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## MX2216RM

## 6-IN, 1 - OUT RGBS SWITCHER USER'S GUIDE

## INTRODUCTION

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## This manual covers:

MX2216RM - 6 - in, 1 - out RGBS Switcher

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## SWITCHERS

## PRECAUTIONS / SAFETY WARNINGS

Please read this manual carefully before using your MX2216RM Switcher. Keep this manual handy for future reference. These safety instructions are to ensure the long life of your MX2216RM and to prevent fire and shock hazard. Please read them carefully and heed all warnings.

### 1.1 GENERAL

- Unauthorized personnel shall not open the unit since there are high-voltage components inside.
- Qualified Altinex service personnel, or their authorized representatives must perform all service.


### 1.2 SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR THE RACKMOUNTING OF THE MX2216RM

- Maximum operating ambient temperature is 35 (degrees C).
- Never restrict the air flow through the devices' fan or vents.
- When installing equipment into a rack, distribute the units evenly. Otherwise, hazardous conditions may be created by an uneven weight distribution.
- Connect the unit to a properly rated supply circuit.
- Reliable Earthing (Grounding) of Rack-Mounted Equipment should be maintained.


### 1.3 INSTALLATION

- For best results, place the MX2216RM Switcher on a flat, level surface in a dry area away from dust and moisture.
- To prevent fire or shock, do not expose this unit to rain or moisture. Do not place the MX2216RM Switcher in direct sunlight, near heaters or heat radiating appliances, or near any liquid. Exposure to direct sunlight, smoke, or steam can harm internal components.
- Handle the MX2216RM Switcher carefully. Dropping or jarring can damage internal components.
- Do not place heavy objects on top of the MX2216RM. If the MX2216RM is mounted to a table or wall, use only Altinex made mounting accessories such as rack mount shelf DA1298RM or rack mount ears DA1299RM and cables for optimum setup.
- To turn off the main power, be sure to remove the cord from the power outlet. The power outlet socket should be installed as near to the equipment as possible, and should be easily accessible.
- Do not pull the power cord or any cable that is attached to the MX2216RM Switcher.
- If the MX2216RM Switcher is not used for an extended period, disconnect the power cord from the power outlet.


### 1.4 CLEANING

- Unplug the MX2216RM's power cord before cleaning. Clean surfaces with a dry cloth. Never use strong detergents or solvents such as alcohol or thinner. Do not use a wet cloth or water to clean the unit.


### 1.5 FCC / CE NOTICE

- This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.
- This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may
cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.
- Any changes or modifications to the unit not expressly approved by Altinex, Inc. could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.


## ABOUT YOUR SWITCHER

The MX2216RM is a 6 -in 1 -out high resolution RGBS relay switcher designed to allow the connection of as many as six computer video or broadcast video sources to a single presentation display. The MX2216RM can be controlled using its front panel through RS-232, or through contact closures. Contact closure control requires the use of an optional adapter, part \# RC5204CC.

The MX2216RM uses relays internally for each channel, enabling it to pass a variety of low-voltage signal types in addition to RGBS. This also includes RGsB, Component Video (Y, R-Y, B-Y), S-Video (Y/C), Composite Video, Audio, and RS-232.

The MX2216RM can also be used bi-directionally; a signal can be routed "backwards" through the switcher to allow a single source to be connected to as many as six displays.
The MX2216RM offers a 9-pin control port which provides a means of interconnection for RS-232 and Contact Closure control, as well as other special features. For instance, when multiple MX2216RM units are looped together to create a larger switcher, two pins on the 9-pin control ports can be connected to make the switchers respond as a single unit. Using a similar method, multiple MX2216RM units can be made to operate in a Master-Slave mode, with all units responding to a single button selection.
Using optional hardware, a single MX2216RM can be rack-mounted as a single unit or two units can be rack-mounted side-by-side.
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

| FEATURES/DESCRIPTION | MX2216RM |
| :--- | :---: |
| GENERAL |  |
| No. of Inputs | 6 |
| Input Connectors | Six 4 BNC Female |
| No. of Outputs | 1 |
| Output Connector | 4 BNC Female |
| Compatibility | RGBS, RGsB, <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> Component Video (Y, <br> R-Y, B-Y), S-Video <br> (Y/C), <br> Composite Video, and <br> Audio |

