# **FiberLinX**

Installation Manual and User Reference Guide



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# Preface

This manual contains information to assist with installation and use of IMC Networks' *FiberLinX* product line.

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# Chapter 1: Introduction

## About FiberLinX

*FiberLinX*<sup>™</sup> from IMC Networks is an IEEE 802.3 compliant, SNMPmanageable media converter/LAN extender/Ethernet bridge that can be managed remotely. *FiberLinX* is designed to convert between 10 Mbps Ethernet twisted pair (10Base-T) and 10 Mbps Ethernet (10Base-FL) singlemode or multi-mode fiber optic cabling.

Each *FiberLinX* features the following three ports:

- 10Base-T data port
- 10Base-FL data port
- 10Base-T port specifically for SNMP traffic (i.e., the management port).



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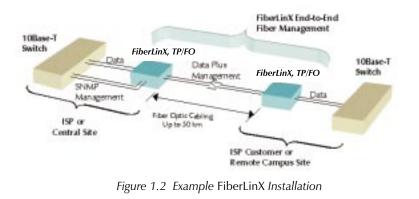
management port is designed to



accept SNMP traffic, ANY port on the FiberLinX Module can be configured to serve as the SNMP management port.

**NOTE:** The twisted pair management port is not designed to handle data traffic, and therefore should NOT serve as a redundant twisted pair port.

The primary advantage of *FiberLinX* is that it allows the administrator to completely monitor and manage fiber traffic between switches and routers while remaining isolated from the remote (or customer's) network.





See Chapter 4 of this guide for more example FiberLinX installations.

## About FiberLinX Modules

FiberLinX Modules can be installed into any IMC Networks PowerChassis/100-Series. The following versions of FiberLinX Modules are available:

- FiberLinX 10Base-T twisted pair and 10Base-FL 850 nm multi-mode fiber; includes two RJ-45 connectors and one pair ST or SC connectors.
- FiberLinX 1300 10Base-T twisted pair and 10Base-FL 1300 nm multi-mode fiber; includes two RJ-45 connectors and one pair ST or SC connectors.
- FiberLinX-SingleMode 10Base-T twisted pair and 10Base-FL 1300 nm single-mode fiber; includes two RJ-45 connectors and one pair ST or SC connectors.
- FiberLinX-SingleMode/PLUS as above with higher power budget.



Figure 1.3 10 Mbps FiberLinX Module

## How FiberLinX Works

Each port on the FiberLinX includes its own MAC Address. The movement

of data from one port to another is accomplished via packet switching. The destination address of each Ethernet packet entering the *FiberLinX* is checked to determine whether it is a management packet or a downstream data packet, and is switched appropriately. Packets not addressed for management ports are sent through to the network. Similarly, management packets are switched internally to the management engine and are not forwarded.

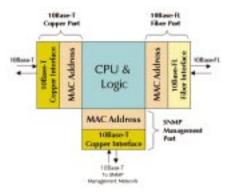


Figure 1.4 FiberLinX Packet Switching

More information about how *FiberLinX* works can be found on the IMC Networks Web site at www.imcnetworks.com.

# Chapter 2: Hardware Installation

Installing a FiberLinX Module involves the following steps:

- 1) Configuring the *FiberLinX Module* via its eight-position Dip switch for the following:
  - Half/Full Duplex setting (data ports only),
  - designating the management traffic port,
  - host/remote or standalone operation;
- 2) Installation of a PowerChassis/100-Series chassis;
- 3) Installation of the *FiberLinX Module* into the above-mentioned *PowerChassis*; and,
- 4) Selecting a crossover or pass-through connection for the twisted pair data port.

## Configuring FiberLinX Modules

*FiberLinX Modules* have an eight-position Dip switch, located at position S2 (shown below), for configuring the module.

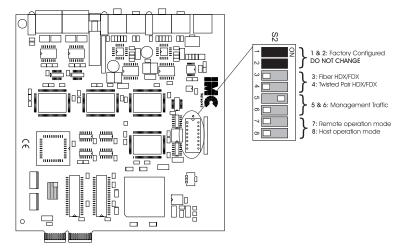


Figure 2.1 Dip Switch Location on FiberLinX (default settings shown)

The following table shows the function for each of the eight Dip switches on *FiberLinX*. Refer to the section on each feature for specific configuration information.

