

# **Owner's Manual**

# MRX-4IR Network Base Station







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## Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the MRX-4IR Network Base Station. The MRX-4IR requires a Total Control MRX Advanced System Controller and compatible interfaces, programmed by a Custom Professional, to control your home. Communicating over the network using Wi-Fi, or a wired LAN connection, the MRX-4IR receives commands from the System Controller and relays them, via IR, to four or more devices. Controlling your home is simple with the MRX-4IR.

#### Features and Benefits

## • IR Flasher Outputs

Control up to four of your components without ever getting up from your seat.

#### • Front IR Blaster

Control IR devices where an IR emitter cannot reach the device's location, like a TV over a fireplace.

## Network Connectivity

Receives commands over the network from an MRX Advanced System Controller and then sends IR signals to control your components.

## Compact Size

The small size of the MRX-4IR allows it to easily fit behind devices or into places where a traditional base station would not.

## Parts Guide

## The MRX-4IR includes:

1 - MRX-4IR 1 - Mounting Plate

1 - AC Power Adapter 4 - IR Emitters (3.5mm plugs)

4 - Mounting Screws 1 - Owner's Manual

## Front, Rear and Bottom Panel Descriptions

## **Front Panel**

The front panel consists of 3 indicator lights and an IR Blaster.



**Power LED**: The Power LED illuminates when the unit is powered.

**Status LED**: When the MRX-4IR powers up, both the Status and Data LEDs blink. When a network connection is made, the Status LED color will vary depending upon its "connected state": good signal strength is represented by "Green", poor signal strength by "Orange" (which is only present when a wireless connection is used) and no connection is OFF.

Data LED: The Data LED flashes as the MRX-4IR transmits IR data.

**IR Blaster**: The front IR Blaster sends IR signals to one or more components placed in direct line of sight.

## Rear Panel

The rear panel ports are:



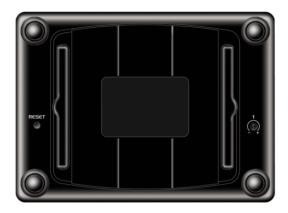
DC 12V Power: Plug in the included 12V DC 1A power supply.

**IR Outputs**: Connect an included 3.5mm IR emitter to each of the four IR outputs. Adjust the IR output signal strength for port 1 using the attenuator located on the bottom of the unit.

**LAN Connection**: If a wired connection is needed, this port uses a standard Ethernet (RJ-45) plug to communicate via the local area network.

#### **Bottom Panel**

The bottom panel consists of:



**Reset Button:** The Reset button is located on the bottom of the unit, and requires a stylus, or paper clip to press the button. Pressing the Reset button will cycle the MRX-4IR's power. (Unplugging the MRX-4IR's power cable and then plugging it back in, also performs the same function.)

Pressing and holding the Reset button for 15 seconds, will factory default the MRX-4IR, and return the unit back to its original unprogrammed state.

**Mac Address Sticker:** The MAC Address (12 numbers) identifies this wireless device when connected to the network.

**IR Attenuator**: Use the included adjustment tool (or a flathead screwdriver) to increase or decrease the intensity level for IR output #1.

## **Network Installation**

WARNING!! Before proceeding, a Custom Professional is required to install and configure your MRX-4IR.

The MRX-4IR is a network base station that allows full control of your components with the use of Total Control MRX Advanced System Controllers and compatible interfaces. Once installed on the network, and a button is pressed on an interface, a command is transferred over the customer's network to the MRX Advanced Network System Controller, which in turn is routed to the MRX-4IR and then sends IR commands to the components you specify.

- 1. Connect the MRX-4IR onto the network (wired or wireless).
- 2. Connect your laptop into the **same network** as the MRX-4IR.



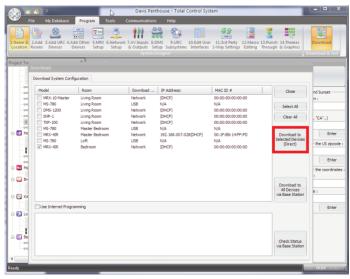
## **Network Discovery & Download**

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- 1. Open a new or current project. In **Step 3: Add URC Devices**, add an **MRX-4IR** to a room included in your project which represents the physical location of the unit.
- In Step 6: Network Setup, discover the MRX-4IR using the same process used for other Total Control network products in the project.



- 3. Press the **Download** button within the Program menu.
- 4. Make sure to check the MRX-4IR checkbox, then press the **Download to Selected Devices (Direct)** button.



## **Optimizing IR Flasher Levels**

Test a few commands for each component before fixing the flasher in place on the front panel of a device.

Since TiVo, Satellite Receivers and Cable Boxes are all extremely sensitive to IR overload or saturation, you should test them thoroughly. Put up the on screen guide and test the navigation arrows. If operation is inconsistent or sluggish, lowerthe IR line output for port 1 only and/or reposition the flasher.

If you still have sluggish operation, make sure IR routing is used rather than ALL. When IR commands are sent to all the flashers in a cabinet, you can have difficulty adjusting the IR Output. Program URC Accelerator to send IR commands only via a specific IR port (1-4), then readjust the IR Line Output level.

Connect an IR emitter to each IR output and run the emitter wire to the IR receiver of each component. DO NOT STICK the emitter in place yet. Adjust the LEVELon IR port 1 or adjust the emitter PLACEMENT for ports 2-4 until the component responds to IR commands then stick the emitter in place.

IR Outputs: These ports can be as discrete, 'routed' outputs that only send IR commands to the specific component that each emitter is attached. This assures accurate control in that a given component's commands are routed only to its dedicated IR output and emitter, preventing IR oversaturation from multiple emitters flashing at the same time.

POLARITY: Tip=IR data, Sleeve=GND.

## **Overview of IR Routing**

There are several considerations to take into account when you are installing an MRX-4IR to control an array of components:

- 1. When connecting a flasher from the MRX-4IR to your component make sure to notate the IR outputs being used. Program the sameport designations into URC Accelerator.
- 2. Assigning each component with its own individualized port number helps to control multiple components eliminating interference.
- 3. Identical components must receive IR commands ONLY from a dedicated flasher affixed to its front panel or a rear panel direct IR input.



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## **Specifications**

CPU: ARM 32-bit Cortex-M3(120MHz)
Memory: 128Kbyte SRAM, 768Kbyte Flash
Macro Capability: Up to 255 steps each

IR Range(Line of Sight via Infrared): 30 to 50 feet, depending on

the environment

RF Range(radio frequency): 50 to 100 feet, depending upon the

environment

Wi-Fi: IEEE 802.11 b/g/n

Weight: 3.0 oz

Size: 3.74" X 2.7" X 1.1"

Power: 12V DC 1A

# Federal Communication Commission Interference Statement

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one more of the following measures:

- ◆ Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- ◆ Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- ◆ Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- ◆ Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

## Warning!

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Note: The manufacturer is not responsible for any Radio or TV interference caused by unauthorized modifications to this equipment. Such modifications could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

#### **FCC Caution**

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the authority to operate equipment.

## Federal Communication Commission (FCC) Radiation Exposure Statement

The device and the antenna for this device must be installed to ensure a minimum separation distance of 20 cm more from a person's body. Other operating configurations should be avoided.

## **Declaration of Conformity**

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