Network Video Recorder

User Manual

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This device meets the CAN ICES-3 (A)/NMB-3(A) standards requirements.

Applicable Model

This manual is applicable to the models listed in the following table.

Table 1-1 Applicable Model

Series	Model
DS-7900NXI-I4/S	DS-7916NXI-I4/S
	DS-7932NXI-I4/S
DS-7900NXI-I4/16P/S	DS-7916NXI-I4/16P/S
	DS-7932NXI-I4/16P/S
DS-7800NXI-I2/S	DS-7808NXI-I2/S
	DS-7816NXI-I2/S
DS-7800NXI-I2/P/S	DS-7808NXI-I2/8P/S
	DS-7816NXI-I2/16P/S
DS-7700NXI-I4/S	DS-7716NXI-I4/S
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	DS-7732NXI-I4/16P/S
DS-7600NXI-I2/S	DS-7608NXI-I2/S
	DS-7616NXI-I2/S
DS-7600NXI-I2/8P/S	DS-7608NXI-I2/8P/S
	DS-7616NXI-I2/16P/S

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The symbols that may be found in this document are defined as follows.

Symbol	Description
Danger	Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will or could result in death or serious injury.
Caution	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in equipment damage, data loss, performance degradation, or unexpected results.
Note	Provides additional information to emphasize or supplement important points of the main text.

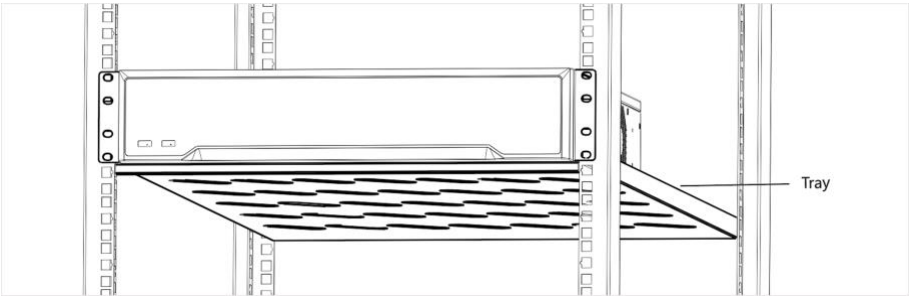
Safety Instruction

- Proper configuration of all passwords and other security settings is the responsibility of the installer and/or user.
- In the use of the product, you must be in strict compliance with the electrical safety regulations of the nation and region. Please refer to technical specifications for detailed information.
- Input voltage should meet both the SELV (Safety Extra Low Voltage) and the Limited Power Source with 100 VAC to 240 VAC or 12 VDC according to the IEC60950-1 standard. Please refer to technical specifications for detailed information.
- Do not connect several devices to one power adapter as adapter overload may cause over-heating or a fire hazard.
- Please make sure that the plug is firmly connected to the power socket.
- If smoke, odor or noise rises from the device, turn off the power at once and unplug the power cable, and then please contact the service center.

Preventive and Cautionary Tips

Before connecting and operating your device, please be advised of the following tips:

- Ensure recorder is installed in a well-ventilated, dust-free environment.
- Recorder is designed for indoor use only.
- Keep all liquids away from the device.
- Ensure environmental conditions meet factory specifications.
- Ensure recorder is properly secured to a rack or shelf. Major shocks or jolts to the recorder as a result of dropping it may cause damage to the sensitive electronics within the recorder.
- Use the device in conjunction with an UPS if possible.
- Power down the recorder before connecting and disconnecting accessories and peripherals.
- A factory recommended HDD should be used for this device.
- Improper use or replacement of the battery may result in hazard of explosion. Replace with the same or equivalent type only. Dispose of used batteries according to the instructions provided by the battery manufacturer.
- When installing the device into a cabinet over 2U height, it is suggested to use rack shelf to bear the weight. If the cabinet height is over 4U, it is suggested to use slide rails or rack shelf to bear the weight.



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Chapter 1 Basic Operation

1.1 Activate Your Device

1.1.1 Default User and IP Address

- Default administrator account: admin.
- Default IPv4 address: 192.168.1.64.

1.1.2 Activate via Local Menu

For the first-time access, you need to activate the device by setting an admin password. No operation is allowed before activation. You can also activate the device via Web Browser, SADP or Client Software.

Steps

1. Enter the admin password twice.

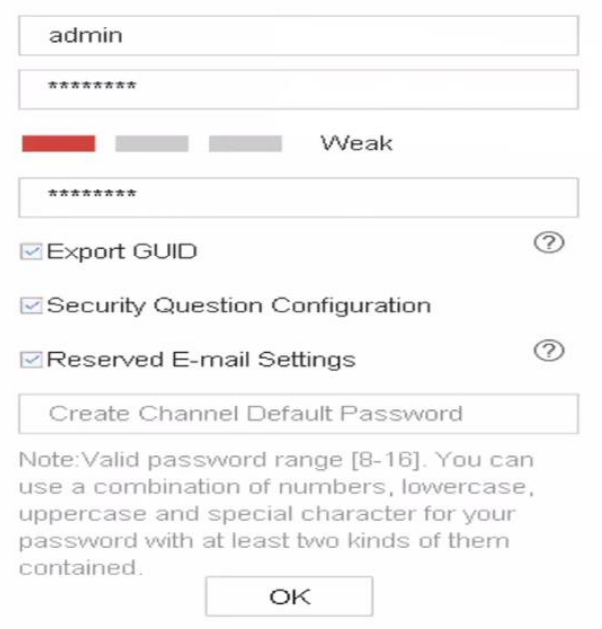

Figure 1-1 Activate via Local Menu

Warning

We highly recommend you to create a strong password of your own choosing (using a minimum of 8 characters, including at least three kinds of following categories: upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters) in order to increase the security of your product. And we recommend you change your password regularly, especially in the high security system, changing the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

2. Enter the password to activate the IP cameras.
3. Optional: Check **Export GUID**, **Security Question Configuration**, or **Reserved E-mail Settings**.
4. Click **OK**.

Note

- After the device is activated, you should properly keep the password.
- You can duplicate the password to the IP cameras that are connected with default protocol.

What to do next

- When you have enabled **Export GUID**, continue to export the GUID file to the USB flash driver for the future password resetting.
- When you have enabled **Security Question Configuration**, continue to set the security questions for the future password resetting.
- When you have enabled **Reserved E-mail Settings**, continue to set the reserved email for the future password resetting.

1.1.3 Activate via SADP

SADP software is used for detecting the online device, activating the device, and resetting its password.

Before You Start

Get the SADP software from the supplied disk or the official website, and install the SADP according to the prompts.

Steps

1. Connect your video recorder power supply to an electrical outlet and turn on it.
2. Run the SADP software to search the online recorders.
3. Check the recorder status from the device list, and select the inactive recorder.

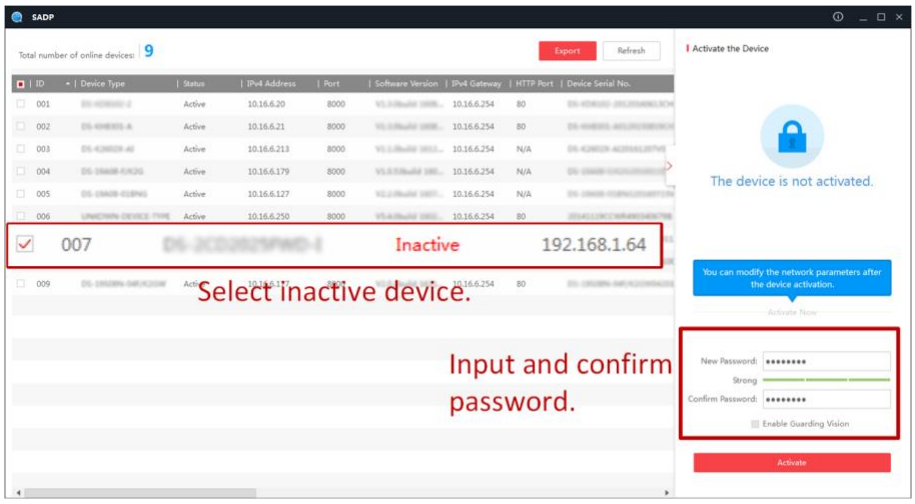

Figure 1-2 Activate via SADP

4. Create and input the new password in the password field, and confirm the password.

Note

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5. Click **Activate**.

1.1.4 Activate via Client Software

The client software is versatile video management software for multiple kinds of devices.

Before You Start

Get the client software from the supplied disk or the official website, and install the software according to the prompts.

Steps

1. Run the client software and the control panel of the software pops up, as shown below.

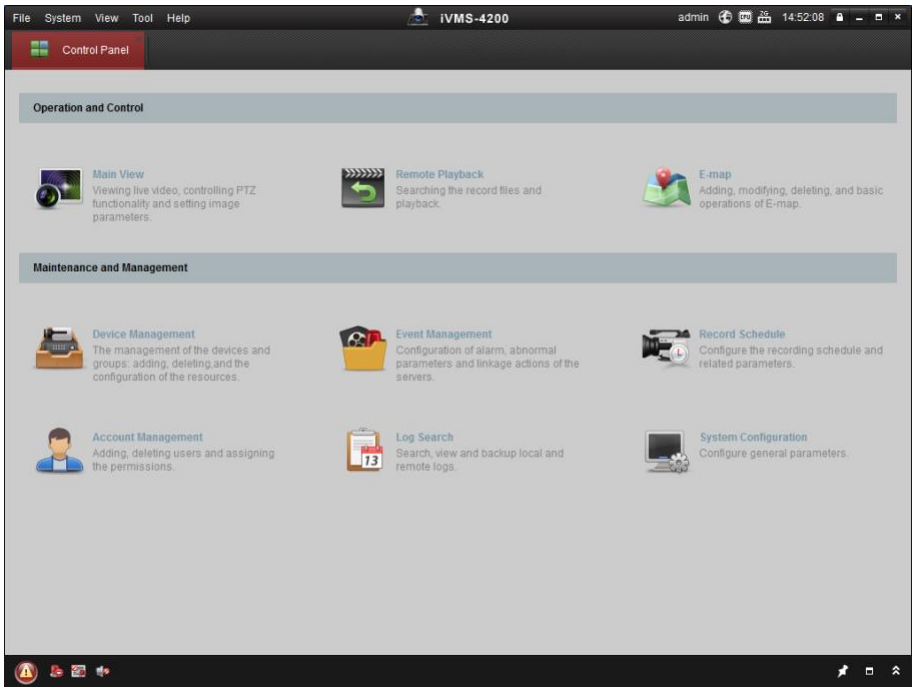

Figure 1-3 Control Panel

2. Click **Device Management** to enter the Device Management interface, as shown below.

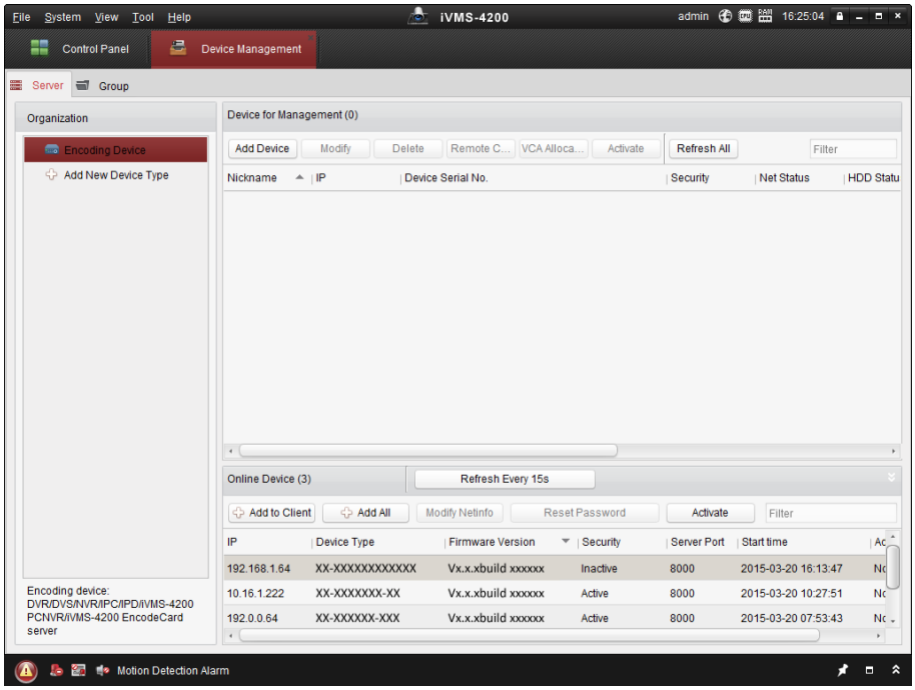

Figure 1-4 Device Management Interface

3. Check the recorder status from the device list, and select an inactive recorder.
4. Click **Activate** to pop up the Activation interface.
5. Create a password and input the password in the password field, and confirm the password.

Note

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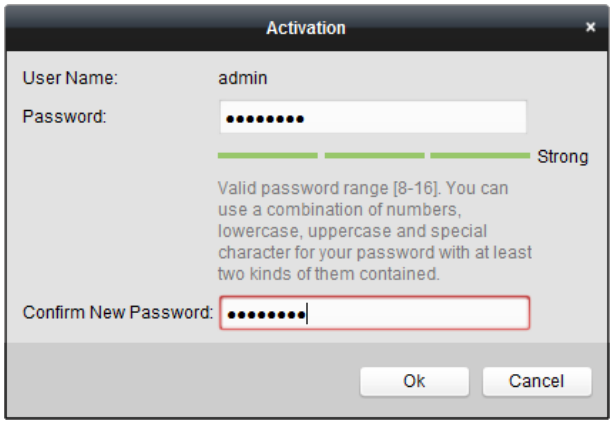

Figure 1-5 Activation

6. Click **OK** to start activation.
7. Click **Modify Netinfo** to pop up the Network Parameter Modification interface, as shown below.

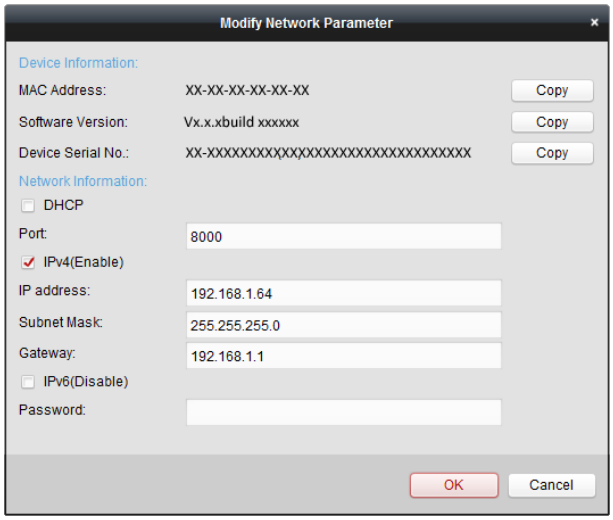

Figure 1-6 Modify Network Parameters

8. Change the recorder IP address to the same subnet with your computer.
Modify the IP address manually.Check **Enable DHCP**.
9. Input the password to activate your IP address modification.

1.1.5 Activate via Web Browser

You can get access to the recorder via web browser. You may use one of the following listed web browsers: Internet Explorer 6.0 and above, Apple Safari, Mozilla Firefox, and Google Chrome. The supported resolutions include 1024*768 and above.

Steps

1. Enter the IP address in web browser, and then press **Enter**.

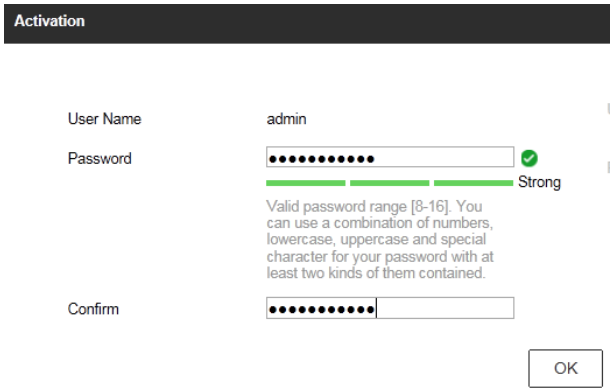

Figure 1-7 Web Browser Activation

2. Set the password for the admin user account.

Note

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3. Click **OK**.

1.2 Configure TCP/IP Settings

TCP/IP settings must be properly configured before operating your over a network. Both IPv4 and IPv6 are available.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **TCP/IP**.

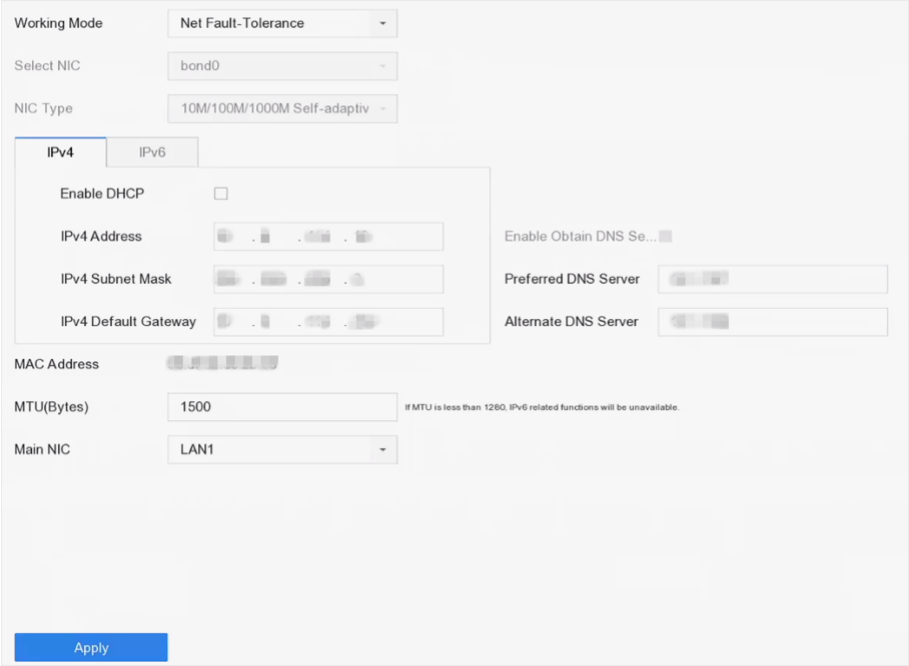


Figure 1-8 TCP/IP Settings

2. Select **Working Mode** as **Net-Fault Tolerance** or **Multi-Address Mode**.

Net-Fault Tolerance

The two NIC cards use the same IP address, and you can select the main NIC to LAN1 or LAN2. In this way, in case of one NIC card failure, the device will automatically enable the other standby NIC card so as to ensure the normal running of the system.

Multi-Address Mode

The parameters of the two NIC cards can be configured independently. You can select LAN1 or LAN2 under Select NIC for parameter settings. Select one NIC card as the default route. When the system connects with the extranet, the data will be forwarded through the default route.

3. Click **IPv4** or **IPv6** as you required.
4. Set related parameters.
5. Click **Apply**.

Note

- Check **Enable DHCP** to obtain IP settings automatically if a DHCP server is available on the network.
- Valid MTU value range is 500 to 9676.

1.3 IR Remote Control Operations

The NVR may also be controlled with the included IR remote control.

Note

Batteries (2×AAA) must be installed before operation.

The IR Remote is set at the factory to control the NVR (using default Device ID# 255) without any additional steps. Device ID# 255 is the default universal device identification number shared by the NVRs. You may also pair an IR Remote to a specific NVR by changing the Device ID#, as follows:

1.3.1 Pair (Enable) the IR Remote to a Specific NVR (optional)

You can pair an IR Remote to a NVR by creating a user-defined Device ID#. This feature is useful when using multiple IR Remotes and NVRs.

Steps

1. On the NVR:
   1) Go to **General** → **More Settings**.
   1) Type a number (255 digits maximum) into the Device No. field.
2. On the IR Remote:
   1) Press **DEV**.
   1) Use the Number buttons to enter the Device ID# that was entered into the NVR.
   2) Press **Enter** button to accept the new Device ID#.

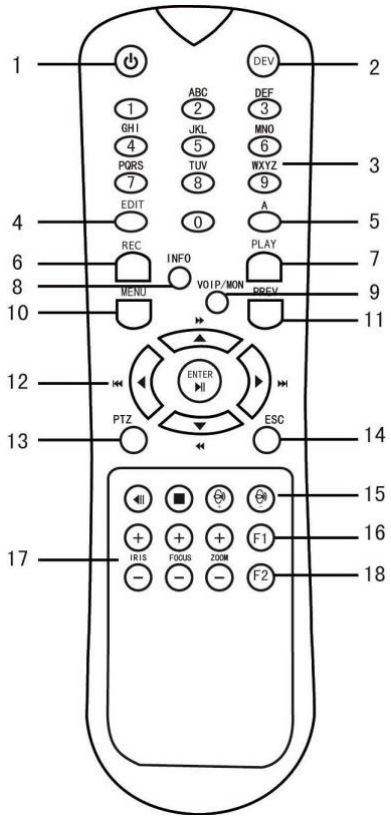


Figure 1-9 Remote Control

1.3.2 Unpair (Disable) an IR Remote from a NVR

To unpair an IR Remote from a NVR so that the unit cannot control any NVR functions, proceed as follows: Press the DEV key on the IR Remote. Any existing Device ID# will be erased from the unit's memory and it will no longer function with the NVR.

Note

(Re)-enabling the IR Remote requires pairing to a NVR. See "Pair the IR Remote to a Specific NVR (optional)" above.

The keys on the remote control closely resemble the ones on the front panel.

Table 1-1 IR Remote Description

No.	Name	FunctionDescription
1	POWER ON/OFF	To Turn Power On: If User Has Not Changed the Default NVR Device ID# (255): 1. Press Power On/Off button (1).

No.	Name	FunctionDescription
		If User Has Changed the NVR Device ID#: 1. Press **DEV button**. 2. Press Number buttons to enter user-defined Device ID#. 3. Press **Enter** button. 4. Press **Power** button to start device.
		To Turn NVR Off: If User Is Logged On: 1. Hold **Power On/Off** button (1) down for five seconds to display the “Yes/No” verification prompt. 2. Use Up/Down Arrow buttons (12) to highlight desired selection. 3. Press **Enter** button (12) to accept selection. If User Is Not Logged On: 1. Hold **Power On/Off** button (1) down for five seconds to display the user name/password prompt. 2. Press the **Enter** button (12) to display the on-screen keyboard. 3. Input the user name. 4. Press the **Enter** button (12) to accept input and dismiss the on-screen keyboard. 5. Use the Down Arrow button (12) to move to the “Password” field. 6. Input password (use on-screen keyboard or numeric buttons (3) for numbers). 7. Press the **Enter** button (12) to accept input and dismiss the on-screen keyboard. 8. Press the **OK** button on the screen to accept input and display the Yes/No” verification prompt (use Up/Down Arrow buttons (12) to move between fields) 9. Press **Enter** button (12) to accept selection. User name/password prompt depends on NVR is configuration. See "System Configuration" section.
2	DEV	Enable IR Remote: Press DEV button, enter NVR Device ID# with number keys, press Enter to pair unit with the NVR.
		Disable IR Remote: Press DEV button to clear Device ID#;

No.	Name	FunctionDescription
		unit will no longer be paired with the NVR.
3	Numerals	Switch to the corresponding channel in Live View or PTZ Controlmode
		Input numbers in Editmode
4	EDIT	Delete characters beforecursor
		Check the checkbox and select the ON/OFFswitch
5	A	Adjust focus in the PTZ Controlmenu
		Switch on-screen keyboards (upperand lower case alphabet, symbols, and numerals)
6	REC	Enter Manual Record settingmenu
		Call a PTZ preset by using the numericbuttons in PTZ control settings
		Turn audio on/off in Playbackmode
7	PLAY	Go to Playback mode
		Auto scan in the PTZ Controlmenu
8	INFO	Reserved
9	VOIP	Switches between main and spot output Zooms out the image in PTZ control mode
10	MENU	Return to Main menu (after successful login)
		N/A
		Show/hide full screen in Playback mode
11	DIRECTION	Navigate between fields and menu items
		Use Up/Down buttons to speed up/slow down recorded video, and Left/Right buttons to advance/rewind 30 secs in Playback mode
		Cycle through channels in Live View mode
		Control PTZ camera movement in PTZ control mode
12	ENTER	Confirm selection in any menu mode
		Checks checkbox
		Play or pause video in Playback mode
		Advance video a single frame in single-frame Playback

No.	Name	FunctionDescription
		mode
		Stop/start auto switch in auto-switch mode
13	PTZ	Enter PTZ Controlmode
14	ESC	Go back to previous screen
		N/A
15	RESERVED	Reserved
16	F1	Select all items on a list
		N/A
		Switch between play and reverseplay in Playback mode
17	PTZ Control	Adjust PTZcamera iris, focus, and zoom
18	F2	Cycle through tabpages
		Switch between channels in Synchronous Playback mode

Troubleshooting Remote Control

If the Status indicator on the front panel turns blue, the remote control is operating properly. If the Status indicator does not turn blue and there is still no response from the remote, please check the following:

- Batteries are installed correctly and the polarities of the batteries are not reversed.
- Batteries are fresh and not out of charge.
- IR receiver is not obstructed.
- No fluorescent lamp is used nearby.

If the remote still can't function properly, please change a remote and try again, or contact the device provider.

Steps

Note

- Make sure you have installed batteries properly in the remote control. And you have to aim the remote control at the IR receiver in the front panel.
- If there is no response after you press any button on the remote, follow the procedure below to troubleshoot.

1. Go to **Menu** → **Settings** → **General** → **More Settings** by operating the front control panel or the mouse.
2. Check and remember NVR ID#. The default ID# is 255. This ID# is valid for all the IR remote controls.
3. Press **DEV** on the remote control.
4. Enter the NVR ID# you set in step 2.

5. Press**ENTER** on the remote.

1.4 HDD Settings

Ensure the video recorder storage media is well. You can install at least one HDD and initialize it.

1.5 Add Network Camera

Before you can get live video or record the video files, you must add the network cameras to the connection list of the device.

Before You Start

Ensure the network connection is valid and correct and the IP camera to add has been activated.

Steps

1. Click on the main menu bar.
2. Click **Custom Add** tab on the title bar.

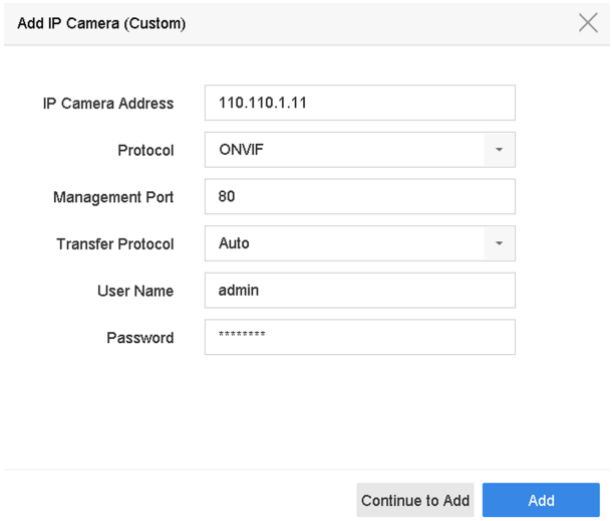


Figure 1-10 Add IP Camera

3. Enter IP address, protocol, management port, and other IP camera information to add.
4. Enter the login user name and password of the IP camera.
5. Click **Add** to finish the adding of the IP camera.
6. Optional: Click **Continue to Add** to continue to add additional IP cameras.

1.5.1 Add Automatically Searched Online Network Camera

Steps

1. Click on the main menu.
2. Click **Number of Unadded Online Device** at the bottom.

3. Select the automatically searched online network cameras.
4. Click **Add** to add the camera which has the same login password with the video recorder.

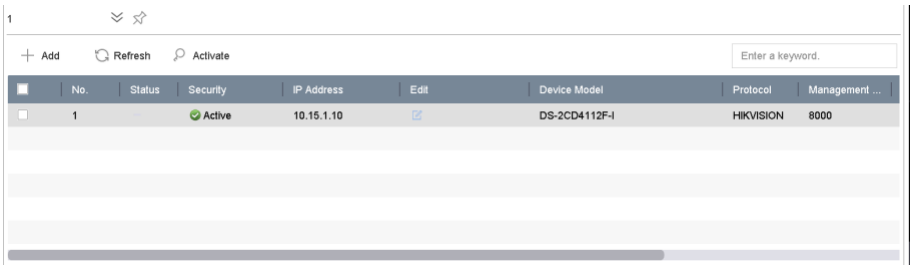


Figure 1-11 Add Automatically Searched Online Network Camera

Note

If the network camera to add has not been activated, you can activate it in the network camera list of camera management interface.

1.5.2 Add Network Camera Manually

Before you view live video or record video files, you must add network cameras to the device.

Before You Start

Ensure the network connection is valid and correct, and the network camera is activated.

Steps

1. Click on the main menu.
2. Click **Custom Adding**.
3. Set **IP Camera Address**, **Protocol**, **Management Port**, **Transfer Protocol**, **User Name**, and **Password**. Management port ranges from 1 to 65535.

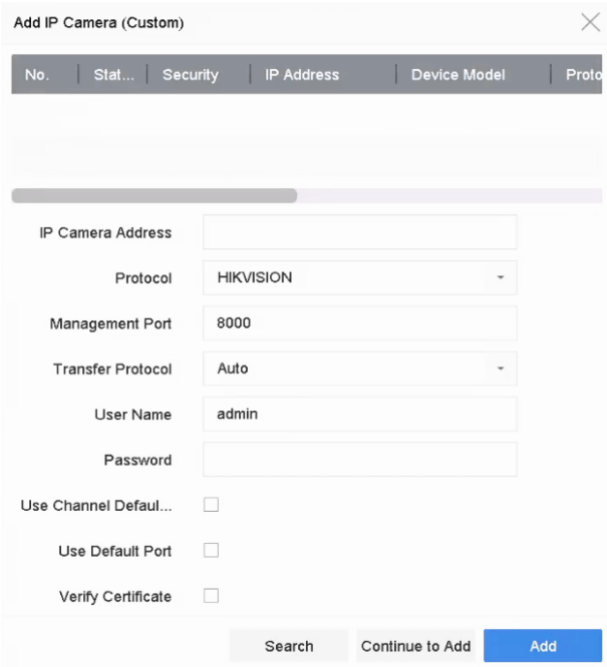


Figure 1-12 Add Network Camera

4. Optional: Check **Use Channel Default Password** to use the default password to add the camera.
5. Optional: Check **Use Default Port** to use the default management port to add the camera. For SDK service, the default port value is 8000. For enhanced SDK service, the default value is 8443.

Note

The function is only available when you use HIKVISION protocol.

6. Optional: Check **Verify Certificate** to verify the camera with certificate. The certificate is a form of identification for the camera that provides more secure camera authentication. It requires to import the network camera certificate to the device first when you use this function. For details, refer to .

Note

The function is only available when you use HIKVISION protocol.

7. Click **Add**.
8. Optional: Check **Continue to Add** to add other network cameras.

1.5.3 Add Network Camera Through PoE

The PoE interfaces enable the device system to pass electrical power safely, along with data, on Ethernet cabling to the connected PoE cameras. Supported PoE camera number varies with device module. If you disable the PoE interface, you can also connect to the online network cameras. And

the PoE interface supports the Plug-and-Play function.

Add PoE Camera

Steps

1. Go to **Camera** → **Camera** → **PoE Settings**.
2. Enable or disable long network cable mode by selecting **Long Distance** or **Short Distance**.

Long Distance

Long-distance (100 to 300 meters) network transmissions via PoE interface.

Short Distance

Short-distance (< 100 meters) network transmission via PoE interface.

Note

- The PoE ports are enabled with the short distance mode by default.
- The bandwidth of IP camera connected to the PoE via long network cable (100 to 300 meters) cannot exceed 6 MP.
- The allowed max. long network cable may be less than 300 meters depending on different IP camera models and cable materials.
- When the transmission distance reaches 100 to 250 meters, you must use the CAT5E or CAT6 network cable to connect with the PoE interface.
- When the transmission distance reaches 250 to 300 meters, you must use the CAT6 network cable to connect with the PoE interface.
- Refer to the Appendix 20.3 List of IP Cameras Connected to PoE by Long Network Cable (100 - 300 m) for the list of IP cameras.

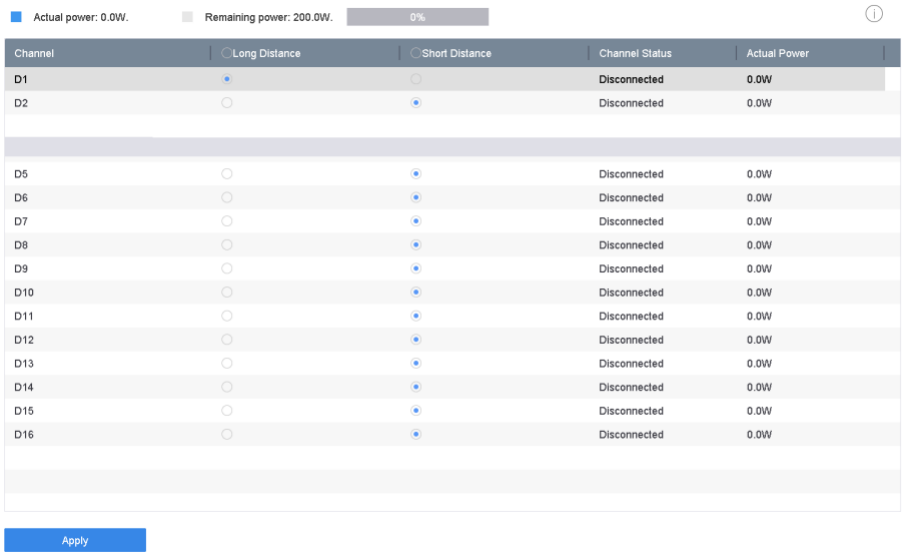


Figure 1-13 Add PoE Camera

3. Click **Apply**.
4. Connect PoE cameras to device PoE ports with network cables.
5. Go to **Camera** → **Camera** → **IP Camera** to view camera image and information.

Add Non-PoE Network Camera

You can disable the PoE interface by selecting the manual while the current channel can be used as a normal channel and the parameters can also be edited.

