

# Quasar File User Guide



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## **Definitions, Acronyms and Abbreviations**

Table 1: Table of Terminology

Term	Definition
API	<b>Application Programming Interface</b> . An API specifies how some software components should interact with each other
Container	A file encapsulation system where separate elements (also called 'Essence') are combined into a single file. Also known as a File-Wrapper
Destination folder	Folder where finished jobs are written to (access and authorisation required)
Drop Folder	A folder associated with a <b>Watch Folder Configuration</b> . The folder will act as a repository for files converted by the associated Watch Folder Configuration
EOTF	<b>Electro-Optical Transfer Function.</b> This describes how to turn digital code words into visible light
File Wrapper	A file encapsulation system where separate elements (also called <b>Essence</b> ) are combined into a single file. Also known as a <b>Container</b>
FIMS	Framework for Interoperable Media Services. A framework of service definitions for implementing media related operations using a Service Orientated Architecture (SOA)
GPU	<b>Graphical Processing Unit</b> . Very efficient, highly parallel compute engine for advanced image processing techniques.
GV File Browser	A service within the GV File system that allows an Operator to easily browse to and select a source file or, browse to a destination folder
GV File Client	The User Interface for the GV File framework
GV File Node	Service which executes the jobs within the job queue. It performs all data processing (image/audio/metadata). The Node hardware is represented by the GPU
GV File Server	Is the GV File Service that orchastrates all GV File processes.
GV File Watcher	Service which monitors user specified watch folders and automatically adds them to the job queue. Monitoring can based on file system notifications or dedicated polling. The user specifies a profile to be applied to each asset which is copied to watch folder and then drops the output into the specified drop folder. Filters and output filenames can be assigned to each watch folder.
HDR	<b>High Dynamic Range.</b> Is a representation that allows extended dynamic range (darker darks, brighter whites) by means of new transfer functions (EOTF/OETF) and Wide Color Gamut (WCG), which replaces the traditional CRT gamma curve and BT709 colour space.

Term	Definition
Install / Installation	Installation of the services within the Snell GV File framework.
License file	Defines the quantity of products available.
License Server	Manages product licenses.
Locking code	Lock code based on specific locking criteria. GV File products are locked to host machine the sentinel service is installed on.
OETF	<b>Opto-Electronic Transfer Function.</b> Inverse function of EOTF, describes how to turn visible light into digital code words.
OOTF	<b>Opto-Optical Transfer Function.</b> End-to-end, camera-to-display non-linearity, intentionally introduced to the signal. Its purpose is to make the image perceptually as close as possible to the real world. Can be referred to as Rendering Intent.
Profile	A Profile defines how a piece of media is transformed / converted. <b>Default</b> profiles and <b>User</b> profiles are available.
REST	<b>Representational state transfer</b> . Rest is a simple way of sending and receiving data between client and server. A RESTful web service is a web API implemented using HTTP and REST principles.
Source file	Location of the source file. Path can be entered explicitly or via the <b>browse</b> feature (access and authorisation is required).
SDR	<b>Standard Dynamic range:</b> traditional CRT gamma curve defined by BT709 colour space in HD and by REC601 in SD.
TCC	NVIDIA Tesla Compute Cluster Mode. Professional NVIDIA GPUs which offer a graphics output need to have TCC mode enabled if they are to be used as a compute engine. Enabling TCC will disable the graphical output.
Watch Folder	A repository folder for source files, where the action of moving a file to the folder, will initiate an automated conversion process.
Watch Folder Configuration	The process that is initiated when a source folder is placed in the associated Watch Folder. The <b>Watch Folder Configuration</b> will convert the source file using the associated Profile and will place the converted file into an associated Drop Folder.
WCG	Wide Color Gamut. ITU-R BT.2020 works together with the HDR functionality to offer a much wider color gamut than the traditional BT.709.

### 1. Overview

Our GV File Client offers simple system configuration and management with intuitive and clear control of the job queue. At a glance you can track which jobs are in progress, see estimated completion times, view source file metadata and interrogate both source and destination paths. Job creation is simplified through the use of an integrated browser which offers seamless access to assets on both local and remote shares.

Choose from a selection of preconfigured default Profiles or create your own user Profile to be applied to a job. Our Profile creation widget offers intelligence to help the user generate their desired Profile quickly and easily.

Included is a notification system which keeps you up to date with the state of the various framework services and a watch folder configuration widget to quickly and effectively automate the population of your job queue.

Note: Installation guides can be found here:

https://www.grassvalley.com/cgi-

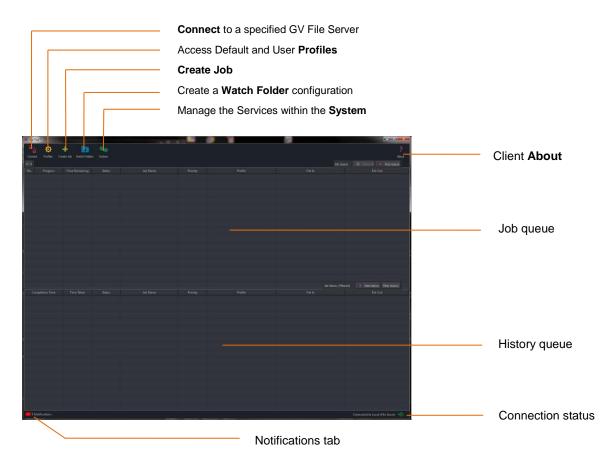
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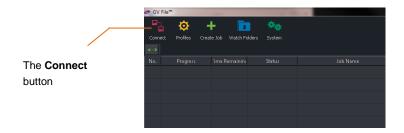
The GV File Client is easily launched via the desktop icon, which is created as part of the installation process.





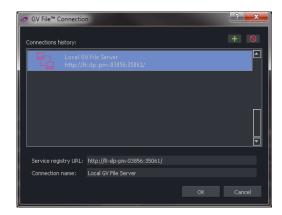
#### **GV File Client Overview**

Connect is used to configure a connection to a specified GV File Server.



Selecting the **Connect** button will open the **GV File<sup>TM</sup> connection** window. Only one Server can be connected to, at any one time, but multiple Server configurations can be stored.

Note that multiple Clients may be run on a single work station and each may connect to different GV File Servers.



Confirmation that the GV File Client has successfully connected to the GV File Server, is shown at the bottom of the Client GUI.



## 2. Profile Management

#### 2.1 Introduction

Profiles are used to control the conversion/transformation applied to a job.

The Quasar File system is supplied with a number of pre-configured conversion Profiles. These pre-configured Profiles are identified by a **Default** prefix and these Profiles cannot be edited or deleted.

However, because there are potentially a huge number of video format, video standard, codec and file wrapper combinations, it would be impractical to try and include all combinations as Default Profiles. Therefore, Quasar File offers the ability to create custom Profiles.

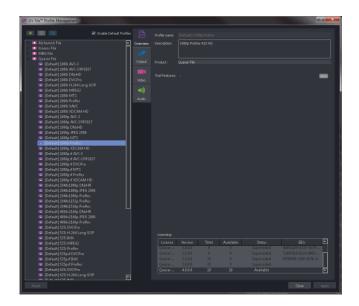
The Default Profiles can be used as a basis for a User Profile. A User Profile is a Profile that has been custom made by a User/Operator.

Once custom Profiles are configured, they will appear alongside the Default Profiles, in the list of available Profiles.

There are two methods that can be employed when building a new Profile:

- i. **Create a new Profile** This will create a Profile based on the default settings of the Quasar File. The user can then modify the Profile so that it complies with their specific requirements.
- ii. Copy and edit an existing Profile This method allows the user to duplicate an existing Profile that best matches the requirements of the new Profile. This can then be modified so that it complies exactly with the requirements.

The Copy method usually offers the fastest approach, since it requires less parameters to be modified.



## 2.2 Create a New Profile

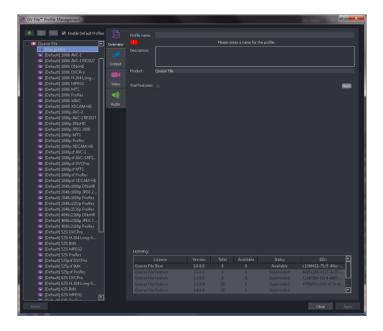
1. Select the Quasar File product, in the left-hand pane of the **Profile Management** window.



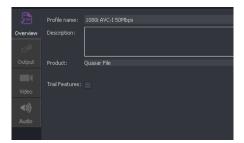
2. Select the New Profile icon.



The **Profile Management** window will now be in a mode where it can be edited. All parameters will be at their default value.



The User will be prompted to give the new Profile a name. This can be anything the User chooses, but it is often useful for the Profile name to describe the properties of the Profile.

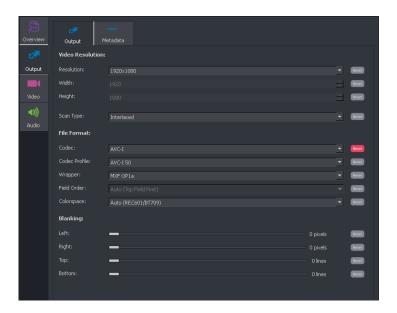


In this example, the output video standard, the video codec and the bit-rate, have all been incorporated into the Profile name. This practice is useful, but not essential. Alternatively, an operator could choose to name the Profile by its relevance to a particular customer, or maybe to a particular series of programs.

3. A description may be added if desired. This is useful for future reference.



4. Now the parameters of the new Profile can be edited as per the requirements.



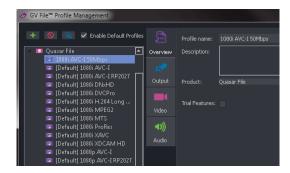
Note: Any parameter adjusted from its default value will set the associated Reset button to red.

An orange **Reset** button means that it is active and when selected will return the particular parameter to its default value. Upon setting a parameter to default value, the associated **Reset** button will return to grey.

5. When editing is complete, click **Apply** to save the new Profile.



The new Profile will now appear alongside the default Profiles.

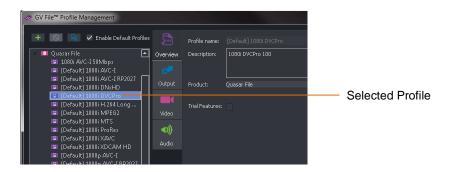


The new Profile is now available for any future job. It will remain so until such time as it is deleted.

## 2.3 Copy and Editing an Existing Profile

As an alternative to building a new Profile from scratch, the **Copy** feature may be used. This is usually a quicker method of producing the required Profile.

1. Choose an existing profile that most closely matches the requirements of the required Profile. Click once on the Profile to highlight it.



In this example, one of the default Profiles has been chosen. However, it is also possible to copy a custom Profile if required.

Note: The parameters of the Profile are currently greyed out. This is because the current Profile is a Default Profile and as such, cannot be edited.

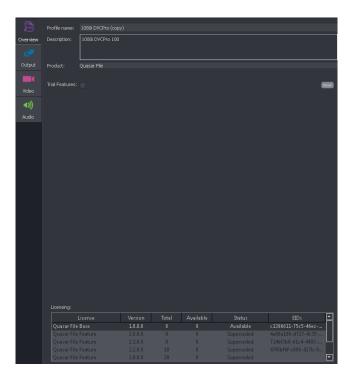
2. Click on the copy symbol



This will make a copy of the selected Profile. Note that the name of the Profile will now be appended with the word 'copy' in brackets. Also, note that the parameters within the Profile are no longer greyed out and can now be edited.



3. Now the copied Profile can be edited as required.



In this example, the name has been edited to something meaningful. Also a description has been added in the **Description** field. This is often useful for future reference.

4. When editing is complete, select **Apply** to save the new Profile.



5. The new user Profile will now appear alongside the default Profiles.

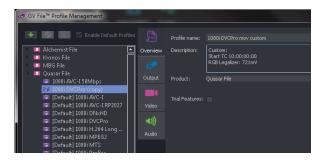


The new Profile is now available for any future job. It will remain so until such time as it is deleted.

## 2.4 Deleting Profiles

Only custom made Profiles can be deleted. Default Profiles cannot be deleted.

1. Click on the Profile that you wish to delete.



2. Click on the **Delete** symbol.



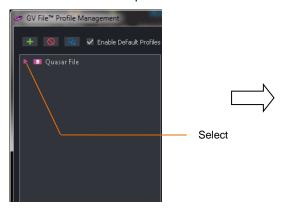
A Confirm deletion message will appear.

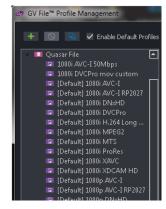


Click **OK** to complete the deletion.

## 2.5 Access Profile List

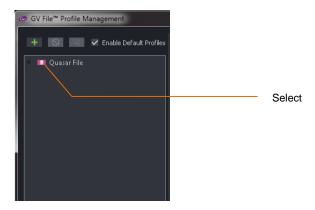
Click on the arrow to expand the Profile tree.





## 2.6 Licensing Check

Click on the Product to view the License details.



The Product overview window will inform the user of the license type, quantity, status and entitlement ID.



#### 2.7 Overview Tab

#### 2.7.1 Profile Name

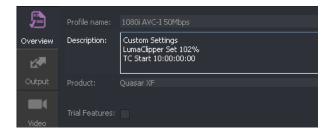
In the Overview tab, you will be prompted to give the new Profile a name. This can be anything the Operator chooses, but it is often useful for the Profile name to describe the properties of the Profile. The Profile name may contain the video standard, the codec, the codec bit-rate, etc.



In this example, the output video standard, the video codec, the bit-rate and the file-wrapper type are all incorporated into the Profile name. This practice is useful, but not essential. Alternatively, an operator could choose to name the Profile by its relevance to a particular customer, or maybe to a particular series of programs.

#### 2.7.2 Profile Description

A description can be entered if required. This is often useful for future reference. This field is optional.



#### 2.7.3 Trial Feature

**Trial features** may be enabled or disabled. A **Trial feature** is one which may not have been fully developed or validated. The user can use and experience the feature prior to it becoming a released feature. At the time of writing, only DPX support is deemed to be a trial feature.



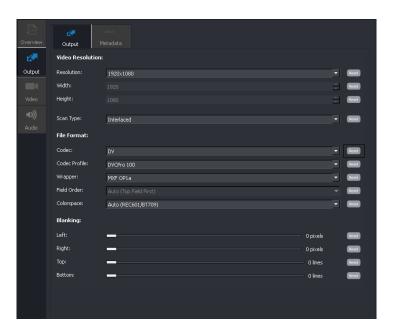
Note: **Trial features** should not be confused with the trial version of Quasar File. These are completely different things!

## 3. Profile Configuration

This section describes the parameters available to configure a user profile.

## 3.1 Output/Output Tab

Here the Operator can configure the parameters of the output file.



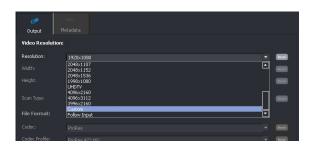
## 3.1.1 Output/Output/Format: Various

A drop down menu allows the Operator to choose the output video format.



## 3.1.2 Output/Output/Resolution: Custom

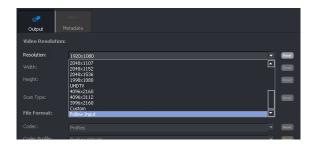
From the **Resolution** drop down menu, the User may select the **Custom** setting.



Note: this feature is only available for file types that allow custom resolutions.

These include: ProRes, Uncompressed mov, and DPX.

## 3.1.3 Output/Output/ Video Resolution/Resolution: Follow Input



When Resolution is set to Follow Input the output resolution will be set to be the same as the input file.

This feature has certain restrictions:

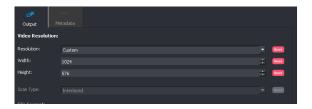
- The output file made will be ProRes/mov.
- The output file scan rate will be Progressive.

## 3.1.4 Output/Output/Resolution/Custom width & Custom height: Various

The **Custom width** and **Custom height** controls will now become active allowing the User to set any desired resolution.

