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Introduction

This guide is for system administrators and installers of the Ross Video NK-IPS Network Bridge. It provides instructions on how to physically install and configure your NK-IPS.

This guide includes the following chapters:

- **“Introduction”** summarizes the guide and provides important terms, and conventions.
- **“Getting Started”** provides an overview for using the NK-IPS in a routing system.
- **“Hardware Overview”** provides a basic introduction to the NK-IPS front and rear panels.
- **“Physical Installation”** provides instructions for the basic physical installation of the NK-IPS.
- **“Configuration”** provides instructions on how to connect the NK-IPS to a network, connecting a video reference signal, cabling for a Multiviewer Head, and connecting to source and destination devices.
- **“Operation”** provides additional information on the input and output designations for each NK-IPS.
- **“DashBoard Interface Overview”** provides an overview of the DashBoard menus and parameters available for the NK-IPS.

If you have questions pertaining to installation of this Ross Video product, please contact us at the numbers listed in the section “Contacting Technical Support” on page 10. Our technical staff is always available for consultation, training, or service.

Related Publications

It is recommended to consult the following Ross documentation before installing your NK-IPS:

- *DashBoard User Guide*, Ross Part Number: 8351DR-004

Documentation Conventions

Special text formats are used in this guide to identify parts of the user interface, text that a user must enter, or a sequence of menus and sub-menus that must be followed to reach a particular command.

Interface Elements

Bold text is used to identify a user interface element such as a dialog box, menu item, or button. For example:

*In the* **Save Layout** **dialog, click OK.**

User Entered Text

Courier text is used to identify text that a user must enter. For example:

*In the* **Language** **box, enter English.**

Referenced Guides

Italic text is used to identify the titles of referenced guides, manuals, or documents. For example:

*For more information, refer to the* **DashBoard User Guide.**

Menu Sequences

Menu arrows are used in procedures to identify a sequence of menu items that you must follow. For example, if a step reads “**File > Save,**” you would click the **File** menu and then click **Save.**
Important Instructions

Star icons are used to identify important instructions or features. For example:

🌟 When the NK-IPS cannot connect to the network, a Message dialog box opens to report the connection problem.

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Getting Started

The NK-IPS is the external gateway to all NK Series devices for configuration, firmware upgrades, monitoring, and remote control. This chapter provides a general overview of the NK-IPS functions and role in your routing system.

General Overview

The NK-IPS provides an Ethernet port that connects to a LAN or directly to a computer. This port is used to communicate to a web browser or the DashBoard Control System to configure and control the NK Series Routing System.

The NK-IPS is also equipped with a buffered 8-port T-Bus hub. T-Bus is the RS-485 based communications system the NK Series uses to communicate between devices such as remote control panels and frames. Each T-Bus port can support multiple devices in a daisy chain configuration.

Figure 2.1 provides a simplified example and may differ from what your facility requires.

1. The NK-VRC receives data from the RCP-NK1.
2. The NK-VRC then sends the physical data to the NK Series router.
3. Upon activation, a switch completion message is returned to the NK-VRC.
4. The NK-VRC converts the physical data to virtual data and returns it to the remote control panel.

![Diagram of NK-IPS in a Routing System](image)

Figure 2.1 Example of the NK-IPS in a Routing System
Features

The NK-IPS includes the following features:

- Network configuration and monitoring of NK Series devices via DashBoard
- Compact size: 1RU, depth 2.4cm
- Password protection to prevent unauthorized changes
- Front panel status and communication indicators
- 8 port hub for T-Bus compliant devices
- 10Base-T Ethernet port
- Supports static or DHCP assigned IP addressing
- Universal power supply included
- Optional redundant power supply available
Hardware Overview

This chapter presents information on the NK-IPS front and rear panels.

Front Panel Overview

The NK-IPS front panel includes status LEDs for T-Bus and network activity, as well as a RESET button.

1. Heartbeat

The NK-IPS reports the status by a pulsating LED, called a heartbeat.

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<th>Display and Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Flickers</td>
<td>A switch message is handled by the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dims</td>
<td>Indicates a handled message that did not result in a switch</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flashes rapidly</td>
<td>An error condition is reported by the power supply</td>
</tr>
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2. Reset Button

The Reset button can be used in the event of device failure where the Heartbeat stops pulsing, the ETHERNET LNK LED turns off, or the ETHERNET ACT LED stops flashing. In some cases, looping or daisy-chaining too many devices on one line may cause a communication failure or a power dropout (with devices that are supplied phantom power via the T-Bus line).

The Reset button can be used as a last resort if errors are encountered, but no physical problem can be sourced (disconnected or severed CAT5, power cable, etc.). Pushing the Reset button resets the NK-IPS.

3. T-BUS COMM LEDs

The front panel includes eight T-BUS LEDs that each represent a T-BUS connector on the rear panel of the NK-IPS. These LEDs will light when data is transmitted to, or sent from, the NK-IPS.

