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# USER MANUAL

MODEL:

**VP-506**

DVI/UXGA Scan Converter

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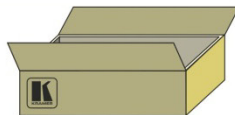
## VP-506 Quick Start Guide

This page guides you through a basic installation and first-time use of your **VP-506**. For more detailed information, see the **VP-506 User Manual**. You can download the latest manual at <http://www.kramerelectronics.com>.

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### Step 1: Check what's in the box

- VP-506** DVI/UXGA Scan Converter
- 1 Power supply (5V DC)
- 4 Rubber feet
- 1 Quick Start sheet
- 1 User Manual



Save the original box and packaging in case your **VP-506** needs to be returned to the factory for service.

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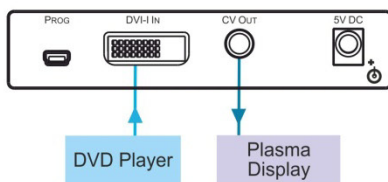
### Step 2: Install the VP-506

Mount the machine in a rack (using the RK-1 rack adapter) or place on a table.

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### Step 3: Connect the inputs and outputs

Always switch off the power on each device before connecting it to your **VP-506**.



Always use Kramer high-performance cables for connecting AV equipment to the **VP-506**.

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### Step 4: Connect the power

Connect the 5V DC power adapter to the **VP-506** and plug the adapter into the mains electricity.



### Step 5: Operate the VP-506

Set the parameters using the OSD and the front panel buttons.

INPUT FORMAT  
PICTURE SETUP  
OUTPUT SETUP  
ADVANCED  
OSD SETUP  
INFORMATION



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# 1 Introduction

Welcome to Kramer Electronics! Since 1981, Kramer Electronics has been providing a world of unique, creative, and affordable solutions to the vast range of problems that confront video, audio, presentation, and broadcasting professionals on a daily basis. In recent years, we have redesigned and upgraded most of our line, making the best even better!

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Congratulations on purchasing your Kramer **VP-506 DVI/UXGA Scan Converter**, which is ideal for the following typical applications:

- Multimedia, board rooms, and video conferencing
- Any application where high-quality conversion of DVI data signals to video signals is required

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## 2 Getting Started

We recommend that you:

- Unpack the equipment carefully and save the original box and packaging materials for possible future shipment
- Review the contents of this user manual
- Use Kramer high-performance, high-resolution cables



Go to <http://www.kramerelectronics.com> to check for up-to-date user manuals, application programs, and to check if firmware upgrades are available (where appropriate).

### 2.1 Achieving the Best Performance

To achieve the best performance:

- Use only good quality connection cables to avoid interference, deterioration in signal quality due to poor matching, and elevated noise levels (often associated with low quality cables)
- Do not secure the cables in tight bundles or roll the slack into tight coils
- Avoid interference from neighboring electrical appliances that may adversely influence signal quality
- Position your Kramer **VP-506** away from moisture, excessive sunlight and dust



**Caution:** No operator serviceable parts inside the unit

**Warning:** Use only the Kramer Electronics input power wall adapter that is provided with the unit

**Warning:** Disconnect the power and unplug the unit from the wall before installing

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## 3 Overview

The Kramer **VP-506** is a high-quality scan converter for down-scaling computer graphics (VGA up to UXGA) to PAL or NTSC video. It supports VGA up to UXGA, as well as the HD resolutions: 480p, 576p, 720p and 1080p.

The **VP-506** features:

- User-friendly front panel buttons for easy control of ProcAmp functions, flicker-reduction, image optimization, one-touch freezing, overscanning and underscanning
- Memory locations to save and recall up to four setups, including picture setup, input setup and output setup, zoom and advanced features  
Brightness, contrast, saturation and flicker filter.
- High-quality composite video
- Selectable video standard (PAL or NTSC)
- An external 5V DC source

### 3.1 Defining the VP-506 DVI/UXGA Scan Converter

This section defines the **VP-506**.

