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SyncControl Pro Features



Main SyncControl Pro interface

SyncControl Pro is a software application which allows the user to control multiple Drastic DDR capture channels for simultaneous and synchronized capture and playback.

The user may set up a multiple channel DDR within one chassis using one or more video cards and control them using a local install of SyncControl Pro. Also, the user may control the channels of available Drastic DDRs on the network (or any combination of local and network channels).

Each of the controlled channels may be set up to either be a playback channel or capture channel. Clips may be played out while the file is still recording subject to a minimal follow distance. Each DDR offers signal analysis tools to view the signal, including vector scope, waveform monitor and histogram.

Controls and Displays

The Main Interface

When **SyncControl Pro** is first opened, the main view is displayed. This view shows the DDRs that have been added, provides record and playback controls and displays, and offers menu choices to access other controls and displays.



The **Main Interface** is selected by pressing the **Main** button at the top of the application window.

1	Time Code section	Displays the current time code location, the video standard, the IP address and pathway, and offers a Go To button to cue to a specific time code location.
2	Channels section	Displays each of the DDRs that have been loaded as selectable channels, including a Global button for changes which affect all DDRs, and provides an Add and Delete button to load or remove DDRs from being controlled.
3	Control section	Provides a Record , a Stop and a Reconnect button to control recording actions on selected Record DDRs.
4	Player DDR	Displays information about the channel name, and the file the Player DDR has loaded, including a video or audio representation. Also provides controls to display signal analysis and system information views.

5	Record DDRs	Displays information about the channel name, and the file the Record DDR is recording, including a video or audio representation. Also provides controls to display signal analysis and system information views.
6	Interface Menu	Provides Main, Device, Application, Help and About
	Selectors section	buttons.
7	Transport Controls	Provides transport controls (Stop, Play, Reverse Play etc.)
	section	and the Position control.

Time Code Section

The **Main** view offers a time code window which provides time code information about media files on selected playback DDRs



1	Network Path	Displays the location of the selected file
2	Device name	Displays the name and IP address of the selected DDR
3	Video Standard	Displays the video standard to which the selected DDR has
		been set
4	Time Code Location	Displays the time code location of the current file
5	Go To button	Pressing the Go To button opens a window, which allows
		the user to enter a time code location, and cue to that
		location

Go To

The **Main** view time code window **Go To** button opens this window:



1	Time Code field	Displays the current time code location, and allows the user
		to enter a new time code location
2	Clear button	Clears the current time code information from the Time
		Code field
3	Info button	Provides Help information about the Go To window

4	Close button	Closes the Go To window without enabling any changes
5	Enter button	Cue the time code location in the Time Code field and
		display the frame of video found there

Device List Section

The **Main** view offers a **Device List** section to allow the user to add or remove DDRs, and to select a single DDR, or to select all DDRs.



1	Device buttons	Each DDR being controlled is represented by one of these
		controls. A selected DDR is highlighted and shows an arrow.
		When selected, any changes made apply to that DDR alone.
2	Global button	When the Global button is selected, any changes made
		apply to all DDRs.
3	Add button	Pressing the Add button allows the user to find a DDR on
		the network to add to the list of DDRs being controlled.
4	Remove button	With a DDR selected, pressing the Remove button removes
		the selected DDR from the list of DDRs being controlled.

Control Section

The **Main** view offers a **Control** section, whose buttons apply to the record DDR or DDRs.



1	Record control	Pressing the Record control places all Recorder DDRs into
		Record mode.
2	Stop control	Pressing the Stop control places all Recorder DDRs into
		Stop mode.
3	Reconnect control	Pressing the Reconnect control allows the user to
		reconnect or alter settings for a selected DDR.

DDR Slate Player Mode

The **Main** view offers a slate for each DDR designated as a player DDR.



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1	Audio/Video display field	With Video selected, displays a scaled down view of the video currently loaded or being played on the Player DDR.
		meters, to confirm relative audio output levels.
2	File name display	Displays the name of the loaded file.
3	Duration display	Displays the duration of the loaded file.
4	Device State display	Displays the current transport state of the Player DDR, i.e. whether in Stop or Play mode.
5	Position display	Displays the current position within the loaded file.
6	Source display	Displays the IP address of the source DDR.
7	Audio/Video toggle	When the video is displayed, this control will offer an audio icon to display audio levels. When the audio is displayed, this control will offer a video icon to display a scaled down video monitor.
8	Player DDR name display	Displays the name of the Player DDR.
9	Device Views button	Pressing the Device Views button opens the Views section, which allows the user to display the signal analysis views, and the system info/metadata views for the selected channel.