4. ETHERNET COMM LEDs

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<th>Status</th>
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<td>LNK</td>
<td>Green</td>
<td>A valid physical ethernet connection is established, and the port is active. There is data transfer activity on the indicated Ethernet port.</td>
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<tr>
<td>ACT</td>
<td>Flashing Green</td>
<td>Network activity is transmitted or received.</td>
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</table>
Rear Panel Overview

The rear panel provides connections for power and communications.

1. **PSU Connection**
   The NK-IPS is powered by a +15V DC external power supply. This can be either an NK-RP1 power supply which is shipped as standard or an NK-RP1/NK-RPN1 redundant power supply purchased as an option.

2. **T-BUS Connections**
   The NK-IPS has eight T-BUS connections (RJ-45) to connect to devices. This provides options for connection of T-Bus devices either as a daisy-chained or star configuration, or a combination of the two topologies.

3. **Service Port**
   The Service port is a RS-232 connection for factory use only (service and maintenance) and is not for customer use.

4. **ETHERNET Connection**
   The Ethernet port is an RJ45 connector used to connect the NK-IPS to a network hub or network card.

   The NK-IPS does not require Internet access for operation. However, the DashBoard software is required for operation and configuration.
Physical Installation

If you have questions pertaining to the installation of your NK-IPS, please contact us at the numbers listed in the section “Contacting Technical Support” on page 10.

Before You Begin

These installation guidelines assume the following:

• The relevant Ross equipment is installed into a ventilated rack frame. The relative humidity in the environment of the equipment should be <70% (non-condensing). The ambient temperature of the air entering the front panel should not exceed 40°C (104°F), and should not fall below 0°C (32°F). It is recommended to leave a 1RU gap between each module.

• Ensure that adequate space exists in front, behind, and on both sides of the NK-IPS for airflow exhaust.

• Ensure that adequate space exists on both sides of the NK-IPS and side access is not blocked from the rear.

• If a Ross openGear frame is included in the installation, it is recommended that the NK-IPS be installed directly above the openGear frame.

• The installation location of the NK-IPS should be accessible, dry, and dust-free.

• The socket/outlet should be installed near the equipment and be easily accessible.

• Valid IP addresses are assigned to the equipment.

★ If difficulties or problems are experienced when connecting the NK-IPS to a network hub, or with assigning IP addresses, contact your network administrator.

Static Discharge

Throughout this chapter, please heed the following cautionary note:

Mounting Requirements

The NK-IPS is designed for installation into a standard 19” equipment rack. It has integrated rack ears, allowing it to be screwed in using standard screws and cage nuts.

The NK-IPS mounts in the rack frame by means of four rack screws fastened through the front mounting ears. This should normally be sufficient to carry the load, including the weight of accompanying cables.

Under some conditions, the ambient air temperature inside rack-mount cabinets can be greater than the ambient temperatures within a room. Adequate ventilation within a rack frame must be maintained.

For More Information on...

• the technical specifications for the NK-IPS, refer to the chapter “Technical Specifications” on page 45.
Connecting the NK-IPS to a Network

The NK-IPS can be connected directly to your network so that it can interface with the devices and the computer running the DashBoard client. After a physical connection is established, DashBoard is used to configure the network settings for the NK-IPS.

For More Information on...

To establish a physical connection to the network
1. Connect one free end of a standard CAT 5 Ethernet cable to a free port of the network hub.
2. Connect the other end of the same cable to the ETHERNET port on the rear of the NK-IPS.

Connecting the NK-IPS to a PC

The NK-IPS can be connected to a single PC (a computer that is on the same network as your routing system), or stand-alone PC (a computer that is not on a network) for configuration purposes. After a physical connection is established, the IP Address of the PC can be configured and can be used to configure the IP Address for the NK-IPS.

- If a PC that is on a network is used to interface with the NK-IPS, a spare network card is required to connect the two (the other network card is used to communicate with the network).
- If a PC that is not on a network is used to interface with the NK-IPS, only one network card is required to connect the two.

Keep the following in mind:
- Use a crossover CAT5 cable to connect the NK-IPS and the PC (this is in contrast to connecting directly to a network, where a straight through CAT5 cable is used for the connection).
- If a small standalone Ethernet hub is accessible, two standard CAT5 cables can be used. The first cable is used to connect the PC to the Ethernet hub while the second connects the Ethernet hub to the NK-IPS.

☆ If the PC does not support Auto MDIX, a crossover cable must be used.

To connect the NK-IPS to a single PC that is on a network or a standalone PC that is not on a network
1. Connect one free end of the CAT5 crossover cable to the free network card of the PC.
2. Connect the other free end of the CAT5 crossover cable to the ETHERNET port on the rear of the NK-IPS.
3. Alternatively, if a small standalone Ethernet hub is accessible, two standard CAT5 cables can be used. The first cable connects the PC to the Ethernet hub and the second connects the Ethernet hub to the NK-IPS.