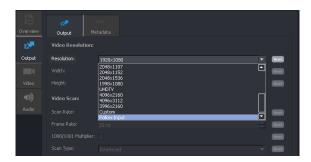


Both controls may be set anywhere between 32 and 8192. Custom settings can either be set by use of the **up/down** arrows, or by simply typing a value in.



Note that only certain codecs allow custom resolutions. Apple ProRes, Uncompressed MOV and DPX files all allow for custom resolutions to be configured.

## 3.1.5 Output/Output/Resolution/Follow Input



When **Resolution** is set to **Follow Input** the output resolution will be set to be the same as the input file.

This feature has certain restrictions:

- The output file made will be ProRes/mov.
- The output file scan rate will be Progressive.

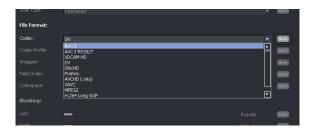
#### 3.1.6 Output/Output/Scan Type: Interlaced/PsF/Progressive

A drop down menu allows the User to choose the desired output video scan rate.



### 3.1.7 Output/Output/Codec: Various

A drop down menu allows the User to choose the desired output video codec.



## 3.1.8 Output/Output/Codec Profile: Various

A drop down menu allows the User to set the desired bit-rate and bit-depth, of the codec used in the output file.



Note that the dropdown menu for this parameter will be dependent upon the chosen Codec. In this example the various ProRes profiles are shown.

### 3.1.9 Output/Output/Wrapper: MXF OP1a / MOV / MJ2 / MTS / MP4

A drop down menu allows the user to set the desired file wrapper. The client will only offer wrappers which are valid for the format, codec and codec profile selected.



Note that the dropdown menu for this parameter will be dependent upon the chosen Codec.

In this example the JPEG profiles has been selected and so the choice is given to wrap the file either as a .MOV, an MJ2 or as an .MXF OP1a.

## 3.1.10 Output/Output/File Format/Field Order

This control is only active when the output file type is interlaced ProRes, DPX or Uncompressed MOV. A User may choose to define the output field order as either TFF (top field first), or BFF (bottom field first), by use of the drop down menu.



### 3.1.11 Output/Output/Colourspace: Auto/REC601/BT709/BT2020

A drop down menu allows the User to set the desired colourspace setting and gamma transfer function. The default value is **Auto**. In **Auto** mode the system will choose the appropriate colourspace and gamma transfer function for the chosen output file type. Alternatively the User can choose to manually select the required colourspace.



When set to **Auto** output colour space will be set to the appropriate SDR colour space (when the output is HD, or 4K, output colourspace will comply with BT709. When the output is SD output colourspace will comply with REC601).

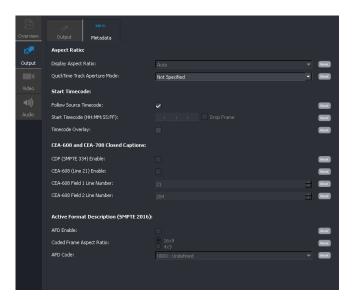
When required, the output can be manually set to BT2020.

## 3.1.12 Output/Output/Blanking: Left / Right / Top / Bottom

The Blanking slider controls allow the user to blank areas of the output image. Blanked areas will appear black in the output image.



## 3.2 Output/Metadata



## 3.2.1 Output/Metadata/Display Aspect Ratio: 4x3 / 16x9 / 4x3 Full / 16x9 Full

This control is only active when an SD output format is configured\*. It allows the User to define the metadata parameter **Display Aspect Ratio**. The default setting is **4x3**.



If an HD, 2K or 4K standard is configured; this control is disabled (greyed out).

\*In the event that a custom output resolution is configured in the **Output** menu, then the **Display Aspect Ratio** control will be active. This is because an SD custom resolution could be configured and the User may want to tag the output file as either 4x3 or 16x9. In this case, the default setting of the control **Display Aspect Ratio** is 16x9.

The control has four possible settings, selectable from a drop down menu:



This setting is applicable for when the output program is to be displayed on a 4x3 video monitor. This setting uses the default values dictated by the specific file format being employed by the output file.

Note that when the output file type utilizes a MOV file wrapper, that default values are based on analogue blanking (625: 702x576, 525: 702x486). This apparent error is inherent in the MOV file wrapper.

All other file types will scale correctly in the digital domain (625: 720x576, 525: 720x486).

This setting is used if the SD output program is to be displayed on a 16x9 video monitor. When **16x9** is selected, the spatial scaling will be dictated by the specific file format being employed in the output file.

Note that when the output file type utilizes a MOV file wrapper, that default values are based on analogue blanking values (625: 702x576, 525: 702x486). This will affect scaling to 16x9, where the actual aspect ratio created will be 1.85:1 (true 16x9 = 1.77:1). This error is inherent in the MOV file wrapper. All other file types will scale correctly to 16x9.

**4x3 Full** This setting is only available when the output file format utilizes a MOV file wrapper.

The output file will be scaled using digital blanking values (625: 720x576, 525: 720x486), so ensuring the output is exactly 4:3.

**16x9 Full** This setting is only available when the output file format utilizes a MOV file wrapper. This setting is used if the output program is to be displayed on a 16x9 video monitor. Unlike the **16x9** setting, the **16x9 Full** setting will set spatial scaling values to make the output file display exactly to 16x9.

#### 3.2.2 QuickTime Track Aperture Mode



This control is only active when the output standard is SD, and the output file container is Quicktime.

The **Track Aperture Mode** is an optional MOV container atom that stores information for video correction by describing the dimensions of the clean aperture, the production aperture and the encoded pixels.

When MOV files are played in Apple QuickTime player, the DAR setting is ignored unless the Track Aperture Mode is set to **Production Mode**.

#### 3.2.3 Output/Metadata/Start Timecode

This control allows the User to define the output timecode count.

The default setting is: Follow Source Timecode.



In this mode output timecode will follow source timecode by preloading the output timecode generator with the start timecode value extracted from the source. The output generator will then free-run.

Note: Drop frame timecode is designed to faithfully represent real time as shown on a clock on the wall. It achieves this by dropping 2 frame counts every minute, except every tenth minute. For this reason a drop frame conversion doesn't contain all the time code frame counts which were present in a non-drop frame source.

Whereas, non-drop frame timecode, includes all timecode counts, but a consequence to this is that timecode time does not represent real time.

In circumstances where the input has no timecode and **Follow source timecode** is enabled, output timecode will use the default value as a starting point i.e. 01:00:00:00

Note that if the output scan rate is set to 59.94, when **Follow source timecode** is enabled, the output timecode will be, by definition, drop frame.

Alternatively, the User can choose to start output timecode from a specific value. Un-checking the **Follow source timecode** control will make the **Start timecode (hh.mm.ss.ff)** control active. The default timecode value of one hour (01:00:00:00) will be displayed.



The **Start timecode (hh.mm.ss.ff)** value may be configured to be any timecode value the User chooses, by simply typing a numerical value:



Note that if a 29.97 or 59.94 fps output format is selected in the **Output** menu, the **Drop Frame** control will now become active, allowing the User to define the output timecode as either drop frame, or non-drop frame.



The default setting is **Drop Frame**.

#### Timecode Overlay



When enabled, a timecode overlay will appear within the active picture area (upper left), of the output video content.



#### 3.2.4 Output/Metadata/CDP (SMPTE 334) enable



When enabled, the **CDP (SMPTE 334) enable** control will allow any Closed Captions in the input to be inserted in the output as SMPTE 436M ancillary data.

Note – this control is only active when certain output file types are configured. Where the feature is not supported, the control will be unavailable (greyed out).

#### 3.2.5 Output/Metadata/CEA-608 (Line 21) enable

The **CEA-608 (Line 21) enable** control set is only active when **SD 525** is set as the output format, and the IMX/D10 codec, or DPX, is configured. In all other cases the control is inactive (greyed out).



The control **CEA-608 (Line 21) enable,** when enabled will allow input Closed Captions conforming to CEA 608 to pass to the output, or CEA 708 CB (compatibility byte) to be transposed into the output as CEA608

### 3.2.6 Output/Metadata/CEA-608 field 1 line number

The control **CEA-608 field 1 line number** allows the User to configure an alternative output line to carry the CEA-608 caption. This can be on any line between line 10 and line 25. Default is line 21.



### 3.2.7 Output/Metadata/CEA-608 field 2 line number

The control **CEA-608 field 1 line number** allows the User to configure an alternative output line to carry the CEA-608 caption. This can be on any line between line 10 and line 25. Default is line 21.Output/Metadata/CEA-608 field 2 line number.

Similarly, the control **CEA-608 field 2 line number** allows the User to configure an alternative output line to carry the CEA-608 caption. This can be on any line between line 274 and line 288. Default is line 284.



Note – Quasar File only offers output Closed Captions support of CEA608 (line 21) when the output format is either D10/IMX MXF OP1a, or DPX. Whenever an output file type is configured that is not D10/IMX MXF OP1a, or DPX, the **CEA-608 (Line 21) enable** control will be disabled (greyed out).

## 3.2.8 Output/Metadata/Active Format Description (SMPTE 2016)

The User can choose to add SMPTE 2016 signalling information to the output file. AFD codes can be selected from a drop down menu. However, this feature is limited to certain output file formats. When the feature is not supported by the chosen output format, the **AFD enable control** will be unavailable (greyed out)



### 3.2.9 Output/Metadata/AFD enable

If an output codec is selected that supports the insertion of SMPTE 2016 AFD codes, the User may choose to enable the feature using the AFD enable checkbox.

The AFD enable control is default off (unchecked).



## 3.2.10 Output/Metadata/Coded Frame Aspect Ratio

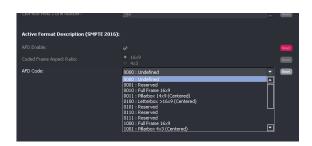
When enabled, the **Coded frame aspect ratio**, and the **AFD code** controls become active.



The coded frame may be set to either 16x9, or 4x3, by selecting the appropriate check box.

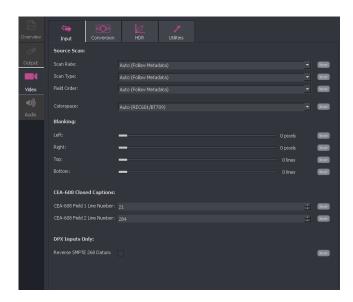
## 3.2.11 Output/Metadata/AFD Code

A specific AFD code may be selected from the drop down menu.



## 3.3 Video/Input Tab

The video menu contains three sub menus: Input, Conversion and Utilities.



## 3.3.1 Video/Input/Scan Rate

This control has two possible settings:

- Auto (Follow Metadata)
- User Specified



In Auto, the system will automatically determine input scan rate from the metadata. This is the default setting.

Alternatively, the User can choose to force the Scan Rate control to User Specified. When this option is selected, a new set of controls will become visible:

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## 3.3.2 Video / Input / Frame Rate

This control is only visible when the **Scan Rate** control (above) is set to **User Specified**. Once active, the User can manually set the source frame rate.



## 3.3.3 Video/Input/Source Scan/1000/1001 Multiplier

This control is only visible when the **Scan Rate** control (above) is set to **User Specified**. Once active, the User can use this control to define a frame rate that uses the 1000/1001 multiplier (i.e. 47.95 – set 48Hz and enable multiplier).



### 3.3.4 Video/Input/Source Scan/Scan Type: Auto/Interlaced/Progressive/Segmented Frame.

This control has three possible settings: Auto, Interlaced, or Progressive/Segmented Frame.

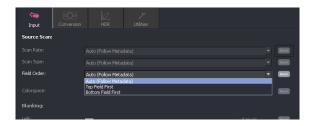


In Auto, the system will automatically determine input scan rate from the metadata. This is the default setting.

Alternatively, the User can choose to force the **Scan type** control to either **Interlaced**, or to **Progressive/Segmented Frame**.

This is useful if the associated metadata incorrectly describes the actual video essence.

### 3.3.5 Video/Input/Source Scan/Field order: Auto/Top field first/Bottom field first



The purpose of this control is to allow the User to force the field order. This is useful if the associated metadata incorrectly describes the actual video essence.

The control has three settings:

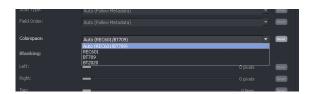
- Auto (follow metadata)
- Top field first (TFF)
- Bottom field first (BFF)

When set to Auto (follow metadata) the field order will be treated as described by the metadata.

The setting **Top field first** will process the file as **top field first** and will ignore the metadata (with respect to this parameter).

The setting **Bottom field first** will process the file as **bottom field first** and will ignore the metadata (with respect to this parameter).

## 3.3.6 Video/Input/Colourspace: Auto/REC601/BT709/BT2020



When **Input Colorspace** is set to **Auto**, when the source file is SD it will be assumed that it is compliant to the REC601 specification and when the source is HD, 2K or 4K, it will be assumed that it is compliant to the BT709 specification.



When source files are compliant to the BT2020 specification, the Colourspace control should be manually set to BT2020

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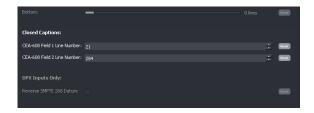
#### 3.3.7 Video/Input/Input Blanking: Left/Right/Top/Bottom

Blanking controls would normally be left in their default settings, but if required, input blanking can be manually configured. Blanked areas will appear black in the output image.



## 3.3.8 Video/Input/Closed Captions

This control is only applicable when the input format is SD. This control allows the User to define the input line that Closed Captions are present on. This is usually line 21 of field 1, and line 284 of field 2, which are the default values of these controls.



In circumstances where source CEA-608 closed captions are carried on an alternative input line, these controls allow the User to define these alternative lines:



## 3.3.9 Video/Input/DPX Inputs Only/Reverse SMPTE 268 Datum

This field will be disabled (greyed out) unless Trial features are enabled (see section 3.7.3, page 20).

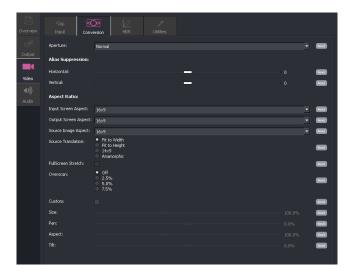
It should be appreciated that DPX files can either conform the SMPTE268, or to an alternative specification, DVS. The control **Reverse SMPTE 268 datum** should be selected when source DPX files conform the DVS specification.



For additional information regarding DPX support, see Appendix D at the end of this document.

## 3.4 Video/Conversion Tab

The second Video tab relates to Conversion parameters.



## 3.4.1 Video/Conversion/Aperture: Sharp/Normal/Anti-alias

This control can be used to set the appropriate conversion aperture.



Available settings are Normal, Sharp & Anti-alias. The default setting is Normal.

**Sharp** preserves the most vertical resolution from the input picture.

Normal provides the best compromise for typical input pictures.

**Anti-alias** is designed to prevent objectionable aliases in the output pictures. Aliasing refers to an artefact associated with sampled signals. This undesirable effect is caused by sampling frequencies being too low to faithfully reproduce the frequencies present in the original source.

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## 3.4.2 Video/Conversion/Alias Suppression: Horizontal/Vertical

The **Alias Suppression** feature allows the user to manually increase or decrease the magnitude of alias suppression. Separate horizontal and vertical controls are available.



Two slider controls are offered. Default setting is zero.

Positive settings increase alias suppression.

Negative settings decrease suppression.

Alias suppression should be used to balance perceived resolution against unwanted aliasing.

## 3.4.3 Video/Conversion/Aspect Ratio: Various

Note: a more comprehensive document is available for the Quasar File ARC feature. Please refer to the User guide: **Quasar File - How to configure the ARC** (available from the GV File website).

The user can specify aspect ratio translations using either the drop down fields or the custom fields.



ARC controls include:

- Input Screen Aspect
- Output Screen Aspect
- Source Image Aspect
- Source Translation
- FullScreen Stretch
- Overscan
- Custom

## **Input Screen Aspect**

This control is used to describe the source screen input aspect ratio by selecting the relevant setting from the drop down list.



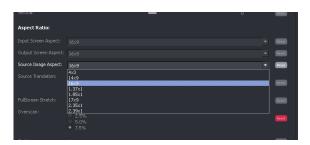
## Output screen aspect

This control is used to describe the destination screen aspect ratio from the drop down list.



