

# MEQ1000B Hybrid QAM Modulator

## Multi-solution Edge QAM Platform

### INSTRUCTION MANUAL



Model	Item #	Description
MEQ1000B	1002511B	Multiplexing QAM Modulator w/ dual input bays
<b>Program Acquisition Modules</b>		
DTD1000A	1002512A	Digital Tuner and Demodulator Module - 8VSB/QAM
SDM1000	1002576	Satellite Tuner and Demodulator Module - QPSK/8PSK
IP11000	1002608	IP Input Module – GigE
ASII	1002397	ASI Input Module w/ loop thru
<b>MPEG Encoder Modules</b>		
SDE24A	1002514A	SD Dual Video Encoder Module
HDE24A	1002515A	HD Video Encoder Module
SDI24A	1002516A	SDI Video Encoder Module

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## Manual Revision

**This is the first release of the instruction manual for MEQ1000B using a firmware release version of 1.0.**

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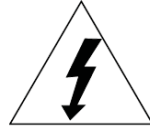
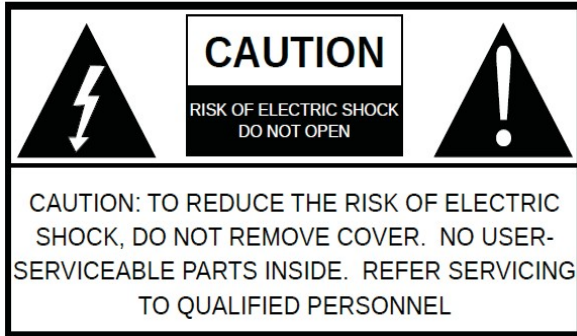
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# Caution Statements

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**WARNING:** TO PREVENT FIRE OR ELECTRICAL SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.



A **product and cart combination** should be moved with care.

Quick stops, excessive force and uneven surfaces may cause the product and cart combination to overturn.

The **lightning flash with arrow head symbol, within an equilateral triangle**, is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.

The **exclamation point within an equilateral triangle** is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the product.

**WARNING:** THE SOCKET-OUTLET SHALL BE INSTALLED NEAR THE EQUIPMENT AND SHALL BE EASILY ACCESSIBLE.

**WARNING:** TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS PRODUCT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE. DO NOT OPEN THE CABINET, REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED PERSONNEL ONLY.

**CAUTION:** TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT USE THIS (POLARIZED) PLUG WITH AN EXTENSION CORD RECEPTACLE OR OTHER OUTLET UNLESS THE BLADES CAN BE FULLY INSERTED TO PREVENT BLADE EXPOSURE.

**ATTENTION:** POUR PREVENIR LES CHOCS ELECTRIQUES, NE PAS UTILISER CETTE FICHE POLARISEE AVEC UN PROLONGATEUR, UNE PRISE DE COURANT OU UNE AUTRE SORTIE DE COURANT, SAUF SI LES LAMES PEUVENT ETRE INSEREES A FOND SANS EN LAISSER AUCUNE PARTIE A DECOUVERT.

## Important Safety Instructions

1. **Read Instructions:** All the safety and operating instructions should be read before the product is operated.
2. **Retain Instructions:** The safety and operating instructions should be retained for future reference.
3. **Heed Warnings:** All warnings on the product and in the operating instructions should be adhered to.
4. **Follow Instructions:** All operating and use instructions should be followed.
5. **Cleaning:** Unplug this product from the wall outlet before cleaning. Do not use liquid cleaners or aerosol cleansers. Use a damp cloth for cleaning.
6. **Attachments:** Do not use attachments that are not recommended by the product manufacturer as they may cause hazards.
7. **Water and Moisture:** Do not use this product near water—for example, near a bathtub, wash bowl, kitchen sink or laundry tub; in a wet basement; or near a swimming pool; and the like.
8. **Accessories:** Do not place this product on an unstable cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table. The product may fall, causing serious injury to a child or adult, and serious damage to the product. Use only with a cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table recommended by the manufacturer, or sold with the product. Any mounting of the product should follow the manufacturer's instructions, and should use a mounting accessory recommended by the manufacturer.
9. A product and cart combination should be moved with care. Quick stops, excessive force, and uneven surfaces may cause the product and cart combination to overturn.
10. **Ventilation:** Slots and openings in the cabinet are provided for ventilation and to ensure reliable operation of the product and to protect it from overheating, and these openings must not be blocked or covered. The openings should never be blocked by placing the product on a bed, sofa, rug, or similar surface. This product should not be placed in a built-in installation such as bookcase or rack unless proper ventilation is provided or the manufacturer's instructions have been adhered to.
11. **Power Sources:** This product should be operated only from the type of power source indicated on the marking label. If you are not sure of the type of power supplied to your home, consult your product dealer or local power company. For products intended to operate from battery power, or other sources, refer to the product's operating instructions.
12. **Grounding or Polarization:** This product may be equipped with a polarized alternating-current line plug (a plug having one blade wider than the other). This plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. This is a safety feature. If you are unable to insert the plug fully into the outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug should still fail to fit, contact your electrician to replace your obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug. Alternate Warnings – If this product is equipped with a three-wire grounding-type plug, a plug having a third (grounding) pin, the plug will only fit into a grounding-type power outlet. This is a safety feature. If you are unable to insert the plug into the outlet, contact your electrician to replace your obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the grounding-type plug.

# Safety Instructions continued...

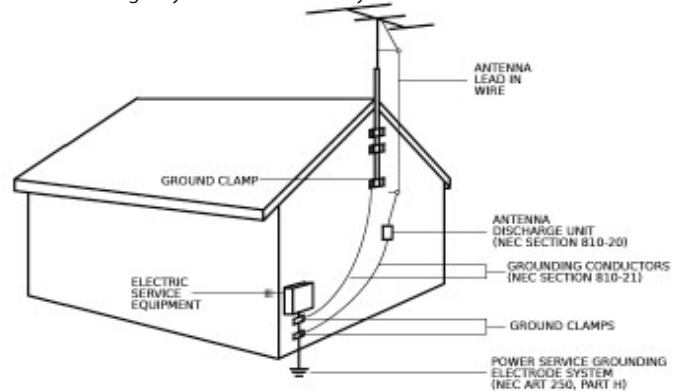
13. **Outdoor Antenna Grounding:** If an outside antenna or cable system is connected to the product, be sure the antenna or cable system is grounded so as to provide some protection against voltage surges and built-up static charges. Article 810 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70, provides information with regard to proper grounding of the mast and supporting structure, grounding of the lead-in wire to an antenna discharge unit, size of grounding conductors, location of antenna-discharge unit, connection to grounding electrodes, and requirements for the grounding electrode.
14. **Power-Cord Protection:** Power-supply cords should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them, paying particular attention to cords at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the product.
15. **Lightning:** For added protection for this product during a lightning storm, or when it is left unattended and unused for long periods of time, unplug it from the wall outlet and disconnect the antenna or cable system. This will prevent damage to the product due to lightning and power-line surges.
16. **Power Lines:** An outside antenna system should not be located in the vicinity of overhead power lines, other electric light or power circuits, where it can fall into such power lines or circuits. When installing an outside antenna system, extreme care should be taken to keep from touching such power lines or circuits as contact with them may be fatal.
17. **Overloading:** Do not overload wall outlets, extension cords, or integral convenience receptacles as this can result in a risk of fire or electric shock.
18. **Object and Liquid Entry:** Never push objects of any kind into this product through openings as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short-out parts that could result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind on the product.
19. **Servicing:** Do not attempt to service this product yourself as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage or other hazards. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.
20. **Damage Requiring Service:** Unplug this product from the wall outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:
  - a) When the power-supply cord or plug is damaged,
  - b) If liquid has been spilled, or objects have fallen into the product,
  - c) If the product has been exposed to rain or water,
  - d) If the product does not operate normally by following the operating instructions.

Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions as an improper adjustment of other controls may result in damage and will often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the product to its normal operation, e. If the product has been dropped or damaged in any way, and f. When the product exhibits a distinct change in performance—this indicates a need for service.

