# **VP-580**

# Digital Video Recorder Hardware User Manual

# **VP-580 Features & Notification**

#### Removable Hard Driver initiation

When finished all connections for powering VPON, please be noticed that must turn on the key of mobile rack before starting the Hard Disk usage.

#### ▶ VP-580 control interface

GUI(Graphic User Interface)or IrDA control.

#### Mobile Rack (RAID-1)

Optional support Hot-swap RAID-1disk mirror.

#### Watch Dog

Hardware Watch dog timer for automatic failure recovery

## ▶ Warning for Chassis open and video signal lost

When system chassis be opened or video signal lost, the built-in Buzzer will have voice alarm.

#### Watermark

Image safety verification system for protecting images from fraud.

#### Built-in web server

Users can do remote surveillance and function setups thru. IE browser to reach the belonged web server.

#### ) GPI/O

VP-580 has 4 sets of GPI/O port.

#### VIDEO Input

VP-580 has 4 or 8 sets of Video Input port depending on the connections.

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## **VGA Output & TV-Out**

24 bit true color, and support NTSC/PAL composite video, RCA connector

#### **COM** ports

COM1 to COM4 ports are for PTZ/POS/ATM.



VP-580 Rear Panel

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## **VP-580 COM PORT PIN DEFINE**



	Pin Define		Pin Define	
Pin 1	GND	Pin 9	422TXD-	
Pin 2	GND	Pin 10	422TXD+	
Pin 3	GND	Pin 11	GND	
Pin 4	NC	Pin 12	422RXD-	
Pin 5	NC	Pin 13	422RXD+	
Pin 6	GND	Pin 14	GND	
Pin 7	485Data+	Pin 15	GND	
Pin 8	485Data-	Pin 16	GND	

COM3 PORT : RS-485 COM4 PORT : RS-422

# **Chapter 1: Introduction**

VP-580 Network DVR System is a high performance digital video recorder with built-in a mini web server with real-time video capturing capability. The video is grabbed and compressed for faster transmission to your PC through 10/100Mbps Ethernet. The video also can display through VGA output in local. Besides, VP-580 support digital recording function. It can record/playback/browse video simultaneously and save video data by cycle recording to removable hard disk.

VP-580 supports full motion live video footage with its corresponding audio through the Internet, Intranet connection. Up to 4 or 8 cameras allow to be connected, VPON deliver real-time full-motion audio/video transmission to anywhere anytime. All that is needed is an Internet browser and our proprietary plug-ins software. Attached video cameras can be remotely controlled to swivel and zoom in and out, and the unit can be triggered to initiate certain events. VPON is a completely plug and play device getting up and running as soon as possible without the need for ongoing maintenance or custom hardware/software configurations. Just via IR remote control, it's such easy for users to setup VPON without any other PC operations. A sample configuration is shown below.



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The installation is easy: All you have to do is to plug the power and assign VPON an IP address for Internet connection. Then, you can view the video through your browser, Internet Explorer or Navigator, at any time, anywhere. It is perfect for factory/office monitoring, ATM surveillance, children care, security system, tourism, sales presentation and more...VPON is the new era of the network video transmission. It makes you see whatever you want easily!

### 1.1 VPON Main Features

#### ✓ Video & audio recording

- Up to 4 or 8 camera inputs (color or B/W)
- Up to 30 fps on each camera for local monitoring
- Record / display / playback simultaneously
- Built-in QUAD / Multiplexer functions for local monitoring
- Local playback of recorded video on VGA or TV monitor
- Remote playback from PC browser
- Query recorded data by date, time & events
- Control well known brand PTZ Cameras

#### ✓ High video quality and low data rate

- Up to 200:1 video compression
- Multiple video compression engines: H.263, JPEG, M-JPEG
- ✓ Network
  - Dynamic IP support for Internet access
  - Direct Dial-up available

#### ✓ Backup

- Removable Hard Drives
- Optional CD Writer
- ✓ Easy to use
  - Plug and play, non-Windows embedded realtime OS
  - Easy configuration via keyboard, IR Control, Home Page or RS-232 port
  - Standard web browser as the client application

#### ✓ Alarm function

■ Motion detection / Event trigger / Schedule / Pre-alarm recording

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- E-Mail & FTP alarm notification
- Optional GPI/O for alarm control

#### ✓ Customization

- Supports HTML file upload for home page customization
- Supports FTP Server upload for customization

#### **1.2** System Requirements

- ✓ Composite CCD camera, V8 or camcorder... (NTSC or PAL standard)
- $\checkmark$  The equipment for connecting to network:
  - 1. Network mode: RJ-45 Ethernet network port connected to Internet and a public IP address
  - 2. Others: RS-232 Port and a serial cable for connecting to host PC.
  - 3. A VGA monitor for display.

