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# Getting Started with the NI EVS-1463

The NI EVS-1463 is a fanless embedded vision system designed for rugged industrial applications. The NI EVS-1463 features a Windows operating system and a variety of industrial communication connectors. The NI EVS-1463 supports Base configuration Camera Link-compatible cameras, GigE Vision cameras, and DirectShow-compatible USB cameras. The NI EVS-1463 features a 15-pin D-SUB connector that has four external TTL I/O lines, two optically isolated inputs, and two RS-422 inputs.

This document describes how to install the NI EVS-1463 hardware and acquire an initial image.

Refer to the *NI EVS-1463 Series User Manual* for device and I/O specifications, mounting requirements, and answers to common questions about network, firewall, hardware, software, and power issues. To access the *NI EVS-1463 Series User Manual*, select **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»Vision»Documentation»NI-IMAQ**.

## What You Need to Get Started

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The following components are included in the NI EVS-1463 kit:

- NI EVS-1463
- DVI splitter cable
- Three-position power connector
- NI Vision Acquisition Software DVD

## Required Hardware

In addition to the items included in the NI EVS-1463 kit, the following components are necessary to set up and configure the NI EVS-1463.

- One of the following power supply options:



**Caution** Use the NI EVS-1463 only with a 24 VDC, UL listed, limited power source (LPS) supply. The power supply will bear the UL listed mark, LPS. The power supply must also meet any safety and compliance requirements for the country of use.

- PS-5 Power Supply, 24 VDC, 5 A, Universal Power Input (part number 778805-90)
  - Any 24 VDC  $\pm 10\%$ , 70 W or greater power supply
- One of the following types of cameras:
  - Base configuration Camera Link-compatible camera
  - GigE Vision camera
  - DirectShow-compatible USB camera

- ❑ One of the following cables corresponding to your camera type:
  - MDR 26-pin Camera Link cable for connecting to Base configuration Camera Link-compatible camera
  - CAT 5e or CAT 6 1000Base-T Ethernet cable for connecting to GigE Vision cameras
  - USB cable for connecting to DirectShow-compatible USB cameras

## Safety Information

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The following section contains important safety information that you must follow when installing and using the hardware.

Do not operate the hardware in a manner not specified in this document and in the user documentation. Misuse of the hardware can result in a hazard. You can compromise the safety protection if the hardware is damaged in any way. If the hardware is damaged, return it to National Instruments for repair.

Clean the hardware with a soft, nonmetallic brush. Make sure that the hardware is completely dry and free from contaminants before returning it to service.

Do not substitute parts or modify the hardware except as described in this document. Use the hardware only with the chassis, modules, accessories, and cables specified in the installation instructions or specifications. You must have all covers and filler panels installed during operation of the hardware.

Do not operate the hardware in an explosive atmosphere or where there may be flammable gases or fumes unless the hardware is UL (U.S.) or Ex (EU) Certified and marked for hazardous locations. The hardware must be in a suitably rated IP 54 minimum enclosure for hazardous locations. Refer to the hardware's user documentation for more information.

You must insulate signal connections for the maximum voltage for which the hardware is rated. Do not exceed the maximum ratings for the hardware. Do not install wiring while the hardware is live with electrical signals. Do not remove or add connector blocks when power is connected to the system. Avoid contact between your body and the connector block signal when hot swapping hardware. Remove power from signal lines before connecting them to or disconnecting them from the hardware.

Operate the hardware only at or below Pollution Degree 2. Pollution is foreign matter in a solid, liquid, or gaseous state that can reduce dielectric strength or surface resistivity. The following is a description of pollution degrees:

- Pollution Degree 1 means no pollution or only dry, nonconductive pollution occurs. The pollution has no influence. Typical level for sealed components or coated PCBs.
- Pollution Degree 2 means that only nonconductive pollution occurs in most cases. Occasionally, however, a temporary conductivity caused by condensation must be expected. Typical level for most products.
- Pollution Degree 3 means that conductive pollution occurs, or dry, nonconductive pollution occurs that becomes conductive due to condensation.

Operate the hardware at or below the measurement category<sup>1</sup> marked on the hardware label. Measurement circuits are subjected to working voltages<sup>2</sup> and transient stresses (overvoltage) from the circuit to which they are connected during measurement or test. Measurement categories establish

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<sup>1</sup> Measurement categories, also referred to as overvoltage or installation categories, are defined in electrical safety standard IEC 61010-1 and IEC 60664-1.

