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## **DRA-8902A User Guide**

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# Introduction

This guide covers the installation, configuration, and use of the DRA-8902A Dual Reclocking Distribution Amplifier. The following chapters are included:

- “**Introduction**” summarizes the guide and provides important terms, and conventions.
- “**Before You Begin**” provides general information to keep in mind before installing and configuring your card.
- “**Hardware Overview**” provides a basic introduction to the hardware features including the cabling and monitoring features of the rear module.
- “**Physical Installation**” provides instructions for the physical installation of the card and its rear module into an openGear frame.
- “**Cabling**” provides an overview for cabling the DRA-8902A rear module(s).
- “**Getting Started**” provides instructions for launching DashBoard, and accessing the DRA-8902A in DashBoard.
- “**Configuration**” outlines how to set the reclocker data rate, mute an unused output, and configure the invalid signal alarms.
- “**Upgrading the Software**” provides instructions for upgrading the software for your DRA-8902A using DashBoard.
- “**DashBoard Menus**” summarizes the DRA-8902A menus, items, and parameters in DashBoard.
- “**Technical Specifications**” provides technical specification details on the DRA-8902A.
- “**Service Information**” provides information on the warranty and repair policy for your card.
- “**Software Licenses**” provides third-party software license information for your DRA-8902A.

## Related Publications

It is recommended to consult the following Ross documentation before installing and configuring your DRA-8902A card:

- ***DashBoard User Guide***, Ross Part Number: 8351DR-004
- ***MFC-OG3-N and MFC-8322-S User Guide***, Ross Part Number: 8322DR-004
- ***OG3-FR Series User Guide***, Ross Part Number: 8322DR-005
- ***OGX-FR Series User Guide***, Ross Part Number: 8322DR-204

## 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 **Network** tab, click **Apply**.

### 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

Text set in bold and italic represent the titles of referenced guides, manuals, or documents. For example:

For more information, refer to the ***OGX-FR Series 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 As**,” you would click the **File** menu and then click **Save As**.

## Important Instructions

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

- ★ Contact your IT department before connecting to your facility network to ensure that there are no conflicts.

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# Before You Begin

Your DRA-8902A is a Dual 12G/6G/3G/HD/SD Reclocking Amplifier, capable of equalizing and reclocking all common serial digital signals. An LED indicator for each channel, at the front of the card, identify the presence of incoming video, simplifying system troubleshooting. This chapter provides general information to keep in mind before installing and configuring your DRA-8902A.

## Features

The DRA-8902A includes the following features:

- Equalizes and reclocks SDI signals of 270Mbps, 1.485Gbps, 2.97Gbps, 5.94Gbps, and 11.88Gbps
- Supports DVB-ASI (EN 50083-9), MADI (AES10), and SMPTE 310 signals
- Configure and monitor via DashBoard
- Automatic detection of incoming data rate
- Automatically mutes the channel output when a loss of input occurs
- Configurable to automatically perform a fail-over switch between the two SDI inputs
- LED indicators for input signal presence
- Fits OG3-FR and OGX-FR series frames
- Fully compliant with openGear specifications
- 5 year transferable warranty

## Functional Block Diagram

**Figure 1** describes the signal flow of the DRA-8902A when installed with the 8322AR-338 rear module.

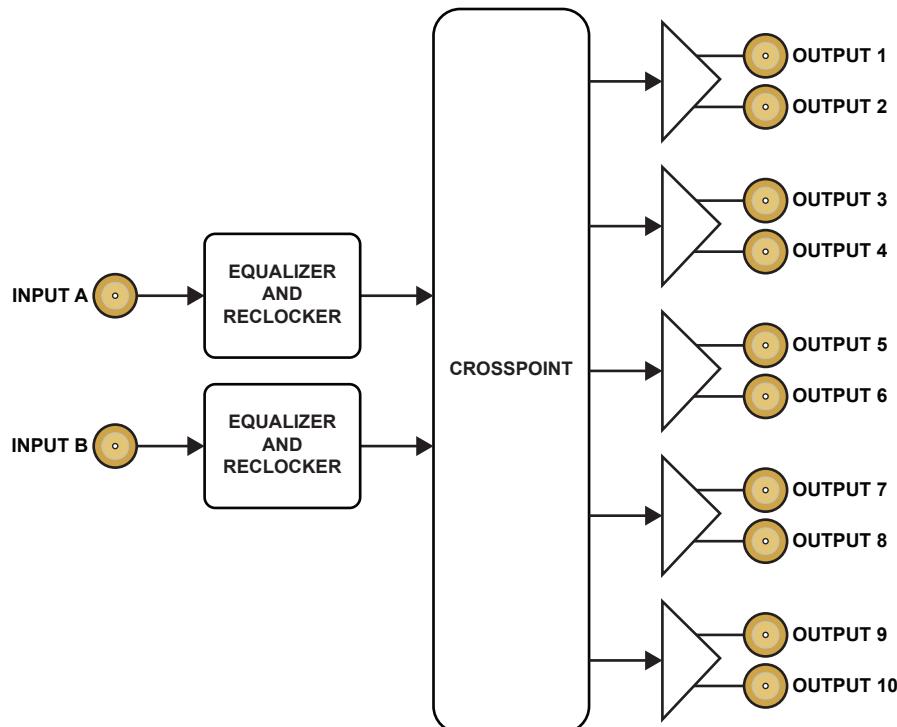


Figure 1 Simplified Diagram — DRA-8902A with the 8322AR-338

## User Interfaces

The following interfaces are available for control and monitoring of your DRA-8902A.

### **DashBoard Control System**

DashBoard enables you to monitor and control openGear frames and cards from a computer. DashBoard communicates with other cards in the openGear frame through the Network Controller Card.

#### **For More Information on...**

- the menus in DashBoard, refer to "**DashBoard Menus**".
- installing and using DashBoard, refer to the ***DashBoard User Guide***.

### **Card-edge Monitoring**

The card-edges provide LEDs for monitoring the status of the input signal.

#### **For More Information on...**

- the card-edge LEDs, refer to "**Card-Edge Monitoring Features**".

### **SNMP Monitoring and Control**

The Network Controller card in the openGear frame provides optional support for remote monitoring and control of your frame and openGear cards using Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP), which is compatible with many third-party monitoring and control tools.

#### **For More Information on...**

- SNMP controls on your card, refer to your DRA-8902A Management Information Base (MIB) file.
- SNMP Monitoring and Control, refer to your ***MFC-OG3-N and MFC-8322-S User Guide***.

# Hardware Overview

This chapter outlines the DRA-8902A hardware components and features.

