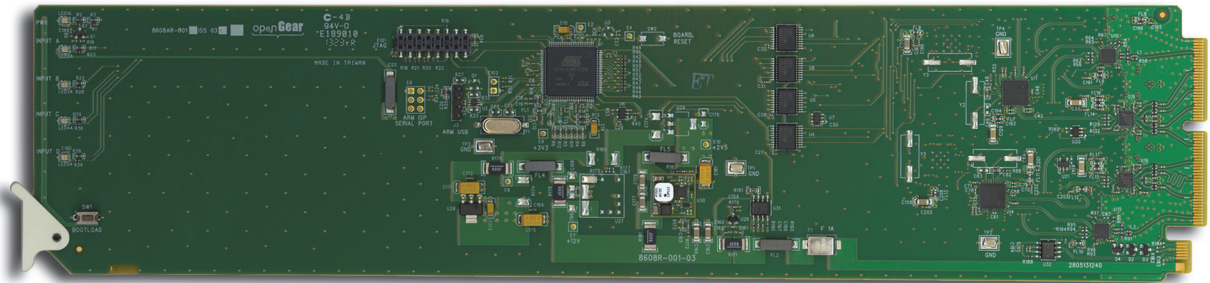


# QRA-8608

## Quad 3G/HD/SD Reclocking Amplifier

### User Manual



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**Notice** — *This is a Class A product. In domestic environments, this product may cause radio interference, in which case the user may have to take adequate measures.*

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Routine maintenance to this openGear product is not required. This product contains no user serviceable parts. If the module does not appear to be working properly, please contact Technical Support using the numbers listed under the "Contact Us" section on the last page of this manual. All openGear products are covered by a generous 5-year warranty and will be repaired without charge for materials or labor within this period. See the "Warranty and Repair Policy" section in this manual for details.

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The crossed out wheelie bin symbol invites you to use these systems.



If you need more information on the collection, re-use, and recycling systems, please contact your local or regional waste administration.

You can also contact Ross Video for more information on the environmental performance of our products.

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# Introduction

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## In This Chapter

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Overview
- Functional Block Diagrams
- User Interfaces
- Documentation Terms and Conventions

## A Word of Thanks

Congratulations on choosing an openGear QRA-8608 Quad 3G/HD/SD Reclocking Amplifier. Your QRA-8608 is part of a full line of Digital Products within the openGear Terminal Equipment family of products, backed by Ross Video's experience in engineering and design expertise since 1974.

You will be pleased at how easily your new card fits into your overall working environment. Equally pleasing is the product quality, reliability and functionality. Thank you for joining the group of worldwide satisfied Ross Video customers!

Should you have a question pertaining to the installation or operation of your card, please contact us at the numbers listed on the back cover of this manual. Our technical support staff is always available for consultation, training, or service.

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## Overview

Your QRA-8608 is a 3G Multi-Definition SDI distribution amplifier, capable of equalizing and reclocking all common serial digital signals. An LED indicator for each channel at the front of the card identifies the presence of incoming video simplifying system troubleshooting.

Each QRA-8608 equalizes the incoming SDI signal, which is then reclocked, with automatic rate detection for all popular data rates. The outputs are non-inverting making it an excellent ASI distribution amplifier.

A special feature of the QRA-8608 is the ability to operate in a number of different channel configurations. Dual channel mode is ideal for applications requiring only a few outputs, such as mid-cable signal boosters, router expansion, or signal cleanup.

## Features

The QRA-8608 includes the following features:

