

# **HDCD8TP**

## **8-Way RS485/RS232 to RS485 Bi-directional Distribution Box**

### **User Manual**



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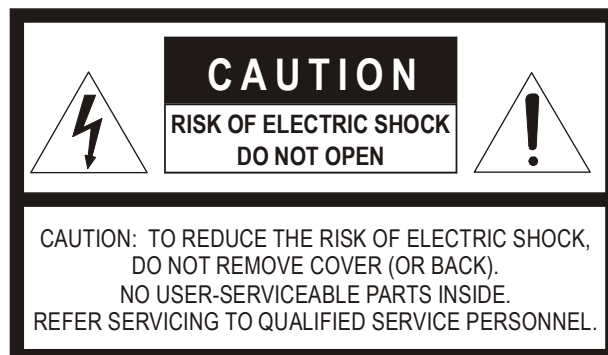
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Date Purchased: \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Location Installed: \_\_\_\_\_

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# SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION

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## 1.1 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

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The HD8TP is an 8-way bi-directional distribution box with connections for half-duplex RS485 and/or RS232 control. There is an RS485 loop-through connection and RS485 termination links to enable several units to be connected in a daisy-chain wiring configuration. The unit is powered by 12 Volts DC @ 250mA.

This unit provides the user the capability of expanding the number of receivers (e.g. PTZ receivers) in a system. The input to the HD8TP can be either an RS485 or RS232 (PC) controller. Each output is capable of transmitting control data via daisy-chain wiring to thirty-two RS485 units. The maximum distance from the output to the last receiver on the daisy-chain is 4000 feet.

This unit can be used to extend the distance for controlling RS485 receivers. If the required distance between an RS232 or RS485 controller and the receiver is greater than 4000 feet, this unit can be installed to extend the distance to a receiver an additional 4000 feet. The RS485 data signal received at the HD8TP is regenerated and output at each of the eight outputs.

This unit can also be used for applications that require a “star-wiring” configuration. In a star-wiring configuration, each output on the HD8TP is connected to a single receiver. Multiple HD8TP units can be daisy-chain wired together to provide the needed number of outputs for each receiver in the system.

There are three LEDs – one indicates power on and the other two indicate data being transmitted to or from the receivers. Refer to Section 2.4 for more detailed information on the operation of the LEDs.



**Figure 1: Front Panel**

SECTION 2:  
CONNECTIONS, SETTINGS, AND INDICATORS

2.1 CONNECTIONS

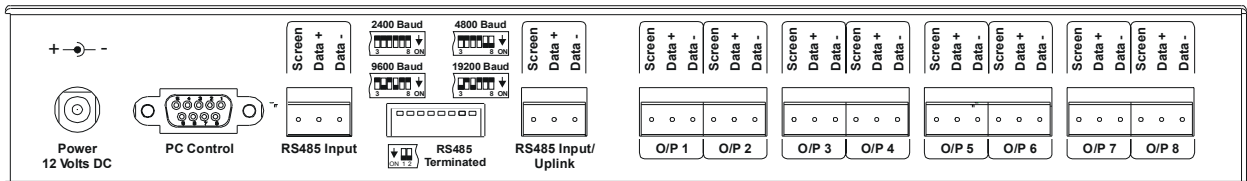


Figure 2: HDLCD8TP Rear Panel

2.1.1 POWER CONNECTIONS

The HDLCD8TP requires a 12 Volt DC @ 250mA power supply. Connections are shown in Figure 3.

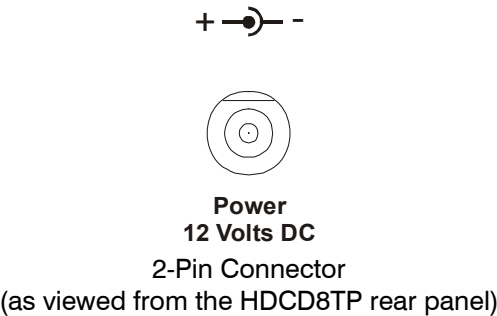


Figure 3. Power Connector



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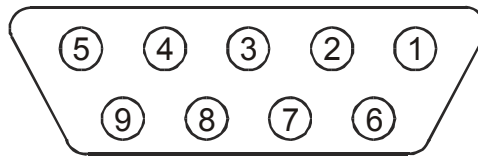
### 2.1.2 PC Control

The HD8CD8TP can be connected to a PC or other RS232 system at the PC Control connector.

RS232 commands inputted at the PC CONTROL connector are converted to RS485 and outputted on all eight (8) RS485 O/P connectors

RS485 replies received on any of the eight (8) O/P connectors are converted to RS232 and then outputted at the PC Control connector. The pin-outs for the 9-pin D connector are shown in Figure 4.