## Supported Rear Module



**Notice** — *Ensure that you install the DRA-8902A using the supported rear module. Installing the DRA-8902A with an unsupported rear module can damage the card, the rear module, or both.*

### 8322AR-338 Rear Module

The DRA-8902A supports the 8322AR-338 rear module. Each 8322AR-338 occupies two slots and accommodates one card. This rear module provides two SDI inputs, and ten SDI outputs. (**Figure 2**)

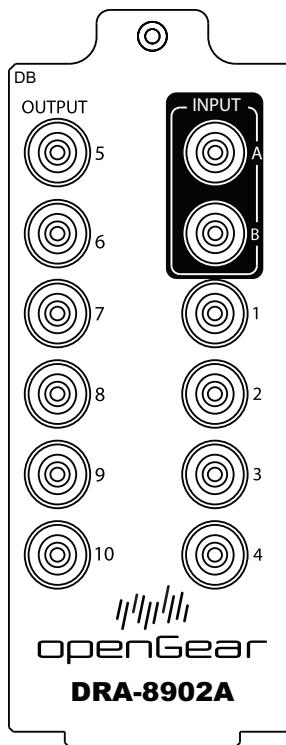


Figure 2 Rear Module Overview — 8322AR-338

## Card-Edge Monitoring Features

This section describes major components of the card-edge. There are no card-edge controls as all configuration and setup is done using the menus in DashBoard.

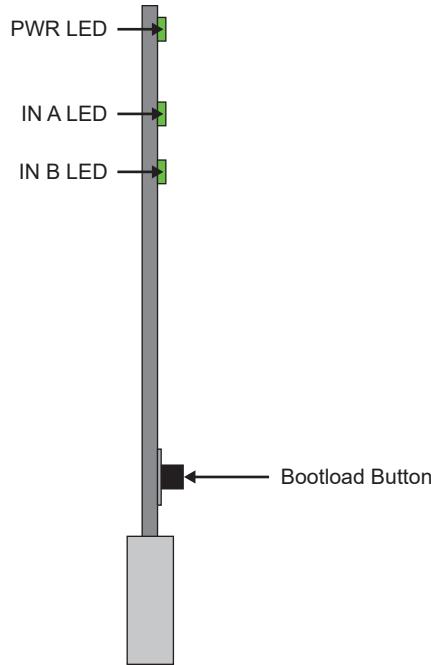


Figure 3 Locations — Bootload Button, Status LEDs

### Bootload Button

This button is used for factory service in the unlikely event of a complete card failure. Do not use this button unless advised by Ross Technical Support.

#### For More Information on...

- the cabling designations for your card, refer to **“Supported Rear Module”**.
- configuring the output, refer to **“Assigning an Input to an Output Channel”**.
- the Bootload process, refer to **“Bootload Button”**.

### Status LEDs

**Table 1** provides basic status LED displays and descriptions.

Table 1 Status LEDs

LED	Color	Display and Description
PWR	Green	When lit green, this LED indicates that the card is functioning normally and that no anomalies have been detected.
	Flashing Green	When flashing green, this LED indicates that the Bootload button was pressed, and the card is receiving a new software load from the frame.
	Flashing Green/Orange	When lit green with flashing orange, this LED indicates a signal or configuration problem. Verify the signal status and settings.
	Amber	When lit amber, this LED indicates the card is running internal diagnostics while powering up.

**Table 1 Status LEDs (Continued)**

LED	Color	Display and Description
PWR	Red	When lit red or flashing red, this LED indicates the card is not operational. Re-seat card in frame, check the rear module cable connections, or call Ross Video Technical Support.
	Off	When off, this LED indicates there is no power to the card.
IN #	Green	When lit green, this LED indicates that a valid SDI signal is present for the corresponding rear module input BNC.
	Red	When lit red, this LED indicates that the SDI signal is missing or invalid for the corresponding rear module input BNC.



# Physical Installation

This chapter provides instructions for installing the rear module for your DRA-8902A, and then installing the card in the openGear frame.

If you have questions pertaining to the cabling of the DRA-8902A, contact us at the numbers listed in **Contacting Technical Support**. Our technical staff is always available for consultation, training, or service.

## Before You Begin

Before proceeding with the instructions in this chapter, ensure that your openGear frame is properly installed according to the instructions in the manual that accompanied it.

### Static Discharge

Throughout this chapter, please heed the following cautionary note:



**ESD Susceptibility** — *Static discharge can cause serious damage to sensitive semiconductor devices. Avoid handling circuit boards in high static environments such as carpeted areas and when synthetic fiber clothing is worn. Always exercise proper grounding precautions when working on circuit boards and related equipment.*

### Unpacking

Unpack each card you received from the shipping container and ensure that all items are included. If any items are missing or damaged, contact your sales representative or Ross Video directly.

## Removing the Blank Plates from the Rear Panel

When a frame slot is not populated with an openGear card, a blank plate must be installed to ensure proper frame cooling and ventilation.



**Notice** — *Installing the rear module in a frame other than an OG3-FR or OGX-FR series frame could damage the card, the rear module, or both.*

### To remove a blank plate from the openGear frame

1. Locate the slots in the openGear frame you wish to install the DRA-8902A into.

It is recommended to use the following slot combinations:

• Slots 1, 2	• Slots 7, 8	• Slots 13, 14	• Slots 19, 20
• Slots 3, 4	• Slots 9, 10	• Slots 15, 16	
• Slots 5, 6	• Slots 11, 12	• Slots 17, 18	

2. Use a Phillips screwdriver to unfasten each blank plate from the openGear frame backplane.
3. Remove each blank plate from the chassis and set aside.

## Installing the Rear Module

You must first install the rear module in the frame and then install the card in the appropriate slot within that frame. The DRA-8902A can be installed in the openGear frame with the supported rear module. This section outlines how to install the rear module.

★ If the rear module is already installed in the frame, proceed to “[Installing the DRA-8902A](#)”.

### To install the rear module in the openGear frame

1. On the rear of the frame, locate the card frame slots.
2. Seat the bottom of the rear module in the seating slot at the base of the frame's back plane.
3. Align the top hole of the rear module with the screw hole on the top edge of the frame back plane.
4. Using a Phillips screwdriver and the supplied screw, fasten the rear module to the back plane. Do not over-tighten.
5. Ensure proper frame cooling and ventilation by having all rear frame slots covered with rear modules or blank metal plates.

## Installing the DRA-8902A

The slot that the DRA-8902A installs into depends on the slot combination you installed the rear module in. This allows adequate spacing to avoid damaging the card, the cards installed in the neighboring slots, or both.

### To install the DRA-8902A into the openGear frame

1. Locate the slot the DRA-8902A card will slide into.

Refer to **Table 2** for valid slot combinations.

**Table 2 Card Slot Combinations**

Rear Module is Installed in	Card Installs into Slot
Slots 1, 2	2
Slots 3, 4	4
Slots 5, 6	6
Slots 7, 8	8
Slots 9, 10	10
Slots 11, 12	12
Slots 13, 14	14
Slots 15, 16	16
Slots 17, 18	18
Slots 19, 20	20

2. Verify that the DRA-8902A card aligns with the rear module.
3. Using a Phillips screwdriver fasten the rear module to the backplane using the provided screws.

★ Do not over tighten the screws.

4. Hold the card by the edges and carefully align the card edges with the slot rails in the frame.
5. Fully insert the card into the frame until the card is properly seated in the rear module.

# Cabling

This chapter provides an overview of connecting input and output devices to a rear module of the DRA-8902A.

If you have questions pertaining to the cabling of the DRA-8902A, contact us at the numbers listed in **“Contacting Technical Support”**. Our technical staff is always available for consultation, training, or service.

★ All outputs are non-inverting. It is recommended to mute unused outputs via DashBoard as described in **“Muting an Output”**. Or you may choose to terminate the unused outputs.