## **Source Image Aspect**

This control is used to define the aspect ratio of the active image within the input screen aspect.



## **Source Translation**

This control is used to describe the translation required from source to output image.



## **FullScreen Stretch**



This feature is normally associated with a 4x3 to 16x9 translation.

It allows a non-linear aspect ratio conversion to be configured. In such a conversion, the picture content towards the left and right sides is stretched more than the content at the centre.

## Example:

# Source Output

Note that the FullScreen Stretch tick box is only active with certain ARC configurations exist:

- The source aspect ratio must be narrower than the output aspect ratio.
- Source Translation must not be set to: Fit to Width.

## Overscan

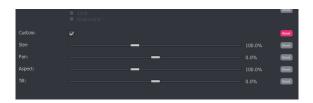


The **Overscan** control allows the picture to be overscanned by:

- 2.5%
- **5**%
- 7.5%

## Custom

Custom controls can be enabled to activate the custom display setting sliders.



The controls: 'Size', 'Pan', 'Asp' and 'Tilt' can now be used set any desired 'display' settings.

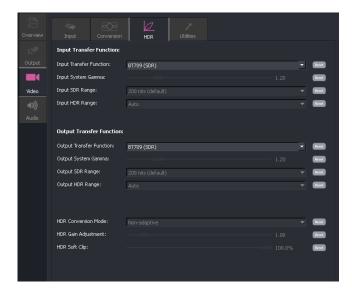
# 3.5 Video/HDR

## Introduction

Alchemist File now includes a full suite of HDR processing tools.

When dealing with HDR from a conversion perspective, the input side controls dictate how the input signal is interpreted (Source EOTF) and the output side controls provides control of the output configuration (Inverse OETF of the display).





## Quasar File supports:

- up mapping of SDR to HDR.
- down mapping of HDR to SDR.
- cross mapping of HDR to other HDR formats.
- retention of HDR, source to output

Two down mapping modes are available:

- Adaptive Tone Mapping
- Non-adaptive.

GV File products, now include an HDR control suite.

- A basic control surface may be employed, allowing conversions based on the defined parameters for each HDR standard supported.
- Alternatively, an advanced Custom mode may be used to customize the transfer curve allowing the User to adjust the look and feel of the content.
- The Adaptive Tone Mapping employs a more complex conversion algorithm. The process adapts to the levels in the source content and aims to provide an optimized output range during the down mapping process. In this mode, the user is less likely to need to manually set the HDR Gain or SDR Range output.

Supported HDR formats are:

- PQ,
- S-Log 3
- HLG

# 3.5.1 Video/HDR/Input Transfer Function



This set of controls allow the User to define the input with respect to HDR parameters.

## **Input Transfer Function:**



The Input Transfer Function control allows the User to define the input with respect to SDR/HDR.

The default value is: BT709 (SDR)

The input maybe defined to be:

- BT709 (SDR)
- PQ
- S-Log3
- HLG
- Custom

Note that, currently metadata in the source file cannot be relied upon, with respect to the HDR format. When HDR input files are encountered it is necessary to manually define the source with respect to HDR.

## **Input System Gamma**

System Gamma, is the overall transformation, also known as the opto-optical transfer function (OOTF), from the light captured by the camera to the light emitted by the display.

Note that control of Input System Gamma is not required when the input conforms the PQ specification. System Gamma is effectively included within the transfer function, hence control is not required.

When the Input is PQ, the Input System Gamma control is disabled.



The **Input System Gamma** control only becomes active when the **Input Transfer Function** control is set to either **HLG** or **S-Log3**.



The Input System Gamma control allows the User to define the input with respect to System Gamma.

The range of this control is:

■ 1.0 to 2.0

The default value is:

1.2

## Input SDR range



The Input SDR range control is only active if the **Input Transfer Function** is configured to be BT709 (SDR) and the **Output Transfer Function** is configured to be HDR (PQ, S-Log3, HLG, or Custom).



When active, the **Input SDR Range** control may be used to define the input brightness of the input picture, in terms of nits, that is to be mapped into the HDR output.

The range of the control is: 20 to 3000 nits.

Default value is: 200 nits

Note; this is an *input* control. The higher the value configured, the darker the output picture will be.

## **Input HDR Range**



Input HDR Range control maybe used to define the bit range of the 10-bit HDR signal presented at the input.

Full range: 0 to 1023

Narrow: 64 to 940

(Full range includes sub-blacks and super-whites. Narrow does not.)

The **Input HDR Range** control is only active when the **Input Transfer Function** is configured to be HDR (PQ, S-Log3, HLG, or Custom).



The **Input HDR Range** control maybe set to:

- Auto
- Narrow
- Full

When in Auto mode, if the input is:

- HLG then the auto setting will be: Narrow
- PQ then the auto setting will be: Full
- S-Log3 then the auto setting will be: Narrow

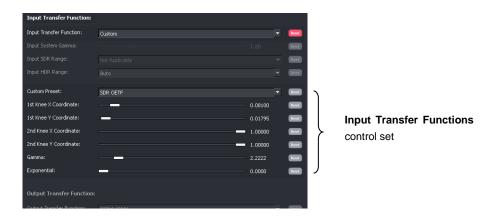
## Custom

The Custom control set allow the User to modify the accepted specifications of the various HDR curves, in order to obtain the desired output.

The Input side custom controls are provided as a solution for when an input file is encountered that does not conform to any of the supported formats, with respect to SDR or HDR transfer functions. This maybe as a consequence of one of the supported formats having been modified in some way, or maybe because the input format is not a supported type.

In circumstances where it is desired to use the custom controls as an aid to creativity, it is recommended that the input side is left in default and the output side custom controls are used for this purpose (see section 4.5.2).

When the Input Transfer Function control is set to Custom, a new suite of controls will appear.



The **Custom** controls allow the User to define a custom HDR curve.

## **Custom Preset**



The **Custom Preset** control allow a starting point to be configured that the custom HDR curve is based on. The options are:

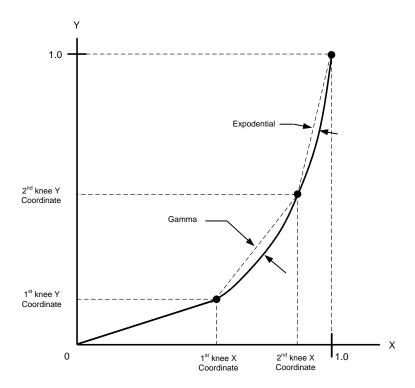
- SDR OETF
- SDR EOTF
- PQ OETF
- S-Log3 OETF
- HLG OETF

## Note

OETF is an acronym of: Optical Electrical Transfer (Linear Light to Coded representation). EOTF is an acronym of: Electrical Optical Transfer (Coded to Linear Light representation).

The following controls allow the HDR curve to be defined:

- 1st Knee X Coordinate
- 1st Knee Y Coordinate
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Knee X Coordinate
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Knee Y Coordinate
- Gamma
- Exponential

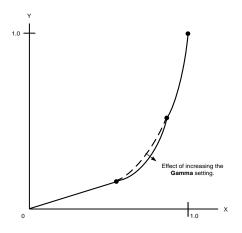


Using the control set, a custom HDR curve can be defined.

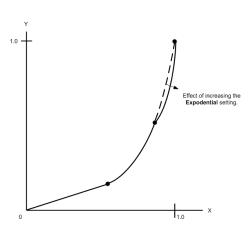
## Notes

- 1. The curve from the Origin to the 1st knee coordinate is linear (straight line)
- 2. The Gamma control defines the curve between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> knee coordinates.
- 3. The Exponential control defines the HDR curve between the 2<sup>nd</sup> knee & peak white.

The effect of increasing the Gamma & Exponential settings is shown in the following graphs:



As the setting of the **Gamma** control is increased, the curve between the two knee points is adjusted.



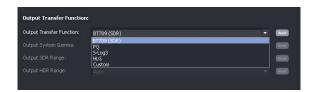
As the setting of the **Exponential** control is increased, the curve above the 2<sup>nd</sup> knee is adjusted.

## 3.5.2 Video/HDR/Output Transfer Function



This set of controls allow the User to define the Output with respect to HDR parameters.

## **Output Transfer Function**



The Output Transfer Function control allows the User to define the output with respect to SDR/HDR.

The default value is: BT709 (SDR)

The input maybe defined to be:

- PQ
- S-Log3
- HLG
- Custom

## **Output System Gamma**



The **Output System Gamma** control is only active when the **Output Transfer Function** control is set to either: HLG or S-Log3.

When active, the **Output System Gamma** control may be set to a value between 1.0 & 2.0.

The default value is: 1.2

Note that the gamma curve applied to the signal is the inverse of the output system gamma specified, because the control is intended to compensate for the system gamma curve that will be applied in the display.

## **Output SDR Range**



The **Output SDR Range** control is only active when the **Input Transfer Function** is configured to be HDR (PQ, HLG, S-Log 3, or Custom), and the **Output Transfer Function** is configured to be BT709 (SDR).



When active, the **Output SDR Range** control may be used to define the brightness of the output picture, in terms of nits, when derived from an HDR source.

The range of the control is: 20 to 3000 nits.

Default value is: 200 nits

Note; this is an *output* control. The higher the value configured, the brighter the output picture will be.

## **Output HDR Range**



The **Output HDR Range** control is used to define the bit range of the 10-bit HDR signal at the output.

Full range: 0 to 1023 Narrow: 64 to 940



The options for the **Output HDR Range** are:

- Auto
- Narrow
- Full

When in **Auto** mode, if the input is:

- PQ then the Auto setting will be: Full
- S-Log3 then the Auto setting will be: Narrow
- HLG then the Auto setting will be: Narrow

## Custom

The output side custom controls provide an aid to creativity by allowing the various transfer curves to be customised, in order to obtain a transfer that may not be offered by the rigid use of the accepted HDR specifications.

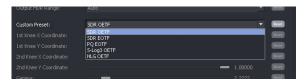
The Custom control set allow the User to modify the accepted specifications of the various SDR/HDR curves, in order to obtain the desired output.

When the Output Transfer Function control is set to Custom, a new suite of controls will appear.



The **Custom** controls allow the User to define a custom HDR curve.

#### **Custom Preset**



The **Custom Preset** control allow a starting point to be configured that the custom HDR curve is based on. The default settings of each option represents the accepted specification of the relevant setting.

Note that, with respect to the HDR formats (PQ, HLG, S-Log3):

- The specification of PQ Curve is defined as EOTF, hence the PQ starting point is: PQ EOTF
- The specification of HLG Curve is defined as OETF, hence the HLG starting point is: HLG OETF
- The specification of S-Log3 Curve is defined as OETF, hence the HLG starting point is: S-Log3 OETF

## The options are:

- SDR OETF (the starting point for the custom curve will be the inverse of this function)
- SDR EOTF
- PQ EOTF
- S-Log3 OETF (the starting point for the custom curve will be the inverse of this function)
- HLG OETF (the starting point for the custom curve will be the inverse of this function)

Options also allow an SDR curve to be defined. Because SDR is not usually defined with respect to OEFT, or EOFT, both options are available as a starting point.

#### Note

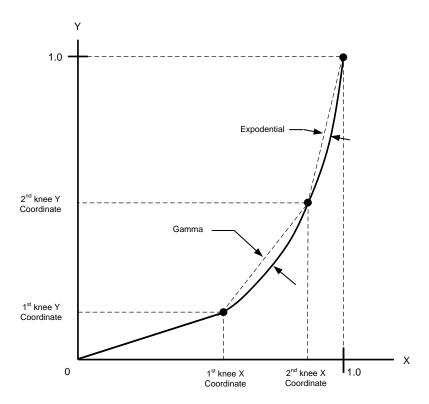
OETF is an acronym of: Optical Electrical Transfer (Linear Light to Coded representation).

EOTF is an acronym of: Electrical Optical Transfer (Coded to Linear Light representation).

Note that, as this is an output transfer function, the curve applied will be the inverse of the curve specified.

The following controls allow the HDR curve to be defined:

- 1st Knee X Coordinate
- 1st Knee Y Coordinate
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Knee X Coordinate
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Knee Y Coordinate
- Gamma
- Exponential

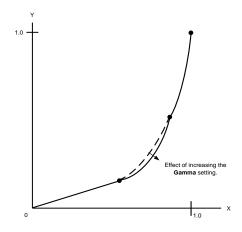


Using the control set, a custom HDR curve can be defined.

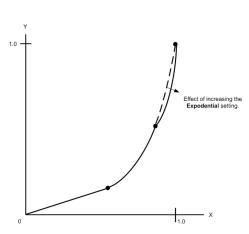
## Notes

- 1. The curve from the Origin to the 1st knee coordinate is linear (straight line).
- 2. The Gamma control defines the curve between the 1st and 2nd knee coordinates.
- 3. The Exponential control defines the HDR curve between the 2<sup>nd</sup> knee & peak white.
- 4. The curve is designed to have a continuous gradient across the knee points

The effect of increasing the **Gamma** & **Exponential** setting is shown in the following graph:



As the setting of the **Gamma** control is increased, the curve between the two knee points is adjusted.



As the setting of the **Exponential** control is increased, the curve above the 2<sup>nd</sup> knee is adjusted.

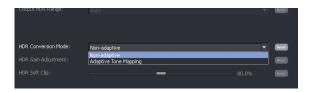
## 3.5.3 HDR Conversion Mode



The HDR Conversion Mode control is only active when an HDR to SDR process is configured.

When down-mapping from HDR to SDR, there are two options for the HDR Conversion Mode:

- Non-adaptive
- Adaptive Tone-Mapping



Non-adaptive: A conversion method employing a more simplistic approach for HDR to

SDR conversion. Input picture content is not considered as part of the

conversion process.

Adaptive Tone Mapping: The Adaptive Tone Mapping employs a more complex conversion algorithm. The process adapts to source content and aims to retain the

look and feel of the HDR source, within the parameters of the SDR output.

## 3.5.4 HDR Gain Adjustment



The HDR Gain Adjustment control is active when:

- the output is configured to be HDR (PQ, S-Log3, HLG or Custom).
- the input is configured to be HDR (PQ, S-Log3, HLG or Custom).

When active the output HDR Gain many be adjusted.

The range of the control is: 0.10 to 10

Note that the default manual is dependent upon the HDR process configured.

## 3.5.5 HDR Soft Clip



The Soft Clipping enables the peak white to be reduced in areas of the picture which may otherwise be clipped.

In practical terms, this control can be used to add back in detail in the whites which may have been lost as a consequence of applying an HDR curve. Note that this does come at the expense of detail in the blacks.

The HDR Soft Clip control is active either when:

- the output is configured to be HDR (PQ, S-Log3, HLG or Custom).
- the input is configured to be HDR (PQ, S-Log3, HLG or Custom).

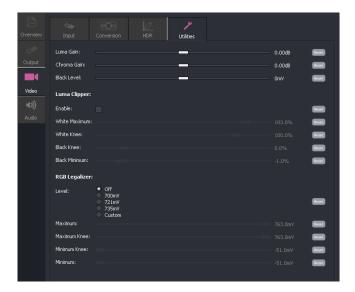
When active, the output HDR Soft Clip many be adjusted.

The range of the control is: 60% to 100%

Note that the default setting is dependent upon the HDR process configured.

# 3.6 Video/Utilities

The third Video tab relates to the Utilities features.



# 3.6.1 Video/Utilities/Luma Gain: +/- 6dB

The **Luma gain** may be adjusted using the slider control. The range is +/- 6dB.



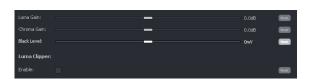
## 3.6.2 Video/Utilities/Chroma Gain: +/- 6 dB

The **Chroma gain** may be adjusted using the slider control. The range is +/- 6dB.



## 3.6.3 Video/Utilities/Black Level: +/- 80mV

The **black level** may be adjusted using the slider control. The range is +/- 80mV.