Steps

1. Go to **Camera** → **Camera** → **IP Camera**.
2. Position the cursor on a window with no linked network camera and click .

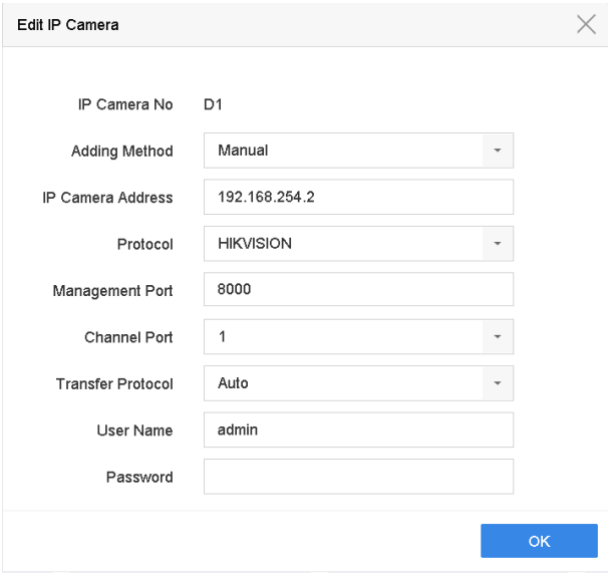


Figure 1-14 Edit Network Camera

3. Select **Adding Method** as **Manual**.

Plug-and-Play

The camera is physically connected to the PoE interface. Its parameters cannot be edited. You can go to **System** → **Network** → **TCP/IP** to change IP address of PoE port.

Manual

Add IP camera without physical connection via network.

4. Enter **IP address**, **User Name**, and **Password**.
5. Click **OK**.

1.5.4 Configure Customized Protocol

To connect network cameras which are not configured with the standard protocols, you can configure the customized protocols for them. The system provides 16 customized protocols.

Steps

1. Go to **More Settings** → **Protocol**.

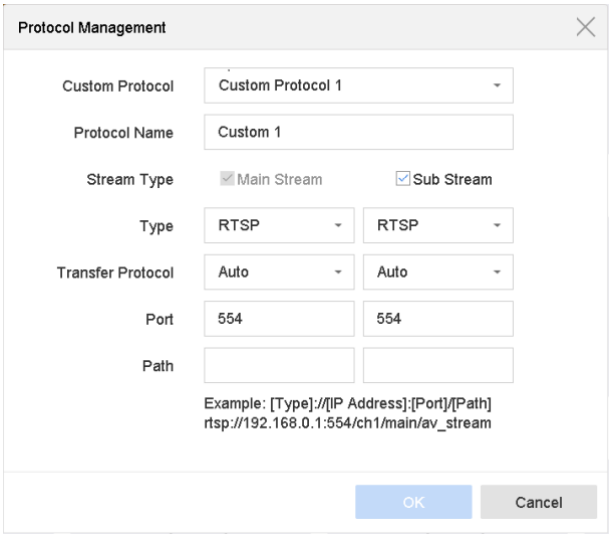


Figure 1-15 Protocol Management

2. Set protocol parameters.

Type

The network camera adopting custom protocol must support getting stream through standard RTSP.

Path

Contact the manufacturer of network camera for the URL (Uniform Resource Locator) of getting main stream and sub-stream.

Note

The protocol type and the transfer protocol must be supported by the network camera to add.

3. Click **OK**.
   After adding the customized protocol, you can see it in **Protocol**.

1.6 Platform Access

1.6.1 Configure ISUP

SDK is based on Intelligent Security Uplink Protocol (ISUP). It provides APIs, library files, and commands for the third-party platform to access devices such as NVRs, speed domes, DVRs, network cameras, mobile NVRs, mobile devices, decoding devices, etc. With this protocol, the third-party platform can realize functions like live view, playback, two-way audio, PTZ control, etc.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **Platform Access**.

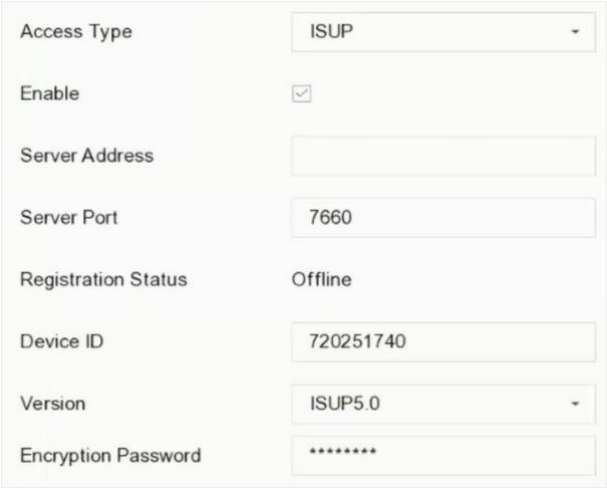


Figure 1-16 ISUP Settings

2. Select **Access Type** as **ISUP**.
3. Check **Enable**.

Note

Enabling ISUP will disable other platform access.

4. Set the related parameters.

Server Address

The platform server IP address.

Server Port

The platform server port, ranges from 1024 to 65535. The actual port shall be provided by the platform.

Device ID

Device ID shall be provided by the platform.

Version

ISUP protocol version, only V5.0 is available.

Encryption Password

Encryption password is required when using ISUP V5.0 version, it provides more secure communication between the device and platform. Enter it for verification after the device is registered to the ISUP platform. It cannot be empty, or "ABCDEF".

5. Click **Apply** to save the settings and restart the device.

What to do next

You can see the registration status (online or offline) after the device is restarted.

1.6.2 Configure Guarding Vision

Guarding Vision enables the mobile phone application and the service platform page (dev.guardingvision.com) to access and manage your connected NVR, providing a convenient remote access to the surveillance system.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **Platform Access**.
2. Check **Enable** to activate the function. Then the service terms will pop up.
   1) Enter **Verification Code**.
   2) Scan the QR code to read the service terms and privacy statement.
   3) Check **The Guarding Vision service will require internet access. Please read Service Terms and Privacy Statement before enabling the service** if you agree with the service terms and privacy statement.
   4) Click **OK**.

Note

- Guarding Vision is disabled by default.
- The verification code is empty by default. It must contain 6 to 12 letters or numbers, and it is case sensitive.
- Check **Time Sync**, the device will sync time with Hik-Connect instead of NTP server.

3. Optional: Configure following parameters.
   - Check **Custom** and enter **Server Address** as your desire.
   - Check **Enable Stream Encryption**, then verification code is required for remote access and live view.

4. Bind your device with a Guarding Vision account.
   1) Use a smart phone to scan the QR code on the device to download Guarding Vision.
   2) Use Guarding Vision to scan the device QR, and bind the device.

Note

If the device is already bound with an account, you can click **Unbind** to unbind with the current account.

5. Click **Apply**.

What to do next

You can access and manage your video recorder through Guarding Vision app or ***dev.guardingvision.com***.

Chapter 2 Camera Settings

2.1 Configure Image Parameters

You can customize image parameters, including day/night switch, backlight, contrast, and saturation in **Camera** → **Display**.

Image Settings

Customize the image parameters including brightness, contrast, and saturation.

Exposure

Set the camera exposure time (1/10000 to 1 sec). A larger exposure value results in a brighter image.

Day/Night Switch

Set the camera to day, night, or auto switch mode according to time or the surrounding illumination condition. When the light diminishes at night, the camera can switches to night mode with high quality black and white image.

Backlight

Set the camera's wide dynamic range (0 to 100). When the surrounding illumination and the object have large differences in brightness, you can set the WDR value to balance the brightness level of the whole image.

Image Enhancement

For optimized image contrast enhancement that reduces noise in video stream.

2.2 Configure OSD Settings

You can configure the OSD (On-screen Display) settings for the camera, including date/time, camera name, etc.

Steps

1. Go to **Camera** → **Display**.
2. Select a camera as your desire.
3. Edit name in **Camera Name**.
4. Check **Display Name**, **Display Date** and **Display Week** to show the information on the image.
5. Set the date format, time format, and display mode.

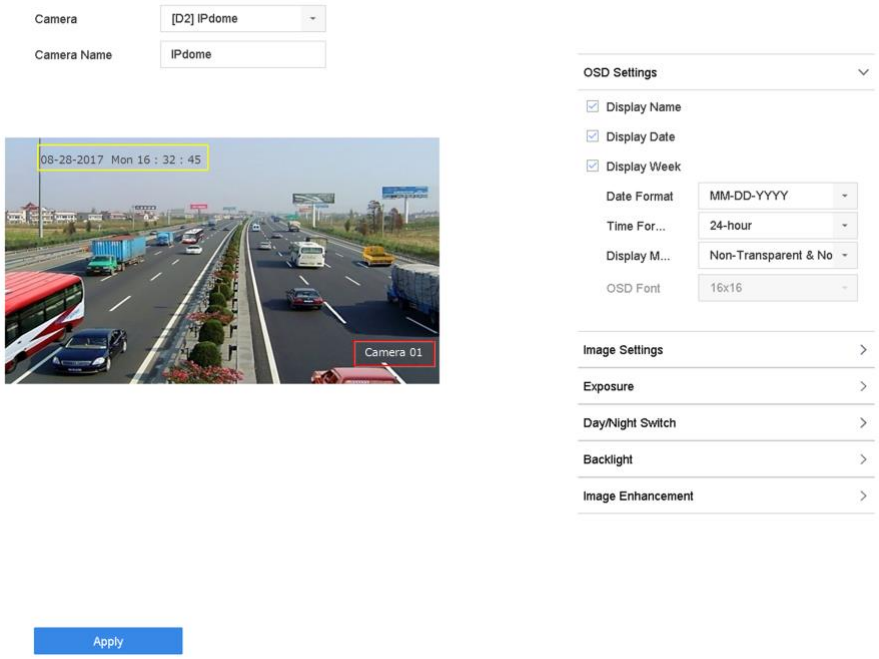


Figure 2-1 OSD Configuration Interface

6. Drag the text frame on the preview window to adjust the OSD position.
7. Click **Apply**.

2.3 Configure Privacy Mask

The privacy mask protects personal privacy by concealing parts of the image from kive view or recording with a masked area.

Steps

1. Go to **Camera** → **Privacy Mask**.
2. Select a camera to set privacy mask.
3. Check **Enable**.
4. Draw a zone on the window. The zone will be marked by different frame colors.

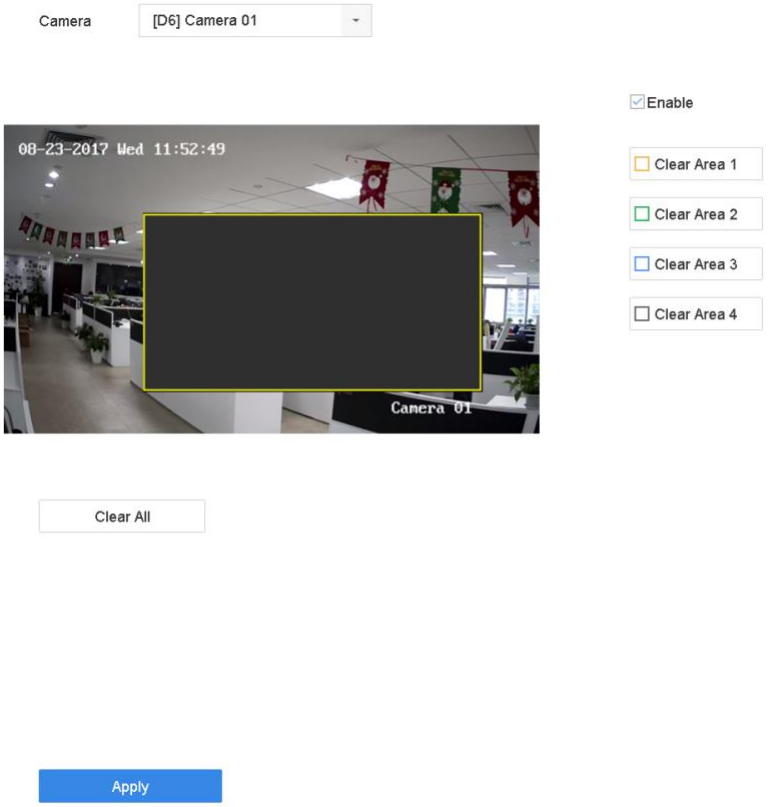


Figure 2-2 Privacy Mask Settings Interface

Note

- Up to 4 privacy masks zones can be configured and the size of each area can be adjusted.
- You can clear the configured privacy mask zones on the window by clicking the corresponding clear zone 1 to 4 icons on the right of the window, or click **Clear All** to clear all zones.

5. Click **Apply**.

2.4 Import/Export IP Camera Configuration Files

The IP camera information, including the IP address, manage port, password of admin, etc., can be saved in Microsoft Excel format and backed up to the local device. The exported file can be edited on a PC, including adding or deleting the content, and copying the setting to other devices by importing the Excel file to it.

Before You Start

When importing the configuration file, connect the storage device that contains the configuration file to the device.

Steps

1. Go to **Camera** → **IP Camera Import/Export**.

2. Click **IP Camera Import/Export**, and the detected external device contents appear.
3. Export or import the IP camera configuration files.
   – Click **Export** to export the configuration files to the selected local backup device.
   – To import a configuration file, select the file from the selected backup device and click **Import**.

Note

After the importing process is completed, you must reboot the device to activate the settings.

2.5 Upgrade IP Cameras

The IP camera can be remotely upgraded through the device.

Before You Start

Ensure you have inserted the USB flash drive to the device, and it contains the IP camera upgrade firmware.

Steps

1. On the camera management interface, select a camera.
2. Go to **More Settings** → **Upgrade**.
3. Select the firmware upgrade file from the USB flash drive.
4. Click **Upgrade**.
   The IP camera will reboot automatically after the upgrading completes.

Chapter 3 Live View

Live view displays the video image getting from each camera in real time.

3.1 Start Live View

Click on the main menu bar to enter the Live View.

- Select a window and double click a camera from the list to play the video from the camera in the selected window.
- Use the toolbar at the playing window bottom to realize the capture, instant playback, audio on/off, digital zoom, live view strategy, show information and start/stop recording, etc.

3.1.1 Configure Live View Settings

Live View settings can be customized. You can configure the output interface, dwell time for screen to be shown, mute or turning on the audio, the screen number for each channel, etc.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Live View** → **General**.

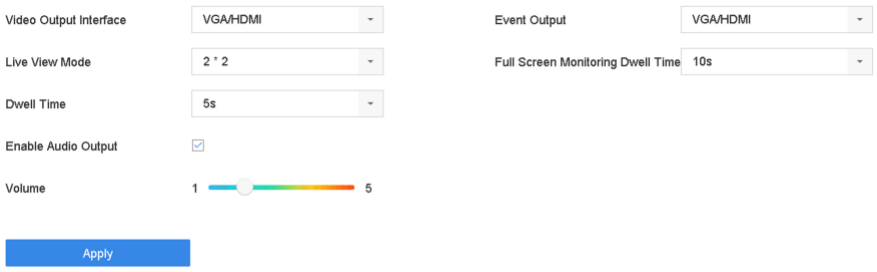


Figure 3-1 Live View-General

2. Configure the live view parameters.

Video Output Interface

Select the video output to configure.

Live View Mode

Select the display mode for Live View, e.g., 2*2, 1*5, etc.

Dwell Time

The time in seconds to wait between switching of cameras when using auto-switch in Live View.

Enable Audio Output

Enable/disable audio output for the selected video output.

Volume

Adjust the Live View volume, playback and two-way audio for the selected output interface.

Event Output

Select the output to show event video.

Full Screen Monitoring Dwell Time

Set the time in seconds to show alarm event screen.

3. Click **OK**.

3.1.2 Configure Live View Layout

Live view displays the video image getting from each camera in real time.

Configure Custom Live View Layout

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Live View** → **View**.
2. Click **Set Custom Layout**.
3. Click + on the Custom Layout Configuration interface.
4. Edit the layout name.
5. Select a window division mode from the toolbar.

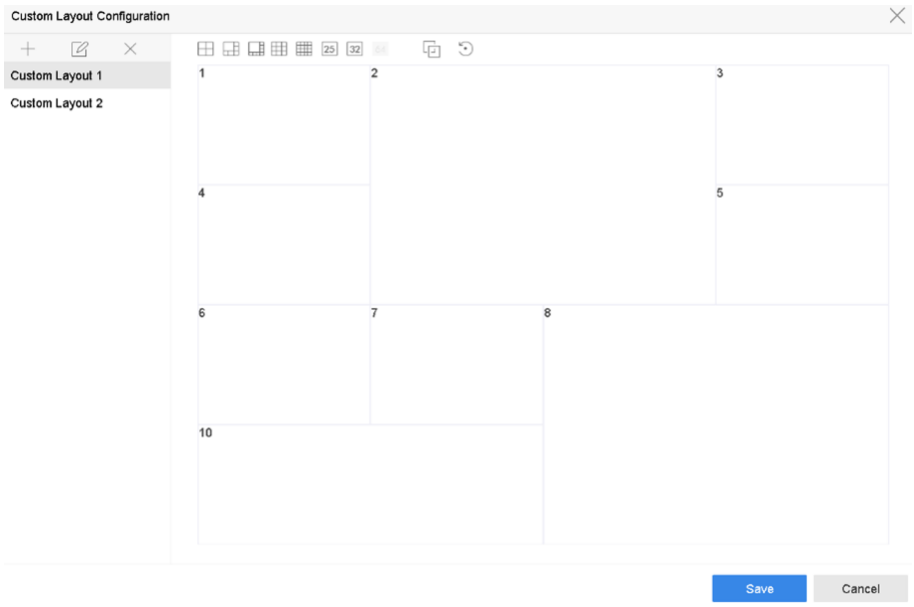


Figure 3-2 Configure Live View Layout

6. Select multiple windows and click to joint the windows. The selected windows must be in rectangle area.
7. Click **Save**.
   The successfully configured layout is displayed in the list.

8. Optional: Select a live view layout from the list and click to edit the name, or click to delete the name.

Configure Live View Mode

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Live View** → **View**.
2. Select the video output interface.
3. Select a layout or custom layout from the toolbar.
4. Select a division window, and double-click on a camera in the list to link the camera to the window.

Note

- You can also click-and-drag the camera to the desired window on the Live View interface to set the camera order.
- You can enter the number in the text field to quickly search the camera from the list.

5. Click **Apply**.
6. Optional: Click to start live view for all channels, or click to stop all live view channels.

3.2 Configure Auto-Switch of Cameras

You can set the auto-switch of cameras to play in different display modes.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Live View** → **General**.
2. Set **Video Output Interface**, **Live View Mode**, and **Dwell Time**.

Video Output Interface

Select the video output interface.

Live View Mode

Select the display mode for live view, e.g., 2*2, 1*5, etc.

Dwell Time

The time in seconds to dwell between switching of cameras when enabling auto-switch. The range is from 5s to 300s.

3. Go to **View Settings** to set the view layout.
4. Click **OK** to save the settings.

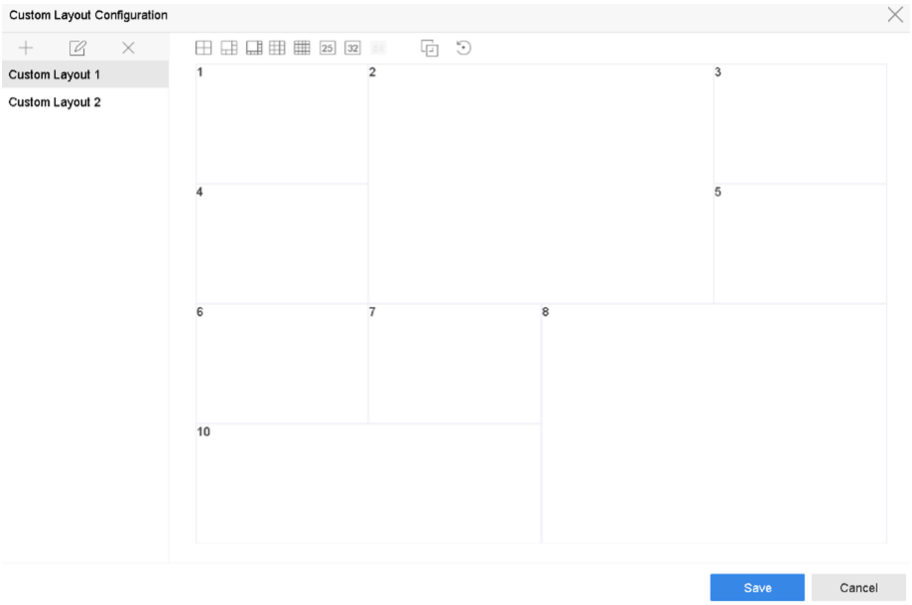
3.3 Configure Live View Layout

Live view displays the video image getting from each camera in real time.

3.3.1 Configure Custom Live View Layout

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Live View** → **View**.
2. Click **Set Custom Layout**.
3. Click + on the Custom Layout Configuration interface.
4. Edit the layout name.
5. Select a window division mode from the toolbar.



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Note

- You can also click-and-drag the camera to the desired window on the Live View interface to set the camera order.
- You can enter the number in the text field to quickly search the camera from the list.

5. Click **Apply**.
6. Optional: Click to start live view for all channels, or click to stop all live view channels.

3.4 Configure Channel-Zero Encoding

Enable the channel-zero encoding when you need to get a remote view of many channels in real time from a web browser or CMS (Client Management System) software, in order to decrease the bandwidth requirement without affecting the image quality.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Live View** → **Channel-Zero**.
2. Check **Enable Channel-Zero Encoding**.

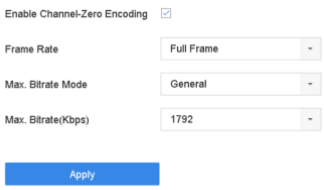

Figure 3-4 Channel-Zero Encoding

3. Configure **Frame Rate**, **Max. Bitrate Mode**, and **Max. Bitrate**. A higher frame rate and bitrate require higher bandwidth.
4. Click **Apply**.
   You can view all the channels on one screen via CMS or web browser.

3.5 Digital Zoom

Digital Zoom zooms into the live image in different magnifications (1x to 16x).

Steps

1. Start live view, click from the toolbar.
2. Move the sliding bar or scroll the mouse wheel to zoom in/out the image to different magnifications (1x to 16x).

Figure 3-5 Digital Zoom

3.6 3D Positioning

3D Positioning zooms in/out a specific live image area.

Steps

1. Start live view, and click .
2. Zoom in/out the image.
   - Zoom in: Click on the desired position in the video image and drag a rectangle area in the lower right direction to zoom in.
   - Zoom out: Drag a rectangle area in the upper left direction to move the position to the center and enable the rectangle area to zoom out.

3.7 Live View Strategy

Steps

1. In the live view mode, click to enter the digital zoom operation interface in full screen mode.
2. Select the live view strategy to **Real-time**, **Balanced** or **Fluency**.

3.8 Use an Auxiliary Monitor

Certain features of the Live View are also available while in an Aux monitor. Features include:

Single Screen

Switch to a full screen display of the selected camera. Camera can be selected from a dropdown

list.

Multi-screen

Switch between different display layout options. Layout options can be selected from a dropdown list.

Next Screen

When displaying less than the maximum number of cameras in Live View, clicking this feature will switch to the next set of displays.

Playback

Enter into Playback mode.

PTZ Control

Enter PTZ Control mode.

Main Monitor

Enter Main operation mode.

Note

In the live view mode of the main output monitor, the menu operation is not available while Aux output mode is enabled.

3.9 Facial Recognition

You can enter facial recognition interface to view real-time facial recognition results.

Before You Start

Ensure you have configured facial detection and face picture comparison function, refer to***Face Picture Comparison*** for details.

Steps

1. Go to live view interface, and click in toolbar.
2. Click , , or to set window division.
3. Select a window as you desired.
4. Double click a camera from the camera list on the left bottom.

Figure 3-6 Facial Recognition

5. Click **Records** to view the real-time facial recognition records of selected camera. The records will also be shown in the window on the right. You can view the facial detection number at the top, including the total number, succeeded number and failed number.
6. Optional: For the unregistered face picture, you can double click it in records list, and add it to face picture library.

Note

For guest and operator user, it requires Local Parameters Settings permission to add unregistered face picture to face picture library.

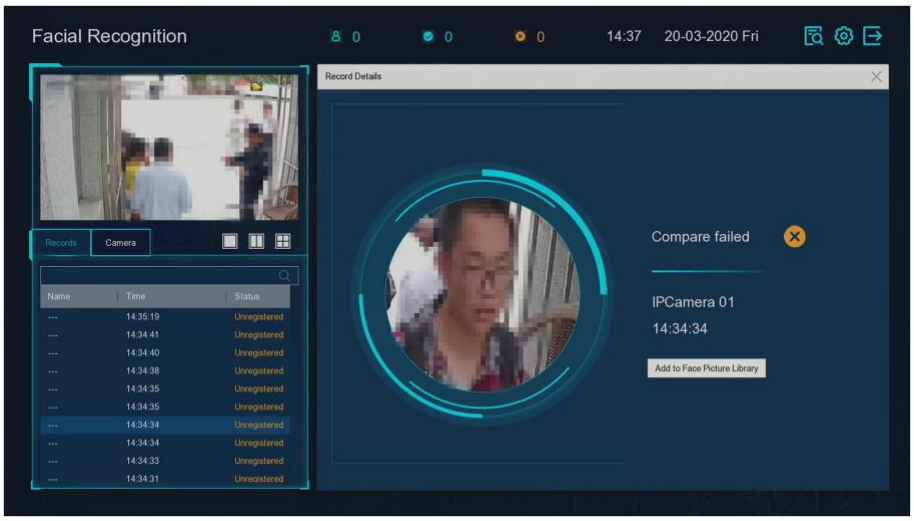

Figure 3-7 Add Unregistered Face Picture

7. Optional: Click on the upper right corner to configure the display settings as you desired.

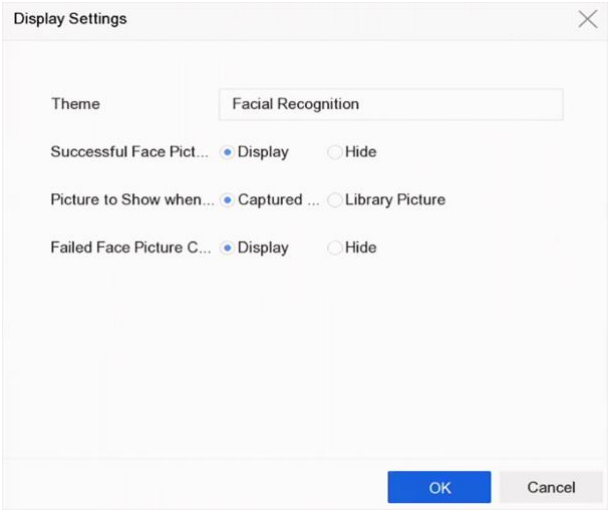

Figure 3-8 Facial Recognition Display Settings

8. Optional: Click on the upper right corner to search and export record.
   1) Set the search parameters as you desired.
   2) Click **Search**.
   3) Click **Export Attendance Record** or **Export Check-in Record**.

Note

- Ensure you have inserted USB flash drive before export.
- You can click a record to review the attendance information of this individual in calendar.
- For guest and operator user, it requires "Local Video Export permission" (in "Camera Permission") to search and export record.

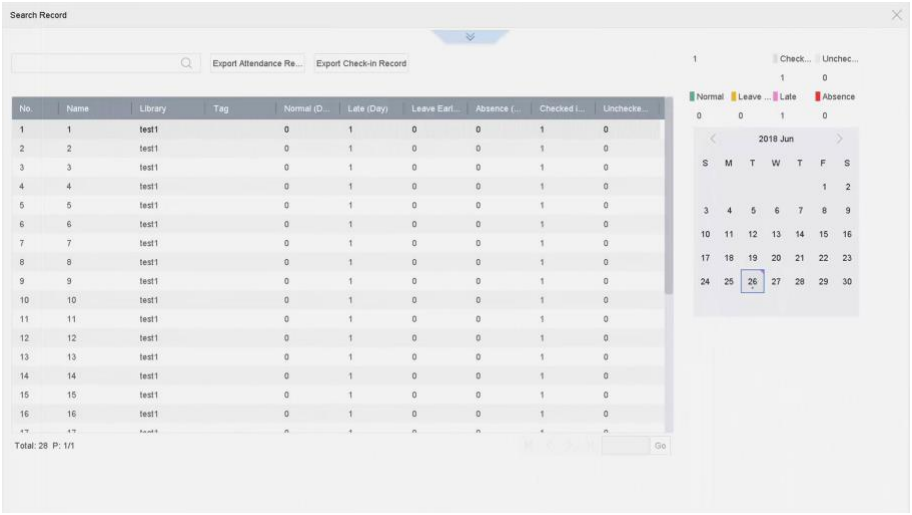

Figure 3-9 Face Recognition Search Record

3.10 PTZ Control

3.10.1 Configure PTZ Parameters

Follow these procedures to set the PTZ parameters. The PTZ parameters configuration must be done before you can control the PTZ camera.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's Live View.
2. Click **PTZ Parameters Settings** to set the PTZ parameters.

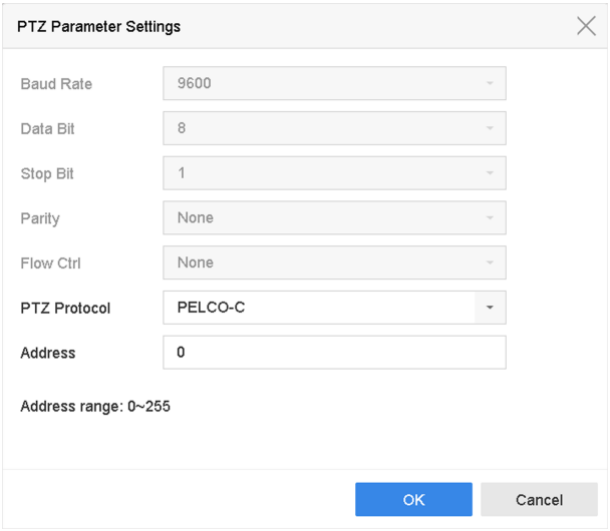

Figure 3-10 PTZ Parameters Settings

3. Edit the PTZ parameters.

Note

All the parameters should be exactly match the PTZ camera parameters.

4. Click **OK** to save the settings.

3.10.2 Set a Preset

Presets record the PTZ position and the status of zoom, focus, iris, etc.You can call a preset to quickly move the camera to the predefined position.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view.
2. Click directional buttons to wheel the camera to a location.
3. Adjust the zoom, focus and iris status.
4. Click in the lower right corner of Live View to set the preset.

Figure 3-11 Set Preset

5. Select the preset No. (1 to 255) from the drop-down list.
6. Enter the preset name.
7. Click **Apply** to save the preset.
8. Optional: Click **Cancel** cancel the location information of the preset.
9. Optional: Click in the lower right corner of Live View to view the configured presets.

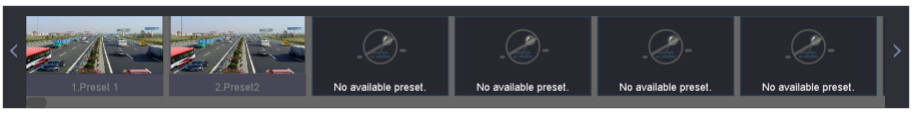

Figure 3-12 View the Configured Presets

3.10.3 Call a Preset

A preset enables the camera to point to a specified position such as a window when an event takes place.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's Live View.
2. Click in the lower right corner of Live View to set the preset.
3. Select the preset No. from the drop-down list.
4. Click **Call** to call it, or click in the lower right corner of Live View, and click the configured preset to call it.

Figure 3-13 Call Preset (1)

Figure 3-14 Call Preset (2)

3.10.4 Set a Patrol

Patrols can be set to move the PTZ to key points and have it stay there for a set duration before moving on to the next key point. The key points are correspond to the presets.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view.
2. Click **Patrol** to configure patrol.

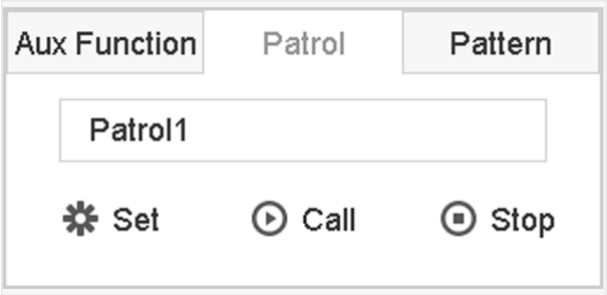

Figure 3-15 Patrol Configuration

3. Select the patrol No.
4. Click **Set**.

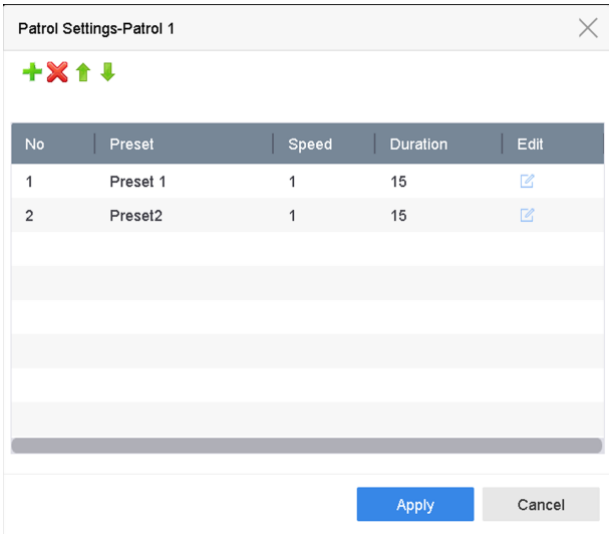

Figure 3-16 Patrol Settings

5. Click ✚ to add a key point to the patrol.

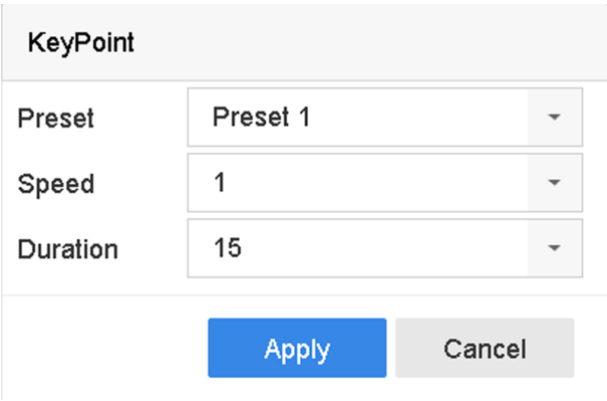

Figure 3-17 Key Point Configuration

1) Configure key point parameters.