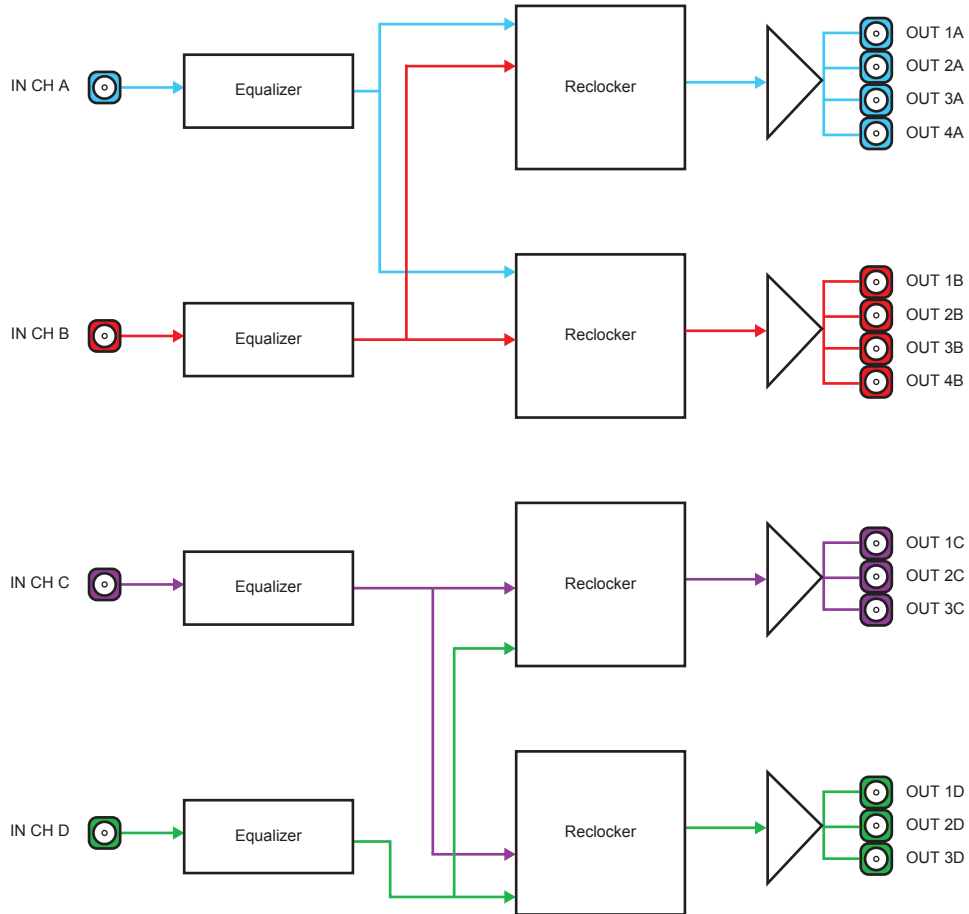
- Equalizes and reclocks SDI signals of 270Mbps, 1.485Gbps, and 2.97Gbps
- Equalizes up to 225m of Belden 1855A cable at 270MHz, greater 100m of Belden 1855A cable at 1.485GHz, and greater than 80m of Belden 1855A cable at 2.97GHz
- Accepts DVB-ASI and SMPTE 310 signals
- Operates as a dual 1x4 + dual 1x3
- Configure and monitor via the DashBoard Control System™
- Automatic detection of incoming data rate
- Automatically mutes the channel output when a loss of input occurs
- Automatically performs a failover switch between two SDI inputs
- LED indicator for signal presence
- Excellent input and output return loss
- Fits DFR-8321 and OG3-FR series frames
- Fully compliant with openGear specifications
- 5 year transferable warranty

# Functional Block Diagrams

The QRA-8608 operates as a reclocking dual 1x4 + dual 1x3. This section provides the block diagram.

## Dual 1x4 and Dual 1x3

**Figure 1.1** describes the workflow of the QRA-8608 with the 8320AR-302 Full Rear module. This configuration has the QRA-8608 operating as a dual reclocking 1x4 and dual 1x3 with HD-BNC connections.



**Figure 1.1** Simplified Diagram — Dual 1x4 and Dual 1x3 Configuration (8320AR-302)

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# User Interfaces

The following interfaces are available for control and monitoring of your QRA-8608.

## DashBoard Control System™

The DashBoard Control System™ 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...*

- menus in DashBoard, refer to the section “**DashBoard Menus**” on page 4-1.
- installing and using DashBoard, refer to the *DashBoard User Manual*.

## Card-edge Monitoring

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

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

- card-edge LEDs, refer to the section “**Monitoring Features**” on page 3-3.

## 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 QRA-8608 Management Information Base (MIB) file.
- SNMP Monitoring and Control, refer to your *MFC-8300 Series User Manual*.

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# Documentation Terms and Conventions

The following terms and conventions are used throughout this manual.

## Terms

The following terms are used:

- “**Board**” and “**Card**” both refer to the card, including all components and switches.
- “**DashBoard**” refers to the DashBoard Control System™.
- “**DFR-8321 series**” refers to the DFR-8321 series frames and all available options unless otherwise indicated.
- “**openGear frame**” refers to all versions of the DFR-8321 series and OG3-FR series frames unless otherwise indicated.
- “**OG3-FR series**” refers to the OG3-FR series frames and all available options unless otherwise indicated.
- “**Operator**” and “**User**” both refer to the person who uses the QRA-8608.
- “**System**” and “**Video system**” both refer to the mix of interconnected production and terminal equipment in which the card operates.

