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# GETTING STARTED GUIDE NI CVS-1459

#### Compact Vision System with USB3 Vision and Reconfigurable I/O

The NI CVS-1459 is a compact vision system that acquires, processes, and displays images from USB3 Vision cameras. The NI CVS-1459 ships with preloaded Windows Embedded Standard 7 64-bit. This document explains how to install and configure the NI CVS-1459.

# **Required Components**

The following items are necessary to set up and use the NI CVS-1459.

- NI CVS-1459
- One or two USB3 Vision cameras
- One USB 3.0 cable per USB3 Vision camera
- One CAT 5 10/100Base-TX, CAT 5e, or CAT 6 1000Base-T Ethernet cable to connect the device to the development computer or to a network.



**Note** A CAT 5e or CAT 6 1000Base-T Ethernet cable is required to achieve 1,000 Mbps (Gigabit) Ethernet performance. CAT 5e and CAT 6 Ethernet cables adhere to higher electrical standards required for Gigabit Ethernet communication. CAT 5 cables are not guaranteed to meet the necessary requirements. While CAT 5 cables may appear to work at 1,000 Mbps, CAT 5 cables are likely to cause bit errors resulting in degraded network performance.

- Monitor
- Keyboard
- Mouse
- A compatible power supply, such as the NI PS-15 Power Supply (part number 781093-01)

#### **Optional Equipment**

National Instruments offers the following products for use with the NI CVS-1459:

- 24 VDC, 1.25 A Desktop Power Supply (part number 782032-01)
- 44-pin D-SUB cable for digital I/O
  - 44-pin D-SUB male to pigtail cable (part number 156083-03 for 3 meter cable)
  - 44-pin D-SUB male to 44-position D-SUB female cable (part number 156084-03 for 3 meter cable or part number 156084-0R5 for 0.5 meter cable)



NI CVS I/O Accessory

Note This accessory is unshielded.

- CVS I/O Accessory and 3 meter 44-pin D-SUB male to 44-position D-SUB female cable (part number 783327-01)
- CVS I/O Accessory and 0.5 meter 44-pin D-SUB male to 44-position D-SUB female cable (part number 783328-01)
- DIN Rail Kit (part number 781740-01)
- 10-position modular plug to 9-pin D-sub serial cable for RS-485 or RS-232 (part number 182845-01 for 1 meter cable, part number 182845-02 for 2 meter cable, or part number 182845-03 for 3 meter cable)

# Safety Information



**Caution** The following paragraphs contain important safety information you must follow when installing and operating the device.

Do not operate the device in a manner not specified in the documentation. Misuse of the device may result in a hazard and may compromise the safety protection built into the device. If the device is damaged, turn it off and do not use it until service-trained personnel can check its safety. If necessary, return the device to National Instruments for repair.

Keep away from live circuits. Do not remove equipment covers or shields unless you are trained to do so. If signal wires are connected to the device, hazardous voltages can exist even when the equipment is turned off. To avoid a shock hazard, do not perform procedures involving cover or shield removal unless you are qualified to do so. Disconnect all field power prior to removing covers or shields.

Because of the danger of introducing additional hazards, do not install unauthorized parts or modify the device. Use the device only with the chassis, modules, accessories, and cables specified in the installation instructions. All covers and filler panels must be installed while operating the device.

This is a Pollution Degree 2 device. Do not operate the device in an explosive atmosphere or where flammable gases or fumes may be present. Operate the device only at or below the pollution degree stated in the specifications. Pollution consists of any foreign matter—solid, liquid, or gas—that may reduce dielectric strength or surface resistivity. The following is a description of pollution degrees.

- Pollution Degree 1—No pollution or only dry, nonconductive pollution occurs. The pollution has no effect.
- Pollution Degree 2—Normally only nonconductive pollution occurs. Occasionally, nonconductive pollution becomes conductive because of condensation.
- Pollution Degree 3—Conductive pollution or dry, nonconductive pollution occurs. Nonconductive pollution becomes conductive because of condensation.