	FIBERLINX DIP SWITCH GUIDE	
Switch	Feature	Default
1	DO NOT CHANGE	Varies
2	DO NOT CHANGE	Varies
3	Enables Full-Duplex mode on the Fiber Data port	OFF
4	Enables Full-Duplex mode on the Twisted Pair Data port	OFF
5	Specifies from which port SNMP traffic is accepted	ON
6	Specifies from which port SNMP traffic is accepted	OFF
7	Configures FiberLinX as a Remote unit	OFF
8	Configures FiberLinX as a Host unit	OFF

## Switches 1 & 2: Fiber Optic Type

These Dip switch settings are configured at the factory and should NOT be changed in the field.

## Switches 3 & 4: Selecting Duplex Mode

Each *data* port on *FiberLinX* can operate in either Half-Duplex (HDX) or Full-Duplex (FDX) Mode. (*NOTE: The Twisted Pair management port is ALWAYS Half-Duplex*.) You will need to set the duplex mode of these ports depending on the capabilities of the connected hardware.

*FiberLinX* is shipped from the factory with HDX selected on each data port (i.e., Dip switches **3** and **4** in the OFF position). Select FDX for the fiber data port by setting Dip switch **3** to ON. Select FDX for the twisted pair data port by setting Dip switch **4** to ON.

### Switches 5 & 6: SNMP Management Traffic

Although *FiberLinX* provides a twisted pair port solely for management traffic, you can configure *FiberLinX* to accept SNMP management traffic from any of its three ports. There are four different ways you can configure *FiberLinX* to accept (or not accept) SNMP management traffic. Only one source for SNMP management traffic can be active at any time, and only the SNMP management traffic directed to the module's IP address will be accepted.

*FiberLinX* is configured at the factory to accept SNMP management traffic from the twisted pair *data* port (i.e., Dip switch **5** ON, Dip switch **6** OFF). You can change this setting by adjusting Dip switches **5** and **6**. The following table shows the switch settings for each configuration.

	SNMP MA	ANAGEMENT TRAFFIC DIP SWITCHES
Switch 5	Switch 6	Result
(Designate	d Mgmt. Port)	
OFF	OFF	Accepts no SNMP commands, even if directed to FiberLinX's
(none)		IP address. All SNMP traffic on the data ports is passed through. All traffic on the management port is discarded.
OFF	ON	Accepts SNMP commands only from the management port.
(TP mgmt. port)		All SNMP traffic on the data ports is passed through.
ON OFF		Accepts SNMP commands only in-band from the twisted pair
(TP data po	ort) <b>DEFAULT</b>	data port. All traffic on the management port is discarded. All SNMP traffic on the fiber data port is passed through.
ON	ON	Accepts SNMP commands only in-band from the fiber data
(FO data p	ort)	port. All traffic on the management port is discarded. All SNMP traffic on the twisted pair data port is passed through.

# Switches 7 & 8: Configuring FiberLinX as a Host, Remote or Standalone Unit

When two *FiberLinX* units are paired with one another, each *FiberLinX* unit can be configured to be either a Host unit or a Remote unit. As a Host, *FiberLinX* requests management information from any attached remote unit and displays that information, along with its own, upon SNMP query. As a Remote, *FiberLinX* will not respond to requests for management information from an attached unit. In single installation, the sole *FiberLinX* should be configured as standalone unit (factory default). Following is a table showing the Dip switch configurations for each setting. Please see **Chapter 4** of this guide for possible installations and their related Host, Remote and standalone Dip switch settings.

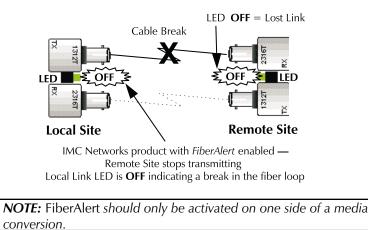
Configure *FiberLinX* to be a Host unit by setting Dip switch **8** to ON. Configure *FiberLinX* to be a Remote unit by setting Dip switch **7** to ON.

