

6504B IRIG-B Distribution

User Guide

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About this User Guide

Purpose

The 6504B User Guide describes the procedures for unpacking, installing, using, maintaining, and troubleshooting the 6504B.

Conventions

This guide uses the following conventions:

- **Acronyms and Abbreviations** – Terms are spelled out the first time they appear in text. Thereafter, only the acronym or abbreviation is used.
- **Revision Control** – The title page lists the printing date and versions of the product this guide describes.
- **Typographical Conventions** – This guide uses the typographical conventions described in the table below.

When text appears this way...	... it means:
<i>TimeProvider User's Guide</i>	The title of a document.
SSU CRITICAL	An operating mode, alarm state, status, or chassis label.
Select File , Open ...	Click the Open option on the File menu.
Press Enter Press ;	A named keyboard key. The key name is shown as it appears on the keyboard. An explanation of the key's acronym or function immediately follows the first reference to the key, if required.
6502 Username:	Text in a source file or a system prompt or other text that appears on a screen.
A <i>re-timing</i> application	A word or term being emphasized.
Symmetricom does not recommend...	A word or term given special emphasis.

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Warnings, Cautions, Recommendations, and Notes attract attention to essential or critical information in this guide. The types of information included in each are explained in the following examples.



Warning: To avoid serious personal injury or death, *do not* disregard warnings. All warnings use this symbol. Warnings are installation, operation, or maintenance procedures, practices, or statements, that if not strictly observed, may result in serious personal injury or even death.



Caution: To avoid personal injury, *do not* disregard cautions. All cautions use this symbol. Cautions are installation, operation, or maintenance procedures, practices, conditions, or statements, that if not strictly observed, may result in damage to, or destruction of, the equipment. Cautions are also used to indicate a long-term health hazard.



ESD Caution: To avoid personal injury and electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage to equipment, *do not* disregard ESD cautions. All ESD cautions use this symbol. ESD cautions are installation, operation, or maintenance procedures, practices, conditions, or statements that if not strictly observed, may result in possible personal injury, electrostatic discharge damage to, or destruction of, static sensitive components of the equipment.



Electrical Shock Caution: To avoid electrical shock and possible personal injury, do not disregard electrical shock cautions. All electrical shock cautions use this symbol. Electrical shock cautions are practices, procedures, or statements, that if not strictly observed, may result in possible personal injury, electrical shock damage to, or destruction of components of the equipment.



Recommendation: All recommendations use this symbol. Recommendations indicate manufacturer-tested methods or known functionality. Recommendations contain installation, operation, or maintenance procedures, practices, conditions, or statements, that provide important information for optimum performance results.



Note: All notes use this symbol. Notes contain installation, operation, or maintenance procedures, practices, conditions, or statements, that alert you to important information, which may make your task easier or increase your understanding.

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Introduction

Overview

This User Guide contains procedures and descriptive information for proper installation, configuration, and operation of the Symmetricom 6504B IRIG-B Distribution Module.

Purpose of Equipment

The Symmetricom 6504B IRIG-B Distribution Module takes a single IRIG-B time code input, and provides additional buffered outputs, ten per module.

The 1U (1.75" high) chassis houses a set of very low noise and high isolation RF amplifiers. Up to ten Symmetricom 6504B IRIG-B Distribution chassis may be daisy chained to provide up to 100 independently buffered outputs of the common input. The level of the input signal and all ten output signals are monitored, providing a visual indicator of signal presence as well as a summary fault (form-C relay) for each module.

A complete list of performance characteristics is provided in "Specifications" on page 13.

Instrument Identification

The model number 6504B may be followed by a slash (/) and a three-digit number to indicate an option that is supplied within the instrument. See "Available Versions" on page 14.

Preparation for Shipment

To turn off the Symmetricom 6504B prior to shipment, remove the AC power from the plug on the rear panel. Package the instrument in its original packing if possible. If the original packing materials are not available, pack in a reinforced cardboard carton using foam to take up any space inside the carton. Do not use foam popcorn or crushed paper for packing.

If the instrument is being returned to Symmetricom, contact Symmetricom Customer Assistance. See "Customer Assistance" on page 15.

