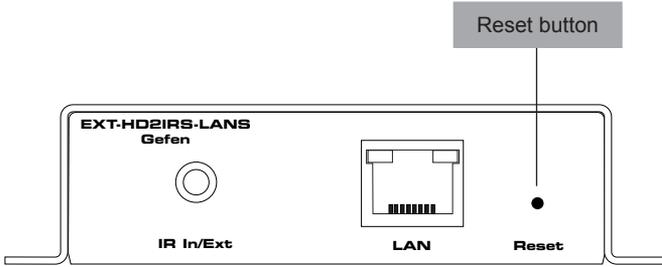
The screenshot displays a web interface for the 'System tab - Command Mode'. At the top, there are two sections: 'Version Information:' and 'Update Firmware:'. Below these is a blue header for 'Command Mode:'. The main area is titled 'Console API Command' and contains a text input field, an 'Apply' button, and an 'Output' section with a large text area. The bottom of the interface features a blue and white checkered pattern.



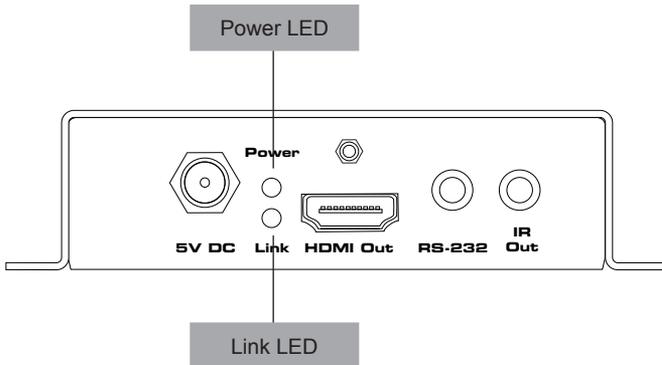
## Warning!

The following procedure will reset a Sender or Receiver unit to factory-default settings. All current configuration information will be lost.

1. Disconnect the power from the unit.



2. Press and hold the **Reset** button using the end of a paperclip or other sharp pointed object.
3. While depressing the **Reset** button, reconnect the power.
4. The **Power** LED indicator will begin to flash.
5. Wait until both the **Power** and **Link** LED indicators begin to alternately flash.

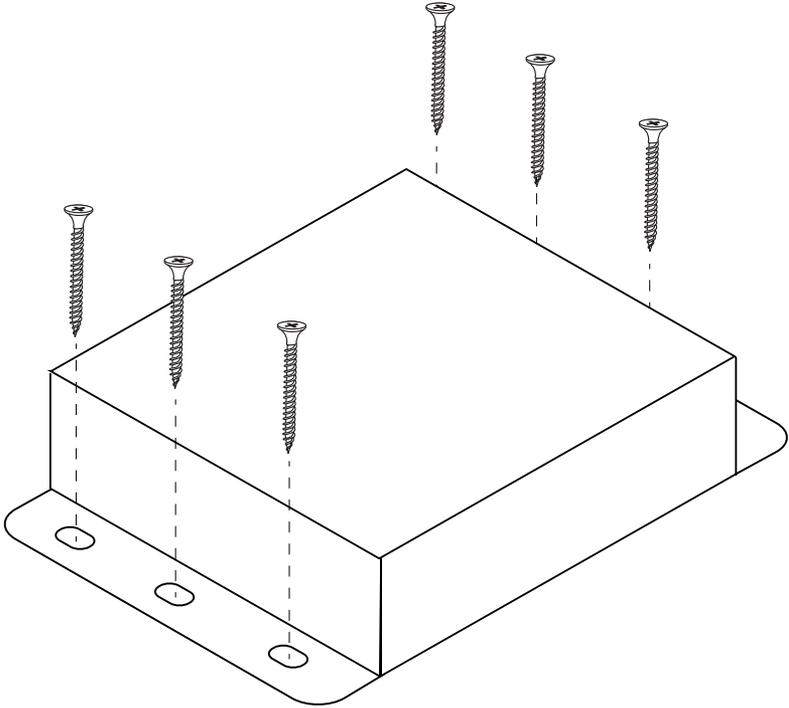


6. Release the **Reset** button.
7. Disconnect the power once again, then reconnect the power.
8. The unit is now reset to factory-default settings.
9. Repeat the above process for each Sender / Receiver unit.