DDR Slate Record Mode

The **Main** view offers a slate for each DDR designated as a record DDR.



1	Reference display	Indicates the state of the Reference source.
2	Disk display	Indicates the state of the Record Disk.
3	Input display	Indicates the state of the Input signal.
4	Audio/Video toggle	When the video is displayed, this control will offer an audio icon to display audio levels. When the audio is displayed, this control will offer a video icon to display a scaled down video monitor.
5	Audio/Video display field	With Video selected, displays a scaled down view of the video signal present on the Record DDR. When the DDR is recording, a Recording chip will be displayed over the video. With Audio selected, displays a scaled down image of audio meters, to confirm relative audio input levels.
6	Record DDR name display	Displays the name of the Record DDR.
7	Device Views button	Pressing the Device Views button opens the Views section, which allows the user to display the signal analysis views, and the system info/metadata views for the selected channel.
8	Audio display	Indicates the state of the audio input.
9	Time Code location display	Indicates the current time code location.
10	Config display	Indicates the state of the Record DDR's Config.

DDR Audio Display

Pressing the **Audio/Video** toggle will switch the DDR slate between the video view and the audio view.



1	Audio Levels	Relative audio level markers are displayed to confirm
		nominal level activity on the DDR
2	Video toggle	When the Audio is displayed a video icon will be present to
		allow the user to return to the video display
3	Device name	Each device has its name at the top of the slate
4	Levels field	Up to the first eight channels of audio will be represented by
		a dynamic bar

Record DDR Views

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **Picture** button reveals the **Picture View** for the DDR.



1 Vi	i ew selector	Select between the available views by clicking on one of the controls. In the above example the Picture view is selected, and therefore highlighted. The Vector Scope, Wave form monitors and Histogram views may be selected by clicking on their buttons. There is also a button to close the Record DDR view
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2	View Monitor	Displays whichever view which has been selected in the View selector. In the Picture view for example, the video is
		displayed including any time code overlay.
3	System/Metadata field	This window displays either System Info or Metadata depending on which control below the field is selected. When System Info is selected, this window displays information about the channel. When Metadata is selected
		this window displays the metadata associated with the media.
4	System	These controls allow the user to select between displaying
	Info/Metadata controls	the System Info or the Metadata in the window above the controls.

Record DDR View - Picture

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each record DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **Picture** button reveals the picture view for the DDR.



1	Picture button	When selected, this button will be highlighted and the View Monitor will display the Picture View
2	Picture field	Provides a video monitor including any time code overlay

Record DDR View – Vector Scope

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each record DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **Vector Scope** button reveals the vector scope view for the DDR.



1	Vector Scope button	When selected, this button will be highlighted and the View
		Monitor will display the Vector Scope
2	Vector Scope field	Provides a traditional vector scope including graticule
		overlay
3	Drastic Luma Stick	Displays luminance distribution within the image
4	Video Monitor	Provides a scaled down confidence video monitor to confirm
		which content is being viewed

Record DDR View – Wave Form Monitor

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each record DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **Wave Form** button reveals the wave form monitor view for the DDR.



1	Wave Form Monitor	Provides a YCbCr (luma, b chroma, r chroma) wave form
	field	monitor
2	Wave Form Monitor	When selected, this button will be highlighted and the View
	button	Monitor will display the Wave Form Monitor
3	Video Monitor	Provides a scaled down confidence video monitor to confirm
		which content is being viewed

Record DDR View – Wave Form Monitor RGB

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each record DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **Wave Form RGB** button reveals the wave form RGB monitor view for the DDR.



1	Wave Form RGB	Provides an RGB (red, blue, green) wave form monitor
	Monitor field	
2	Video Monitor	Provides a scaled down confidence video monitor to confirm which content is being viewed
3	Wave Form RGB	When selected, this button will be highlighted and the View
	Monitor button	Monitor will display the Wave Form RGB Monitor

Record DDR View – Histogram Monitor

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each record DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **Histogram** button reveals the histogram view for the DDR.