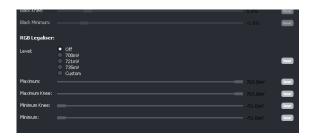
# 3.6.4 Video/Utilities/Luma Clipper

The Luma Clipper feature is enabled with the tick box. The default setting is **disabled**. When **enabled** the controls: **White Max**, **White Knee**, **Black Min** and **Black Knee** all become active and may be configured by the Operator.



# 3.6.5 Video/Utilities/RGB Legalizer: Off / 700mV / 721mV / 735mV / Custom

The RGB Legalizer is default off.



Three preset settings are offered for the RGB Legalizer Level control: 700mV, 721mV or 735mV.



There is also a **Custom** setting. When set to **Custom**, the custom controls become active allowing the User to set any combination of values



# 3.7 Audio Tab



The GV File Client offers the follow audio modes of operation:

- Audio pass through
- Routing of audio channels within an audio stream.
- Routing of audio channels between audio streams
- Routing of audio streams
- Audio pitch-shifting (as part of a video off-speeding process).
- Audio re-sampling (as part of a video off-speeding process).
- Audio tone generation
- Audio delay.
- Audio stripping/discarding

The Audio menus are split across three separate tabs.

- Input Setup
- Output Routing
- Output Config

# 3.7.1 Input Setup



The Input Setup menu is used to describe the audio distribution of the source file.

In circumstances where it is desired to remap the audio distribution as part of a GV File conversion process, it will be necessary to manually describe the input audio distribution. The 'describing' process is performed in the **Input Setup** tab.

## **Number of Input Streams**

This control allows the User to define the number of audio streams that are present in the input file.



The number of input audio streams maybe defined using the dropdown menu. Up to 32 audio streams is supported.

## **Stream Selection**

This menu allows the User to describe each stream of the input file.



Input audio streams can be selected from the Stream Selection field.

The selected stream will appear with an indented symbol:



In this example, Input Audio Stream 11 has been selected.

The default setting for each stream is **Passthrough**.

The audio stream type applied here will influence how the User can route audio channels later.

## **Stream Type: Various**

The Stream Type drop down menu can be used to define the audio parameters of any selected stream.

The audio type is defined by specific icons:



Passthrough



Mono



Stereo



Surround 5.1



Surround 5.1+2



Surround 7.1



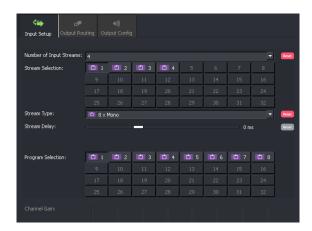
Custom

In this example, Stream 1 is selected and has been defined as a 1 x Stereo pair.



Each input stream will need to be defined to match the audio distribution of the source file.

In the following example, a source file with 4 audio streams has been defined. Each audio stream has been defined to have 8x audio mono channels.



## Stream Delay: -250ms to 500ms



An audio delay may be applied to each input audio stream. Audio is delayed relative to the associated video in the source.

All audio channels within the particular audio stream will have the same audio delay applied.

## Stream Gain: +/- 12dB

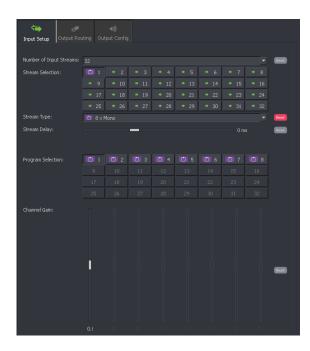
This control is only visible when the selected input stream is set to **Passthrough.** This control allows a global gain setting to be applied to all audio channels carried with the selected stream.



## Program Selection & Channel Gain: +/- 12dB

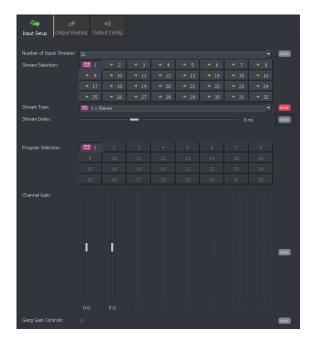
When an input stream is defined as anything other than **Passthrough**, a new set of controls will appear. The actual controls seen will depend upon what the stream is defined as.

Some examples are shown below:



Input Audio stream defined as: 8 x Mono

Each channel may be selected using the **Program Selection** matrix and the gain of each channel may be configured using the **Channel Gain** control



Input Audio stream defined as: 1 x Stereo

The stereo program may be selected using the **Program Selection** matrix and the gain of each channel may be configured using the **Channel Gain** control.

The **Gang gain controls** feature may be selected so any gain setting is applied equally to both channels, using just one of the sliders.



Input Audio stream defined as:

## 1 x Surround 7.1

The program may be selected using the **Program Selection** matrix and the gain of each channel may be configured using the **Channel Gain** control.

The **Gang Gain Controls** feature may be selected so any gain setting is applied equally to all the channels of the surround sound program.



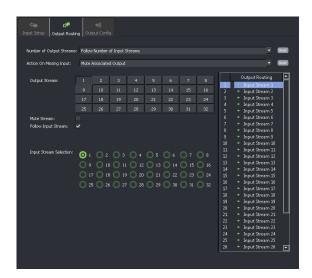
Input Audio stream defined as:

#### Custom

Each program within the selected stream may be selected using the **Program**Selection matrix and defined using the **Program Type** drop down menu.

The gain of each channel may be configured using the **Channel Gain** control.

## 3.7.2 Audio/Output routing



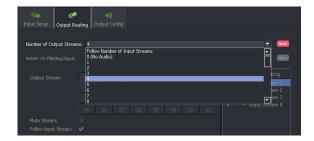
## Audio/Output Routing/Number of Output Streams



Here the number of output audio streams may be defined.

The default setting is **Follow Number of Input streams.** When selected, the number of output audio streams will be defined by the number of audio streams present in the input file.

Alternatively, the number of output audio streams can be selected using the drop-down menu:



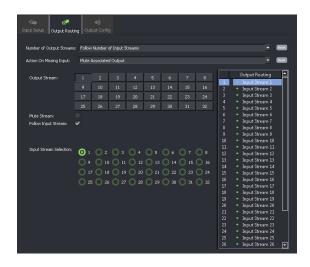
Most video codecs allow up to 32 audio streams to be configured, although the actual number depends on the codec of choice. In the above example the output has been configured to have 4 output audio streams.

Note that the ability to define the number of output streams will depend on the particular output file format of choice. This can be any number up to 32. However there are exceptions to this.

Please refer to Table 4, Supported File Types (Appendix A, below) for details of audio support by codec.

Note that if the Number of Output Streams is set to: 0 (no audio), all audio from the input will be stripped.

## **Number of Output Streams: Follow Number of Input Streams**



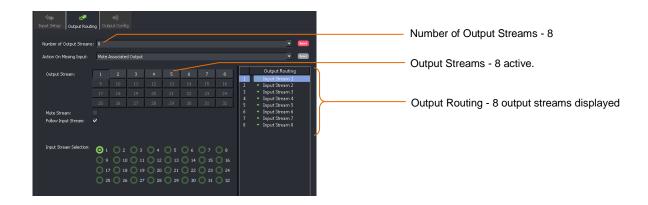
When the **Number of Output Streams** is configured to be **Follow Number of Input Streams**, the number of output streams will be defined by the input.

The menu will display routing options for the full complement of 32 audio streams.

## Number of Output Streams: 1 to 32

If the number of output streams is defined (1 to 32), the routing option menu will be modified to reflect the new setting:

In this example: The output has been defined to have 8 audio channels



## **Action On Missing Input:**



This menu has two possible setting:

- Mute Associated Output
- Remove Associated Output

In circumstances where the output has been configured to have more audio streams than the input, the setting of the control **Action On Missing Input** will define what happens to the additional audio streams configured in the output.

**Mute Associated Output streams:** Any missing input streams defined by the profile will result in corresponding muted audio streams in the output.

**Remove Associated Output Streams:** Any missing input streams defined by the Profile, will result in the corresponding audio streams in the output being removed.

Once the number of output streams has been set, an audio routing process can now be configured.

Note: this control is ineffective when the output file type is XDCam.

The setting will effectively be 'Mute Associated Output' (although this setting is 'greyed out' it is still the enforced behaviour).

## **Output Stream**



The **Output Stream** matrix allows specific output to be selected as part of an audio routing process.

The selected output stream will be indented to identify that it has been selected:



Output Stream 3 selected

#### **Mute stream**



When the **Mute Stream** control is activated, the selected output stream will be muted (no active audio) but the stream will still be present in the output.

Note that the **Output Routing** pane will confirm the selected stream is muted.

## **Follow Input Stream**

When **Follow Input Stream** is selected, each output stream, by definition, will be derived from the corresponding input stream. This is the default setting.



As each output stream is selected, the corresponding input stream will be highlighted to indicate the associated routing.

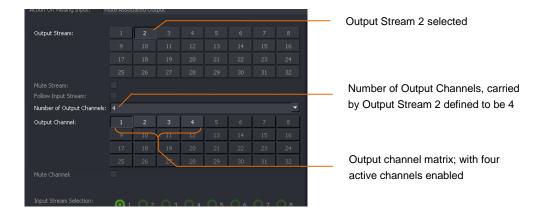
The **Output Routing** pane will confirm the configured routing.

When the Follow Input Stream is deactivated, a full routing menu will be exposed.



## **Number of Output Channels**

This control allows the number of output channels, of a particular output stream, to be defined. In this example, output stream 2 has been defined to carry 4 output channels:



#### **Mute Channel:**

The **Mute Channel** control enables the User to mute any particular output channel, within an output stream. In the following example, output stream 2, channel 2 has been muted.

Note that the **Output Routing** panel is modified to confirm the muted channel.



## **Input Stream Selection**



The **Input Stream Selection** matrix allows the User to define the particular input audio stream that an input channel is to be routed from, as part of a channel routing process.

## **Input Channel Selection**

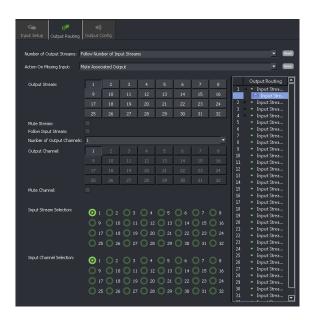


The **Input Channel Selection** matrix allows the User to define the particular input audio channel that an input channel is to be routed from, as part of a channel routing process.

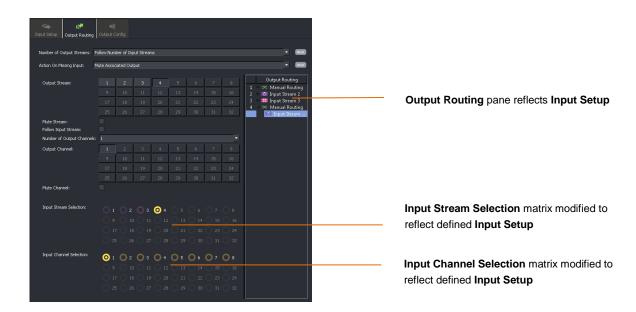
### **Audio Channel Routing**

Using the **Audio Channel Matrix**, any input audio channel, from any input audio stream may be routed to any output audio channel, in any output audio stream.

Where the **Input Setup** has not been defined (i.e. set to pass-through), the icons within the **Input Stream Selection** matrix, the **Input Channel Selection** matrix and the **Output routing** pane, will all be colored green:



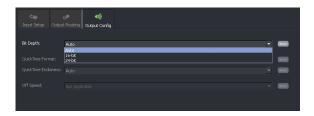
Where the input audio distribution has been defined in the **Input Setup** menu, the **Output Routing** menu will be color coded accordingly:



# 3.7.3 Audio / Output Config



## **Bit Depth**



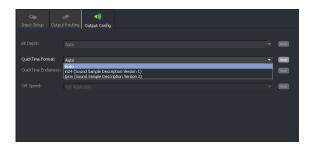
This control allows the User to apply a global setting for the bit depth of the audio in the output file. Three settings are available:

- Auto
- 16 bit
- 24 bit

When set to **Auto**, the bit depth of the output audio will faithfully follow that of the input. However, the User may choose to make all output audio channels either **16** or **24** bit. These settings will apply to all output audio streams.

#### QuickTime Format

This control is only active when the output file format is QuickTime (.mov).



Three settings are available:

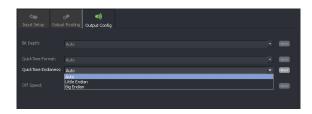
- Auto
- in24 (Sound Sample Description Version 1)
- ipcm (Sound Sample Description Version 2)

The User can manually choose the QuickTime audio version that will be associated with the output file.

When this setting is left in **Auto** mode, if the input file being processed is a QuickTime format, then the QuickTime audio format employed in the output file will be matched to the input.

In circumstances where the input file is not a QuickTime file format and the **QuickTime format** is set to **Auto**, then the output file will default to the more recent **ipcm** QuickTime format.

#### QuickTime Endianess



This menu item is only seen when the output file format is set to QuickTime (.mov).

When the output file container is QuickTime, the User can choose the **QuickTime Endianess** from a dropdown menu.

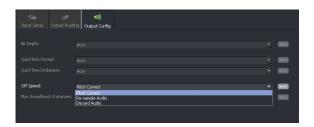
Three settings are available:

- Auto
- Little Endian
- Big Endian

When this setting is left in **Auto** mode, if the input file being processed is a QuickTime format, then the QuickTime endianess format employed in the output file will be matched to the input.

In circumstances where the input file is not a QuickTime file format and the **QuickTime format** is set to **Auto**, then the output file will default to the **Big Endian** format.

### Off Speed



The **Off Speed** control allows a User to configure what happens to the audio as part of an off-speeding process. Three settings are offered:

- Re-sample audio
- Pitch Correct
- Discard Audio

Re-sample Audio: This mode mimics what happens to the audio when doing a VTR verispeed process. As

the video is played at a different rate, the pitch of the audio will be affected. For example a 24 fps to 25 fps off-speed process will make the duration of the program 4% shorter and this will have the effect of lifting the pitch of the audio by a proportional amount.

**Pitch Correct:** In this mode, the pitch-shifting of the audio that is associated with the Re-sample

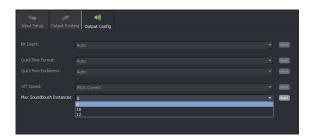
method explained above, is pitch shifted back to the pitch level of the source. The output

audio, sounds exactly the same as the source.

**Discard Audio:** A User can choose to remove the audio track altogether. This may be desirable if the

associated audio is not pcm, and will be compromised by the off-speeding process.

### **Max Soundtouch Instances**



This menu is only active when the conversion mode is set to Off-Speed.

In circumstances where groups of audio channels are carried in separate streams (like stereo pairs, or Dolby surround sound programs) it is important that any audio processing maintains the relative audio phase of the audio channels within the group.

This control enables the User to define the grouping of audio channels. The relative phase of all audio channels within the defied group will be maintained.

The Max Soundtouch Instances menu has three possible settings: 8, 10 or 12

# 4. Browser Configuration

## 4.1 Introduction

The GV File framework benefits from a Service Orientated Architecture (SOA) which has been engineered to support a wide range of deployments from a single node through to a cluster of nodes within a data center.

One of the services in the framework is called the GV File Browser and this enables the user to browse both local and remote shares. Whilst not a mandatory service, the Browser alleviates the need for the Operator to type explicit file paths, making job creation a simple and quick process.

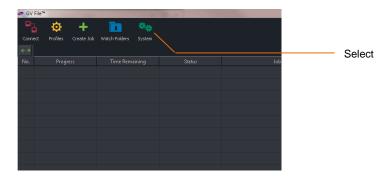
Before the Browser can be used, it must first be configured. It is assumed that the GV File Browser has been successfully installed using the Installation Guide (See **Service Installation** page 23 of the Quasar File Installation guide).

The following procedure describes how to add a 'Shared' location to the Browser. This location may then easily be used as a repository for source, or converted files.

Note that a share location may be remote from the server. In such circumstances the location must be identified by a complete URL path. A remote share cannot be identified as a 'mapped' drive on the host machine.