21. **Replacement Parts:** When replacement parts are required, be sure the service technician has used replacement parts specified by the manufacturer or have the same characteristics as the original part. Unauthorized substitutes may result in fire, electric shock or other hazards.
22. **Safety Check:** Upon completion of any service or repairs to this product, ask the service technician to perform safety checks to determine that the product is in proper operating condition.
23. **Wall or Ceiling Mounting:** The product should be mounted to a wall or ceiling only as recommended by the manufacturer.

## NOTE TO CABLE INSTALLER:

THIS REMINDER IS PROVIDED TO CALL THE CATV SYSTEM INSTALLER'S ATTENTION TO ARTICLE 820-40 OF THE NEC THAT PROVIDES GUIDELINES FOR PROPER GROUNDING AND, IN PARTICULAR, SPECIFIES THAT THE CABLE GROUND SHALL BE CONNECTED TO THE GROUNDING SYSTEM OF THE BUILDING, AS CLOSE TO THE POINT OF CABLE ENTRY AS PRACTICAL.



NEC = NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE

Example of antenna grounding as per National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70

# Specifications

## MEQ1000B Item #: 1002511B

### Multiplexing Hybrid QAM Modulator (Requires Input Modules)

#### QAM MODULATOR

MODULATION MODES:	Standby, CW, 16QAM, 32QAM, 64QAM, 128QAM, 256QAM, 512QAM, 1024QAM
SYMBOL RATE:	1 MS/s to 7 Ms/s
FEC:	ITUA (DVB) or ITUB (Digicipher)
I/Q PHASE ERROR:	< 1°
CARRIER REJECTION:	> 40 dB
CHANNEL AMPLITUDE ERROR:	< 1 dB
MER:	> 40 dB

#### ASI OUTPUT

The ASI Output provides a copy of the transport stream that is input to the QAM modulator.

#### ETHERNET CONTROL INTERFACE

INTERFACE:	1x Front Panel RJ45 GigE
USER ACCESS:	GUI-based menu via any standard web browser. (Recommended: Chrome or Firefox)
NETWORK ACCESS:	User specified IP Address for local access. User specified Gateway IP address for remote access
SNMP:	User specified Target IP / Port for SNMP traps

#### RF UPCONVERTER OUTPUT

FREQUENCY RANGE:	54 to 1002 MHz
CHANNEL PLAN:	Standard CATV, HRC, IRC, or Broadcast
FREQUENCY STABILITY:	± 5 PPM
MAXIMUM OUTPUT POWER:	± 61 dBmV (± 2 dB)
SPURIOUS:	> -60 dBc
BROADBAND NOISE FLOOR:	-80 dBc in a 6 MHz bandwidth
PHASE NOISE:	-95 dBc @ 10 KHz offset
FREQUENCY RESOLUTION:	1Hz
RETURN LOSS:	> -12 dB
ATTENUATION RANGE:	15.5 dB
ADJACENT CHANNEL:	Meets DOCSIS spectral mask
SIDEBAND REJECTION:	> 40 dB

#### PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

TEMPERATURE RATING:	0 - 50° C, ambient
FORM FACTOR:	19" Rackmount - 1RU
DIMENSIONS:	Approximately 19" W x 1.75" H x 14.5" D
WEIGHT:	8 lbs
POWER REQUIREMENTS:	100-120 VAC/60 Hz

# Module Specifications

## IPI1000

### IP Input Module - GigE

INPUT:	1 x RJ45 1000Base-T Ethernet
INPUT PROTOCOL:	UDP or RTP, or auto detects the appropriate protocol.
INPUT FORMAT:	1 x SPTS or 1 x MPTS (up to 20 program streams, MPTS only)
RECEIVE IP & PORT ADDRESS:	User selectable
IGMP SUPPORT:	v2 or v3, or auto responds with the appropriate version. V3 will allow up to two specific sources, or allows ALL sources if no specific sources are specified.
VIDEO INPUTS:	Accepts VBR (Variable Bit-Rate) and CBR (Constant Bit-Rate) IP Video Streams

## Item #: 1002608

## DTD1000A

### Digital Tuner and Demodulator Module - 8VSB/QAM

FREQUENCY RANGE:	54MHz to 1002MHz
CHANNEL PLAN:	Standard CATV, HRC, IRC, or Broadcast
<b>RF INPUT LEVEL RANGE</b>	
8VSB:	-84dBm to -15dBm
64 QAM:	-78dBm to -15dBm
256 QAM:	-72dBm to -15dBm

## Item #1002512A

## ASII

### ASI Input Module w/ loop thru

ASI INPUT CLOCK:	270 MHz
ASI INPUT DATA RATE:	Maximum of 80 Mbps
ASI OUTPUT RATE:	Identical to the ASI Input Stream

## Item #: 1002397

# Module Specifications

## SDI24A

Item #: 1002516A

### High-Definition SDI Encoder with Closed Caption

#### VIDEO INPUTS

SD-SDI/HD-SDI: 1x 75-ohm HD-SDI capable input

#### AUDIO INPUTS

RCA-TYPE L+R: 1x 1Vrms nominal, 3.5Vrms maximum

SDI-EMBEDDED AUDIO: Supports PCM (uncompressed) digital audio from SDI

#### VIDEO OPTIONS

INPUT VIDEO MODES: (SUPPORTED)  
480i (720x480 @ 30 fps)  
576i (720x576 @ 25 fps)  
720p @ 60Hz (1280x720 @ 60 fps)  
1080i @ 30Hz (1920x1080 @ 30 fps)  
1080i @ 25Hz (1920x1080 @ 25 fps)  
Supports auto-scan for input resolution

ENCODER FORMAT: MPEG-2 or MPEG-4 / H.264, selectable

VIDEO ADJUSTMENTS: Brightness, contrast, hue, and saturation

MPEG-4 PROFILE SUPPORT: Simple, Advanced Simple, High

BITRATE: Up to 19Mbps (depends on input format)

CLOSED CAPTIONING: Supports Closed Captioning extraction of either EIA-608 or EIA-708 embedded data.

#### AUDIO OPTIONS

ENCODER FORMAT: Dolby Digital® or MPEG-1 layer 2

OUTPUT BITRATE: 128, 192, 320, 384kbps

## SDE24A

Item #: 1002514A

### Standard-Definition Dual Video Encoder

#### ANALOG INTERFACE

Composite Video Inputs: 2 composite inputs, one for each program/source

Component Video Input Level: 1 Volt p-p ± 3 dB

Audio Inputs, for 2 Programs:: RCA type for L + R audio channels, 2 sets

Audio Input Level: 1 Vrms audio gain: 15 to 0 dB (user-adjustable)

#### MPEG ENCODER

ENCODE FORMAT - #1 INPUT: MPEG-2 or MPEG-4 / H.264, selectable

ENCODE FORMAT - #2 INPUT: MPEG-2 or MPEG-4 / H.264, selectable

Note: Each Encoder module has two sets of inputs marked 1 and 2. Number 1 input from all installed modules will appear as odd-numbered encoders in the MEQ1000B menu. Likewise, number 2 SDE24A inputs will correspond to even-numbered encoders in the MEQ1000B menu.