Clean the device and accessories by brushing off light dust with a soft, nonmetallic brush. Remove other contaminants with a stiff, nonmetallic brush. The unit must be completely dry and free from contaminants before returning it to service.

You must insulate signal connections for the maximum voltage for which the device is rated. Do not exceed the maximum ratings for the device. Remove power from signal lines before connection to or disconnection from the device.

# **Electromagnetic Compatibility Guidelines**

This product was tested and complies with the regulatory requirements and limits for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) as stated in the product specifications. These requirements and limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the product is operated in its intended operational electromagnetic environment.

This product is intended for use in industrial locations. There is no guarantee that harmful interference will not occur in a particular installation, when the product is connected to a test object, or if the product is used in residential areas. To minimize the potential for the product to cause interference to radio and television reception or to experience unacceptable performance degradation, install and use this product in strict accordance with the instructions in the product documentation.

Furthermore, any changes or modifications to the product not expressly approved by National Instruments could void your authority to operate it under your local regulatory rules.



**Caution** To ensure the specified EMC performance, operate this product only with shielded cables and accessories.

# Configuring the Hardware

Remove the NI CVS-1459 from the package and inspect the system for damage. Notify National Instruments if the system appears damaged in any way. Do not use a damaged system.

Ensure that the AC input to the external power supply is disconnected before plugging in or unplugging any connector. Ground the unit to minimize the possibility of static electricity damage.

Refer to the following figures while configuring the hardware.



- 1. Reset Button
- 2. System Power Connector

- 3. Isolated Outputs Power Connector
- 4. Chassis Grounding Screw

#### Figure 2. NI CVS-1459 Front Panel Connectors



- 1. VGA Connector
- 2. RJ50 Serial Port
- 3. USB 2.0 Ports

- 4. RJ45 Network Port
- 5. USB3 Vision Ports
- 6. 44-pin Digital I/O Connector

## Connecting the System Power Supply

Complete the following steps to supply power to the NI CVS-1459.

- 1. Verify the power source is turned off.
- 2. If the power connector plug is connected to the chassis, disconnect it from the device.

#### Figure 3. 2-Position Power Screw Terminal Connector



- 1. V (Positive) Terminal Screw
- 2. C (Negative) Terminal Screw
- 3. Connector Screws



**Caution** Do not tighten or loosen the terminal screws on the power connector while the power is on.

- 3. Connect the positive lead of the power source to the V terminal of the power connector plug and tighten the terminal screw to 0.2 to 0.25 N  $\cdot$  m (1.8 to 2.2 lb  $\cdot$  in.) of torque.
- 4. Connect the negative lead of the power source to the C terminal of the power connector plug and tighten the terminal screw to 0.2 to  $0.25 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$  (1.8 to 2.2 lb  $\cdot$  in.) of torque.
- 5. Install the power connector plug into the SYSTEM power receptacle on the NI CVS-1459 chassis and tighten the connector screws to  $0.4 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$  (3.5 lb  $\cdot \text{in.}$ ) of torque.
- 6. Turn on the external power source.

## Connecting the Isolated Outputs Power Supply

Complete the following steps to supply power to the isolated outputs.

- 1. Make sure the power source is turned off.
- 2. If the power connector plug is connected to the chassis, disconnect it from the device.



- 1. V (Positive) Terminal Screw
- 2. C (Negative) Terminal Screw
- 3. Connector Screws



**Caution** Do not tighten or loosen the terminal screws on the power connector while the power is on.

- 3. Connect the positive lead of the isolated outputs power source to the V terminal of the power connector plug and tighten the terminal screw to 0.2 to 0.25 N  $\cdot$  m (1.8 to 2.2 lb  $\cdot$  in.) of torque.
- 4. Connect the negative lead of the isolated outputs power source to the C terminal of the power connector plug and tighten the terminal screw to 0.2 to 0.25 N  $\cdot$  m (1.8 to 2.2 lb  $\cdot$  in.) of torque.
- 5. Install the power connector plug into the ISO power receptacle on the NI CVS-1459 chassis and tighten the connector screws to 0.4 N  $\cdot$  m (3.5 lb  $\cdot$  in.) of torque.
- 6. Turn on the external power source.