## Conventions

The following conventions are used:

- The “**Operating Tips**” and “**Note**” boxes are used to provide additional user information.



# Installation

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## In This Chapter

This chapter provides instructions for installing the rear module for your QRA-8608, installing the card in the frame, cabling details, and how to upgrade the software on your card(s).

The following topics are discussed:

- Before You Begin
- Installing the QRA-8608
- Cabling
- Software Upgrades

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## 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 *DFR-8300 and OG3-FR Series User Manual*.

### Static Discharge

Throughout this chapter, please heed the following cautionary note:



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**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.*

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### 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.

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# Installing the QRA-8608

The QRA-8608 can be installed in the DFR-8321 series frames and the OG3-FR series frames using a supported rear module.

## Supported Rear Module



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**Notice** — *Ensure that you install the QRA-8608 using the supported rear module listed below. Installing the QRA-8608 with an unsupported rear module can damage the card, the rear module, or both.*

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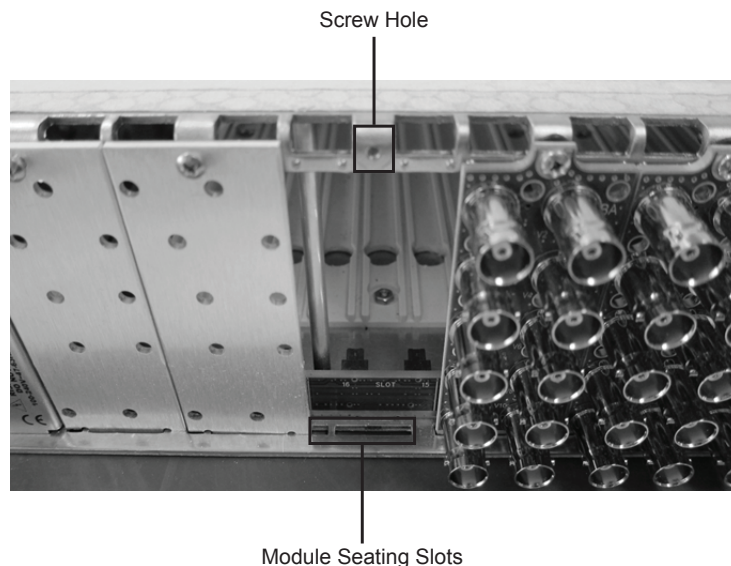
The **8320AR-302** Full Rear Module is required.

## Installing a Card

You must first install the rear module in the frame and then install the card in the appropriate slot within an openGear frame. This section outlines how to perform both tasks.

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

1. Refer to the *DFR-8300 and OG3-FR Series User Manual* to ensure that the frame is properly installed.
2. On the rear of the frame, locate the card frame slot.
3. Remove the Blank Plate from the rear of the slot you have chosen for card installation.
4. As shown in **Figure 2.1**, seat the bottom of the rear module in the seating slot at the base of the frame's back plane.



**Figure 2.1** Rear Module Installation in an OG3-FR Series Frame (Cards not shown)

5. Align the top hole of the rear module with the screw hole on the top edge of the frame back plane.
6. Using a Phillips screwdriver and the supplied screw, fasten the rear module to the back plane. Do not over-tighten.

7. Verify whether your Rear Module Label is self-adhesive by checking the back of the label for a thin wax sheet. You must remove the wax sheet before affixing the label.
8. Affix the supplied Rear Module Label to the BNC area of the Rear Module.
9. Ensure proper frame cooling and ventilation by having all rear frame slots covered with rear modules or blank metal plates.

### **To install the card in the openGear frame**

1. Locate the Rear Module you installed in the procedure “**To install the rear module in the openGear frame**” on page 2-3.
2. Hold the card by the edges and carefully align the card edges with the slots in the frame.
3. Fully insert the card into the frame until the rear connection plugs are properly seated on the midplane and rear modules.

# Cabling

This section provides cabling information for the QRA-8608.