Table 1. MX2216RM General

| MECHANICAL | MX2216RM |
| :--- | :---: |
| Material | $0.1^{\prime \prime}$ Aluminum |
| Finish | Gray |
| Top Panel | Lexan |
| Height (inches) | 3.38 in $(86 \mathrm{~mm})$ |
| Width (inches) | $8.50 \mathrm{in}(216 \mathrm{~mm})$ |
| Depth (inches) | $4.38 i \mathrm{in}(111 \mathrm{~mm})$ |
| Weight (pounds) | $3.0 \mathrm{lbs}(1.36 \mathrm{~kg})$ |
| Ship Weight (pounds) | $4.0 \mathrm{lbs}(1.82 \mathrm{~kg})$ |
| $\mathrm{T}^{\circ}$ Operating | $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}-35^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| T $^{\circ}$ Maximum | $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Humidity | $90 \%$ non-condensing |
| MTBF (calculations) | $40,000 \mathrm{hrs}$ |

Table 2. MX2216RM Mechanical

| ELECTRICAL | MX2216RM |
| :---: | :---: |
| Input Video Signals |  |
| Analog Signal | +/-10V p-p max. |
| Impedance | 75 Ohms (unselected input) |
| Input Sync Signals |  |
| Composite Sync | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{TTL}(+/-), \\ \text { Analog } 0.3-1.0 \mathrm{~V} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Sync on Green | -0.3V |
| Impedance | pass-through |
| Output Video Signals |  |
| Analog Signal | +/-10V p-p max. |
| Fall/Rise Time (ns) | 1.9 |
| Impedance | 75Ohms (passthrough) |


| Output Sync Signal |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Composite Sync | TTL(+/-), |
|  | Analog 0.3-1.0V |
| Sync on Green | -0.3 V |
| Impedance | pass-through |
| Frequency Compatibility |  |
| Horizontal | $15-200 \mathrm{kHz}$ |
| Vertical | $30-190 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |


| Typical Video Bandwidth | 400 MHz |
| :--- | :---: |
| Cross-talk | -48 dB @ 10 MHz |
| Coupling | DC |
| Power |  |
| External Power Adapter | $90-140 \mathrm{~V} / 200-240 \mathrm{~V}$ <br> (selectable) |
| Power Consumption | 10 watts max. |

Table 3. MX2216RM Electrical

## DESCRIPTION OF MX2216RM

FRONT PANEL OF MX2216RM


BACK PANEL OF MX2216RM


The front panel of the MX2216RM provides access to essentially all of the switcher's capabilities. In addition to standard switching functions, the unit has control and switching functions that could be very useful in a variety of special applications.

### 4.1 SELECT INPUT

When buttons 1 through 6 are pressed, the corresponding INPUT will be selected and displayed. LED's on the front and rear panel will light simultaneously to indicate which selection has been made.

### 4.2 AUTO SWITCH MODE BUTTON

This function is not operational at this time and is reserved for future upgrades.

### 4.3 STAND BY / ALL CHANNELS OFF BUTTON

This function allows a user to turn OFF all input signals. It is very useful when the MX2216RM Switcher is used in applications when there is a need to turn the display or the source OFF. Press this function key (F2) to switch to a no signal condition. The LED next to the F2 will light to indicate that it is in this mode. To resume input Select switching, simply press the desired INPUT.

### 4.4 RESET BUTTON

This function allows a user to RESET the switcher without unplugging the unit. Press the function key RESET (F3) and hold it for 2 seconds. When you hear beeping sound, release the key. All of the LED's will flash simultaneously. The switcher is now reset. All previous defaults, such as power on, channel default and other user settings are maintained.

### 4.5 BEEP ON/OFF BUTTON

This function allows a user to have audible feedback when buttons are pressed. The factory default is "beep ON". However, in some applications, sound may be undesirable. To disable sound, press this function key (F4) and hold it for approximately 2 seconds until the beeping sound is heard. The function is now disabled. To enable it, repeat the same steps. The setting is stored in the memory and is maintained during the power up sequence.

### 4.6 POWER UP DEFAULT SET

This function allows a user to select the channel that will be ON at power up. To select the default channel, press the selected channel switch and hold it for approximately 2 seconds until you hear a beeping sound. If the unit is turned off and turned back on, the LED of the selected channel should light.