## 8322AR-338 Cabling

Refer to **Figure 4** when cabling the **SDI inputs** on the 8322AR-338 rear module.

Refer to **Figure 5** when cabling the **SDI outputs** on the 8322AR-338 rear module.

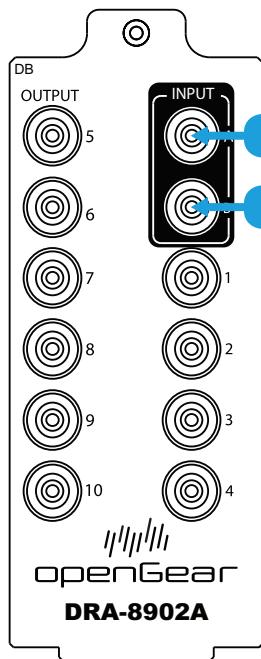


Figure 4 8322AR-338 — SDI Inputs

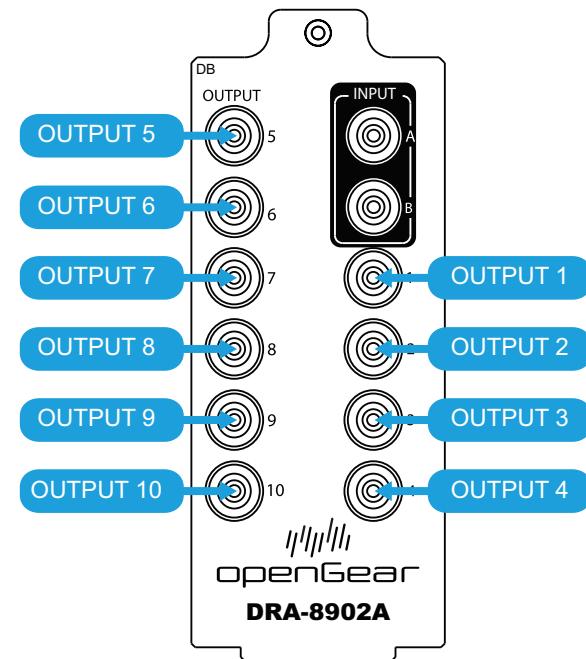


Figure 5 8322AR-338 — SDI Outputs



# Getting Started

This chapter provides instructions for launching DashBoard, and accessing the DRA-8902A interfaces in DashBoard. If you have questions pertaining to the operation of DRA-8902A, contact us at the numbers listed in “**Contacting Technical Support**”. Our technical staff is always available for consultation, training, or service.

## Before You Begin

Ensure that:

- An MFC-OG3-N or MFC-OGX-N Network Controller Card is installed in your OGX-FR frame.
- The openGear frame that houses the DRA-8902A displays in the Basic Tree View of DashBoard.
- DashBoard is running on a computer that has a physical wired ethernet connection. Wireless connections do not allow device discovery.

### For More Information on...

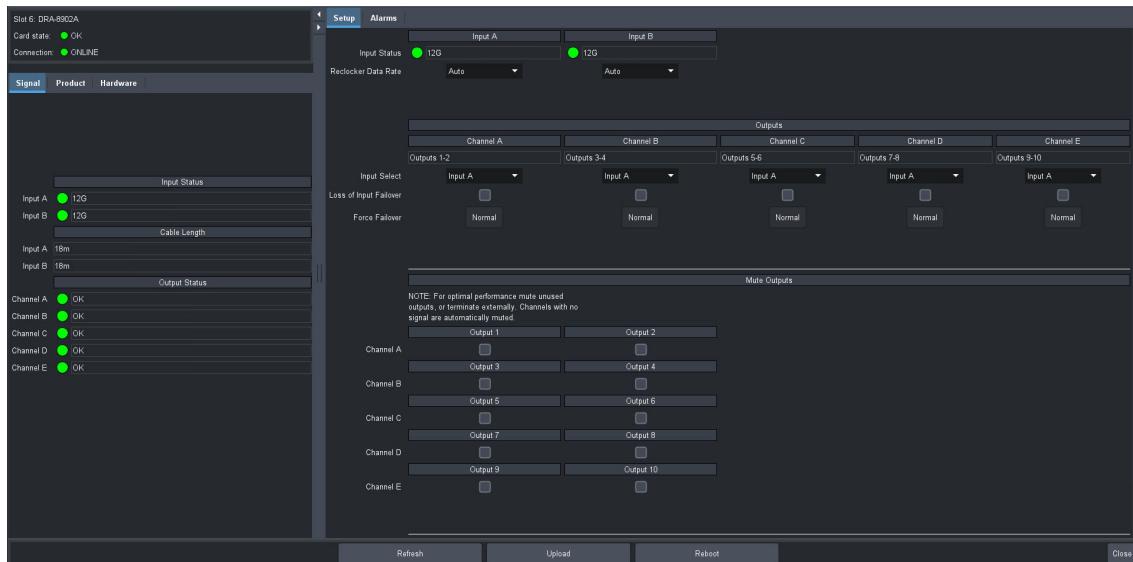
- downloading and installing the DashBoard client software, refer to the ***DashBoard User Guide***.

## Accessing the DRA-8902A Interfaces in DashBoard

The interfaces are accessed by expanding the DRA-8902A sub-node in the DashBoard Tree View.

### To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard

1. Ensure that you are running DashBoard software version 9.14 or higher.
2. Launch DashBoard by double-clicking its icon on your computer desktop.
3. In the Basic Tree View of DashBoard, locate the openGear frame the DRA-8902A is installed in.
4. Expand the openGear frame node to display a list of sub-nodes.
5. Locate the DRA-8902A node in the openGear frame tree.
6. Double-click the DRA-8902A sub-node to display the interface in the right pane of the DashBoard window.





# Configuration

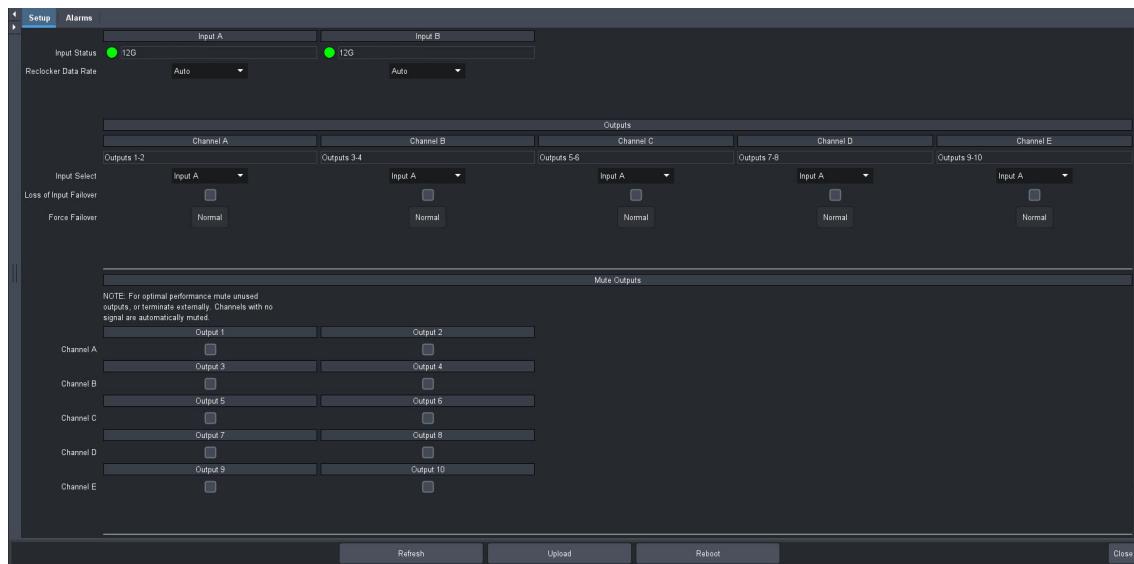
This chapter briefly outlines how to configure the DRA-8902A using the options available in DashBoard.