Preset

Determines the order the PTZ will follow while cycling through the patrol.

Speed

Defines the speed the PTZ will move from one key point to the next.

Duration

Refers to the duration to stay at the corresponding key point.

2) Click **Apply** to save the key points to the patrol.

6. Other Operation is as follows.

OperationDescriptionOperationDescription❌Select a key point to delete.Edit the added key point. ⬆ Adjust the key point order ⬇ Adjust the key point order

7. Click **Apply** to save the patrol settings.

3.10.5 Call a Patrol

Calling a patrol makes the PTZ move according to the predefined patrol path.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view.
2. Click **Patrol** on the PTZ control panel.

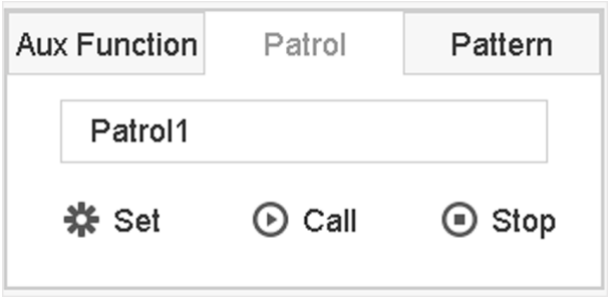

Figure 3-18 Patrol Configuration

3. Select a patrol.
4. Click **Call** to start the patrol.
5. Optional: Click **Stop** to stop the patrol.

3.10.6 Set a Pattern

Patterns can be set by recording the movement of the PTZ. You can call the pattern to make the PTZ move according to the predefined path.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view.
2. Click **Pattern** to configure a pattern.

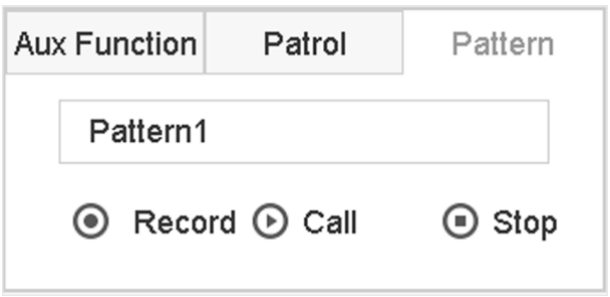

Figure 3-19 Pattern Configuration

3. Select the pattern No.
4. Set the pattern.
   1) Click **Record** to start recording.
   2) Click corresponding buttons on the control panel to move the PTZ camera.
   3) Click **Stop** to stop recording. The PTZ movement is recorded as the pattern.

3.10.7 Call a Pattern

Follow the procedure to move the PTZ camera according to the predefined patterns.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view.
2. Click **Pattern** to configure pattern.

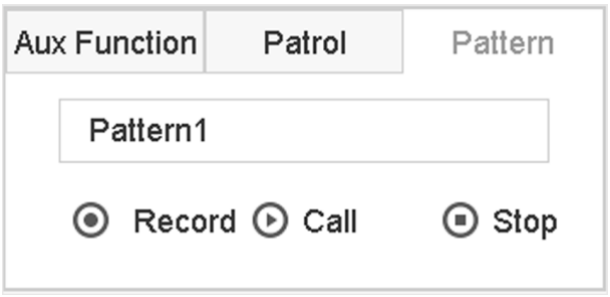

Figure 3-20 Pattern Configuration

3. Select a pattern.
4. Click **Call** to start the pattern.
5. Optional: Click **Stop** to stop the pattern.

3.10.8 Set Linear Scan Limit

Linear Scan trigger a scan in the horizontal direction in the predefined range.

Before You Start

Make sure the connected IP camera supports the PTZ function and is properly connected.

Note

This function is supported only by some certain models.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view.
2. Click directional buttons to wheel the camera to a location, and click **Left Limit** or **Right Limit** to link the location to the corresponding limit.

Note

The speed dome linear scans from the left limit to the right limit, and you must set the left limit on the left side of the right limit. Also, the angle from the left limit to the right limit must be no more greater than 180º.

3.10.9 One-Touch Park

Certain speed dome models can be configured to start a predefined park action (scan, preset, patrol and etc.) automatically after a period of inactivity (park time).

Before You Start

Before operating this function, make sure the connected camera supports linear scan and is in HIKVISION protocol.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view.
2. Click **Park (Quick Patrol)**, **Park (Patrol 1)**, or **Park (Preset 1)** to activate the park action.

   Park (Quick Patrol)

   The dome starts patrolling from the predefined preset 1 to preset 32 in order after the park time. Undefined presets will be skipped.

   Park (Patrol 1)

   The dome starts moving according to the predefined patrol 1 path after the park time.

   Park (Preset 1)

   The dome moves to the predefined preset 1 location after the park time.

Note

The park time can be set only via the speed dome configuration interface. The default value is 5s by default.

3. Optional: Click **Stop Park (Quick Patrol)**, **Stop Park (Patrol 1)**, or **Stop Park (Preset 1)** to inactivate it.

3.10.10 Auxiliary Functions

You can operate the auxiliary functions including light, wiper, 3D positioning, and center on the PTZ control panel.

Before You Start

Make sure the connected IP camera supports the PTZ function, and is properly connected.

Steps

1. Click on the quick settings toolbar of the PTZ camera's live view. The PTZ control panel displays on the right of the interface.
2. Click **Aux Function**.

Figure 3-21 Aux Function Configuration

3. Click the icons to operate the aux functions. See the table for the icon descriptions.

Table 3-1 Description of Aux Functions Icons

Icon	Description
	Light on/off
	Wiper on/off
	3D positioning
	Center

Chapter 4 Recording and Playback

4.1 Recording

4.1.1 Configure Recording Parameters

Go to **Camera** → **Video Parameters**.

Main Stream

Main stream refers to the primary stream that affects data recorded to the hard disk drive and will directly determine your recording quality and image size.
Comparing with the sub-stream, the main stream can provide a higher quality video with higher resolution and frame rate.

Frame Rate (FPS - Frames Per Second)

It refers to how many frames are captured each second. A higher frame rate is advantageous when there is movement in the video stream, as it maintains image quality throughout.

Resolution

Image resolution is a measure of how much detail a digital image can hold. The greater the resolution, the greater the level of detail. Resolution can be specified as the number of pixel-columns (width) by the number of pixel-rows (height), e.g., 1024 × 768.

Bitrate

The bit rate (in kbit/s or Mbit/s) is often referred to as speed, but actually defines the number of bits/time unit and not distance/time unit.

Enable H.264+

H.264+ combines intelligent analysis technology with predictive encoding, noise suppression, and long-term bit rate control to realize a lower bit rate,which plays a significant role in cutting storage costs and provides a higher return value for the investment.

Enable H.265+

H.265+ is an optimized encoding technology based on the standard H.265/HEVC compression. With H.265+, the video quality is almost the same as that of H.265/HEVC but with less transmission bandwidth and storage capacity required.

Note

- A higher resolution, frame rate and bit rate setting will provide you the better video quality, but it will also require more internet bandwidth and use more storage space on the hard disk drive.
- H.264+ or H.265+ encoding technology is only available for certain models.

Sub-Stream

Sub-stream is a second codec that runs alongside the main stream. It allows you to reduce the outgoing internet bandwidth without sacrificing your direct recording quality.
Sub-stream is often exclusively used by apps to view live video. Users with limited internet speeds may benefit most from this setting.

Picture

The picture refers to the live picture capture in continuous or event recording type. (**Storage** → **Capture Schedule** → **Advanced**

Picture Quality

Set the picture quality to low, medium or high. The higher picture quality results in more storage space requirement.

Interval

The interval of capturing live picture.

Capture Delay Time

The duration of capturing pictures.

Configure Advanced Recording Parameters

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Schedule** → **Record**.
2. Check **Enable Schedule** to enable scheduled recording.
3. Click **Advanced** to set the advanced parameters.

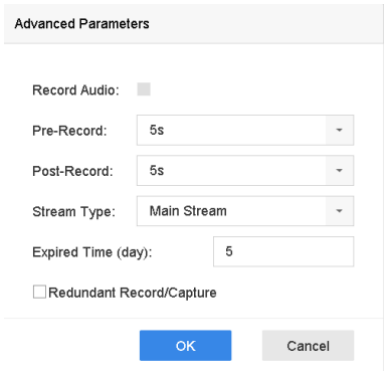

Figure 4-1 Advanced Record Settings

Record Audio

Enable or disable audio recording.

Pre-record

The time you set to record before the scheduled time or event. For example, when an alarm triggers the recording at 10:00, and if you set the pre-record time as 5 seconds, the camera

records at 9:59:55.

Post-record

The time you set to record after the event or the scheduled time. For example, when an alarm triggered recording ends at 11:00, and if you set the post-record time as 5 seconds, it records till 11:00:05.

Stream Type

Main stream and sub-stream are selectable for recording. When you select sub-stream, you can record for a longer time with the same storage space.

Expired Time

The expired time is period for a recorded file to be kept in the HDD. When the deadline is reached, the file will be deleted. If you set the expired time to 0, the file will not be deleted. The actual keeping time for the file should be determined by the capacity of the HDD.

Redundant Record/Capture

By enabling redundant record or capture you save the record and captured picture in the redundant HDD.

4.1.2 Enable the H.265 Stream Access

The device can automatically switch to the H.265 stream of IP camera (which supports H.265 video format) for the initial access.
Go to **Camera** → **More Settings** → **H.265 Auto Switch Configuration** to enable the function.

4.1.3 ANR

ANR (Automatic Network Replenishment) function enables the IP camera to save the recording files in the local storage when the network is disconnected, and when the network is resumed, it uploads the files to the device.

Steps

1. Log in your device via web browser and go to **Configuration** → **Storage** → **Schedule Settings** → **Advanced** .
2. Check **Enable ANR**.
3. Click **OK**.

4.1.4 Manual Recording

You can click to manually start/stop recording videos at live view.

4.1.5 Configure Plan Recording

The camera would automatically start/stop recording according to the configured recording

schedule.

Before You Start

- Ensure you have installed the HDDs to the device or added the network disks before storing the video files, pictures and log files.
- Before enabling **Motion**, **Alarm**, **M | A** (motion or alarm), **M & A** (motion and alarm) and **Event** triggered recording and capture, you must configure the motion detection settings, alarm input settings and other events as well. Refer to for details.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Schedule** → **Record**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Check **Enable Schedule**.
4. Select a recording type.

   Continuous

   Scheduled recording.

   Event

   Recording triggered by all event triggered alarm.

   Motion

   Recording triggered by motion detection.

   Alarm

   Recording triggered by alarm.

   M/A

   Recording triggered by either motion detection or alarm.

   M&A

   Recording triggered by motion detection and alarm.

   POS

   Recording triggered by POS and alarm.
5. Drag the cursor on time bar to set the record schedule.

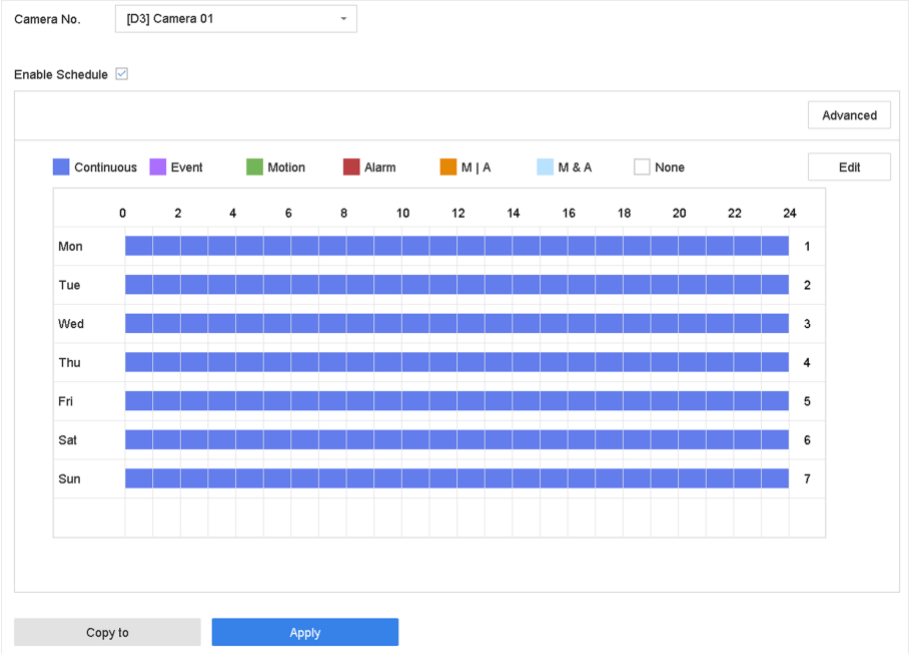

Figure 4-2 Record Schedule

Note

- You can repeat the above steps to set schedule recording or capture for each day in the week.
- Continuous recording is applied to each day by default.

6. Optional: Copy the recording schedule to other camera(s).
   1) Click **Copy to**.
   2) Select camera(s) to duplicate with the same schedule settings.
   3) Click **OK**.
7. Click **Apply**.

4.1.6 Configure Continuous Recording

The device can continuously record the video within the configured time schedule.

Steps

1. Go to **Camera** → **Encoding Parameters** → **Recording Parameters**.
2. Set the continuous main stream/sub-stream recording parameters for the camera.
3. Go to **Storage** → **Recording Schedule**.
4. Drag the mouse on the time bar to set the continuous recording schedule. Refer to ***Configure Plan Recording*** for details.

4.1.7 Configure Motion Detection Triggered Recording

You can configure the recording triggered by the motion detection event.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Motion Detection**.
2. Configure the motion detection and select the channel (s) to trigger the recording when motion event occurs. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions*** for details.
3. Go to **Camera** → **Encoding Parameters** → **Recording Parameters**.
4. Set the event main stream/sub-stream recording parameters for the camera.
5. Go to **Storage** → **Recording Schedule**.
6. Select the recording type to **Motion**.
7. Drag the mouse on the time bar to set motion detection recording schedule. Refer to ***Configure Plan Recording*** for details.

4.1.8 Configure Event Triggered Recording

You can configure the recording triggered by the motion detection, motion detection and alarm, face detection, vehicle detection, line crossing detection, etc.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event**.
2. Configure the event detection and select the channel(s) to trigger the recording when event occurs. Refer to ***Event*** for details.
3. Go to **Camera** → **Encoding Parameters** → **Recording Parameters**.
4. Set the event main stream/sub-stream recording parameters for the camera.
5. Go to **Storage** → **Recording Schedule**.
6. Select the recording type to **Event**.
7. Drag the mouse on the time bar to set the event detection recording schedule. Refer to ***Configure Plan Recording*** for details.

4.1.9 Configure Alarm Triggered Recording

You can configure the recording triggered by the motion detection, face detection, vehicle detection, line crossing detection, etc.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Alarm Input**.
2. Configure the alarm input and select the channel(s) to trigger the recording when alarm occurs. Refer to ***Event*** for details.
3. Go to **Camera** → **Encoding Parameters** → **Recording Parameters**.
4. Set the event main stream/sub-stream recording parameters for the camera.
5. Go to **Storage** → **Recording Schedule**.
6. Select the recording type to **Alarm**.

7. Drag the mouse on the time bar to set the alarm recording schedule. Refer to ***Configure Plan Recording*** for details.

4.1.10 Configure Picture Capture

The picture refers to the live picture capture in continuous or event recording type. Only certain models support this function.

Steps

1. Go to **Camera** → **Encoding Parameters** → **Capture**.
2. Set the picture parameters.

   Resolution

   Set the resolution of the picture to capture.

   Picture Quality

   Set the picture quality to low, medium or high. The higher picture quality results in more storage space requirement.

   Interval

   The interval of capturing live picture.
3. Go to **Storage** → **Capture Schedule**.
4. Select the camera to configure the picture capture.
5. Set the picture capture schedule. Refer to ***Configure Plan Recording*** for details.

4.1.11 Configure Holiday Recording

You may want to have different plan for recording on holiday, this function allows you to set the recording schedule on holiday for the year.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Holiday**.
2. Select a holiday item from the list.
3. Click to edit the selected holiday.
4. Check **Enable**.

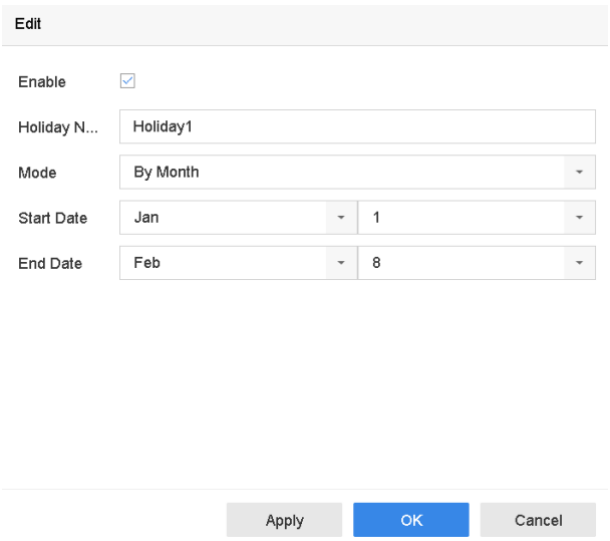

Figure 4-3 Edit Holiday Settings

5. Set **Holiday Name**, **Mode**, **Start Date**, and **End Date**.
6. Click **OK**.
7. Set the schedule for holiday recording. Refer to ***Configure Plan Recording*** for details.

4.1.12 Configure Redundant Recording and Capture

Enabling redundant recording and capture, which means saving the record files and captured pictures not only in the R/W HDD but also in the redundant HDD, will effectively enhance the data safety and reliability.

Before You Start

You must set the storage mode to **Group** before you set the HDD property to **Redundancy**. For detailed information, refer to***Configure HDD Group***. There should be at least another HDD which is in Read/Write status.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Device**.
2. Select a HDD from the list and click to enter the **Local HDD Settings** interface.
3. Set the HDD property to **Redundancy**.
4. Go to **Storage** → **Schedule Settings** → **Record Schedule/Capture Schedule**.
5. Click **Advanced** to set the camera recording parameters.

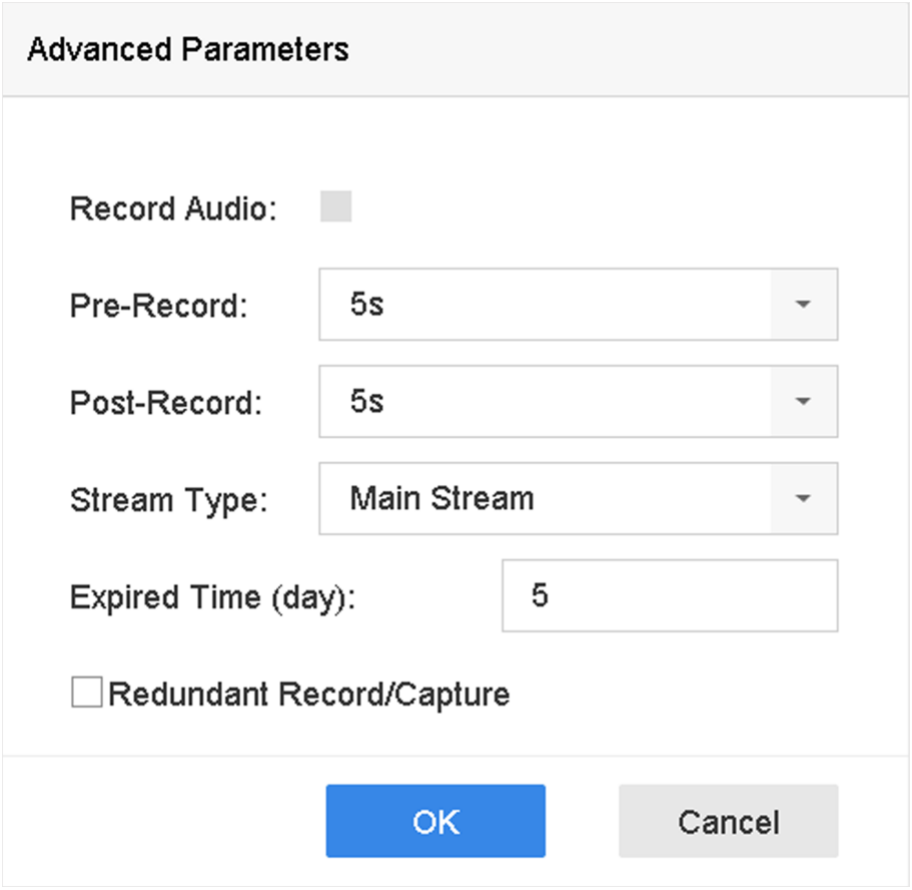

Figure 4-4 Record Parameters

6. Check **Redundant Record/Capture**.
7. Click **OK** to save settings.

4.2 Playback

4.2.1 Instant Playback

Instant playback enables the device to play the recorded video files recorded in the last five minutes. If no video is found, it means there is no recording during the last five minutes.
After selecting the camera on **Live View**, you can move the cursor to the window bottom to access the toolbar, and click to start instant playback.

Figure 4-5 Playback Interface

4.2.2 Play Normal Video

Go to **Playback**, select date and camera(s), and use the toolbar at the bottom to perform playback operations. Refer to ***Playback Operations***. You can click camera(s) to execute simultaneous playback of multiple camera(s).

Note

256x playing speed is supported.

Figure 4-6 Play Normal Video Interface

4.2.3 Play Smart Searched Video

In smart playback mode, the device can analyze videos that containing motion, line, or intrusion

detection information, and mark them in red.
Go to **Playback**, click **Smart**, and then click motion detection ( ), line crossing detection ( ), or intrusion detection ( ) in the toolbar at the bottom to play the video as your desire.

Figure 4-7 Payback by Smart Search

4.2.4 Play Custom Searched Files

You can play video by customized search conditions.

Steps

1. Go to **Playback**.
2. Select camera(s) from the list.
3. Click **Custom Search** on the left bottom.
4. Enter search conditions, including **Time**, **File Status**, **Event Type**, etc.

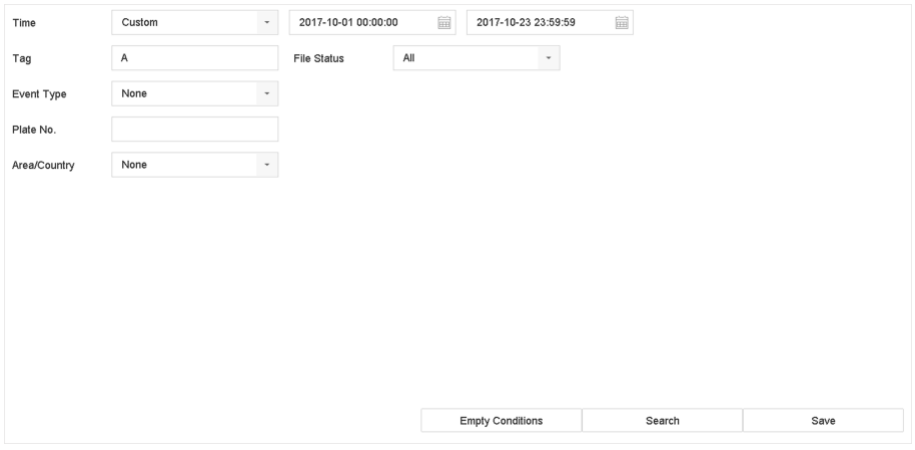

Figure 4-8 Custom Search

5. Click **Search**.

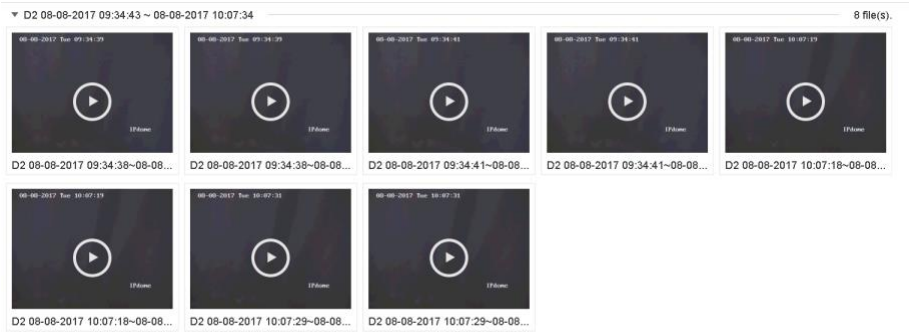

Figure 4-9 Custom Searched Video Files

6. Select a file and start playing the video on search results interface.

4.2.5 Play Tag Files

Video tag allows you to record information, such as people and locations of a certain time point, during playback. You can use video tag(s) to search video files and position time point.

Add Tag Files

Steps

1. Go to **Playback**.
2. Search and play back the video file(s).
3. Click to add the tag.
4. Edit the tag information.
5. Click **OK**.

Note

Max. 64 tags can be added to a single video file.

Play Tag Files

Steps

1. Go to **Playback**.
2. Click **Custom Search** at the left bottom.
3. Enter search conditions, including time and tag keyword.

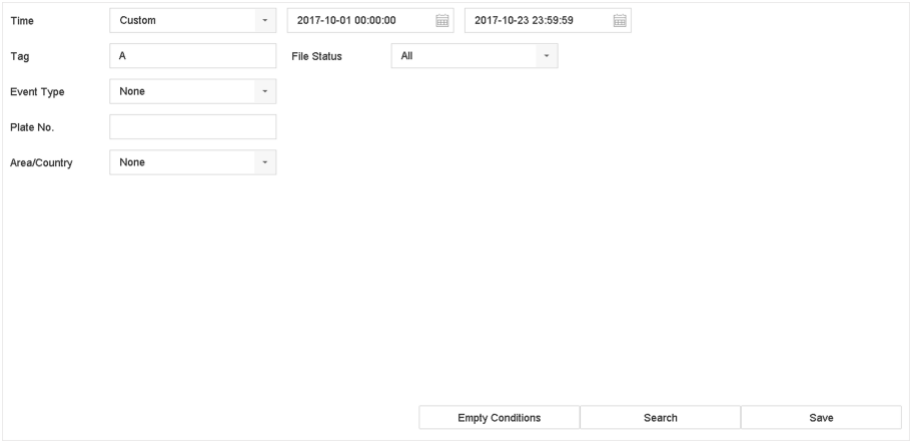

Figure 4-10 Tag Search

4. Click **Search**.

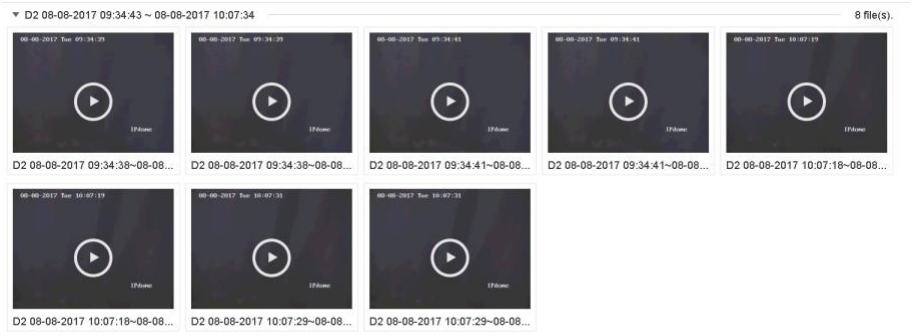

Figure 4-11 Searched Tag Files

5. Select a tag file, and play the video on the search results interface.

4.2.6 Play by Sub-periods

The video files can be played in multiple sub-periods simultaneously on the screen.

Steps

1. Go to **Playback**.
2. Click ⊞ at the lower-left corner.
3. Select a camera.
4. Set the start time and end time for searching video.
5. Select the different multi-period at the lower-right corner, e.g., 4-Period.

Note

According to the defined number of split-screens, the video files on the selected date can be divided into average segments for playback. E.g., if there are video files existing between 16:00 and 22:00, and the 6-screen display mode is selected, then it can play the video files for 1 hour on each screen simultaneously.

4.2.7 Play Log Files

Play back record file(s) associated with channels after searching system logs.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance → Log Information**.
2. Click **Log Search**.
3. Set search time and type and click **Search**.

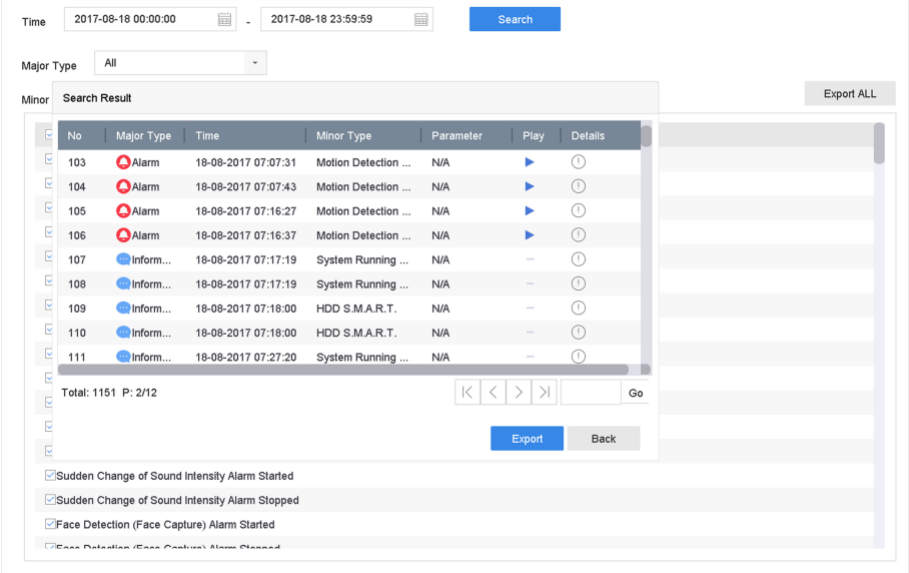

Figure 4-12 System Log Search Interface

4. Choose a log with a video file and click to start playing the log file.

4.2.8 Play External Files

You can play files from external storage devices.

Before You Start

Connect the storage device with the video files to your device.

Steps

1. Go to **Playback**.
2. Click at the lower-left corner.
3. Click , or double-click the file to play it.

4.3 Playback Operations

4.3.1 Normal/Important/Custom Video

During the playback, you can select the following three modes to play the video.

Normal

Video files from the continuous recording.

Important

Video files from the event and alarm recording triggered recording.

Custom

Video files searched by custom conditions.

4.3.2 Set Play Strategy in Important/Custom Mode

When you are in the smart or custom video playback mode, you can set the playing speed separately for the normal video and the smart/custom video, or you can select to skip the normal video.

In the Smart/Custom video playback mode, click to set the play strategy.

- When **Do not Play Normal Videos** is checked, the device will skip the normal video and play the smart (motion/line crossing/intrusion) video and the custom (searched video) only in the normal speed (X1).
- When **Do not Play Normal Videos** is unchecked, you can set the play speed for the normal video the smart/custom video separately. The speed range is from X1 to XMAX.

Note

You can set the speed in the single-channel play mode only.

4.3.3 Edit Video Clips

You can cut and export video clips during playback.

Steps

1. Go to **Playback**
2. Click at the bottom toolbar.
3. Set the start time and end time. You can click to set the time period, or set a time segment on time bar.
4. Click to save the video clip to a storage device.

4.3.4 Switch between Main Stream and Sub-Stream

You can switch between the main stream and the sub-stream during the playback.

Icon	Description
	Play the video in main stream.
	Play the video in sub-stream.

Note

The encoding parameters for the main stream and sub-stream can be configured in **Storage** → **Encoding Parameters**.

4.3.5 Thumbnails View

With the thumbnails view on the playback interface, you can conveniently locate the required video files on the time bar.
In the playback mode, position the cursor on time bar to get preview thumbnails.

Figure 4-13 Thumbnails View

You can click a thumbnail to enter the full-screen playback.

4.3.6 Fast View

Hold the mouse to drag on the time bar to get a fast view of the video files.
In the Video Playback mode, hold and drag the mouse through the playing time bar to fast view the video files.
Release the mouse at the required time point to enter the full-screen playback.

4.3.7 Digital Zoom

Digital Zoom zooms into the live image in different magnifications (1x to 16x).

Steps

1. Start live view, click from the toolbar.
2. Move the sliding bar or scroll the mouse wheel to zoom in/out the image to different magnifications (1x to 16x).

Figure 4-14 Digital Zoom

Chapter 5 Event

5.1 Normal Event Alarm

5.1.1 Configure Motion Detection Alarms

Motion detection enables the device to detect the moving objects in the monitored area and trigger alarms.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Motion Detection**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Check **Enable**.
4. Set the motion detection rule.

For cameras have human and vehicle detection function.	Click **Draw Area** to draw the detection area(s) on the preview screen. Set **Target Detection** as **Human Body** or **Vehicle** to discard alarms which are not triggered by human body or vehicle.
For cameras do not have human and vehicle detection function.	Click **Full screen** to set the full-screen as the detection area, or drag on the preview screen to draw the customized detection area.

5. Set **Sensitivity** (0-100). The sensitivity allows you to calibrate how readily movement triggers the alarm. A higher value results in the more readily to triggers motion detection.
6. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
7. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.

5.1.2 Configure Video Loss Alarms

Video loss detection detects video loss of a channel and takes alarm response action(s).

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Video Loss**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Check **Enable**.
4. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
5. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.

5.1.3 Configure Video Tampering Alarms

Video tampering detection triggered an alarm when the camera lens is covered and takes alarm response action(s).

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Video Tampering**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Check **Enable**.
4. Set the video tampering area. Drag on the preview screen to draw the customized video tampering area.
5. Set **Sensitivity** (0-2). 3 levels are available. The sensitivity calibrates how readily movement triggers the alarm. A higher value more readily triggers the video tampering detection.
6. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
7. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.

5.1.4 Configure Sensor Alarms

Set the handling action of an external sensor alarm.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Alarm Input**.
2. Select an alarm input item from the list and click .
3. Select the alarm input type.
4. Edit the alarm name.
5. Check **Input**.
6. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
7. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.