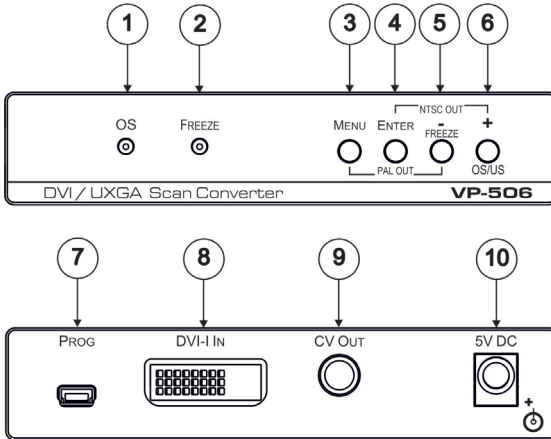


Figure 1: VP-506 DVI/UXGA Scan Converter

#	Feature	Function
1	OS LED	Lights when the image is overscanned The displayed image, when set correctly, is larger than the screen
2	FREEZE LED	Lights when the FREEZE button is pressed
3	MENU Button	Press to enter/escape the on-screen display (OSD) menu. Press together with the – button to reset to PAL output
4	ENTER / PAL OUT Button	In OSD, press to choose the highlighted menu item. Press together with the + button to reset to NTSC output
5	- / FREEZE / NTSC OUT Button	In OSD, press to move backward through the list or to decrement the parameter value. When not in OSD, press to freeze the display
6	+ / OS/US Button	Press + to scroll up the menu; press OS/US to toggle between overscan and underscan
7	PROG USB Connector	Connects to a computer for upgrading the firmware
8	DVI IN Connector	Connects to the computer graphics source
9	CV OUT RCA Connector	Connects to the composite video acceptor
10	5V DC	+5V DC connector for powering the unit

## 4 Connecting the VP-506



Always switch off the power to each device before connecting it to your **VP-506**. After connecting your **VP-506**, connect its power and then switch on the power to each device.

To connect your **VP-506** as the example in [Figure 2](#) illustrates, do the following:

1. Connect a DVI or VGA source to the DVI-I IN connector (for example, a PC graphics card).
2. Connect the CV OUT RCA connector to the CV acceptor (for example, an LCD display with speakers).
3. Connect the 5V DC power adapter to the power socket and connect the adapter to the mains electricity.
4. Adjust the scan converter features if required (see [Section 5.3](#)).

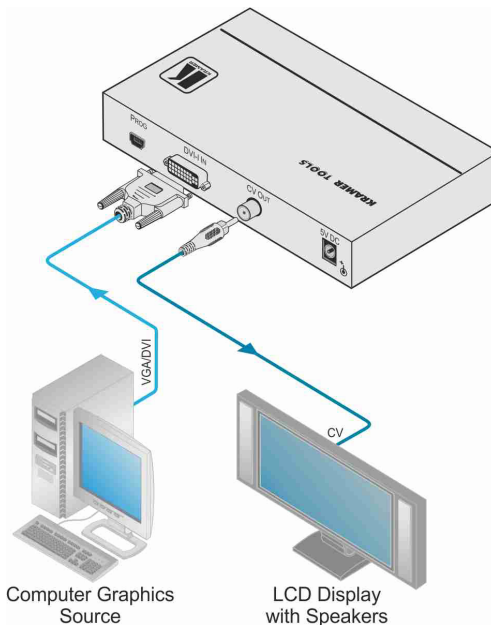


Figure 2: Connecting the VP-506 DVI/UXGA Scan Converter



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## 5 Operating the VP-506

You can operate your **VP-506** via the front panel buttons, which are dual-purpose buttons (except for the MENU button) that function as:

- Quick-set buttons: FREEZE and OS/US; or
- Menu buttons: MENU, ENTER, – and +

This section describes how to:

- Use the quick set buttons (see [Section 5.1](#))
- Use the set of menu buttons (see [Section 5.2](#))
- Use the Menu screen (see [Section 5.3](#))
- Use the test patterns (see [Section 5.4](#))
- Save and recall (see [Section 5.5](#))

### 5.1 Using the Quick-Set Buttons

The following sub-sections describe the **VP-506** quick set buttons.

#### 5.1.1 Using the FREEZE Button

Press the FREEZE button to freeze the picture on the screen. The frozen picture is displayed regardless of the signal on the input to the unit. This allows you, for example, to change the programs on the PC, and set up the next image.

By pressing the FREEZE button again, the frozen image will be replaced by the most current image on the input to the unit.

#### 5.1.2 Using the OS/US Button

Press the OS/US button to toggle between overscan and underscan:

- Overscan generally has no border and the displayed image is usually larger than the screen

This makes the data bigger and easier to read with the possibility of having some of it run off the edge of the screen.

- Underscan (sometimes know as compress mode) generally leaves a border around the image

The image appears reduced in size with a margin around it so that none of the data gets lost.



Overscan



Underscan

Figure 3: Overscanned and Underscanned images

## 5.2 Adjusting the Display via the Menu Buttons

The menu buttons (MENU, ENTER, – and +) let you adjust the screen settings.

Use the menu buttons as follows:

- Press the MENU button to display the menu on the screen  
Pressing the MENU button disables the quick-set buttons (FREEZE and OS/US)
- Press the MENU button again each time you want to return to the previous menu level or exit the menu
- Press the + or - buttons to move up or down the menu respectively
- Press ENTER to accept changes
- Before exiting the menu, you can save settings (see [Section 5.5.1](#))

## 5.3 Using the Menu

Using the main menu, you can adjust the screen display (screen adjustments apply to both CV and Y/C displays). After pressing the MENU button (quick-set buttons are disabled), the main Menu appears on the screen. Use the menu buttons to scroll through the menu and make the required adjustments. The following table defines the menu items.