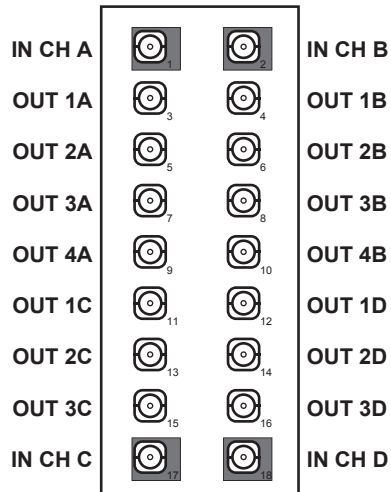


**Important** — *It is necessary to terminate unused outputs.*

## Dual 1x4 and Dual 1x3 Cabling

The 8320AR-302 Full Rear Module is required. Each rear module occupies two slots and accommodates one card.

This rear module provides one SDI input and four SDI outputs for Channel A, one SDI input and four SDI outputs for Channel B, one SDI input and three SDI outputs for Channel C, and one SDI input and three SDI outputs for Channel D via HD-BNC connections. (**Figure 2.2**)



**Figure 2.2** Cable Connections for the 8320AR-302 Full Rear Module

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# Software Upgrades

The card can be upgraded in the field via the MFC-8300 series Network Controller card in your frame. Note that DashBoard version 5.1.0 or higher is required for this procedure.

## To upgrade the software on a card

1. Contact Ross Technical Support for the latest software version file.
2. Display the **Device View** of the card by double-clicking its status indicator in the **Basic Tree View**.
3. From the **Device View**, click **Upload** to display the **Select file for upload** dialog.
4. Navigate to the \*.bin upload file you wish to upload.
5. Click **Open**.
6. If you are upgrading a single card, click **Finish** to display the **Uploading to Selected Devices** dialog. Proceed to step 8.
7. If you are upgrading multiple cards:
  - Click **Next >** to display the **Select Destination** menu. This menu provides a list of the compatible cards based on the card selected in step 2.
  - Specify the card(s) to upload the file to by selecting the check box(es) for the cards you wish to upload the file to.
  - Verify that the card(s) you wish to upload the file to. The **Error/Warning** fields indicate any errors, such as incompatible software or card type mismatch.
  - Click **Finish** to display the **Uploading to Selected Devices** dialog.
8. Monitor the upgrade.
  - The **Uploading to Selected Devices** dialog enables you to monitor the upgrade process.
  - Click **OK** to complete the upgrade.
  - The card(s) are temporarily taken offline during the re-boot process. The process is complete once the status indicators for the **Card State** and **Connection** fields return to their previous status.

# Configuration

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## In This Chapter

This chapter provides a general overview of the user controls available on your QRA-8608.

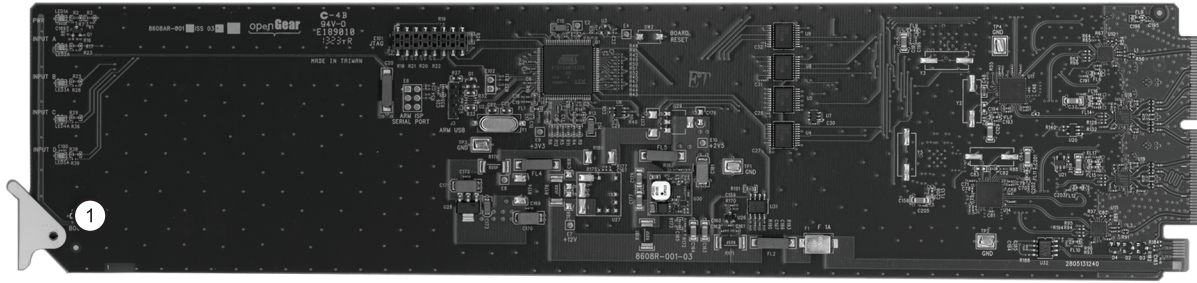
The following topics are discussed:

- Card Overview
- Monitoring Features
- Using DashBoard
- Configuring the QRA-8608

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## Card Overview

This section describes the **Bootload** button located on each card surface. There are no other card-edge controls as all configuration and setup is done using the menus in DashBoard. Refer to **Figure 3.1** for location of this button.