INPUT ENCODING BITRATE: Constant Bitrate: 1 Mbps to 8 Mbps

ENCODING RESOLUTION: 720 X 480 (Standard Definition)

VIDEO ADJUSTMENTS: Brightness, contrast, hue, and saturation

#### AUDIO ENCODER

SELECTABLE TYPES: Dolby Digital® AC-3 or MPEG1, Layer 2

DOLBY DIGITAL® ENCODER: Manufactured under license from Dolby Laboratories

OUTPUT BITRATE: 128, 192, 320, 384kbps

## HDE24A

Item #: 1002515A

### High-Definition Video Encoder

#### VIDEO INPUTS

HDMI™: 1x HDMI Input - to protect copyrighted content, this encoder does not support HDMI copy protection (HDCP)

Component Video: 1x HD Component (YCrCb) Video Input

Composite Video: 1x 1V p-p +/- 3 dB, 480i only

Closed Captioning Input: 1x 1V p-p +/- 3 dB, 480i Composite Video (used for Closed Captioning data extraction during HD encoding)

#### AUDIO INPUTS

RCA-TYPE L+R: 1x 1Vrms nominal, 3.5Vrms maximum

HDMI-EMBEDDED AUDIO: Supports PCM (uncompressed) digital audio from HDMI

#### VIDEO OPTIONS

INPUT VIDEO MODES: (SUPPORTED)  
480i (720x480 @ 30 fps)  
480p (720x480 @ 60 fps)  
720p @ 60Hz (1280x720 @ 60 fps)  
1080i @ 30Hz (1920x1080 @ 30 fps)  
Supports auto-scan for input resolution

ENCODER FORMAT: MPEG-2 or MPEG-4 / H.264, selectable Supports auto scan

VIDEO ADJUSTMENTS: Brightness, contrast, hue, and saturation

MPEG-4 PROFILE SUPPORT: Simple, Advanced Simple, High

BITRATE: Up to 19Mbps (depends on input format)

#### AUDIO OPTIONS

ENCODER FORMAT: Dolby Digital® AC-3 or MPEG1, Layer 2

OUTPUT BITRATE: 128, 192, 320, 384kbps

## SDM1000

Item #: 1002576

### Satellite Tuner and Demodulator Module - QPSK/8PSK

FREQUENCY RANGE: 950 MHz to 2150 MHz

INPUT IMPEDANCE: 75 Ohm, return loss = 10 dB

INPUT LEVEL RANGE: -25 dBm to -65 dBm / transponder

MODE: QPSK, 8PSK

FEC: DVB-S2, DCII, advanced Turbo modes

SYMBOL RATE: 2 MS/s to 45 MS/s

NOTE: Firmware updates may be required for MEQ1000. MEQ1000s must be updated to V3.1 or later.



# Installation & Power-Up

## Unpacking

You will find the following items in the box:

- MEQ1000B Multiplexing QAM Modulator Unit (QTY = 1)
- MEQ1000B Instruction Manual

## Installation

The MEQ1000B is designed to be mounted in the close proximity to a 120 VAC – 60 HZ power plug.



**For safe and reliable operation, do not block airflow.**

## Power-Up

Plug into the power plug (120 VAC – 60 HZ).



# General Description & Features

The R.L. Drake model **MEQ1000B** is a commercial grade hybrid QAM modulator. The MEQ1000B features plug-in input modules that include an ATSC/QAM tuner, Satellite L-band tuner, GigE IP input, an ASI input, a SDI/HD-SDI input, HDMI (non-HDCP), Composite input, Component input, and analog NTSC inputs; thus the description 'hybrid' is used to describe it. A multiplexer is built in to combine the transport streams and input the filtered and groomed transport stream to the QAM modulator. This manual includes feature examples utilizing the Drake DTD1000A Digital Tuner and Demodulator Module, IPI1000 GigE IP module, SDM1000 Satellite Tuner and the ASI ASI-Input Module. Other available input modules include: SDE24A Dual SD MPEG Encoder, HDE24A High Definition MPEG Encoder and SDI24A SDI/HD-SDI Input Encoder. In addition, the MEQ1000B also supports older versions of these modules.

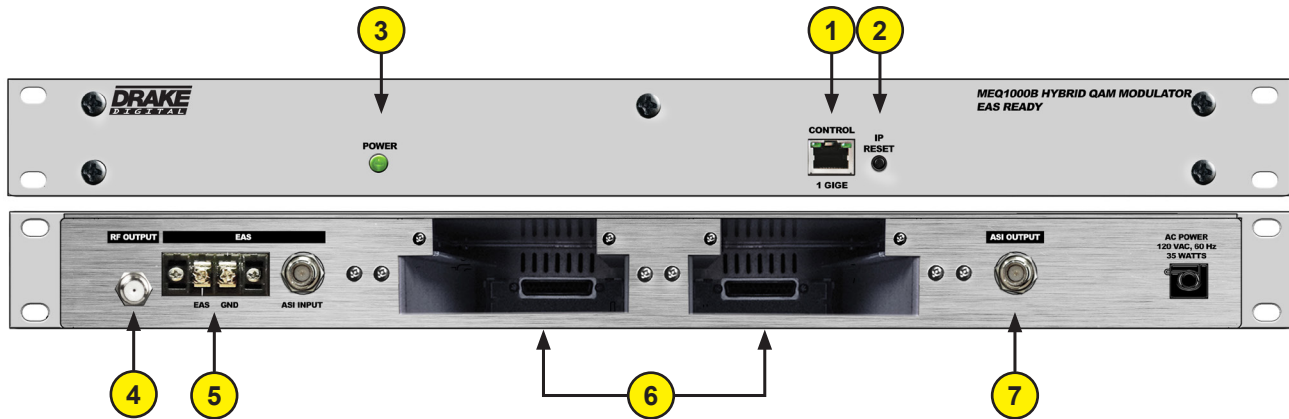
The MEQ1000B has two input module slots and the outputs interface to the MEQ1000B multiplexer, internally where they are MPEG program filtered, multiplexed, and groomed. Programs among the total group from input Slot 1 and input Slot 2 may be selected or not selected by the operator to be sent to the QAM modulator. Each input must contain no more than 20 programs and a maximum of 20 programs per input may be selected. Also, the total bitrate of the selected programs must not exceed that of the output QAM channel capacity.

Some common applications include: Channel Drop/Add, cherry picking programs from ASI or IP inputs, digital channel processing, or local origination additions.

The MEQ1000B contains a high performance QAM modulator that can operate in most ITU-A or ITU-B modes up through 256QAM. The very low noise, high output, up-converter provides coverage from 54 MHz to 1002 MHz while maintaining exceptionally low phase noise and broadband noise. Output level can be selected at a value between + 46 dBmV and + 61 dBmV.

The MEQ1000B operates in a fixed output clock mode and processes null packets when required to maintain the set fixed clock rate. PCR correction is included.

# Front and Rear Panel Operation



## FRONT PANEL

- 1 Ethernet Control:** GigE Ethernet wired connection for local and remote management
- 2 IP Reset Button:** When pressed for >1 seconds, the IP address of the control port will enable to the default factory IP address (**172.16.80.1**, **Subnet Mask** 255.255.255.0) The login credentials will also be enabled to the default username **admin** and password **pass**.

**Note:** The old IP address, login, and password will still be present in the encoder settings.

- 3 Status LED:** The Status LED will blink continually after the IP Reset button has been held and the default IP/credentials take effect.

**Power:** The LED is illuminated when the power is ON.

## REAR PANEL

- 4 RF Output:** Single QAM channel output @ +61 dBmV maximum and adjustable from 54 to 1002 MHz
- 5 EAS input:** Supplied via the ASI input and selected by contact closure of EAS terminal.
- 6 Module Input Slot 1/2:** Input Slot 1 on the left and input Slot 2 to the right.
- 7 ASI Output:** Matches RF QAM rate or in ASI only mode may be set from 2 to 100 Mbps

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# Login Screen

To begin setup, connect the appropriate input and output video cables and plug in the MEQ1000B power cable.

## ETHERNET ACCESS:

Local or remote communication with the unit is only possible through a GUI-based menu via any standard web browser. Chrome or Firefox is recommended, for IE use IE11 minimum. Before you can communicate with the unit you must configure your computer's IP address to be on the same subnet as the MEQ1000B's default IP address. To do so, follow these steps:

Connect an Ethernet cable from your computer to the Control GigE port on the front panel of the MEQ1000B.

1. The following steps explain how to do this for a computer with **Windows XP** operating software:

- a) On your computer, open the "Control Panel"
- b) Double-click on "Network Connections"
- c) Right-click on the "Local Area Connection", and then click on the "properties".
- d) A dialog box entitled "Local Area Connection Properties" will appear. In this box, double-click on the "Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)".
- e) A dialog box entitled "Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties" will appear. Select the "Use the following IP address" option and enter the following addresses:

**IP address:** 172.16.80.2

**Subnet mask:** 255.255.255.0

No need to enter a value for the **Default Gateway** for local access.