1	Histogram field	Provides a histogram view of the video signal
2	Video Monitor	Provides a scaled down confidence video monitor to confirm
		which content is being viewed
3	Histogram control	When selected, this button will be highlighted and the View
		Monitor will display the Histogram

Record DDR View – System Info

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each record DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **System Info** button reveals the System Info for the DDR.

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1	System Info button	Pressing this button displays system information within the System Info/Metadata field. The button will be highlighted when selected.
2	Channel info	Describes the internal channel and video standard to which the system is set
3	System Info/Metadata field	This field displays system information when the System Info button is selected and metadata when the Metadata button is selected.
4	Metadata button	Pressing this button displays metadata within the System Info/Metadata field. The button will be highlighted when selected.

Record DDR View – Metadata

Pressing the **Device Views** button for each record DDR reveals the views portion of the interface. Pressing the **Metadata** button reveals the Metadata for the DDR.



1	System Info button	Pressing this button displays system information within the System Info/Metadata field. The button will be highlighted when selected.
2	Channel info	Describes the internal channel and video standard to which the system is set
3	System Info/Metadata field	This field displays system information when the System Info button is selected and metadata when the Metadata button is selected.
4	Metadata button	Pressing this button displays metadata within the System Info/Metadata field. The button will be highlighted when selected.

Interface Menu Buttons

The **Interface Menu** buttons are located at the top of the interface, and provide access to specific controls and displays for the device and application, as well as help and about info.



1	Main view	When selected, shows the main view of SyncControl Pro.
2	Device menu	When selected, offers controls to affect the device settings
		for SyncControl Pro.
3	Application menu	When selected, offers controls to affect the application
		settings for SyncControl Pro.
4	Help pages	Where the device is connected to the internet, loads the
		Drastic website.
5	About window	Opens the About window, which offers version information
		for SyncControl Pro.

Transport Controls

The **Transport** controls are located at the bottom of the main view and allow the user to cue and play files.



1	Position Controller	Displays the current location within the clip, and allows the user to cue locations within the clip by dragging
2	Fast Reverse button	Plays the clip in reverse at high speed
3	Back 5 Seconds button	Cues and displays the frame 5 seconds before the current frame
4	Back 1 Frame button	Cues and displays the frame before the current frame
5	Reverse Play button	Plays the clip in reverse at the normal rate of frames per second
6	Stop button	Stops playback and displays black, or passthrough video if present
7	Pause button	Stops playback and displays the current frame
8	Play button	Plays the video at 100% of normal speed
9	Forward 1 Frame button	Cues and displays the frame after the current frame
10	Forward 5 Seconds	Cues and displays the frame 5 seconds after the current

	button	frame
11	Fast Forward button	Plays the clip at high speed

Device Menu

The **Device** menu is selected by pressing the **Device** button at the top of the application window.

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	Audio: Valid	our service -			Time Code Source	CTL.	
	version: 3.5.842					Restart	
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1	File controls	Offers controls to cancel, go back, save or enable changes
		made to the file settings.
2	Device Status section	Offers displays and controls for the device's connections,
		status and license
3	Input Settings section	Offers controls to set up the parameters of the video input
4	Drives section	Allows the user to Restart the system, pressing Free shows
		how much space remains, Wipe all media from the record
		drives, and to Install a new version of SyncControl Pro

File Controls

When the **Device** menu is displayed, the **File** controls will be displayed at the top of the **Device** menu window.



1	Close button Close the Device section of the interface and return to	
		main view
2	Refresh button	Reload the current information from the device
3	Record Folder button	Select or confirm which folder to which media will be

		recorded
4	Save button	Save the current settings as a configuration file
5	Device Web Page	Loads the device web page containing information about the
	button	selected DDR's state, and offers controls to access other
		settings and displays pertinent to the DDR.

Device Web page

Select a DDR by clicking on its selector button. Press the **Device** button then press the **Device Web Page** button to reveal the following section.

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1	QuickClip For Windows button	Provides a link to install QuickClip on a Windows DDR
2	WMV Proxy window	Displays any proxy file creation activities which are set up or taking place on the DDR
3	Web Page navigation buttons	Displays the IP address of the selected DDR. Provides a Close , Forward and Return button for quick navigation.
4	DDR Details section	Displays information about the DDR video board, the software version, the Error Log and the Record Drive.
5	Display buttons	Provides buttons to open the following windows: Transport Control , Error Log , Shotbox , Add Clip , and Setup .
6	DDR Channel Details	Displays an overview of the channels that are present in the
_	section	DDR. Also shows system clock time.
7	DDR Channel Extent	Displays an information window for each internal, external
	section	and network channel that is present in the DDR.
8	Current Imports /	Displays any import or export activities which are set up or

	Exports section	taking place on the DDR.
9	QuickClip JAR button	Provides a link to the QuickClip JAR install.

