

KRAMER ELECTRONICS LTD.

# USER MANUAL

MODEL:

VM-4HC 1:4 HDMI DA

P/N: 2900-000716 Rev 4



### VM-4HC Quick Start Guide

This guide helps you install and use your product for the first time. For more detailed information, go to http://www.kramerelectronics.com/support/product\_downloads.asp to download the latest manual or scan the QR code on the left.

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



4 Rubber feet 1 Quick Start sheet



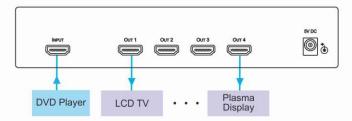
Save the original box and packaging materials in case you need to return your VM-4HC for service.

### Step 2: Install the VM-4HC

Attach the rubber feet and place on a table or mount the VM-4HC in a rack (using an optional RK-1 rack mount).

### Step 3: Connect the inputs and outputs

Always switch off the power on each device before connecting it to your VM-4HC.



Always use Kramer high-performance cables for connecting AV equipment to the VM-4HC.

### Step 4: Connect the power

Connect the 5V DC power adapter to the VM-4HC and plug the adapter into the mains electricity.



### Step 5: Operate the VM-4HC

Acquire the EDID from a connected output.

- 1. Press the EDID SELECT button to cycle through the EDID sources in the following order:
  - Output 1 (Output 1 LED lights)
  - Output 2 (Output 2 LED lights)
  - Output 3 (Output 3 LED lights)
  - Output 4 (Output 4 LED lights)
  - Default EDID (all LEDs light)
  - Auto-Mix EDID (the LEDs flash in a running sequence)
- 2. To store the EDID, press EDID READ and the EDID is acquired.

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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!

Our 1,000-plus different models now appear in 11 groups that are clearly defined by function: GROUP 1: Distribution Amplifiers; GROUP 2: Switchers and Routers; GROUP 3: Control Systems; GROUP 4: Format/Standards Converters; GROUP 5: Range Extenders and Repeaters; GROUP 6: Specialty AV Products; GROUP 7: Scan Converters and Scalers; GROUP 8: Cables and Connectors; GROUP 9: Room Connectivity; GROUP 10: Accessories and Rack Adapters and GROUP 11: Sierra Products.

Congratulations on purchasing your Kramer **VM-4HC** *1:4 HDMI DA*, which is ideal for the following typical applications:

- Home theater, presentation and multimedia applications
- Rental and staging

## 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



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### 2.1 Achieving the Best Performance

To achieve the best performance:

- Use only good quality connection cables (we recommend Kramer highperformance, high-resolution 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 VM-4HC away from moisture, excessive sunlight and dust



This equipment is to be used only inside a building. It may only be connected to other equipment that is installed inside a building.

### 2.2 Safety Instructions



**Caution:** There are 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

### 2.3 Recycling Kramer Products

The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive 2002/96/EC aims to reduce the amount of WEEE sent for disposal to landfill or incineration by requiring it to be collected and recycled. To comply with the WEEE Directive, Kramer Electronics has made arrangements with the European Advanced Recycling Network (EARN) and will cover any costs of treatment, recycling and recovery of waste Kramer Electronics branded equipment on arrival at the EARN facility. For details of Kramer's recycling arrangements in your particular country go to our recycling pages at <a href="http://www.kramerelectronics.com/support/recycling/">http://www.kramerelectronics.com/support/recycling/</a>.

### 3 Overview

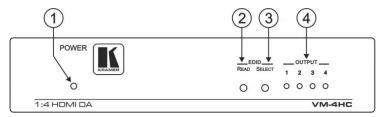
The Kramer **VM-4HC** is a high quality 1:4 HDMI distributor that accepts an HDMI input and distributes the signal to up to four outputs simultaneously, thus making it a versatile, reliable component in a video system. The **VM-4HC** distributes signals having resolutions up to UXGA, including all HDTV formats.

### In particular, the VM-4HC features:

- A maximum data rate of 6.75Gbps (2.25Gbps per graphic channel)
- HDTV compatibility and HDCP compliance
- Simultaneous display of the video output on all of the four outputs (once they
  are ready to display the output) upon power up
- Kramer Equalization & re-Klocking<sup>™</sup> Technology that rebuilds the digital signal to travel longer distances
- I-EDIDPro™ Kramer Intelligent EDID Processing™, an intelligent EDID
  handling & processing algorithm ensures Plug and Play operation for HDMI
  systems
- EDID acquisition from a single output, all connected outputs (auto-mix) or a default EDID
- HDMI support for Deep Color, x.v.Color<sup>™</sup>, up to 7.1 Uncompressed Audio Channels
- 3D pass thru
- Active input & output LED Indictors
- Compact size where 2 units can be rack mounted side-by-side in a 1U rack space with the optional RK-1 adapter and a 5V DC mains power adapter

### 3.1 Defining the VM-4HC 1:4 HDMI DA

This section defines the VM-4HC.