# 4.1.1 Browser Configuration

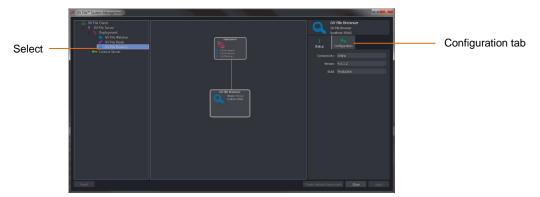
1. In the GV File Client click on the **System** icon.



This will open the System Management window.



2. In the pane on the left hand side, click on the **Local Browser**. This will bring up the **GV File Browser** on the right hand side:



Note: If the **GV File Browser** has been installed as per the **Installation Guide**, it will appear in the **System Management** window as **Local Browser**.

However, an alternative name could have been used in which case the **GV File Browser** will appear by that alternative name in the **System Management** window.

3. In the GV File Browser pane, select Configuration.

The view will change:



4. To add share locations:

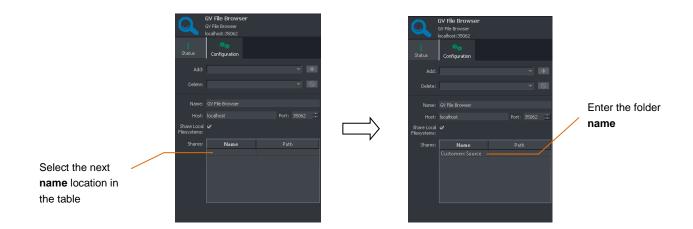
Consider that two folders have been created on the C: drive of the Alchemist File Server, called:

- CustomerX-Source
- CustomerX-Destination

It is desired that these folders can be accessed via the GV File Browser.

Note: The C: drive mentioned above is the C: drive of the Alchemist File server. If a **GV File Client** is running on a remote work station, this work station will have its own C: drive. It is important to understand that these are different locations.

5. In the Browser **Configuration** tab, select the next **name** location in the table:



Enter the name of the new share location. In this example: CustomerX Source

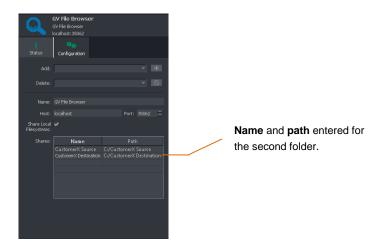
Note: The name entered must not contain special characters such as: - , . ( ) # ; : / < >

6. In the Path location, enter the path to the folder being added, in this example: C:/CustomerX-Source



7. Repeat the process for the second folder:

In this example: C:/CustomerX-Destination

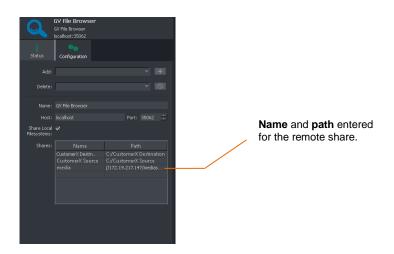


8. Click Apply to update the Browser.

Now, when creating new jobs, the locations *CustomerX-Source* and *CustomerX-Destination* will be available from the Browser tool in the **Create job** window.

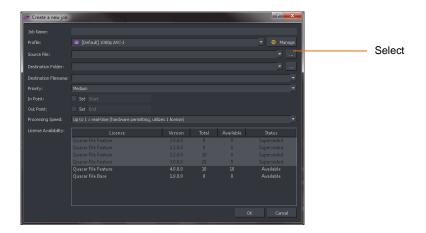
Note: To access remote shares the service must be configured with the correct logon credentials otherwise it will not have permission to browse and serve the directory structure to the Client.

9. To add a remote **share** where logon credentials have been configured, the full URL path must be entered:



# 4.1.2 Using the Browser to Select a Source File

1. In the Create a new job window, click the Source file browse button to search for files.

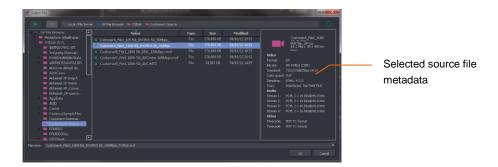


The Browser will list the files located in the chosen directory.



Note: The Browser may be used like Windows Explorer. Sub-folders below the directory configured in the Browser may be accessed via the Browser.

2. To select a file, click on it to highlight it.



Note that the metadata of the source file will be displayed in the right-hand pane of the Select File window.



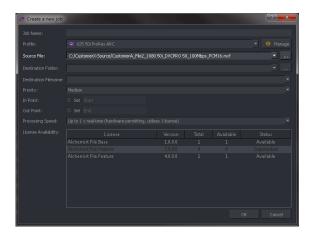
From the metadata, important parameters of the source file such as: video standard, codec, file wrapper, bit rate, etc. can be seen.

This metadata can be compared to the table of supported file types (Table 3, Appendix A, below) to confirm compatibility with Alchemist File.

Note: DPX files do not contain metadata and when selected as a source file, this pane will not populate.

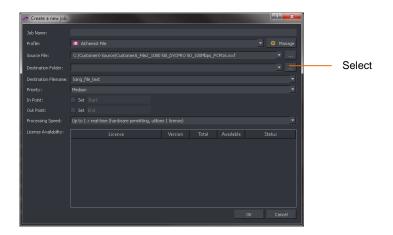
Click **OK** to select the file.

3. Now in the **Create a new job** window, the **Source File** field will be populated.

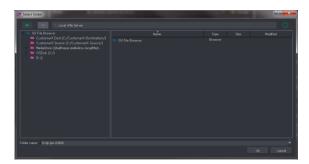


# 4.1.3 Using the Browser to Select a Destination Folder

1. In the Create a new job window, click the Destination Folder Browse button to search for files.

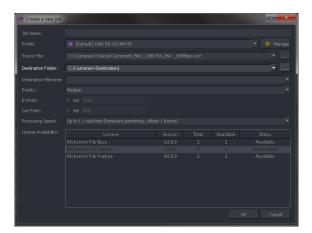


The Browser will list the configured folders.



2. To select the desired destination folder, double-click on it.

The **Destination folder** field will now be populated:



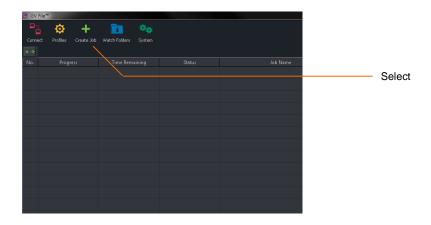
# 5. Creating a Job

## 5.1 Introduction

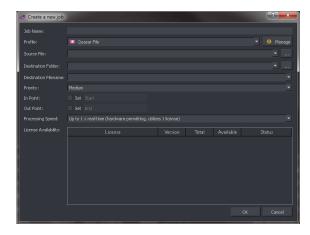
The procedure described below, explains the simple process to manually add a job to the job queue. The procedure assumes that the Browser has been configured (as described above in section 5) and that the source file exists in a location configured in the Browser.

## 5.2 Create Job Procedure

1. In the GV File Client, click on the Create job icon.



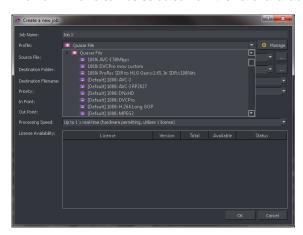
The Create a new job window will now open.



2. **Job name**: Enter an appropriate job name. This name will appear when the job is added to the job queue and is useful for future reference.



3. **Profile:** A Profile can be selected from the list of available Profiles.



Refer to Section 4 above for more information on Profiles.

4. **Source file:** The name and path of the source file is entered into the **Source file** field. The easiest method to do this is via the Browser.

Alternatively, the source file can be selected by entering the full URL path and file name.

Click on the Source file browse icon:



The Browser will now open.



5. Click on the Browser to reveal the configured folders.



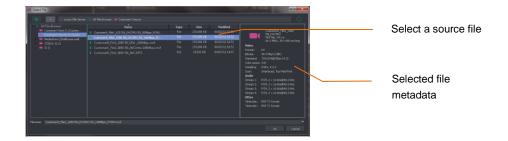
The configured source folders will now be visible.



6. Double click on the appropriate folder to reveal the files within.



7. Select the appropriate source file.



Note that upon selecting the source file, the right hand pane will populate with selected metadata from the source file.



From the metadata we can see important parameters of the source file such as:

Video standard, codec, file wrapper, bit rate, etc.

This metadata can be compared to the table of supported file types (see Appendix A, below) to confirm compatibility with Quasar File.

Note: DPX files do not contain metadata and when selected as a source file, this pane will not populate.

The **Source file** field will now be configured.



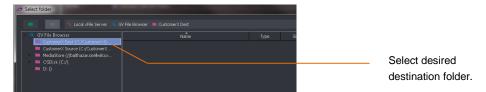
8. **Destination folder:** The destination folder needs to be defined. As with the source file, the easiest method of doing this is to use the Browser.

Click on the **Destination folder** browse icon.



The Browser window will now open.

9. Select the appropriate destination folder.



Click OK.

The Create a new job window will now be populated with the destination folder configured.



10. **Destination filename:** Either explicitly add a **Destination filename** (by simply typing the desired filename in) or use output filename patterns to automatically label the destination filename.

The various output filenames can be seen in the following table. These can be concatenated or mixed with explicit characters:

Example 1: %Source%\_%Profile%

Example 2: CustomerX\_%Format%\_%Codec%

Filename patterns are chosen by typing '%' in the **Destination filename** field. A list of available filename patterns will appear.



**Table 2: Output Filename Patterns** 

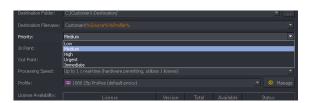
Filename Type	Description
%Codec%	The output <b>Codec type</b> will be added to the filename, i.e. DNxHD
%CodecProfile%	The output Codec Profile will be added to the filename, i.e. DNxHD 185Mbit 10Bit
%Date%	The Date of the completed conversion will be added to the filename
%Format%	The output Format will be added to the filename, i.e. 1080 50i
%Increment%	The unique Job ID will be added to the filename
%Profile%	The <b>Profile name</b> will be added to the filename
%Source%	The <b>Source</b> filename will be added to the filename
%Wrapper%	The output Wrapper type will be added to the filename, i.e. MXF OP1a

In this example, the Operator has typed the word *CustomerX* and added two filename patterns: *Source* and *Profile*.



### 11. Priority

The **Priority** of the job can be selected from a drop-down menu.



Setting a higher priority will promote the job up the job queue. Setting a priority of **High** will ensure that the job is processed before all **Medium**, and **Low** priority jobs currently in the queue. Similarly, a job given a priority of **Urgent** will be processed before all **High**, **Medium** and **Low** jobs currently in the job queue.

Any job that is not in any way critical with regard to availability can be given a **low** priority.

The default value is Medium.

#### 12. In Point / Out Point

In normal circumstances any job configured will process the source file from start to finish. However, Quasar File offers the ability to define an **In Point** and **Out Point**, so enabling a User to process just part of a source file:



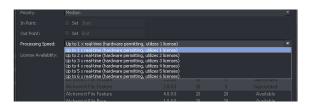
In this example, an **In Point** of 100 frames, and an **Out Point** of 500 frames, has been configured. So the output file will start 100 frames into the source file and will have duration of 400 frames.

The User can choose to define the In Point and Out Point by: Frame count, Timecode or Time.

This is useful for testing a conversion process without having to process the entire source file. For example setting up an ARC process can be a process of trial and error, so just converting a few frames can mean this process is far more efficient.

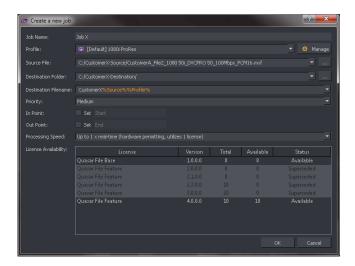
#### 13. Processing Speed

Where multiple licenses are available, licenses may be aggregated to allow faster than run-time duration.

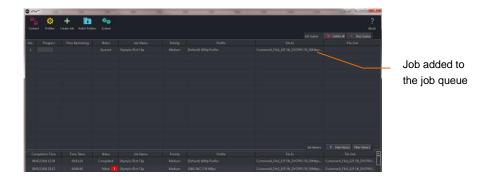


Example; if two Quasar File licenses are available, processing speed can be up to twice as fast (i.e. a one hour duration program can be processed in 30 minutes).

Note – actual processing time will be dependent upon the resources of the host machine.



Note: Confirmation of available licensing is displayed in the **License availability** field. Click on **OK** and the job will now be added to the job queue in the GV File Client.



The job will process automatically when it reaches the top of the job queue.

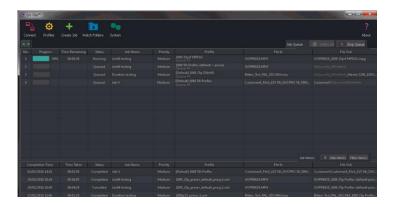
# 6. The Job Queue

# **6.1 Description**

Jobs can be added to the job queue either via manual configuration (described in section 5), or via a Watch Folder Configuration (see section 8 below). There is no limit to the number of jobs that can be added to the job queue.

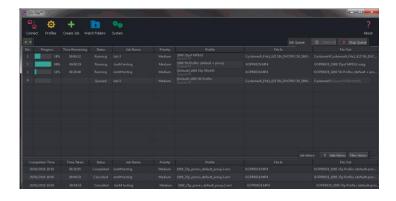
Jobs may be prioritised, cancelled, resubmitted and the job queue may be stopped at any time.

The following example depicts a GV File Client connected to a Quasar File system with a single license.



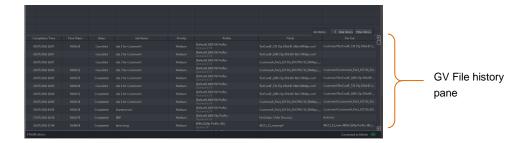
When only a single license is available, Quasar File will process the job queue, one job at a time.

However, if multiple licensed Nodes are available then Quasar File can simultaneously process multiple jobs. In the following example, three licensed Nodes are available and so three jobs are processed simultaneously.



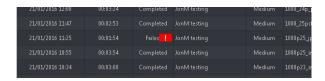
# **6.2 History Pane**

All processed, jobs will appear in the History pane, in the bottom half of the GV File Client.

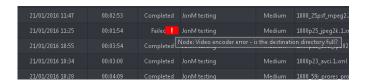


## 6.3 Failed Jobs

Any failed job will also appear. Failed jobs will be tagged with status **Failed** and will be associated with a red exclamation mark.



Hovering the mouse over the red exclamation mark will cause a reason for failure message to pop-up.



Note: a list of failure messages and their respective meanings can be found in Appendix B below.

Any aborted job will also appear in the History pane, tagged with a **Cancelled** status.

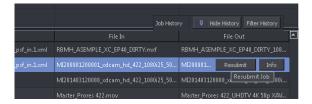
# 6.4 Cancelling a Job

A job in progress or one in the queue waiting to be processed can be cancelled anytime by clicking on the job **Cancel** button.



# 6.5 Resubmit a Job

Any job in the history pane can be submitted to the queue but clicking on the job followed by the **Resubmit** button. Profiles may be modified during the resubmit process.



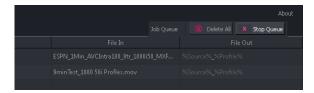
# 6.6 Delete the Job Queue

The entire current job queue can be deleted by clicking on the **Delete All** button.



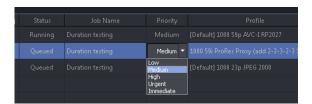
# 6.7 Stop the Job Queue

The entire job queue can be stopped by clicking on **Stop Queue**.



# 6.8 Re-prioritise a Job

Jobs which are queued may have their priority modified by clicking on the **Priority** cell of the relevant job.