5.1.5 Configure Exceptions Alarms

Exception events can be configured to take the event hint in the Live View window and trigger alarm output and linkage actions.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Exception**.
2. Optional: Enable the event hint to display it in the live view window.
   1) Check **Enable Event Hint**.
   2) Click to select the exception type(s) to take the event hint.

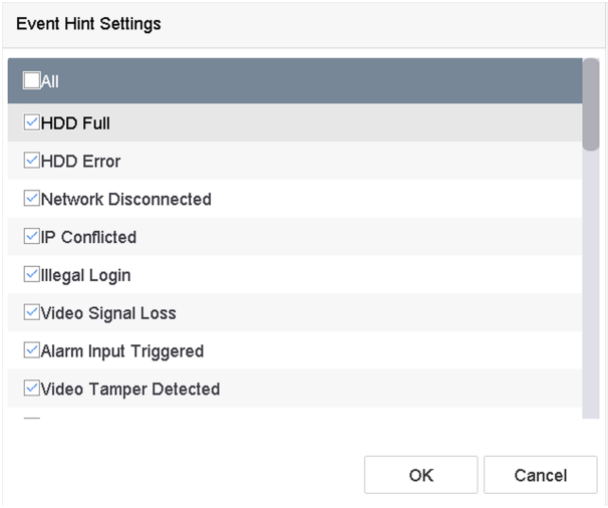

Figure 5-1 Event Hint Settings

3. Select an exception type.

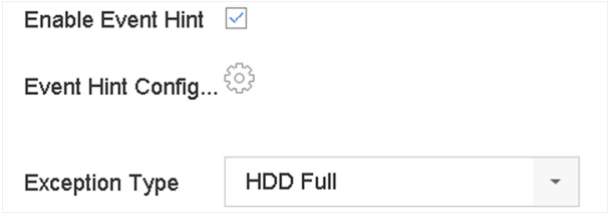

Figure 5-2 Exceptions Handling

4. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.

5.2 VCA Event Alarm

The device supports receiving VCA detections sent by connected IP cameras. Enable and configure VCA detection on the IP camera settings interface first.

Note

- VCA detections must be supported by the connected IP camera.
- Refer to the network camera user manual for detailed VCA detection instructions.

5.2.1 Temperature Screening

After connecting with specified thermography cameras, the device can display temperature measurement results, and notify you with audio alert when normal or abnormal temperature is detected.

Before You Start

Ensure your thermography camera support this function, and it is properly configured.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Smart Event**.
2. Select the optical channel of thermography camera.
3. Click **Face Capture**.
4. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of face detection.
5. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
6. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***. If you only requires to implement linkage actions when the thermography camera detects abnormal temperature. Click **More**, and check **Abnormal Body Temperature**.

Note

The abnormal temperature is detected and defined by the thermography camera.

7. Click **Audio Alert**, and check **Normal Temperature** or **Abnormal Temperature** as your desire. It will notify you with audio alert when normal or abnormal temperature is detected by the camera.

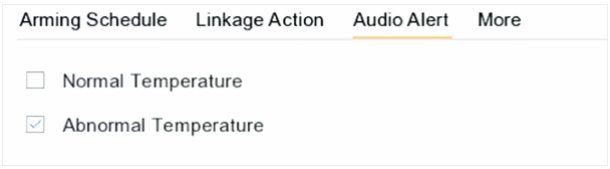

Figure 5-3 Audio Alert

8. Click **Apply**.

What to do next

- You can check of **Target Detection** in live view to view detection results.
- You can go to **File Management** → **Smart Search** → **Search by Appearance** to search detection results.

5.2.2 Loitering Detection

Loitering detection is used to detect whether a target stays within a specified area longer than the set time and trigger alarm for linked actions.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Loitering Detection**.

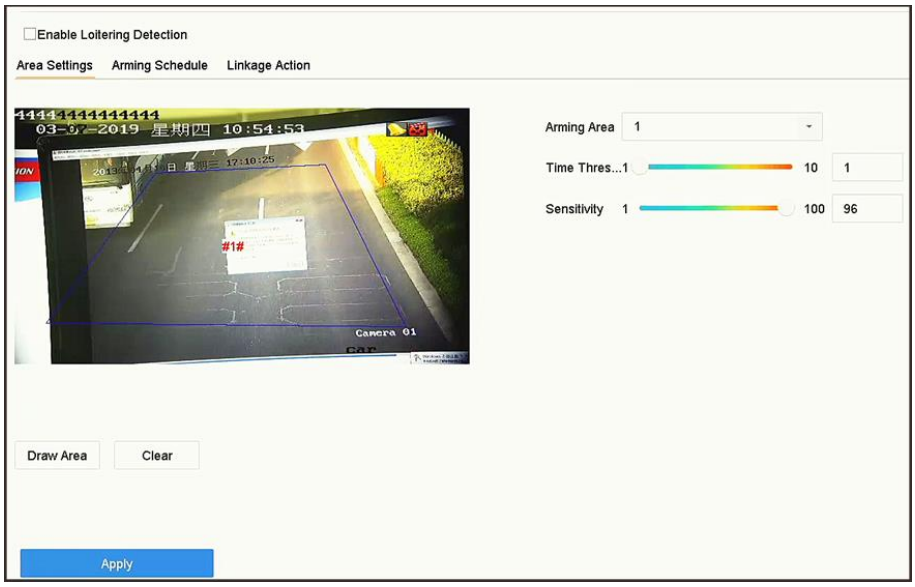

Figure 5-4 Loitering Detection

4. Check **Enable Loitering Detection.**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured loitering detection pictures.
6. Set loitering detection parameters.
   1) Select **Arming Region**. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Set **Time Threshold**.

      Time Threshold

      The time of car staying in the region. If the value is 10, an alarm is triggered after the car has stayed in the region for 10s. Its range is [1s-10s].
   3) Set **Sensitivity**.

      Sensitivity

      Similarity of the background image to the object. The higher the value, the easier the detection alarm will be triggered.
7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.3 People Gathering Detection

People gathering detection is used to detect whether the density of human bodies within a specified area exceeds the set value and trigger alarm for linked actions.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **People Gathering**.

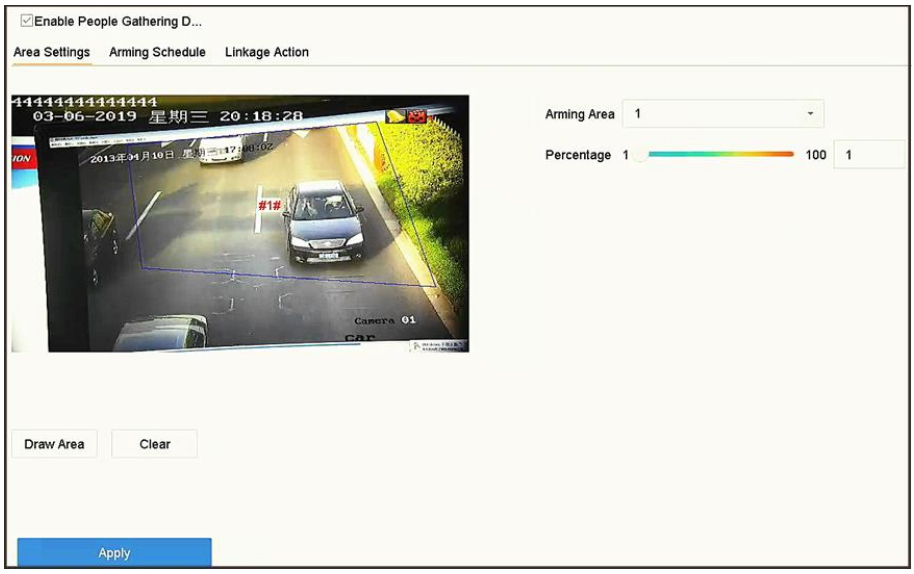

Figure 5-5 People Gathering Detection

4. Check **Enable People Gathering Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured people gathering detection pictures.
6. Set people gathering detection parameters.
   1) Select **Arming Region**. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Click **Draw Area** to draw a quadrilateral in the preview window by specifying four vertices of the area.
   3) Set **Percentage**.

      Percentage

      The percentage refers to the density of human bodies within the area. If it exceeds the threshold value, the device will trigger alarm.
7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.4 Fast Moving Detection

Fast moving detection is used to detect suspicious running and chasing, over speed and fast moving. It will trigger alarm when an object is moving fast and send notification to arming host so that necessary actions can be taken in advance.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Fast Moving**.

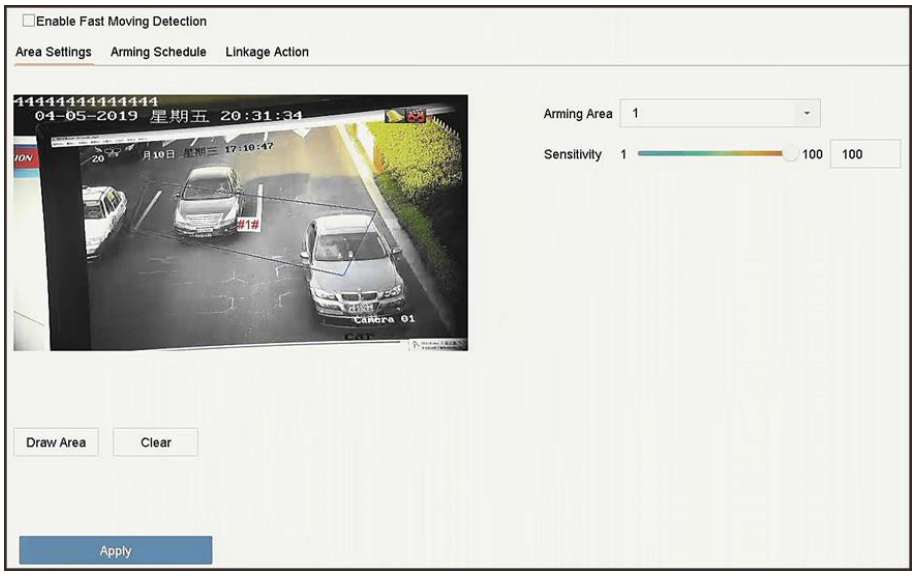

Figure 5-6 Fast moving detection

4. Check **Enable Fast Moving**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured fast moving detection pictures.
6. Set fast moving detection parameters.
   1) Select **Arming Region**. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Click **Draw Area** to draw a quadrilateral in the preview window by specifying four vertices of the area.
   3) Set **Sensitivity**.

      Sensitivity

      Similarity of the background image to the object. The higher the value, the easier the detection alarm will be triggered.
7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.5 Parking Detection

Parking detection is used to detect parking violation in set area, applied in expressway and one-way street.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Parking**.

Figure 5-7 Parking Detection

4. Check **Enable Parking Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured parking detection pictures.
6. Set parking detection parameters.
   1) Select **Arming Region**. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Set **Time Threshold**.

      Time Threshold

      The time of car staying in the region. If the value is 10, an alarm is triggered after the car has stayed in the region for 10s. Its range is [5s-20s].
   3) Set **Sensitivity**.

      Sensitivity

      Similarity of the background image to the object. The higher the value, the easier the detection alarm will be triggered.
7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.6 Unattended Baggage Detection

Unattended baggage detection detects the objects left over in a predefined region such as the baggage, purses, dangerous materials, etc., and a series of actions can be taken when the alarm is triggered.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Unattended Baggage**.

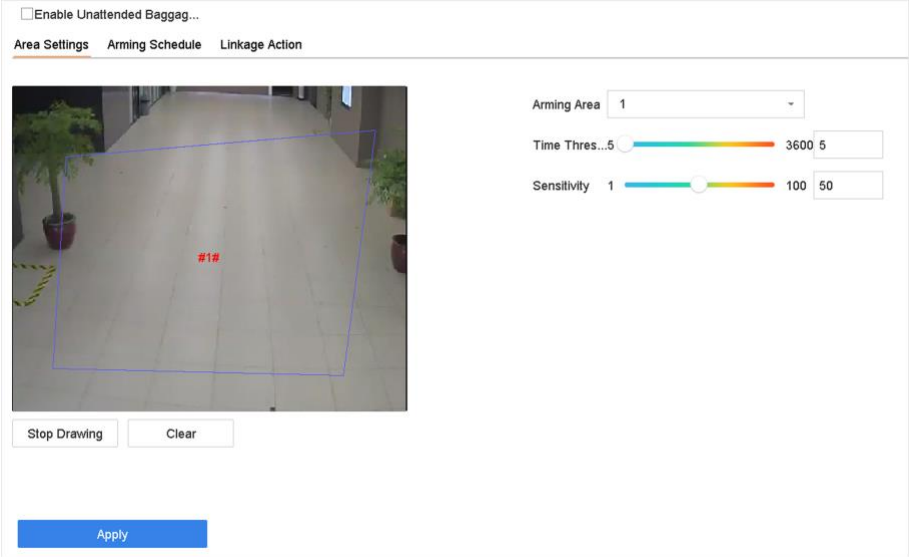

Figure 5-8 Unattended Baggage Detection

4. Check **Enable Unattended Baggage Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured unattended baggage detection pictures.
6. Set the detection rules and detection areas.
   1) Select **Arming Region**. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Drag the sliders to set **Time Threshold** and **Sensitivity**.

      Time Threshold

      The time of the objects are left in the region. If the value is 10, an alarm is triggered after the object is left and stayed in the region for 10s. Its range is [5s-20s].

      Sensitivity

      Similarity of the background image to the object. The higher the value, the easier the detection alarm will be triggered.
   3) Click **Draw Region** and draw a quadrilateral in the preview window.
7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.7 Object Removal Detection

The object removal detection function detects the objects removed from a pre-defined region, such as the exhibits on display, and a series of actions can be taken when the alarm is triggered.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Object Removable**.

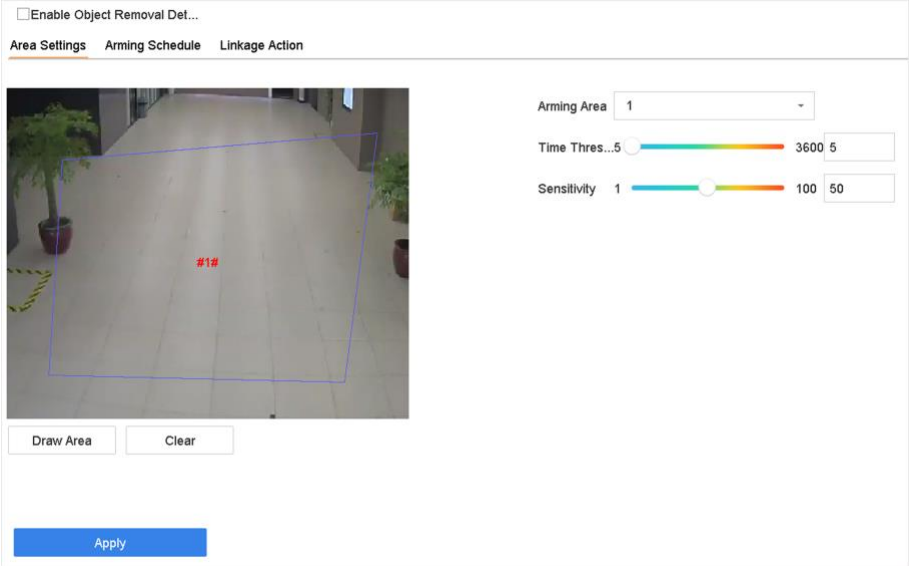

Figure 5-9 Object Removal Detection

4. Check **Enable Object Removable Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured object removable detection pictures.
6. Follow these steps to set the detection rules and detection areas.
   1) Select Arming Region. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Drag the sliders to set **Time Threshold** and **Sensitivity**.

      Time Threshold

      The time of the objects removed from the region. If the value is 10, alarm will be triggered after the object disappears from the region for 10s. Its range is [5s-20s].

      Sensitivity

      The similarity degree of the background image. If the sensitivity is high, a very small object taken from the region will trigger the alarm.
   3) Click **Draw Area** and draw a quadrilateral in the preview window by specifying four vertices of the detection region.
7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.8 Audio Exception Detection

Audio exception detection detects abnormal sounds in the surveillance scene, such as a sudden increase/decrease in sound intensity.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Audio Exception**.

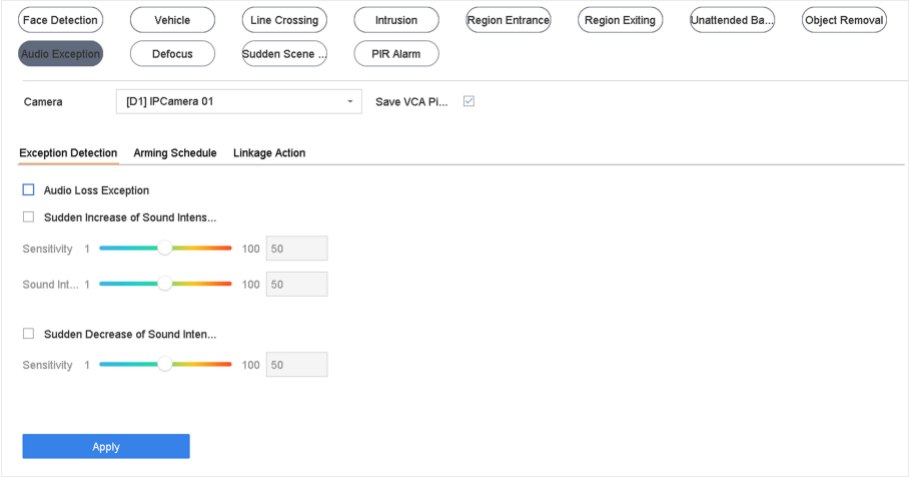

Figure 5-10 Audio Exception Detection

4. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured audio exception detection pictures.
5. Set the detection rules:
   1) Select **Exception Detection**.
   2) Check **Audio Loss Exception**,**Sudden Increase of Sound Intensity Detection**,and/or **Sudden Decrease of Sound Intensity Detection**.

      Audio Loss Exception

      Detects a steep sound rise in the surveillance scene. You can set the detection sensitivity and threshold for steep sound rise by configuring its **Sensitivity** and **Sound Intensity Threshold**

      Sensitivity

      The smaller the value, the more severe the change must be to trigger the detection. Range [1-100].

      Sound Intensity Threshold

      It can filter the sound in the environment. The louder the environment sound, the higher the value should be. Adjust it according to the environment. Range [1-100].

      Sudden Decrease of Sound Intensity Detection

      Detects a steep sound drop in the surveillance scene. You need set the detection sensitivity [1-100].
6. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
7. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
8. Click **Apply**.

5.2.9 Defocus Detection

Image blur caused by lens defocus can be detected.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.

2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Defocus**.

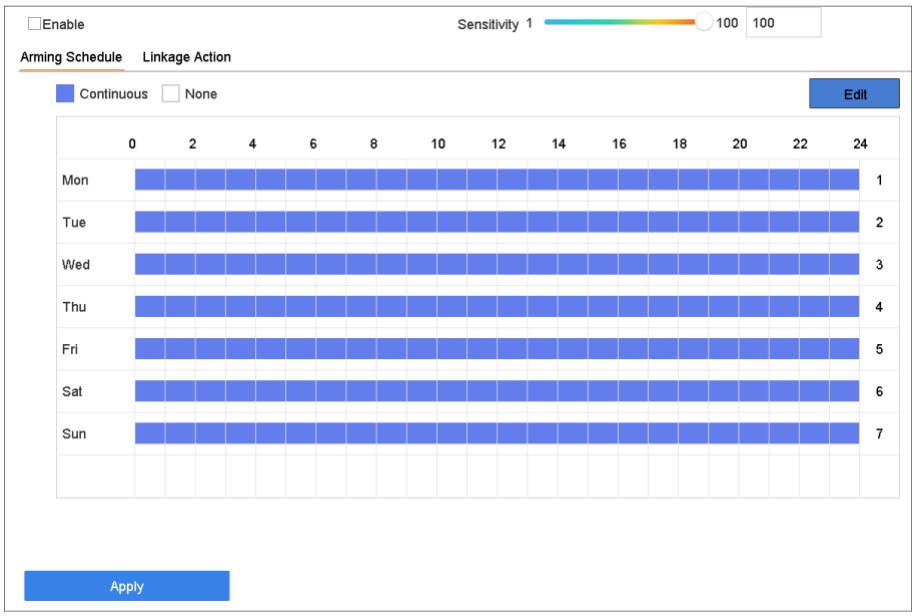

Figure 5-11 Defocus Detection

4. Check **Enable**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured defocus detection pictures.
6. Drag the **Sensitivity** slider to set the detection sensitivity.

Sensitivity

Ranges from 1 to 100, the higher the value, the more easily the defocus image will be detected.

Note

7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.10 Sudden Scene Change Detection

Scene change detection detects the change of the surveillance environment affected by external factors, such as the intentional rotation of the camera.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Sudden Scene Change**.

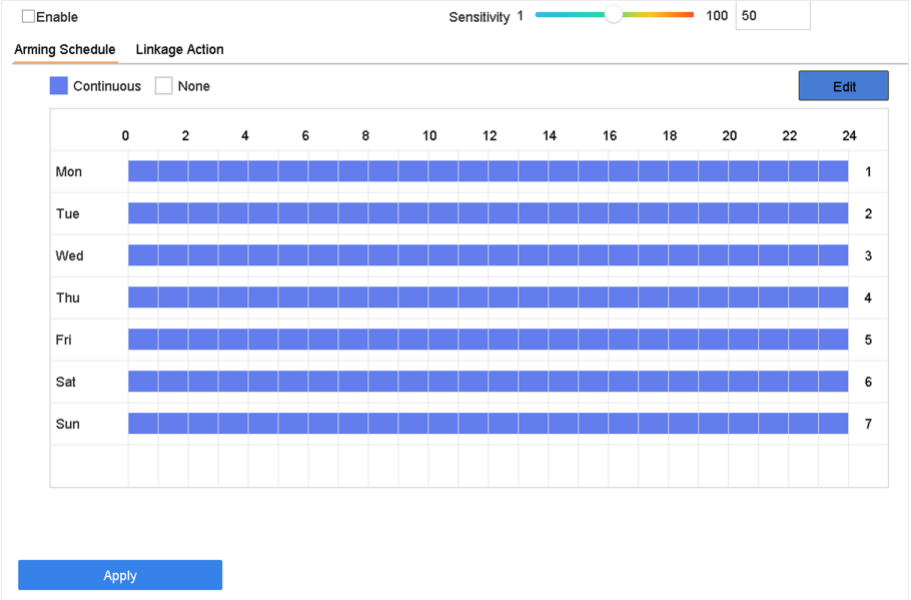

Figure 5-12 Sudden Scene Change

4. Check **Enable**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured sudden scene change detection pictures.
6. Drag the **Sensitivity** slider to set the detection sensitivity.

Sensitivity

Ranges from 1 to 100, the higher the value, the more easily the change of scene can trigger the alarm.

Note

7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

5.2.11 PIR Alarm

A PIR (Passive Infrared) alarm is triggered when an intruder moves within the detector vision field. The heat energy dissipated by a person or any other warm blooded creature such as dogs, cats, etc., can be detected.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **PIR Alarm**.

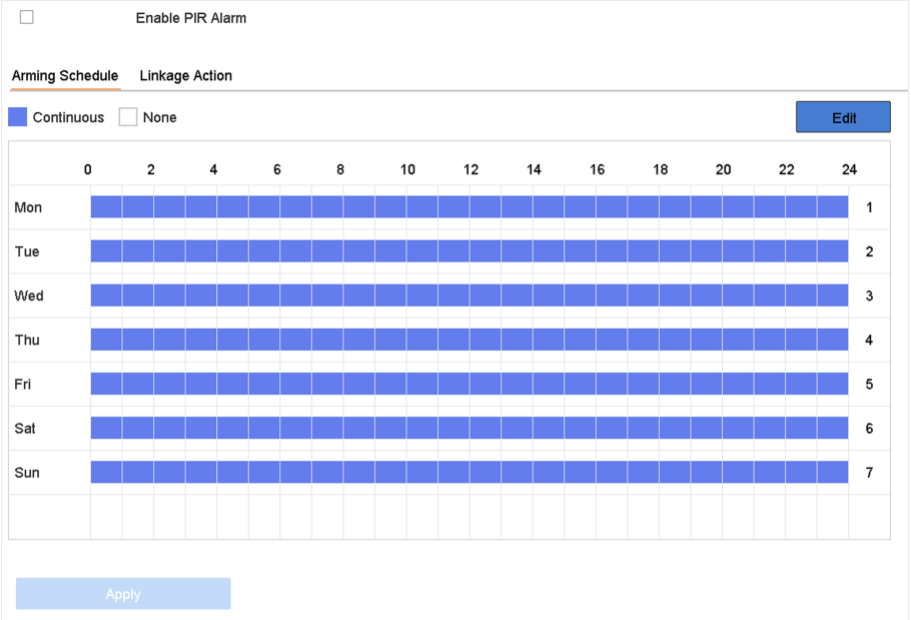

Figure 5-13 PIR Alarm

4. Check **PIR Alarm**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured of PIR alarm pictures.
6. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
7. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
8. Click **Apply**.

5.2.12 Thermal Camera Detection

The NVR supports the event detection modes of the thermal network cameras: fire and smoke detection, temperature detection, temperature difference detection, etc.

Before You Start

Add the thermal network camera to your device and make sure the camera is activated.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a thermal camera.
3. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of detection.
4. Select an event detection (Temperature Measurement Alarm, etc.).
5. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
6. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
7. Click **Apply**.

5.2.13 Configure Queue Management

After connecting with queue management camera, you can set the arming schedule and linkage

action of queue management.

Before You Start

Ensure the recorder have connected with queue management camera.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a queue management camera.
3. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of detection.
4. Set the arming schedule. Refer to Chapter ***Configure Arming Schedule*** for details.
5. Set the linkage actions. Refer to Chapter ***Configure Linkage Actions*** for details.
6. Click **Apply**.

5.3 Configure Arming Schedule

Steps

1. Click **Arming Schedule**.
2. Click **Edit**.
3. Select a day of the week and set the time period. Up to eight time periods can be set each day.

Note

Time periods cannot repeat or overlapped.

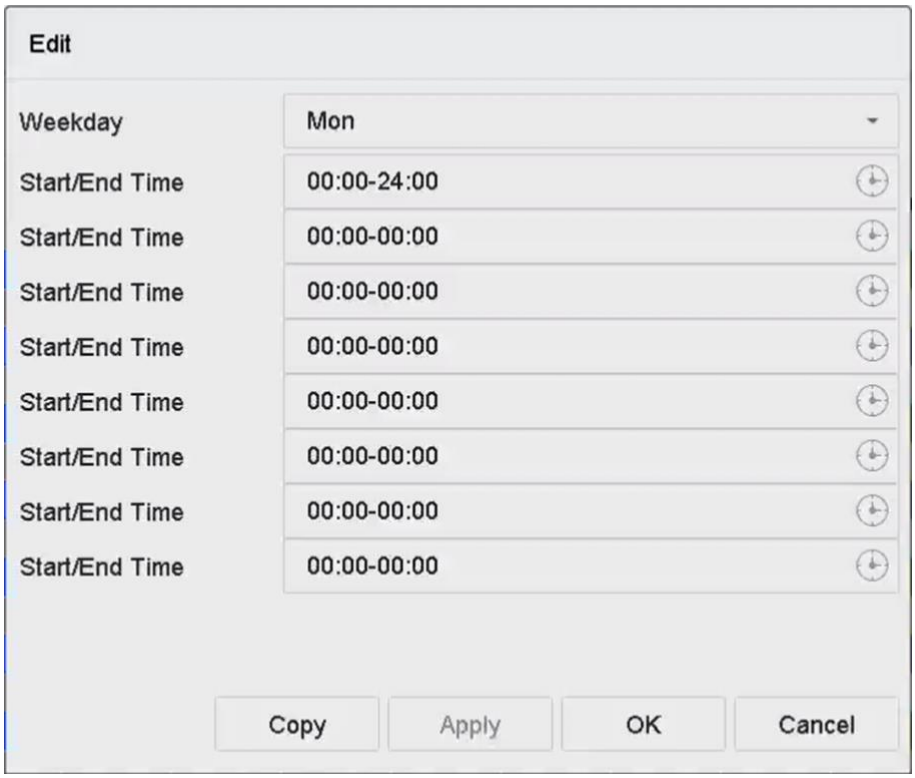

Figure 5-14 Set Arming Schedule

4. You can click **Copy** to copy the current day arming schedule settings to other day(s).
5. Click **Apply** to save the settings.

5.4 Configure Linkage Actions

Alarm linkage actions will be activated when an alarm or exception occurs, including Event Hint Display, Full Screen Monitoring, Audible Warning (buzzer), Notify Surveillance Center, Trigger Alarm Output, and Send Email.

5.4.1 Configure Auto-Switch Full Screen Monitoring

When an alarm is triggered, the local monitor displays in full screen the video image from the alarming channel configured for full screen monitoring. And when the alarm is triggered simultaneously in several channels, you must configure the auto-switch dwell time.

Note

Auto-switch will terminate once the alarm stops and back to the live view interface.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Live View** → **General**.
2. Set the event output and dwell time.

Event Output

Select the output to show the event video.

Full Screen Monitoring Dwell Time

Set the time in seconds to show the alarm event screen. If alarms are triggered simultaneously in several channels, their full-screen images will be switched at an interval of 10 seconds (default dwell time).

3. Go to the **Linkage Action** interface of the alarm detection (e.g., motion detection, video tampering, face detection, etc.).
4. Select the **Full Screen Monitoring** alarm linkage action.
5. Select the channel(s) in **Trigger Channel** for full screen monitoring.

5.4.2 Configure Audio Warning

The audio warning has the system to trigger an audible beep when an alarm is detected.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **View** → **General**.
2. Enable the audio output and set the volume.
3. Go to **Linkage Action** interface of the alarm detection (e.g., motion detection, video tampering, face detection, etc.).
4. Select the **Audio Warning** alarm linkage action.

5.4.3 Notify Surveillance Center

The device can send an exception or alarm signal to the remote alarm host when an event occurs. The alarm host refers to the PC installed with client software (e.g., iVMS-4200, iVMS-5200).

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **More Settings**.
2. Set the alarm host IP and alarm host port.
3. Go to **Linkage Action** interface of the alarm detection (e.g., motion detection, video tampering, face detection, etc.).
4. Select **Notify Surveillance Center**.

5.4.4 Configure Email Linkage

The system can send an email with alarm information to a user or users when an alarm is detected.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **Email**.
2. Set the email parameters.
3. Click **Apply**.

4. Go to the **Linkage Action** interface of the alarm detection (e.g., motion detection, video tampering, face detection, etc.).
5. Select **Send Email** alarm linkage action.

5.4.5 Trigger Alarm Output

The alarm output can be triggered by the alarm input, motion detection, video tampering detection, face detection, line crossing detection, and any all other events.

Steps

1. Go to **Linkage Action** interface of the alarm detection (e.g., motion detection, face detection, line crossing detection, intrusion detection, etc.).
2. In **Trigger Alarm Outputs** Area, Select the alarm output (s) to trigger.
3. Go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Alarm Output**.
4. Select an alarm output item from the list.

5.4.6 Configure Audio and Light Alarm Linkage

For certain network cameras, you can set the alarm linkage action as audio alarm or light alarm.

Before You Start

- Ensure your camera supports audio and light alarm linkage.
- Ensure the audio output and volume are properly configured.

Steps

1. Go to the linkage action interface of the alarm detection (e.g., motion detection).
2. Set **Audio and Light Alarm Linkage** as your desire.
3. Click **Apply**.

5.4.7 Configure PTZ Linkage

The system can trigger the PTZ actions (e.g., call preset/patrol/pattern) when the alarm event, or VCA detection events occurs.

Before You Start

Make sure the connected PTZ or speed dome connected supports PTZ linkage.

Steps

1. Go to **Linkage Action** interface of the alarm input or VCA detection (e.g., face detection, line crossing detection, intrusion detection, etc.).
2. Select the **PTZ Linkage**.
3. Select the camera to perform the PTZ actions.
4. Select the preset/patrol/pattern No. to call when the alarm events occur.

Note

You can set only one PTZ type for the linkage action each time.

Chapter 6 Smart Analysis

6.1 Engine Configuration

Each engine processes a specified VCA type as its working mode. You can configure the engine working mode as your desire.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Engine Settings** → **Engine Configuration**.

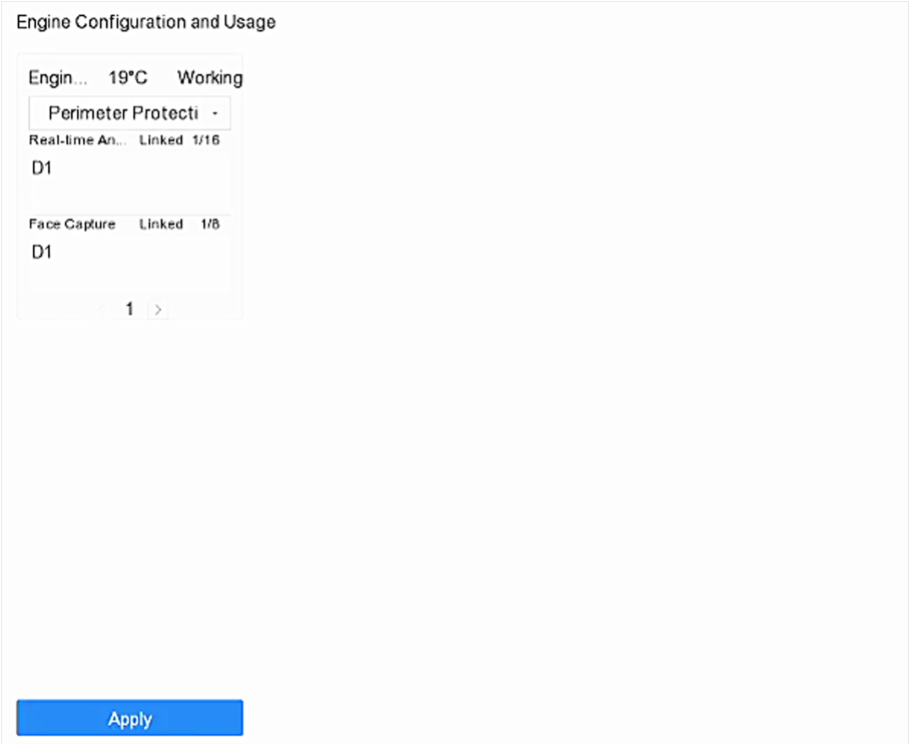

Figure 6-1 Engine Configuration

2. Configure each engine usage. You can view the engine temperature and linked channel status of each function.

Note

If the engine has been bound with channel(s), switching engine working mode will unbind the engine and channel(s), and cancel the related smart event of the channel.