Installation

Mounting

The Symmetricom 6504B is designed to be mounted in a standard 19-inch equipment rack and takes up 1U of vertical space (1.75"). The chassis depth is 12 inches.

Power Connection/Fuses/Voltage

The Symmetricom 6504B is powered from an AC source by a detachable power supply cord. The power cord is the disconnect device. Refer to Chapter Four for power supply requirements. The AC fuses are located inside the AC connector/filter. The hot and neutral lines are fused separately. To change fuses, refer to [Figure 2-1](#). Open the cover on the AC connector/filter by applying a screwdriver to the cover slot. Once the cover is open, each fuse holder may be removed for inspection or replacement. Replace only with a 0.2A, 250V as specified in Chapter four.

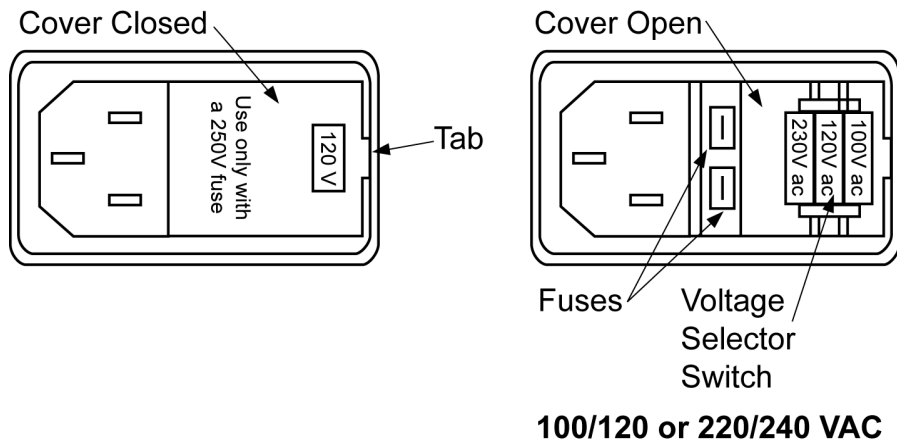


Figure 2-1 AC Input Filter/Fuses/Voltage Selector

The Symmetricom 6504B may be powered from 120 or 240 VAC. To change the AC input between 120 and 240 V, refer to Figure 2-1. Open the cover on the AC input connector by applying a screwdriver to the cover slot. Once the cover is open, a selector switch may be rolled left or right to line up "120" or "240" with the small window in the connector cover. Replace the cover on the AC input connector by snapping it in place.



Caution: Do not use the voltages labeled "100" or "230", as they are not connected.

DC Power Connection

The Symmetricom 6504B (DC version) is powered from a DC source. The connections are made at TB1 as shown in [Figure 2-2](#). The voltage input may be 20 V to 75 V.

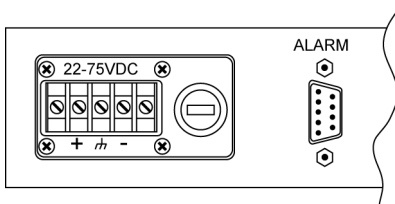


Figure 2-2 DC Power Connection

Signal Connectors

Connect the signal to be distributed to one of the two BNC connectors labeled INPUT. Set the impedance switch to 50Ω (down) if only one 6504B module is to be used. If multiple 6504B modules are used to obtain more than 10 outputs, see [Figure 2-4](#).

Output cables may be connected to BNC 1 through 10 in any order. Refer to [Figure 2-3](#).

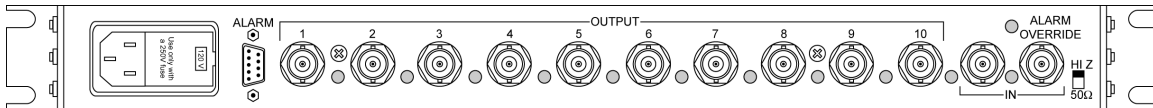


Figure 2-3 Signal Connections

With the 6504B powered, the green power indicator on the front panel will illuminate. The impedance switch should be set to 50Ω if there is only one module. The red indicator next to the input signal is off to show that there is a good input signal.

Daisy Chaining More Than One Module

If more than ten outputs are required, up to ten Symmetricom 6504B modules can be driven by a common input signal to produce up to 100 outputs. [Figure 2-4](#) illustrates this connection.