Connecting the NK-IPS to Ross NK Series Devices

Most Ross NK Series devices, such as routers, panel, and control devices, are equipped with two RJ-45 ports for looping or daisy chaining devices. Refer to the user documentation that came with your device for connection details.
To connect the NK-IPS to other NK Series devices

1. Connect a CAT5 cable to one of the **T-Bus** RJ-45 ports on the rear of the NK-IPS.
2. Connect the other end to either of the RJ-45 ports of the NK Series device.

*Figure 4.2 NK-IPS — Example Connection to Ross NK Series Devices*
Powering on the NK-IPS

Each NK-IPS is powered by a +15V DC external power supply. This can be either an NK-RP1 power supply which is shipped as standard or an NK-RP1/NK-RPN1 redundant power supply purchased as an option.

For redundancy, each power cord should be connected to a separate power source for protection against failure of the A/C power circuit. In the event of one power supply failure, the panel load is seamlessly transferred to the other connected redundant power supplies.

Warning Hazardous Voltages — The safe operation of this product requires that a protective earth connection be provided. This protective earth is provided by the ground conductor in the equipment’s supply cord. To reduce the risk of electrical shock to operator and service personnel, this ground connector must be connected to an earthed ground.

Warning — In some countries it may be necessary to supply the correct mains supply cord. Use only certified cords for the country of use.

To connect the power cables to the NK-IPS

1. Connect the male end of the provided power cable into the socket marked POWER.

   Note: It is recommended that you always connect the Power Supply Unit to the NK-IPS before connecting to Mains Power.

   ![Figure 4.3 NK-IPS — Power Connection]

   - Notice — The NK-IPS automatically powers on when power is applied.

2. Connect the supplied AC power cable into the power module.

3. Connect the supplied power cable to Mains Power.
Configuration

Before proceeding, ensure that you have DashBoard installed on a PC that is connected to the same network as your routing system.

Configuring the IP Addresses

Once either a single PC or a standalone PC has been physically connected to the NK-IPS, the IP address for both the PC and the NK-IPS needs to be configured. It is recommended that users familiar with networking configure the IP addresses for both a single and a standalone PC, as well as the NK-IPS.

This topic only applies to single or standalone computers connecting to the NK-IPS; it does not apply when the NK-IPS is connected directly to the network.

Using DashBoard

The DashBoard client software allows configuration and monitoring of some NK Series devices, and provides access to other devices in your routing system. DashBoard communicates with devices in your routing system through the NK-IPS.

DashBoard must be run on a computer that has a physical wired ethernet connection. Wireless connections do not allow device discovery.

For More Information on...
• downloading and installing the DashBoard client software, refer to the DashBoard User Guide.

Launching DashBoard

DashBoard must be run on a computer that has a physical wired ethernet connection. Wireless connections do not allow device discovery.

For More Information on...
• downloading and installing the DashBoard client software, refer to the DashBoard User Guide.

To launch DashBoard
1. Ensure that you are running DashBoard software version 8.0 or higher.
2. Launch DashBoard by double-clicking its icon on your computer desktop.

Navigating to the NK Series IPS Interfaces

The NK Series IPS interface is accessed via the Tree View in DashBoard.

To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard
1. Launch DashBoard.
2. Locate the NK-IPS node in the Basic Tree View of DashBoard.
3. Expand the NK-IPS node in the Basic Tree View.
   A list of devices communicating with the NK-IPS are displayed as sub-nodes.
4. Double-click the sub-node for the NK-IPS you wish to configure.
   The NK Series IPS interface opens in DashBoard.
Navigating to the NK Switchboard Interface

The NK Switchboard enables the routing matrix to be monitored and optionally controlled on any router on any NK-IPS detected on the network. The NK Switchboard is configured using the NK Switchboard tab in DashBoard.

🌟 It is recommended to configure the NK Switchboard globally before performing any switches.

To navigate to the NK Switchboard interface
1. Once DashBoard has been installed.
2. Click from the toolbar.
   - If the Switchboard has already been opened in the work area, activating it from either the menu or the toolbar will open it as a tab in DashBoard.

Navigating to the Configure IPS Dialog

From the Configure IPS dialog you can configure the number of inputs, outputs, and level, enable protects, and machine control functions for each NK-IPS detected in the routing system.

To navigate to the Configure IPS dialog
1. Display the NK Switchboard interface as outlined in the procedure “To navigate to the NK Switchboard interface” on page 20.
2. Click .
   - The Configure IPS dialog opens.

Adding Connections to the Tree View in DashBoard

Once you have assigned the NK-IPS a static IP Address, you can then manually add it to the Tree View. Manually adding the NK-IPS displays its node in the Tree View, granting you access to the interfaces described in the chapter “DashBoard Interface Overview” on page 31.