### 4.7 ANALOG OUTPUT

Analog output of the MX2216RM can be used for controlling several switchers simultaneously. The analog amplifier drives the analog output pin 9 on a $9-p i n ~ " D$ " connector. The output can range from 0 V to approximately 5.0 V . The output impedance of this pin is 100 Ohms and it can sink or source up to 5 mA of current. By using this output, several switchers can operate in gang mode. To do this, the analog output of the master switcher (pin 9) is connected to the analog input of the slave switchers (pin 9). Now, every time a channel is selected on the master switcher, the output voltage of the analog output will be set to switch all other switchers into the same channel. The simplicity of this approach is that only 2 wires (one to pin 9 and one to ground) are required to connect and control all of the switchers. The selection of channels can also be accomplished by RS-232 on the master switcher with all slave switchers connected through the analog control pin. A maximum of four switchers can be connected in this configuration.

### 4.8 POWER SUPPLY

The MX2216RM Switcher has 5V power supply available on pin 8 of the 9 -pin "D" connector. This voltage can be used to drive external circuits or as a pull up voltage for open collector type outputs. The total current on this pin should not exceed 150 mA of continuous operation or 500 mA for 5 minutes.

### 4.9 BI-DIRECTIONAL SWITCHING

The MX2216RM Switcher uses very high bandwidth relays to provide you with a 400 MHz bandwidth. Each input, when not selected, is terminated to 75 Ohms resistor. This is done to make sure that the video lines are always terminated whether a channel is selected or not.

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In addition to forward connection, the MX2216RM can be connected in a reverse direction. In this configuration one video source is selectively sent to each of the video monitors. This capability is referred to as bi-directional switching. In this configuration only one display device can be operational at any given time.
APPLICATION DIAGRAM


## INSTALLING YOUR SWITCHER

Step 1. Make sure that the power input is set to the proper AC voltage in your country. An incorrect setting can result in unit damage not covered by warranty.

Step 2. Connect the power cord to the unit and plug it into the power outlet.
Step 3. Connect the cables from the video sources (computers) to the input channels and connect the output channel to the display device (i.e. monitor or projector).
Step 4. If a control system is used to control the unit, connect the RS-232 port to the control

Step 5. Confirm that the picture quality on all displays is good. If you are not receiving a signal, make sure that the display is compatible with the resolution of the computer graphics card. Contact Closure control requires the use of cable part \# RC5204CC.

## CONGRATULATIONS! YOU ARE DONE.

If you experience any problems, please call 1-800-258-4623 or 1-714-990-2300 for international calls. system RS-232 card. An improper connection may result in RS-232 interface damage.

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## OPERATION

### 7.1 RS-232 CONTROL

The MX2216RM Switcher uses a female 9-pin HD connector on its rear panel that allows access to a variety of control capabilities.


| PIN No. | PIN Designation |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1 | No connection |
| 2 | RS-232 Transmit |
| 3 | RS-232 Receive |
| 4 | No connection |
| 5 | Ground |
| 6 | Multiple Switcher Loop <br> Control |
| 7 | Analog Switch Voltage <br> Input |
| 8 | +5 V (150 mA max) |
| 9 | Analog Voltage Output |

Figure 1
It is generally recommended to select a single method of control for each application, as the activation of several different controls simultaneously may cause unpredictable results.
The majority of control systems and computers used in presentation system applications use the RS-232 communications standard.

To connect the MX2216RM Switcher to a control system or computer for RS-232 Control, only three pins are required on each port: Transmit (TX), Receive (RX), and Ground (GND). The Transmit pin from the control system or computer must be connected to the Receive pin out of the switcher's Control Port; do not connect Transmit to Transmit or Receive to Receive.

The are following are typical cable wiring pin outs:

| IBM PIN No. | MX2216RM PIN No. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 3 | 2 |
| 2 | 3 |
| 7 | 5 |

Connection of IBM-PC 25-pin D to MX2216RM 9-pin D. Note: 5, 6, \& 20 shorted together in IBM side only.

| IBM PIN No. | MX2216RM PIN No. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 2 |
| 3 | 3 |
| 5 | 5 |

Connection of IBM-PC 9-pin D to MX2216RM 9-pin
D. Note: $4,6,8$ shorted together in IBM side only.