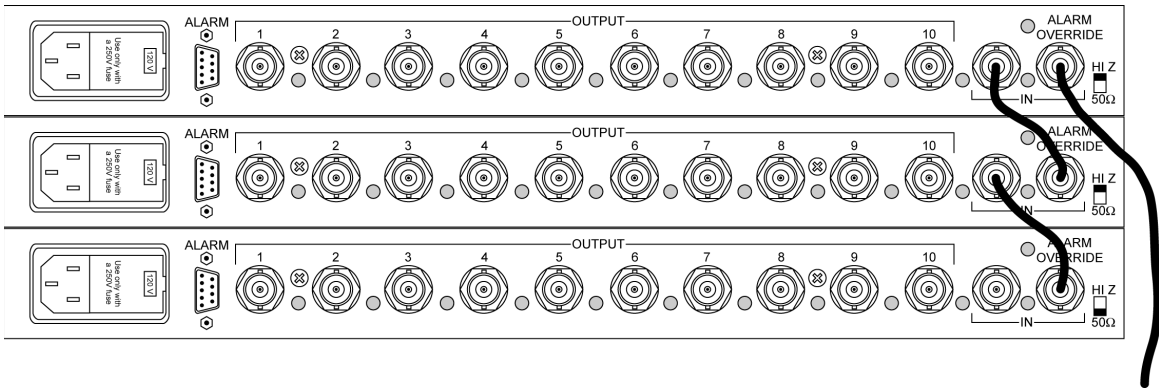
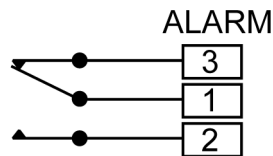


Figure 2-4 Daisy Chaining Multiple Modules

The example in [Figure 2-4](#) shows three units. The original signal from the source is connected to the top IN connector on the right side of the first module. The lower IN connector on the first module is connected to the top IN connector on the second module. The second module is connected to the third module in the same fashion. The impedance switch for the first and second chassis is set to HI Z, while the impedance switch on the third (or last) chassis in the daisy chain is set to 50Ω.

Alarm Connections

The Symmetricom 6504B provides for an alarm to signal the failure of any signal output. One set of form-C relay contacts is provided on the 9-pin D connector labeled ALARMS. For normal operation, pins 1 to 2 are open and pins 1 to 3 are closed. The sense is reversed for a fault condition. Refer to [Figure 2-5](#).



Relay shown in non-faulted condition

Figure 2-5 Alarm Contacts

If the input signal or input buffer fails or falls below the factory-set low-level threshold, the red fault indicator next to the input connector will turn on. Likewise, if any output buffer fails or falls below the low-level threshold, a red fault indicator next to that output will turn on. The ALARM form-C relay is normally energized, indicating no signal failure. If either the input or any output signal fails, the relay is de-energized (short between pins 1 and 2), indicating a fault condition. This is a fail-safe design that will indicate a fault in the event of a power loss.

Operation

Overview

The Symmetricom 6504B IRIG-B Distribution Module controls and indicators are described in this chapter.

Figure 3-1 6504B IRIG-B Distribution Front Panel

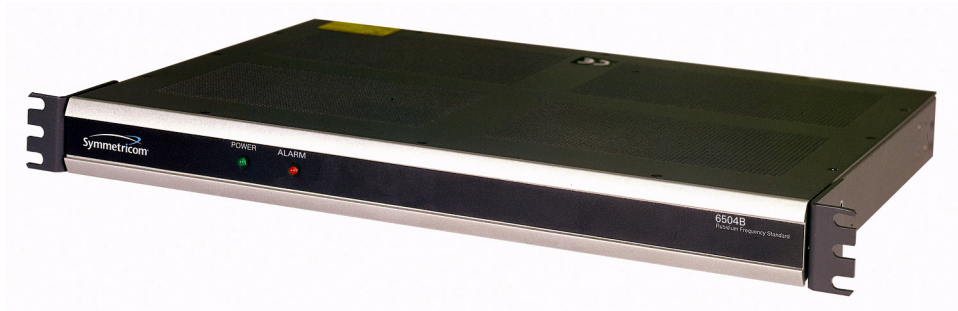
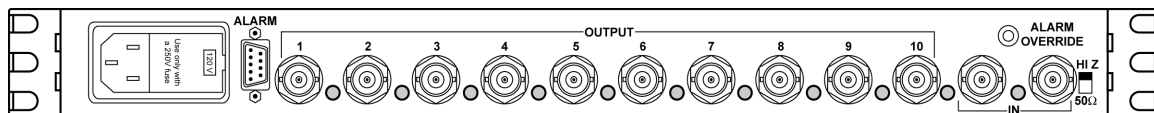