Solder side view of 9-pin D plug



**Figure 4: 9-Pin D connector connections (PC Control)**

| PIN | CONNECTION |
|-----|------------|
| 1   | CD         |
| 2   | RX DATA    |
| 3   | TX DATA    |
| 4   | DTE        |
| 5   | GND        |
| 6   | DSR        |
| 7   | RTS        |
| 8   | CTS        |
| 9   | N/C        |

RX DATA = Data from the receivers going to the transmitter

TX DATA = Data from the transmitter going to the receivers

**NOTE:** Only the RX DATA, TX DATA, and GND signals are used by the HD8CD8TP. The control signals DTR, CD, and DSR are connected together and RTS and CTS are connected together inside the unit.

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## 2.1 CONNECTIONS, CONTINUED

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### 2.1.3 RS485 Input

The HD8CD8TP can be connected to an RS485 transmitter such as a controller using the 3-way screw terminal connector. RS485 commands input at the RS485 Input connector are outputted on all eight RS485 outputs (O/P1...O/P8). RS485 data received at any of the eight O/P connectors is outputted as RS485 at the RS485 Input connector.

|              |                         |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| Transmitter  | HD8CD8TP<br>RS485 Input |
| Data +       | Data +                  |
| Data -       | Data -                  |
| Cable Shield | Screen                  |

### 2.1.4 RS485 Input/Uplink

The RS485 Input connector is internally connected to the RS485 Input/Uplink connector to enable HD8CD8TPs to be connected in a RS485 daisy-chain wiring configuration. (See Figure 5.) The maximum distance to the last unit in the daisy-chain is 4000 feet.

| 1 <sup>st</sup> HD8CD8TP<br>Termination Off | 2 <sup>nd</sup> HD8CD8TP<br>Termination Off | 3 <sup>rd</sup> HD8CD8TP<br>Termination On |
|---|---|--|
| RS485 Input/Uplink Data +                   | RS485 Input Data +                          |  |
| RS485 Input/Uplink Data -                   | RS485 Input Data -                          |  |
| Screen                                      | Screen                                      |  |
|   | RS485 Input/Uplink Data +                   | RS485 Input Data +                         |
|   | RS485 Input/Uplink Data -                   | RS485 Input Data -                         |
|   | Screen                                      | Screen                                     |

### 2.1.5 O/P Connectors

There are eight (8) O/P connectors. Data input from either the RS232 PC Control connector or the RS485 Input connector is outputted as RS485 data at all eight O/P connectors. Data received at any of the eight O/P connectors is outputted as RS232 data at the PC Control connector and as RS485 at the RS485 Input connector.

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## 2.2 RS485 TERMINATION SETTINGS

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The termination of the RS485 data lines (connected at the RS485 Input connector) is controlled using positions 1 and 2 on the 8-position DIP switch located on the rear panel. If the HDCD8TP is the only HDCD8TP connected to the RS485 lines, the termination should be set to the ON position. (Refer to Figure 5.)



**Figure 5: RS485 Termination**

### 2.2.1 Daisy-Chain Wiring Configuration

If the unit is connected in a daisy chain wiring configuration with other RS485 equipment, the termination is set to OFF (unterminated) on the first and all the intermediate pieces of equipment and set to ON (terminated) on the last piece of equipment in the chain. (Refer to Figure 6.)

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## 2.2 RS485 TERMINATION SETTINGS, CONTINUED

### 2.2.2 Cascade Wiring Configuration

Multiple units can also be wired from any of the RS485 output ports (O/P) to the RS485 Input connector. This wiring configuration is called cascading. If units are connected using a cascade wiring configuration, the termination on all HDCC8TP units are set to ON. (Refer to Figure 7.)