	Host and Remote Dip Switches		
Switch 7	Switch 8	Result	
OFF	OFF	Standalone Configuration (no Host or Remote)	DEFAULT
ON	OFF	Remote Unit Configuration (Slave)	
OFF	ON	Host Unit Configuration (Master)	

## **FiberAlert**

Since media converters are a transparent link in a network, *FiberLinX* features *FiberAlert*, a troubleshooting feature that assists in pinpointing link faults between media conversion products. If a media converter is not

receiving a fiber link, *FiberAlert* disables the media converter's fiber transmitter, thus mirroring the link status of the opposite end of the fiber. Both fiber link LEDs on either side of the devices should extinguish, alerting you to the fault.



More information on *FiberAlert* can be found on the IMC Networks Web site at www.imcnetworks.com/to-fa.htm.

## Installing a FiberLinX Module

Once you configure a *FiberLinX Module*, it is ready to be installed in a chassis. You can install a *FiberLinX Module* into any IMC Networks' *PowerChassis/100-Series* chassis (e.g., *PowerChassis/101*, etc.). *FiberLinX Modules* may be safely installed or removed with power on (i.e., *FiberLinX Modules* are "hot-swappable"). Please read the electrostatic discharge precautions on page 5.1 of this manual before proceeding

**NOTE**: FiberLinX Modules should be installed into a PowerChassis only AFTER the PowerChassis has been installed. Please see the installation guide included with your chassis for assistance in installing the chassis.

*PowerChassis* come with blank brackets covering the slots where the modules are to be installed. To install a *FiberLinX Module*, remove the blank bracket by loosening the screws located on the outside edges of the bracket. Slide the *FiberLinX Module* into the chassis until the module is seated securely in the connector. Secure the module to the chassis by tightening the captive screws.

## Selecting a Crossover/Pass-Through Connection

Once a *FiberLinX* is installed, you can select a crossover workstation or pass-through repeater/hub connection for the twisted pair data port. *FiberLinX's* twisted pair data port has one RJ-45 connector for a single shielded or unshielded twisted pair link segment and features a push-button switch, located next to the port, for selecting the type of connection.

To select a pass-through connection on *FiberLinX*, simply press the pushbutton IN. A crossover connection is selected when the push-button is OUT.

**NOTE:** If uncertain whether a crossover or pass-through connection is needed, set the switch to the position that makes the TP data port link LED glow.

## **LED Operation**

*FiberLinX* features diagnostic LEDs for each port. The following illustration shows the location of the LEDs on *FiberLinX*.

•		<i>Fiber Data Port</i> for the fiber data port are as follows:
	FDX ACT	Glows yellow when FDX is selected on port. Blinks green when data is detected on the port.
FiberLinX End to End Fiber Management	LNK FA	Glows green when a link is established. Glows green when <i>FiberAlert</i> is enabled.
wr Rev کی ایس		<i>Twisted Pair Data Port</i> for the twisted pair data port are as follows: Glows green when a link is established. Glows yellow when FDX is selected on the port.
		<i>Twisted Pair Management Port</i> for the twisted pair management port are as
EXT MGMT	LNK FDX	Glows green when a link is established. Glows yellow when FDX is selected on the port.
Figure 2.2 FiberLinX LEDs	FAR CPU UP	Glows yellow when far end is detected.

FAR TP LINK SNMP TP ACT	Glows green when a link is established on remote (far-end) TP data port. Blinks green with SNMP activity. Blinks green with TP activity.
	LED and the <b>FAR TP LNK</b> LED only function when ed to one another (i.e., Host and Remote).

## **DB-9 Serial Connector**

*FiberLinX* features a DB-9 serial connector, located above the module name on the faceplate. This connector can be used as a serial port connection for assigning IP configuration information to *FiberLinX*.

For more information on assigning IP information, please see **Chapter 3** of this guide. For instructions, please see the **Appendix** of this guide.

# Chapter 3: Configuring and Managing *FiberLinX*

This chapter details the steps you must complete to configure and manage your *FiberLinX*.