## Configuring the Reclocker

This section summarizes how to select a data rate for the reclocker. This enables the card to reclock to a specific data rate or automatically detect and reclock the data rate. It also sets the input signal rate type that the DRA-8902A will process.

### To set the reclocker data rate

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in [“To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard”](#).
2. Select the **Setup** tab.



3. Use the **Reclocker Data Rate** menu to select a data rate for the input signal. Choose from the following:
  - **Auto** — The DRA-8902A automatically reclocks at the detected rate for the input.
  - **125M (MADI)** — The DRA-8902A is set to reclock at MADI rate of 125Mbps only. This is the required setting when using MADI signals.
  - **270M (SD)** — The DRA-8902A is set to reclock at 270Mbps only.
  - **1.5G (HD)** — The DRA-8902A is set to reclock at 1.485Gbps only.
  - **3G** — The DRA-8902A is set to reclock at 2.97Gbps only.
  - **6G** — The DRA-8902A is set to reclock at 5.94Gbps only.
  - **12G** — The DRA-8902A is set to reclock at 11.88Gbps only.

## Assigning an Input to an Output Channel

A channel groups two output signals, enabling you to configure groups of outputs quickly using the same settings. When you assign an input signal to a channel, all the outputs in that channel will use the specified input signal. For example, if you assign Input A to Channel C on the DRA-8902A, Outputs 5 and 6 will use Input A.

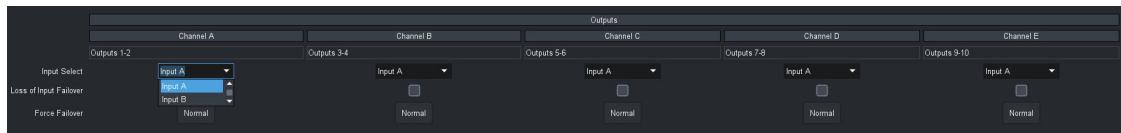
Refer to **Table 3** to learn the default rear module output mapping for each channel.

**Table 3 Channel to Output Mapping**

Channel	Maps to Outputs
<b>A</b>	1
	2
<b>B</b>	3
	4
<b>C</b>	5
	6
<b>D</b>	7
	8
<b>E</b>	9
	10

#### To assign an input to an output channel

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in **“To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard”**.
2. Select the **Setup** tab.
3. Locate the options for the channel you want to configure.



4. Use the **Input Select** menu to assign an input signal to a specific output group. Choose from the following:
  - **Input A** — Assigns the source available on the **INPUT A** BNC of the rear module.
  - **Input B** — Assigns the source available on the **INPUT B** BNC of the rear module.

## Enabling the Failover Feature

The failover feature enables the DRA-8902A to use a backup input source when the primary input source is lost and a valid backup input is detected. Once the DRA-8902A determines that the primary input source is stable (valid and locked), it automatically switches back to the primary source. The **Input** field on the **Signal** tab reports when the backup source is in use for either channel.

★ The primary source assignments are determined using the procedure **“To assign an input to an output channel”**.

#### To enable the failover feature to automatically switch inputs

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in **“To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard”**.
2. Select the **Setup** tab.
3. Select the **Loss of Input Failover** box for the channel.

## To immediately force a failover switch

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in “[To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard](#)”.
2. Select the **Setup** tab.
3. Toggle the **Force Failover** button for the channel.

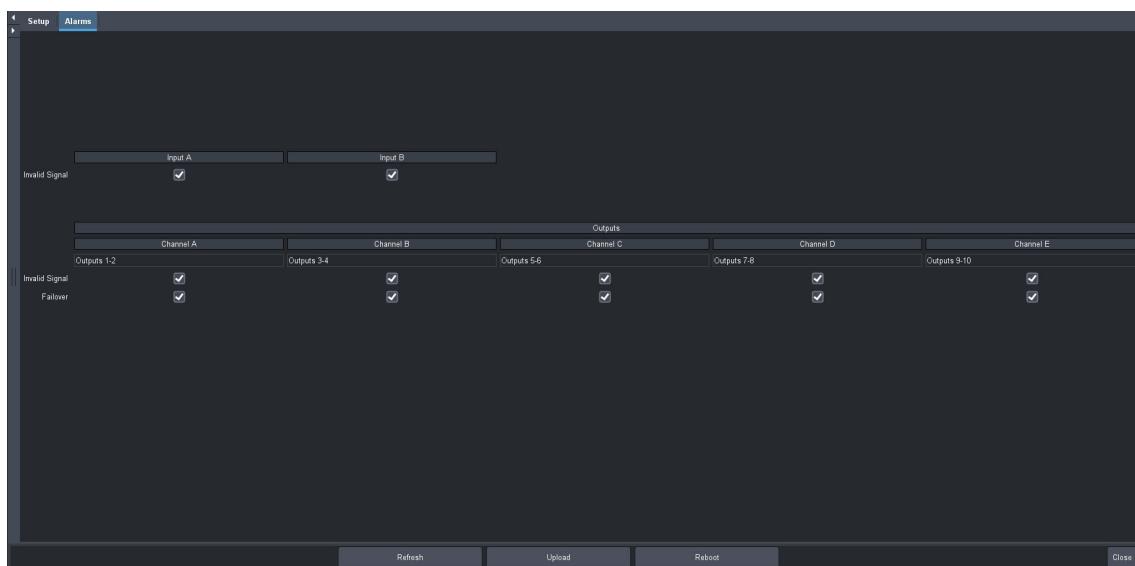
The button label changes to **Forced** and the button is lit red.

## To enable an alarm during a force failover switch

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in “[To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard](#)”.
2. Select the **Alarms** tab.
3. Select the **Failover** box for the channel.

The box displays a check-mark.

The **Signal** tab will report when the channel is in failover mode.



## Muting an Output

If you have an unused output, it is recommended to either terminate the output or mute the output via the Mute Outputs options available in DashBoard.

### To mute an unused output

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in “[To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard](#)”.
2. Select the **Setup** tab.
3. Locate the **Mute Outputs** area located near the bottom of the **Setup** tab. You may need to scroll down the tab.
4. Select the **Output** box for the output you wish to mute.

The box displays a check-mark.

## Configuring the Invalid Signal Alarms

When enabled, this feature will indicate an alarm condition (red) in the corresponding **Status** field(s) of the **Signal** tab. This occurs if the DRA-8902A does not detect a valid input signal for that channel. To verify which BNC to troubleshoot, refer to the rear module labeling.