Port setting preferences for the control system or computer used to control the switcher should be set as follows:

| BAUD RATE (Bits per second) | 2400 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Data bits | 8 |
| Parity | None |
| Stop Bits | 1 |

There is no software or hardware flow control implemented. The RS-232 input has a 6-character buffer and will not execute additional commands until the previous command is fully processed.

### 7.2 RS-232 PROTOCOL

| [INP0] | All channels OFF |
| :--- | :--- |
| [INP1] | Select Input 1 |
| [INP2] | Select Input 2 |
| [INP3] | Select Input 3 |
| [INP4] | Select Input 4 |
| [INP5] | Select Input 5 |
| [INP6] | Select Input 6 |
| [RSET] | Reset unit to user defaults |
| [VERN] | Returns firmware version <br> numbers |

Commands must be issued as shown, in ALL CAPS and with the brackets [ ] included in the command string. After processing a valid command, an [OK] string will be returned.
The [VERN] command will return the corresponding software version being used by the switcher, such as an error string, [ERR] will be returned.
If the control system being used is not setup to wait for the [OK] string, it is important to include a 100 millisecond delay between each command.

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The MX2216RM Switcher is also designed to send feedback commands from the switcher to the control system when the buttons on the front panel of the switcher are pressed.

The Feedback codes are as follows:

| Key <br> pressed | Description | Feedback <br> Code |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Input Select | $[$ [NP1] |
| 2 | Input Select | $[$ INP2] |
| 3 | Input Select | $[$ INP3] |
| 4 | Input Select | $[$ INP4] |
| 5 | Input Select | $[$ INP5] |
| 6 | Input Select | $[$ INP6] |
| STAND BY | All Outputs OFF | $[$ [INP0] |
| RESET | Reset | $[R S E T][$ INPx] |

The following commands are added to the standard set of commands in order to facilitate control of multiple units using a single RS-232 control port. These commands are available on the switcher that has firmware revision number: 2.0. Use [VERN] commands to determine the firmware revision. These commands add additional flexibility to the switcher.

## [InnOmm]

```
nn - Input Number 00 to 99
mm - Output Number 01-99
```

This command connects any input to any output. The switching occurs as soon as the command is completed. The input 00 is used to disconnect a particular output from any input. For example, command [IOOOO1] will disconnect output 1 from any input.

## [OUTmm]

This command sets the MX2216RM Switcher to respond to any specific output only. The default setting is output 1 .

## [SETxnnmm]

$\mathbf{x}$ - select input number
nn - $\quad$ Minimum input number
mm - Maximum input number

This command is designed to allow the MX2216RM Switcher to program each of the inputs to respond to a selected range of input commands.

For example, if command [SET10104] is issued, then the following commands will select only Input 1: [I01O01], [IO2O01], [IO3O01], and [IO4O01]. In other words a range of I/O commands can address the same input. The default settings for each of the inputs are as follows: Input 10101, Input 20202, Input 30303, Input 40404, Input 50505, and Input 60606.

### 7.3 MASTER-SLAVE CONFIGURATION

These feedback codes allow multiple MX2216RM Switchers to be connected in a Master-Slave configuration, if desired.
When the control ports of two units are connected as shown below, the slave unit duplicates the actions of the master unit. The same unit can still be controlled from its front panel or through another RS-232 control.

| MX2216RM 9-pin D <br> Master PIN No. | MX2216RM 9-pin D <br> Slave PIN No. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 3 |
| 5 | 5 |

Master-Slave Control Port Connection
A Master-Slave configuration can be achieved also by Analog Switch Voltage using pin\#9 and pin\#7.

| MX2216RM 9-pin D <br> Master PIN No. | MX2216RM 9-pin D <br> Slave PIN No. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 9 | 7 |
| 5 | 5 |

Master-Slave Analog Switch Voltage Connection


Figure 2

With this configuration, the master unit has ultimate control over the slave unit.

### 7.4 CONTACT CLOSURE (ONE WIRE ANALOG) CONTROL

The one-wire control is an alternative to a multiwire contact closure control. This control pin allows you to select different channels based on the DC voltage level on pin 7 of the 9 pin D connector. Internally, pin 7 is pooled up to 5 volts by a 10k resistor. Thus, by selecting the proper resistor values connected to ground any channel can be selected. Although the channel selection next to the relay contact is latching and will maintain the last relay selected channel, it is recommended that momentary contact closures not be used. Typical resistor values and wire connections are shown below.