Click OK to close the dialog box. Now your computer is ready to communicate with the unit.

2. The following steps explain how to do this for a computer with **Windows 7** operating software:

- a) On your computer, open the "Control Panel"
- b) Click on "Network and Internet"
- c) Click on the "View network status and tasks"
- d) Click on "Change Adapter Settings" on left hand side of the window
- e) Right-click on the "Local Area Connection", and then click on the "Properties".
- f) A dialog box entitled "Local Area Connection Properties" will appear. In this box, double-click on the "Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)".
- g) A dialog box entitled "Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) Properties" will appear. Select the "Use the following IP address" option and enter the following addresses:

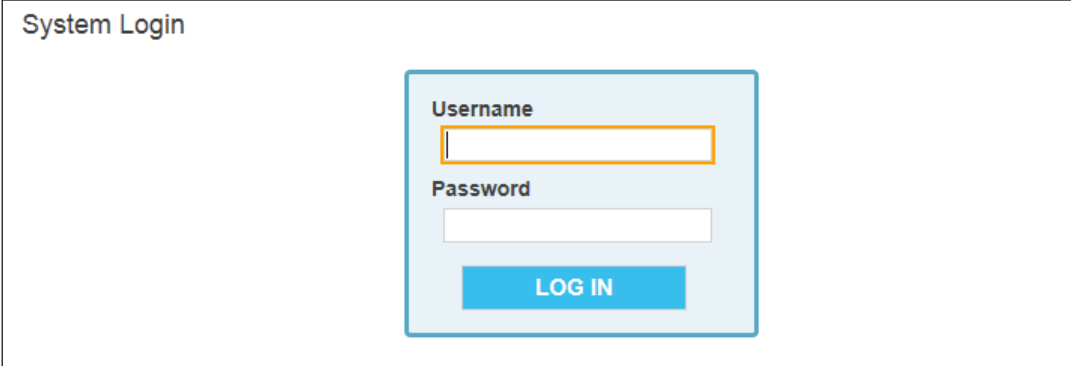
**IP address:** 172.16.80.2

**Subnet mask:** 255.255.255.0

No need to enter a value for the **Default Gateway** for local access.

Click OK.

Open a web browser on your computer and enter the following URL address (<http://172.16.80.1>). Once the MEQ1000B web server has been loaded from your browser, you should see the login dialog. Enter the username and password and click LOG IN. The default username is "**admin**" (in lower case letters) and the default password is "**pass**" (in lower case letters).

The image shows a 'System Login' dialog box. It has a light blue background with a darker blue border. Inside, there are two text input fields: the first is labeled 'Username' and the second is labeled 'Password'. Below these fields is a blue button with the text 'LOG IN' in white capital letters. The entire dialog box is centered on a white background.

# Status Tab

The status tab provides the following information (View only):

The screenshot shows the MEQ1000B Control Panel interface. At the top, the Drake Digital logo is on the left, and the title 'MEQ1000B Control Panel' is in the center. On the right, it says 'Logged in as: admin' with a 'LOG OUT' button. Below this is a navigation bar with tabs: Status (selected), Modules, Multiplex, Channels, Output, EAS/DTA, System, Log, and Firmware Update. The main content area is titled 'System Information and Status'. Under 'System Information', there are two items: 'Version: 0.7' (callout 1) and 'Uptime: 1 days, 01:16:03' (callout 2). Under 'Status', there are three sections. The first is 'Installed Modules' (callout 3), which is a table with columns 'Slot' and 'Type' (callout 4). The table has two rows: Slot 1 with type IPI1000, and Slot 2 with type DTD1000A. The second section is 'Output Statistics' (callout 5), which is a table with two rows: 'Bitrate' with value '0.020 Mbps', and 'Output Buffer Usage' with value 'Current: 0% / Maximum: 0%'. The third section is 'Log Messages (10 Most Recent Entries)' (callout 6), which displays three log entries: '0 days, 03:18:30 - Failed to read from main board processor. Code: 1' (in red), '0 days, 00:00:16 - DTD1000A module detected in slot 2.', and '0 days, 00:00:16 - IPI1000 module detected in slot 1.'. At the bottom, there is a 'Reference' section (callout 7) with two links: 'MEQ1000B Product Information' and 'RF Channel Lists'.

**DRAKE DIGITAL™** **MEQ1000B Control Panel** Logged in as: [admin](#) [LOG OUT](#)

[Status](#) [Modules](#) [Multiplex](#) [Channels](#) [Output](#) [EAS/DTA](#) [System](#) [Log](#) [Firmware Update](#)

### System Information and Status

#### System Information

- Version: 0.7
- Uptime: 1 days, 01:16:03

#### Status

Installed Modules	
Slot	Type
1	IPI1000
2	DTD1000A

Output Statistics	
Bitrate	0.020 Mbps
Output Buffer Usage	Current: 0% / Maximum: 0%