Device Web page – Transport Control

Select a DDR by clicking on its selector button. Press the **Device** button then press the **Device Web Page** button to reveal the **Device Web Page**. Press the **Transport Control** button to reveal the following **Transport Control** section.



1	Web Page navigation	Displays the IP address of the selected DDR. Provides a
	buttons	Close , Forward and Return button for quick navigation.
2	???? section	
3	Channel Extents section	Displays the time code setting, the video standard setting, the number of audio and video channels, the current transport state, the current time code location, the system settings and the playback settings.
4	Clip Bin/EDL section	Displays either depending on what is selected in the Mode pulldown menu.
5	Mode pulldown menu	Use this pulldown menu to select between the Clip Bin or the Time Code Space EDL.

Device Web page – Error Log

Select a DDR by clicking on its selector button. Press the **Device** button then press the **Device Web Page** button to reveal the **Device Web Page**. Press the **Error Log** button to reveal the following **Error Log** section.

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1	Error Log Save section	Provides options to clear or save the error log.
2	Web Page navigation	Displays the IP address of the selected DDR. Provides a
	buttons	Close, Forward and Return button for quick navigation.
3	Error Type checkboxes	Allows the user to select whether specific error type
		messages will be displayed. Choices include: Error,
		Warning, Caution, Status, User and Auto Scroll.
4	Error Messages field	Displays the error event, along with the time of the error, its
		severity and the specific message.

Device Web page – Shotbox

Select a DDR by clicking on its selector button. Press the **Device** button then press the **Device Web Page** button to reveal the **Device Web Page**. Press the **Shotbox** button to reveal the following **Shotbox** section.



1	Clip Bin section	This section displays the clips in the Clip Bin of the selected DDR.
2	Transport Controls section	The Transport Controls allow the user to play the selected clip. The controls offered are: Fast Reverse , Reverse , Stop , Pause , Play , and Fast Forward .
3	Playback slate	Displays information about the DDR: playback channel identifier, CTL time code, TC time code, channel name, and frames remaining within the selected clip.
4	Web Page navigation buttons	Displays the IP address of the selected DDR. Provides a Close , Forward and Return button for quick navigation.
5	Clip Selector section	When the user selects a clip in the Clip Bin , its frame will be displayed in the Clip Selector monitor. Pressing the Take button loads this clip for playback into the Playback Slate .
6	Take button	Press the Take button to load a selected clip into the Playback slate.
7	GoTo section	The user may cue to a specific frame within the selected clip by entering the time code location of the frame into the time code field and pressing the GoTo button.
8	RTZ/Head button	Pressing the RTZ/Head button cues up the first frame of the selected clip.
9	System Time display	The current system time is displayed.

Device Web page – Setup

Select a DDR by clicking on its selector button. Press the **Device** button then press the **Device Web Page** button to reveal the **Device Web Page**. Press the **Setup** button to reveal the following **Setup** section.



1	Web Page navigation	Displays the IP address of the selected DDR. Provides a
	buttons	Close, Forward and Return button for quick navigation.
2	Audio Monitor Pair	Use the pulldown menu to select the audio pair that will be
	pulldown menu	monitored.
3	Up/Down Convert	Use the pulldown menu to select between available up- or
	pulldown menu	down-conversion types.
4	Audio Input pulldown	Use the pulldown menu to select between available audio
	menu	input types.
5	Video Input pulldown	Use the pulldown menu to select between available video
	menu	input types.
6	Signal Format	Use the pulldown menu to select between available signal
	pulldown menu	format types.
7	Genlock Source	Use the pulldown menu to select between available genlock
	pulldown menu	sources.
8	Up Convert HD Type	Use the pulldown menu to select between available HD
	pulldown menu	types for up-conversion.
9	Encode Format	Use the pulldown menu to select between available encoding
	pulldown menu	formats.
10	Compression Type	Use the pulldown menu to select between available
	pulldown menu	compression types.
11	Audio Encode Format	Use the pulldown menu to select between available audio
	pulldown menu	encode formats.
12	Bit Count pulldown	Use the pulldown menu to select between available bit count
	menu	settings.
13	Cam Select pulldown	Use the pulldown menu to select between available Raw
	menu	Camera types.
14	Audio Input Bit Rate	Use the pulldown menu to select between available audio
	pulldown menu	input bit rates.
15	Down Convert SD	Use the pulldown menu to select between available SD
	Type pulldown menu	types for down-conversion.
16	Enable/Disable	Use the pulldown menu to select between available settings
	Genlock pulldown	for enabling or disabling the genlock.
	menu	