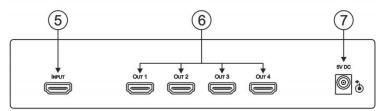


Figure 1: VM-4HC 1:4 HDMI DA

#	Feature	Function
1	POWER LED	Lights red when the unit receives power
2	EDID READ Button	Press to read the EDID of the selected output
3	EDID SELECT Button	Press to cycle through the output EDID sources
4	OUTPUT 1-4 LEDs	Lights green when an output(s) is connected and active; LEDs flash when selecting EDID (see Section 4.1)
5	INPUT HDMI Connector	Connect to the HDMI source
6	OUT 1-4 HDMI Connectors	Connect to the HDMI acceptors 1 to 4
7	5V DC Power Connector	Connect to the power adapter, center pin positive

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## 4 Connecting the VM-4HC



Always switch off the power to each device before connecting it to your **VM-4HC**. After connecting your **VM-4HC**, connect its power and then switch on the power to each device.

To connect the VM-4HC as illustrated in the example in Figure 2:

- Connect the HDMI source, for example, a DVD player to the INPUT connector.
- Connect the HDMI OUTPUT connectors to up to 4 HDMI acceptors as follows:

As required. Up to four outputs can be connected. Not all outputs need to be connected.

- OUTPUT 1 to display device 1 (for example, a plasma display)
- OUTPUT 2 to display device 2 (for example, a plasma or LCD display)
- OUTPUT 3 to display device 3 (for example, an LCD TV)
- OUTPUT 4 to display device 4 (for example, a plasma display)
- 3. Connect the power adapter to the device and to the mains electricity (not shown in Figure 2).
- 4. If required, acquire the EDID (see Section 4.1).

### 4.1 Acquiring the EDID

Initially the **VM-4HC** operates with the factory default EDID stored in the non-volatile memory. The source reads the EDID from the device when the device is plugged in or powered on.

The EDID can be acquired from:

- One of the outputs
- The default EDID
- Up to four connected outputs using the Auto-mix Mode

The EDID acquired is a weighted average of all the connected outputs. For example, if several displays with different resolutions are connected to the outputs, the acquired EDID supports all the resolutions, as well as other parameters included in the EDID

Repeatedly pressing the EDID SELECT button cycles through the EDID sources in the following order:

If you attempt to acquire the EDID from an output that is not connected the default EDID is acquired.

- Output 1 (Output 1 LED lights)
- Output 2 (Output 2 LED lights)
- Output 3 (Output 3 LED lights)
- Output 4 (Output 4 LED lights)
- Default EDID (all LEDs light)
- Auto-Mix EDID (the LEDs flash in a running sequence)

To store the selected EDID, press EDID READ as described in the following example.

To cancel the EDID modification wait for a few seconds without touching any button.

Select the EDID from Output 3:

- 1. Press the EDID SELECT button repeatedly until OUTPUT 3 LED lights.
- Press the EDID READ button.When the LED stops flashing the EDID from Output 3 is stored at the input.

Pressing the EDID SELECT button briefly once causes the relevant LEDs to indicate which EDID is stored at the input, as follows:

- OUTPUT 1 LED flashes—the EDID from OUTPUT 1 was the last acquired
- OUTPUT 2 LED flashes—the EDID from OUTPUT 2 was the last acquired, and so on
- All OUTPUT LEDs flash—the default EDID was the last acquired
- All OUTPUT LEDs flash sequentially—the Auto-Mix EDID was the last acquired

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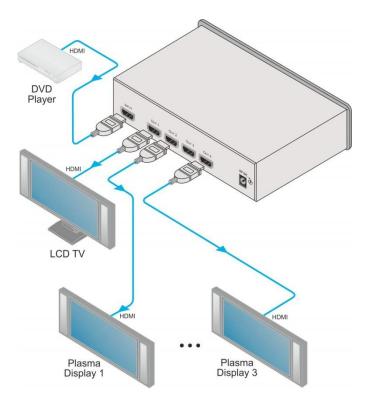