#### Log Messages (10 Most Recent Entries)

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0 days, 03:18:30 - Failed to read from main board processor. Code: 1
0 days, 00:00:16 - DTD1000A module detected in slot 2.
0 days, 00:00:16 - IPI1000 module detected in slot 1.
```

#### Reference

- [MEQ1000B Product Information](#)
- [RF Channel Lists](#)

- 1 Version:** Indicates the software version of the unit
- 2 Uptime:** Indicates the uptime in which the unit has been operating.

## Installed Modules

- 3 Slot:** Two input bays per MEQ1000B.
- 4 Type:** Indicates the type of input module, if any.
- 5 Output Statistics:** Indicates the bitrate and buffer usage of the output.
- 6 Log Messages:** Displays the 10 most recent log entries.
- 7 Reference:** Link to MEQ1000B Product Information and RF Channel Lists.

# Modules Tab

## IPI10000 IP Input Module

**DRAKE DIGITAL™** **MEQ1000B Control Panel**

Logged in as: [admin](#) [LOG OUT](#)

Status **Modules** Multiplex Channels Output EAS/DTA System Log Firmware Update

Module Configuration

1 Select Module IPI1000 (Slot 1)

\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.

2 **Module Information**

Module Type IPI1000

Firmware Version 1.0

**IP Input**

3 Module IP Address 192.168.1.145

4 IGMP Version Automatic

5 Receive Protocol Automatic

6 Receive IP Address 192.168.1.200

7 Receive Port 1234

8 Source IP Address 1 0.0.0.0

9 Source IP Address 2 0.0.0.0

Revert Apply

- 1 **Select Module:** Indicates Input module installed in Slot 1 or Slot 2.
- 2 **Module Information:** Indicates Module Type and Firmware Version of input module.
- 3 **Module IP Address:** User selectable from 000.000.000.000 thru 255.255.255.255 with the exception of 224.000.000.000 thru 239.255.255.255 is not valid.
- 4 **IGMP Version:** v2 or v3, or auto detects with the appropriate version. V3 will allow up to two specific sources, or allows ALL sources if no specific sources are specified.
- 5 **Receive Protocol:** UDP or RTP, or auto detects the appropriate protocol.
- 6 **Receive IP Address:** User selectable from 000.000.000.000 thru 255.255.255.255
- 7 **Receive Port:** User selectable from 0 to 65535
- 8 **Source IP Address 1:** Same range restriction as the Module IP Address. Only used when IGMP VERSION is set to V3 or AUTO. Not used when IGMP VERSION is set to V2.
- 9 **Source IP Address 2:** Same range restriction as the Module IP Address. Only used when IGMP VERSION is set to V3 or AUTO. Not used when IGMP VERSION is set to V2.

# Modules Tab

## DTD1000A Demodulator Module

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Status **Modules** Multiplex Channels Output EAS/DTA System Log Firmware Update

### Module Configuration

1 Select Module DTD1000A (Slot 2)

\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.

2 **Module Information**

Module Type	DTD1000A
Software Version	1.0
Firmware Version	1.1

**Receiver Status**

3 Tuner Lock	Unlocked
4 AGC Lock	Unlocked
5 Demodulator Lock	Unlocked
6 SNR	14dB
7 Signal Level	-95dBm

**RF Tuner**

8 Channel Plan	Air/Broadcast
9 Modulation	VSB-8
10 Channel	35

[Revert](#) [Apply](#)

- 1 **Select Module:** Indicates module installed in Slot 1 or Slot 2.
- 2 **Module Information:** Indicates Module Type, Software Version, and Firmware Revision.
- 3 **Tuner Lock:** Lock or Unlocked.
- 4 **AGC Lock:** Lock or Unlocked.
- 5 **Demodulator Lock:** Lock or Unlocked.
- 6 **SNR:** Indicates SNR of input signal.
- 7 **Signal Level:** Indicates signal level of input signal.
- 8 **Channel Plan:** Air/Broadcast, HRC, IRC or CATV
- 9 **Modulation:** VSB-8, QAM64 or QAM256
- 10 **Channel:** Input Channel



# Modules Tab

## SDI24A Encoder Module

The screenshot shows the MEQ1000B Control Panel interface. At the top, there's a logo for DRAKE DIGITAL and the title 'MEQ1000B Control Panel'. On the right, it says 'Logged in as: admin' with a 'LOG OUT' button. Below this is a navigation bar with tabs: Status, Modules (selected), Multiplex, Channels, Output, EAS/DTA, System, Log, and Firmware Update. The main section is titled 'Module Configuration'. It starts with a 'Select Module' dropdown set to 'SDI24A Encoder (Slot 1)'. A note below says: '\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.' There are three main sections: 'Encoder Information' showing 'Module Type' as 'SDI24A Encoder' and 'Firmware Version' as '1.5'; 'Encoder Status' showing 'Video Lock' as 'Unlocked'; and 'Video Settings' with 'Resolution' (720p @ 60 Hz), 'Video Encoder Format' (MPEG-2), and 'Video Bitrate (Mbps)' (19.0). Below that is the 'Audio Settings' section with 'Audio Encoder Format' (AC3), 'Audio Source' (Embedded), and 'Audio Bitrate' (320 kbps). At the bottom right are 'Revert' and 'Apply' buttons. Numbered callouts 1 through 9 point to specific elements: 1 to the module selector, 2 to the Encoder Information tab, 3 to the Encoder Status tab, 4 to the Resolution dropdown, 5 to the Video Encoder Format dropdown, 6 to the Video Bitrate dropdown, 7 to the Audio Encoder Format dropdown, 8 to the Audio Source dropdown, and 9 to the Audio Bitrate dropdown.

- ① **Select Module:** Indicates encoder module installed in Slot 1 or Slot 2.
- ② **Module Information:** Indicates module type of encoder module.
- ③ **Video Lock:** Lock or Unlocked.
- ④ **Resolution:** 480i ( 720×480 @ 30 fps ), 576i ( 720×576 @ 25 fps ), 720p @ 60 Hz ( 1280×720 @ 60 fps ), 1080i @ 30 Hz ( 1920×1080 @ 30 fps ), 1080i @ 25 Hz ( 1920×1080 @ 25 fps ) Supports auto-scan for input resolution
- ⑤ **Video Encoder Format:** MPEG-2 or MPEG-4 / H.264, selectable
- ⑥ **Video Bitrate:** Up to 19 Mbps (depending on input format)

# Modules Tab

## SDI24A Encoder Module (continued)

- ⑦ **Audio Encoder Format:** Dolby Digital® or MPEG1, Layer 2
- ⑧ **Audio Source:** Embedded or Analog
- ⑨ **Audio Bitrate:** 128, 192, 320, 384 kbps

## ASII ASI Input Module

The screenshot shows the MEQ1000B Control Panel interface. At the top, the Drake Digital logo is on the left, and the title 'MEQ1000B Control Panel' is in the center. On the right, it says 'Logged in as: admin' with a 'LOG OUT' button. Below this is a navigation bar with tabs: Status, Modules (selected), Multiplex, Channels, Output, EAS/DTA, System, Log, and Firmware Update. The main content area is titled 'Module Configuration'. It features a 'Select Module' dropdown menu currently set to 'ASII (Slot 2)'. Below this is a note: '\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.' There are two expandable sections: 'Module Information' and 'ASI Input'. The 'Module Information' section is expanded, showing 'Module Type' as 'ASII'. The 'ASI Input' section is also expanded, showing 'No configurable settings'.

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Status **Modules** Multiplex Channels Output EAS/DTA System Log Firmware Update

Module Configuration

① Select Module ASII (Slot 2) ▼

\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.

② **Module Information**

Module Type ASII


③ **ASI Input**

No configurable settings

- ① **Select Module:** Indicates input module installed in Slot 1 or Slot 2.
- ② **Module Information:** Indicates module type of input module.
- ③ **ASI Input:** No configurable settings available for this module.

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## SDE24A Encoder Module



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#### Module Configuration

1 → Select Module SDE24A Encoder 1 (Slot 2) ▼

\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.

2 → Encoder Information

Module Type

SDE24A Encoder 1

Firmware Version

1.4

Video Settings

3 → Video Source