## **Required Management Configuration Steps**

In order for the installed *FiberLinX* to be managed using *iView* or another network management software (NMS) application, the following steps need to be completed:

- 1) Hardware installation of *FiberLinX* (see Chapter 2).
- 2) Assign IP information (i.e., IP address, subnet mask and, if desired, default gateway) to *FiberLinX* using either the unit's serial port or HUBCTRL32. (More on this later in this chapter.)
- 3) Installation of *iView* or another SNMP network management software package on the management PC.
- 4) Integration of IMC Networks' MIB files into the SNMP management software. (NOTE: If using iView, this will be done for you automatically. Otherwise, refer to your NMS's documentation and see the section "If NOT Using iView" later in this chapter for integration assistance.)

## Assigning IP Information to FiberLinX

In order to manage *FiberLinX*, it is first necessary to give it an IP address so that is accessible via SNMP. There are two ways to assign IP information to *FiberLinX*:

- using HUBCTRL32 (need Windows 98/NT)
- via the unit's serial port

Besides assigning an IP address and subnet mask, both methods will also allow you to create community strings, assign access rights, send traps and more. However, HUBCTRL32 offers more options than the serial port method (e.g., you can select *which* traps to assign with HUBCTRL32).

#### HUBCTRL32

HUBCTRL32<sup>™</sup> (Hub Control 32) is an in-band configuration utility created by IMC Networks that lets users quickly and easily complete the first stages of SNMP configuration for IMC Networks SNMP-manageable devices.

Tasks HUBCTRL32 can perform include:

- setting the IP address, subnet mask and default gateway;
- defining the community strings and SNMP traps; and
- setting PPP parameters for remote management.

In addition to the above functions, HUBCTRL32 offers an authorized IP address system and access restriction to MIB groups supported by IMC Networks manageable devices. These extra layers of security are purely optional and do not effect SNMP compatibility in any way.

HUBCTRL32 can also be used to upload new versions of the system software and new MIB information. It also offers diagnostic capabilities for faster resolution of technical support issues.

HUBCTRL32 works with the following platforms:

Windows NT<sup>™</sup>
Windows 98<sup>™</sup>

HUBCTRL32 can be found on the *iView* CD, or you can download it from the IMC Networks Web site (www.imcnetworks.com/tech/ software.htm). For installation instructions, please see page Ap.4 in the **Appendix** of this guide.

For information regarding the use of HUBCTRL32, refer to the HUBCTRL32 online help file.

#### Serial Port Configuration

The DB-9 serial port found on the *FiberLinX* faceplate may also be used to assign IP information to *FiberLinX*. For instructions, please see page Ap.1 in the **Appendix** of this guide.

## About *iView*

iView<sup>™</sup> is a cross-platform network management application for IMC Networks intelligent networking devices. It features a graphic user interface (GUI) and gives network managers the ability to monitor and control IMC Networks' products from virtually any 32-bit Windows platform. *iView* can also function as a snap-in module for many SNMP applications. For more information about *iView*, visit www.imcnetworks.com/products/iview.htm.

### System Requirements

To run *iView for FiberLinX*, the management PC must be equipped with the following:

• 20 MB free disk space, 32 MB RAM

as well as one of the following operating systems:

- Windows  $^{^{TM}}$  95/98/NT (standalone or with OpenView)
- HP-UX and OpenView
- IBM AIX and NetView or OpenView
- Solaris and OpenView

Please consult the *iView* CD for assistance in installing and launching *iView for FiberLinX*.

# Using iView To Manage FiberLinX

*iView for FiberLinX* features a Module Detail Screen, the main viewing screen for *iView for FiberLinX*. Depending on whether you are managing a standalone unit or dual (Host/Remote) *FiberLinX* units, *iView's* displays and options will vary.

From within *iView for FiberLinX*, you can use its virtual faceplate display(s) to remotely manage your *FiberLinX* unit(s).

Note that within *iView for FiberLinX*, the only end-user configuration options are creating descriptions for the units and disabling/enabling ports (default on all ports is enabled). The rest of the functions are purely information-related.

For a window-by-window guide to *iView for FiberLinX*, please consult the *FiberLinX* online help file (choose **Start, Programs**, **IMC Networks**, **iView**, **FiberLinX Help**, or use the **Help** menu within *iView for FiberLinX*).