## Connecting the NI CVS-1459 to a Network

Complete the following steps to connect the device to a network.

- 1. Connect one end of an Ethernet cable to the network port on the device.
- 2. Connect the free end of the cable to an Ethernet hub or other network device.
- 3. Verify the ACTIVITY/LINK LED on the port is on or blinking.

By default, the operating system automatically attempts to connect to the network using DHCP. If it is unable to initiate a DHCP connection, it connects to the network with a link-local IP address (169.254.x.x).

## Installing NI Vision Acquisition Software

Before using the NI CVS-1459, you must install the device drivers onto the device. If you have an external USB DVD drive, you can use the external DVD drive to install Vision Acquisition Software from the DVD shipped with the device. Otherwise, complete the following steps to download and install Vision Acquisition Software.

- 1. Connect a USB keyboard and a USB mouse to the USB ports on the NI CVS-1459.
- 2. Connect a monitor to the VGA port on the NI CVS-1459.
- 3. Using the web browser on the NI CVS-1459, navigate to *ni.com/drivers*.
- 4. In the Drivers search field, search for Vision Acquisition Software.

- 5. Download the latest version of Vision Acquisition Software.
- 6. Run the Vision Acquisition Software installer. Install the following parts from the installer:
  - NI-IMAQdx—Required to control the USB3 Vision cameras connected to the NI CVS-1459.
  - NI-IMAQ I/O—Required to use the default personality of the NI CVS-1459 FPGA in LabVIEW, or to reconfigure the default personality of the NI CVS-1459 FPGA in the LabVIEW FPGA Module.

NI-IMAQdx integrates with Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX), the utility for configuring and testing National Instruments hardware and software. The NI MAX icon appears on the desktop after you install NI-IMAQdx.

Install other National Instruments software as needed.

#### **Connecting Cameras**

The NI CVS-1459 supports two USB3 Vision cameras. Complete the following steps to connect cameras to the NI CVS-1459.

- 1. Connect a USB3 Vision cable to a USB3 Vision camera.
- 2. Connect the other end of the cable to one of the USB3 Vision ports on the NI CVS-1459. Repeat these steps for the other port if you are connecting two cameras.

#### Acquiring an Image in MAX

Complete the following steps to acquire an image in NI Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX).

- 1. Launch MAX.
- 2. In the Configuration Pane, expand Devices and Interfaces.
- 3. Select the camera you want to test.
- 4. Click **Snap** to acquire an image.

For troubleshooting information, visit *ni.com/info* and enter the Info Code U3VGettingStarted.

# Digital I/O Port

The 44-pin Digital I/O port on the NI CVS-1459 offers 8 isolated inputs, 8 isolated outputs, 2 bidirectional differential I/O (RS-422) or single ended input lines which can be used with a quadrature encoder, and 8 bidirectional TTL lines. The Digital I/O port can be connected to any appropriate shielded device or connector block using a shielded cable. Refer to the following image and table for pin locations and functions.