<sup>2</sup> Working voltage is the highest rms value of an AC or DC voltage that can occur across any particular insulation.

standard impulse withstand voltage levels that commonly occur in electrical distribution systems. The following is a description of measurement categories:

- Measurement Category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to the electrical distribution system referred to as MAINS<sup>1</sup> voltage. This category is for measurements of voltages from specially protected secondary circuits. Such voltage measurements include signal levels, special hardware, limited-energy parts of hardware, circuits powered by regulated low-voltage sources, and electronics.
- Measurement Category II is for measurements performed on circuits directly connected to the electrical distribution system (MAINS<sup>3</sup>). This category refers to local-level electrical distribution, such as that provided by a standard wall outlet (for example, 115 AC voltage for U.S. or 230 AC voltage for Europe). Examples of Measurement Category II are measurements performed on household appliances, portable tools, and similar hardware.
- Measurement Category III is for measurements performed in the building installation at the distribution level. This category refers to measurements on hard-wired hardware such as hardware in fixed installations, distribution boards, and circuit breakers. Other examples are wiring, including cables, bus bars, junction boxes, switches, socket outlets in the fixed installation, and stationary motors with permanent connections to fixed installations.
- Measurement Category IV is for measurements performed at the primary electrical supply installation typically outside buildings. Examples include electricity meters and measurements on primary overcurrent protection devices and on ripple control units.

To obtain the safety certification(s) for this product, visit [ni.com/certification](http://ni.com/certification), search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

## Electromagnetic Compatibility Information

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This hardware has been tested and found to comply with the applicable regulatory requirements and limits for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) as indicated in the hardware's Declaration of Conformity (DoC)<sup>2</sup>. These requirements and limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the hardware is operated in the intended electromagnetic environment. In special cases, for example when either highly sensitive or noisy hardware is being used in close proximity, additional mitigation measures may have to be employed to minimize the potential for electromagnetic interference.

While this hardware is compliant with the applicable regulatory EMC requirements, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. To minimize the potential for the hardware to cause interference to radio and television reception or to experience unacceptable performance degradation, install and use this hardware in strict accordance with the instructions in the hardware documentation and the DoC<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> MAINS is defined as a hazardous live electrical supply system that powers hardware. Suitably rated measuring circuits may be connected to the MAINS for measuring purposes.

<sup>2</sup> The Declaration of Conformity (DoC) contains important EMC compliance information and instructions for the user or installer. To obtain the DoC for this product, visit [ni.com/certification](http://ni.com/certification), search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

If this hardware does cause interference with licensed radio communications services or other nearby electronics, which can be determined by turning the hardware off and on, you are encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient the antenna of the receiver (the device suffering interference).
- Relocate the transmitter (the device generating interference) with respect to the receiver.
- Plug the transmitter into a different outlet so that the transmitter and the receiver are on different branch circuits.

Some hardware may require the use of a metal, shielded enclosure (windowless version) to meet the EMC requirements for special EMC environments such as, for marine use or in heavy industrial areas. Refer to the hardware's user documentation and the DoC<sup>1</sup> for product installation requirements.

When the hardware is connected to a test object or to test leads, the system may become more sensitive to disturbances or may cause interference in the local electromagnetic environment.

Operation of this hardware in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference. Users are required to correct the interference at their own expense or cease operation of the hardware.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by National Instruments could void the user's right to operate the hardware under the local regulatory rules.

## Thermal Considerations and Mounting

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To maximize the cooling efficiency of the NI EVS-1463, observe the following recommendations:

- Mount the NI EVS-1463 on a thermally conductive surface.
- Avoid static air environments.
- Mount the NI EVS-1463 with the heatsink facing upward. If you mount the NI EVS-1463 on a wall or other vertical surface, mount the device so that the heat sink fins are vertical.



**Note** The NI EVS-1463 Camera Link hardware is equipped with a temperature monitor. The Camera Link hardware will stop acquiring images if it reaches its maximum allowable temperature. An error will occur, reporting that the maximum temperature has been reached.

Refer to the *NI EVS-1463 Series User Manual* for dimensional drawings, additional mounting information, and detailed device specifications.