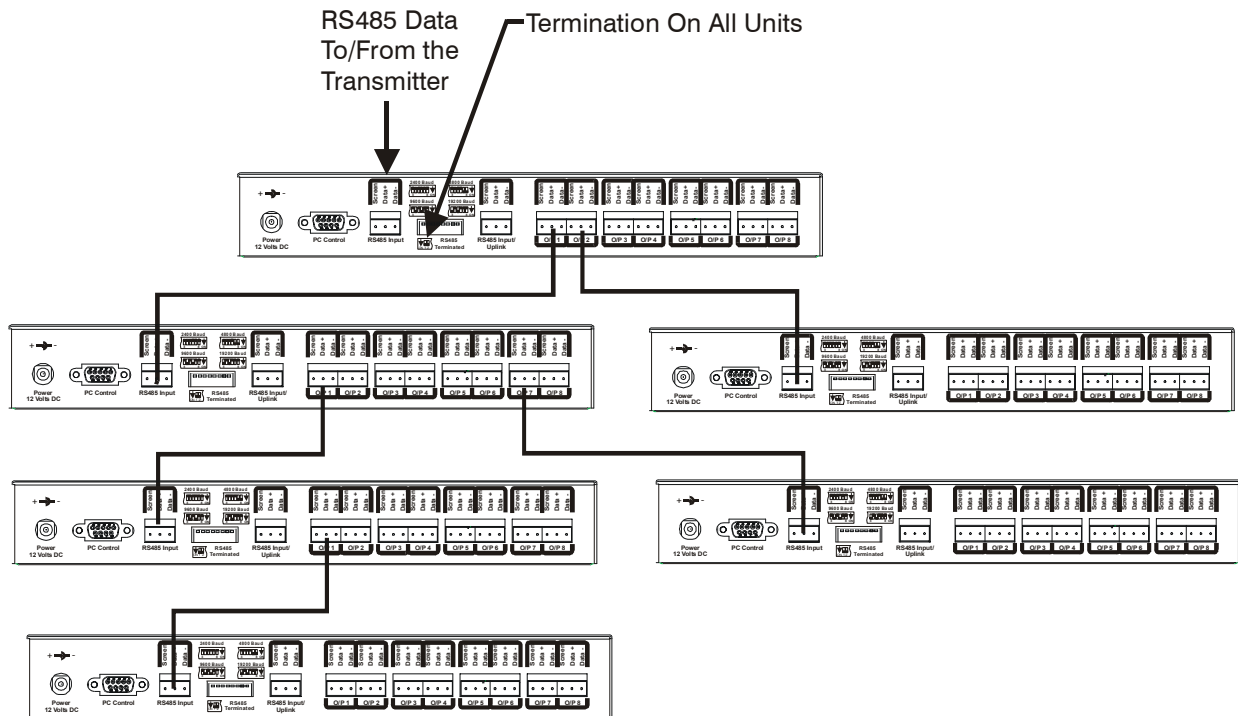


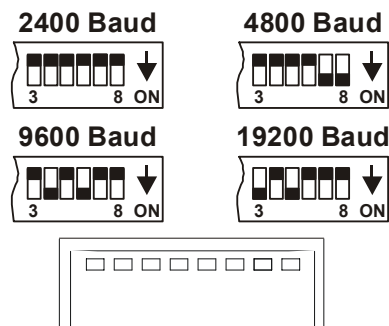
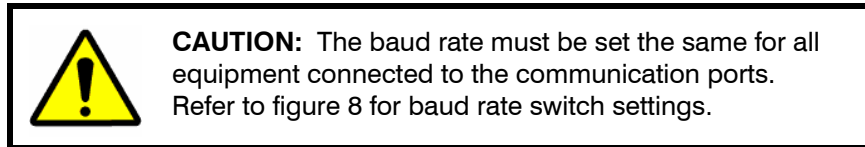
Figure 7. Cascade Wiring Multiple HDCC8TP Units

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## 2.3 BAUD RATE

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The communication baud rate is set using switch positions 3 through 8 on the 8-position DIP switch located on the rear panel of the HDCD8TP unit. The baud rate can be set to 2400, 4800, 9600, and 19200. Refer to Figure 8.



**Figure 8. Baud Rate Settings**

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## 2.4 FRONT PANEL LEDs

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After the unit is installed, there are three LEDs on the front panel of the unit that indicate power on/off and communication to and from other pieces of equipment in the system.

### 2.4.1 Power

The **Power** indicator lights when power is connected to the HDCD8TP. However, it does not necessarily mean that the power is sufficient to power the HDCD8TP.

### 2.4.2 Data Out

**Data Out** flashes when data that was received at an O/P connector is outputted at the RS485 Input and PC CONTROL connectors (i.e., data is being sent to the telemetry transmitter.)

### 2.4.3 Data In

**Data In** flashes when data that was received at the RS485 Input or PC Control connector is outputted at the eight O/P connectors (i.e., data is being sent to the telemetry receiver.)

### SECTION 3: SPECIFICATIONS

|                                      |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Operating Voltage</b>             | 12 Volts DC                                    |
| <b>Normal Operating Current</b>      | 70mA   |
| <b>Maximum Operating Current</b>     | 250mA (when all 8 outputs are short circuited) |
| <b>Operating Temperature Range</b>   | 14°F to 122°F (-10°C to 50°C)                  |
| <b>Baud Rate</b>                     | DIP switch selectable: 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200 |
| <b>Data Format</b>                   | 8 bits, no parity, 2 stop bits, half duplex    |
| <b>Data Direction Change Latency</b> | In the range 1.3 ms to 3.8 ms                  |

**NOTE:** There should be a 4 ms idle when changing the direction of data. In specific applications, this delay can be changed by fitting VR1 and VR2. There is no need to alter these delays for use with RapidView and Honeywell Video Dome products.

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