3. Click **Apply** to save the settings.

6.2 Face Picture Comparison

The device supports the face picture comparison alarm and face capture for the connected camera based on face recognition feature.
Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Engine Settings** → **Engine Configuration**. Configure at least one engine usage as **Facial Recognition**. Refer to ***Engine Configuration*** for details.

Note

The chapter is only available for certain models of iDS series.

6.2.1 Face Grading Configuration

Face grading is used for face picture selection. According to pupil distance, tilt angle and pan angle, it only uses face pictures which satisfy grading requirement for analysis. Larger pupil distance, smaller tilt and pan angle, better it would be for analysis.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Engine Settings** → **Face Grading**.

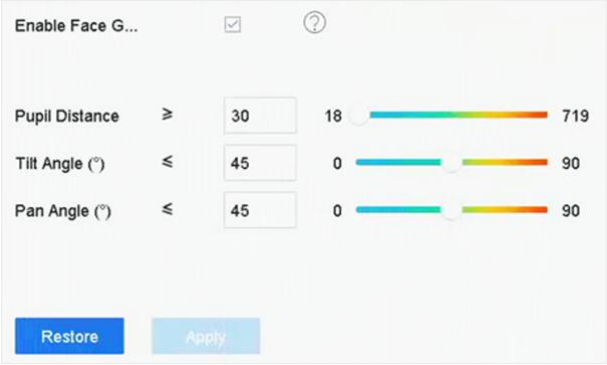

Figure 6-2 Face Grading

2. Check **Enable Face Grading**.
3. Set **Pupil Distance**, **Tilt Angle**, and **Pan Angle**.

Pupil Distance

Pupil distance is the distance between two pupils. In order to get better detection result, the pupil distance shall not be less than 40, and the recommended value is 60.

Tilt Angle

Tilt angle is the angle between your view and horizontal plane.

Pan Angle

Pan angle is the angle between your view and vertical plane.

4. Click **Apply**.

What to do next

- After face picture modeling, you can view face grading score of each face picture via web browser in **Configuration** → **Face Picture Library**.
- You can click ▽ in **Smart Analysis** → **Face Picture Database** to select face picture by face grading score.

6.2.2 Face Capture

The face capture detects and capture the face picture appearing in the surveillance scene. Linkage actions can be triggered when a human face is detected.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Facial Recognition**.
2. Click **Face Capture**.

Figure 6-3 Face Capture

3. Select a camera to configure.
4. Check **Enable Face Capture**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of face detection.
6. Set the detection sensitivity. Sensitivity range: [1-5]. The higher the value is, the easier faces will be detected.
7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

6.2.3 Face Picture Library Management

Face picture library is mainly used for face picture storage and face picture comparison.

Add a Face Picture Library

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Face Picture Database**.
2. Click ＋.
3. Enter the face picture library name.
4. Click **OK**.

Note

You can click or to edit the library name or delete the library.

Upload Face Pictures to the Library

Face picture comparison is based on face pictures in the library. You can upload a single face picture or import multiple face pictures to the library.

Before You Start

- Ensure the picture format is JPEG or JPG.
- For each picture, ensure it only has one face.Import all pictures to a backup device in advance.

The picture must be in JPEG or JPG format.

Steps

1. Select a face picture library in the list.
2. Click **Add** or **Import Face Picture Library**.
3. Import picture(s).
   Add:Select a picture to import and click **Import**.
   Import Face Picture Library:Select multiple pictures to import and click **Import**.

What to do next

- Select pictures and click **Copy to** to copy the uploaded pictures of the current library to other library.
- Select a picture and click **Edit** to modify the picture information.
- Select a picture from the list and click **Delete** to delete the picture.
- Select a library and click **Export Face Picture Library** to export library to backup device.
- Click or to view by figure or list.

6.2.4 Face Picture Comparison Alarm

Configure Face Picture Comparison

Compare detected face pictures with specified face picture library. Trigger alarm when comparison succeeded.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Facial Recognition**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Face Picture Comparison**.

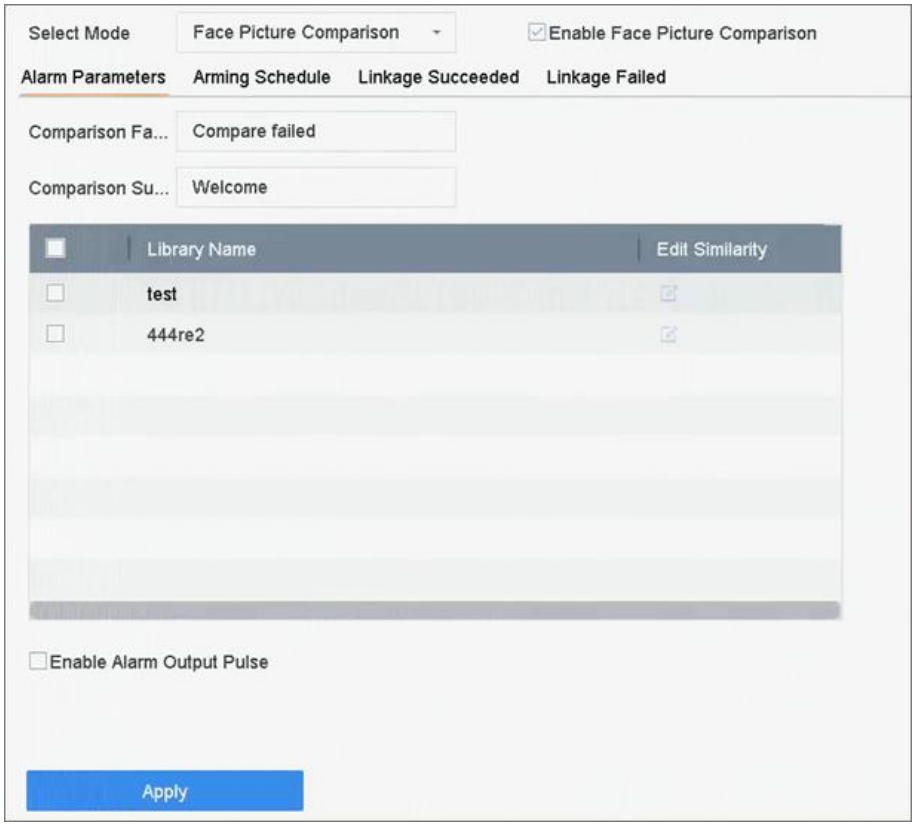

Figure 6-4 Face Picture Comparison

4. Set **Mode** as **Face Picture Comparison**.
5. Check **Enable Face Picture Comparison**.
6. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of VCA detection. After the face picture comparison is enabled, the comparison results will be uploaded for face comparison alarm. If the comparison produced a match, both the real-time face picture and the target picture from the library will be uploaded. If no match is produced, the real-time face picture is uploaded to center only. Up to 6 connected cameras can be configured for face picture comparison simultaneously.

7. Optional: Set **Comparison Failed Prompt**, **Comparison Succeeded Prompt**, and **Enable Alarm Output Pulse**.

   Comparison Failed Prompt

   It will display the prompt in live view **Target Detection** (with **Facial Detection** checked) or **Facial Recognition** when face picture comparison failed. You can click in live view to enter Facial Recognition interface.

   Comparison Succeeded Prompt

   It will display the prompt in **Facial Recognition** when face picture comparison succeeded. You can click in live view to enter Facial Recognition interface.

   Enable Alarm Output Pulse

   It is usually linked with a gate. When a person is passing a gate, if the comparison succeeded, it will trigger a pulse to open the gate. The pulse is between 100 to 900 ms. You can set **Alarm Output Pulse (ms)** in **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Alarm Output**.
8. Select face picture libraries and set similarity.
9. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
10. Set the linkage actions when face picture comparison succeeded or failed. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
11. Optional: Configure face grading parameters. Refer to ***Face Grading Configuration***.
12. Click **Apply** to save the settings.

6.2.5 Face Picture Search

Search by Face Picture Comparison Event

Search face picture by face picture comparison results.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Search** → **Face Search** → **Search by Event**.
2. Set the start time and end time.
3. Select a channel.
4. Select **Event Type** as **Face Picture Comparison**.
5. Click **Start Search**. The search result list displays 1 channel.
6. Click **Channel** to select a channel as your desire. It will display search results for the selected channel.

What to do next

Refer to ***View Searching Result***.

Search by Uploaded Picture

You can search the face pictures by uploaded picture.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Search** → **Face Search** → **Search by Picture**.

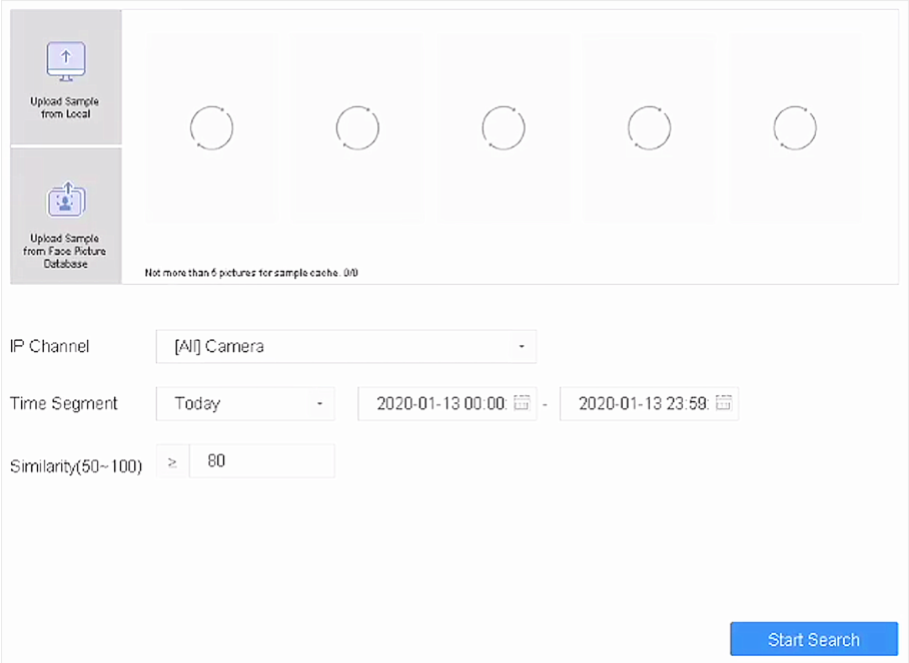

Figure 6-5 Search by Uploaded Picture

2. Select a channel.
3. Select face pictures for search.
   - Click **Upload Sample from Local** and select face pictures from your local directory.
   - Click **Upload Sample from Face Picture Database** and select face pictures from created face picture libraries.
4. Set the start time and end time.
5. Set the **Similarity** value (range: 0 to 100). Device will analyze the similarity between samples and face pictures in library and show pictures the similarity of which are higher than the set one.
6. Click **Start Search**. The search result list displays 1 channel.
7. Click **Channel** to select a channel as your desire. It will display search results for the selected channel.

What to do next

Refer to ***View Searching Result***.

Search by Personal Name

Search face picture by personal name.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Search** → **Face Search** → **Search by Name**.

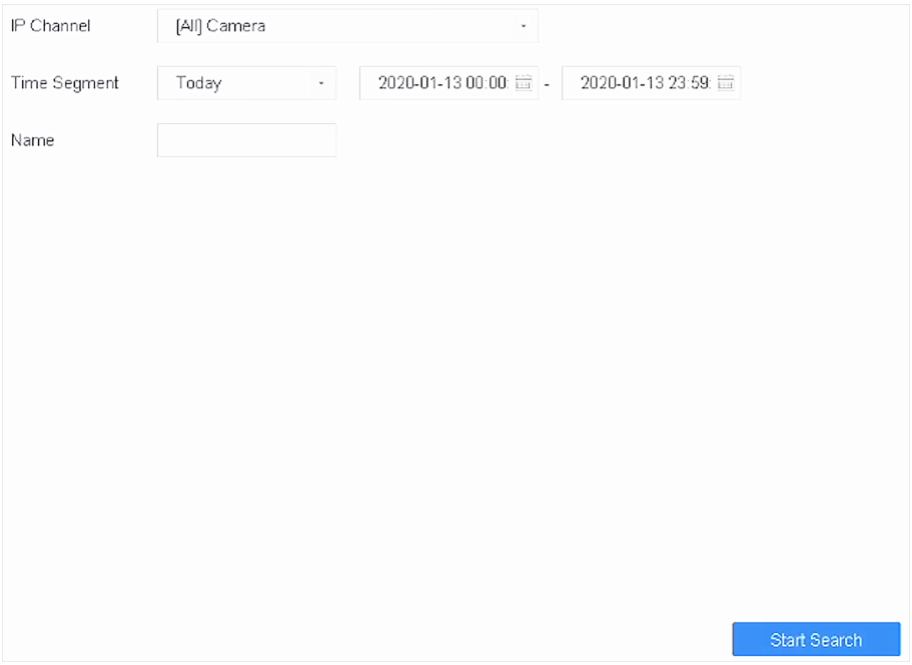

Figure 6-6 Search by Personal Name

2. Set the start time and end time of the face pictures to search.
3. Select a channel.
4. Enter a name.
5. Click **Start Search**. The search result list displays 1 channel.
6. Click **Channel** to select a channel as your desire. It will display search results for the selected channel.

What to do next

Refer to ***View Searching Result***.

Search by Appearance

Search face picture by appearance.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Search** → **Face Search** → **Search by Appearance**.
2. Set search conditions.
3. Click **Start Search**. The search result list displays 1 channel.
4. Click **Channel** to select a channel as your desire. It will display search results for the selected channel.

What to do next

Refer to ***View Searching Result***.

View Searching Result

- Double click a file to view the related video.
- Click **Add to Face Database** to add the selected file(s) to a face picture library.
- Click **Add to Sample** to add the select file(s) as sample picture(s). You can use the sample picture(s) to search other pictures. Refer to ***Search by Uploaded Picture***.
- Click **Export** to export the selected file(s) to a backup device. You can click **Select All** to select all files.

Note

You can click to view export progress.You can click to return to search interface.

6.3 Perimeter Protection

For certain models of iDS series. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Engine Settings** → **Engine Configuration**. Configure at least one engine usage as **Perimeter Protection**. Refer to ***Engine Configuration*** for details.

6.3.1 Line Crossing Detection

Line crossing detection detects people, vehicles, and objects crossing a set virtual line. The detection direction can be set as bidirectional, from left to right or from right to left.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Perimeter Protection**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Line Crossing**.

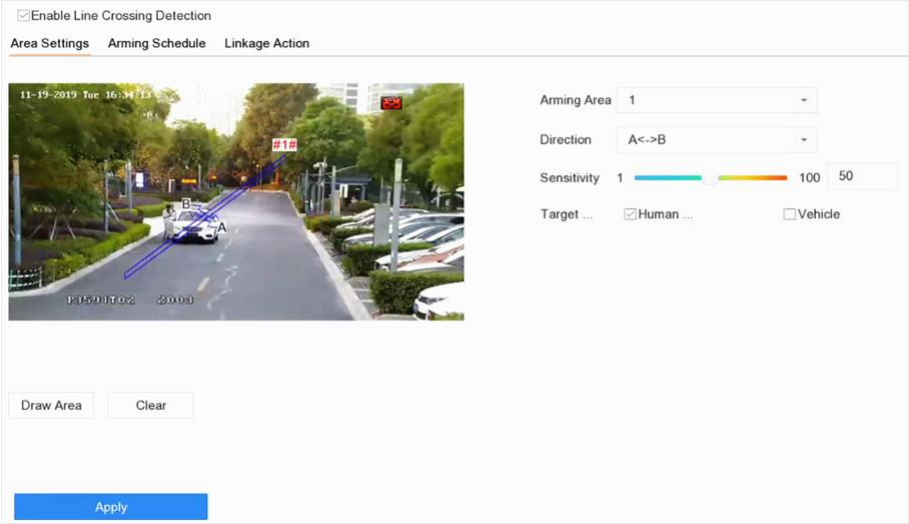

Figure 6-7 Line Crossing Detection

4. Check **Enable Line Crossing Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of line crossing detection.
6. Optional: Check **Enable AI by Device**. The device will analyze the video, cameras only transmit video stream.
7. Set the line crossing detection rules and detection areas.
   1) Select an arming area.
   2) Select **Direction** as **A<->B**, **A->B**, or **A<-B**.

      A<->B

      Only the arrow on the B side shows. When an object goes across the configured line with both directions can be detected and alarms are triggered.

      A->B

      Only the object crossing the configured line from the A side to the B side can be detected.

      B->A

      Only the object crossing the configured line from the B side to the A side can be detected.
   3) Set the detection sensitivity. The higher the value is, the more easily the detection alarm can be triggered.
   4) Click **Draw Region**.
   5) Draw a virtual line in the preview window.
8. Optional: Draw the maximum size/minimum size for targets. Only the targets in the size ranging from maximum size to minimum size will trigger line crossing detection.
   1) Click **Max. Size/Min. Size**.
   2) Draw an area in preview window.
   3) Click **Stop Drawing**.
9. Optional: Select **Target of Interest** as **Human Body** or **Vehicle** to discard alarms which are not triggered by human body or vehicle.
10. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
11. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.

12. Click **Apply**.

6.3.2 Intrusion Detection

The Intrusion detection function detects people, vehicles or other objects that enter and loiter in a pre-defined virtual region. Specific actions can be taken when an alarm is triggered.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Perimeter Protection**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Intrusion**.

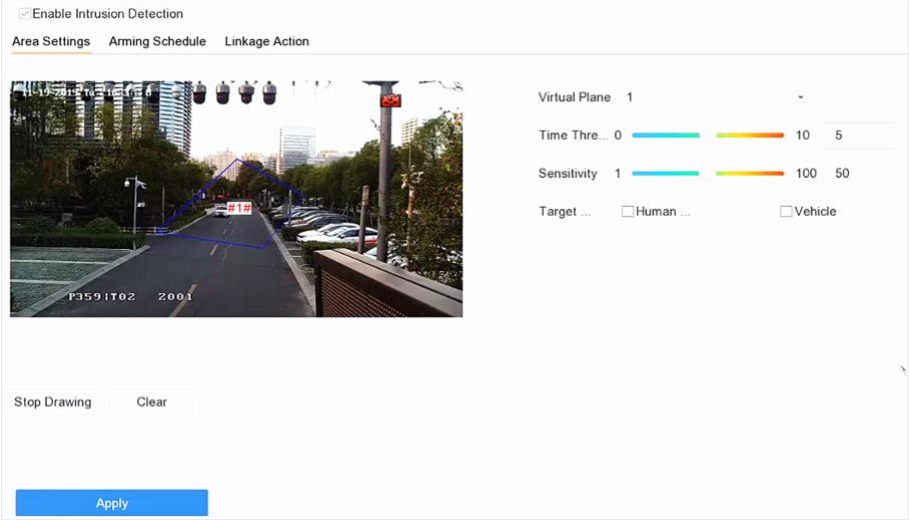

Figure 6-8 Intrusion Detection

4. Check **Enable Intrusion Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured intrusion detection pictures.
6. Optional: Check **Enable AI by Device**. The device will analyze the video, cameras only transmit video stream.
7. Set the detection rules and detection areas.
   1) Select a virtual panel. Up to 4 virtual panels are selectable.
   2) Set **Time Threshold**, and **Sensitivity**.

      Time Threshold

      The time an object loiter in the region. When the duration of the object in the defined detection area exceeds the threshold, the device will trigger an alarm.

      Sensitivity

      The size of the object that can trigger the alarm. The higher the value is, the more easily the detection alarm will be triggered.
   3) Click **Draw Area**.
   4) Draw a quadrilateral in the preview window.

8. Optional: Draw the maximum size/minimum size for targets. Only the targets in the size ranging from maximum size to minimum size will trigger line crossing detection.
   1) Click **Max. Size/Min. Size**.
   2) Draw an area in preview window.
   3) Click **Stop Drawing**.
9. Optional: Select **Target of Interest** as **Human Body** or **Vehicle** to discard alarms which are not triggered by human body or vehicle.
10. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
11. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
12. Click **Apply**.

6.3.3 Region Entrance Detection

Region entrance detection detects objects that enter a predefined virtual region.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Perimeter Protection**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Region Entrance Detection**.

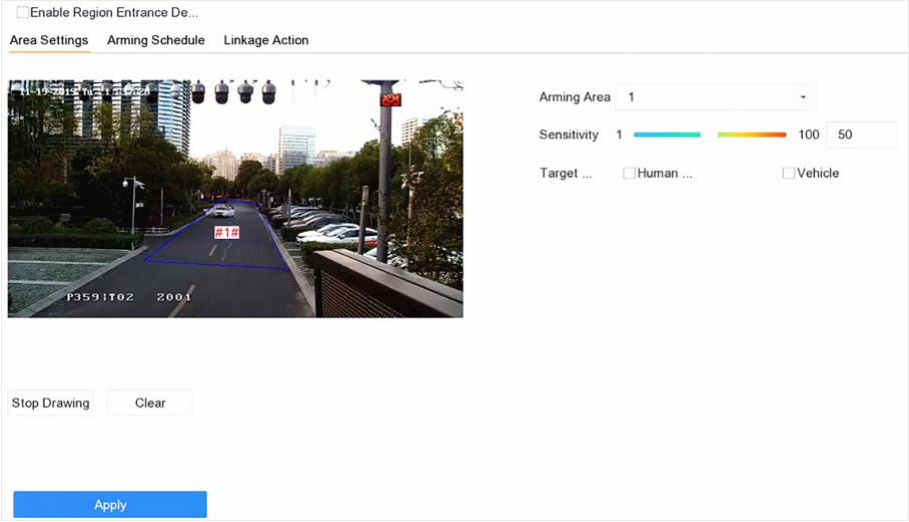

Figure 6-9 Region Entrance Detection

4. Check **Enable Region Entrance Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of region entrance detection pictures.
6. Optional: Check **Enable AI by Device**. The device will analyze the video, cameras only transmit video stream.
7. Set detection rules and detection areas.
   1) Select **Arming Region**. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Set **Sensitivity**. The higher the value is, the easier the detection alarm will be triggered. Its range is [0-100].

3) Click **Draw Region**, and draw a quadrilateral in the preview window.

8. Optional: Draw the maximum size/minimum size for targets. Only the targets in the size ranging from maximum size to minimum size will trigger line crossing detection.
   1) Click **Max. Size/Min. Size**.
   2) Draw an area in preview window.
   3) Click **Stop Drawing**.
9. Optional: Select **Target of Interest** as **Human Body** or **Vehicle** to discard alarms which are not triggered by human body or vehicle.
10. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
11. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
12. Click **Apply**.

6.3.4 Region Exiting Detection

Region exiting detection detects objects that exit from a predefined virtual region.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Perimeter Protection**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Region Exiting**.

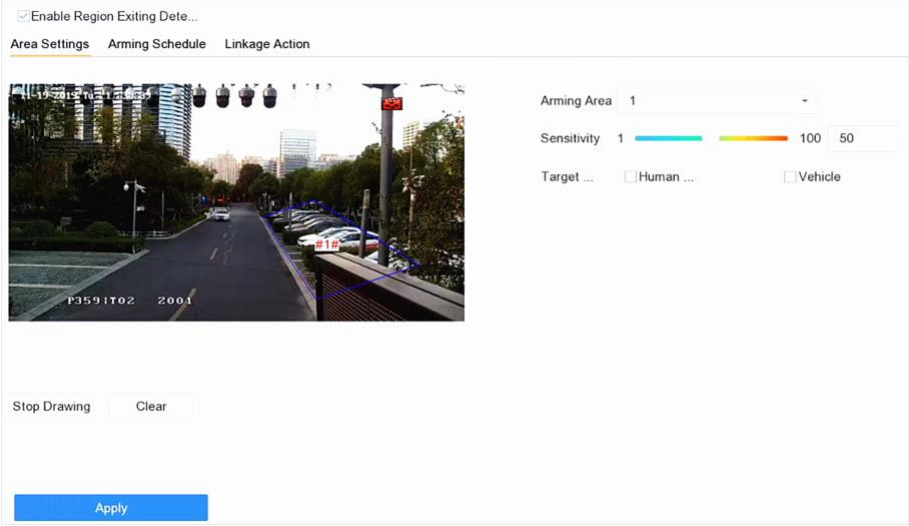

Figure 6-10 Region Exiting Detection

4. Check **Enable Region Exiting Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured region exiting detection pictures.
6. Optional: Check **Enable AI by Device**. The device will analyze the video, cameras only transmit video stream.
7. Follow these steps to set the detection rules and detection areas.
   1) Select **Arming Region**. Up to 4 regions are selectable.
   2) Set **Sensitivity**. The higher the value is, the more easily the detection alarm will be triggered. Its range is [0-100].

3) Click **Draw Region** and draw a quadrilateral in the preview window.

8. Optional: Draw the maximum size/minimum size for targets. Only the targets in the size ranging from maximum size to minimum size will trigger line crossing detection.
   1) Click **Max. Size/Min. Size**.
   2) Draw an area in preview window.
   3) Click **Stop Drawing**.
9. Optional: Select **Target of Interest** as **Human Body** or **Vehicle** to discard alarms which are not triggered by human body or vehicle.
10. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
11. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
12. Click **Apply**.

6.4 Human Body Detection

6.4.1 Human Body Detection

The human body detection enables to detect the human body appearing in the monitoring scene, and capture the human body pictures.

Before You Start

The connected camera supports the human body detection.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Other Events**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Human Body**.
4. Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured pictures of human body detection.
5. Check **Target of Interest (Human Body)** to discard non-human body pictures and videos which are not triggered by human body detection. The feature is only available for local human body detection.
6. Set detection area.

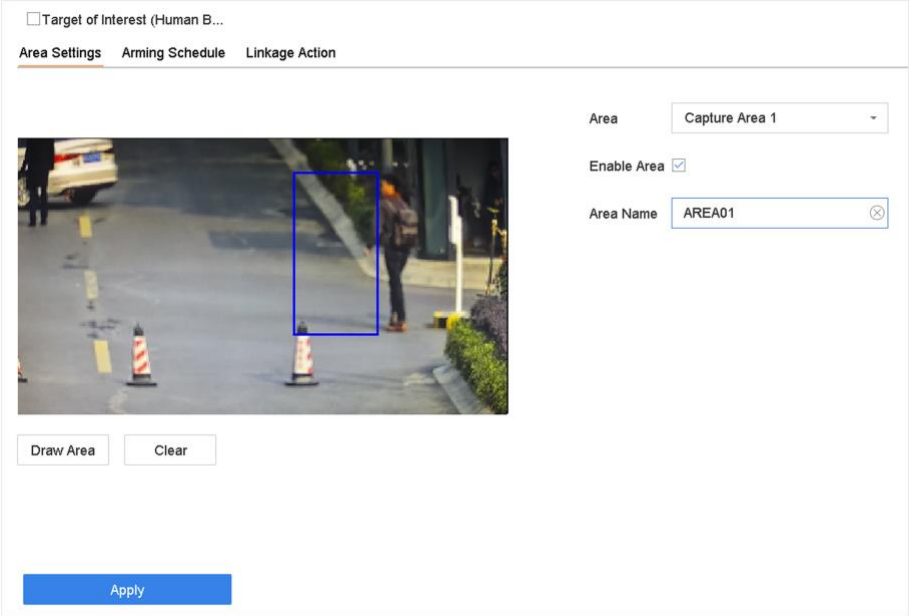

Figure 6-11 Human Body Detection

1) Select the detection area. Up to 8 detection areas are selectable.
2) Check **Enable Area** to enable the selected detection area.
3) Edit the area name.
4) Click **Draw Area** to draw a quadrilateral in the preview window and then click **Stop Drawing**.

7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply** to activate the settings.

6.4.2 Human Body Search

Search by Human Body Event

Search pictures by human body detection alarms.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Search** → **Human Body Search** → **Search by Event**.
2. Set the start time and end time.
3. Select a channel.
4. Select **Event Type** as **Human Body Alarm**.
5. Click **Start Search**. The search result list displays 1 channel.
6. Click **Channel** to select a channel as your desire. It will display search results for the selected channel.
7. Optional: Export search results.
   1) Select result file(s) from the search result interface, or check **Select All** to select all files.
   2) Click **Export** to export the selected file(s) to a backup device.

Note

You can click to view export progress.You can click to return to search interface.

Search by Appearance

Search human body pictures according to manually specified search conditions.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Search** → **Human Body Detection** → **Search by Appearance**.
2. Specify search conditions.
3. Click **Start Search**. The search result list displays 1 channel.
4. Click **Channel** to select a channel as your desire. It will display search results for the selected channel.
5. Optional: Export search results.
   1) Select result file(s) from the search result interface, or check **Select All** to select all files.
   2) Click **Export** to export the selected file(s) to a backup device.

Note

You can click to view export progress.You can click to return to search interface.

6.5 Multi-Target-Type Detection

For certain cameras that support multi-target-type detection, faces, human bodies and vehicles can be detected simultaneously in a scene. The camera analyzes the video, so ensure your camera supports multi-target-type detection.

Before You Start

Ensure the camera supports multi-target-type detection.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Video Structuralization**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Check **Enable Multi-Target-Type Detection**.
4. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured intrusion detection pictures.
5. Set detection area.
   1) Click **Draw Area**.
   2) Adjust the red frame on the image to draw the detection area. It is full screen by default.
   3) Click **Stop Drawing**.
6. Optional: Set **Capture Quality**. The captured picture will be stored to the device, high quality brings higher resolution, but it takes larger storage space. Picture quality will not affect detection accuracy.

7. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***.
8. Set the linkage method. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***.
9. Click **Apply**.

6.6 Vehicle Detection

Vehicle detection is available for the road traffic monitoring. In vehicle detection, the passed vehicle can be detected and the picture of its license plate can be captured. You can send alarm signal to notify the surveillance center and upload the captured picture to FTP server.

6.6.1 Configure Vehicle Detection

Vehicle detection is available for road traffic monitoring. In Vehicle Detection, a passed vehicle can be detected and the picture of its license plate can be captured. You can send an alarm signal to notify the surveillance center and upload the captured picture to an FTP server.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Event Settings** → **Vehicle Detection**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Click **Vehicle**.
4. Check **Enable Vehicle Detection**.
5. Optional: Check **Save VCA Picture** to save the captured vehicle detection pictures.
6. Configure rules, including **Area Settings**, **Picture**, **Overlay Content**, and **Blocklist and Allowlist**.

   Area Settings

   Up to 4 lanes are selectable.

   Blocklist and Allowlist

   You can export the file first to see its format, and edit it and import it to the device.
7. Click **Apply**.

Note

Refer to *Network Camera User Manual* for detailed instructions for the vehicle detection.

8. Set the arming schedule. Refer to ***Configure Arming Schedule***
9. Set the linkage actions. Refer to ***Configure Linkage Actions***

6.6.2 Vehicle Search

You can search and view the matched vehicle pictures.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Search** → **Vehicle Search**.
2. Select the IP camera for the vehicle search.

3. Set search conditions.

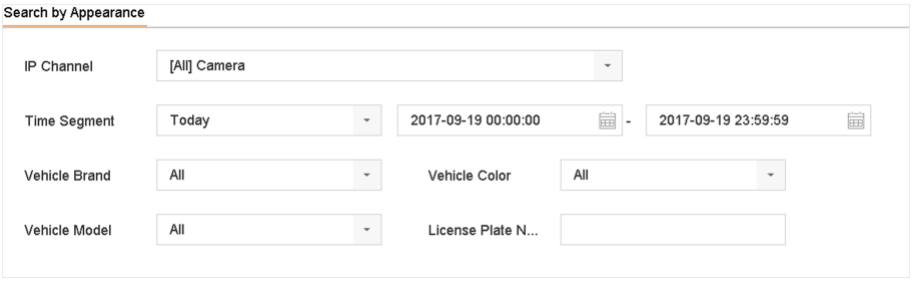

Figure 6-12 Vehicle Search

4. Click **Start Search**. The search result list displays 1 channel.
5. Click Channel to select a channel as your desire. It will display search results for the selected channel.
6. Export search results.
   1) Select result file(s) from the search result interface, or check **Select All** to select all files.
   2) Click **Export** to export the selected file(s) to a backup device.

Note

You can click to view export progress.

6.7 Target Detection

In live view mode, the target detection function can achieve smart detection, facial detection, vehicle detection, and human body detection during the last 5 seconds and the following 10 seconds.

Steps

1. In Live View mode, click Target Detection to enter the target detection interface.
2. Select different detection types: smart detection ( ), vehicle detection ( ), face detection ( ), and human body detection ( ).
3. Select the historical analysis ( ) or real-time analysis ( ) to obtain the results.

Note

The smart analysis results of the detection are displayed in the list. Click a result in list to play the related video.

4. Optional: You can select channels that require picture capture. The unselected channels will not capture picture.
   1) Click at the left bottom of live view interface.
   2) Select channel(s), the checked channel(s) will capture picture. All channels are selected as default.
   3) Click **Finish**.

6.8 People Counting

Counting calculates the number of people entering or leaving a certain configured area and creates daily/weekly/monthly/annual reports for analysis.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Report** → **Counting**.
2. Select the camera(s).
3. Select the report type.
4. Set **Date** to analyze. The people counting graphic will show.

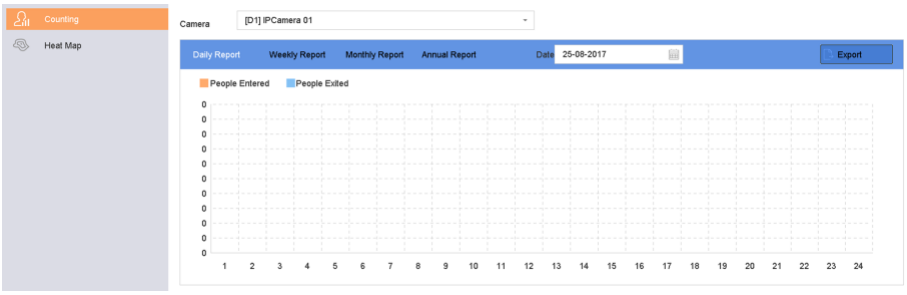

Figure 6-13 People Counting Interface

5. Optional: Click **Export** to export the report in Microsoft Excel format.

6.9 Heat Map

Heat Map is a graphical representation of data. The heat map function is used to analyze how many people visited and stayed in a specific area.