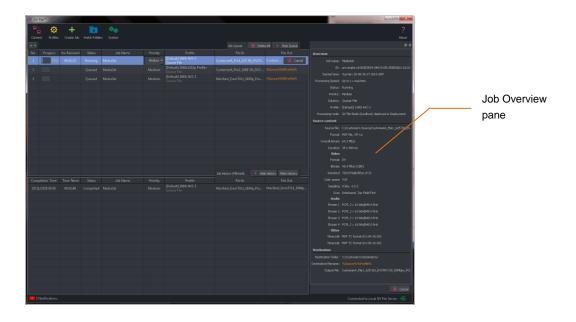


# 6.9 Job Info/Overview

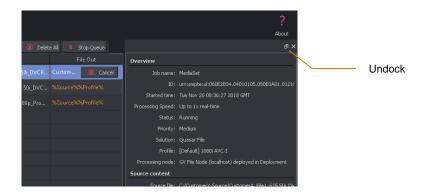
A job overview of any job can accessed by selected a particular job and clicking on the **Info** button.



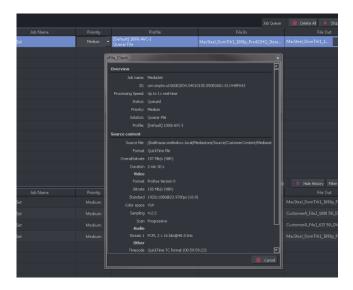
Upon clicking Info, an Overview pane will open.



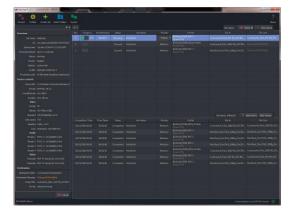
The job overview window may be placed anywhere on the User's desktop by clicking the **Undock** button.

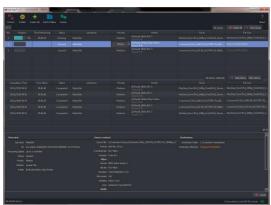


Example of an undocked Info window.



The job overview can also be docked at either side of the Client, or at the bottom as shown. This is achieved by clicking the cursor on the top of the info window and dragging to either side, or to the bottom of the Client.





# 7. Watch Folders

## 7.1 Introduction

There is another optional service in the framework called the GV File Watcher. This enables automatic population of the job queue using specified Watch Folders and associated Drop Folders.

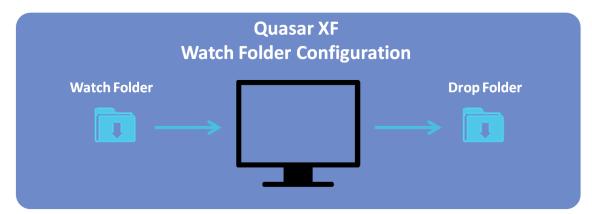
Before the Watcher can be used, it must first be configured. It is assumed the **GV File Watcher** has been successfully installed using the Installation Guide (See 'Service Installation' page 23 of the GV File Installation guide).

The term Watch Folder refers to a specified folder which is watched or monitored. The term Drop Folder defines where the output file is placed.

A Watch Folder Configuration describes the combination of associated Watch Folder, the associated Drop Folder and the associated Profile defining the conversion required.

Once the Watch Folder Configuration is complete, any media file placed in the Watch Folder will automatically create a job and add it to the queue. When the job reaches the top of the queue, it will be converted in accordance with the associated Profile.

#### **Watch Folders**



Note: currently the Watch Folder feature does not support DPX file types.

# 7.2 Watch Folder Configuration Example

Example: A Watch Folder Configuration has the following parameters associated with it:

Watch Folder: C:\Quasar File Watch Folder
 Conversion Profile: [Default] 1080i AVCI 100
 Drop Folder: C:\Quasar File Drop Folder

Transferring any file into the Watch Folder 'Quasar File Watch Folder' will automatically create a job and add it to the queue. When the job reaches the top of the queue, it will be converted in accordance with the associated Profile (in this case: [Default] 1080i AVCI 100) as defined by the Watch Folder Configuration).

The converted file will be written to the Drop Folder: C:\Quasar File Drop Folder

For customers who frequently deliver content of a specific file format and video standard, the Watch Folder functionality offers a simple and convenient method of automated file conversion via Quasar File.

# 7.3 How to Setup a Watch Folder Configuration

The following procedure explains how to setup a Watch Folder Configuration with Watch and Drop Folders existing on the local server.

The Watch and Drop folders will reside on the local C: drive

A folder will be created which will act as the Watch Folder:

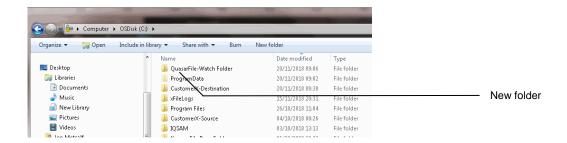
A second folder will be created which will act as the Drop Folder:

The Watch Folder Configuration will have an associated Profile of:

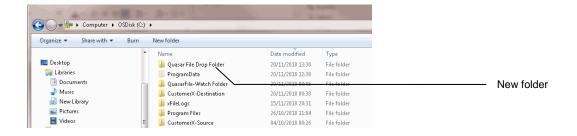
Quasar File Watch Folder Quasar File Drop Folder [Default] 1080i AVCI 100

## 7.3.1 Create the Physical Folders

1. Make a folder on the local C: drive called: Quasar File Watch Folder 1

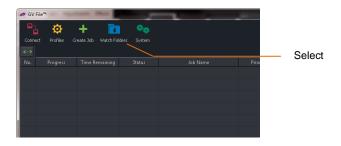


2. Make a second folder on the local C: drive called: Quasar Drop Folder 1

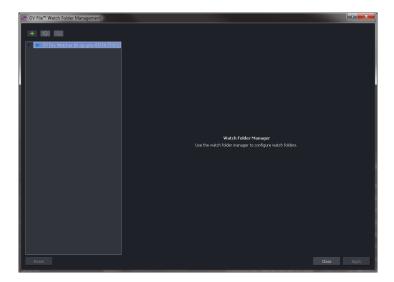


# 7.3.2 Create the Watch Folder Configuration

1. In the GV File Client, click on the Watch folders icon.



The following window will now open.



In this example there is only one Watcher called: Local Watcher (It-slp-pm-03856:35063)

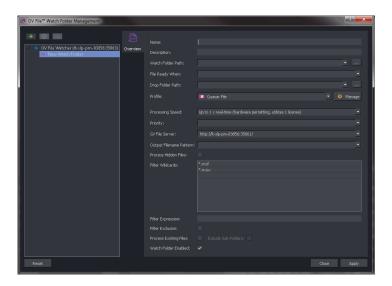
Note - It-slp-pm-03856 is the Computer Name of the Host Machine, and 35063 is the Port Number used by the Watcher Service.

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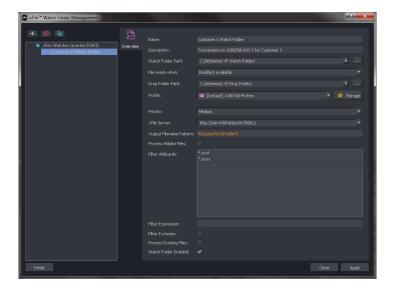
2. Now click on the 'New Watch Folder' symbol.



This will modify the window:



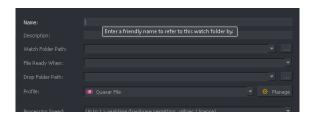
It is now necessary to populate this window with the parameters of the **Watch Folder Configuration** as detailed below in paragraph 7.4.



# 7.4 Watch Folder Configuration Parameters

### 7.4.1 Name

Any new Watch Folder Configuration will need a name. This can be anything a User chooses Note whenever the cursor is hovered over a configurable parameter, a hint will pop-up:



Enter a name for the Watch Folder.



Note: this does not need to be the same as the actual folder name that is being watched.

# 7.4.2 Description

A **Description** of the Watch Folder Configuration may be entered.



This is often useful for future reference. This field is optional.

# 7.4.3 Watch Folder Path

Specify the URL of the Watch Folder Path. This is where the source file will be read from.



This field can easily be configured via the Browser.

### 7.4.4 File ready when

The **File Ready When** control is used when large files are moved into the Watch Folder. Three options are offered:

- Readlock available
- Filesize stable
- File available



The **Readlock available** option is only applicable in a Windows environment. When selected, a conversion can commence once the **Readlock** code is available.

In a Linux system, there is no concept of a **Readlock** code, so it is recommended that the option **Filesize Stable** is selected in a Linux environment.

The **File available** option may be used in file growing environments (this option should only be selected if the User understands the concept of growing files, and environmental conditions required).

# 7.4.5 Drop Folder Path

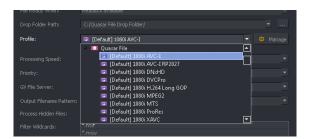
Specify the URL of the Drop Folder Path. This is where the converted file will be written to.



This field can easily be configured via the Browser.

### 7.4.6 Profile

Specify the **Profile** to be associated with the Watch Folder Configuration.



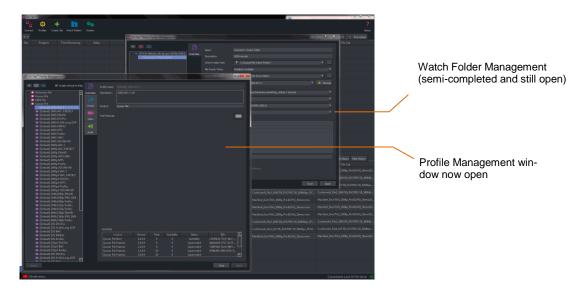
## 7.4.7 Manage

The Profile **Manage** feature box can be used to create or edit a Profile whilst in the middle of creating a Watch Folder Configuration.



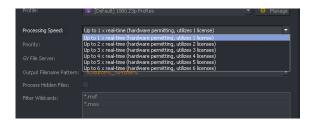
If the Watch Folder Configuration is part way through and the desired Profile does not currently exist, it is not necessary to end the Watch Folder Configuration process, build a new Profile and then start the Watch Folder Configuration from the beginning.

Selecting the **Manage** icon will bring up the **Profile Management** window, without closing the Watch Folder Management window.



# 7.4.8 Processing Speed

Where multiple licenses are available, licenses may be aggregated to allow faster than run-time duration.

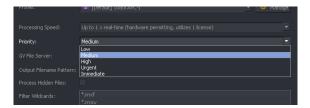


Example; if two Quasar File licenses are available, processing speed can be up to twice as fast (i.e. a one hour duration program can be processed in 30 minutes).

Note – actual processing time will be dependent upon the resources of the host machine.

## 7.4.9 Priority

The priority of any job initiated via the Watch Folder Configuration can be set in this field. The default value is **Medium**. All jobs originating from this particular Watch Folder Configuration will be set to the priority as set in this field.



### 7.4.10 GV File Server

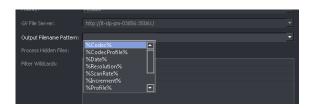
This field will be automatically populated.



In systems where multiple GV File Servers have been configured, this control allows a specific GV File Server to be set, with respect to the Watch Folder Configuration.

# 7.4.11 Output Filename Pattern

Typing '%' will reveal the output filename pattern options.



File naming pattern concatenations of multiple presets may be configured:



In this example, the output filename will be a concatenation of the source file name and the Profile name.

See Table 2 (page 90) for more information on filename patterns.

#### 7.4.12 Process Hidden Files

Some video files have hidden files associated with them. Enable this control if Hidden files are to be processed through to the output.

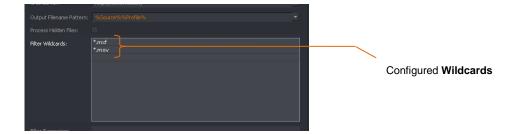


### 7.4.13 Filter Wildcards

Because a Watch Folder is just a folder on a PC, or server, files may be added to the folder that are not video files and it would be undesirable that such files should initiate a Quasar File conversion.

The **Filter Wildcard** feature allows an Operator to specify only certain file types to initiate a Quasar File process.

In the example below the default wildcards are depicted. Only files with the file extension .mxf or .mov moved into the Watch Folder, will initiate an automated Quasar File process.



Note: currently the Watch Folder feature does not support DPX file types. DPX files are effectively excluded by the default setting of the **Filter Wildcards** feature, meaning that if DPX files are written to an active Watch Folder, they will not initiate a Quasar File process. If the settings of the **Filter Wildcards** feature are set such that DPX files are no longer excluded, then DPX files written to the Watch Folder will initiate a Quasar File process. However, the results will be very undesirable and it's important that this scenario is avoided.

Alternatively, the Wildcard Filter may be used to exclude certain file types from initiating a Quasar File process.

In the following example, word documents have been excluded.



To make Wildcards excluded, the **Filter Exclusion** box should be ticked.

## 7.4.14 Filter Expression

Similar to the **Filter Wildcards** feature, the **Filter Expression** feature allows an Operator to exclusively process only files where the file name contains a specific expression. In the following example only file names containing the word 'xyz' dropped into the Watch Folder will initiate a Quasar File process.



Alternatively, the **Filter Expression** feature may be used to exclude certain file names from initiating a Quasar File process.

In the following example, documents with a file name containing xyz have been excluded.



### 7.4.15 Process Existing Files

The default setting of this control is **disabled**. When disabled, at the point in time that the Watch Folder is made active, any files currently residing in the Watch Folder will not initiate a Quasar File conversion. Only new files added to the Watch Folder from this time will initiate a Quasar File conversion.



If **enabled**, any file currently residing in the Watch Folder will initiate a Quasar File conversion. Multiple files will initiate multiple jobs to the job queue.

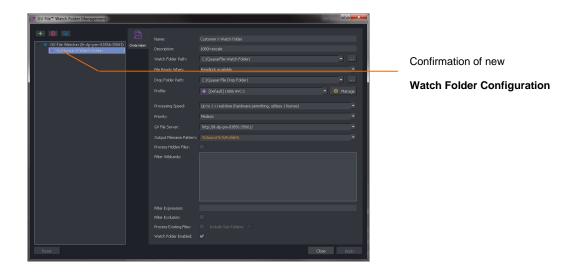
### 7.4.16 Watch Folder Enabled

When **enabled**, the Watch Folder is active. Any file (except excluded files) written to the Watch Folder will initiate an automated Quasar File conversion. When **disabled** the Watch Folder is inactive. Any files written to the Watch Folder will not cause a Quasar File conversion event to occur.



Select Apply to complete the Watch Folder Configuration.

The new Watch Folder will now appear in the Watch Folder Management window.



Once the Watch Folder Configuration has been completed and enabled, the act of moving a file into the Watch Folder will initiate the creation of a job automatically, removing the need for the operator to create jobs manually.

A Quasar File system can be setup with many Watch Folder Configurations. For customers with requirements to convert large numbers of files, careful use of the Watch Folder feature can drastically reduce the need for human interaction.

### 7.5 Multiple Watch Folder Configurations

It should be appreciated that a single Watch Folder can be used in multiple Watch Folder Configurations.

### 7.5.1 Multiple Watch Folder Configurations Using Common Watch Folder

Suppose a particular Watch Folder is used in two separate Watch Folder Configurations:

### Watch Folder Configuration 1

Parameters:

Watch folder: Customer X Watch Folder
 Profile: [Default] 1080i AVCI 100

Drop Folder: Customer X HD

### Watch Folder Configuration 2

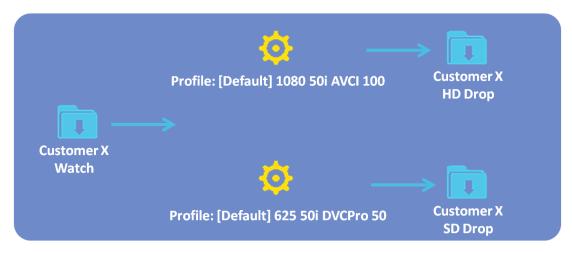
Parameters:

Watch folder: Customer X Watch Folder
 Profile: [Default] 625i DVCPro 50

■ Drop Folder: Customer X SD

In such a scenario, the act of writing a source files into the Watch Folder *Customer X Watch Folder* will initiate two separate job configurations that will be added to the job queue.

- One process will make a 1080i AVCI file, which will be placed in the folder Customer X HD.
- Second process will make a 625i DVCPro 50 file, which will be placed in the folder Customer X SD.