**Figure 3.1** Card-edge Controls

### 1. Bootload Button

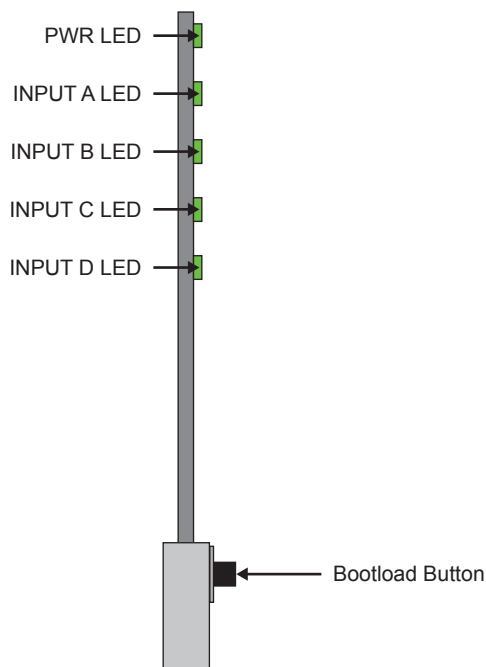
This button is used for factory service in the unlikely event of a complete card failure. Do not use this button unless advised by Ross Technical Support.

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

- the Bootload process, refer to the section “**Bootload Button**” on page 6-2.

# Monitoring Features

The following sections describe the card-edge LEDs. Refer to **Figure 3.2** for LED locations.



**Figure 3.2** LED Locations

## Status LEDs

Basic LED displays and descriptions are provided in **Table 3.1**.

**Table 3.1** Status LEDs

LED	Color	Display and Description
<b>PWR</b>	Green	When lit green, this LED indicates that the card is functioning normal 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 and 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.
	Red	When lit red or flashing red, this LED indicates the card is not operational. Re-seat card in frame, check the rear module type and connections, or call Ross Video Technical Support.
	Off	When off, this LED indicates there is no power to the card.
<b>INPUT #<sup>a</sup></b>	Green	When lit green, this LED indicates that a valid SDI input signal is present for the specified channel.
	Red	When lit red, this LED indicates that the SDI input signal is missing or invalid for the specified channel.

a. The INPUT A LED reports on the Channel A source, the INPUT B LED reports on the Channel B source, the INPUT C LED reports on the Channel C source, and the INPUT D LED reports on the Channel D source.

# Using Dashboard

Before proceeding, ensure that the DashBoard Control System™ is installed on a PC connected to your facility network. The DashBoard software and user manual area available from the Ross Video website.

## For More Information on...

- installing DashBoard, refer to the *DashBoard User Manual*.

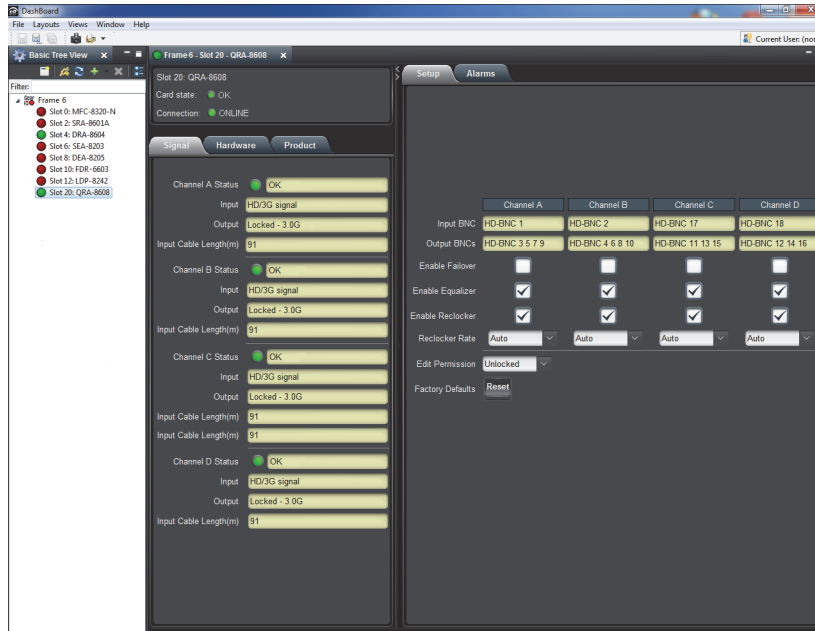
## To launch DashBoard

- Ensure that you are running DashBoard software version 5.1.0 or higher.
- Launch DashBoard by double-clicking its icon on your desktop.
- Ensure that the openGear frame with your QRA-8608 card(s) is displayed in the Tree View located on the left-side of the DashBoard window.

It may take 30 seconds or more to update the Tree View. Consult the *MFC-8300 Series User Manual* and *DashBoard User Manual* should the Tree View not display the card.