Before You Start

The Heat Map function must be supported by the connected IP camera and the corresponding configuration must be set.

Steps

1. Go to **Smart Analysis** → **Smart Report** → **Heat Map**.
2. Select a camera.
3. Select the report type.
4. Set **Date** to analyze.

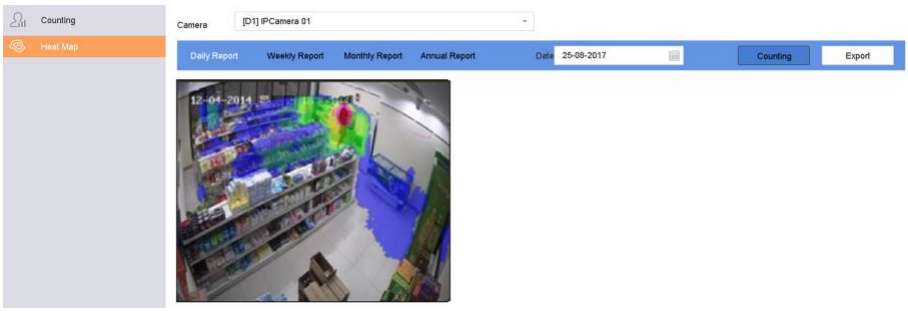

Figure 6-14 Heat Map Interface

5. Click **Counting**. The results will be displayed in graphics marked in different colors.

Note

As shown in the figure above, red color block (255, 0, 0) indicates the most trafficked area, and blue color block (0, 0, 255) indicates the less-popular area.

6. Optional: Click **Export** to export the statistics report in Microsoft Excel format.

Chapter 7 File Management

7.1 Search Files

Specify detailed conditions to search videos and pictures.

Steps

1. Go to **File Management** → **All Files/Human Files/Vehicle Files**.
2. Specify detailed conditions, including time, camera, event type, etc.

Note

- For All Files,select **Time**,**Camera**,**File Type**,**Event type**.
- For Human Files, select **Time**, **Camera** and **File Type** to search.
- For Vehicle Files,select **Time**,**Camera**,**File Type**,**Plate No.**,**Area/Country**.

3. Click **Search** to display results.The matched files will be displayed.
4. Select **Target Picture** or **Source Picture** in the menu bar to display related pictures only.
   - Target Picture:Display the search results of vehicle close-ups.
   - Source Picture:Display the search results of original pictures captured by camera.

7.2 Export Files

Export files for backup purposes to a USB device, or eSATA HDD.

Steps

1. Search files. Refer to ***Search Files*** for details.
2. Select files.
3. Click **Export**.
4. Optional: For vehicle files, check **Backup License Plate Statistics Info** to export license plate statistics information later.
5. Select the file to export as **Video and log** and click **OK**.
6. Select the backup device and folder path.
7. Click **OK**.

7.3 Smart Search

You can search human body files, face files and vehicles in **File Management** → **Smart Search**. Refer to ***Human Body SearchFace Picture Search***, and ***Vehicle Search*** for details.

Chapter 8 Storage

8.1 SSD Management

8.1.1 Initialize SSD

For the device that has pre-installed SSD on main board, you can view the SSD space distribution or initialize the SSD.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Management** → **SSD Management**.
2. Click **Format**.
3. Click **Yes** to initialize SSD.

Note

Initializing SSD will erase its data, including those in face picture library, and cancel the alarms linked to the library. The device will restart after initialization.

8.1.2 SSD S.M.A.R.T. Detection

Self-monitoring, analysis, and reporting technology (S.M.A.R.T.) is a monitoring system included in computer hard disk drives (HDDs) and solid-state drives (SSDs) that detects and reports on various indicators of drive reliability, with the intent of enabling the anticipation of hardware failures. You can run the S.M.A.R.T. detection for your SSD.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **HDD Operation** → **S.M.A.R.T**
2. Set **HDD No.** as **SSD**.
3. Set **Self-Test Type**.
4. Click **Self-Test** to start the S.M.A.R.T. SSD self-evaluation.

8.1.3 Upgrade SSD Firmware

You can use a USB flash drive to upgrade your SSD firmware.

Before You Start

Prepare a USB flash drive that contains the SSD firmware, and insert the USB flash drive to your device USB interface.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Management** → **SSD Management**.
2. Click **Firmware Upgrade**.
3. Select **Device Name** as the USB flash drive that contains the SSD firmware.
4. Select the SSD firmware.
5. Click **Upgrade**.

8.2 Manage Local HDD

8.2.1 Configure HDD Group

Multiple HDDs can be managed in groups. Video from specified channels can be recorded onto a particular HDD group through HDD settings.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Mode**.
2. Select **Mode** as **Group**.
3. Click **Apply**.
4. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Device**.
5. Select a HDD.

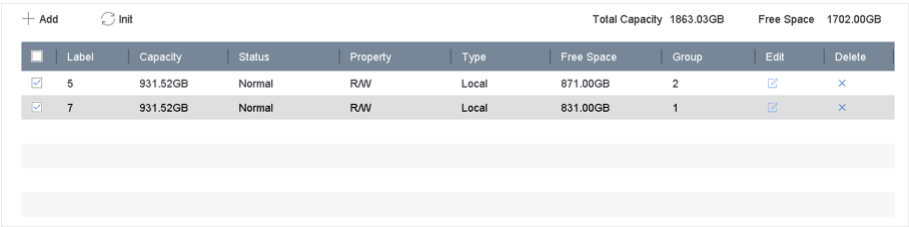

Figure 8-1 Storage Device

6. Click to enter Local HDD Settings interface.

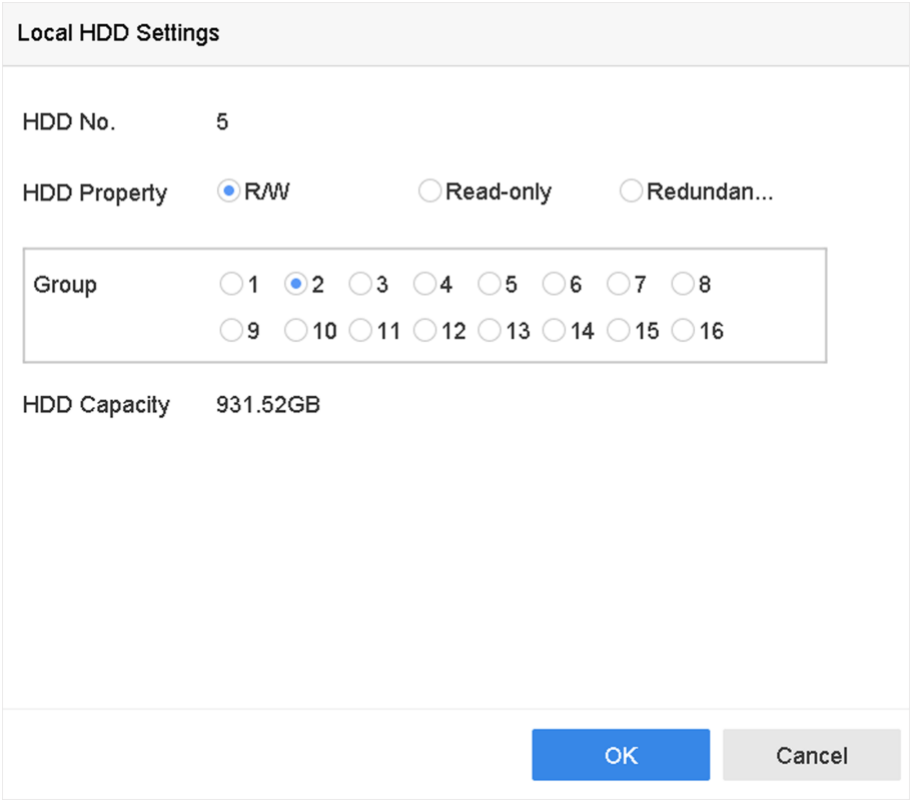

Figure 8-2 Local HDD Settings

7. Select a group number for the HDD.
8. Click **OK**.

Note

Regroup the cameras for HDD if the HDD group number is changed.

9. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Mode**.
10. Select group number from the list.
11. Select related camera(s) to save videos and pictures on the HDD group.
12. Click **Apply**.

8.2.2 Configure the HDD Property

HDD property can be set as R/W, Read-only, or Redundant.

Before You Start

Set the storage mode to Group. For detailed steps, refer to ***Configure HDD Group***

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Device**.
2. Click of desired HDD.
3. Select HDD **Property**.

R/W

HDD supports both read and write.

Read-only

Files in read-only HDD will not be overwritten.

Redundant

Save the videos and pictures not only in the R/W HDD but also in the redundant HDD. It effectively enhances the data safety and reliability. Ensure at least another HDD which is in Read/Write status exists.

4. Click **OK**.

8.2.3 Configure the HDD Quota

Each camera can be configured with an allocated quota for storing videos or pictures.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Mode**.
2. Select **Mode** as **Quota**.
3. Select a camera to set quota.
4. Enter the storage capacity in the text fields of **Max. Record Capacity (GB)** and **Max. Picture Capacity (GB)**.
5. Click **Copy to** to copy the quota settings of the current camera to other cameras.
6. Click **Apply**.

Note

- When the quota capacity is set to 0, all cameras will use the total capacity of HDD for videos and pictures.
- Reboot the video recorder to activate the new settings.

8.3 Add a Network Disk

You can add the allocated NAS or IP SAN disk to the device, and use it as a network HDD. Up to 8 network disks can be added.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Device**.
2. Click **Add**.

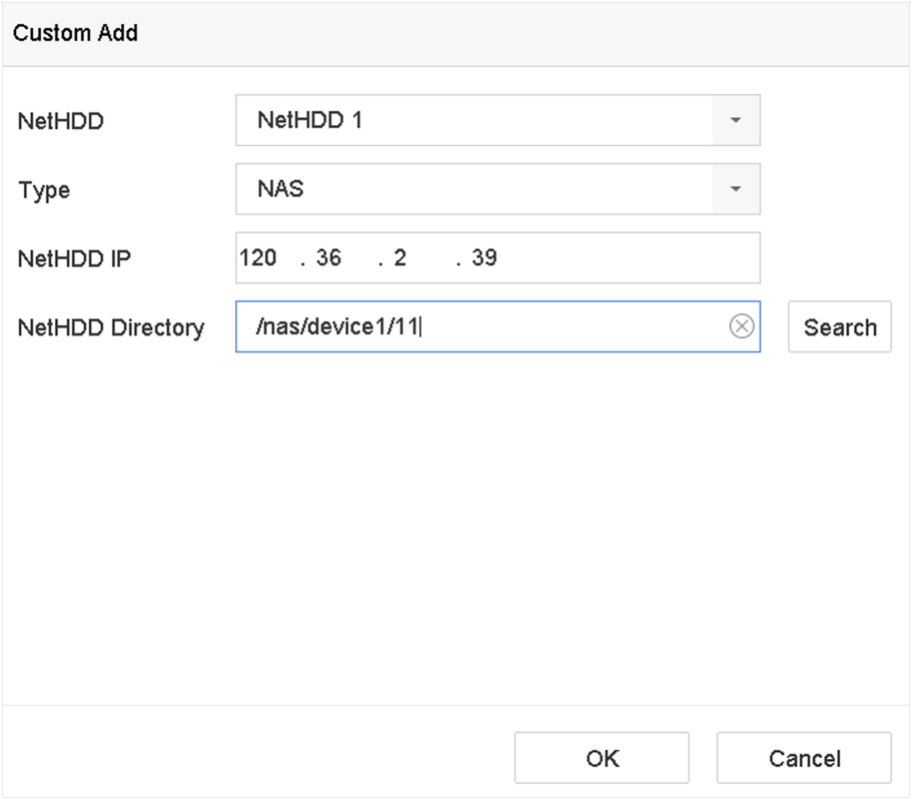

Figure 8-3 Add NetHDD

3. Select **NetHDD** type.
4. Enter **NetHDD IP** address and click **Search** to search the available NetHDD.
5. Select the desired NetHDD.
6. Click **OK**.
7. The added NetHDD will be displayed in the HDD list. Select the newly added NetHDD and click **Init**.

8.4 Manage eSATA

8.4.1 Configure eSATA for Data Storage

When there is an external eSATA device connected to your video recorder, you can configure the eSATA usage as data storage and manage the eSATA.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Advanced**.
2. Select eSATA **Usage** as **Export** or **Record/Capture**.

Export

Use the eSATA for backup.

Record/Capture

Use the eSATA for record/capture. Refer to the following steps for operating instructions.

Figure 8-4 eSATA Mode

What to do next

If eSATA usage is set as **Record/Capture**, enter the storage device interface to edit its property or initialize it.

8.4.2 Configure eSATA for Auto Backup

If you made an automatic backup plan, the video recorder will back up the local videos of 24 hours ahead of the backup start time to eSATA.

Before You Start

Ensure the device has correctly connected with an external eSATA hard drive, and its usage type is set as **Export**. Refer to ***Manage eSATA*** for details.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Auto Backup**.
2. Check **Auto Backup**.
3. Set the backup start time in **Start Backup at**.

Note

If the day experiences a failed backup, the video recorder will back up the videos 48 hours ahead of the backup start time in the next day.

4. Select channels for backup.
5. Select **Backup Stream Type** as your desire.
6. Select **Overwrite** type.
   - **Disable**: When HDD is full, it will stop writing.
   - **Enable**: When HDD is full, it will continue to write new files by deleting the oldest files.
7. Click **Apply**.

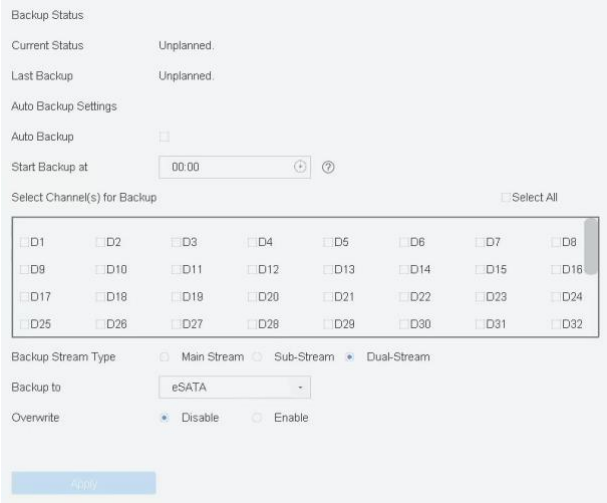

Figure 8-5 Configure eSATA for Auto Backup

Chapter 9 POS Configuration

The device can be connected to a POS machine/server, and receive a transaction message to overlay on the image during Live View or playback, as well as trigger a POS event alarm.

9.1 Configure POS Connection

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **POS**.
2. Click **Add**.

Figure 9-1 POS Settings

3. Select a POS device from the drop-down list.
4. Check **Enable**.

Note

The number of POS devices supported by each device is the half of its number of channel, e.g., 8 POS devices are supported for the DS-9616NI-I8 model.

5. Select **POS Protocol**.

Note

When a new protocol is selected, reboot the device to activate the new settings.

Universal Protocol

Click **Advanced** to expand more settings when selecting the universal protocol. You can set the start line identifier, line break tag, and end line tag for the POS overlay characters, and the case-sensitive property of the characters. You can also optionally check the filtering identifier and the XML protocol.

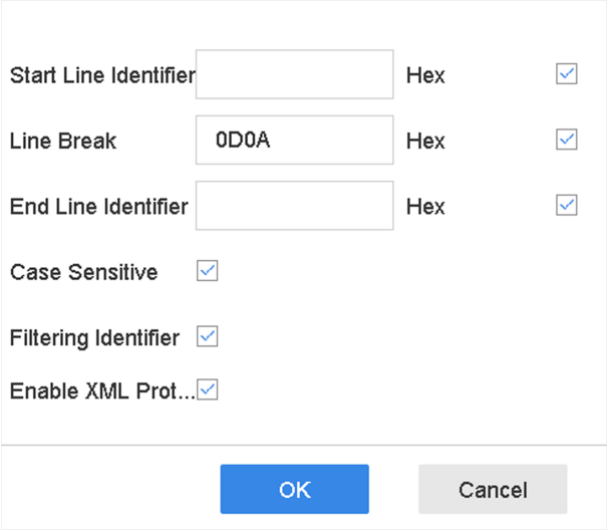

Figure 9-2 Universal Protocol Settings

EPSON

The fixed start and end line tag are used for EPSON protocol.

AVE

The fixed start and end line tag are used for AVE protocol. Serial port and virtual serial port connection types are supported.

Click **Custom** to configure the AVE settings. Select **Rule** as **VSI-ADD** or **VNET** . Set the address bit of the POS message to send. Click **OK** to save the settings.

NUCLEUS

Click the **Custom** to configure the NUCLEUS settings.

Enter the employee No., shift No., and the terminal No. in the field. The matching message sent from the POS device will be used as the valid POS data.

Note

The NUCLEUS protocol must be used in the RS-232 connection communication.

6. Select **Connection Mode** and click **Parameters** to configure the parameters for each connection mode.

TCP Connection

When using TCP connection, the port must be set from 1 to 65535, and the port for each POS machine must be unique.

Set the **Allowed Remote IP Address** of the device sending the POS message.

UDP Connection

When using UDP connection, the port must be set from 1 to 65535, and the port for each POS machine must be unique.

Set the **Allowed Remote IP Address** of the device sending the POS message.

USB-to-RS-232 Connection

Configure the USB-to-RS-232 convertor port parameters, including the port serial number, baud rate, data bit, stop bit, parity, and flow ctrl.

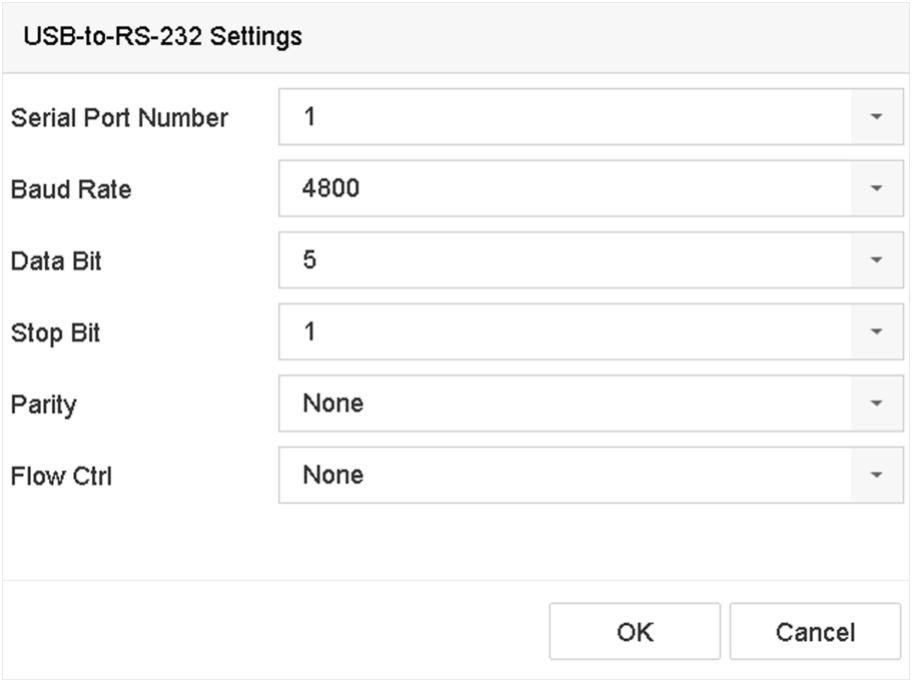

Figure 9-3 USB-to-RS-232 Settings

RS-232 Connection

Connect the device and the POS machine via RS-232. The RS-232 settings can be configured in**Menu** → **Configuration** → **RS-232**. The Usage must be set to Transparent Channel.

Multicast Connection

When connecting the device and the POS machine via Multicast protocol, set the multicast address and port.

Sniff Connection

Connect the device and the POS machine via Sniff. Configure the source address and destination address settings.

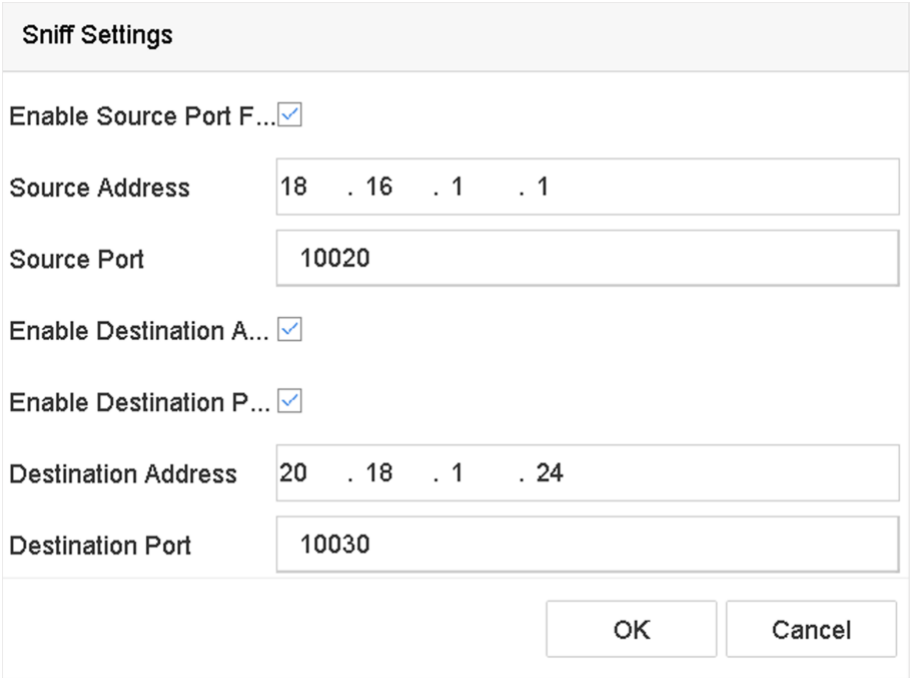

Figure 9-4 Sniff Settings

9.2 Configure POS Text Overlay

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **POS**.
2. Click **Channel Linkage and Display**.

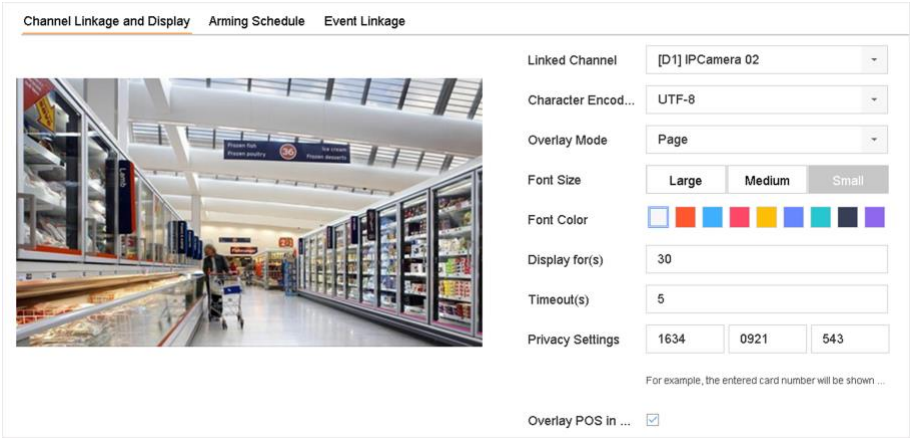

Figure 9-5 Overlay Character Settings

3. Select **linked channel** to overlay the POS characters.
4. Set the characters overlay for the enabled POS.
   - Character encoding format: currently the Latin-1 format is available
   - Overlay mode of the characters to display in scrolling or page mod

- Font size and font color
- Display time (sec) of the characters. The value ranges 5 -3600 sec.
- Timeout of POS event. The value ranges 5 -3600 sec. When the device has not received the POS message within the defined time, the transaction ends.

5. In **Privacy Settings**, set the POS privacy information to not display on the image, e.g., the card number, user name, etc.
   The defined privacy information will be displayed using ***on the image instead.
6. Check **Overlay POS in Live View**. When this feature is enabled, the POS information is overlaid on the Live View image.

Note

Drag the frame to adjust the textbox size and position on POS settings interface preview screen.

7. Click **Apply** to activate the settings.

9.3 Configure POS Alarm

A POS event can trigger channels to start recording, or trigger full screen monitoring or an audio warning, notifying the surveillance center, send e-mail, etc.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Recording Schedule**.
2. Set the POS event's arming schedule.
3. Go to **System** → **POS**.
4. Click **Event Linkage** on the POS adding or editing interface.

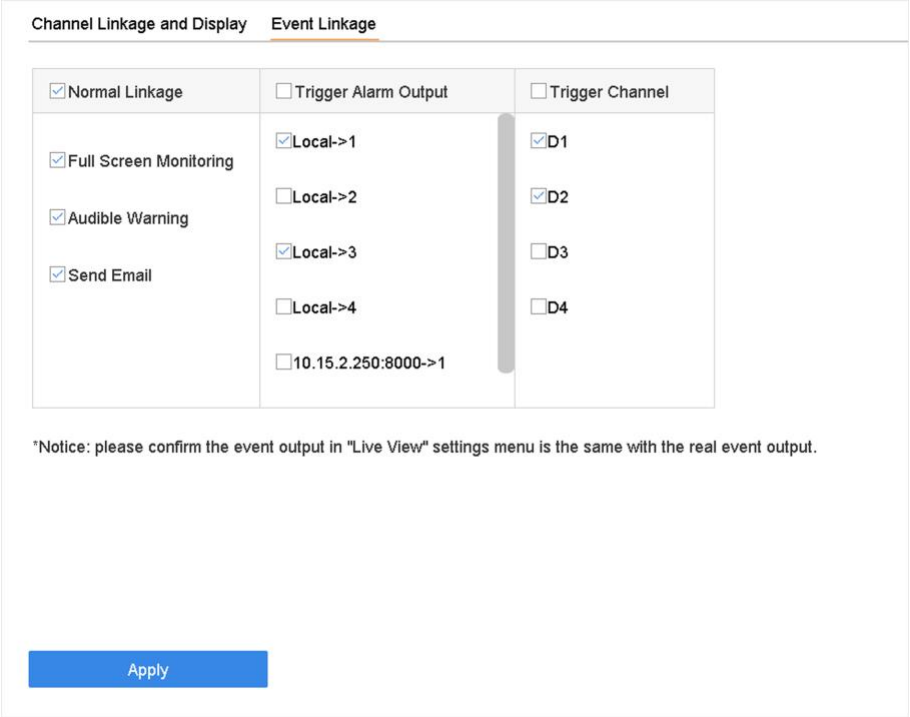

Figure 9-6 Set Trigger Cameras of POS

5. Select the normal linkage actions.
6. Select one or more alarm output(s) to trigger.
7. Select one or more channels to record or become full-screen monitoring when a POS alarm is triggered.
8. Click **Apply** to save the settings.

Chapter 10 Hot Spare Recorder Backup

Video recorders can form an N+1 hot spare system. The system consists of several working video recorders and a hot spare video recorder; when the working video recorder fails, the hot spare video recorder switches into operation, thus increasing the reliability of the system. Contact your dealer for details of models that support the hot spare function.
A bidirectional connection shown in the figure below is required to be built between the hot spare video recorder and each working video recorder.

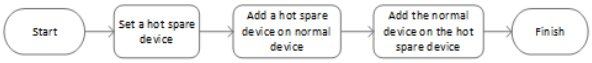

Figure 10-1 Building a Hot Spare System

10.1 Set Hot Spare Device

Hot spare devices takes over working device tasks when working device fails.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Hot Spare**.
2. Select **Work Mode** as **Hot Spare Mode**.

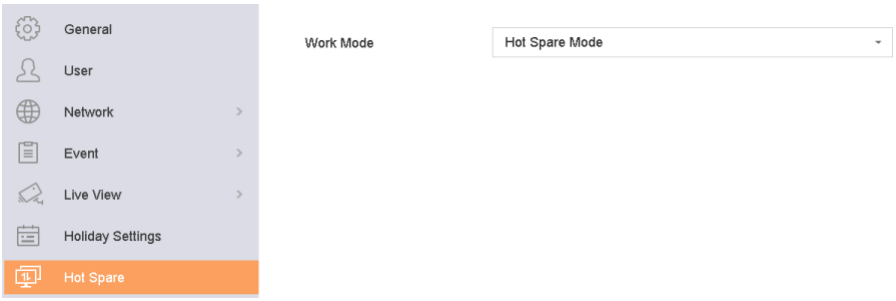

Figure 10-2 Hot Spare

3. Click **Apply**.
4. Click **Yes** in the pop-up attention box to reboot the device.

Note

- The camera connection will be disabled when the device works in hot spare mode.
- It is highly recommended to restore the device defaults after switching the working mode of the hot spare device to normal mode to ensure the normal operation afterward.

10.2 Set Working Recorder

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Hot Spare**.
2. Select **Work Mode** as **Normal Mode**.
3. Check **Enable**.
4. Enter IP address, user name, and admin password of the hot spare recorder.

Figure 10-3 Hot Spare

5. Click **Apply**.

10.3 Manage Hot Spare System

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Hot Spare** in the hot spare recorder.
2. Check working recorders on the device list and click **Add** to link the working recorder to the hot spare recorder. The working recorder working status descriptions are as follows:

No record

The working recorder works properly.

Backing up

If the working recorder goes offline, the hot spare recorder will record the videos of the network camera connected to the working device. The video back up functions for one working recorder at a time.

Synchronizing

When the working recorder comes back online, the lost videos will be restored by the video synchronization function. The video synchronization function can be enabled for one working recorder at a time.

Note

A hot spare recorder can connect up to 32 working recorders.

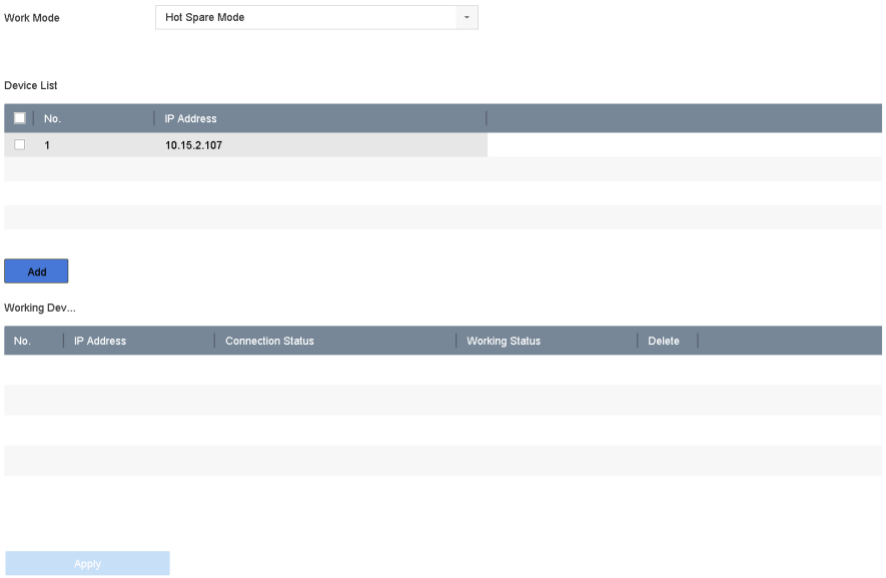

Figure 10-4 Add Working Recorder

Chapter 11 Network Settings

11.1 Configure DDNS

You can set Dynamic DNS service for network access. Different DDNS modes are available: DynDNS, PeanutHull, and NO-IP.

Before You Start

You must register the DynDNS, PeanutHull, or NO-IP services with your ISP before configuring DDNS settings.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **TCP/IP** → **DDNS**

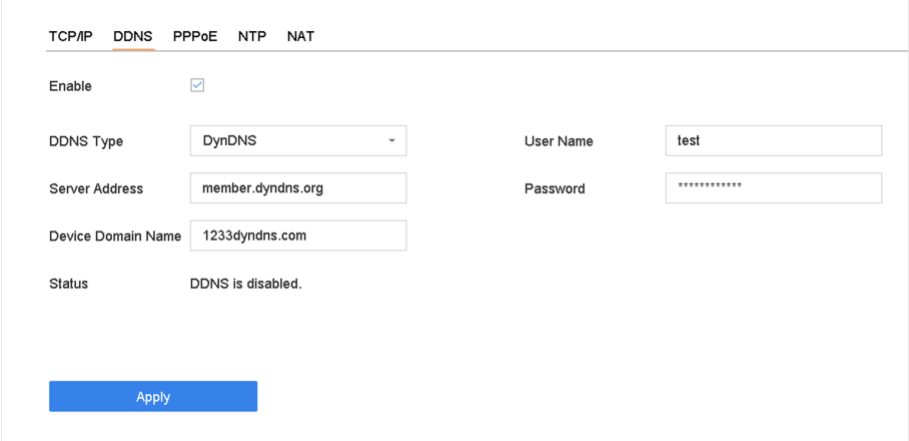

Figure 11-1 DDNS Settings

2. Check **Enable**.
3. Select **DDNS Type** as DynDNS.
4. Enter Server Address for DynDNS (i.e., members.dyndns.org).
5. Under Device Domain Name, enter the domain name obtained from the DynDNS Website.
6. Enter **User Name** and **Password** registered in the DynDNS Website.
7. Click **Apply**.

11.2 17.3 Configure PPPoE

If the device is connected to Internet through PPPoE, you need to configure user name and password accordingly under **System** → **Network** → **TCP/IP** → **PPPoE**.
Contact your Internet service provider for details about PPPoE service.

11.3 Configure Port Mapping (NAT)

Two ways are provided for port mapping to realize the remote access via the cross-segment network, UPnP™ and manual mapping.

Before You Start

If you want to enable the UPnP™ function of the device, you must enable the UPnP™ function of the router to which your device is connected. When the network working mode of the device is set as multi-address, the Default Route of the device should be in the same network segment as that of the LAN IP address of the router.

Universal Plug and Play (UPnP™) can permit the device seamlessly discover the presence of other network devices on the network and establish functional network services for data sharing, communications, etc. You can use the UPnP™ function to enable the fast connection of the device to the WAN via a router without port mapping.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **TCP/IP** → **NAT**.

