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SDR-4 Receiver

Quick Start Guide

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1 Safety feature

Important! One safety design feature of the SDR-4 receiver is that when it or the PC is powered down all the bandpass relays are powered off shorting the bandpass filters to ground to provide extra isolation and protection to the PC. This can also happen when changing the SDR program. When first powered up the relays remain in a safe condition until the receiver is tuned past a bandpass filter change point i.e. 4, 8, or 16 MHz.

After powering up the receiver or changing the SDR program, step the frequency up or down by 10 MHz or change the operating band and the desired filter will switch in. You can then select the required frequency of operation.







3 WARNING!

The SDR-4 receiver has been carefully designed to meet CE and FCC specifications and also provide protection to your computer from static electricity and electrical pulses. The receiver is designed to be powered only from the USB connection on the PC. If the receiver is modified by the user this voids the CE and FCC certifications and may damage the receiver or user's PC.

No warranty claims will be accepted if the receiver case has been opened.

The receiver has been designed to isolate the antenna from the computer. Connection to the antenna should be made only via the BNC connector or by the 2mm connectors. External antenna earths or grounds should only be connected to the BNC connector.

The receiver case is connected to the computer ground and should be isolated from any antenna connection.



4 Driver installation





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Click Finish to complete the driver program installation.









Found New Hardware - DG8SAQ-I2C	Browse to C:\SDR-4\USB-
G 📱 Found New Hardware - DG8SAQ-12C	Driver and select Next.
Browse for driver software on your computer	If the driver isn't found browse further into the USB- Driver folder as several
Search for driver software in this location:	alternative drivers are
✓ Include subfolders	available based on the computer processor type.
	Click OK or Next on any further selections until the drivers are loaded successfully.
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5 HDSDR setup with Windows 7 and Vista sound card set-up





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Add a device | Add a printer | Add a Bluetooth device | Mouse | 🌚 Device Manager System and Security AutoPlay Network and Internet AutoPlay Change default settings for media or devices | Play CDs or other media automatically Hardware and Sound Programs Sound Adjust system volume | Change system sounds | Manage audio devices User Accounts and Family Safety Change battery settings Change what the power buttons do Require a password when the computer wakes Change when the computer sleeps Choose a power plan 2 Appearance and Personalization Clock, Language, and Region Ease of Access Display Make text and other items larger or smaller | Adjust screen resolution | Connect to a projector | Connect to an external display Windows Mobility Center Adjust commonly used mobility settings Adjust settings before giving a presentation **Biometric Devices** 9 Use your fingerprint with Windows Manage your fingerprint data Remove your fingerprint data

X Sound Recording Sounds Playback Communications Select a recording device below to modify its settings: * Microphone High Definition Audio Device Ready Line In High Definition Audio Device Currently unavailable E Microphone USB Audio CODEC Default Device Mic1 Virtual Audio Cable Not plugged in Line 1 Virtual Audio Cable Ready Configure Set Default Properties OK Cancel Apply

In Sound select Manage Audio

In Sound select the Recording tab then select the USB Audio Codec.



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1 channel, 16 bit, 32000 HZ (FM Radio Quality)		
1 channel 16 bit 48000 Hz (DVD Quality)		
2 channel, 16 bit, 11025 Hz (Dictation Quality)		
2 channel, 16 bit, 16000 Hz (Tape Recorder Quality)		
2 channel, 16 bit, 22050 Hz (AM Radio Quality)		
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	✓ Swap I and Q Channels	
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Samplerate [F6]	Mouse Wheel	•
Options [F7]	OmniRig (CAT)	F
	DDE Client	
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Full Screen [F11]	Recording Settings/Scheduler	
Start [F2]	TX Support	

In Options select Swap I and Q channels.

This will make the frequency display and waterfall display correctly.

Select Channel Skew Calibration.



For initial settings enter the values from the SDR-4 Receiver test sheet included with the receiver.

This will cancel out the unwanted image. The settings in the test sheet cancelled the image greater than 80 dB on final test.

On the main window press Start and the waterfall should start.

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