17	Audio Channels	Use the pulldown menu to select between available number	
	pulldown menu	of audio channels (hardware-dependent).	

Device Status Section

The **Device Status** section is displayed within the **Device Settings** view.



1	License display	Displays the current licensing status	
2	Status display	Displays the current device status, including	
3	Channel pulldown	In a multichannel system, allows the user to select between	
	menu	available channels	
4	IP Address display	Displays the IP address of the device	
5	Device Name display	Displays the device's name	
6	Player button	Pressing the Player button sets the device as an output	
		channel	
7	Port display	Displays the port setting for the device	
8	Recorder button	Pressing the Record button sets the device as an input	
		channel to record video	
9	Video Standard	Allows the user to select between available video standard	

pulldown menu	settings
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Device Input Section

The **Device Input** section is displayed within the **Device Settings** view.

Input	Serial Digital Single Link	
Signal Format	1080i 29.97/59.94fps (1920)	•-
Video Type	HDR - (HDR File Format)	•-
Compression	DVCPro 100/HD	•-
Bit Depth	24 Bits	•
Audio Type	Aiff Normal	•-
Audio Source	Embedded	
Ref	None	•
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Time Code Source	СП	Ψ-

1	Input pulldown menu	Allows the user to select between available input source
		types
2	Signal Format	Allows the user to select between available signal format
	pulldown menu	settings
3	Video Type pulldown	Allows the user to select between available video type
	menu	settings
4	Compression pulldown	Allows the user to select between available compression
	menu	settings
5	Bit Depth pulldown	Allows the user to select between available bit depth
	menu	settings
6	Audio Type pulldown	Allows the user to select between available audio type
	menu	settings
7	Audio Source pulldown	Allows the user to select between available audio source
	menu	settings
8	Ref pulldown menu	Allows the user to select between available reference input
		settings
9	Use VBlank checkbox	Selecting this checkbox saves information contained in the
		vertical blanking interval
10	Time Code Source	Allows the user to select between available time code
	pulldown menu	sources

Application Menu

The **Application** menu is selected by pressing the **Application** button at the top of the application window.

		Application :	Settings
Default Record Base Name	chann_check	Show Players	
🗏 Include Machine Name		🗵 Show Transport Controls	
🗵 Include Channel #	/	🗵 Show Device List	/
🗏 Include Date/Time		🖂 No Local Channels	
🗉 Include Count		Password	
			Choose Color
Record Start Offset (ms)	2000	Install UNC	
Post Record Command	Pause *	\\192.168.100.118\Drasticde	835
Sync With	Absolute *		
Show Offset			
Resync Play			
Tolerance (frames)	15		

1	Close button	Pressing the Close button to exit the Application Settings
		menu
2	Record settings	Set how the record file is created
3	GUI settings	Set how the GUI looks, reset the password, and confirm the
	-	selected DDR's IP address

Record Settings Section

The **Record Settings** section is displayed within the **Application Settings** view.



1	Default Record Base	Displays the current clip name and allows the user to enter	
	Name field	a new base name. The base name is added to the clip name	
		created under SyncControl Pro by connected record DDRs.	
2	Include Machine	Select this checkbox to include the Machine Name in the clip	
	Name checkbox	name created during records.	
3	Include Channel #	Select this checkbox to include the Channel Number in the	
	checkbox	clip name created during records.	
4	Include Date/Time	Select this checkbox to include the Date and Time in the clip	
	checkbox	name created during records.	
5	Include Count	Select this checkbox to include the Count in the clip name	
	checkbox	created during records.	
6	Record Start Offset	Displays the current record offset setting, and allows a user	
	(ms) field	to enter a new value. This value represents the number of	
		milliseconds each DDR will wait before a record command.	
7	Post Record	Use this pulldown menu to select between available choices	
	Command pulldown	as to what each record DDR will do after the recording has	
	menu	been stopped, i.e. pause, stop, etc.	
8	Sync With pulldown	Use this pulldown menu to select between available choices	
	menu	for incoming time code synchronization	
9	Show Offset checkbox	Select this checkbox to display the offset time code value	
10	Resync Play checkbox	Select this checkbox to resynchronize playback	
11	Tolerance (Frames)	Displays the current frame tolerance, or the number of	

field	frames that may be dropped in Production mode before
	recording will be stopped.