## If Using *iView* with HP OpenView

During the installation process, *iView* will ask if HP OpenView is installed on the management PC. Click **Yes** to integrate the appropriate files.

You can also manually copy the file FLINX.REG into the appropriate OpenView resource file on the management PC (usually C:\openview\ resource\c).

Once in OpenView, highlight the *FiberLinX* icon and select the **Tools**, **FiberLinX**; OpenView will then launch *iView*.

## If NOT Using *iView*

**NOTE:** Installation of SNMP software differs from one package to another. This section describes the steps required to integrate the IMC Networks agent with other management software. For installation details on the the management software being used, refer to the manufacturer's documentation.

The majority of management packages have a function known as MIB COMPILER. This function reads in the MIB information and converts it into machine-readable format.

In order to successfully manage *FiberLinX* with your chosen application, the MIBs listed below need to be integrated into the management software:

- FLINX.MIB
- RFC1643.MIB

Refer to the management software documentation regarding how MIBs are integrated into the software.

**NOTE:** Although graphics are a desirable feature for viewing FiberLinX information, this same information can be "seen" by browsing the MIB information to which the management software has access.

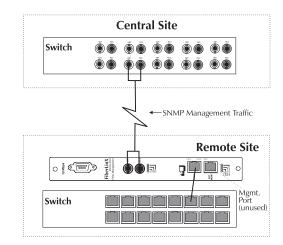
# Chapter 4: Application Examples

*FiberLinX* can be used in many configurations based upon application, network architecture and management security requirements. The following are several examples of how you can use *FiberLinX* in your network.

## Example 1:

## Direct Fiber Switch Connection from Central to Remote Site

To achieve remote management and monitoring capabilities, directly connect a *FiberLinX* to a fiber-based switch. All SNMP management traffic and data traffic goes straight into the switch at the Central site via the fiber port. SNMP management traffic is imbedded within the corporate network, but no management data passes to the Remote site.



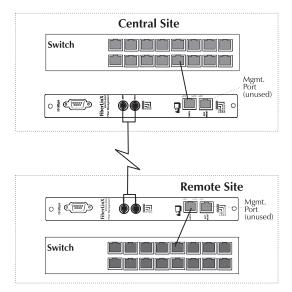
Configure *FiberLinX* to accept SNMP management traffic from the fiber port. In this application, *FiberLinX* is neither a Host nor Remote unit. The twisted pair management port on this *FiberLinX* is unused.

Ехамр	LE 1: DIP	Switch S	ETTINGS
Switch 5	Switch 6	Switch 7	Switch 8
ON	ON	OFF	OFF

## **Example 2:**

## Fiber Conversion and Remote Management Between Two Copper-Based Switches

In this situation, configure the Central site's unit as a Host with management traffic through the twisted pair data port, and the Remote site's unit to accept management traffic through the fiber data port.



Note that the twisted pair management ports on both *FiberLinX* remain unused.

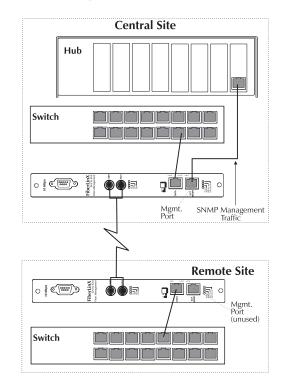
Ex	AMPLE 2:	DIP SWITCH	h <b>S</b> etting	s
FiberLinX	Switch 5	Switch 6	Switch 7	Switch 8
Central (Host)	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
Remote	ON	ON	ON	OFF

**NOTE:** You can access and manage the Remote site's FiberLinX directly in this configuration if you assign the unit an IP address.

## Example 3:

## Fiber Conversion and Highly Secure Remote Management Between Two Copper-Based Switches

For the highest level of management security, route SNMP management traffic completely away from the switch. Two *FiberLinX* units are also used in this configuration. The following illustration shows an external hub being used to maintain LAN separation.



Configure the two *FiberLinX* units used in this example exactly as the ones in Example 2, except direct management traffic on the Central site's unit to the twisted pair management port.