## To access a card in DashBoard

- From the **Tree View**, expand the node for the openGear frame your cards are installed in. A list of cards installed in the frame is now displayed. In the example below, the node for Frame 6 is expanded to show a list of cards including the QRA-8608.
- Double-click the node for a card to display its menus in the **Device View** of DashBoard (right-side of the DashBoard window).



Example of a QRA-8608 in DashBoard

# Configuring the QRA-8608

This section briefly outlines how to configure the QRA-8608 using the options available in DashBoard.

## Enabling the Failover Feature

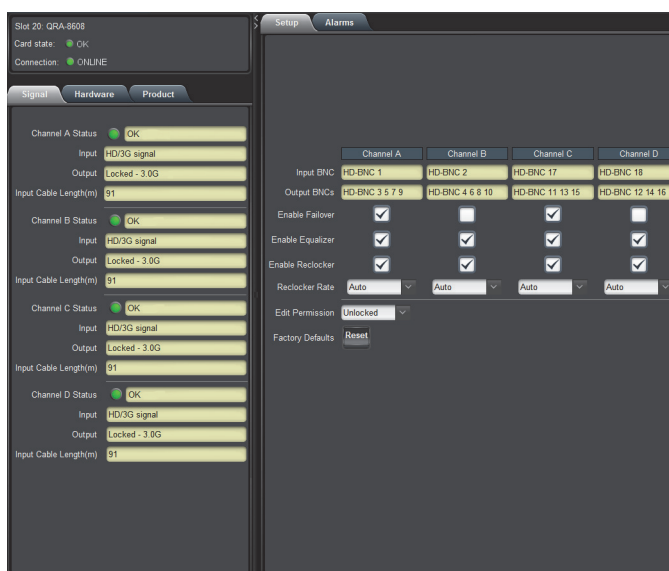
The failover feature enables the QRA-8608 to use a backup input source when the primary input source is lost and the backup input is stable for at least 3 seconds. Once the QRA-8608 determines that the primary input source is stable for at least 3 seconds, it automatically switches back to the primary source. The **Input** field on the **Signal** tab reports when the backup source is in use for each channel.

The source assignments are fixed for each channel as follows:

- Channel A — IN 1 is the primary input source and IN 2 is the backup source.
- Channel B — IN 2 is the primary input source and IN 1 is the backup source.
- Channel C — IN 3 is the primary input source and IN 4 is the backup source.
- Channel D — IN 4 is the primary input source and IN 3 is the backup source.

### To enable the failover feature

1. From the **Device View**, select the **Setup** tab.



Setup Tab — Enabling the Failover Feature

2. Select the **Enable Failover** check box for the channel. The box displays a check-mark.

## Configuring the Equalizer for a Channel

This section summarizes how to set up the equalizer for a channel.

### To enable the equalizer

1. From the **Device View**, select the **Setup** tab.
2. Select the **Enable Equalizer** check box for the channel. The box displays a check-mark.

## To bypass the equalizer

1. From the **Device View**, select the **Setup** tab.
2. Select the **Enable Equalizer** check box for the channel to clear the box contents.

## Configuring the Reclocker for a Channel

This section summarizes how to configure the reclocker for each input using the options available in DashBoard. Note that the reclocker for each channel is enabled by default.

### To enable the reclocker

1. From the **Device View**, select the **Setup** tab.
2. Select the **Enable Reclocker** check box for the channel. The box displays a check-mark.
3. Use the **Reclocker Rate** menu to select a data rate for the reclocker. This sets the input signal rate type that the specified channel will process. Choose from the following:
  - **Auto** — The QRA-8608 reclocks at the detected rate automatically.
  - **270 Mbps** — The QRA-8608 is set to reclock 270Mbps only.
  - **1.5/3.0 Gbps** — The QRA-8608 is set to reclock 1.5Gbps or 3Gbps only.

### To bypass the reclocker



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**Note** — *You must bypass the reclocker when using DVB-ASI or SMPTE 310 signals.*

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1. From the **Device View**, select the **Setup** tab.
2. Select the **Enable Reclocker** check box for the channel to clear the box contents.

## Loss of Input

You can configure the QRA-8608 to raise an alarm when a loss of input occurs.

### To enable an alarm for a loss of input

1. From the **Device View**, select the **Alarms** tab.
2. Select the **Alarm on Loss of Input** check box for the channel. The box displays a check-mark.