#### PC for the configuration / browsing

- 1. Pentium 4 CPU or above, desktop PC or notebook
- 2.256 MB RAM or above
- 3. AGP VGA Card
- 4. Microsoft Windows 95/98/2000/ME/XP or above
- 5. Internet Browser (such as Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 or above)

# **Chapter 2: Getting Start**

## **General Description**

VP-580 configuration & operation can be done via the IrDA remote controller comes with VPON unit or a remote PC through IP network, e.g. LAN or Internet.

For local monitoring & operation via IrDA remote controller, connect VP-580 "VGA Out" to VGA monitor and then configure VP-580 via IrDA remote controller. Configuration & operation functions will display on the OSD screen for IrDA selection.

We strongly suggest users to configure the system via IR remote control. Please refer to chapter 4 for setup procedures.

Please follow the procedures below step-by step for first time installation:

Physical Description Make the Physical Connection Running Mode of VP-580 Power on VP-580 Software user manual Chapter 3 Operating VP-580 by IrDA controller

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### **Physical Description**

Fig 2.1 is back panel of VP580.

#### **VP-580** Back Panels



#### Fig 2.1

#### A. Video input

Video outputs from cameras are routed to these BNC input connectors. 4 video and maximum of 8 videos can be connected on VP580 units.

#### B. Video Out

VGA out connector provides video output to VGA Monitor.

#### C. Network connector

RJ-45 connector is for 100BaseT Fast Ethernet network.

#### D. USB connector

External IrDA receiver must be connected to one of the USB ports at the rear panel. Either one is OK.

#### E. VGA Out connector

VGA Out connector provides video output to VGA Monitor.

#### F. MIC and speaker connector

MIC connector for audio input and speaker connector for audio out.

#### G. COM ports

Four 9-pin D-sub connectors provide RS-232 and RS-485 serial connection. COM1, COM3, COM4 Ports provide RS-232 serial connection for VPON unit configuration or modem/ISDN TA connection. **COM2 Port provides RS-485 serial connection** for camera PTZ control. **COM1 to COM4 are** for

#### PTZ/POS/ATM.

#### H. Power cord connector and Power switch

The power cord and power switch are on the left side of the rear panel. Press "I" to turn on the unit, press "O" to shut down the unit

#### I. Mouse connector

GUI control or keyboard connector

#### J. GPI/O

VP-580 has 4 sets of GPI/O port

## Make the Physical Connection

Before power on VPON unit, please connect the necessary peripherals as Fig 2.3.1. For local videos and recording, cameras and VGA monitor are necessary. USB IrDA receiver and the controller that come with VPON are also necessary for for configuration and operation if keyboard is not used.



# Using the IrDA remote control

See the software manual for a detailed explanation of navigating the menus.



1	Single split screen	2	Quad split screen	
3	TV	4	Cycle quad split	
			screen	
5	Menual	6	Local	
7	Remote(Not functional)	8	Playback	
9	Cancel	10	Key Pad	
11	Navigation	12	Next Page	
13	Prev Page	14	Pause	
15	▶Play	16	Stop	
17	Speed	18	<b>Fast</b> Forward	
19	<b>H</b> Rewind	20	<b>II</b> ▶ Step Forward	
21	■ Step backwards	22	Display	
23	Numeric(0-9)	24	Fn(Not Function)	
25	Contrast(- and +)	26	Brightness(- and +)	

# **During Playback**

Button	Function	
►	Starts or resumes playbacks	
11	Pause playback	
	Stops playback	
*	Fast Forwards	
<b></b>	Rewinds	
	Steps forward one frame	
<■	Steps backward one frame	
Speed	Selects speed, press Up or down	
	then OK	
Menu	Opens playback menu	

When in the playback menu, you can search for videos based on text, the recording time, or the event that caused the recording to be made. See the software manual for more details.

# **IrDA Remote Control Shortcuts**

Button	Function
Playback	Jump to playback menu
Local	Jump to local mode
	Jumps to Single split screen camera view
68	Jumps to Quad Split screen camera view
23	Cycle though Quad split screens
Display	Turns OSD test on and off

To navigate between cameras, use Up, Down, Left, and Right cursor keys or **Prev Page** and **Next Page**. You can also select cameras by

entering the camera number using 0 -9. To adjust contrast press - and + under the  $\mathbf{O}$  icon.