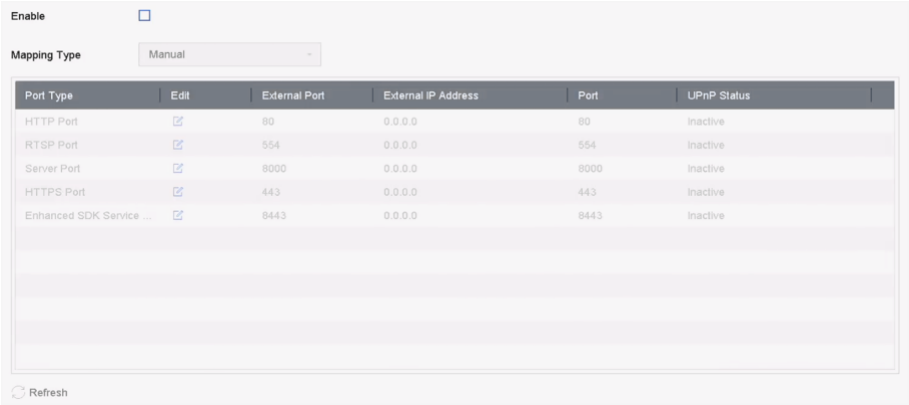

Figure 11-2 Port Mapping Setting

2. Check **Enable**.
3. Select **Mapping Type** as **Manual** or **Auto**.
   - Auto: If you select **Auto**, the port mapping items are read-only, and the external ports are set by the router automatically.
   - Manual: If you select **Manual**, you can edit the external port on your demand by clicking to activate **External Port Settings**.

Note

- You can use the default port No., or change it according to actual requirements.
- External Port indicates the port No. for port mapping in the router.
- The value of the RTSP port No. should be 554 or between 1024 and 65535, while the value of the other ports should be between 1 and 65535 and the value must be different from each other. If multiple devices are configured for the UPnP™ settings under the same router, the value of the port No. for each device should be unique.

4. Enter the virtual server setting page of router; fill in the blank of **Internal Source Port** with the internal port value, the blank of **External Source Port** with the external port value, and other required contents.

Note

- Each item should be corresponding with the device port, including server port, http port, RTSP port and https port.
- The virtual server setting interface below is for reference only, it may be different due to different router manufactures. Please contact the manufacture of router if you have any problems with setting virtual server.

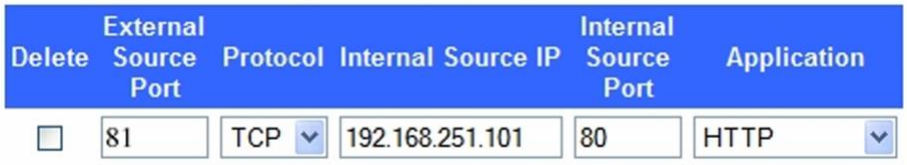

Figure 11-3 Setting Virtual Server Item

11.4 Configure SNMP

You can configure SNMP settings to get device status and parameter information.

Before You Start

Download the SNMP software to receive device information via the SNMP port. By setting the trap address and port, the device is allowed to send alarm events and exception messages to the surveillance center.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **SNMP**.

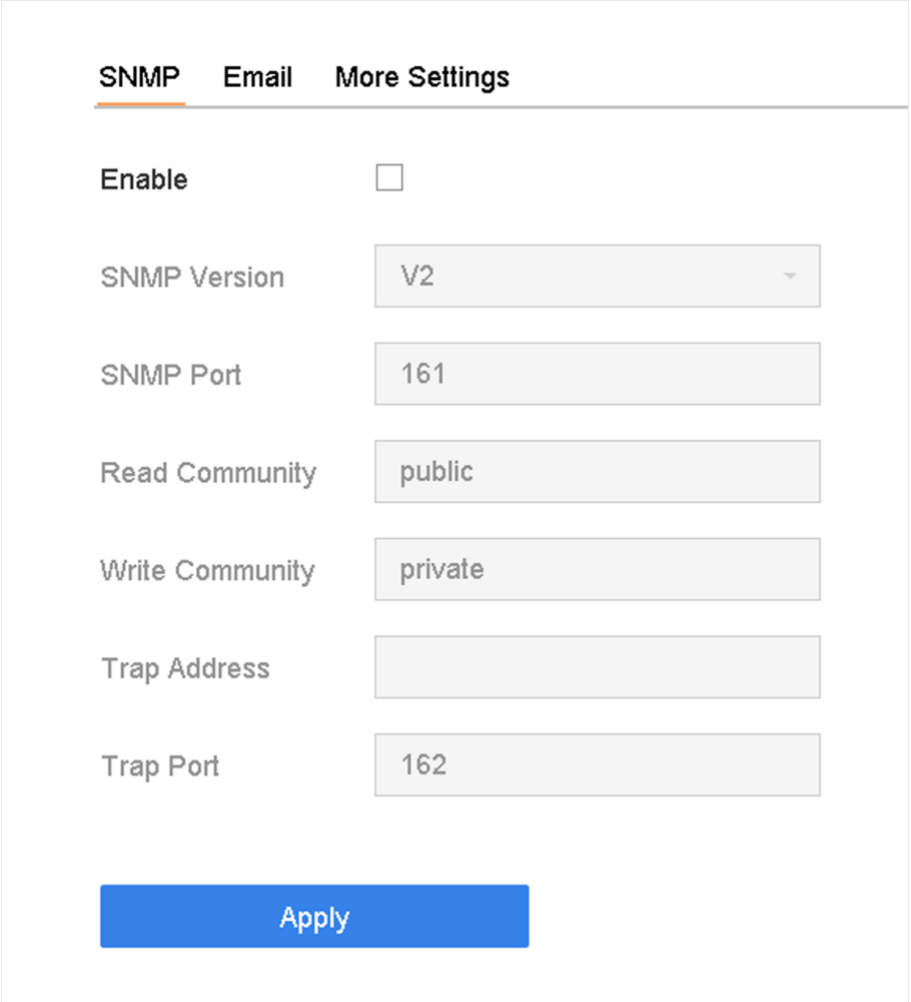

Figure 11-4 SNMP Settings

2. Check **Enable**. A message will pop up to notify about a possible security risk. Click **Yes** to continue.
3. Configure the SNMP settings as needed.

   Trap Address

   SNMP host IP address.

   Trap Port

   Port of the SNMP host.
4. Click **Apply**.

Note

You can configure SNMP v2 and SNMP v3 parameters via web browser in **Configuration** → **System** → **Advanced Settings** → **SNMP**.

11.5 Configure Email

The system can be configured to send an e-mail notification to all designated users when a specified event occurs such as when an alarm or motion event is detected, or the administrator password is changed, etc.

Before You Start

The device must be connected to a local area network (LAN) that contains an SMTP mail server. The network must also be connected to either an intranet or the Internet depending on the location of the e-mail accounts to which you want to send notifications.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **Email**.

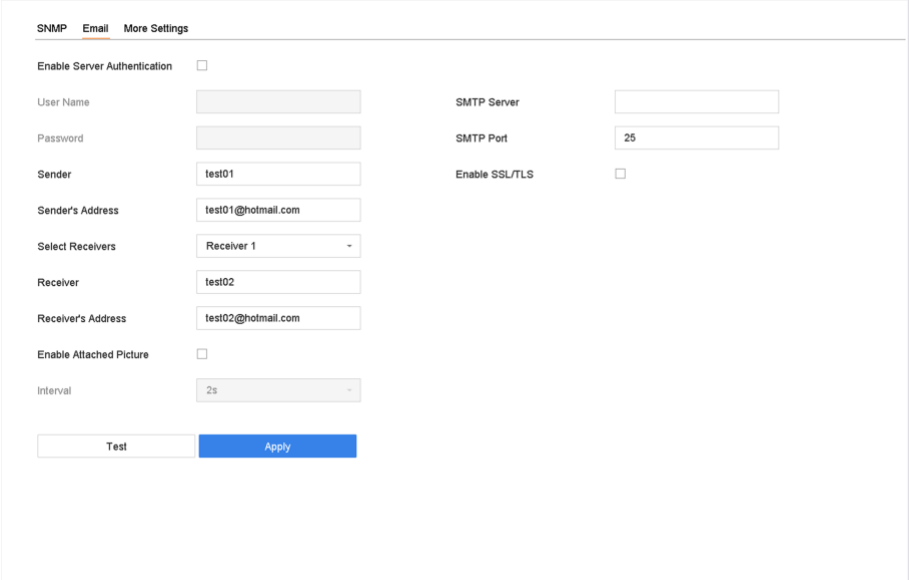

Figure 11-5 Email Settings

2. Configure the email settings.

Enable Server Authentication

Check to enable the function if the SMTP server requires user authentication and enter the user name and password accordingly.

SMTP Server

The IP address of SMTP Server or host name (e.g., smtp.263xmail.com).

SMTP Port

The SMTP port. The default TCP/IP port used for SMTP is 25.

Enable SSL/TLS

Check to enable SSL/TLS if required by the SMTP server.

Sender

The sender's name.

Sender's Address

The sender's address.

Select Receivers

Select the receiver. Up to 3 receivers can be configured.

Receiver

The receiver's name.

Receiver's Address

The e-mail address of the user to be notified.

Enable Attached Picture

Check to send e-mail with attached alarm images. The interval is the time between sending two subsequent alarm images.

3. Click **Apply**.
4. Optional: Click **Test** to send a test email.

11.6 Configure Port

You can configure different types of ports to enable relevant functions.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **More Settings**.

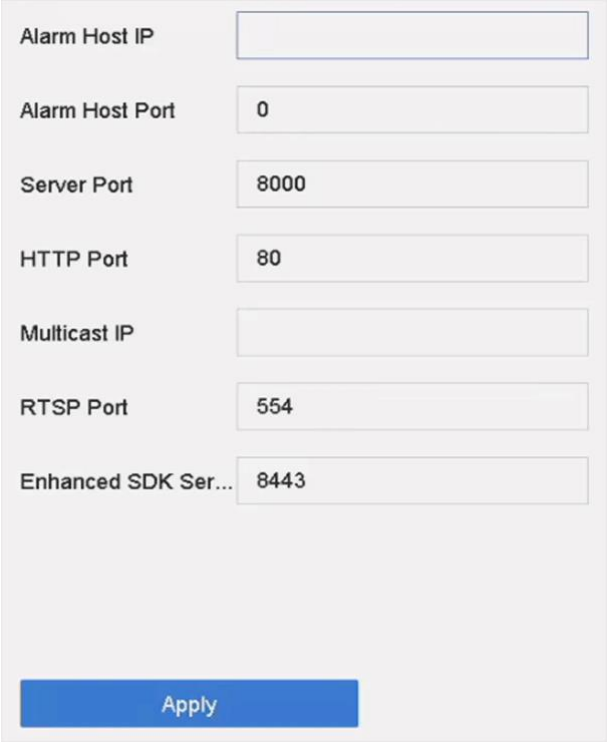

Figure 11-6 Port Settings

2. Configure port settings as needed.

Alarm Host IP/Port

With a remote alarm host configured, the device will send the alarm event or exception message to the host when an alarm is triggered. The remote alarm host must have the client management system (CMS) software installed. The alarm host IP refers to the IP address of the remote PC on which the CMS software (e.g., iVMS-4200) is installed, and the alarm host port (7200 by default) must be the same as the alarm monitoring port configured in the software.

Server Port

Server port (8000 by default) should be configured for remote client software access and its valid range is 2000 to 65535.

HTTP Port

HTTP port (80 by default) should be configured for remote Web browser access.

Multicast IP

Multicast can be configured to enable Live View for cameras that exceed the maximum number allowed through network. Both IPv4 and IPv6 are available for multicast IP address. For IPv4, it covers Class-D IP ranging from 224.0.0.0 to 239.255.255.255 and it is recommended to use an IP address ranging from 239.252.0.0 to 239.255.255.255. When adding a device to the CMS software, the multicast address must be the same as that of the device.

RTSP Port

RTSP (Real Time Streaming Protocol) is a network control protocol designed to control streaming media servers. The port is 554 by default.

Enhanced SDK Service Port

The enhanced SDK service adopts TLS protocol over the SDK service that provides safer data transmission. The port is 8443 by default.

3. Click **Apply**.

11.7 Configure ONVIF

ONVIF protocol allows the connection with third-party cameras. The added user accounts have the permission to connect other devices via ONVIF protocol.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **System Service** → **ONVIF**.
2. Check **Enable ONVIF** to enable the ONVIF access management.

Note

ONVIF protocol is disabled by default.

3. Click **Add**.
4. Enter **User Name**, and **Password**

Caution

We highly recommend you create a strong password of your own choosing (Using a minimum of 8 characters, including at least three of the following categories: upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters.) in order to increase the security of your product. And we recommend you reset your password regularly, especially in the high security system, resetting the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

5. Select **Level** as **Media User**, **Operator** or **Admin**.
6. Click **OK**.

Chapter 12 User Management and Security

12.1 Manage User Accounts

The Administrator user name is admin and the password is set when you start the device for the first time. The Administrator has the permission to add and delete users and configure user parameters.

12.1.1 Add a User

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **User**.
2. Click **Add** to enter the operation permission interface.
3. Input the admin password and click **OK**.
4. In the Add User interface, enter the information for a new user.

Caution

Strong Password Recommended–We highly recommend you create a strong password of your own choosing (using a minimum of 8 characters, including at least three of the following categories: upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters) in order to increase the security of your product. We also recommend that you reset your password regularly. Especially in the high security systems, resetting the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

User Level

Set the user level to Operator or Guest. Different user levels have different operating permission.

- Operator: An Operator user level has Two-way Audio permission in Remote Configuration and all operating permissions in Camera Configuration by default.
- Guest: The Guest user has no permission of Two-way Audio in Remote Configuration and only has the local/remote playback in the Camera Configuration by default.

User's MAC Address

The MAC address of the remote PC that logs onto the device. If it is configured and enabled, it allows only the remote user with this MAC address to access the device.

5. Click **OK**.
   In the User Management interface, the added new user is displayed on the list.

12.1.2 Edit the Admin User

For the admin user account, you can modify your password and unlock pattern.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **User**.
2. Select the admin user from the list.
3. Click **Modify**.

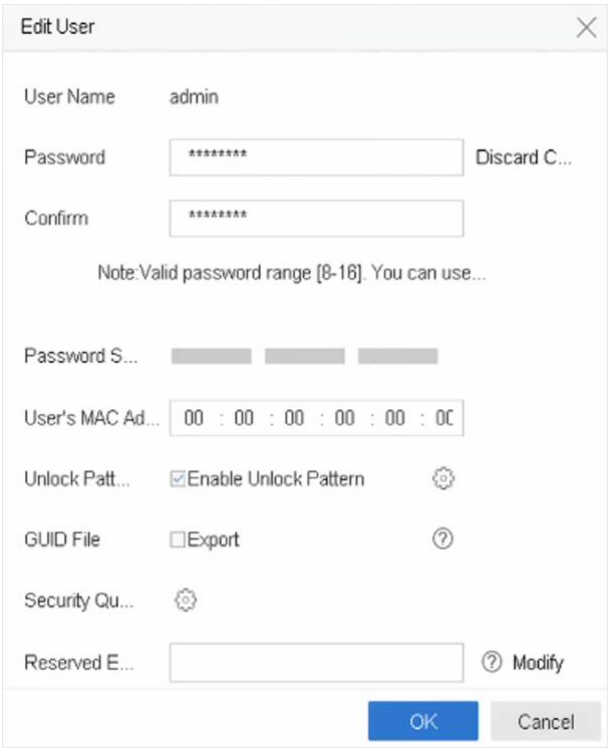

Figure 12-1 Edit User (Admin)

4. Edit the admin user information as desired, including a new admin password (strong password is required) and MAC address.
5. Edit the unlock pattern for the admin user account.
   1) Check **Enable Unlock Pattern** to enable the use of an unlock pattern when logging in to the device.
   2) Use the mouse to draw a pattern among the 9 dots on the screen, and release the mouse when the pattern is done.
6. Check **Export** of **GUID File** to export the GUID file for the admin user account.

Note

When the admin password is changed, export the new GUID to the connected USB flash drive in the Import/Export interface for the future password resetting.

7. Configure security question for password resetting.
8. Configure reserved email for password resetting.
9. Click **OK** to save the settings.

12.1.3 Edit an Operator/Guest User

You can edit the user information, including user name, password, permission level, and MAC address.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **User**.
2. Select a user from the list and click **Modify**.

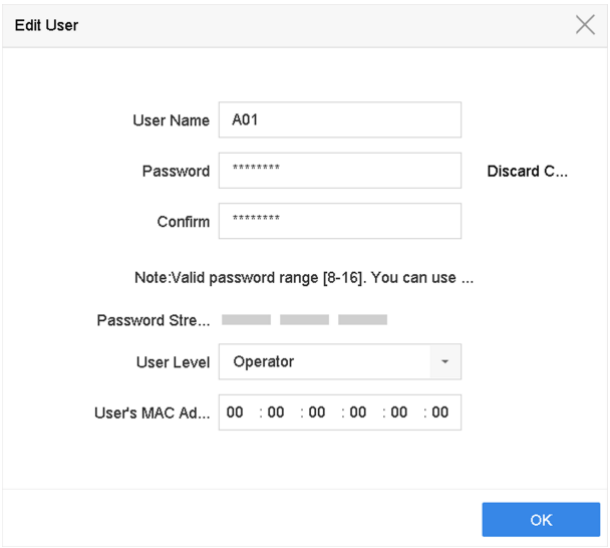

Figure 12-2 Edit User (Operator/Guest)

3. Edit the user information as desired, including the new password (strong password is required) and MAC address.
4. Click **OK**.

12.2 Manage User Permissions

12.2.1 Set User Permissions

For an added user, you can assign the different permissions, including local and remote operation

of the device.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **User**.
2. Select a user from the list, and then click to enter the permission settings interface.

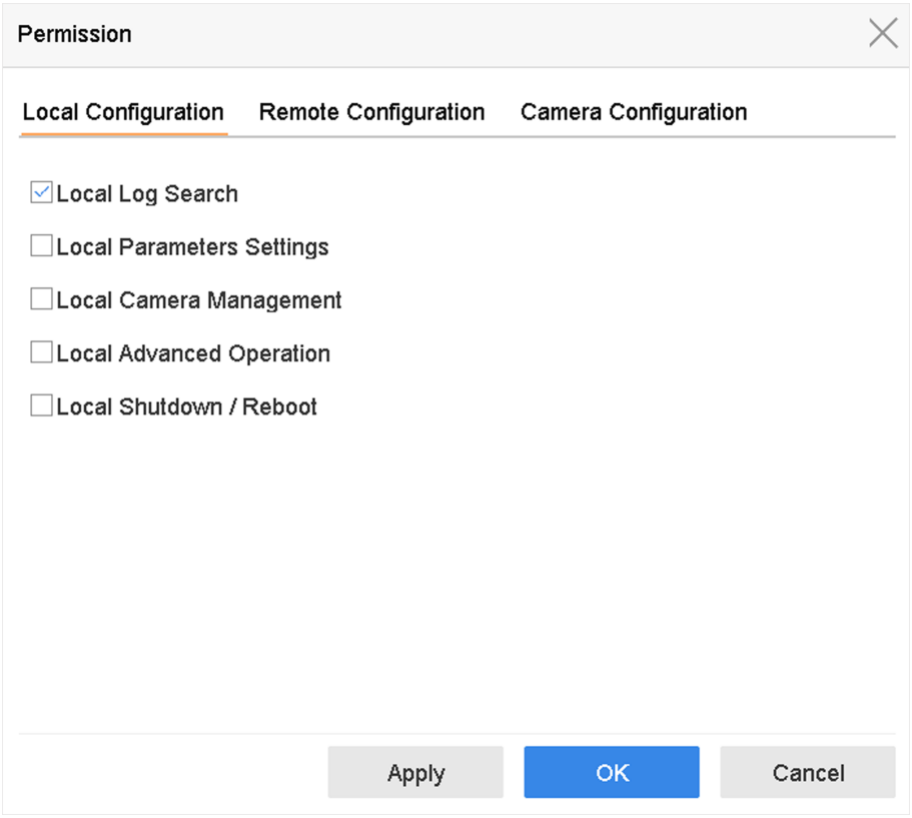

Figure 12-3 User Permission Settings Interface

3. Set the user's operating permissions for **Local Configuration**, **Remote Configuration**, and **Camera Configuration** for the user.
   1) Set Local Configuration

   Local Log Search

   Searching and viewing logs and system information of device.

   Local Parameters Settings

   Configuring parameters, restoring factory default parameters, and importing/exporting configuration files.

   Local Camera Management

   Adding, deleting, and editing of IP cameras.

   Local Advanced Operation

   Operating HDD management (initializing HDD, setting HDD property), upgrading system firmware, clearing I/O alarm output.

Local Shutdown Reboot

Shutting down or rebooting the device.

2) Set Remote Configuration

Remote Log Search

Remotely viewing logs that are saved on the device.

Remote Parameters Settings

Remotely configuring parameters, restoring factory default parameters, and importing/exporting configuration files.

Remote Camera Management

Remote adding, deleting, and editing of the IP cameras.

Remote Serial Port Control

Configuring settings for RS-232 and RS-485 port settings.

Remote Video Output Control

Sending remote button control signals.

Two-Way Audio

Operating the two-way radio between the remote client and the device.

Remote Alarm Control

Remotely arming (notify alarm and exception message to the remote client) and controlling the alarm output.

Remote Advanced Operation

Remotely operating HDD management (initializing HDD, setting HDD property), upgrading system firmware, clearing I/O alarm output.

Remote Shutdown/Reboot

Remotely shutting down or rebooting the device.

3) Set Camera Configuration

Remote Live View

Remotely viewing live video of the selected camera(s).

Local Manual Operation

Locally starting/stopping manual recording and alarm output of the selected camera(s).

Remote Manual Operation

Remotely starting/stopping manual recording and alarm output of the selected camera(s).

Local Playback

Locally playing back recorded files of the selected camera(s).

Remote Playback

Remotely playing back recorded files of the selected camera(s).

Local PTZ Control

Locally controlling PTZ movement of the selected camera(s).

Remote PTZ Control

Remotely controlling PTZ movement of the selected camera(s).

Local Video Export

Locally exporting recorded files of the selected camera(s).

Local Live View

View live video of the selected camera(s) in local.

4. Click **OK** to save the settings.

12.2.2 Set Live View Permission on Lock Screen

The admin user can set live view permission for specific cameras in the screen lock status of device.

- The admin user can set this permission for user accounts.
- When the normal user (Operator or Guest) has no local live view permission for specific camera (s), the live view permission for such camera (s) on lock screen status cannot be configured (live view not allowed by default).

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **User**.
2. Click **Live View Permission on Lock Screen**.
3. Input admin password and click **Next**.

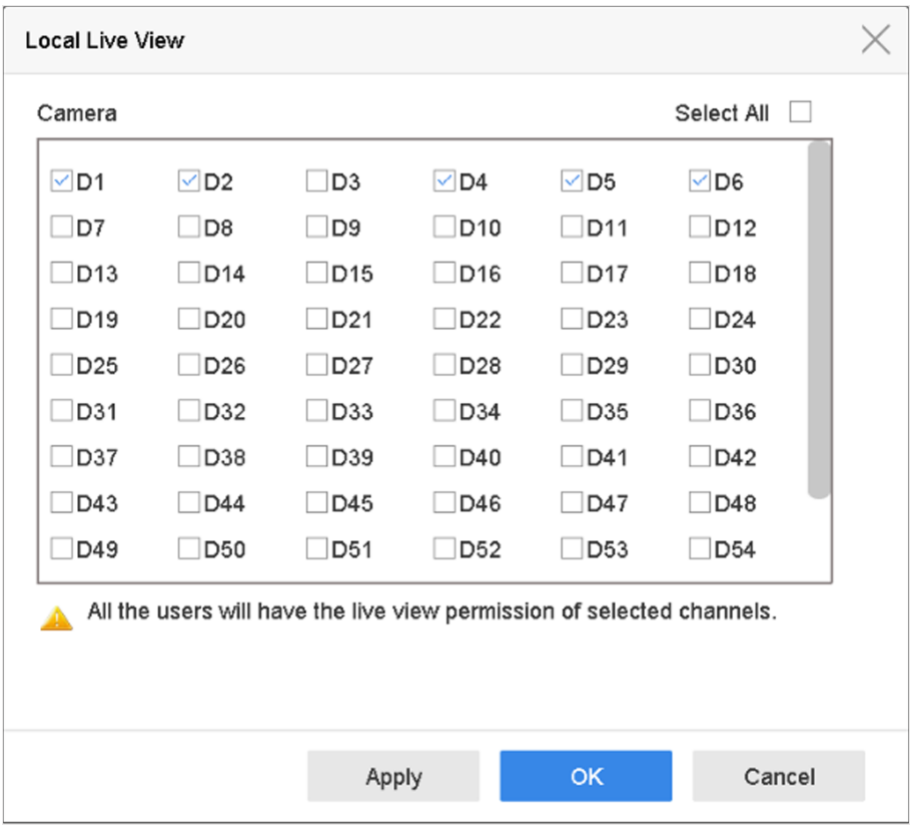

Figure 12-4 Set Live View Permissions on Lock Screen

4. Set the permissions.Select the camera (s) to allow live view when the current user account is in logout status.
5. Click **OK**.

12.3 Configure Password Security

12.3.1 Export GUID File

The GUID file can help you to reset password when you forget it. You can export GUID file via web browser. Please keep the GUID file properly.

Before You Start

Ensure you are on the same network segment with your device.

Steps

1. Go to **Configuration** → **System** → **User Management** → **User Management**.
2. Select the admin user.
3. Click **Account Security Settings**.
4. Click **Modify**.

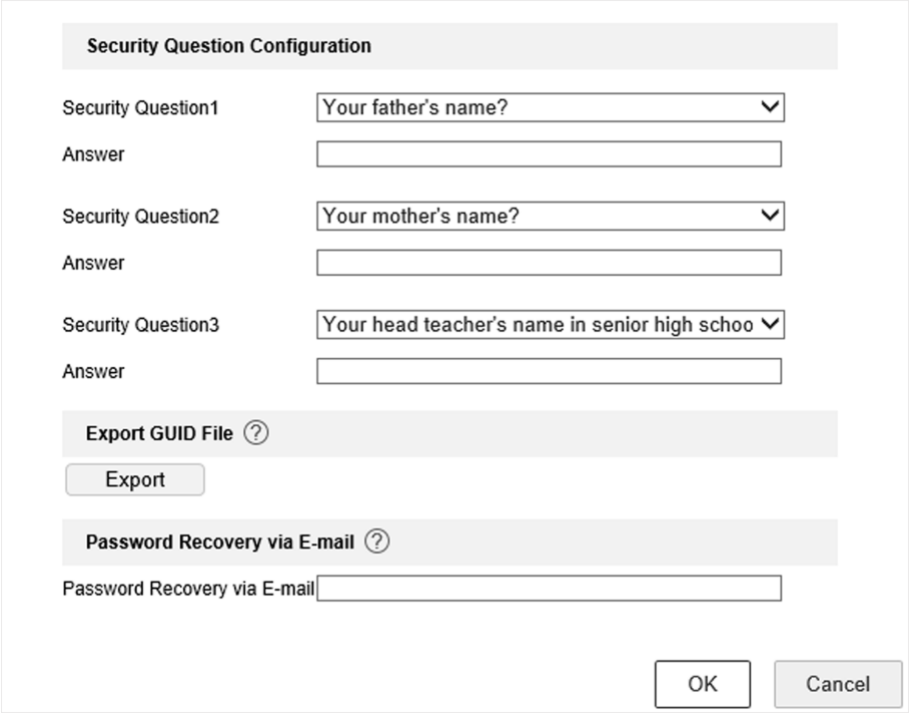

Figure 12-5 Export GUID File

5. Click **Export** in **Export GUID File**.
6. Enter the admin password.
7. Save the GUID file to a directory as your desire.

12.3.2 Configure Security Questions

The security questions can help you to reset password when you forget your password, or encounter security issues. You can configure security questions via web browser.

Before You Start

Ensure you are on the same network segment with your device.

Steps

1. Go to **Configuration** → **System** → **User Management** → **User Management**.
2. Select the admin user.
3. Click **Account Security Settings**.
4. Click **Modify**.

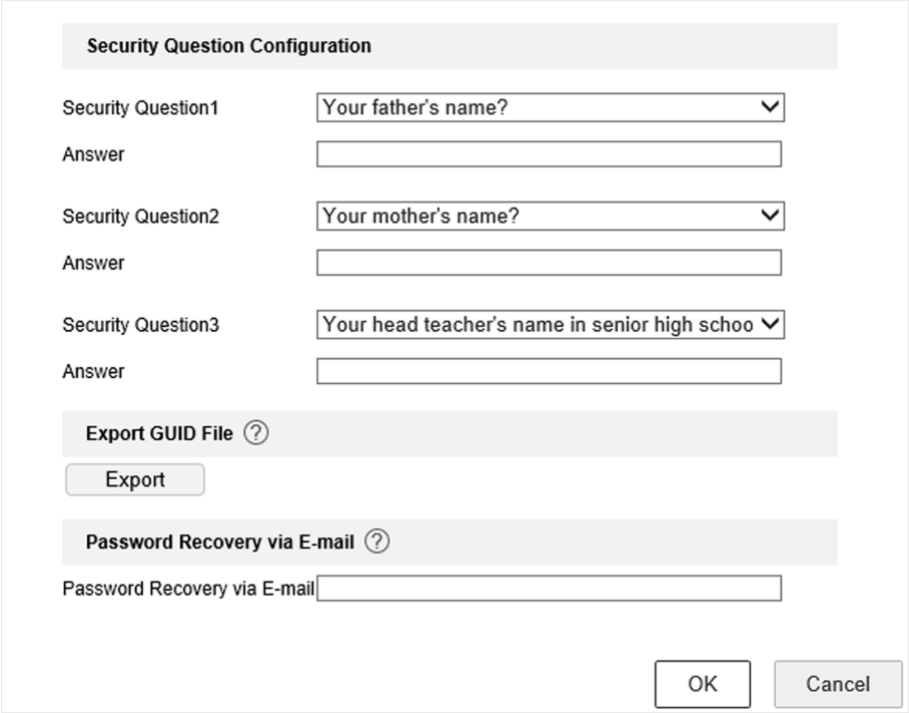

Figure 12-6 Configure Security Questions

5. Set the security questions.
6. Click **OK**.
7. Enter the admin password.
8. Click **OK**.

12.3.3 Configure Reserved Email

The reserved email will help you to reset password when you forget your password.

Steps

1. Check **Reserved E-mail** when you are activating the device, or click **Modify** when you are editing the admin user account.
2. Enter reserved email address.

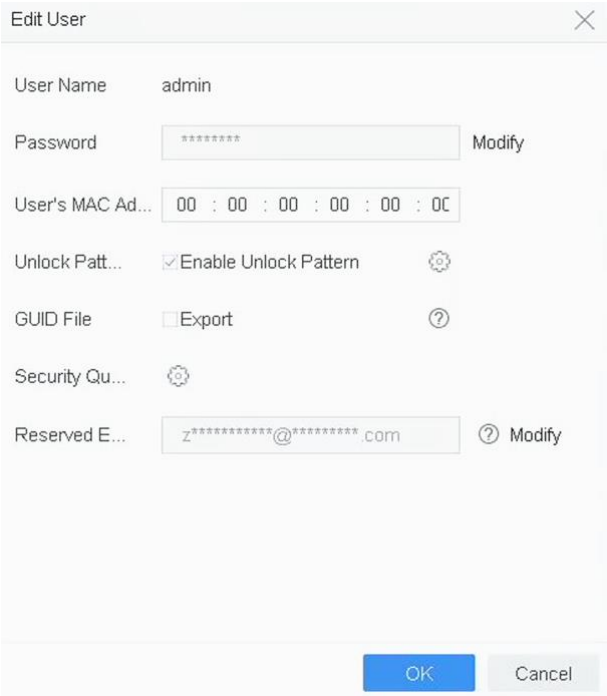

Figure 12-7 Configure Reserved Email

3. Click **OK**.

12.4 Reset Password

When you forget the admin password, you can reset the password by importing the GUID file, answering security questions, or entering verification code from your reserved email.

12.4.1 Reset Password by GUID

You can reset password by GUID via web browser.

Before You Start

Ensure you have the correct GUID file.

Steps

1. On the user login interface, click **Forgot password?**.
2. Select **Verification Mode** as **GUID File Verification**.
3. Click **Browse** to locate the GUID file.
4. Click **Next**.
5. Enter a new password.

Warning

We highly recommend you to create a strong password of your own choosing (using a minimum of 8 characters, including at least three kinds of following categories: upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters) in order to increase the security of your product. And we recommend you change your password regularly, especially in the high security system, changing the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

6. Confirm the new password.
7. Click **Next**.

12.4.2 Reset Password by Security Questions

You can reset password by answering security questions via web browser.

Before You Start

Ensure you have configured the security questions when you activate the device or edit the admin user account.

Steps

1. On the user login interface, click **Forgot password?**.
2. Select **Verification Mode** as **Security Question Verification**.
3. Enter the answers of each question.
4. Click **Next**.
5. Enter a new password.

Warning

We highly recommend you to create a strong password of your own choosing (using a minimum of 8 characters, including at least three kinds of following categories: upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters) in order to increase the security of your product. And we recommend you change your password regularly, especially in the high security system, changing the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

6. Click **Next**.

12.4.3 Reset Password by Reserved Email

Before You Start

Ensure you have configured the reserved email when you are activating the device or editing the admin user account. (Refer to***Configure Reserved Email***)

Steps

1. On the user login interface, click **Forgot Password**.
2. On the password reset type interface,Select **Verify by Reserved Email**.

3. Click **OK**.
4. Click **Next** if you accept the legal disclaimer. You can use a smartphone to scan the QR code and read the legal disclaimer.
5. Obtain the verification code. There are two ways to get the verification code.
   – Use Guarding Vision app to scan the QR code.
   – Send the QR code to email server.
      1. Insert a USB flash drive to your device.
      2. Click **Export** to export the QR code to USB flash drive.
      3. Email the QR code to ***pw_recovery@device-service.com*** as attachment.
6. Check your reserved email, and you will receive a verification code within 5 minutes.
7. Enter the verification code.
8. Click **OK** to set the new password.

12.4.4 Reset Password by Guarding Vision

Before You Start

Ensure your device has enabled Guarding Vision, and bound with a registered Guarding Vision account.