Composite

4 → Resolution

480x720 (NTSC) ▼

5 → Video Encoder Format

MPEG-2 ▼

6 → Video Bitrate (Mbps)

4.5 ▼

Picture Settings

7 → Brightness

128 ▼

8 → Contrast

192 ▼

9 → Saturation

192 ▼

10 → Hue

128 ▼

Audio Settings

11 → Audio Encoder Format

AC3 ▼

12 → Audio Bitrate

192 kbps ▼

13 → Audio Input Limit (Vrms)

1 ▼

14 → Audio Gain (dB)

0 ▼

Revert

Apply


# Modules Tab

## SDE24A Encoder Module

- ① **Select Module:** Indicates module installed in Slot 1 or Slot 2.
- ② **Encoder Information:** Indicates module type and firmware version of encoder module.
- ③ **Video Source:** Composite video only.
- ④ **Resolution:** 720x480 (NTSC) SD, some older set tops may prefer 480x480
- ⑤ **Video Encoder Format:** MPEG-2 or MPEG-4 / H.264, selectable
- ⑥ **Video Bitrate:** 1 Mbps to 8 Mbps
- ⑦ **Brightness:** Sets the video brightness - larger values increase brightness (**Default: 128**)
- ⑧ **Contrast:** Sets the video contrast - larger values increase contrast (**Default: 192**)
- ⑨ **Saturation:** Sets the video contrast - larger values increase saturation (**Default: 192**)
- ⑩ **Hue:** 0 to 255 (**Default: 128**)
- ⑪ **Audio Encoder Format:** AC3 – Dolby Digital® Stereo or MPEG1, Layer 2 (MP2)
- ⑫ **Audio Bitrate:** 128, 192, 320, 384 kbps
- ⑬ **Audio Input Limit:** 1 Vrms or 2 Vrms, user-selectable
- ⑭ **Gain:** User-adjustable audio gain  $\pm 15$  dB

# Modules Tab

## HDE24A Encoder Module



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#### Module Configuration

1 Select Module HDE24A Encoder (Slot 2) ▼

\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.

2 Encoder Information

Module TypeHDE24A EncoderFirmware Version1.0

Encoder Status

3 Video LockUnlocked4 Audio LockUnlocked5 Closed Caption ValidInvalid

Video Settings

6 Resolution720p @ 60 Hz ▼7 Video SourceComponent ▼8 Video Encoder FormatMPEG-2 ▼9 Video Bitrate (Mbps)15.0 ▼

Picture Settings

10 Brightness128 ▼11 Contrast128 ▼12 Saturation0 ▼13 Hue0 ▼

Audio Settings

14 Audio Encoder FormatAC3 ▼15 Audio SourceRCA ▼16 Audio Bitrate320 kbps ▼17 Audio Gain (dB)15 ▼

[Revert](#) [Apply](#)

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# Modules Tab

## HDE24A Encoder Module

- ① **Select Module:** Indicates Input module installed in Slot 1 or Slot 2.
- ② **Module Information:** Module type and firmware version of encoder module.
- ③ **Video Lock:** Locked or Unlocked
- ④ **Audio Lock:** Locked or Unlocked
- ⑤ **Closed Caption Valid:** Valid or Invalid
- ⑥ **Resolution:** 480i ( 720×480 @ 30 fps ), 480p ( 720×480 @ 60 fps ), 720p @ 60 Hz ( 1280×720 @ 60 fps ), 1080i @ 30 Hz ( 1920×1080 @ 30 fps ) Supports auto-scan for input resolution
- ⑦ **Video Source:** HDMI (non HDCP), component or composite.
- ⑧ **Video Encoder Format:** MPEG-2 or MPEG-4 / H.264, selectable
- ⑨ **Video Bitrate:** Up to 19 Mbps (depending on input format)
- ⑩ **Brightness:** Sets the video brightness - larger values increase brightness (**Default: 128**)
- ⑪ **Contrast:** Sets the video contrast -larger values increase contrast (**Default: 128**)
- ⑫ **Saturation:** Sets the video contrast - larger values increase saturation (**Default: 128**)
- ⑬ **Hue:** Adjusts the video color hue - behavior varies by input mode (128 for Composite, 0 for other inputs)
- ⑭ **Audio Encoder Format:** Dolby Digital® AC3 or MPEG1, Layer 2
- ⑮ **Audio Source:** Analog or PCM (uncompressed) digital audio from HDMI
- ⑯ **Audio Bitrate:** Variable; 128, 192, 320kbps
- ⑰ **Audio Gain:** Varies audio level +/- 15dB (0, only available when audio input is Analog)

# Modules Tab

## SDM1000 Satellite Demodulator Module

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Status **Modules** Multiplex Channels Output EAS/DTA System Log Firmware Update

Module Configuration

1 → Select Module SDM1000 (Slot 2)

\*When configuring multiple modules, please apply settings before selecting a different module.

2 → **Module Information**

Module Type	SDM1000
Firmware Version	1.0

**Satellite Tuner**

3 → Demodulation Mode Turbo Scan

4 → Frequency (MHz) 1890.0

5 → Symbol Rate (MSym/Sec) 21.500

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- 1 **Select Module:** Indicates demodulator module installed in Slot 1 or Slot 2.
- 2 **Module Information:** Indicates module type and firmware version of demodulator module.
- 3 **Demodulation Mode:** QPSK DVB SCAN, QPSK DVB 1/2, QPSK DVB 2/3, QPSK DVB 3/4, QPSK DVB 5/6, QPSK DVB 7/8, QPSK DTV SCAN, QPSK DTV 1/2, QPSK DTV 2/3, QPSK DTV 6/7, QPSK DCII SCAN, QPSK DCII 1/2, QPSK DCII 2/3, QPSK DCII 3/4, QPSK DCII 5/6, QPSK DCII 7/8, QPSK DCII 5/11, QPSK DCII 3/5, QPSK DCII 4/5, LDPC SCAN, LDPC QPSK 1/2, LDPC QPSK 3/5, LDPC QPSK 2/3, LDPC QPSK 3/4, LDPC QPSK 4/5, LDPC QPSK 5/6, LDPC QPSK 8/9, LDPC QPSK 9/10, LDPC 8PSK 3/5, LDPC 8PSK 2/3, LDPC 8PSK 3/4, LDPC 8PSK 5/6, LDPC 8PSK 8/9, LDPC 8PSK 9/10, TURBO SCAN, TURBO QPSK 1/2, TURBO QPSK 2/3, TURBO QPSK 3/4, TURBO QPSK 5/6, TURBO QPSK 7/8, TURBO 8PSK 2/3, TURBO 8PSK 3/4, TURBO 8PSK 4/5, TURBO 8PSK 5/6, TURBO 8PSK 8/9
- 4 **Frequency (MHz):** 250 to 2150
- 5 **Symbol Rate (M Sym/Sec):** 2-45



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# Multiplex Tab

**DRAKE DIGITAL™ MEQ1000B Control Panel**

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Status Modules **Multiplex** Channels Output EAS/DTA System Log Firmware Update

### Multiplex Settings Configuration

**Multiplex Setup**

- 1 → Multiplex: Enabled
- 2 → Slot 2 Offset: 10
- 3 → Program Numbers: Select All
- 4 → CA Filter: Disabled
- 5 → PSIP: Disabled
- 6 → VCT: CVCT
- 7 → Major Channel: Original Channel

**Program Number Selection**

\*Click "Acquire Tables" below to read program numbers from each installed module.

Slot 1 - MPEG Number		Slot 2 - MPEG Number	
Detected	Selected	Detected	Selected
-	1	-	1
-	0	-	2
-	0	-	0
-	0	-	0

- 1 **Multiplex:** Enabled, Slot 1 only or Slot 2 only.

**NOTE:** EAS will only work if Multiplex is "Enabled".

The following menu items are only available when multiplex is enabled.

- 2 **Slot 2 Offset:** Offsets Slot 2 MPEG channels # by multiples of 10 to avoid MPEG channel # conflicts. Set to zero if no conflicts are present.
- 3 **Program Numbers:** Select All or Select Individual.
- 4 **CA Filter:** Enabled or Disabled
- 5 **PSIP:** Disabled, Enabled or Basic MGT/VCT.
  - 5a **Disabled** - the MEQ1000B does not process or output any MGT, VCT, or EIT tables. This can be a fine solution for cable systems that use set top boxes which operate from their own system channel map and have no need for these tables. MPEG program information is still processed. Some retail consumer QAM set tops operate perfectly in this mode and others may not.
  - 5b **Enabled** - information from the MGT and VCT tables from both streams will be used to build a new table for the combined output signal. Both input streams must have these tables present in order for

# Multiplex Tab

the unit to be able to perform this operation. EIT tables will be processed so as to provide program information, if present, for the next 12 hours. This selection is the only one that passes EIT table program information to the multiplexed output signal.

- ⑤c **Basic MGT/VCT** - The MEQ1000B generates basic MGT/VCT tables based on information below.
- ⑥ **VCT**: TVCT or CVCT
- ⑦ **Major Channel**: Original Channel, Output Channel or User Defined.
  - ⑦a **Original Channel** - the Major Channel from the source stream will be used.
  - ⑦b **Output Channel** - the Major Channel will be the same as the RF output channel.