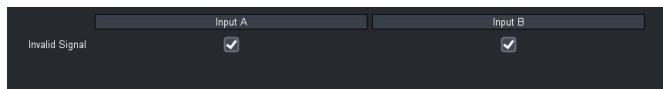
## For More Information on...

- the rear module cabling designations, refer to “**Supported Rear Module**”.

### To enable the alarm for an invalid input signal

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in “**To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard**”.
2. Select the **Alarms** tab.
3. To raise an alarm when an invalid input signal is detected, select the **Invalid Signal** box in the **Input** area of the tab for the input you wish to monitor.

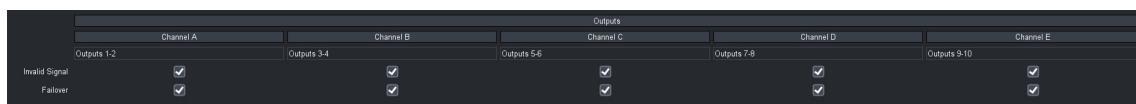
The **Input Status** fields in the **Signal** tab and the **Status** tab report when an invalid input signal is detected on the corresponding Input BNC.



### To enable the alarm for an invalid output signal

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in “**To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard**”.
2. Select the **Alarms** tab.
3. To raise an alarm when an invalid output signal is detected, select the **Invalid Signal** box in the **Channel** area of the tab for the output you wish to monitor.

The corresponding **Output Status** field in the **Signal** tab reports when an invalid input signal is detected.



## Enabling the Failover Alarm

Enabling the Failover alarm allows the card to report when a loss of input has occurred and the output channel automatically switched to the backup source specified in “**Enabling the Failover Feature**”. When the source is switched over, a failover message displays in the **Output Status** fields of the **Signal** tab and the **Setup** tab. If the alarm is disabled, the status fields do not report when the loss of input failover has occurred.

### To enable the failover alarm

1. Navigate to the DRA-8902A as outlined in “**To display the DRA-8902A in DashBoard**”.
2. Select the **Alarms** tab.
3. To raise an alarm when the output signal is switched to the backup source, select the **Failover** box in the **Channel** area of the tab for the output you wish to monitor.

The corresponding **Output Status** field in the **Signal** tab reports when an invalid input signal is detected.

# Upgrading the Software

The DRA-8902A can be upgraded in the field via DashBoard.

## To upgrade the software on a card

1. Contact Ross Technical Support for the latest software version file.
2. Ensure the Ethernet cable is connected to the **Ethernet** port on the openGear frame.
3. From the **Tree View**, expand the node for the DRA-8902A you want to access.
4. Double-click the **Global** sub-node to display the interface in the right-half of DashBoard.
5. Select **Upload**, located near the bottom of the interface, to display the **Select file Upload** dialog.
6. Navigate to the **\*.bin** file you want to upload.
7. Click **Open**.
8. If you are upgrading a single card:
  - a. Click **Finish** to start the upgrade.
  - b. Proceed to step 10.
9. If you are upgrading multiple cards:
  - a. Click **Next >** to display the **Select Destination** menu. This menu provides a list of the compatible cards.
  - b. Specify the card(s) to upload the file to by selecting the check box(es) for the cards you want to upload the file to.
  - c. Verify the card(s) you want to upload the file to. The **Error/Warning** fields indicate any errors, such as incompatible software or card type mismatch.
  - d. Click **Finish**.
10. Monitor the upgrade.
  - An **Upload Status** dialog enables you to monitor the upgrade process.
  - Notice that each card is listed in the dialog with a  button. This button is replaced with a **Reboot** button once the software file is loaded to that card.

★ Avoid clicking the individual Reboot buttons until all cards have successfully completed the file upload process and the **OK** button, located in the bottom right corner of the dialog, is enabled.

- Click **OK** to reboot all the cards listed in the **Uploading to Selected Devices** dialog.
- The **Reboot Confirm** dialog displays, indicating the number of cards that will reboot. Click **Yes** to continue the upgrade process. Note that clicking **Cancel** or **No** returns you to the **Uploading to Selected Devices** dialog without rebooting the card(s).
- The card(s) are temporarily taken off-line during the reboot process. The process is complete once the status indicators for the **Card State** and **Connection** return to their previous status.



# DashBoard Menus

This chapter briefly summarizes the menus, items, and parameters available from DashBoard for the DRA-8902A. Default parameters are noted with an asterisk (\*).

- ★ Wait 30 seconds after the last setting change to ensure all changes are saved to the non-volatile memory of the card.

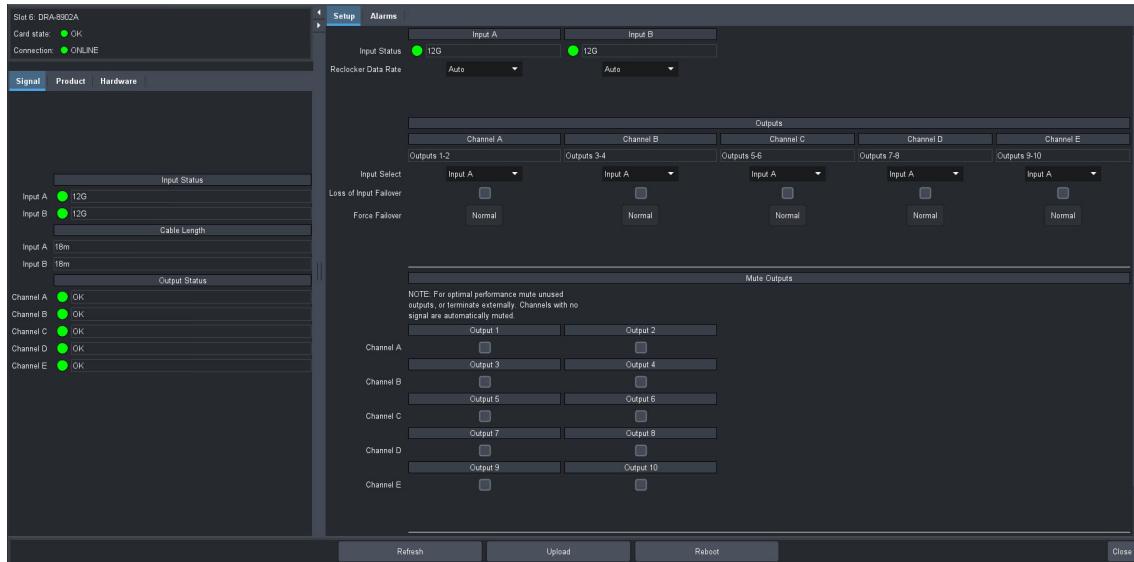


Figure 6 Example of the DRA-8902A in DashBoard

## Signal Tab

The fields in the **Signal** tab vary in severity from green (valid), yellow (caution), to red (alarm). DashBoard reports the most severe alarm for a single field. (Figure 7) Alarm colors are noted within the tables as text set in brackets next to the menu parameter name.