In some cases, it may be preferable to use a seven-conductor wire to control the switcher with contact closures. The RC5204CC adapter is available to accommodate this need. The pin outs for this adapter are as follows:


Figure 3

| 9 pin "D" <br> Male | Description | 9 pin "D" <br> Female | Input |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | 1.2 K | 1 | 1 |
| 7 | 3.3 K | 2 | 2 |
| 7 | 6.8 K | 3 | 3 |
| 7 | 12 K | 4 | 4 |
| 7 | 22 K | 5 | 5 |
| 7 | 51 K | 6 | 6 |
| 7 | 0 short | 7 | NONE |
| 5 | Ground | 9 |  |

The following voltages apply for selecting the required channel:

| Input number | min. (V) | nom. (V) | max. (V) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0.35 | 0.55 | 0.75 |
| 2 | 1.07 | 1.27 | 1.47 |
| 3 | 1.80 | 2.00 | 2.20 |
| 4 | 2.52 | 2.72 | 2.92 |
| 5 | 3.25 | 3.45 | 3.65 |
| 6 | 3.97 | 4.17 | 4.37 |

These voltage levels can be set using analog outputs from different control systems or spare dimmer control outputs.

### 7.5 MANUAL LOOP CONTROL

Loop control is used when multiple units of the MX2216RM are connected to form a single switcher. When the input channel button is pressed the loop control pin is internally grounded and the MX2216RM Switcher selects INPUT 4 as the default input.
In this configuration, the loop control pin 6 on the 9 pin D connector is connected to the same pin on all switchers.


Figure 4

The loop control pin has an internal 100k resistor to +5 volts. This limits the number of switchers looped to a maximum of 10 switchers that are daisy chained together using this method.
More specifically, the output of one switcher is connected to INPUT 6 of the next switcher. Once loop control is enabled, these switchers will automatically switch video signals to the output of the second switcher through INPUT 6. Keep in mind that you are always going to have one less input than the total number of inputs available on all switchers. The figure above is for an 11-in 1-out switcher.


### 7.6 LOOP CONTROL WITH RS-232 COMMAND

When multiple MX2216RM units are connected to form a single switcher and RS-232 commands are used to control these units, please connect the units according to following diagram.


Figure 6

If you want to create an 11 by 1 switcher using two 6 by 1 switchers, the following commands must be used to control these switchers:

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { Input } 1 \text { through Input } 6 & \text { [OUT01] } \\
\text { Input } 7 \text { through Input } 11 & \text { [OUT02] }
\end{array}
$$

This will setup each switcher as a different output number. To control the switchers, use the following commands (connect transmit line from control system to receive line on both switchers):
[101001] Select input number 1
[102O01] Select input number 2
[103001] Select input number 3
[104O01] Select input number 4
[105001] Select input number 5
[106001] Select input number 6
[101002] Select input number 7
[102O02] Select input number 8
[103002] Select input number 9
[104O02] Select input number 10
[105O02] Select input number 11

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| ACCESSORIES |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Model No. | Description |
|  | TABLE MOUNT HARDWARE |
| TM1276 | Table Mount bracket for 2U $1 / 2$ RackWide |
|  | RACK MOUNTING ACCESSORIES |
| DA1298RM | Rack mount shelf for two units side by side |
| DA1299RM | Rack mount kit for single unit. |
|  | CONTROL CABLES |
| RC5204CC | Analog to contact Closure Adapter 6 ft |
| RC5207CC | RS-232/Master-Slave Control cable |
|  | HIGH RESOLUTION 4 BNC to 4 BNC COAXIAL CABLE |
| CB4100MR | Bulk Cable 4 coaxes (500ft minimum) |
| CB4103MR | 3 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4106MR | 6 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4112MR | 12 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4125MR | 25 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4150MR | 50 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4175MR | 75 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB41100MR | 100 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB41150MR | 150 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
|  | SUPER HIGH RESOLUTION 4 BNC to 4 BNC COAX |
| CB4300MR | Bulk Cable 4 coaxes (500ft minimum) |
| CB4306MR | 6 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4312MR | 12 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4325MR | 25 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4350MR | 50 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB4375MR | 75 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB43100MR | 100 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
| CB43150MR | 150 feet, 4 BNC to 4 BNC coaxial cable |
|  | POWER CABLES |
| PC5301US | Power cable for US |
| PC5302US | Power cable for U.K. |
| PC5303US | Power cable for Australia |
| PC5304US | Power cable for Germany |