  - ⑦c **User Defined** - the MPEG program number and the major and minor virtual channel numbers may be set to whatever number the operator chooses providing total flexibility. This is independent of the actual RF channel that the signal is distributed on. New MPEG program number and the major and minor virtual channel numbers are specified under the Channels tab.
- ⑧ **Program Number Selection**: This is only accessible when **Program Numbers: Select Individual** is present.

# Channels Tab



## MEQ1000B Control Panel

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### MPEG and Virtual Channel Number Configuration

#### Channel Number Setup

\*One-part program numbers can be selected using the checkboxes below. The New Major Channel Number field will be used as the One-Part Channel Number.

Slot 1					Slot 2				
MPEG Numbers		Virtual Channel Numbers			MPEG Numbers		Virtual Channel Numbers		
Original	New	One-Part	New Major	New Minor	Original	New	One-Part	New Major	New Minor
1	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	1	1	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	2
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	2	3	<input type="checkbox"/>	4	3
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0
0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0

#### MPEG Numbers

- ① **Original:** Original MPEG Number
- ② **New:** User Defined New MPEG Number

#### Virtual Channel Numbers

- ③ **One-Part:** One part VCN
- ④ **New Major:** User Defined Major Channel in VCT (Virtual Channel Table)
- ⑤ **New Minor:** User Defined Minor Channel in VCT (Virtual Channel Table)

# Output Tab

**DRAKE DIGITAL™ MEQ1000B Control Panel**

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Status Modules Multiplex Channels **Output** EAS/DTA System Log Firmware Update

### Output Configuration

**QAM Output**

- 1 Output Mode: Normal
- 2 ASI Output Bitrate (Mbps): 38.811
- 3 RF Output Level (dBmV): 61
- 4 Output: Normal
- 5 Modulation: QAM-256B
- 6 Interleave Mode: I=128, J=1
- 7 Symbol Rate (sym/s): 5360537
- 8 QAM Bitrate: 38.811Mbps
- 9 Channel Plan: CATV-STD
- 10 Channel: 4
- 11 Show Channel Lists


Revert Apply

- 1 **Output Mode:** Normal or ASI only.
- 2 **ASI Output Bitrate (Mbps):** Matches RF QAM rate or in ASI only mode may be set from 2 to 100 Mbps  
Note - ASI only mode disables the RF QAM output.
- 3 **RF Output Level (dBmV):** Adjustable from +46 to +61 dBmV.
- 4 **Output:** Normal, CW or Standby.
- 5 **Modulation:** 16A, 32A, 64A, 128A, 256A, 64B or 256B
- 6 **Interleave Mode:** Sets the QAM modulator interleaver. Choose among the available selections based upon your system/set top box requirements. For typical 256B-QAM (Annex B). DigiCipher II CATV systems, I128, J1 or I128, J4 is the most commonly used interleave setting but many other choices are available. This menu does not appear in the adjust mode if the QAM mode is Annex A (DVB) as there is only one choice in the DVB standard. When not in adjust mode, this screen will display the setting in QAM-A modes as well.
- 7 **Symbol Rate (sym/s):** This menu allows selection of the output QAM baudrate or symbol rate. For Annex B (DigiCipher II ) is 5360537 sym/s for 256B and 5056941sym/S for 64B.
- 8 **QAM Bitrate:** Determined by Modulation selection. For 256QAM Annex B the data rate is 38.811Mbps and for 64QAM Annex B it is and 26.970Mbps.

# Output Tab

- 9 **Channel Plan:** CATV-STD, CATV-IRC, CATV-HRC or Broadcast
- 10 **Channel:** Selectable from 2 to 158.
- 11 **Show Channel Lists:** RF Channel Frequency Table

## EAS/DTA Tab



### MEQ1000B Control Panel

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#### EAS/DTA Settings Configuration

EAS/DTA Setup

1 → EAS/DTA Control

2 → DTA Control

3 → DTA Mode

4 → EAS Mode

5 → SCTE 18 Channel Source\*

6 → SCTE 18 Channel Source Hidden\*

7 → EAS RF Channel\*

8 → EAS Modulation\*

9 → EAS MPEG Program\*

10 → EAS Major Channel\*

11 → EAS Minor Channel\*

\*For SCTE 18 Only

Master (SCTE 18) ▾

Disabled ▾

Disabled ▾

Disabled ▾

Internal ▾

Not Hidden ▾

2 ▾

QAM-256B ▾

1

999 ▾

999 ▾

Revert

Apply

**NOTE:** Make sure the Multiplex tab is "Enabled" (refer to page 24). If this tab is disabled, EAS will not work.

- 1 **EAS/DTA Control:** Disabled, Master (SCTE18), Slave or Demod in slot 1
  - 1a **Disabled**
  - 1b **Master (SCTE 18)** – SCTE18 tables will force tune SCTE18 compatible TV tuners to a designated EAS channel when EAS contact closure is made. This designated EAS channel can be internal (from an encoder in that MEQ1000B) or external.

# EAS/DTA Tab

- 1c **Slave** – The EAS channel comes from a master unit encoder host and is input to the MEQ1000B via the EAS ASI input. The MEQ1000B will internally switch all output channels to the EAS channel when triggered by EAS contact closure.
- 1d **Demod in Slot 1** – The DTA information comes from a demodulator in slot 1.

DTA Control requires demodulator for DTA data in slot 1.

- 2 **DTA Control:** Disabled, SCTE 65, SCTE 18, or SCTE 65 and SCTE18
  - 2a **Disabled**
  - 2b **SCTE 65** - DTA Virtual Channel Tables are contained within SCTE-65 in-band SI data supplied from demod card slot 1.
  - 2c **SCTE 18** - EAS Emergency Alert System Tables are contained within SCTE 18 in-band SI data from demod card in slot 1.
  - 2d **SCTE 65 and SCTE 18** - tables contained within in-band SI data from demod card in slot 1

DTA Mode and EAS Mode applicable only when MEQ1000A is set as a slave to master encoder host.

- 3 **DTA Mode:** Disabled or Enabled
- 4 **EAS Mode:** SDE24EAS Encoder Card, SCTE 18 or both SDE24EAS encoder and SCTE18 tables.

Sections below only used when MEQ1000B is set for Master (SCTE18). The MEQ1000B generates the SCT18 EAS Emergency Alert System in-band SI data.

- 5 **SCTE 18 Channel Source:** Internal from the MEQ1000B or external from another designated channel on the system.
- 6 **SCTE 18 Channel Source Hidden:** When the SCTE 18 EAS is generated internally you can chose to hide the channel source, if desired.
- 7 **EAS RF Channel:** Specifies the EAS channel if EAS channel is external.
- 8 **EAS Modulation:** Specifies the EAS channel modulation if EAS channel is external.
- 9 **EAS MPEG Program:** Specifies EAS MPEG Program #.
- 10 **EAS Major Channel:** Specifies EAS Major Channel.
- 11 **EAS Minor Channel:** Specifies EAS Minor Channel.



# System Configuration Tab

The screenshot shows the 'MEQ1000B Control Panel' interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs: Status, Modules, Multiplex, Channels, Output, EAS/DTA, System (selected), Log, and Firmware Update. The user is logged in as 'admin' with a 'LOG OUT' button. The 'System Configuration' section is active, showing 'Ethernet Settings'. It includes three input fields: IP Address (192.168.1.98), Subnet Mask (255.255.255.0), and Default Gateway (192.168.1.8). A note states: '\*Please reboot the unit for applied Ethernet Settings to take effect.' At the bottom, there are three buttons: Reboot (labeled 4), Revert, and Apply.

- ① **IP Address:** IP address of control port, IP reset button returns unit to factory default of 172.16.80.1
- ② **Subnet Mask:** 255.255.255.0 for local subnet
- ③ **Default Gateway:** Only needed for remote access and should be in the same subnet as IP Address
- ④ **Reboot:** Reboot the MEQ1000B

## Log Tab

The screenshot shows the 'MEQ1000B Control Panel' interface with the 'System Log' tab selected. The navigation bar is the same as in the previous screenshot. The 'System Log' section is active, showing 'Log Messages'. It includes a 'Max Lines to Display' input field set to '10000' with an 'Apply' button. Below this, the log messages are displayed in a monospaced font:

```
0 days, 03:18:30 - Failed to read from main board processor. Code: 1
0 days, 00:00:16 - DTD1000A module detected in slot 2.
0 days, 00:00:16 - IPI1000 module detected in slot 1.
```

- ① **Max Lines to Display:** Sets the maximum number of lines to display starting at the most recent.

# Admin Screen

To change/modify the Username and Password values for the unit, you must be logged in to the unit as “Admin” to access a hidden screen shown in image below. At the top right of the screen select "Logged in as: **admin**".

The screenshot shows the MEQ1000B Control Panel interface. At the top left is the DRAKE DIGITAL logo. To its right is the title "MEQ1000B Control Panel". On the top right, it says "Logged in as: **admin**" with a blue "LOG OUT" button next to it. Below this is a navigation bar with tabs: Status, Modules, Multiplex, Channels, Output, EAS/DTA, System, Log, and Firmware Update. The "User Configuration" section is active, showing a form with three fields: "Username" (containing "admin"), "Password" (containing four dots), and "Verify Password" (empty). Each field has a yellow circle with a number (1, 2, 3) and an arrow pointing to it. Below the fields is a blue "UPDATE PASSWORD" button. At the bottom of the form area, there is a section titled "Username/Password Criteria" with two bullet points: "Usernames/passwords are case-sensitive and may contain letters or numbers." and "Usernames/passwords must be a minimum of 4 characters and a maximum of 16 characters in length."

- 1 **Username:** is the Administrator's login (16 characters maximum). This login allows the user to make changes to any area of the unit. The factory default Login is "**admin**". Login is case sensitive.
- 2 **Password:** is used only if the users wants to change the current Administrator's password (16 characters maximum). The factory default password is "**pass**". Password is case sensitive and will not be displayed.
- 3 **Verify Password:** is used only when the user is changing the current Administrator's password. The new password must be typed in again before it can be changed. Password is case sensitive and will not be displayed.

# Firmware Update Tab

This tab uploads the newest available firmware for the MEQ1000B and deploys firmware to the unit. While the firmware update tab is actively updating; the logging information and instructions are provided. When the update is completed, a "Reboot" button will appear after the file uploads and update status gets reported. A user must refresh the page to get status updates. It is recommended to click the "Firmware Update" tab to force the refresh.

**DRAKE DIGITAL™** **MEQ1000B Control Panel**

Logged in as: [admin](#) [LOG OUT](#)

Status Modules Multiplex Channels Output EAS/DTA System Log **Firmware Update**

### Firmware Update

**Upload**

1 → Select firmware update file [Browse...](#) No file selected.

2 → Click 'Upload' to upload the file and start the firmware update [Upload](#)

- 1 **Select Update File:** Select the appropriate firmware file from your computer. This file should have ".fw" or ".FW" for the file extension.
- 2 **Upload File:** Click the "Upload" button to transfer to the firmware update file to the MEQ1000B unit. Once the file has been uploaded, the unit will automatically update.

For more the latest firmware releases, please visit our website at [www.rldrake.com](http://www.rldrake.com). You may also contact Technical Assistance at 800-523-6049 or by email: [information@blondertongue.com](mailto:information@blondertongue.com).

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# Service

A Return Material Authorization (RMA) Number is required on ALL PRODUCT RETURNS (regardless of whether the product is being returned for repair or for credit). Product that is received at the factory without an RMA Number will be returned to the sender, unopened.

RMA Numbers must be used when returning product for credit or repair. Use of RMA Numbers will ensure efficient processing. When needing to return your product to R.L. Drake Holdings, LLC., please follow these simple steps listed below (in the order that they appear).

## SERVICE REPAIRS ONLY

1. Contact R.L. Drake Holdings, LLC.'s Service Department in one of three ways:  
Phone: 800-523-6049  
Email: [information@blondertongue.com](mailto:information@blondertongue.com)  
Fax: 732-679-4353
2. Request from Drake Service a copy of the Product Return Authorization Form.
3. Complete the Product Return Authorization Form fully.
4. Return the completed Product Return Authorization Form to the Drake Service Department using one of the contact methods listed in Step 1.
5. After completing Steps 1 through 4, an RMA Number will be assigned to you.
6. Securely pack the product and mark the box with your RMA Number. If shipping multiple boxes, all boxes must be marked with the RMA Number. Place the RMA Number near the return address in **large, bold print** (approx. 2" in height).

Ship your "SERVICE REPAIR ONLY" return to:

R.L. Drake Holdings, LLC.  
Attn: Product Service Returns  
One Jake Brown Road  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

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3. Complete the Product Return Authorization Form fully.
4. Return the completed Product Return Authorization Form to the Drake Service Department using one of the contact methods listed in Step 1.
5. After completing Steps 1 through 4, an RMA Number will be assigned to you.
6. Securely pack the product in its **original undamaged box** (returning the product without its original packaging in good, new condition may cause the incursion of additional fees). Pack this box within another shipping container or box. Mark the shipping box or container with your RMA Number. Place the RMA Number near the return address in **large, bold print** (approx. 2" in height).

Ship your "CREDIT RETURNS ONLY" return to:

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Attn: Product Credit Returns  
One Jake Brown Road  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

**\*NOTE: All Credit Returns are subject to a 15% Restock Fee**

**\*NOTE: All shipments are to be PRE-PAID by the sender. NO COD's will be accepted.**

## IF YOU NEED TECHNICAL HELP

Call our Customer Service/Technical Support line at 800-523-6049 weekdays between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time. Please have the unit's serial number available. We will also need to know the specifics of any other equipment connected to the unit. When calling, please have the unit up and running, near the phone if possible. Our technician(s) will likely ask certain questions to aid in diagnosis of the problem. Also, have a voltmeter handy, if at all possible.

DRAKE also provides technical assistance by

Email: [information@blondertongue.com](mailto:information@blondertongue.com)  
Fax: 732-679-4353

Many of the products that are sent to us for repair are in perfect working order when we receive them. For these units, there is a standard checkout fee that will be charged. Please perform whatever steps are applicable from the product's Instruction Manual before calling or writing as this could save unnecessary phone charges. Please do not return the product without calling Drake Service and following the steps above first; it is preferred to help troubleshoot the problem over the phone (or by Email) first, saving you both time and money.

# Limited Warranty

Seller will at its sole option, either repair or replace (with a new or factory reconditioned product, as Seller may determine) any product manufactured or sold (or in the case of software, licensed) by Seller which is defective in materials or workmanship or fails to meet the applicable specifications that are in effect on the date of shipment or such other specifications as may have been expressly agreed upon in writing: (i) for a period of three (3) years from the date of original purchase for all stock hardware products (other than those specifically referenced herein below having a shorter warranty period); (ii) for a period of one (1) year from the date of original purchase, with respect to all MegaPort™, IPTV products, test equipment and fiber optics receivers, transmitters, couplers and integrated receiver/distribution amplifiers; (iii) for a period of one (1) year from the date of original purchase (or such shorter period of time as may be set forth in the license agreement specific to the particular software being licensed from Seller) with respect to all software products licensed from Seller (other than Core Product Software) that is (a) developed for a specific function or application, (b) complimentary to and does not function without the Core Product Software, and (c) listed with a specific model number and stock number in Seller's Price List ("**Non-Core Software**"); (iv) for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of original purchase, with respect to non-serialized products and accessories, such as parts, sub-assemblies, splitters and all other products sold by Seller (other than Core Product Software and Refurbished/Closeout Products) not otherwise referred to in clauses (i) through (iii) above. The warranty period for computer programs in machine-readable form included in a hardware product, which are essential for the functionality thereof as specifically stated in the published product specifications ("**Core Product Software**") will be coincident with the warranty period of the applicable hardware product within which such Core Product Software is installed.

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Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary,

(i) Seller's sole obligation for software that when properly installed and used does not substantially conform to the published specifications in effect when the software is first shipped by Seller, is to use commercially reasonable efforts to correct any reproducible material non-conformity (as determined by Seller in its sole discretion) by providing the customer with: (a) telephone or e-mail access to report non-conformance so that Seller can verify reproducibility, (b) a software patch or bug fix, if available or a workaround to bypass the issue if available, and (c) where applicable, replacement or damaged or defective external media, such as CD-ROM disk, on which the software was originally delivered;

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(iii) Seller retains all right, title and interest in and to ownership of all software (including all Core Product Software and Non-Core Software) including any and all enhancements, modifications and updates to the same; and

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Seller will at its sole option, either repair or replace (with a new or factory-reconditioned product, as Seller may determine) any product sold by Seller which at the time of sale constituted a refurbished or closeout item ("**Refurbished/Closeout Product**"), which is defective in materials or workmanship or fails to meet the applicable specifications that are in effect on the date of shipment of that product or fails to meet such other specifications as may have been expressly agreed upon in writing between the parties, for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of original purchase. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in some cases the warranty on certain proprietary sub-assembly modules manufactured by third-party vendors and contained in Seller products, third party software installed in certain of Seller's products, and on certain private-label products manufactured by third-parties for resale by Seller will be of shorter duration or otherwise more limited than Seller limited warranty for Refurbished/Closeout Products. In such cases, Seller's warranty for Refurbished/Closeout Products constituting such third party proprietary sub-assembly modules, third party software, and private-label products will be limited to the duration and other terms of such third-party vendor's warranty, if any. In addition, notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) certain Refurbished/Closeout Products that are not manufactured (but are resold) by Seller, may carry the original OEM warranty for such products, if any, which may be longer or shorter than Seller's limited warranty for Refurbished/Closeout Products. All sales of Refurbished/Closeout Products are final.

To obtain service under this warranty, the defective product, together with a copy of the sales receipt, serial number if applicable, or other satisfactory proof of purchase and a brief description of the defect, must be shipped freight prepaid to Seller at the following address: One Jake Brown Road, Old Bridge, New Jersey 08857.

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