The menu times-out after 20 seconds of inactivity.

Item	Selections	Parameter	Default
INPUT FORMAT	DVI / PC / YPBPR		DVI
PICTURE SETUP	CONTRAST	0-255	128
	BRIGHTNESS	0-255	128
	SATURATION	0-255	128
	SHARPNESS	0-255	128
	PHASE	0-31	16
OUTPUT SETUP	H-POSITION	-50 to +50	0
	V-POSITION	-29 to +29 (depends on timing mode)	0
	SIZE	100%, 90%, 95%, 105%, 110%, 115%	100%
ADVANCED	TEST_PATTERN	OFF, WHITE, CROSS, CROSS HATCH, COLOR BAR, GRAY SCALE, WHITE WINDOW, RED, GREEN, BLUE	OFF
	NO_INPUT	WHITE, CROSS, CROSS HATCH, COLOR BAR, GRAY SCALE, WHITE WINDOW, RED, GREEN, BLUE	BLUE
	SAVE	0-3	0
	RECALL	0-3	0
	FACTORY_RESET		
OSD SETUP	OSD_HPOSITION	0-100	15
	OSD_VPOSITION	0-100	5
	OSD_TIMEOUT	0-100	15
	OSD_TRANSPARENCY	0-15	15
INFORMATION	SOURCE	DVI or PC or YPbPr	
	TIMING	Shows input resolution (e.g. 1024X768@60)	
	OUTPUT	NTSC or PAL	
	VERSION	Shows firmware version (e.g. V1.01)	

## 5.4 Using Test Patterns

The Advanced menu lets you select Test Patterns and Save and Recall setups.

The **VP-506** stores nine test patterns. From the Advanced menu, you can select a test pattern (from 1 to 7) to show on screen. [Figure 4](#) shows test pattern number 1.

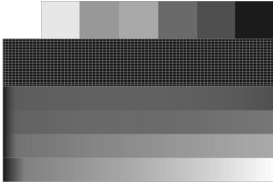


Figure 4: Test Pattern Number 1

You can also set a test pattern to appear on the screen when there is no input connected to the **VP-506**. To do so, enter the Advanced menu, select **No Input** and set a test pattern number. This test pattern will appear when there is no input connected. For example, set **No Input** to **1** if you want test pattern 1 (as in [Figure 4](#)) to appear when there is no input connected to the unit.

## 5.5 Saving and Recalling

The **VP-506** lets you save and recall up to four setups (from 0 to 3).

The Save mode stores all the menu settings in one of the Save setup numbers.

The Save mode saves the Picture setup, the TV Output setup, the VGA Input Setup, the Zoom setup, and the advanced setup (test patterns)

### Saving Through the Advanced Menu

To save setup 1, for example:

1. Adjust the Picture Setup, the VGA Input Setup, the TV Output Setup, the Zoom and panning, and the No Input number.
2. In the Advanced menu, select **Save** and set to number **1**.
3. Press **ENTER**.

The setup is saved.



When disconnecting the unit, the setup that was saved last is stored and reappears when reconnecting the unit.

Consider the following sequence, for example:

- A certain setup is saved to 1
- A different setup is saved to 2
- Setup 1 is recalled
- The unit is disconnected
- The unit is reconnected
- Setup 2 appears (since it was saved last)

### 5.5.1 Saving When Exiting the Menu

Whenever a change in the setup is performed, you are prompted to save the changes, be it recalling a different setup, or changing the Zoom mode:

The Save Setting item does not timeout, it remains until No or Yes is selected.

- Select **No** to cancel setup changes
- Select **Yes** to save setup changes.

Changes are saved to the setup number currently appearing next to the Save item

Note that your setup is saved to one of the 4 setups and overwrites the previous setup associated with this setup number.

### 5.5.2 Recalling a Setup

To recall a setup select **Recall** from the advanced menu and select the setup number you want to recall.

## 6 Technical Specifications

INPUT:	1 x DVI-I (DVI-D, VGA, YPbPr) on a 24-pin Molex connector
OUTPUT:	1 composite video 1Vpp/75Ω on an RCA connector
INPUT RESOLUTIONS:	Up to WUXGA/1080p
CONTROLS:	Front panel and OSD: ProcAmp video controls, freeze, underscan /overscan, 8 color bars
POWER CONSUMPTION:	5V DC, 540mA
OPERATING TEMPERATURE:	0° to +55°C (32° to 131°F)
STORAGE TEMPERATURE:	-45° to +72°C (-49° to 162°F)
HUMIDITY:	10% to 90%, RHL non-condensing
DIMENSIONS:	12cm x 7.5cm x 2.5cm (4.7" x 2.95" x 0.98") W, D, H
WEIGHT:	0.3kg (0.67lbs) approx
ACCESSORIES:	Power supply, mounting bracket
OPTIONS:	RK-1 19" rack adapter
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