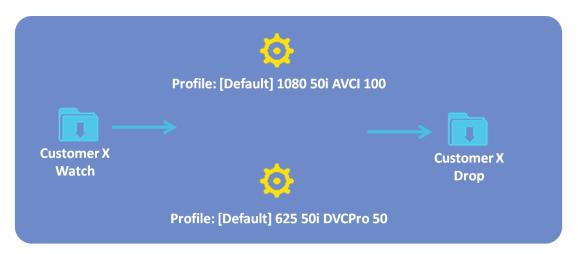


Watch Folder Configuration Using Common Watch Folder

### 7.5.2 Multiple Watch Folder Configurations Using Common Watch & Drop Folders

Similarly, multiple 'Watch Folder Configurations' can write files to the same Drop Folder. In this scenario, the act of writing a file to the Watch Folder, will initiate two separate job configurations that will be added to the job queue. Both processed jobs will be written to a common Drop Folder:

- One process will make a 1080i AVCI 100 file, which will be placed in the folder Customer X Drop.
- Second process will make a 625i DVCPro 50 file, that will also be placed in the folder Customer X Drop.



Watch Folder Configuration Using Common Watch & Drop Folder

# Appendix A. Supported File Types

**Table 3: Supported File Types** 

Resolution	Codec		File Format	Supported Frame Rate	Supported	CC Support
SD 525	D10 IMX 30 M	lbps / 40 Mbps / 50 Mbps	MXF OP1a MOV	59i, 29psf	1s x 2, 4 or 8ch	MXF OP1a only
SD 525	MPEG2 DVE	8 / DVD / 80Mbp I-frame Only	MPG/TS	59i, 29psf	1s x 2ch	No
SD 525	DV DV2	25 / DVCPro 25 / DV50 / DVCPro 50	MXF OP1a MOV	59i, 29psf	Mov: 32s x 24ch Mxf: 32s x 16ch	CEA608 L21 in MXF OP1a only
SD 525		Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / XQ (input only)	MOV	59i, 29psf, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
SD 525	H.264 Long GOP	DVB/HQ **	MP4	59i	24s x 8ch	No
SD 525	H.264 Long GOP	DVB / Flash / Silverlight / HQ **	MP4	29psf	24s x 8ch	No
SD 525	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	29psf	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
SD 525	Uncompressed		DPX	59i, 29psf, custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
SD 525	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	59i, 29psf, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
SD 625	D10 IMX	30 Mbps / 40 Mbps / 50 Mbps	MXF OP1a MOV	50i, 25psf	1s x 2,4 or 8ch	CEA608 L21 in MXF OP1a only
SD 625	MPEG2	DVB / DVD / 80Mbp I-frame Only	MPG/TS	50i, 25psf	1s x 2ch	No
SD 625	DV	DV25/ DVCPro 25/ DV50/ DVCPro 50	MXF OP1a MOV	50i, 25psf	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	CEA608 L21 in MXF OP1a only
SD 625	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	50i, 25psf, custom 12 to 300 fps	32 s x 32ch	No
SD 625	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	25psf	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
SD 625	H.264 Long GOP	DVB/HQ **	MP4	50i	24s x 8ch	No
SD 625	H.264 Long GOP	DVB / Flash / Silverlight / HQ **	MP4	25psf	24s x 8ch	No
SD 625	Uncompressed		DPX	50i, 25psf, custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
SD 625	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	50i, 25psf, custom 12 to 300 fps	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
HD 720	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444/ 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
HD 720	MPEG2	MP2 HDV / 80Mbp I-frame Only	MPG / TS	23p, 25p, 29p	1s x 2ch	No
HD 720	MPEG2	80Mbp I-frame Only	MPG / TS	50p, 59p	1s x 2ch	No
HD 720	AVC-I	50 Mbps / 100 Mbps	MXF OP1a	23p, 25p, 29p, 50p, 59p	24s x 16ch	Yes

Resolution	Codec		File Format	Supported Frame Rate	Supported Audio	CC Support
HD 720	AVC-I RP2027	50 Mbps / 100 Mbps / 200 Mbps	MXF OP1a	23p, 25p, 29p, 50p, 59p	24s x 16ch	Yes
HD 720	AVCHD		MTS	23p, 25p, 29p, 50p, 59p	1s x 2,4 or 8ch	No
HD 720	DNxHD	60Mbps 8bit / 90Mbps 8 bit / 90Mbps 10bit	MXF OP1a MOV	23p, 24p, 25p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 720	DNxHD	75Mbps 8bit / 110Mbps 8bit / 110Mbps 10bit	MXF OP1a MOV	29p, 30p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 720	DNxHD	120Mbps 8bit / 185Mbps 8bit / 185Mbps 10bit	MXF OP1a MOV	50p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 720	DNxHD	145Mbps 8bit / 220Mbps 8bit / 220Mbps 10bit	MXF OP1a MOV	59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 720	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
HD 720	DV	DVCPro 100 Mbps	MXF OP1a MOV	50p, 59p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 720	XDCam HD	50 Mbps/50 Mbps Closed GOP	MXF OP1a MOV	50p, 59p	1s x 2,4, 8, or 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 720	H.264 Long GOP	DVB/HQ **	MP4	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 60p	AAC:24 s x 8ch	No
HD 720	H.264 Long GOP	DVB / IPTVFJ STD-0004 / Blu-ray Disc / HQ **	MP4	50p, 59p	AAC24 s x 8ch	No
HD 720	XAVC	CBG Class 100 / XAVC Long GOP	MXF OP1a	50p, 59p	8s x 1ch	No
HD 720	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
HD 720	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32 s x 32ch	No
HD 1080		Abps 8bit / 115 Mbps 8bit /175 Mbps 8bit/ Mbps 10bit	MXF OP1a MOV	23p, 24p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080		Mbps 8bit / 75 Mbps 8bit / 185 Mbps 8bit/ Mbps 10bi/ 444	MXF OP1a MOV	25p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080		lbps 8bit/ 145Mbps 8bit/ 220 Mbps 8bit/ Mbps 10bit/ 444	MXF OP1a MOV	29p, 30p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080	DNxHD 145	Mbps 8bit /220 Mbps 8bit /220 Mbps 10bit/ 444	MXF OP1a MOV	29psf, 59i	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080	DNxHD 120	Mbps 8bit/ 185Mbps 8bit/ 185Mbps10bit/ 444	MXF OP1a MOV	25psf, 50i	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080		lbps 8bit / 240 Mbps 8bit / 365 Mbps 8bit / Mbps 10bit/	MXF OP1a MOV	50p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080		Albps 8bit /290 Mbps 8bit/440 Mbps 8bit / Mbps 10bit / 444	MXF OP1a MOV	59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080	MPEG2 MP	2 HDV / 80Mbp I-frame Only	MPG/TS	23p, 25psf, 25p, 29psf, 29p, 50i, 59i	1s x 2ch	No
HD 1080	AVC-I RP2027	50 Mbps / 100 Mbps / 200 Mbps	MXF OP1a	23p, 25p, 25psf, 29p, 29psf, 50i, 59i, 50p, 59p	32s x 16ch	No

Resolution	Codec		File Format	Supported Frame Rate	Supported Audio	CC Support
HD 1080	AVC-I	50 Mbps / 100 Mbps	MXF OP1a MOV (decode only) MP4 (decode only)	23p, 25p, 25psf, 29p, 29psf, 50i, 59i	32s x 16ch	No
HD 1080	AVC-HD		MTS	23p, 25p, 29p, 50i, 59i, 50p, 59p	1s x 2,4 or 8ch	No
HD 1080	DV	DVCPro 100 Mbps	MXF OP1a MOV	25psf, 29psf, 50i, 59i	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080	XDCam HD	50 Mbps/50 Mbps Closed GOP	MXF OP1a MOV	25psf, 29psf, 50i, 59i	1s x 2,4, 8, or 16ch	VANC CEA 608 CB & CEA708 in MXF OP1a only
HD 1080	XAVC	CBG Class 50	MXF OP1a	23p, 25psf, 25p, 29psf, 29p, 50i, 59i	8s x 1ch	No
HD 1080	XAVC	CBG Class 100/ CBG Class 200 / Long GOP	MXF OP1a	23p, 25psf, 25p, 29psf, 29p, 50i, 59i, 50p, 59p	8s x 1ch	No
HD 1080	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25psf, 25p, 29psf, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50i, 59i, 50p, 59p, 60p, Custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
HD 1080	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 25psf, 29p, 29psf, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
HD 1080	H.264 Long GOF	DVB / Blu-ray / HQ **	MP4	23p, 24p	24 s x 8ch	No
HD 1080	H.264 Long GOF	DVB / Flash / HQ **	MP4	25p, 29p	24 s x 8ch	No
HD 1080	H.264 Long GOF	DVB/ Blu-ray Disc/ IPTVFJ/ Flash / HQ **	MP4	50i, 59i	24 s x 8ch	No
HD 1080	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 25psf, 29p, 29psf, 30p, 48p, 50i, 59i, 50p, 59p, 60p. Custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
HD 1080	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 25psf, 29p, 29psf, 30p, 48p, 50i, 59i, 50p, 59p, 60p, Custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 1998x1080	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ /444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, Custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 1998x1080	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX /444	MXF OP1a MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p,	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
2K 1998x1080	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
2K 1998x1080	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
2K 1998x1080	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit /V210 10bit V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x858	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ /444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x858	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX	MXF OP1a MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x858	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x858	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No

Resolution	Codec		File Format	Supported Frame Rate	Supported Audio	CC Support
2K 2048x858	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1080	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input_only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1080	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX/ 444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1080	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1080	XAVC	CBG Class 100 / VBG Class 100	MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 50p, 59p	8s x 1ch	No
2K 2048x1080	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
2K 2048x1080	Uncompressed	YUV2 8 bit / 2VUY 8bit /V210 10 bit / V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1107	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1107	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX /444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p,	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1107	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1107	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
2K 2048x1107	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit/ V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1152	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1152	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX / 444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1152	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1152	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
2K 2048x1152	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1536	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 4444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
2K 2048x1536	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX / 444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1536	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
2K 2048x1536	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No

Resolution	Codec		File Format	Supported Frame Rate	Supported Audio	CC Support
2K 2048x1536	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit /V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 30p, 29p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
4K UHDTV	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
4K UHDTV	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX / 444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
4K UHDTV	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
4K UHDTV	XAVC	CBG Class 300 / CBG Class 480 /VBR Class 300/ VBR Class480/ Long GOP	MXF OP1a	23p, 25p, 29p, 50p, 59p	8s x 1ch	No
4K UHDTV	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p,custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
4K UHDTV	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit/ V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
4K 3996x2160	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
4K 3996x2160	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX / 444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
4K 3996x2160	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX / 444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
4K 3996x2160	JPEG 2000	Lossy / Lossless	MXF OP1a MOV MJ2	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	Mov:24s x 24ch Mxf: 24s x 16ch MJ2: 24s x 16ch	No
4K 3996x2160	Uncompressed		DPX	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	None	No
4K 3996x2160	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit/ V216 16bit	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
4K 4096x2160	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ /444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p, custom 12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
4K 4096x2160	DNxHR	422LB / 422SQ / 422HQ / 422HQX/ 444	MOV MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 30p, 48p, 50p, 59p, 60p	mov: 32s x 32ch mxf: 32s x 16ch	No
4K 4096x2160	XAVC	CBG Class 300/ CBG Class 480/ VBR Class 300 / VBR Class 480 / Long GOP	MXF OP1a	23p, 24p, 25p, 29p, 50p, 59p	8s x 1ch	No
Custom	ProRes	422 Proxy / 422 LT / 422 / 422 HQ / 444 / 4444 XQ (input only)	MOV	12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No
Custom	Uncompressed		DPX	12 to 300 fps	None	No
Custom	Uncompressed	YUV2 8bit / 2VUY 8bit / V210 10bit / V216 16bit	MOV	12 to 300 fps	32s x 32ch	No

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star\star}$  For more information regarding H264 Long GOP/MP4 parameters, see Table 4 below:

s = audio streams ch = audio channels

Note: Quasar does not support custom frame rates.

**Table 4: Long GOP Information** 

		DVB			Blu-ray Disc				Flash					Silv	erlight		IPTVFJ STD-0004					High Quality					
		Profile	Level	Bit-rate	M N	Profile	Level	Bit-rate	MI	N Profile	Level	Bit-rate	М	N	Profile	Leve	Bit-rate	M N	Profile	Level	Bit-rate	М	Ν	Profile	Level	Bit-rate	M N
525	59i	Main	3.1	CBR (2Mbps)	2 #								П											High	3.0	Var (10Mbps)	
	29psf	Main	3.1	CBR (2Mbps)	2 #					Baseline	3.1	Var (0.4Mbps)	1	#	High	3.1	Var	4 #						High	3.0	Var (10Mbps)	
625	50i	Main	3.0	CBR (2Mbps)										П								П		High	3.0	Var (10Mbps)	
	25psf	Main	3.0	CBR (2Mbps)						Baseline	3.1	Var (0.4Mbps)	1	#	High	3.0	Var	4 #				П		High	3.0	Var (10Mbps)	
1280x720	23p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)									П	П								П		High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	24p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)									П	П								П		High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	25p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)						Main	3.1	Var (0.87Mbps)	4	#										High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	29p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)	2 #					Main	3.1	Var (0.87Mbps)	4	#								П		High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	30 p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)	2 #																	П		High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	50p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)	2 #	Hìgh	4.1	Var (24Mbps)	3 A	•			П	П					High	4.0	Var (8Mbps)	2	33	High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	59p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)	2 #	Hìgh	4.1	Var (24Mbps)	3 A	1			П	П					High	4.0	Var (8Mbps)	2	33	High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	60p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)	2 #																			High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
1920x1080	59i	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)	2 #	Hìgh	4.1	Var (24Mbps)	3 #	Main	4.0	Var (0.87Mbps)	4	#					High	4.0	Var (12Mbps)	2	33	High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	50i	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)		Hìgh	4.1	Var (24Mbps)	3 #	Main	4.0	Var (0.87Mbps)	4	#					High	4.0	Var (12Mbps)			High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	23p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)		High	4.1	Var (24Mbps)	3 A	1														High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	24p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)		Hìgh	4.1	Var (24Mbps)	3 A	1			Г											High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	25p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)						Main	4.0	Var (0.87Mbps)	4	#								Г		High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	
	29p	High	4.1	CBR (10Mbps)	2 #					Main	4.0	Var (0.87Mbps)	4	#										High	4.1	Var (50Mbps)	

M = I or P frame interval N = GOP length

# Appendix B. Glossary

Table 5: Glossary of Terms

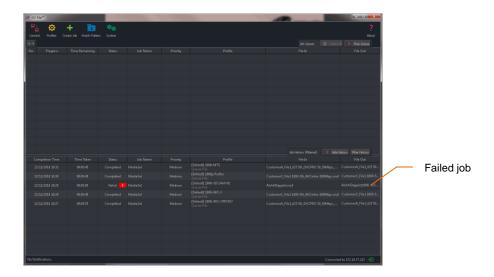
Term	Definition
Aliasing	An artefact associated with sampled signals. This undesirable effect is caused by sampling frequencies being too low to faithfully reproduce the frequencies present in the original signal.
AVC-Intra	<b>Advanced Video Codec - Intra:</b> A professional, highly efficient, codec developed by Panasonic.
AVC-HD	A consumer version of the AVC codec, developed by Panasonic for consumer camcorders. Usually wrapped in an MTS container.
Bit-rate	A phrase used to describe the data density of a video or audio file. Usually expressed in Mbps (10 <sup>6</sup> bits of data per second).
Cadence	The pattern of video fields that create a net frame rate lower than the video frame rate that carries them. Typical cadences would include 1:1, 2:2 & 2:3.
Closed Captions	<b>Closed captioning</b> is a term describing several systems developed to display text on a television or video screen to provide additional or interpretive information to viewers who wish to access it.
Codec	<b>Codec</b> is derived from the words ' <b>Co</b> mpression' and ' <b>Dec</b> oder'. A codec performs the task of video compression.
Color-space	<b>Color-space</b> is a system where the color of an individual pixel is defined by the percentage of its component colors. For example RGB color space defines a pixel's color by the percentages of red, green and blue contained there in.
DNxHD	<b>Digital Nonlinear Extensible High Definition</b> . DNxHD is a professional HD video codec developed by AVID. DNxHD has a maximum bit-rate of 220Mbps.
DVCPro	Is a professional video codec developed by Panasonic. DVCPro has a maximum bitrate of 100Mbps.
Essence (video essence).	Essence files are the actual video and audio files contained within the video file. The essence files may be compressed using a codec, or maybe uncompressed, prior to wrapping in the container file.
Fallback	A term associated with motion compensated conversion. On the rare occassion complex motion may not yield useable motion vectors. <b>Fallback</b> allows such content to fall back to a more appropriate algorithm to create output frames. Advance solutions offer adaptive fallback modes.
Interlace	Interlaced video is a technique of doubling the perceived frame rate of a video signal without consuming extra bandwidth. Since the interlaced signal contains the two fields of a video frame captured at two different times, it enhances motion perception to the viewer.
JPEG2000	A file compression system developed by the <b>Joint Photographic Experts Group</b> in the year 2000.