Using the NK-IPS Connection Interface

The NK-IPS Connection interface enables you to use DashBoard to locate an NK-IPS, select an NK-IPS to add from the device list, or to manually add an NK-IPS by entering the network address. Information such as the device name, IP Address, netmask, gateway, port number, serial number, and software version are available in the NK-IPS Connection interface.

You begin by using the NK-IPS Connection interface to add an NK-IPS to the DashBoard Tree View and then querying NK-IPS devices on the network.

To open to the NK-IPS Connection interface
1. Launch DashBoard.
2. In the main toolbar of DashBoard, select File > NK IPS Connection.
   - The NK-IPS Connection interface opens and lists the NK-IPS devices on the network.
3. Verify that the required NK-IPS device(s) are listed in the interface.
4. Click **Finish** to close the interface.

**Manually Adding an NK-IPS to the Tree View in DashBoard**

If an NK-IPS is not listed in the **NK-IPS Connection** interface, it can be manually added by entering its IP Address via the **Manual Connection** dialog.

**To manually add an NK-IPS connection in DashBoard**

1. Launch DashBoard.
2. In the main toolbar of DashBoard, select **File > Manual Connection**.
   
   The **Manual Connection** interface opens.
3. Enter the IP Address for the NK-IPS in the **IP Address** field.
4. Click **Finish**.
   
   The NK-IPS displays in the **Tree View**.

**Configuring the Communication Settings for the NK-IPS**

Use the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard to configure the interface and security options for the NK-IPS such as assigning a unique name to the device, assigning a T-Bus Address, setting up communication for the MC-1 and specifying the DashBoard client connection details.

**Updating the Network Settings for the NK-IPS**

Once you establish initial communications with the NK-IPS, and it displays in the DashBoard Tree View, you may wish to review or change the IP address and other network settings according to your facility network requirements.

☆ This section is not applicable if your NK-IPS is already set to the correct IP address.

**To update the network settings for an NK-IPS**

1. Display the **NK Series IPS** interface as outlined in the procedure “**To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard**”.
2. Locate the **Network Settings** area in the NK Series IPS interface.
3. To assign a static IP Address:
   a. Use the **IP Address** field to specify the new static IP Address for the NK-IPS.
   b. Use the **Netmask** field to specify the subnet mask for your network.
   c. Use the **Gateway** field to specify the default gateway for communication outside of the local area network (LAN).

4. If you want the NK-IPS network settings to be automatically obtained, select the **DHCP** check box.
   * When DHCP is enabled, the NK-IPS will attempt to acquire network settings from a DHCP server on power up. If successful, the NK-IPS will use the acquired network settings. If it is unable to acquire the network settings after one minute, the NK-IPS will use the following values: IP Address of 192.168.20.100, Netmask of 255.255.255.0, and Gateway of 0.0.0.0.

5. Click **Send Configuration** to apply the new settings.

**Assigning a T-Bus Address to the NK-IPS**

The T-Bus address is used to identify the NK-IPS within your routing system and help avoid hardware and communication conflicts if you have multiple NK Series devices.

**To assign a T-Bus Address to the NK-IPS**

1. Display the **NK Series IPS** interface as outlined in the procedure “**To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard**”.
2. Locate the **Device Details** area, located at the top of the NK Series IPS interface.
3. Use the **Name** field to assign a unique identifier to the NK-IPS.
4. Use the **Details** field to provide additional information about the NK-IPS such as its physical location.
5. Use the **Address** field to assign a unique T-Bus address to this NK-IPS within your control system.
6. Click **Send Configuration** to apply the new settings.

**Assigning the NK-IPS to a Device Group**

This section is applicable if you have chosen to organize the devices in your routing system into logical groups. For example, you can assign separate group numbers for devices based on their physical location with your facility. The
Group field in the **NK Series IPS** interface enables you to specify the Group that the NK-IPS is included in. This field has a maximum of 10 characters and by default is blank.

**To assign the NK-IPS to a Group**

1. Display the **NK Series IPS** interface as outlined in the procedure “To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard”.
2. Locate the **Device Details** area, located at the top of the NK Series IPS interface.
3. Use the **Group** field to assign the NK-IPS to a specific group within your routing system.
4. Click **Send Configuration** to apply the new setting.

**Enabling Automatic Device Discovery for the NK-IPS**

The Automatic Device Discovery feature of DashBoard enables the Basic Tree View to automatically update when devices are detected on the same network as the DashBoard client computer. If Automatic Device Discovery is not enabled, or is unable to locate devices, devices can be manually added using the NK-IPS Connection interface.

This feature is automatically enabled by default on the NK-IPS (the **SLP** check box is selected in the **NK Series IPS** interface).

*For More Information on...*

- the Automatic Device Discovery feature in DashBoard, refer to the **DashBoard User Guide**.

**Setting the Client Password for the NK-IPS**

You can assign a password for the use of client devices (such as Virtual Control Panels) when these external devices issue switch requests to the NK-IPS. Assigning a password will request users to log on to allow switching routers connected to the NK-IPS. The password is case sensitive and has a maximum value of 20 characters.