To adjust brightness press - and + under the 3 icon.

When viewing single screens, you can control PTZ cameras. Use

▲ and ▶ to zoom in and out, and the Up, Down, Left, and Right keys move the camera.

Note: You can also set these functions through the menus.

Remote and Fn are not functional.

## Using a local keyboard

A standard keyboard can be attached locally and used to set up the VPON-580. Functions matching the remote control are mapped to the keyboard.

Key	Function	Key	Function	
Esc	Cancel	F1	Menu	
F2	Playback	F3	Local	
F4	Screen split	F5	•	
F6		F7		
F8	Speed	F9	◀	
F10	<b>∢</b>	F11	IIÞ	
F12	••	S	Speed	
D	Toggles display	Enter		
	settings		►/III /OK	
Up/Down/Left/	Up/Down/Left/	Page Up/Page	Prev Page/Next	
Right	Right	Down	Page	
Space				

Use the alphanumeric keys to enter text.

# **Connecting to the network**

**Note:** To connect the VPON-580 to an existing LAN, set up by using the supplied IrDA remote control first. See the software manual and connecting a network cable.

- Connect an Ethernet-capable computer to the VPON-58 0 LAN port using an RJ-45 UTP cable. See connecting a network cable.
- 2. The default IP address for the VPON-580 is 192.168.10.10. Set your computer IP address to 192.168.10.xxx (where xxx is a value between  $0 \sim 254$ ). Set the subnet mask to 255.255.255.0. See your Network administrator for instructions on how to set IP addresses.
- 3. Reboot the computer.
- 4. Use a Web browser to connect to http://192.168.10.10. The login dialog appears. If you have previously changed the administration login or password, enter the login name and password you previously set. Otherwise, enter the default login name webmonitor and the password oyo then click OK.
- 5. If you are using the VPON-580 for the first time, you are prompted to install Live Video ActiveX. Download and run the file to install ActiveX. If you choose not to install Active X, you can view videos from the VPON-580 by clicking on the View Video without Plugins link at the bottom of the page. At the prompt, enter the same administrator login name and password as before. This uses a Java applet to display the video.

# **Configuring the VPON-580**

Whether accessing the VPON-580 over the Internet or intranet, an IP address must be assigned. Client computers to access the VPON -580 can use this IP. The VPON-580 can be configured to use static or dynamic IP addresses. You can configure IP addresses in Mouse or IrDA running modes, using an RS-232 cable or via the network. For detailed instructions on navigating menus see the software manual for details.

### **Configuring Static IP addresses**

Static IP addresses can be public or private. Public IP addresses allow access to the VPON-580 from the Internet. Private IP addresses only allow users on the same LAN to access the VPON -580 (regardless of whether the LAN is connected to the Internet or not). Ask your network administrator to assign an appropriate IP address. See the software manual for setting a static IP address.

## **Configuring Dynamic IP addresses**

If your LAN or Internet connection uses DHCP, the VPON-580 needs to be registered with a registry server. Users wanting to view your VPON-580 can access the registry server to find the IP address. By default, the VPON-580 set to be registered at http://registry.nfic.com.tw. This is a server set up by Formosa21 for VPON series users. If you wish to set up a different registry server, Formosa21 recommends using a VP-580 video server, although other servers may be used. See your network administrator for instructions on selecting a registry server. The Registry Host Address, Registry HTTP Port and Registry Host Path in <u>system Configuration</u> under <u>advance Settings</u> are the set to the default settings of the Formosa21 registry server. The Registry Host Address is the IP address or Fully Qualified Domain Name (FQDN) of the registry server.

The Registry Host Path is the file path on the registry server where the index exists. See your network administrator for assignment of these values if you want to make changes.

#### Finding the IP address of the VPON-580 on the registry server

- 1. To find the IP address of the VPON-580 when using DHCP, you need to search the registry server, which the VPON-580 is registered to. Use a computer connected to the Internet and a standard browser. Enter the FQDN of the registry server into the browser to access the server.
- After accessing the registry server, search for your VPON -580 by name or MAC ID (Ethernet address). You can find your MAC ID by viewing the System Information page in the Web Administration page. Alternatively you can browse through all registered VPON units on the registry server to find your VPON-580.
- 3. Enter the IP address supplied by the registry server into your browser to access the VPON-580.