Steps

1. On the user login interface, click **Forgot Password**.
2. On the password reset type interface, select **Verify by Guarding Vision**.
3. Log in to Guarding Vision app with the account that has bound with your device.
4. Use Guarding Vision to scan the QR code. Thereafter, you will have a verification code from Guarding Vision.
5. Enter the verification code.
6. Click **OK**.

Chapter 13 System Management

13.1 Configure Device

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **General**.
2. Configure the following settings.

Language

The default language used is English.

Output Standard

Set the output standard to NTSC or PAL, which must be the same as the video input standard.

Resolution

Configure video output resolution.

Device Name

Edit device name.

Device No.

Edit the device serial number. The Device No. can be set in the range of 1 to 255, and the default No. is 255. The number is used for the remote and keyboard control.

Auto Logout

Set the timeout time for menu inactivity. E.g., when the timeout time is set to 5 minutes, then the system will exit from the current operation menu to Live View screen after 5 minutes of menu inactivity.

Mouse Pointer Speed

Set the speed of the mouse pointer; 4 levels are configurable.

Enable Wizard

Enable/disable the Wizard when the device starts up.

Enable Password

Enable/disable the use of the login password.

3. Click **Apply** to save the settings.

13.2 Configure Time

13.2.1 Manual Time Synchronization

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **General**.
2. Configure the date and time.
3. Click **Apply** to save the settings.

13.2.2 NTP Synchronization

Connection to a network time protocol (NTP) server can be configured on your device to ensure the system's date and time accuracy.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **TCP/IP** → **NTP**.
2. Check **Enable**.
3. Configure NTP settings as need.

   Interval (min)

   Time interval between two time synchronization with NTP server

   NTP Server

   IP address of the NTP server

   NTP Port

   Port of the NTP server
4. Click **Apply**

13.2.3 DST Synchronization

DST (daylight saving time) refers to the period of the year when clocks are moved one period ahead. In some areas worldwide, this has the effect of creating more sunlit hours in the evening during months when the weather is the warmest.

We advance our clocks ahead a certain period (depends on the DST bias you set) at the beginning of DST, and move them back the same period when we return to standard time (ST).

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **General**.
2. Check **Enable DST**.
3. Set **DST mode** as **Auto** or **Manual**.

   Auto

   Automatically enable the default DST period according to the local DST rules.

   Manual

   Manually set the start time and end time of the DST period, and the DST bias.

4. Set the DST Bias. Set the time (30/60/90/120 minutes) offset from the standard time.
5. Click **Apply** to save the settings.

13.3 Network Detection

13.3.1 Network Traffic Monitoring

Network traffic monitoring is the process of reviewing, analyzing and managing network traffic for any abnormality or process that can affect network performance, availability and/or security.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Network** → **Traffic**.
2. You can view the real-time network traffic status, including MTU (Maximum Transmission Unit), and network throughput.

Figure 13-1 Network Traffic

13.3.2 Test Network Delay and Packet Loss

Network delay is caused by slow response of the device when oversized data information is not limited during transmission under certain network protocol, e.g. TCP/IP. Packet loss test is for testing network packet loss rate that is the ratio of lost data packet and total number of transmitted data packet.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Network** → **Network Detection**.
2. Select a network card in **Select NIC**.
3. Enter the destination IP address in **Destination Address**.

4. Click **Test**.

Figure 13-2 Test Network Delay and Packet Loss

13.3.3 Export Network Packet

After the recorder accessing network, you can use USB flash drive to export network packet.

Before You Start

Prepare a USB flash drive to export network packet.

Steps

1. Insert the USB flash drive.
2. Go to **Maintenance** → **Network** → **Network Detection**.
3. Select network card in **Select NIC**.
4. Select the USB flash drive in **Device Name**. You can click **Refresh** if the connected local backup device cannot be displayed.

Figure 13-3 Export Network Packet

5. Optional: Click **Status** to view the network status.
6. Click **Export**.

Note

It will export 1 MB data each time as default.

13.3.4 Network Resource Statistics

The remote access, including web browser and client software, will consume output bandwidth. You can view the real-time bandwidth statistics.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Network** → **Network Stat**.

Figure 13-4 Network Resource Statistics

2. View the bandwidth statistics, including **IP Camera**, **Remote Live View**, **Remote Play**, **Net Total Idle**, etc.
3. Optional: Click **Refresh** to obtain the latest data.

13.4 Storage Device Maintenance

13.4.1 Bad Sector Detection

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **HDD Operation** → **Bad Sector Detection**.
2. Select the HDD No. you want to configure in the dropdown list.
3. Select **All Detection** or **Key Area Detection** as the detection type.
4. Click **Self-Test** to start the detection.

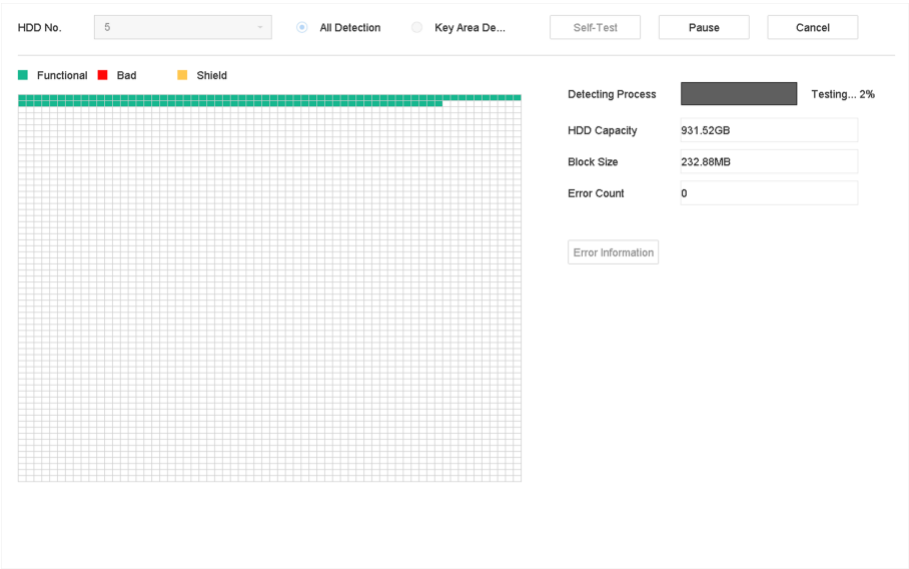

Figure 13-5 Bad Sector Detection

Note

You can pause/resume or cancel the detection.After testing has been completed, you can click **Error information** to see the detailed damage information.

13.4.2 S.M.A.R.T. Detection

HDD detection functions such as the adopting of the S.M.A.R.T. and the Bad Sector Detection techniques. S.M.A.R.T. (Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology) are HDD monitoring systems to detect various reliability indicators in the hopes of anticipating failures.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **HDD Operation** → **S.M.A.R.T**.
2. Select the HDD to view its S.M.A.R.T. information list.
3. Set **Self-Test Type**.
4. Click **Self-Test** to start the S.M.A.R.T. HDD self-evaluation.

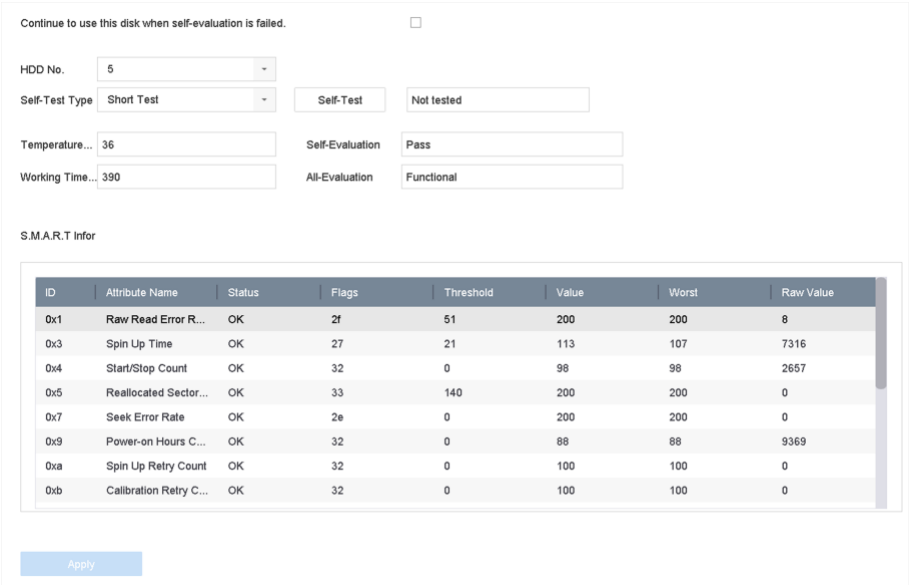

Figure 13-6 S.M.A.R.T. Settings Interface

Note

To use the HDD even when the S.M.A.R.T. checking has failed, check **Continue to use the disk when self-evaluation is failed**.

The related information of the S.M.A.R.T. is shown, and you can check the HDD status.

13.4.3 HDD Health Detection

You can view the health status of a 4 TB to 8 TB Seagate HDD that generated after October 1, 2017. Use this function to help troubleshoot HDD problems. Health Detection shows a more detailed HDD status than the S.M.A.R.T. function.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **HDD Operation** → **Health Detection**.

Figure 13-7 Health Detection

2. Click a HDD to view details.

13.4.4 Configure Disk Clone

Select the HDDs to clone to the eSATA HDD.

Before You Start

Connect an eSATA disk to the device.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **HDD Operation** → **HDD Clone**.

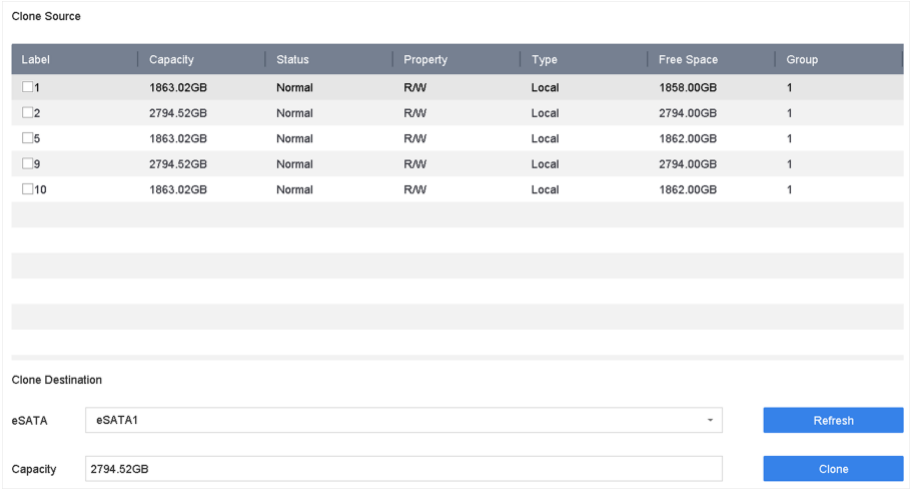

Figure 13-8 HDD Clone

2. Check the HDD to clone. The capacity of the selected HDD must match the capacity of the clone destination.
3. Click **Clone**.
4. Click **Yes** on the pop up message box to create the clone.

13.4.5 Repair Database

Repairing database will rebuild all databases. It might help to improve your system speed after upgrade.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Storage Device**.
2. Select the drive.
3. Click **Repair Database**.
4. Click **Yes**.

Note

- Repairing database will rebuild all databases. Existing data will not be affected, but local search and playback functions will not be available during the process, you can still achieve search and playback functions remotely via web browser, client software, etc.
- Do not pull out the drive, or shut down the device during the process.

You can see the repairing progress at **Status**.

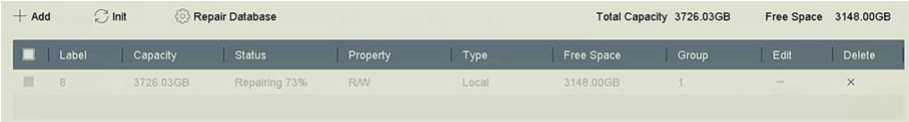

Figure 13-9 Repair Database

13.5 Upgrade Device

Your device firmware can be upgraded with a local backup device or remote FTP server.

13.5.1 Upgrade by Local Backup Device

Before You Start

Connect your device to a local storage device that contains the firmware update file.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Upgrade**.
2. Click **Local Upgrade** to enter the local upgrade interface.

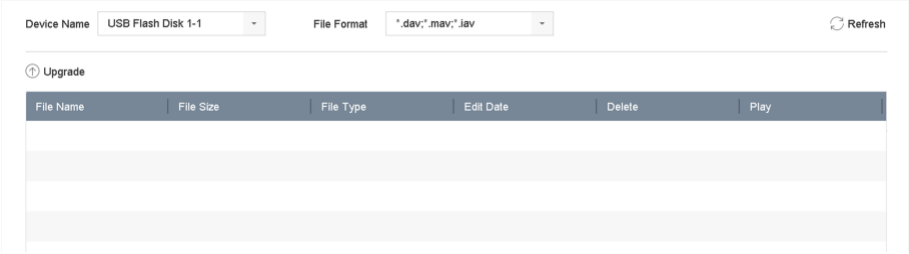

Figure 13-10 Local Upgrade Interface

3. Select the firmware update file from the storage device.
4. Click **Upgrade** to start upgrading.
   After the upgrade is completed, the device will reboot automatically to activate the new firmware.

13.5.2 Upgrade by FTP

Before You Start

Ensure the network connection of the PC (running FTP server) and the device are valid and correct. Run the FTP server on the PC and copy the firmware into the corresponding directory of your PC.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Upgrade**.
2. Click **FTP** to enter the local upgrade interface.

Figure 13-11 FTP Upgrade Interface

3. Enter **FTP Server Address**.
4. Click **Upgrade** to start upgrading.
5. After the upgrading is complete, reboot the device to activate the new firmware.

13.5.3 Upgrade by Web Browser

You can upgrade the device by web browser
After logging in to the device via web browser, go to **Configuration** → **System** → **Maintenance** → **Upgrade**. Click **Browse** to upload the firmware, and upgrade the device.

13.5.4 Upgrade by Guarding Vision

After logging the device into Guarding Vision, the device would periodically check for the latest firmware from Guarding Vision. If an upgrade firmware is available, the device will notify you when you log in. You can also manually check for the latest firmware.

Before You Start

Ensure the device has successfully connected to Guarding Vision, and it requires to install at least one read-write HDD for firmware downloading.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Upgrade** → **Online Upgrade**.
2. Click **Check Upgrade** to manually check and download the latest firmware from Guarding Vision.

> **Note**
>
> The device will automatically check for the latest firmware every 24 hours. If it detects available upgrade firmware, the device will notify you when you log in.

3. Optional: You can switch on **Download Latest Package Automatically** to automatically download the latest firmware package.
4. Click **Upgrade Now**.

13.6 Import/Export Device Configuration Files

The device configuration files can be exported to a local device for backup; and the configuration files of one device can be imported to multiple devices if they are to be configured with the same parameters.

Before You Start

Connect a storage device to your device. To import the configuration file, the storage device must contain the file.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Import/Export**.

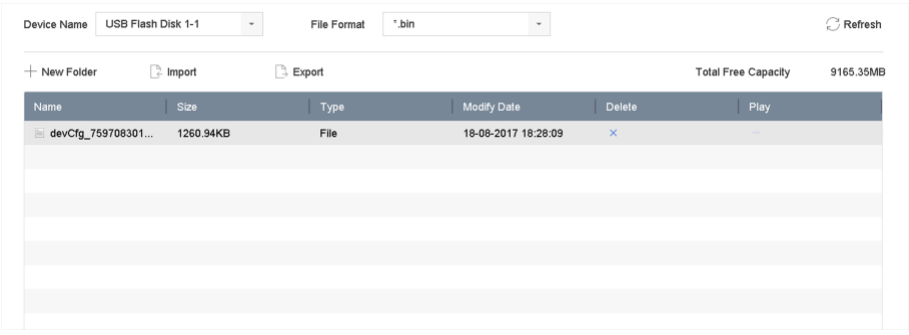

Figure 13-12 Import/Export Config File

2. Export or import the device configuration files.
   – Click **Export** to export configuration files to the selected local backup device.
   – To import a configuration file, select the file from the selected backup device and click **Import**.

Note

After having finished importing configuration files, the device will reboot automatically.

13.7 Log Management

13.7.1 Log Storage

You can customize the log storage disk and log storage period.

Steps

1. Go to **Storage** → **Advanced**.

Figure 13-13 Log Storage

2. Set **Log Storage Mode**.

System Default	Each disk will allocate a certain space to store about 400,000 logs. When logs are full, old logs will be overwritten.
Custom	You can set **Log Storage Period** and allocate **Log Disk** for log storage. When the log disk is full, logs that exceed the period will be overwritten.

3. Click **Apply**.

13.7.2 Search & Export Log Files

The device operation, alarm, exception, and information can be stored in log files, which can be

viewed and exported at any time.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Log Information**.

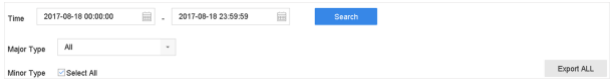

Figure 13-14 Log Search Interface

2. Set the log search conditions, including the time, major type and minor type.
3. Click **Search** to start searching the log files.
4. The matched log files will be displayed on the list, as shown below.

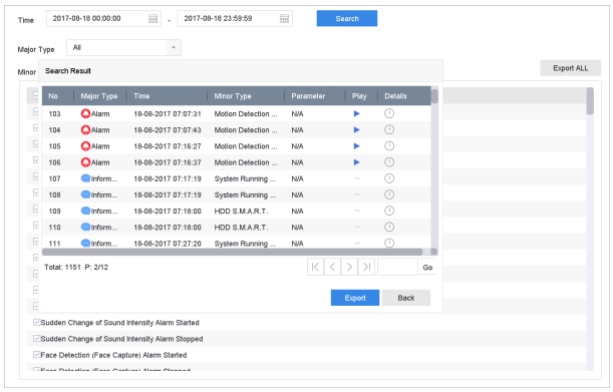

Figure 13-15 Log Search Results

Note

Up to 2,000 log files can be displayed each time.

5. Related Operation:

	Click or double-click it to view detailed information.
	Click it to view the related video file.
Export/Export ALL	Click it to export all the system logs to the storage device.

13.7.3 Upload Logs to the Server

You can upload system logs to the server for backup.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **Network** → **Advanced** → **Log Server Settings**.

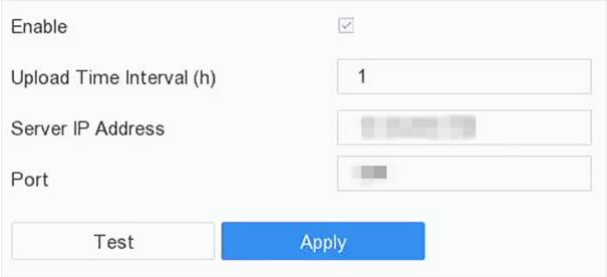

Figure 13-16 Log Server Settings

2. Check **Enable**
3. Set **Upload Time**, **Server IP Address**, and **Port**.
4. Optional: Click **Test** to test if parameters are valid.
5. Click **Apply**.

13.7.4 One-Way Authentication

You can install a CA certificate (from the server) to your device to authorize the server via web browser, this would improve the log communication security.

Before You Start

- Download the CA certificate from the server.
- Ensure log server parameters are valid.

Steps

1. Go to **Configuration** → **Network** → **Advanced Settings** → **Log Server Configuration**.

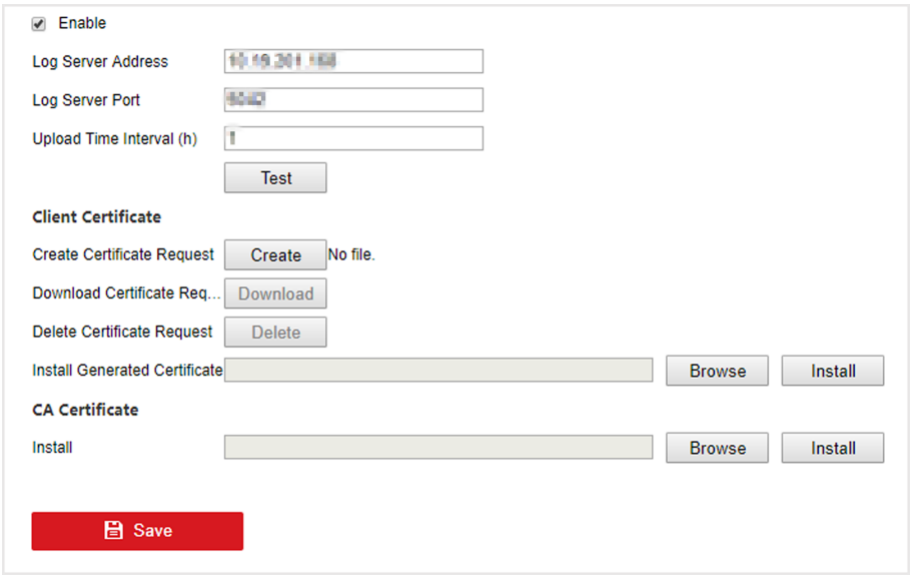

Figure 13-17 One-Way Authentication

2. Install the CA certificate in **CA Certificate**.
3. Optional: Click **Test** to test if the connection is valid.
4. Click **Save**.

13.7.5 Two-Way Authentication

You can install a CA certificate (from the server) to your device to authorize the server, and create a certificate (from your device) to authorize your device by the server. This would improve the log communication security. Two-way authentication can be configured via web browser.

Before You Start

- Download the CA certificate from the server.
- Ensure log server parameters are valid.

Steps

1. Go to **Configuration** → **Network** → **Advanced Settings** → **Log Server Configuration**.

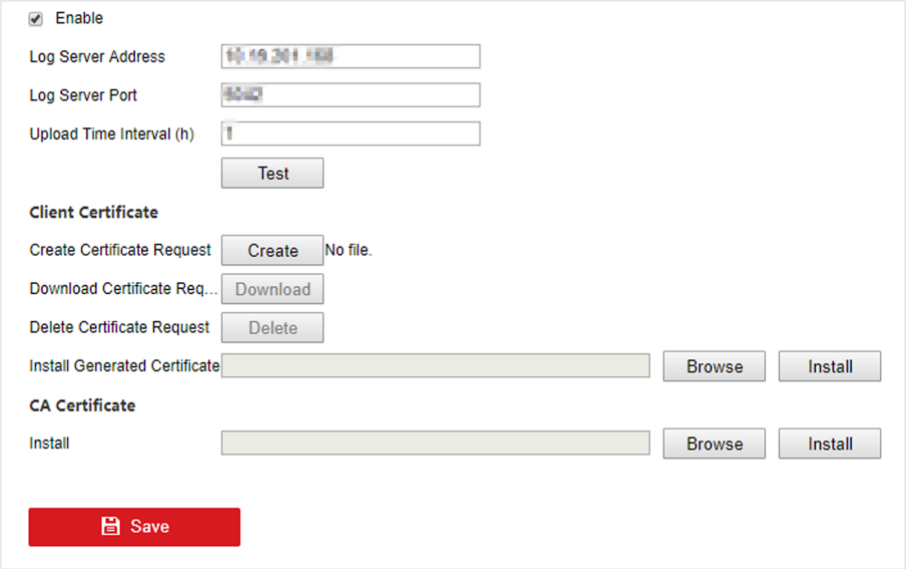

Figure 13-18 Two-Way Authentication

2. Install the CA certificate in **CA Certificate**.
3. Click **Create** in **Client Certificate**, and follow the pop-up to create the certificate.
4. Click **Download** to download the certificate file to a desired location.
5. Upload the downloaded certificate file to the server, and the server will return the certificate key.
6. Open the certificate as a text file, and modify it by the certificate key as the server returned.
7. Install the modified certificate in **Client Certificate**.
8. Optional: Click **Test** to test if the connection is valid.
9. Click **Save**.

13.8 Export Diagnostic Information

When exceptions occur, you can export diagnostic information via web browser, and check it.

Steps

1. Go to **Configuration** → **System** → **Maintenance** → **Diagnose** via web browser.
2. Check **Export Diagnostic Information**.
3. Click **Save**.
4. Click **Diagnose Information**.
5. Set the saving path and file name as your desire.
6. Save the file.

13.9 Restore Default Settings

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **Default**.

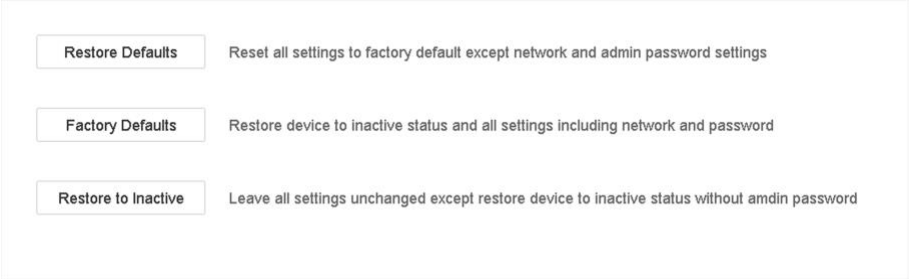

Figure 13-19 Restore Default Settings

2. Select the restore type from the following three options.

Restore Defaults

Restore all parameters, except the network (including IP address, subnet mask, gateway, MTU, NIC working mode, default route, server port, etc.) and user account parameters, to the factory default settings.

Factory Defaults

Restore all parameters to the factory default settings.

Restore to Inactive

Restore the recorder to inactive status.

Note

The recorder will reboot automatically after restoring to the default settings.

13.10 Security Management

13.10.1 RTSP Authentication

You can specifically secure the stream data of live view by setting the RTSP authentication.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **System Service** → **System Service**.

Figure 13-20 RTSP Authentication

2. Select **RTSP Authentication Type**.

Note

Two authentication types are selectable, if you select **digest**, only the request with digest authentication can access the video stream by the RTSP protocol via the IP address. For security reasons, it is recommended to select **digest** as the authentication type.

3. Click **Apply**.
4. Restart the device to take effect the settings.

13.10.2 ISAPI Service

ISAPI (Internet Server Application Programming Interface) is an open protocol based on HTTP, which can realize the communication between the system devices (e.g., network camera, NVR, etc.). The device is as a server, the system can find and connect the device.

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **System Service** → **System Service**.
2. Check **Enable ISAPI**.
3. Click **Apply**.
4. Restart the device to take effect the settings.

13.10.3 HTTP Authentication

If you need to enable the HTTP service, you can set HTTP authentication to enhance access security.

Steps

1. Go to **Maintenance** → **System Service** → **System Service**.

Figure 13-21 HTTP Authentication

2. Check **Enable HTTP**.
3. Select **HTTP Authentication Type**.

Note

Two authentication types are selectable, for security reasons, it is recommended to select **digest** as the authentication type.

4. Click **Apply** to save the settings.
5. Restart the device to take effect the settings.

13.10.4 IP Camera Occupation Detection

After enabling the feature, when search IP camera in Number of Unadded Online Device interface, the status of IP camera the has been added by other device will show as

Steps

1. Go to **System** → **System Service** → **System Service**.
2. Check **Enable IP Camera Occupation Detection**.
3. Click **Apply** to save the settings. And reboot device to take effect the settings.

Chapter 14 Appendix

14.1 Glossary

Dual-Stream

Dual-stream is a technology used to record high resolution video locally while transmitting a lower resolution stream over the network. The two streams are generated by the DVR, with the main stream having a maximum resolution of 1080P and the sub-stream having a maximum resolution of CIF.

DVR

Acronym for Digital Video Recorder. A DVR is device that is able to accept video signals from analog cameras, compress the signal and store it on its hard drives.

HDD

Acronym for Hard Disk Drive. A storage medium which stores digitally encoded data on platters with magnetic surfaces.

DHCP

Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) is a network application protocol used by devices (DHCP clients) to obtain configuration information for operation in an Internet Protocol network.

HTTP

Acronym for Hypertext Transfer Protocol. A protocol to transfer hypertext request and information between servers and browsers over a network.

PPPoE

PPPoE, Point-to-Point Protocol over Ethernet, is a network protocol for encapsulating Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) frames inside Ethernet frames. It is used mainly with ADSL services where individual users connect to the ADSL transceiver (modem) over Ethernet and in plain Metro Ethernet networks.

DDNS

Dynamic DNS is a method, protocol, or network service that provides the capability for a networked device, such as a router or computer system using the Internet Protocol Suite, to notify a domain name server to change, in real time (ad-hoc) the active DNS configuration of its configured hostnames, addresses or other information stored in DNS.

Hybrid DVR

A hybrid DVR is a combination of a DVR and NVR.

NTP

Acronym for Network Time Protocol. A protocol designed to synchronize the clocks of computers over a network.

NTSC

Acronym for National Television System Committee. NTSC is an analog television standard used in such countries as the United States and Japan. Each frame of an NTSC signal contains 525 scan lines at 60Hz.

NVR

Acronym for Network Video Recorder. An NVR can be a PC-based or embedded system used for centralized management and storage for IP cameras, IP Domes and other DVRs.

PAL

Acronym for Phase Alternating Line. PAL is also another video standard used in broadcast televisions systems in large parts of the world. PAL signal contains 625 scan lines at 50Hz.

PTZ

Acronym for Pan, Tilt, Zoom. PTZ cameras are motor driven systems that allow the camera to pan left and right, tilt up and down and zoom in and out.

USB

Acronym for Universal Serial Bus. USB is a plug-and-play serial bus standard to interface devices to a host computer.

14.2 Frequently Asked Questions

14.2.1 Why is there a part of channels displaying “No Resource” or turning black screen in multi-screen of live view?

Reason

1. Sub-stream resolution or bitrate settings is inappropriate.
2. Connecting sub-stream failed.

Solution

1. Go to **Camera** → **Video Parameters** → **Sub-Stream**. Select the channel, and turn down the resolution and max. bitrate (resolution shall be less than 720p, max. bitrate shall be less than 2048 Kbps).

Note

If your video recorder notifies not support this function, you can log in to the camera, and adjust video parameters via web browser.

2. Properly set the sub-stream resolution and max. bitrate (resolution shall be less than 720p,

max. bitrate shall be less than 2048 Kbps), then delete the channel and add it back again.

14.2.2 Why is the video recorder notifying not support the stream type?

Reason

The camera encoding format mismatches with the video recorder.

Solution

If the camera is using H.265/MJPEG for encoding, but video recorder does not support H.265/MJPEG, change the camera encoding format to the same as video recorder.

14.2.3 Why is the video recorder notifying risky password after adding network camera?

Reason

The camera password is too weak.

Solution

Change the camera password.

Warning

We highly recommend you create a strong password of your own choosing (Using a minimum of 8 characters, including at least three of the following categories: upper case letters, lower case letters, numbers, and special characters.) in order to increase the security of your product. And we recommend you reset your password regularly, especially in the high security system, resetting the password monthly or weekly can better protect your product.

14.2.4 How to improve the playback image quality?

Reason

Recording parameter settings are inappropriate.

Solution

Go to **Camera** → **Video Parameters**. Increase resolution and max. bitrate, and try again.

14.2.5 How to confirm the video recorder is using H.265 to record

video?

Solution

Check if the encoding type at live view toolbar is H.265.

14.2.6 Why is the timeline at playback not constant?

Reason

1. When the video recorder is using event recording, it only records video when event occurs. Hence the video may not be continuous.
2. Exception occurs, such as the device offline, HDD error, record exception, network camera offline, etc.

Solution

1. Ensure the recording type is continuous recording.
2. Go to **Maintenance** → **Log Information**. Search the log file during the video time period. See if there are unexpected events, such as HDD error, record exception, etc.

14.2.7 When adding network camera, the video recorder notifies network is unreachable.

Reason

1. The IP address or port of network camera is incorrect.
2. The network between video recorder and camera is disconnected

Solution

1. Go to **Camera** → **Camera** → **IP Camera**. Click of the selected camera, and edit its IP address and port. Ensure the video recorder and camera is using the same port.
2. Go to **Maintenance** → **Network** → **Detection**. Enter the IP address of network camera in **Destination Address**, and click **Test** to see if the network is reachable.

14.2.8 Why is the IP address of network camera being changed automatically?

Reason

When network camera and video recorder are using the same switch but in different subnet, the video recorder will change the IP address of network camera to the same subnet as itself.

Solution

When adding camera, click **Custom Add** to add camera.

14.2.9 Why is the video recorder notifying IP conflict?

Reason

The video recorder uses the same IP address as other devices.

Solution

Change the IP address of video recorder. Ensure it is not the same as other devices.

14.2.10 Why is image getting stuck when the video recorder is playing back by single or multi-channel cameras?

Reason

HDD read/write exception.

Solution

Export the video, and play it with other devices. If it plays normally on other device, change your HDD, and try again.

14.2.11 Why does my video recorder make a beeping sound after booting?

Reason

1. The front panel is not fastened (for the device which its front panel is removable).
2. HDD error, or do not have HDD.

Solution

1. If it makes continuous beeps, and your device's front panel is removable, ensure the front panel is fastened.
2. If it makes non-continuous beeps (3 long, 2 short), take HDD error as an example, check if the device has installed HDD. If not, you can go to **System** → **Event** → **Normal Event** → **Exception**, and uncheck **Event Hint Configuration** to disable HDD error event hint.
   Check if the HDD is initialized. If not, go to Storage > Storage Device to initialize the HDD.
   Check if the HDD is broken. You can change it, and try again.

14.2.12 Why is there no recorded video after setting the motion

detection?

Reason

1. The recording schedule is incorrect.
2. The motion detection event setting is incorrect.
3. HDD exception.

Solution

1. The recording schedule is setup correctly by following the steps listed in Configuring Record/Capture Schedule.
2. The motion detection area is configured correctly. The channels are being triggered for motion detection (See Configuring Motion Detection).
3. Check if the device has installed HDD.
   Check if the HDD is initialized. If not, go to Storage > Storage Device to initialize the HDD.
   Check if the HDD is broken. You can change it, and try again.

14.2.13 Why is the sound quality not good in recording video?

Reason

1. The audio input device does not have a good effect in sound collection.
2. Interference in transmission.
3. The audio parameter is not properly set.

Solution

1. Check if the audio input device is working properly. You can change another audio input device, and try again.
2. Check the audio transmission line. Ensure all lines are well connected or welded, and there is no electromagnetic interference.
3. Adjust the audio volume according to the environment and audio input device.