**To configure the client password for the NK-IPS**

1. Display the **NK Series IPS** interface as outlined in the procedure “To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard”.
2. To use a password when applications external to the NK-IPS issue switch requests:
   a. Use the **Client Control Password** field to specify the new password.
   b. Select the **Use Client Control Password** check box.

   ! When this check box is not selected, a password is not required, regardless of what text was entered into the Client Control Password field.
3. Click **Send Configuration** to apply the new settings.

**Configuring the Communication Settings for an openGear MC1-MK**

The NK series routers communicate via the NK-IPS over the Ross T-Bus protocol. The NK-IPS then communicates with the MC1-MK via an Ethernet protocol. This section outlines the settings the must be configured on the NK-IPS to establish a connection point with an MC1-MK. Refer to the **MC1-MK Installation Manual** for details on configuring the MC1-MK.

* The NK-IPS must be running software version 3.11 or higher to communicate with the MC1-MK.

**To create a connection point to the MC1-MK**

1. Display the **NK Series IPS** interface as outlined in the procedure “To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard”.
2. Locate the **MC-1 Interface** area in the NK Series IPS interface.
3. If the NK-IPS is the primary NK-IPS in the Master Control System:
a. Select the **Throttle Switch Requests** check box to enable the serialize and re-transmit switch requests on the T-Bus when using an MC1-MK.
b. Set the **Remote IPS IP Address** to **0.0.0.0**.
c. Verify that the **Remote IPS Port** is set to **5000** (the default value).
4. If the NK-IPS is the secondary NK-IPS in the Master Control System:
   a. Ensure the **Throttle Switch Requests** check box is cleared (not selected).
   b. Use the **Remote IPS IP Address** field to specify the IP Address of the primary NK-IPS.

The Remote IPS IP Address and Remote IPS Port fields are only used when using a second NK-IPS to segregate traffic from other devices such as control panels and the NK-3RD.

c. Use the **Remote IPS Port field** to specify the TCP Client Port of the primary NK-IPS.
5. Click **Send Configuration** to apply the new settings.

**Specifying the Client Connections**

From the NK Series IPS interface, you can specify the maximum number of DashBoard clients that can connect to the NK-IPS.

**Specifying the DashBoard Client Connections**

In the instance that the maximum number of DashBoard clients are connected,

To **specify the DashBoard client connections to the NK-IPS**

1. Display the **NK Series IPS** interface as outlined in the procedure “**To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard**”.
2. Locate the **Connections** area in the NK Series IPS interface.
3. Use the **Max. DashBoard Connections** field to enter a limit (up to 5) for the number of DashBoard clients that can connect to the NK-IPS. The default is 3.

This is only applicable to DashBoard client connections.

4. Click **Send Configuration** to apply the new settings.

**Managing Client Devices**

The **Number of connected Clients** field in the NK Series IPS interface reports how many client devices are connected to the NK-IPS. The maximum number of device clients is 20. If the maximum clients are already connected, DashBoard can auto-detect devices, but not auto-connect to them.

To **disconnect a client device from the NK-IPS**

1. Display the **NK Series IPS** interface as outlined in the procedure “**To access the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard**”.
2. Locate the **Connections** area in the NK Series IPS interface.
3. In the provided list, locate the IP Address of the client device you wish to disconnect from the NK-IPS.
4. Select the applicable check box for the client device to disconnect.
5. Click **Send Configuration** to apply the new settings.

**Specifying the Number of Inputs, Outputs, and Levels**

The NK Switchboard interface enables the routing matrix to be monitored and optionally controlled on any router on any NK-IPS detected on the network. The number of inputs, outputs, and levels is configured using the **Configure IPS options** in the NK Switchboard interface.
It is recommended to configure the NK Switchboard settings globally before performing any switches.

**Specifying the Number of Inputs, Outputs, and Levels**

You can create a custom setup and save the settings to an *.nks file.

**For More Information on...**
- resource management, refer to the *NK-VRC User Guide*.

**To specify the number of inputs, outputs, and levels in the NK Switchboard interface**

1. Display the Configure IPS dialog as outlined in the procedure “To navigate to the Configure IPS dialog”.
2. In the **Configure IPS** dialog, locate the row for the NK-IPS you wish to configure.
3. To save the settings when saving to an *.nks file, select the **Custom** check box.
4. To specify the number of inputs:
   a. Double-click the cell in the **#Ins** column for the applicable NK-IPS.
   b. Enter the maximum number of inputs (sources) to display in the NK Switchboard interface.
5. To specify the number of outputs:
   a. Double-click the cell in the **#Outs** column for the applicable NK-IPS.
   b. Enter the maximum number of outputs (destinations) to display NK Switchboard interface.
6. To specify the number of levels:
   a. Double-click the cell in the **#Levs** column for the applicable NK-IPS.
   b. Enter the maximum number of levels to display NK Switchboard interface.
7. Click **OK** to apply the new settings and close the dialog.
Operation

The NK Switchboard enables the routing matrix to be monitored and optionally controlled on any router on any NK-IPS detected on the network. The NK Switchboard is configured using the NK Switchboard tab in DashBoard.