## Using xDSL or cable Internet

You can connect the VPON-580 to the Internet via xDSL or cable just as you would as normal computer. Connect the modem (router) according to the documentation.

- If a static public IP address is assigned to your xDSL or cable Internet account, you must assign this to the VPON-580.
- If you are using ADSL or cable Internet and your modem (router) supports DHCP, set the VPON-580 IP address to 255.255. 255.253. This requests the modem to assign an IP address.

You must register with a registry server to use dynamic addresses under DHCP.

## **Using PPPoE**

If your xDSL or cable router uses PPPoE, an IP-sharing router is required, as the VPON-580 does not support PPPoE. Regardless of whether you use a static IP address or a dynamic IP address, you will need to set the DHCP server IP address and IP forwarding but if you use a static IP address you do not need to register with a registry server.

- 1.Configure your IP-sharing router WAN side to connect you're your modem. Connect the modem then connect the VPON-580 to a LAN port on the router.
- Configure your IP sharing router range of private IP addresses to prevent a conflict with the VPON-580 default IP address. Alternatively you can reserve a private IP address for the

VPON-580.

- 3. Attach a computer to another LAN port on the router. Configure the computer private IP address to prevent a conflict with the VPON-580.
- 4. In IrDA mode, configure the private IP address of the VPON -580.
- 5. If you are using a dynamic IP address, set the <u>registry Host IP</u> as described in the software manual. Leave the <u>register HTTP Port</u> as field blank. Set <u>registry Host Path</u> to the path that holds the registry files. Set the IP forwarding of the router to forward the IP that requests standard HTTP port 80 to the reserved IP address. The router will then forward HTTP requests to the VPON -580. If you need FTP, set port 21 of the router to be mapped to the VPON-580.The VPON VP-580 reboots after saving these changes.
- 6. Turn on your modem and IP-sharing router and connect to the Internet. To test whether the VPON-580 has registered with the registry server, you need to access the server using a computer outside the IP sharing router LAN. If you are using a dynamic IP address, access the registry server, then search for your VPON-580. If you are using a static IP address, access that address to test if the LAN has been successfully set up.
- 7. Find the MAC ID of your VPON-580. The MAC ID includes network to find the VPON-580 on the registry server can then use the MAC ID.

# Using dial-up Internet

You can set up the VPON-580 for Dial-up Internet access under "ISP" in the menu system. You must enter your internet service provider telephone number, your user name and password. You can also manually configure the TCP/IP.

## **Remote access using dial-up**

You can access the VPON-580 remotely without the Internet by using a dialup modem. The VPON-580 must be in Network mode.

- 1. Connect a dial-up modem and phone line to the VPON-580.
- 2. Set COM1 to modem device in the VPON-580 system menu.
- 3. On the remote PC, create a new dial-up setting (Windows).
- 4. Set the protocol to PPP.
- 5. Clear all advanced options and allowed network protocols except TCP/IP.
- 6. Set the IP address for the TCP/IP to 10.0.0.2.
- 7. Put a check mark in the Server assigned server address box, uncheck the set IP header compression and set default gateway on the network boxes. Click OK.
- 8. Enter the number of the phone line connected to the VPON-580, as well as the administrator user name and password.
- 9. To access the VPON-580, use an Internet browser on the PC to access 10.0.0.1.

**Note:** As this is a PPP connection, only one user can access the VPON-580 at a time.

# Appendix Troubleshooting

- 1. Network indicator is not lit
  - Check the network cable connect
  - Verify the network is working by pinging another device on the network
  - Perform a cold reboot of the VPON-580 by switching it off, waiting 20 seconds and switching it on again
- 2. Video quality is poor
  - Raise the video quality setting
  - Check video quality of cameras by connecting to another device such as a TV
  - Set your computer color settings to at least VGA 65536 colors
  - Adjust the 75 Ohm resistor
- 3. No video
  - Check video cable, connector and power supply to camera(s)
  - See troubleshooting for corresponding running mode
- 4. PTZ camera does not respond
  - Check cable, connector and power supply to camera
  - Check the COM port settings are correct
  - Check the ID of the camera is set correctly
  - Check camera type is supported

Note: See the software manual for more troubleshooting guide.

## **Upgrading the firmware**

You can upgrade the firmware of the VPON-580 by using a CD-RW, a USB flash drive or a USB hard drive. Insert the CD-RD or USB device into the VPON-580 and follow the prompts.