GUI Settings Section

The **GUI Settings** section is displayed within the **Application Settings** view.

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1	Show Players	When this checkbox is selected, all player DDRs will be
	checkbox	displayed in the Main View
2	Show Transport	When this checkbox is selected, the Transport Controls will
	Controls checkbox	be displayed in the Main View
3	Show Device List	When this checkbox is selected, the Device List will be
	checkbox	displayed in the Main View
4	No Local Channels	When this checkbox is selected, no local channels will be
	checkbox	displayed in the Main View
5	Password field	The user may select the text in this box to reset the
		password by entering a new password.
6	Choose Color button	Pressing the Choose Color button opens a color picker
		window, which determines the overall color scheme.
7	IP Address and Install	Displays the current IP Address and install path for the
	path	selected device

User Guide

Setting up the device or devices Installation

Double click or Run the executable install file. Agree to the license terms. Set where the software should be installed. Make a couple decisions about menu and shortcut settings. Once installation is complete, restart the system.

Licensing

Use LicenseDDR to generate a site code. This involves filling in a short form, then pressing a **Generate** button. Send the site code to Drastic via email at:

<u>authorization@drastictech.com</u>. You will receive a reply containing a site key. Load the site key into the licensing dialog and press the **Update License** button.

Setting up the application

Select whether the changes will apply to a specific channel (select its channel button) or to all channels (select the **Global** button).

Press the **Application** button:

GUI settings section - set up how the interface will look:

Show Players – with this checkbox selected any DDRs that have been set up as player DDRs will be displayed in the **Main View**.

Show Transport Controls - with this checkbox selected the Transport Controls will be displayed in the Main View.

Show Device List - with this checkbox selected the **Device List** will be displayed in the **Main View**.

No Local Channels - with this checkbox selected any local channels will be removed from the **Main View**. This allows the user to set up control over devices on a network without using any local channels that are present.

Record settings section:

Default Record Base Name - set up the naming convention for clips **Include Machine Name** - with this checkbox selected the machine name will be included in the name of a recorded clip.

Include Channel Number - with this checkbox selected the channel number will be included in the name of a recorded clip.

Include Date/Time - with this checkbox selected the date and time will be included in the name of a recorded clip.

Include Count - with this checkbox selected the count will be included in the name of a recorded clip.

Record Start Offset (ms) – set the time interval between the device receiving a record command and record start.

Post Record Command – use the pulldown menu to set how the device behaves after a record is stopped.

Sync With – use the pulldown menu to set the type of control track will be used.

Show Offset – select this checkbox to display any offset being applied during recording.

Resync Play – select this checkbox to resynchronize playback between controlled devices.

Tolerance (Frames) – set the tolerance, or the number of dropped frames that will be tolerated before recording is stopped in Production Mode.

Assigning Channels

Add a channel: press **Add** button

Set up the channel: with channel selected, press **Device** button

Device Status Section: use this section to identify and connect to a DDR, and control one of its channels

Name – enter a name for the DDR into this field

Whether player/recorder – select the **Player** button to set the DDR as a player DDR, or select the **Recorder** button to set the DDR as a record DDR. Selecting one of these buttons de-selects the other. **Address** – enter the IP address of the DDR into this field

Port – set a port number through which network control will be exercised.

Channel – in a multiple channel system use the pulldown menu to select the specific channel

Video Standard – use the pulldown menu to set the video standard that is being used

Device input section: use this section to set the type of video and audio that will be recorded.

Input – use the pulldown menu to set the input source type Signal format - use the pulldown menu to set the signal format type Video type - use the pulldown menu to set the video file type Compression - use the pulldown menu to set the codec Bit depth - use the pulldown menu to set the bit depth Audio type - use the pulldown menu to set the audio file type Audio source - use the pulldown menu to set the audio source Reference - use the pulldown menu to set the reference status Use Vblank - select the VBlank checkbox to specify that vertical blanking information will be used

Time Code Source - use the pulldown menu to set the time code source.