	Example 3:	DIP SWITC	н <b>Ѕ</b> еттім д	s
FiberLinX	Switch 5	Switch 6	Switch 7	Switch 8
Central (Host)	) OFF	ON	OFF	ON
Remote	ON	ON	ON	OFF

# Chapter 5: Technical Specifications

## Fiber Optic Cleaning Guidelines

Fiber Optic transmitters and receivers are extremely susceptible to contamination by particles of dirt or dust which can obstruct the optic path and cause performance degradation. Good system performance requires clean optics and connector ferrules.

- 1) Use fiber patch cords (or connectors, if you terminate your own fiber) only from a reputable supplier; low-quality components can cause many hard-to-diagnose problems in an installation.
- 2) Dust caps are installed at IMC Networks to ensure factory-clean optical devices. These protective caps should not be removed until the moment of connecting the fiber cable to the device. Assure that the fiber is properly terminated, polished and free of any dust or dirt, and that the location is as free from dust and dirt as possible.
- 3) Store spare caps in a dust-free environment such as a sealed plastic bag or box so that when reinstalled they do not introduce any contamination to the optics.
- 4) Should it be necessary to disconnect the fiber device, reinstall the protective dust caps.
- 5) If you suspect that the optics have been contaminated, alternate between blasting with clean, dry, compressed air and flushing with methanol to remove particles of dirt.

## **Electrostatic Discharge Precautions**

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can cause damage to your add-in modules. Always observe the following precautions when installing or handling an add-in module or any board assembly.

- 1) Do not remove unit from its protective packaging until you are ready to install it.
- 2) Wear an ESD wrist grounding strap before handling any module or component. If you do not have a wrist strap, maintain grounded contact with the system unit throughout any procedure requiring ESD protection.

**WARNING!** Integrated circuits and fiber optic components are extremely susceptible to electrostatic discharge damage. Do not handle these components directly unless you are a qualified service technician and use tools and techniques that conform to accepted industry practices.

- 3) Hold boards by the edges only; do not touch the electronic components or gold connectors.
- 4) After removal, always place the boards on a grounded, static-free surface, ESD pad or in a proper ESD bag. Do not slide the board over any surface.

## **Unit Specifications**

#### Environmental

Operating Temperature:  $32^{\circ} - 104^{\circ}$  F ( $0^{\circ} - 40^{\circ}$  C) Storage Temperature:  $21^{\circ} - 160^{\circ}$  F ( $-6^{\circ} - 71^{\circ}$  C) Humidity: 5 - 95% non-condensing

#### Power

AC Input Load:  $100/240V \sim 50/60$  Hz, 0.2/0.1A (stand-alone chassis)

#### Heat

Heat generated: 50 BTU/hr.

#### Fiber Optic

For fiber optic specifications, please visit the IMC Networks Web site at www.imcnetworks.com/fopower.htm.

# Chapter 6: General Information

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# Appendix

## Assigning IP Information to *FiberLinX* Using DB-9 Serial Port

The serial port uses an IBM-compatible DB-9 serial connector. To connect the device to your terminal/computer, use a DB 9-pin male/female null modem cable. (If your computer/terminal has a serial port using a connection not compatible with a DB-9 COM port, use the Pin Connection table below for reference in making a cable.) Make sure the cable length is under 50 ft. (15.24m). Plug one end of the cable into the DB-9 connector

on the device, and the other into the appropriate port on your computer/terminal. Set your computer/terminal for VT-100 emulation. The serial port on the computer/terminal should be set for 38.4K BAUD, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity, no flow control.

DB-9 PI	N CONNECTION CHART
Pin #	Function
2	Transmit (OUT)
3	Receive (IN)
5	Ground
1,4, 6-9	Not used

#### Main Configuration Screen

After running through an initial self test, the screen will display the following message:

"Press < Enter> for Device Configuration"

Press **Enter** to be taken to the main configuration screen. Here you will find several displays:

Saved Values — displays changes made during current session.

