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COMMS PRO

QUICK START GUIDE

NDI[®]



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1. Please Download and Install the application.
2. Once installed you will find the launch on your Desktop: BirdDog Comms PRO.
3. Upon first launch, you will be greeted with the Product Activation window.
4. Click FREE TRIAL CODE and enter your email if you do not yet have an activation license key.
5. You will receive an email from BirdDog Activation containing your code:
copy and paste it on the Product Activation popup.
6. Click NEXT and insert your email again with a new password
(remember your password! You will need it if you would like to deactivate your application for installing it in another machine).
7. Now click on ACTIVATE, and enjoy BirdDog Comms Pro!



1. Create or remove a group (max 6 groups total)
2. Select a group from the GROUPS list and add in a maximum of 6 devices from the DEVICES list. (green = selected - grey = unselected).
Note. A device can only be in one group at a time.

4. Choose any NDI source from the list to view it on the PROGRAM MONITOR.

The screenshot shows the BirdDog COMMS PRO interface. At the top, there is a green header with the BirdDog logo and 'COMMS PRO' on the left, and 'NDI' with window controls on the right. Below the header, the interface is divided into several sections:

- GROUPS:** A list of roles: CAMERA OPS, SOUND, PRODUCERS, REMOTE, DATABASE. Below the list are '+' and '-' buttons.
- DEVICES:** A list of 10 devices: STUDIO_BIRDDOG1 through STUDIO_BIRDDOG10. The first six are selected (green square), and the last four are unselected (grey square).
- PROGRAM MONITOR | STUDIO_BIRDDOG5:** A large video window showing a concert scene with a crowd and stage lights.
- GROUP 1 and GROUP 2:** Two sections for managing groups. Each has a list of roles (CAMERA OPS, SOUND, PRODUCERS, REMOTE, DATABASE) and a microphone icon. Below each group name are 'GROUP 1' and 'GROUP 2' buttons.
- Individual video monitors:** A grid of 14 smaller video monitors. The first six correspond to GROUP 1 (STUDIO_BIRDDOG1-6) and the last eight to GROUP 2 (STUDIO_BIRDDOG7-10 and MINI_BIRDDOG01-02). Each monitor shows a different video source and has control icons (mute, video, volume, settings).

3. Select the group you want to visualize in GROUP 1 and in GROUP 2 sections by clicking on the group name.

Individual video monitors for each selected device.



Press the Talk Button to speak with all the devices in your network.
Talk Button will change to red when active.
You can also use the spacebar.

Use the GROUP 1 or GROUP 2 buttons to speak only with the devices in those groups.

NEW FUNCTION
Volume slider to adjust the director to camera operator volume.

NEW FUNCTION
Right click to open fullscreen preview window on external monitor.

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Refresh device list

Selected device name

Double tap to speak to individual device

Allow the user to speak with all the other users in the group.

Sound from headset

Device mute

Sound from camera

Device monitoring on

Tally indicator

Device name

Monitoring Volume bar

BirdDog Web Console