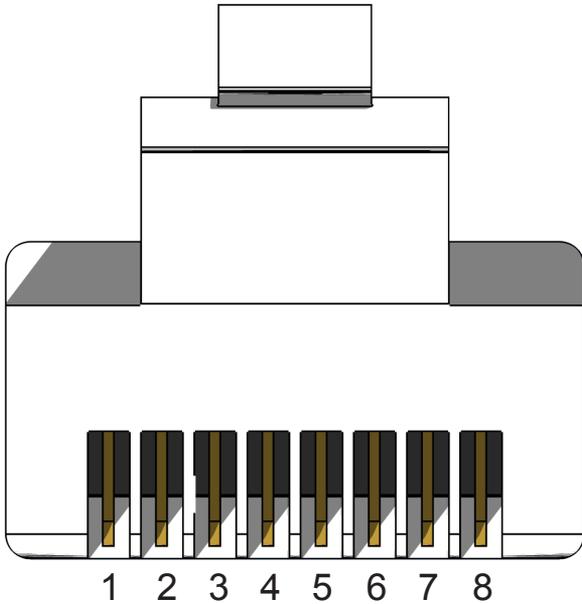
# Surface Mounting Instructions

The Sender and Receiver units can be mounted on any flat surface, as shown below (screws not included). There should be an inch or two of clearance between the edges of the unit and any walls or vertical surfaces to allow for enough clearance for connection and disconnection of the HDMI cables.

For installation on a drywall surface, use a #6 drywall screw. When installing, it is recommended to use the center hole on a stud.



Front of RJ-45 Connector



Gefen recommends the TIA/EIA-568-B wiring option. Use the following table when terminating cables in the field.

Pin	Color	Description
1	Orange / White	TD+ (Transmit Data, positive differential signal)
2	Orange	TD- (Transmit Data, negative differential signal)
3	Green / White	RD+ (Receive Data, positive differential signal)
4	Blue	Unused
5	Blue / White	Unused
6	Green	RD- (Receive Data, negative differential signal)
7	Brown / White	Unused
8	Brown / White	Unused

Shielded (STP) CAT-5 or CAT-6 is recommended. However, unshielded (UTP) CAT-5 or CAT-6 is acceptable. CAT-5, CAT-5e, and CAT-6 cabling comes in stranded and solid core types. Gefen recommends using solid core cabling. CAT-6 cable is also recommended.

It is recommended to use one continuous run from one end to the other. Patch cable is not recommended.

## Supported Formats

Video	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1920 x 1200 (WUXGA)</li> <li>• 1080p Full HD</li> <li>• 2K</li> </ul>
Audio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7.1 Linear PCM</li> <li>• Dolby® TrueHD</li> <li>• DTS-HD Master Audio™</li> </ul>

## Connectors, Indicators, and Controls

HDMI In (Sender)	• 1 x HDMI Type A, 19-pin, female
HDMI Out (Receiver)	• 1 x HDMI Type A, 19-pin, female
Power (Sender / Receiver)	• 1 x Locking-type
LAN (Sender / Receiver)	• 1 x RJ-45, shielded, female
IR In/Ext (Sender / Receiver)	• 1 x 3.5mm, female
IR Out (Sender / Receiver)	• 1 x 3.5mm, female
RS-232 (Sender / Receiver)	• 1 x 3.5mm, female
Power Indicator (Sender / Receiver)	• 1 x LED, green
Link Indicator (Sender / Receiver)	• 1 x LED, amber
Reset Button	• 1 x Tact-type, recessed

## Operational

Maximum Pixel Clock	• 165 MHz
Maximum TMDS Clock	• 225 MHz
Power Input	• 5V DC
Power Consumption (Sender)	• 6 Watts (max.)
Power Consumption (Receiver)	• 4 Watts (max.)
Operating Temperature	• +32 to +122 °F (0 to +50 °C)
Storage Temperature	• -20 to +85 °F (-28 to 29 °C)
Operating Humidity (RH)	• +10 to +90%, non-condensing
Storage Humidity (RH)	• 0 to +95%, non-condensing
MTBF	• 50000 Hours

## Physical

Dimensions (W x H x D) (Sender / Receiver)	• 4.3" x 1" x 3.2" (110mm x 26mm x 80mm)
Unit Weight (Sender / Receiver)	• 0.4 lb (0.2 kg)

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