- IP Address (must be assigned during initial configuration)
- Subnet Mask (must be assigned during initial configuration)
- Default Gateway

**Current Values** — displays values currently in use.

- IP Address (IP address of SNMP agent)
- Subnet Mask (mask to define IP subnet agent is connected to)
- Default Gateway (default router for IP traffic outside subnet)

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#### **Command List**

- I = Enter New Saved Parameter Values
- **P** = Change Password
- **T** = New Trap Destination
- K = Remove ALL Trap Destinations
- C = New Community String
- **U** = Delete ALL Community Strings
- **E** = End Session

**NOTE:** You must reboot after making any modifications to the Saved Values or changes will not take effect. To reboot, type the word "**Reboot**" (no quote marks) at the prompt on the main configuration screen, or turn the device's power OFF then ON again.

**NOTE:** Because the Delete key does not work on VT-100 terminal emulators, use the F2 key instead.

#### Assigning TCP/IP Information

To modify the Saved Parameter Values (i.e., assign IP address and subnet mask), press **I**. You will be instructed to enter the IP address and subnet mask for the connected device. Press **Enter** after each. You may also assign a default gateway, if desired (press **Enter** to skip).

When finished, press **Enter**, then type "**Reboot**" for changes to take effect. The Saved Values and Current Values should now both display the changes made (e.g., new IP address and subnet mask).

#### **Creating Community Strings**

The default community string is named "public" and has read/write access. For security reasons, IMC Networks recommends you set up two communities: one with read-only only (for general use), the other with read/write access (for the administrator).

To create a new community string, go to the main configuration screen and press **C**. Enter the name of the new community (up to 16 characters, no spaces allowed) and press **Enter**. Then type one of the following options to assign the community string's access rights:

- **R** = read-only access
- **W** = read/write access
- Enter = abort

Press Enter.

#### **Deleting Communities**

To delete all community strings and start over, press **U**. You will then be asked, "Are you sure you want to delete all future strings?" Press **Y** to proceed, **N** to abort. Press **Enter**.

**NOTE:** The above function will delete ALL community strings. If you want to be able to selectively delete community strings, use HUBCTRL32 to configure your device.

#### Sending Traps

Traps are sent by the manageable device to a management PC when a certain event takes place.

To enter a trap destination, press **T**. You will then be asked to "Enter a New IP Address." Type the IP address of the destination device and press **Enter**. Then type the name of the community string (created earlier) and press **Enter**. Type "**Reboot**" for changes to take effect.

**NOTE:** The method above enables ALL of the traps the device is capable of. If you want to be able to selectively activate and deactivate traps, use HUBCTRL32 to configure your device.

#### **Removing Traps**

To remove all trap destinations, press **K**. You will then be asked if you really want to remove all trap destinations. Press **Y** to continue. Press **N** to abort. Press **Enter**.

#### **Password Protection**

You can password protect the serial configuration process by pressing **P** from the main configuration screen. You will be asked to enter a password. (*NOTE: Passwords are case sensitive.*) Enter your password (spaces are NOT allowed) and press **Enter**. You will then be asked for your password whenever you log on or off.

To remove password protection, select **P** and instead of entering a password, press **Enter**.

Should you forget the password, use HUBCTRL32 to access the back-up copy of the PROM, then reburn the flash PROM.

#### **Ending Your Session**

Be sure to press **E** before disconnecting the cable in order to stop the device from outputting to the serial port.

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## **HUBCTRL32 Installation Instructions**

#### Software and Hardware Requirements

HUBCTRL32 for Windows NT requires the following:

- Windows NT version 4.0 or higher.
- The same hardware requirements for Windows NT plus a network interface card.
- Internet Explorer 4.0 service pack 2 or higher required for the Help to work.

HUBCTRL32 for Windows 98 requires the following:

- Windows 98.
- The same hardware requirements for Windows 98 plus a network interface card.
- Internet Explorer 4.0 service pack 2 or higher required for the Help to work.

**NOTE**: HUBCTRL for DOS is also available. Please contact IMC Networks' Technical Support at 800-624-1070 (in U.S.) or via e-mail at techsupport@imcnetworks.com for more information.