🌟 It is recommended to configure the NK Switchboard globally before performing any switches.

Source, Destination, and Level Buttons

The Input (Source), Output (Destination), and Level buttons displayed on the NK Switchboard can be edited individually on-the-fly as required by right-clicking on the desired button and editing the fields. The button edit menu enables users to define text labels for the buttons display (Edit Text), the relative input, output, or level value (Edit Value), as well as Add or Delete buttons.

The number of inputs, outputs, and levels can be configured using the Configure IPS dialog.

Level Buttons

The Level buttons, when selected, enable switching on the corresponding levels. The total number of Level buttons shown is reliant on the number entered in the Configure IPS dialog.

Source Buttons

The Input buttons select the source or sources to be switched on the levels previously selected. The total number of Input buttons shown is reliant on the number entered in the Configure IPS dialog box.

Output (Destination) Buttons

The Output buttons select the destination for the source to be switched on the levels previously selected. The total number of Output buttons shown is reliant on the number entered in the Configure IPS dialog box.

Virtual Routing Button

Press the Virtual Routing button to have NK Switchboard perform all switches in virtual routing mode. If de-selected, any routing devices controlled through NK Switchboard will use physical switching.

🌟 The NK-VRC virtual routing core is required for virtual routing and resource management.

Function Buttons

The NK Switchboard function keys provide Machine Control switching (the MC button) and protecting of selected inputs/outputs (the Protect button). For the Protect and MC buttons to be active, they must be enabled from the Configure IPS dialog box.

Protects

The NK Switchboard displays protected outputs by either a yellow highlight, or a pink highlight. Outputs that are highlighted yellow are protected by that computer and outputs that are highlighted pink are protected by another user or another panel in the system.

NK Switchboard Interface Overview

The NK Switchboard, accessible through DashBoard, acts as a virtual panel for any router device. The NK Switchboard enables control of multiple NK Series routers through multiple NK-IPS devices, with alternating between each NK-IPS as needed.
Launching the NK Switchboard Interface

Once DashBoard is installed, the NK Switchboard can be accessed by clicking the NK Switchboard button from the toolbar. If the Switchboard is already open in the work area, activating it from either the menu or the toolbar will open it as a new tab in the Device View of DashBoard.

Protected Outputs

The NK Switchboard displays protected outputs by either a yellow highlight, or a pink highlight:

- Outputs that are highlighted yellow are protected by your DashBoard client computer.
- Outputs that are highlighted in pink are protected by another user or another panel in the system.

For the protect system to be accurate, each panel and computer running a DashBoard client must have its own unique address, specified in the Configure IPS dialog.

You enable the protect function on the specific NK-IPS and then select which outputs will be protected in the matrix.

**To enable the Protect feature on an NK-IPS**

1. Display the Configure IPS dialog as outlined in the procedure “To navigate to the Configure IPS dialog” on page 20.
2. In the Configure IPS dialog, locate the row for the NK-IPS you wish to configure.
3. Select the Prot check box for the NK-IPS.
4. Click OK to apply the new settings and close the dialog.

**To apply a protect to an output**

1. Display the NK Switchboard interface as outlined in the procedure “To navigate to the NK Switchboard interface” on page 20.
2. In the Status table, select the cell for the crosspoint you want to protect.
   
   In the example below, Output 3 in Level 3 was selected.
3. From the Functions toolbar, located on the far right of the NK Switchboard interface, click Protect.
   
   The cell for the selected Output now displays a yellow background.
Switching

The NK Switchboard is designed to emulate basic behavior of the RCP-NK1. The number of levels, inputs, and outputs, is determined by the settings in the Configure IPS dialog.

For More Information on...
- specifying the number of levels, outputs, and inputs in the NK Switchboard, refer to the section “Specifying the Number of Inputs, Outputs, and Levels” on page 24.

When an Output is selected, all Input buttons pressed thereafter will switch to that output. This is indicated by the blue line highlighting the current output selection.

To perform a crosspoint switch
1. Display the NK Switchboard interface as outlined in the procedure “To navigate to the NK Switchboard interface” on page 20.
2. From the top toolbar, select the NK-IPS to perform the crosspoint switch on.
   The selected button is lit blue in the toolbar.
3. From the Levels toolbar, located on the far right of the NK Switchboard interface, click each Level(s) to be included in the switch.
4. From the Output toolbar, located on the far left of the NK Switchboard interface, select the Output to be switched.
5. From the Input toolbar, located on the far right of the NK Switchboard interface, click the input to be switched.