Figure 3-2 6504B IRIG-B Distribution Rear Panel



Controls and Indicators

HI Z/50Ω

This slide switch on the rear panel selects either the HI Z input impedance (unterminated) or the 50Ω input impedance. A 6504B installation of two or more (ten maximum) units will set the switch to HI Z position on the module connected to the source of the signal, and on all subsequent modules except the last module, which is switched to the 50Ω position, providing proper termination for the signal.

ALARM OVERRIDE

When provided, the optional ALARM OVERRIDE toggle switch enables or disables the ALARM relay output on the ALARM connector. This makes ALARM OVERRIDE useful for suppressing audible alarms.

With ALARM OVERRIDE in the UP position, the ALARM relay is enabled and changes states in the event of a signal failure. With ALARM OVERRIDE in the DOWN position, the ALARM relay is disabled, forcing it into a normal (no alarm) condition. ALARM OVERRIDE doesn't affect the LED indicators.

POWER

LED on the front panel to indicate that power is applied. There is no power switch on the 6504B. When power is connected, power is ON.

ALARM

LED on the front panel to indicate that an ALARM condition exists. An alarm condition exists when the input signal or any output signal fails or falls below the factory preset amplitude.

INPUT FAULT

This LED is located on the rear panel, just to the right of the lower INPUT connectors. If the input signal fails or falls below the factory preset amplitude, this LED will light and stay on until the cause of the fault is remedied.

OUTPUT FAULT

There are ten LED indicators, located to the right of each output connector. If any output signal fails or falls below the factory preset amplitude, the LED associated with the failed output will light and stay on until the cause of the fault is remedied.

Specifications



Note: All performance is at an ambient temperature of 25°C unless otherwise specified.

Time Code Outputs (10)

Code Format	IRIG-B
Modulation Frequency	1 kHz
Modulation Ratio	3:1
Amplitude	≤ 3 V p-p

Time Code Input

Code Format	IRIG-B
Modulation Frequency	1 kHz
Modulation Ratio	3:1
Amplitude	≤ 3 V p-p

Power

Operating Voltage	120/240 VAC, ±15%
Power	< 10W
DC Input (Optional)	22 to 56 VDC, 10 W Fuses 0.2 A, 250 V, fast acting, 5x20 mm (e.g., Littlefuse P/N 239.200)

Mechanical

Height	1.75" (1 U)
Width	19"
Depth	12"

Environment

Operating Temperature	0 to 55°C
Relative Humidity	0 to 95%, non-condensing

Alarm Indication

Summary alarm indicates failure of any output signal.

Front Panel	Red LED
Relay	Energized (short pins 1 & 3): No Failure De-energized (short pins 1 & 2): Failure

Controls and Indicators

POWER	Green LED indicates power is connected
ALARM	Red LED indicates a signal output failure
HI Z/50 Ω	Slide switch: Unterminated or 50 Ω Terminated
ALARM OVERRIDE	Toggle switch: Audible alarm enabled/disabled
INPUT FAULT	Red LED indicates fault with input signal
OUTPUT FAULT	Ten red LEDs indicate fault with output

See "Controls and Indicators" on page 11 for more information.

Available Versions

14366-101	Standard configuration, AC input
Special Option	Standard configuration, DC input
Special Option	Rear panel ALARM OVERRIDE switch (on Standard Configuration, AC input)

Customer Assistance

For additional information about the products described in this guide, please contact your Symmetricom representative or your local sales office.

For Customer Assistance, please contact us by phone, e-mail, or on the web at www.symmetricom.com/support/.

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For product quotes, service quotes, installations, order status and scheduling, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, excluding U.S. Holidays.

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