The **Status** fields in the **Signal** tab now report when the card detects an invalid or absent input signal for that channel. To verify which BNC to troubleshoot, refer to the rear module labelling or the **Input BNC** status field in the **Setup** tab.

# DashBoard Menus

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## In This Chapter

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

The following topics are discussed:

- Status Tabs
- Setup Tab
- Alarms Tab

## Status Tabs

This section summarizes the read-only information displayed in the **Status** tabs. 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. Alarm colors are noted within the tables as text set in brackets next to the menu parameter name.

## Signal Tab

**Table 4.1** outlines the read-only information displayed in the **Signal** tab.

**Table 4.1 Signal Tab Items**

Tab Title	Item	Parameters	Description
Channel #	Status		The reclocker is enabled <sup>a</sup> , an input signal is present and it is locked
		OK (Green)	The reclocker is bypassed <sup>b</sup> , but the input signal cannot be detected. The Output field for the channel reports “Reclocker bypassed”.
		No input (Red)	Input signal is not present. The Alarm on Loss of Input for this channel is enabled.
		No input (Green)	Input signal is not present. The Alarm of Loss of Input for this channel is disabled.
		Unlocked (Red)	Reclocker is enabled and unlocked for the indicated channel. The Alarm on Loss of Input for this channel is enabled.
		Unlocked (Green)	Reclocker is enabled and unlocked for the indicated channel. The Alarm on Loss of Input for this channel is disabled.
	Input	No signal	Input signal is not present
		SD signal	A valid SD input signal is present
		SD signal (backup)	A valid SD input signal is present from the backup channel
		HD/3G signal	A valid HD or 3G input signal is present
		HD/3G signal (backup)	A valid HD or 3G input signal is present from the backup channel
		Equalizer bypassed	Input signal is present and the equalizer is bypassed (the Enable Equalizer check box is not selected in the Setup tab)
	Equalizer bypassed (backup)	Input signal is present and the equalizer is bypassed from the backup channel (the Enable Equalizer check box is not selected in the Setup tab)	
	Output	Locked - 270M	Reclocker locks at 270Mbps data rate
		Locked - 1.5G	Reclocker locks at 1.485Gbps data rate
		Locked - 3.0G	Reclocker locks at 2.97Gbps data rate

**Table 4.1 Signal Tab Items**

Tab Title	Item	Parameters	Description
Channel #	Output	Unlocked (muted)	Reclocker is enabled and unlocked
		Reclocker bypassed	Input signal is present and the reclocker is bypassed (the Enable Reclocker check box is not selected in the Setup tab)
		No signal (muted)	Input signal is not present and the output is automatically muted
	Input Cable Length (m)	x (1694A) / y (1855A)	Indicates the approximate cable length used for the input signal where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• x represents the Belden 1694A length</li> <li>• y represents the Belden 1855A length</li> </ul>
		N/A	A valid input source was not detected on the input BNC

- a. The Enable Reclocker check box is selected for the specified channel.
- b. The Enable Reclocker check box is not selected for the specified channel.

## Hardware Tab

Table 4.2 outlines the read-only information displayed in the **Hardware** tab.

**Table 4.2 Hardware Tab Items**

Tab Title	Item	Parameters	Description
Hardware	HW Status	OK (Green)	The rear module installed with the card is supported and the card is operating correctly
		Wrong Board Type (Red)	Board type on flash does not match the board type resistor
		Incomp Rear Module (Red)	An unsupported rear module is installed with the card
	Voltage (mV)	#	Supply Voltage
	Current (mA)	#	Current consumption of card
	CPU Headroom	#	Processing power available
	RAM Available	#	On-board processing memory available
	Uptime (h)	#	Displays the number of hours since the last reboot of the card
	Configuration Bank	#	Storage count

## Product Tab

Table 4.3 outlines the read-only information displayed in the **Product** tab.

**Table 4.3 Product Tab Items**

Tab Title	Item	Parameters	Description
<b>Product</b>	Product	QRA-8608	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
	Rear Module	#	Indicates the rear module the card is installed in
		Unknown	Indicates that the installed rear module is not recognized by the card
	Software Rev	##.##	Indicates the software version

## Setup Tab

Table 4.4 summarizes the Setup options available in DashBoard.