Enabling Machine Control

When Machine Control is enabled in the Configure IPS dialog,

To enable machine control for an NK-IPS
1. Display the Configure IPS dialog as outlined in the procedure “To navigate to the Configure IPS dialog” on page 20.
2. In the Configure IPS dialog, locate the row for the NK-IPS you wish to configure.
3. Select the MC box for the required NK-IPS.
4. Click OK to apply the new settings and close the dialog.
   The MC button in the Functions toolbar of the NK Switchboard interface is now enabled (not grayed out).

Enabling Virtual Control

When Virtual Control is enabled in the Configure IPS dialog, pressing the Virtual Routing button in the NK Switchboard performs all switches in virtual routing mode.

* The NK-VRC virtual routing core is required for virtual routing and resource management.

To enable virtual control for an NK-IPS
1. Display the Configure IPS dialog as outlined in the procedure “To navigate to the Configure IPS dialog” on page 20.
2. In the Configure IPS dialog, locate the row for the NK-IPS you wish to configure.
3. Select the MC box for the required NK-IPS.
4. Click OK to apply the new settings and close the dialog.
   The Virtual Routing button in the Functions toolbar of the NK Switchboard interface is now enabled (not grayed out).
DashBoard Interface Overview

The DashBoard client software enables you to monitor and configure your NK-IPS. Using the interfaces provided via the DashBoard client software, you can:

- Configure the network connection for your router
- Configure router levels and assign level names
- Assign physical router inputs and outputs to logical sources and destinations
- Configure source and destination labels
- Perform crosspoint preset/takes
- Monitor the status of multiple levels
- Create and use salvos

For More Information on...
- the DashBoard client software, refer to the DashBoard User Manual.

NK-IPS in DashBoard

NK-IPS groups the configuration, monitoring, and operating features in a Tree View in the DashBoard client window. Each node of the tree opens to reveal one or more sub-nodes, giving access to the features for your router. NK-IPS includes the following interfaces, as separate nodes, in the DashBoard Tree View.

 NK Series IPS Interface

The NK-IPS uses the NK Series IPS interface in DashBoard to allow users to configure interface and security options for the NK-IPS, as well as having the ability to assign a name and brief details for the device itself.

Any changes to the parameters on the NK Series IPS interface will need to be sent to the NK-IPS using the Send Configuration button before the changes take effect.

![Figure 7.1 Example of an NK Series IPS Interface in DashBoard](image)

Table 7.1 summarizes the fields and menus displayed in the NK Switchboard interface.
Table 7.1  NK Series IPS Interface

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Network Settings</td>
<td></td>
<td>Opens the Update IPS Network Settings dialog to configure the network settings for the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Device Details**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Serial Num</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Indicates the unique serial number assigned to the NK-IPS (read-only)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hardware Rev</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Indicates the hardware version of the device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Name</td>
<td>&lt;text&gt;</td>
<td>Assigns a unique identifier to the device. This field has a maximum of 16 characters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Indicates the Group number the device is assigned to. This field has a maximum of 10 characters. By default it is blank.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MAC Address</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Displays the Media Access Control address which is a unique hardware address for a device on a network (read-only)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Firmware</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Indicates the firmware version used by the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Details</td>
<td>&lt;text&gt;</td>
<td>Additional details provided by the user to be used for description and identification only. This field has a maximum of 16 characters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>This T-Bus address is used within the overall control system to identify devices. Each device must be given a unique T-Bus address to avoid hardware and communication conflicts. The valid range for assigning an individual device T-Bus address is 1-255.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Network Settings**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>IP Address</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>Assigns a unique IP Address to the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Netmask</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>Assigns the netmask value to the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gateway</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>Assigns the IP Gateway value to the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DHCP</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>Automates the assignment of the Ethernet settings for the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>User must manually specify the Ethernet settings for the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SLP</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>Enables usage of Automatic Device Discovery in DashBoard. This is enabled by default.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>Disables Automatic Device Discovery</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Client Settings**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Use Client Control Password</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>A password is required when applications external to the NK-IPS issue switch requests</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>A password is not required for switch requests</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Client Control Password</td>
<td>&lt;text&gt;</td>
<td>Assigns a password for the use of client devices. This field is case sensitive with a maximum value of 20 characters. The Use Client Control Password box must be selected.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Client TCP Port</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Defines which port is used for network communication. The default value is 5000.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**MC-1 Interface**
**Table 7.1 NK Series IPS Interface**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Throttle Switch Requests</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>This is the primary NK-IPS when communicating with an openGear MC1-MK.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>This device is not the primary NK-IPS for an MC1-MK, or an MC1-MK is not communicating with this device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remote IPS IP Address</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>For a primary NK-IPS, this field is set to 0.0.0.0. On a secondary NK-IPS, enter the IP address of the primary NK-IPS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remote IPS Port</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>For a primary NK-IPS, this field can be left to the default port of 5000. On a secondary NK-IPS, enter the TCP Client port of the primary NK-IPS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Connections</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Max. Dashboard Connections</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Specifies a limit to the number of Dashboard clients that the NK-IPS will allow at any given time (up to a maximum of 5). The default value is 3.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of connected Clients</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Specifies how many clients are connected to the NK-IPS. The maximum total is 20.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Log off Client #</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>The NK-IPS disconnects from the client device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>The NK-IPS communicates with the client device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Reset</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reset IPS</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>Reboots the NK-IPS without clearing the NK-IPS settings. Any changes to the NK Series IPS interface are sent to the device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>Does not reboot the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Other Functions</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Refresh</td>
<td></td>
<td>Reverts to the configuration previously sent to the device. The NK Series IPS interface will display the last settings that were sent to the NK-IPS via the Send Configuration function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Send Firmware</td>
<td></td>
<td>Opens a file browser to select a software/firmware file to send to the device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Send Configuration</td>
<td></td>
<td>Uploads the settings to the device. All configuration items become active only after uploading.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reboot</td>
<td></td>
<td>Reboots the NK-IPS. This function does not clear the NK-IPS settings. The <strong>RESET</strong> button on the front panel will perform the same function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Close</td>
<td></td>
<td>Closes the NK Series IPS interface in Dashboard</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Update IPS Network Settings Dialog**