### Downloading HUBCTRL32

#### From the IMC Networks Web site:

- Download the file hubctrl32.exe from IMC Networks' Web site. The file can be found under the section "Other" at: http://www.imcnetworks.com/tech/software.htm
- 2) Use Windows Explorer to locate the downloaded file. Double Click the file to start. A "Welcome" dialog box for the HUBCTRL32 Setup Program will appear.
- 3) Click Continue. The Setup program will launch.
- 4) Proceed to the "Installing HUBCTRL32 for Windows NT and Windows 98" section on the next page.

### From the *iView* CD:

- 1) Using Windows Explorer, browse the *iView* CD and doubleclick on the file **SETUP.EXE** located in the directory HC32/.
- 2) Follow the on-screen instructions.
- 3) Proceed to the "Installing HUBCTRL32 for Windows NT and Windows 98" section on the next page.

#### Installing HUBCTRL32

Once the setup is launched:

1) Another Welcome dialog box for the HUBCTRL32 Setup Program will appear.

**NOTE:** It is strongly recommended that you exit all Windows applications before continuing.

Click **Next** to continue, **Cancel** to exit the installation process.

- 2) The License Agreement dialog box will appear. Click **Yes** to accept the license agreement.
- 3) The User Information dialog box will appear. Enter your user information. Click **Next** to continue.
- 4) The Choose Destination Location dialog box will appear. Here, you will decide exactly where you want HUBCTRL32 and its associated files installed. The default is:

C:\Program Files\Hub Control32

To change this location, click **Browse...** To accept the designated location, click **Next**.

- 5) The Select Program Folder dialog box will appear. Here, the utility will create a Program group and icons for HUBCTRL32 from the Windows Start menu. The default name of this Program group will be "Hub Control32." To change this name, highlight "Hub Control32" and type the new name. To accept the default name, click **Next**.
- 6) The Copy Files dialog box will appear showing the current install settings. Click **Next**.
- 7) The SNMP NDIS3 Packet Driver Installation Instructions dialog box will appear.

NOTE: THIS WINDOW CONTAINS VITAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CORRECT INSTALLATION OF HUBCTRL32 ON YOUR MACHINE. PLEASE READ THIS SCREEN AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY ONCE THE SETUP UTILITY ENDS.

**NOTE:** This is your last opportunity to click on **Back** and change any of the settings already configured in the Setup utility.

Click **Next** to continue.

8) The *Setup Complete* dialog box will appear. Note that you will still need to install the SNMP NDIS driver (see 7, above). Click **Finish**.

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9) As stated earlier, the Networking Control Panel application will launch once you finish the Setup Utility. Here you must install the drivers necessary for running HUBCTRL32. At this window, do the following:

#### For Windows 98 Network Control Panel Application

- A) Highlight an **adapter** to bind HUBCTRL32 to.
- B) Click the **Add...** button.
- C) Select **Protocol** from the list then click the **Add...** button.
- D) Click Have Disk..., then Browse.
- E) The install INF and packet drivers can be found in the directory C:\Program Files\Hub Control32 or the directory specified in the Choose Destination Location dialog box (see 4, above). Select this directory, highlight the file SNMPpkt.inf and click OK, then click OK again.
- F) The correct directory for the driver will already be displayed, click **OK** to install the new driver.
- G) **Restart** the system to complete the HUBCTRL32 installation.

#### For Windows NT Network Control Panel Application

You MUST have Administrator rights to perform the following steps. If you do not you will need to LOGOFF and LOGON on as Administrator.

- A) Click the **Protocols** tab.
- B) Click the Add... button, then Have disk...
- C) Enter C:\Program Files\Hub Control32 or the directory specified in the Choose Destination Location dialog box (see 4, above) in the box, then click **OK**.
- D) Click **OK** to select the SNMP Ndis3 protocol.
- E) Click **Close...** to bind the new protocol.
- F) **Restart** the system to complete the HUBCTRL32 installation.

If you experience any problems, please contact IMC Networks technical support at (800) 624-1070 (in U.S.), +32-16-550880 (Europe) or via e-mail at techsupport@imcnetworks.com

For information regarding the use of HUBCTRL32, please refer to the HUBCTRL32 online Help file (**Start**, **Programs**, **Hub Control32**).

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