**Table 4.4 Setup Menu Items**

Menu Title	Item	Parameters	Description
<b>Channel #</b>	Input BNC	# (read-only)	Indicates the BNC on the rear module that is assigned as the input source for the specified channel
		N/C	Indicates that no BNCs are currently used as inputs for the channel
	Output BNCs	# (read-only)	Indicates the BNC on the rear module that are assigned as the outputs for the specified channel
		N/C	Indicates that there are no outputs in this channel
	Enable Failover	Selected	The specified channel will use the backup input when the primary input of the channel is lost. The backup input signal must be stable for 3 seconds. Note that the card returns to the primary input once the primary input signal is stable for 3 seconds.
		Cleared*	Disables this feature
	Enable Equalizer	Selected*	Equalizer is always enabled
		Cleared	Sets the equalizer in bypass mode
	Enable Reclocker	Selected*	Reclocker is always enabled
		Cleared	Sets the reclocker in bypass mode
	Reclocker Rate	Auto*	Card automatically detects the incoming data rate
		270Mbps	Reclocker is set to 270Mbps
		1.5/3.0Gbps	Reclocker is set to 1.5 and 3Gbps
	Edit Permissions	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

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## Alarms Tab

Table 4.5 summarizes the Alarms options available in DashBoard.

**Table 4.5 Alarm Enables Menu Items**

Menu Title	Item	Parameters	Description
<b>Channel #</b>	Alarm on Loss of Input	Selected*	The Status field in the Signal tab reports the loss of the specified input as an error/alarm
		Cleared	The Status field in the Signal tab reports the loss of the specified input as information only

# Specifications

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## In This Chapter

This chapter includes the technical specifications for the QRA-8608. Note that specifications are subject to change without notice.

The following topics are discussed:

- Technical Specifications

# Technical Specifications

This section lists the technical specifications for the QRA-8608.

**Table 5.1 Technical Specifications**

Category	Parameter	Specification
<b>Rear Modules</b>	Supported Rear Modules	8320AR-302
<b>SDI Inputs</b>	Number of Inputs	4
	Data Rates and SMPTE Standards Accommodated	143Mbps, NTSC AFSC, SMPTE 259M 270Mbps, 525/625 Component, SMPTE 259M 270Mbps, SMPTE 310 270Mbps, DVB-ASI 1.485Gbps Component, SMPTE 292M 2.97Gbps Component, SMPTE 424M
	Impedance	75Ω terminating
	Equalization	>225m (740ft) of Belden 1855A cable @ 270MHz >100m (325ft) of Belden 1855A cable @ 1.485GHz >80m (260ft) of Belden 1855A cable @ 2.97GHz
	Return Loss	>15dB to 3GHz
	Connector Type	HD-BNC
<b>SDI Outputs</b>	Number of Outputs	14 total (4 for Channel A, 4 for Channel B, 3 for Channel C, and 3 for Channel D)
	Impedance	75Ω
	Return Loss	>15dB to 1.485GHz >10dB to 2.97GHz
	Signal Level	800mV ±10%
	DC Offset	0V ±50mV
	Rise & Fall Time (20-80%)	700ps typical (270Mbps) 120ps typical (1.485Gbps) 135ps typical (2.97Gbps)
	Overshoot	<10%
	Connector Type	HD-BNC
<b>Environment</b>	Maximum Ambient Temperature	40°C (104°F)
<b>Power</b>	Total Power Consumption	3.5W

# Service Information

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## In This Chapter

This chapter contains the following sections:

- Troubleshooting Checklist
- Warranty and Repair Policy

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# 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 under the “**Contact Us**” section at the end of the manual.

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** — Check the power indicator LED on the distribution 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 perform a complete software reload on the card.

### To perform a complete software reload on the card

1. Eject the card.
2. Press and hold the **Bootload** button, while re-inserting the card into the frame.
3. Release the button. The **PWR** LED flashes 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.

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## Warranty and Repair Policy

The QRA-8608 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 QRA-8608 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 QRA-8608 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.

In no event shall Ross Video Limited be liable for direct, indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages (including loss of profits) incurred by the use of this product. Implied warranties are expressly limited to the duration of this warranty.

This QRA-8608 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 QRA-8608 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 QRA-8608, please contact the Ross Video Technical Support Department. (Contact information is supplied at the end of this publication.)

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 QRA-8608. 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.

**Notes:**

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# Contact Us

Contact our friendly and professional support representatives for the following:

- Name and address of your local dealer
- Product information and pricing
- Technical support
- Upcoming trade show information

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