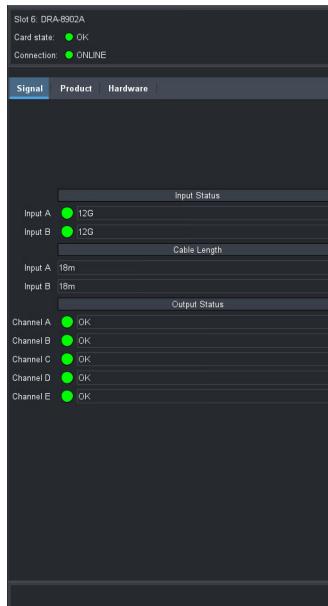


Figure 7 Example of the Signal Tab

**Table 4** outlines the read-only information displayed in the **Signal** tab.

**Table 4 Signal Tab Items**

Item	Parameters	Description
<b>Input Status</b>		
Input #	125M (MADI) (Green)	A MADI signal detected at 125Mbps is present
	270M (SD) (Green)	A valid 270Mbps input signal is present
	1.5G (HD) (Green)	A valid 1.485Gbps input signal is present
	3G (Green)	A valid 2.97Gbps input signal is present
	6G (Green)	A valid 5.94Gbps input signal is present
	12G (Green)	A valid 11.88G input signal is present
	Signal Not Locked (Green)	An input signal is present, but not locked but the Invalid Signal alarm on the Alarms tab is disabled.
	Signal Not Locked (Red)	A valid input signal is detected and is not locked
	No signal (Green)	A valid input signal is not detected but the Invalid Signal alarm on the Alarms tab is disabled.
	No signal (Red)	A valid input signal is not detected. The Invalid Signal alarm on the Alarms tab is enabled.
<b>Cable Length</b>		
Input #	#	Indicates the approximate Belden 1694A cable length used for the input signal
	N/A	A valid input source was not detected on the input BNC
	No input detected	Indicates that a valid signal clock is not present
<b>Output Status</b>		
Channel #	OK (Green)	A valid output signal is detected
	Auto Failover (Green)	The channel is in Failover mode (the Loss of Input Failover box is selected in the Setup tab) but the Failover alarm is not enabled on the Alarms tab for the channel
	Auto Failover (Red)	The channel is in Failover mode (the Loss of Input Failover box is selected in the Setup tab) for the channel
	Force Failover (Green)	The output is in a forced Failover mode (the <b>Force Failover</b> button was clicked in the Setup tab) but the Failover alarm is not enabled on the Alarms tab for the channel
	Force Failover (Red)	The output is in a forced Failover mode (the <b>Force Failover</b> button was clicked in the Setup tab) for the channel

**Table 4 Signal Tab Items (Continued)**

Item	Parameters	Description
Channel #	No Signal (Green)	The channel is not present. The Alarms > Invalid Signal alarm for this channel is disabled.
	No Signal (Red)	The channel is not present. The Alarms > Invalid Signal alarm for this channel is enabled.
	Signal Not Locked (Green)	An output signal is present, but not locked. The Alarms > Invalid Signal alarm is disabled for this channel.
	Signal Not Locked (Red)	An output signal is present, but not locked. The Alarms > Invalid Signal alarm is enabled for this channel.

## Product Tab

The Product tab provides read-only information about the DRA-8902A that helps identify it. (**Figure 8**)

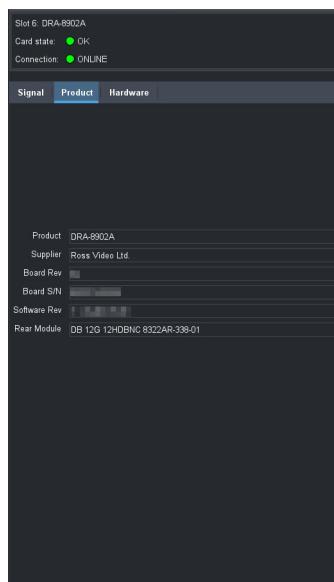


Figure 8 Example of the Product Tab

**Table 5** outlines the read-only information displayed in the **Product** tab.

**Table 5 Product Tab Items**

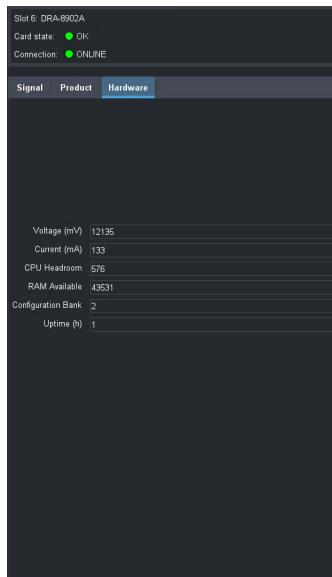
Item	Parameters	Description
Product	DRA-8902A	Displays the card model
Supplier	Ross Video Ltd.	Indicates the manufacturer of your card
Board Rev	##	Indicates the version of the PCB
Board S/N	#####	Indicates the card serial number
Software Rev	##.##	Indicates the software version

**Table 5 Product Tab Items (Continued)**

Item	Parameters	Description
Rear Module	#	Describes the rear module installed with this card
	No Rear Module	The card does not detect a rear module
Rear Module Status	OK (Green)	The card is correctly installed with a supported rear module
	Incompatible Rear Module (Yellow)	A rear module is detected but it is not supported by the card. Refer to " <b>Supported Rear Module</b> ".
	No Rear Module (Red)	The card does not detect a valid connection to a rear module

## Hardware Tab

The Hardware tab reports measured information about the physical card such as voltage, current, and available RAM. (**Figure 9**)

*Figure 9 Example of the Hardware Tab*

**Table 6** outlines the read-only information displayed in the **Hardware** tab.

**Table 6 Hardware Tab Items**

Item	Parameters	Description
Voltage (mV)	#	Supply voltage
Current (mA)	#	Current consumption of card in milliamperes
CPU Headroom	#	Processing power available
RAM Available	#	On-board processing memory available
Configuration Bank	#	Storage count
Uptime (h)	#	Displays the number of hours since the last reboot of the card

## Setup Tab

The **Setup** tab provides configuration options such as assigning an input, setting a reclocker rate, and muting unused outputs. (**Figure 10**)