Delete a channel: select a channel and press the **Delete** button

Actions

Recording

Once all channels have been loaded and set to be either the player or recorder, with all the parameters set to create the type of video required, in the correct location and with the appropriate name, the user may start recording.

Select Global – confirm all Record DDRs will start at the same time by clicking on the **Global** selector.

Start Recording – press the **Record** button. The Record channels' slates will turn red and the word **Recording** will be placed over top of the video to indicate the record state.

Stop Recording – press the Stop Recording button.

Reconnect – press the **Reconnect** button.

Playback

Load a clip

The user may drag a clip being recorded on a record DDR to the playback DDR to load a clip. In the **Transport Display** the user should see the current time code location of the loaded media, the device name and the network path of the loaded media. Pressing the **Go To** button allows the user to enter a time code location to cue a specific frame within the clip.

Position Controller

The **Position Controller** allows the user to drag its pointer to cue general locations within a clip.

Transport Controls

The transport controls affect playback of media loaded on a playback DDR. Pressing Play with a clip loaded will start playback from the current time code location. Fast Forward and Fast Reverse exist to scrub through a clip at high speed. Five Seconds Reverse and Five Seconds Forward allow quick chunk by chunk cueing. 1 Frame Plus and 1 Frame Minus allow fine tuning of the cued location. Reverse Play is minus 100% of play speed. Stop will cause playback to cease and will allow passthrough video if present. Pause causes playback to stop, and displays the frame at the current time code location.

Signal Analysis Views

Picture

The Picture view shows the video signal, to confirm the source is correct and to display time code location. Both picture safe and title safe graticules are optionally available.

Vector Scope

The vectorscope displays a traditional Cb by Cr X-Y display with overlaid reference graticule. Color accurate graticules automatically switch between SD and HD colorspaces. The markers include color points (for standard bar checks) at 75% and 100% saturation. All the standard points are boxed; red, magenta, blue, cyan, green and yellow. A skin tone/flesh line is provided to allow for easy hue adjustment as well as standard diagonals. The exclusive Drastic Luma Stick (patent pending) displays luminance distribution and strength in a space saving and intuitive graphic format. At all times a minimum and maximum value for each of the channels (Y, Cr and Cb) is displayed in 10 bit mode (0-1023). The color of the text for each channel indicates the following: in range (green), out of range but legal (yellow) and illegal/sync values (red).

Wave Form Monitor – YCbCr

The YCbCr waveform monitor displays the levels of the Y, Cb and Cr from the left of the picture to the right of the picture with all the lines summed into one graph. The Y, or luma/luminance, graph provides accurate white and black level information, as well as the range in between. The Cb and Cr display the +/- 512 levels of chroma of both types. This provides a visual representation of the chroma range of the signal. At all times a minimum and maximum value for each of the channels (Y, Cr and Cb) is displayed in 10 bit mode (0-1023). The color of the text for each

channel indicates the following: in range (green), out of range but legal (yellow) and illegal/sync values (red).

Wave Form Monitor – RGB

The RGB waveform monitor shows each of the red, green and blue signals as independent graphs, displaying the RGB, or chrominance/color values associated with the signal. At all times a minimum and maximum value for each of the channels (R, G and B) is displayed in 10 bit mode (0-1023).

Histogram

The histogram view shows the distribution of red, green and blue within the signal as a series of discrete bars that make a continuous graph for each color. This display provides an overview of the tonal range of each color in the picture. Each bar is the count of the number of pixels for one of the 1024 possible colors. These totals are then auto ranged to fit within the graticule and represent the relationship between the shades of each color and between each other. Each color has its own graph. The color's levels are represented from left to right, with the absolute left being 0 and the absolute right being 1024. The scale is presented as a percentage to allow for extremely bright or dark pictures to be analyzed without truncating.

System Info

This section displays information about the selected channel is displayed.

Presence: whether the DDR is connected or not

Clip: the name of the loaded clip

Storage: amount of drive space left and the total amount of drive space

Free: the amount of video that could be recorded into the free storage, and the amount of video that could be recorded into the entire amount of storage

Input: whether the video input is seen as valid

Sys: shows the channel number and the input setting

Audio: whether the audio input is seen as valid

Version: displays the version number of the SyncControl Pro install

Metadata

This section displays all the metadata associated with the media, in a scrollable window.