Figure 2: Connecting the VM-4HC 1:4 HDMI DA

# 5 Technical Specifications

INPUT:	1 HDMI connector	
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OUTPUTS:	4 HDMI connectors	
MAX. DATA RATE:	6.75Gbps (2.25Gbps per graphic channel)	
COMPLIANCE WITH HDMI STANDARD:	Supports HDMI and HDCP	
CONTROLS:	SELECT and READ buttons for selecting and storing EDID information	
INDICATOR LEDs:	POWER, OUTPUTS 1-4	
POWER CONSUMPTION:	5V DC, 1.1A	
OPERATING TEMPERATURE:	0° to +40°C (32° to 104°F)	
STORAGE TEMPERATURE:	-40° to +70°C (-40° to 158°F)	
HUMIDITY:	10% to 90%, RHL non-condensing	
DIMENSIONS:	21.5cm x 16.3cm x 4.4cm (8.5" x 6.4" x 1.7") W, D, H	
WEIGHT:	0.6kg (1.32lbs) approx.	
ACCESSORIES:	Power supply	
OPTIONS:	RK-1 19" rack adapter	
Specifications are subject to change without notice at <a href="http://www.kramerelectronics.com">http://www.kramerelectronics.com</a>		

## 6 Default EDID

Monitor Model name Manufacturer Plug and Play ID Serial number Manufacture date Filter driver	VM-4HC KRM KRM0023 505-707455010 2009, ISO week 10 None
EDID revision Input signal type Color bit depth Display type Screen size Power management Extension blocs	1.3 Digital Undefined RGB color 520 x 320 mm (24.0 in) Standby, Suspend, Active off/sleep 1 (CEA-EXT)
DDC/CI	n/a
Color characteristics Default color space Display gamma Red chromaticity Green chromaticity Blue chromaticity White point (default Additional descriptors	Non-sRGB 2.20 Rx 0.674 - Ry 0.319 Gx 0.188 - Gy 0.706 Bx 0.148 - By 0.064 Wx 0.313 - Wy 0.329 None
Timing characteristics Horizontal scan range Vertical scan range Video bandwidth CVT standard GTF standard Additional descriptors Preferred timing Native/preferred timing Modeline	30-83kHz 56-76Hz 170MHz Not supported Not supported None Yes 1280x720p at 60Hz (16:10) "1280x720" 74.250 1280 1390 1430 1650 720 725 730 750 +hsync +vsync
Standard timings supporte 720 x 400p at 70Hz 640 x 480p at 60Hz 640 x 480p at 75Hz 800 x 600p at 60Hz 800 x 600p at 75Hz 1024 x 768p at 60Hz 1024 x 768p at 75Hz 1280 x 1024p at 75Hz 1280 x 1024p at 60Hz 1600 x 1200p at 60Hz 1152 x 864p at 75Hz	IBM VGA IBM VGA VESA VESA VESA VESA VESA VESA VESA VES
Modeline	3 Supported Supported Supported Supported Supported 1 320x1080p at 60Hz (16:10) 0x1080" 148.500 1920 2008 2052 2200 1080 1084 1089 1125 +hsync +vsync 220x1080i at 60Hz (16:10) 0x1080" 74.250 1920 2008 2052 2200 1080 1084 1094 1124 interlace +hsync +vsync 280x720p at 60Hz (16:10) 0x720" 74.250 1280 1390 1430 1650 720 725 730 750 +hsync +vsync 20x480p at 60Hz (16:10) x480" 27.000 720 736 798 858 480 489 495 525 -hsync -vsync

CE video identifiers (VICs) - timing/formats supported

1920 x 1080p at 60Hz HDTV (16:9, 1:1)
1920 x 1080i at 60Hz HDTV (16:9, 1:1)
1280 x 720p at 60Hz HDTV (16:9, 1:1) [Native]
720 x 480p at 60Hz EDTV (16:9, 32:27)
720 x 480p at 60Hz EDTV (4:3, 8:9)
720 x 576i at 50Hz Doublescan (16:9, 32:27)
20 x 480p at 60Hz Doublescan (16:9, 64:45)
640 x 480p at 60Hz Default (4:3, 1:1)

NB: NTSC refresh rate = (Hz\*1000)/1001

#### CE audio data (formats supported)

LPCM 2-channel, 16/20/24 bit depths at 32/44/48 kHz

#### CE vendor specific data (VSDB)

IEEE registration number. 0x000C03 CEC physical address 1.0.0.0 Maximum TMDS clock 165MHz

#### CE speaker allocation data

Channel configuration Front left/right Yes Front LFE No Front center Nο Rear left/right No Rear center Nο Front left/right center No Rear left/right center Nο Rear LFE No

#### Report information

Date generated 15-Dec-11 Software revision 2.60.0.972 Data source File

Operating system 5.1.2600.2.Service Pack 3

#### Raw data

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SAFETY WARNING Disconnect the unit from the power supply before opening and servicing