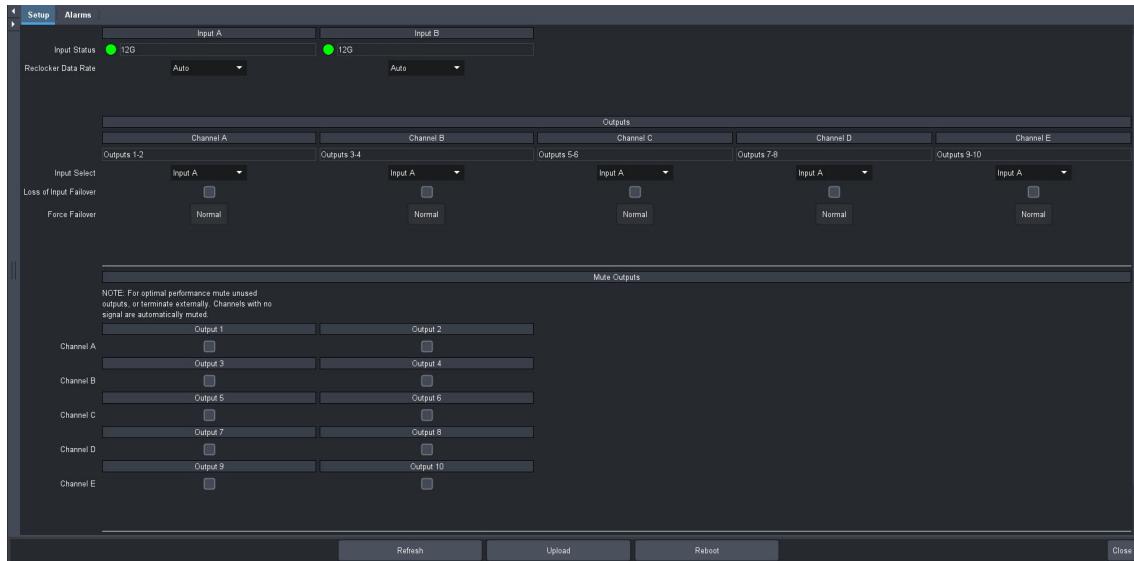


Figure 10 Example of the Setup Tab

**Table 7** summarizes the **Setup** options available in DashBoard.

**Table 7 Setup Tab Items**

Item	Parameters	Description
<b>Input #</b>		
Input Status (read-only)	125M (MADI) (Green)	A MADI signal at 125Mbps is present
	270M (SD) (Green)	A valid 270Mbps input signal is present
	1.5G (HD) (Green)	A valid 1.485Gbps input signal is present
	3G (Green)	A valid 2.97Gbps input signal is present
	6G (Green)	A valid 5.94Gbps input signal is present
	12G (Green)	A valid 11.88G input signal is present
	Signal Not Locked (Green)	An input signal is present, but not locked. The Alarms > Invalid Signal alarm is disabled.
	Signal Not Locked (Red)	An input signal is present, but not locked.
	No signal (Green)	A valid input signal is not present, but the Invalid Signal alarm is disabled in the Alarms tab.
	No signal (Red)	A valid signal is not present

**Table 7 Setup Tab Items (Continued)**

Item	Parameters	Description
Reclocker Data Rate <sup>a</sup>	Auto*	Card automatically detects the incoming data rate
	125M (MADI)	Reclocker is set to 125Mbps
	270M	Reclocker is set to 270Mbps
	1.5G	Reclocker is set to 1.485Gbps
	3G	Reclocker is set to 2.97Gbps
	6G	Reclocker is set to 5.94Gbps
	12G	Reclocker is set to 11.88Gbps
<b>Outputs</b>		
Output # (read-only)	Outputs 1-2	Indicates the OUT BNCs included in the channel
	Outputs 3-4	
	Outputs 5-10	
	Outputs 10-16	
Input Select	Input A	Specifies that the signal on the SDI INPUT A BNC is the primary source for this output
	Input B	Specifies that the signal on the SDI INPUT B BNC is the primary source for this output
Loss of Input Failover	Selected	The input signal is automatically switched to the backup when the card detects the primary is unavailable. Note that the card returns to the primary input once the primary input signal is stable.
	Cleared	Disables the failover feature
Force Failover	Normal*	Forces the input to be switched to the backup input, even if the primary input is still valid. If the card is in Forced Failover mode, the button label will display "Forced". To return to the primary input, click the button again.
	Forced	
<b>Mute Outputs - Channel #</b>		
Output #	Selected	Mutes the specified output. It is recommended to terminate or mute unused outputs.
	Cleared*	The output is not muted.
Edit Permission	Unlocked*	All configurable menu options are editable
	Locked	All configurable menu options, except this one, are locked and are read-only
Factory Defaults	Reset	Resets all editable parameters to the factory default values

a. When using MADI signals, you must set the Reclocker Data Rate to 125M (MADI) and not Auto.

## Alarms Tab

The **Alarms** tab enables you to specify what input(s) and/or outputs to monitor. (Figure 11)

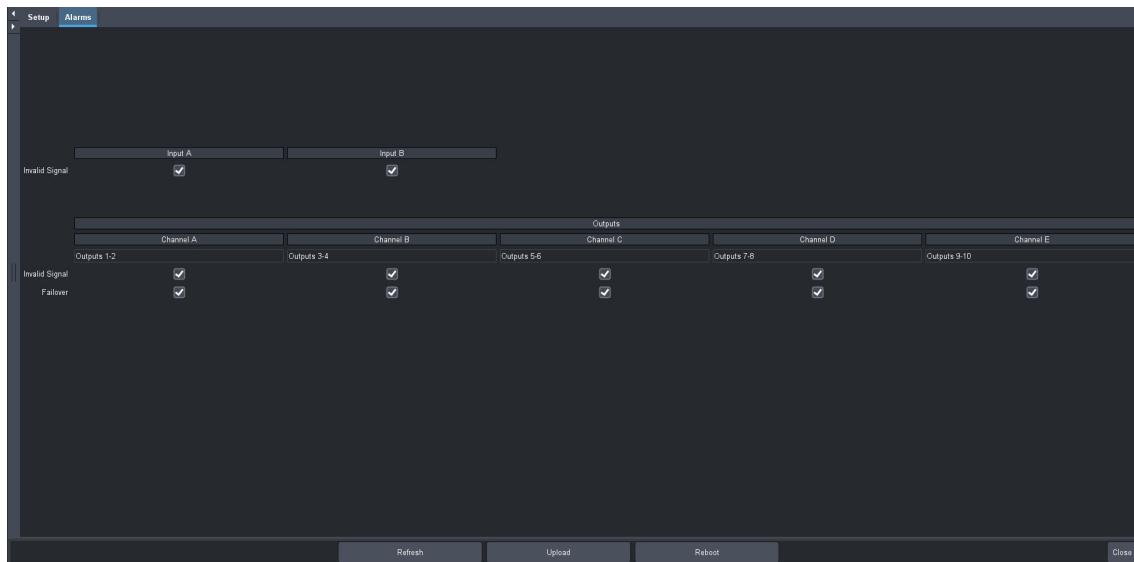


Figure 11 Example of the Alarms Tab

**Table 8** summarizes the **Alarms** options available in DashBoard.

**Table 8 Alarms Tab Items**

Item	Parameters	Description
<b>Input #</b>		
Invalid Signal	Selected*	The Status field in the Signal tab reports the loss of the input as an error/alarm
	Cleared	The Status field in the Signal tab reports the loss of the input as information only (status indicator does not report an alarm condition)
<b>Output #</b>		
Invalid Signal	Selected*	The specified Channel field in the Output Status area of the Signal tab reports the detected invalid input as an error/alarm
	Cleared	The specified Channel field in the Output Status area of the Signal tab reports that an invalid input is detected, but as information only (status indicator does not report an alarm condition)
Failover	Selected*	The specified Channel field in the Output Status area of the Signal tab reports when the channel has switched to failover mode
	Cleared	The specified Channel field in the Output Status area of the Signal tab reports the switch to failover mode as information only (status indicator does not report an alarm condition)



# Technical Specifications

This chapter includes the technical specifications for the DRA-8902A.

★ Specifications are subject to change without notice.