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS 9

| No: | Question | Answer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | When I press F1 nothing happens. What is a purpose of this function? | The F1 function is reserved for future use. It does not perform any functions at the present time. |
| 2 | What is the LED next to the F1 button used for? | This LED is also reserved for future use. It is currently nonoperational. |
| 3 | When I press the RESET button, the switcher does not respond. Why? | You must press and hold the button for approximately 2 seconds, until you hear a beeping sound and all of the LED lights flash. This is designed to avoid accidental resetting. |
| 4 | Can the MX2216RM be rack mounted? | The MX2216RM can be rack mounted as a single unit or two units side by side. The width of the unit is $1 / 2$ rack wide. Altinex offers rack mount ears for single unit mounting (part\# DA1299RM) and rack shelf for mounting two units (part\# DA1298RM). |
| 5 | Can the MX2216RM <br> be used to pass Composite Video, SVideo or Component Video? | Yes. Simply use the corresponding channels to pass the signals (e.g. For composite video, you may use the Red input channel and the Red output channel, or you can use the Blue input channel and Blue output channel). Since the MX2216RM is a relay switcher, it can be used as a contact closure control or to switch virtually any type of video signal. |
| 6 | Can the MX2216RM | Yes, the MX2216RM uses a universal internal power |

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|  | Switcher be <br> used <br> outside of <br> the United <br> States? | supply, enabling it to be used <br> throughout the world. Please <br> make sure to have the voltage <br> setting in the correct position <br> and please make sure to use <br> the proper adapter cable for <br> the country where it will be <br> used. Adapter cables for <br> several countries are available <br> through Altinex. |
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| 7 | How do I <br> control <br> several <br> MX2216RM <br> Switchers <br> with one <br> RS-232 <br> card in a <br> control <br> system? | You can not control multiple <br> MX2216RM Switchers with <br> one card at this time. The unit <br> has ID codes and can be <br> differentiated by the control <br> system. Call Altinex if this <br> requirement is important for <br> your system. |
| 8 | Can I use <br> contact <br> closure to <br> control the <br> MX2216RM <br> Switcher? | A special cable that plugs into <br> the RS-232 port and converts <br> contact closure into analog <br> control is available. This is the <br> RC5204CC cable is made by <br> Altinex on request. |
| 9 | Can the <br> MX2216RM <br> Switcher be <br> looped with <br> other <br> MX2216RM <br> Switchers? | Yes, in exactly the same way <br> as described in this manual <br> when the MX2216RM is <br> slaved to another MX2216RM. |

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- Please make sure, that input signal formats are the same for input (source) and output (display).
- Please make sure that the input signal amplitude levels are as follows:
- RED, GREEN, and BLUE are less than 10 V .
- SYNC is less than 1.0 V and more than 0.3 V .
- Please use the appropriate input voltage 110 VAC or 220 VAC.
- Please make sure that proper quality of cables is used. We recommended Altinex made cables for the best results.
- If the problem shows up after continuous usage at higher voltage, higher temperature, higher humidity, or at other extreme environmental conditions, please correct the problem.
- If a problem exists with the MX2216RM please reset the unit by pressing the RESET key for more than 2 seconds.
- Make sure that not all channels (inputs) are OFF (i.e. RED LED is not ON next to the STAND BY key).
- If you are using any control software or hardware to control the MX2216RM, then first verify operation of the unit using the MX Control software available from the Altinex web-site: www.altinex.com. Make sure that the cable is made according to manual, where RX pin of the MX2216RM is connected to TX pin of the computer.
- If you are controlling the unit by RS-232 command, make sure there is minimum delay of 100 milliseconds before sending a next command.
- If you have multiple MX2216RM Switchers connected in Master-Slave mode or LoopControl mode, please make sure to have a connection of RS-232 port according to manual.

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