Pin Number	Signal	Description
1	Diff 0+	Bidirectional RS-422 I/O (positive side), or quadrature encoder phase A+
2	GND	Digital ground reference for TTL and differential I/O
3	TTL 0	Bidirectional TTL I/O
4	TTL 1	Bidirectional TTL I/O
5	GND	Digital ground reference for TTL and differential I/O
6	TTL 2	Bidirectional TTL I/O
7	TTL 3	Bidirectional TTL I/O
8	GND	Digital ground reference for TTL and differential I/O
9	Diff 1+	Bidirectional RS-422 I/O (positive side), or quadrature encoder phase B+
10	V <sub>ISO</sub>	Isolated power voltage reference output
11	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
12	Iso Out 0	General purpose isolated output
13	Iso Out 1	General purpose isolated output
14	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
15	Iso Out 4	General purpose isolated output
16	Diff 0-	Bidirectional RS-422 I/O (negative side), or quadrature encoder phase A-

Pin Number	Signal	Description
17	GND	Digital ground reference for TTL and differential I/O
18	TTL 4	Bidirectional TTL I/O
19	TTL 5	Bidirectional TTL I/O
20	GND	Digital ground reference for TTL and differential I/O
21	TTL 6	Bidirectional TTL I/O
22	TTL 7	Bidirectional TTL I/O
23	GND	Digital ground reference for TTL and differential I/O
24	Diff 1-	Bidirectional RS-422 I/O (negative side), or quadrature encoder phase B-
25	V <sub>ISO</sub>	Isolated power voltage reference output
26	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
27	Iso Out 2	General purpose isolated output
28	Iso Out 3	General purpose isolated output
29	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
30	Iso Out 5	General purpose isolated output
31	Iso In 0	General purpose isolated input
32	Iso In 1	General purpose isolated input
33	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
34	Iso In 2	General purpose isolated input
35	Iso In 3	General purpose isolated input
36	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
37	Iso In 4	General purpose isolated input
38	Iso In 5	General purpose isolated input
39	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
40	Iso In 6	General purpose isolated input
41	Iso In 7	General purpose isolated input

Table 1. Digital I/O Pin Descriptions (Continued)

Pin Number	Signal	Description
42	C <sub>ISO</sub>	Common ground reference for isolated inputs and outputs
43	Iso Out 6	General purpose isolated output
44	Iso Out 7	General purpose isolated output

Table 1. Digital I/O Pin Descriptions (Continued)

# Where to Go Next

The following documents and resources contain information you may find helpful as you use the NI CVS-1459 in an application. Refer to the National Instruments Product Manuals Library at *http://www.ni.com/manuals* for the most recent versions of product documentation.

- NI CVS-1459 Specifications—Contains detailed specifications for the NI CVS-1459.
- NI CVS-1459 User Manual—Contains connector pinouts, configuration information, mounting information, and answers to common troubleshooting questions.
- NI CVS I/O Accessory User Manual—Contains installation and operation instructions for the NI CVS I/O Accessory.

## Resources for Vision Builder AI Users

Refer to the *NI Vision Builder for Automated Inspection Tutorial* to learn how to perform basic machine vision techniques using Vision Builder AI. You can access the *NI Vision Builder for Automated Inspection Tutorial* and other documentation by selecting **Start**»**All Programs**» **National Instruments**»**Vision Builder AI**»**Documentation**. You can also access context help within Vision Builder AI by clicking the **Show Context Help** button on the Vision Builder AI toolbar.

Examples of common Vision Builder AI inspections are installed to the <Vision Builder AI>\Examples directory, where <Vision Builder AI> is the location Vision Builder AI is installed.

## **Resources for LabVIEW Users**

Documentation for LabVIEW is available from the **Help** menu on the LabVIEW toolbar. Access documentation for the NI Vision Development Module, NI-IMAQdx, and NI-IMAQ I/O by selecting **Start**»**All Programs**»**National Instruments**»**Vision**»**Documentation**.

Documentation for the MAX configuration software is available from the **Help** menu on the MAX toolbar. Specific information about using MAX with NI Vision hardware is available by selecting **Help**»**Help Topics**»**NI Vision**»**NI-IMAQdx**.

National Instruments Example Finder—LabVIEW contains an extensive library of VIs and example programs. To access the NI Example Finder, open LabVIEW and select **Help**»**Find Examples**.

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