## Supported Video Formats

*Table 9 Technical Specifications — Supported Video Formats*

Video Format
<b>SD Formats</b>
480i 59.94Hz
576i 50Hz
<b>HD Formats</b>
720p 50Hz
720p 59.94Hz
1080i 50Hz
1080i 59.94Hz
1080p 23.98Hz
1080p 24Hz
1080p 25Hz
1080p 29.97Hz
1080p 30Hz
1080p 50Hz
1080p 59.94Hz
1080p 60Hz
<b>UHD Formats</b>
2160p 23.98Hz
2160p 24Hz
2160p 25Hz
2160p 29.97Hz
2160p 30Hz
2160p 50Hz
2160p 59.94Hz
2160p 60Hz

## SDI Inputs Specifications

*Table 10 Technical Specifications — SDI Inputs*

Item	Specifications
Number of Inputs	2
Connector Type	HD-BNC
Data Rates and SMPTE Standards Accommodated	19.39Mbps, 38.78Mbps, SMPTE 310 MADI, AES10-2008 270Mbps, 525/625 Component, SMPTE 259M 270Mbps, DVB-ASI 1.485Gbps Component, SMPTE 292M 2.97Gbps Component, SMPTE 424M 5.94Gbps Component, SMPTE 2081 11.88Gbps Component, SMPTE 2082
Impedance	75ohm
Equalization (Belden 1694A cable)	>430m (1410ft) @ 270Mbps >200m (656ft) @ 1.485Gbps >150m (492ft) @ 2.97Gbps >80m (262ft) @ 5.94Gbps >60m (197ft) @ 11.88Gbps
Return Loss (typical)	>15dB to 1.485Gbps >10dB to 2.97Gbps >7dB to 5.94Gbps >4dB to 11.88Gbps

## SDI Outputs Specifications

★ All outputs are non-inverting. It is recommended to mute unused outputs via the Mute Outputs options available in the Setup tab of DashBoard. Or you may choose to terminate the unused outputs.

*Table 11 Technical Specifications — SDI Outputs*

Item	Specifications
Number of Outputs <sup>a</sup>	10
Connector Type	HD-BNC
Impedance	75ohm
Return Loss (typical)	>15dB to 1.485Gbps >10dB to 2.97Gbps >7dB to 5.94Gbps >4dB to 11.88Gbps

**Table 11 Technical Specifications — SDI Outputs (Continued)**

Item	Specifications	
Rise & Fall Times	MADI:	1.0-3.0nS, <0.5nS difference
	270Mbps:	0.4-1.5nS, <0.5nS difference
	1.485Gbps:	<270ps, <100ps difference
	2.97Gbps:	<135ps, <50ps difference
	5.94Gbps:	<80ps, <30ps difference
	11.88Gbps:	<45ps, <18ps difference
Jitter	MADI:	<2.0UI (<4.0nS)
	270Mbps:	<0.2UI, jitter measured 10Hz-1kHz
	1.485Gbps:	<1.0UI jitter measured 10Hz-100kHz, <0.2UI above 100kHz
	2.97Gbps:	<1.0UI jitter measured 10Hz-100kHz, <0.3UI above 100kHz
	5.94Gbps:	<2.0UI jitter measured 10Hz-100kHz, <0.3UI above 100kHz, band limit @594MHz
	11.88Gbps:	<2.0UI jitter measured 10Hz-100kHz, <0.3UI above 100kHz, band limit @1188MHz
Signal Level	800mV ±10%	
DC Offset	0V ±50mV (MADI is 400mV +/- 10%)	
Overshoot	<10%	

a. All outputs are non-inverting when using DVB-ASI and 270Mbps signals.

## Environment

**Table 12 Technical Specifications — Environment**

Item	Specifications
Maximum Ambient Temperature	40°C (104°F)

## Power

**Table 13 Technical Specifications — Power**

Item	Specifications
Maximum Power Consumption	5.6W



# Service Information

This chapter provides information on the warranty and repair policy for your card.

## Troubleshooting Checklist

Routine maintenance to this openGear product is not required. In the event of problems with your card, the following basic troubleshooting checklist may help identify the source of the problem. If the frame still does not appear to be working properly after checking all possible causes, please contact your openGear products distributor, or the Technical Support department at the numbers listed in **Contacting Technical Support**.

1. **Visual Review** — Performing a quick visual check may reveal many problems, such as connectors not properly seated or loose cables. Check the card, the frame, and any associated peripheral equipment for signs of trouble.
2. **Power Check** — Verify the power indicator LED on the openGear frame front panel for the presence of power. If the power LED is not illuminated, verify that the power cable is connected to a power source and that power is available at the power main. Confirm that the power supplies are fully seated in their slots. If the power LED is still not illuminated, replace the power supply with one that is verified to work.
3. **Input Signal Status** — Verify that source equipment is operating correctly and that a valid signal is being supplied.
4. **Output Signal Path** — Verify that destination equipment is operating correctly and receiving a valid signal.
5. **Card Exchange** — Exchanging a suspect card with a card that is known to be working correctly is an efficient method for localizing problems to individual cards.

## Bootload Button

In the unlikely event of a complete card failure, you may be instructed by a Ross Technical Support specialist to reload the software on the card.

### To reload the software on the card

1. Eject the card from the openGear frame.
2. Press and hold the **Bootload** button, while re-inserting the card into the frame.
3. Release the button.
  - The **PWR** LED will flash green while the card is waiting for a new software load.
  - If a new software load is not sent to the card within 60 seconds, the card will attempt to restart with its last operational software load.
  - Contact Ross Technical Support for the latest software load for your card.

## Warranty and Repair Policy

The DRA-8902A is warranted to be free of any defect with respect to performance, quality, reliability, and workmanship for a period of FIVE (5) years from the date of shipment from our factory. In the event that your DRA-8902A proves to be defective in any way during this warranty period, Ross Video Limited reserves the right to repair or replace this piece of equipment with a unit of equal or superior performance characteristics.

Should you find that this DRA-8902A has failed after your warranty period has expired, we will repair your defective product should suitable replacement components be available. You, the

owner, will bear any labor and/or part costs incurred in the repair or refurbishment of said equipment beyond the FIVE (5) year warranty period.

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This User Manual provides all pertinent information for the safe installation and operation of your openGear Product. Ross Video policy dictates that all repairs to the DRA-8902A are to be conducted only by an authorized Ross Video Limited factory representative. Therefore, any unauthorized attempt to repair this product, by anyone other than an authorized Ross Video Limited factory representative, will automatically void the warranty. Please contact Ross Video Technical Support for more information.

### In Case of Problems

Should any problem arise with your DRA-8902A, please contact the Ross Video Technical Support Department (see "**Contacting Technical Support**").

A Return Material Authorization number (RMA) will be issued to you, as well as specific shipping instructions, should you wish our factory to repair your DRA-8902A. If required, a temporary replacement frame will be made available at a nominal charge. Any shipping costs incurred will be the responsibility of you, the customer. All products shipped to you from Ross Video Limited will be shipped collect.

The Ross Video Technical Support Department will continue to provide advice on any product manufactured by Ross Video Limited, beyond the warranty period without charge, for the life of the equipment.

# Software Licenses

This chapter provides third-party software license information for your DRA-8902A. This product includes multiple software components which are individually licensed under one or more of the following licenses included in this chapter.

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