Term	Definition
Linear (conversion)	Is a technique used for video standards conversion, where output field/frames are made by basic blending of input fields/frames. The technique is much simpler than motion prediction and is less demanding upon hardware, but yields inferior results.
Motion Estimation	Is the process of deriving motion vectors, ususally from adjacent frames in a video sequence. For frame rate conversion these motion vectors are used during the generation of new output frames.
MPEG IMX	Is an SD video codec developed by Sony. It is a development of the Sony Betacam tape format and can have a bit-rate up to 50Mbps.
.mj2	Is a JPEG2000 file wrapper.
.mov	Is the file extension for Apple QuickTime files.
.mts	Is a video file-wrapper (also known as a <b>container</b> ) usually associated with AVC-HD. Very similar to MT2S.
.mt2s	Is a video file-wrapper (also known as a <b>container</b> ) usually associated with AVC-HD. Very similar to MTS.
.mxf	MXF is an acronym of <b>Material eXchange Format</b> . MXF is a container format for professional digital video and audio media defined by a set of SMPTE standards.
MXF OP1a	Is a specific video file-wrapper (also known as a <b>container</b> ) type based on the MXF format.
NAS	Is an acronym for <b>Network Attached Storage</b> . A NAS offers both storage and a file system and appears to a client OS as a file server which drives can be mapped to.
Native (resolution)	The actual resolution of a video signal. If the native resolution is not supported by a display device, a form of rescaling maybe applied to make it viewable. Native resolution describes the resolution prior to any scaling.
OS	An <b>Operating System</b> is the software that manages computer hardware and software resources.
Phase Correlation	An advance method of motion estimation, based on the spectral analysis of two successive fields / frames. For frame rate conversion phases correlation has proven to be the most reliable and robust technique of motion estimation ensuring the output is indistinguisable from the source.
Progressive	Method of scanning a video picture where each line is scanned sequentially.
Psf (Progressive segmented frame)	Psf is a method of transporting a progressive video frame in an interlaced video system. Both fields of a psf frame represent the same temporal point. If the interlaced fields are merged, a perfect progressive frame can be formed.  Also referred to as 2:2.
SAN	Is an acronym for <b>Storage Area Network</b> . A SAN offers block based storage which appears to the client OS as a disk.

Term	Definition
SD	Acronym for <b>Standard Definition</b> . A standard definition television system usually refers to a PAL 625 or NTSC 525 interlaced systems.
Slow-PAL	A PAL television standard defined as having a temporal resolution of less than 25 Hz. Usually applied to film originated content of 24, or 23.98 fps.
Telecine	A process that converts optical film frames into video.
Teletext	Teletext is a television information retrieval service created in the UK in the early 1970s. Teletext is a means of sending text and diagrams to a properly equipped television screen. It offers a range of text-based information, typically including news, weather and TV schedules. Subtitle information is also transmitted within the television signal.
XAVC	Is Sony's version of the AVC codec.

## Appendix C. GV File Error Strings

If for any reason, a GV File system fails to process a particular job, an entry will be made in the GV File client history pane, where **a red exclamation mark** will be associated with the **failed** statement:



When an Operator hovers the mouse cursor over the **red exclamation mark** an **error string** will be returned, offering useful information as to the reason for the failure.



Below, these **error strings** are listed and explained.

### Table 6: GV File Error String Returns

No.	Error String
1.	GV File Node received an invalid parameter in the FIMS Transform request
2.	GV File Node received a request to process an unknown video format in the FIMS Transform request
3.	The capability of the GV File Node is unknown, cannot process FIMS Transform request
4.	The GV File Node does not have sufficient OpenCL resources to process the job request.
5.	GV File Node encountered an unexpected error when processing FIMS Transform request.
6.	GV File Node has encountered an unexpected error.
7.	GV File Node could not find the Solution Profile
8.	GV File Node could not find the Job Profile
9.	GV File Node could not find the Sink Profile
10.	GV File Node could not find the source file
11.	GV File Node could not find the destination directory
12.	GV File Node failed to apply job specific settings
13.	GV File Node Worker failed to initialise
14.	GV File Node service was stopped during a running job
15.	GV File Node was unable to retrieve all profiles from the GV File Server
16.	GV File Node unable to obtain all required licenses
17.	GV File Node detected a Licensing Error during processing
18.	GV File Node Worker encountered an unexpected error during processing
19.	GV File Node could not start GV File Node Worker
20.	GV File Node Worker failed.
21.	Instance of GV File Node Worker already running
22.	GV File Node failed to create the Job Profile
23.	GV File Node cannot process the source file because it is an unsupported format
24.	Internal Error. Failed to cancel
25.	The file extension may not be valid or the file could be corrupt
26.	Node: Video encoder error – is the destination directory full?

The GV File Node returns errors as a string to the GV File Client to enable the client to display error hints to the user.

### 1. Error Message:

GV File Node received an invalid parameter in the FIMS Transform request

### Reason:

This failure message should only be seen if Quasar File is being controlled via a third party application through the FIMS Transform Service API.

While processing a FIMS Transform Request the GV File Node detected an invalid parameter and could not continue.

### Suggestions:

- i. Check the parameters of the 3<sup>rd</sup> party application 'request'.
- ii. Run the same job from the GV File client to check validity.

### 2. Error message:

GV File Node received a request to process an unknown video format in the FIMS Transform request

### Reason:

This failure message should only be seen if Quasar File is being controlled via a third party application through the FIMS Transform Service API.

The FIMS Transform Request contained a request to process a video format that the GV File Node does not support.

### Suggestions:

- i. Check the parameters of the 3<sup>rd</sup> party application request.
- ii. Run the same job from the GV File client to check validity.

### 3. Error message:

The capability of the GV File Node is unknown, cannot process FIMS Transform request

#### Reason:

It was not possible to detect the capability of the underlying hardware. Therefore the GV File Node is unable to process the FIMS Transform request.

It could be a problem with the permissions of the profiles directory in the GV File Node installation, which prevented the GV File Node service from writing the Node Capability XML file. Or the GV File node has encountered unsupported hardware

### Suggestions:

- i. Check log file GV File Node Info.log in Snell logs directory.
- ii. Check the permissions of the directory <install path>/GV File Node/nodeinfo
- iii. Confirm the target hardware meets the target hardware specification.

### 4. Error message:

The GV File Node does not have sufficient OpenCL resources to process the job request.

#### Reason:

The GV File Node does not have sufficient OpenCL resources to process the job request. This could be because the solution requires GPU acceleration and none were found on the GV File Node.

### Suggestions:

- i. Check that the GPU type is supported.
- ii. If the GPU is an NVIDIA Tesla or Quadro, check that it is currently configured to be in TCC mode and not WDDM (Windows Platform only).
- iii. Confirm that a GPU with sufficient resources is installed.

### 5. Error message:

GV File Node encountered an unexpected error when processing FIMS Transform request.

### Reason:

This failure message should only be seen if Quasar File is being controlled via a third party application through the FIMS Transform Service API.

While processing the FIMS Transform request the GV File Node encountered an unexpected error.

### Suggestions:

- i. Check the parameters of the 3<sup>rd</sup> party application request.
- ii. Run the same job from the GV File client to check validity.

### 6. Error Message:

GV File Node has encountered an unexpected error.

### Reason:

The GV File Node encountered an expected error either before or during processing.

### Suggestions:

- i. Try running the job again.
- ii. If job persistently fails contact Snell Support

### 7. Error message:

GV File Node could not find the Solution Profile

#### Reason:

The GV File Node has not been able to load the Solution Profile from the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory. This may happen in a system where the GV File Node is running on a different PC/Server from the GV File Server and comms between the two has been lost. Or, the permissions of the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory have been modified.

### Suggestion:

- i. Check comms between GV File Server and GV File Node.
- ii. Check the permissions of the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory.

### 8. Error Message

GV File Node could not find the Job Profile

### Reason:

The GV File Node has not been able to load the Solution Profile from the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory. This may happen in a system where the GV File Node is running on a different PC/Server from the GV File Server and comms between the two has been lost. Or, the permissions of the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory have been modified.

### Suggestion:

- i. Check comms between GV File Server and GV File Node.
- ii. Check the permissions of the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory.

### 9. Error Message:

GV File Node could not find the Sink Profile

### Reason:

The GV File Node has not been able to load the Solution Profile from the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory. This may happen in a system where the GV File Node is running on a different PC/Server from the GV File Server and comms between the two has been lost. Or, the permissions of the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory have been modified.

### Suggestion:

- i. Check comms between GV File Server and GV File Node.
- ii. Check the permissions of the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory.

### 10. Error Message

GV File Node could not find the source file

#### Reason:

The GV File Node has not been able to find the source file defined in the FIMS Transform request.

### Suggestions:

- i. The path entered for the Source File, in the Create Job window is incorrect.
- ii. The source file has been deleted or moved between time of configuration and running the job.
- iii. The source file is on an associated share which is no longer reachable from the host PC/Server.

### 11. Error Message:

GV File Node could not find the destination directory

### Reason:

The GV File Node has not been able to find the configured destination directory defined in the FIMS Transform request.

### Suggestions:

- i. The path entered for the Destination Folder, in the Create Job window is incorrect.
- ii. The Destination Folder has been deleted or moved between time of configuration and running the job.
- iii. The Destination Folder is located on an associated share which is no longer reachable from the host PC/Server.

### 12. Error message:

GV File Node failed to apply job specific settings

#### Reason:

This failure message should only be seen if Quasar File is being controlled via a third party application through the FIMS Transform Service API.

The GV File Node has failed to set job specific settings. Providing all files are available and the job specific setting conform to our API this should not occur.

### Suggestions:

- i. Check the parameters of the 3<sup>rd</sup> party application **request**.
- ii. Run the same job from the GV File client to check validity.

### 13. Error message:

GV File Node Worker failed to initialise.

#### Reason:

The GV File Node failed to initialise the GV File Node Worker. This could be due to running a solution that is not compatible with the version of the GV File Node, or the underlying hardware is not capable of supporting the desired solution.

### Suggestions:

 Confirm source file is a supported file type. Example; although XDCam codec is supported and Quicktime file-wrapper is also supported, however XDCam with a Quicktime wrapper as a combination is not supported at the present time.

### 14. Error message:

GV File Node service was stopped during a running job

#### Reason:

The GV File Node service was stopped, by an Operator, during a running job. As this prevents the license from being checked, the GV File Node Worker will also be stopped and the job terminated.

### 15. Error message:

GV File Node was unable to retrieve all profiles from the GV File Server

### Reason:

The GV File Node was unable to retrieve all of the required profiles from the GV File Server. This may happen in a system where the GV File Node is running on a different PC/Server from the GV File Server and comms between the two has been lost.

### Suggestion:

i. Check comms between GV File Server and GV File Node.

### 16. Error message:

GV File Node unable to obtain all required licenses

#### Reason:

The GV File Node has not been able to check out all of the licenses defined in the Solution Profile. Or, a valid license is not present.

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#### 17. Error Message:

GV File Node detected a Licensing Error during processing.

#### Reason:

The GV File Node has detected a licensing problem therefore the job will be terminated. This could be because the license server has become un-reachable, mid-job.

### Suggestion:

 If the license server is on a separate PC/Server, from the GV File Server, check comms link between the two.

### 18. Error Message:

GV File Node Worker encountered an unexpected error during processing

### Reason:

The GV File Node Worker has encountered an unexpected error. The error is written to the GV File Node log and a customer facing message is sent to the client. This is because the error message could be a low level system message such as an exception.

### Suggestion:

- i. Try running the job again.
- ii. If job persistently fails, make into Support issue.

### 19. Error Message:

GV File Node could not start GV File Node Worker

### Reason:

The GV File Node Worker failed to start the GV File Node Worker, maybe the program is missing or the permissions are not set correctly.

### Suggestion:

- Check the application <install path>/GV File Node/SnellOD\_NodeWorker.exe exists and has the correct permissions to execute.
- ii. Check that there isn't already a SnellOD\_NodeWorker application running.

### 20. Error Message:

GV File Node Worker failed.

#### Reason:

The GV File Node Worker has failed. This is most likely caused by a crash due to an unhandled exception.

#### Suggestion:

- i. Try running the job again.
- ii. If job persistently fails contact Snell Support

### 21. Error Message:

Instance of GV File Node Worker already running.

### Reason:

The GV File Node Worker has failed to start. This is due to an instance of the GV File Node Worker already running.

### Suggestion:

- i. This shouldn't happen in the field. If seen contact GV File Support.
- ii. Check that there isn't already a SnellOD\_NodeWorker application running. If there is, try to terminate the SnellOD\_NodeWorker application and try to run the job again.

### 22. Error Message:

GV File Node failed to create the Job Profile

#### Reason:

The GV File Node failed to create the Job Profile. This could be due to permissions on the profile directory in the GV File Node installation or an invalid parameter.

### Suggestion:

- i. Check the permissions of the <install path>/GV File Node/profiles directory
- ii. If using a third party application test the job using the GV File Client

### 23. Error Message:

GV File Node cannot process the source file because it is an unsupported format

### Reason:

The GV File Node cannot process the source file because it does not have a suitable de-multiplexer available. The GV File Node cannot process the source file as it is in a format that is not supported.

### Suggestions:

- i. Check if the source file is a supported file type.
- ii. Check the source file is a supported combination of Codec and File Wrapper
- iii. Check the source file contains a supported video format.

### 24. Error Message:

Internal Error. Failed to cancel

### Reason:

Failed to cancel the job, use this error to try again.

### 25. Error Message:

The file extension may not be valid or the file could be corrupt

### Reason:

The source file may not be a compatible file type, or possibly the source is corrupt.

### Suggestions:

- i. Check that the source file is a supported file type (see supported file types table in the Quasar User Guide)
- ii. If the file is a supported format, try running the file on a 3<sup>rd</sup> party application, to check the integrity of the

### 26. Error Message:

Node: Video encoder error – is the destination directory full?

### Reason:

The Directory containing the configured destination folder does not have enough free space for the output file to be written to.

Suggestions: Change directory or make space on chosen directory.

## Appendix D. DPX Support

### Input DPX support:

- RGBA planar
- Y Cb Cr planar (4:2:2)
- RGB interleaved
- RGBA interleaved
- ARGB interleaved
- Cb YA Cr YA interleaved (4:2:2:4)
- Cy Y Cr interleaved (4:4:4)
- Cb Y Cr A (4:4:4:4)

Bit depths of 8, 10, 12, 16 and 32 are supported. Conversions from RGB to YUV assume Rec.709 colour space.

The character limit on the source file would be governed by the OS in use. For example Windows has a filename character limit of 260.

### **Output DPX support:**

RGB 10bit (little endian)

### Other rules for DPX

- Underscores are not required. Our reader looks for the last number in the filename and uses this as the index number. For example "1080\_50i\_Test\_0000001.dpx" the last number would be "0000001".
- Source files do not need to start at zero, but the sequence must be sequential a break in the sequence will stop the conversion
- At present all conversions from RGB to Rec709 assume Rec709 colour space