Click the **Network Settings** button on the **NK Series IPS** interface to display the Update IPS Network Settings dialog. **Table 7.2** summarizes the fields displayed in the Update IPS Network Settings dialog.
The NK Switchboard interface enables the routing matrix to be monitored and optionally controlled on any router on any NK-IPS detected on the network.

### Top Toolbar

The toolbar located at the top of the NK Switchboard interface provides buttons to select a device in the routing system the NK-IPS detects on the network.

### Right Toolbar

Table 7.3 summarizes the buttons displayed in the toolbar located to the far right side of the NK Switchboard interface.

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### Table 7.2 Update IPS Network Settings Dialog

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Use DHCP</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>The NK-IPS automatically obtains its network settings from a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>The user must assign static network settings to the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>Specifies the IP Address for the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Netmask</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>Specifies the Netmask value for the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gateway</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>Specifies the IP Gateway value for the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Port</td>
<td>#.#.#.#</td>
<td>Specifies the port number assigned to NK-IPS on the network (read-only)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Send Settings</td>
<td></td>
<td>Sends the settings to the NK-IPS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cancel</td>
<td></td>
<td>Changes to the dialog are not applied; the dialog closes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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**Figure 7.2 Example of the NK Switchboard Interface**

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**Figure 7.2 Example of the NK Switchboard Interface**
Configure IPS Interface

Table 7.3 NK Switchboard Interface — Right Toolbar

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Virtual Routing&lt;sup&gt;a&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Press the Virtual Routing button to have the NK Switchboard perform all switches in virtual routing mode.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>If de-selected, any routing devices controlled through NK Switchboard will use physical switching.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Functions</td>
<td>MC</td>
<td>Provides Machine Control switching; must be enabled from the Configure IPS dialog</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Protect</td>
<td>Protects selected inputs/outputs; must be enabled from the Configure IPS dialog</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Levels</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>When selected, enable switching on the corresponding levels. The total number of Level buttons shown is reliant on the number entered in the Configure IPS dialog</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Selects the source(s) to be switched on the levels previously selected. The total number of Input buttons shown is reliant on the number entered in the Configure IPS dialog</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Output</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Selects the destination for the source to be switched on the levels previously selected. The total number of Output buttons shown is reliant on the number entered in the Configure IPS dialog</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<sup>a</sup> The NK-VRC is required for virtual routing and resource management.

Table 7.4 summarizes the columns and fields displayed in the Configure IPS interface.

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<th>Item</th>
<th>Parameters</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Custom</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>Saves the custom settings when saving the setup to an *.nks file. Any changes to the settings of an NK-IPS in the Configure IPS dialog will automatically select this box.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>The change in settings are not captured when saving to an *.nks file.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Serial</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>This read-only field reports the serial number assigned to the specified device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Name</td>
<td>&lt;text&gt;</td>
<td>Provides an unique identifier for the specified device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#Outs</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Specifies the maximum number of destinations for the device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#Ins</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Specifies the maximum number of sources for the device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#Levs</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Specifies the maximum number of levels for the device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Addr</td>
<td>#</td>
<td>Assigns a Switchboard T-Bus address to the device. By default, the NK Switchboard T-Bus address is the same as the NK-IPS T-Bus address.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Prot</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>Enables the Protect function for the device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>Disables the Protect function for the device.</td>
</tr>
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<td>M/C</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>Enables the Machine Control features for the device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>Disables the Machine Control features for the device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Virt</td>
<td>Selected</td>
<td>Enables Virtual Routing and Resource Management for the device. This box is selected by default if an NK-VRC is installed as part of the system connected via T-Bus to the NK-IPS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cleared</td>
<td>Disables the Virtual Routing and Resource Management for the device</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Labels</td>
<td></td>
<td>Use this button to import global labels..</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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