## Unpacking and Verifying Components

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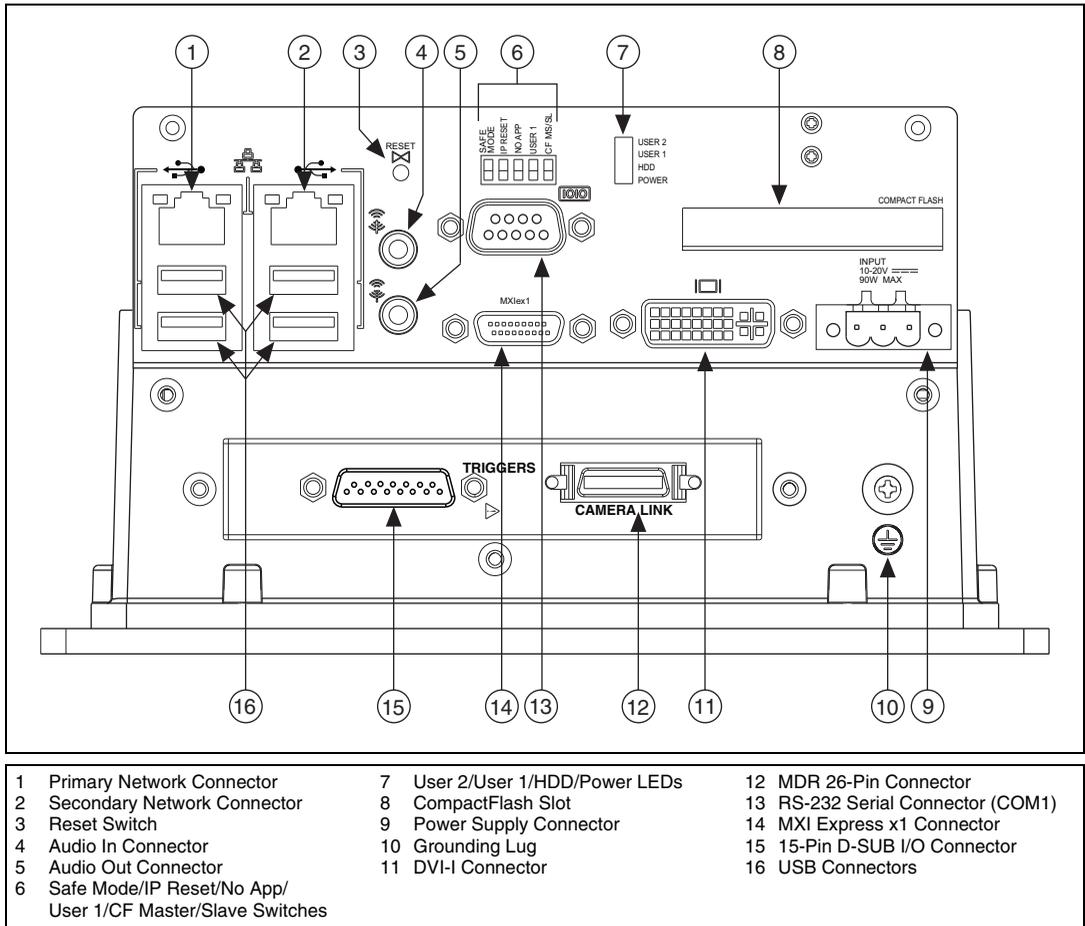
Remove the NI EVS-1463 from the package and inspect the device for any sign of damage. Notify National Instruments if the device appears damaged in any way. Do not use a damaged device.

## Installing Hardware

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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 Figure 1 while completing the following steps to install the NI EVS-1463.



**Figure 1.** NI EVS-1463 Connectors

1. Connect a USB keyboard and USB mouse to any available USB connector.
2. Connect a DVI monitor to the DVI connector, or use the DVI splitter cable (supplied) to connect a VGA monitor or dual monitors. For independent displays in dual monitor mode, one monitor must support a DVI-D interface and the other must support a VGA analog interface.



**Note** Connect all monitors before you supply power to the NI EVS-1463.

3. If you want to connect the NI EVS-1463 to a network, use an Ethernet cable to connect the Ethernet hub to the primary network connector on the NI EVS-1463.



**Caution** To prevent data loss and to maintain the integrity of your Ethernet installation, do *not* use a cable longer than 100 m. If you are using a 1,000 Mbps Ethernet, use a CAT 5e or CAT 6 shielded twisted-pair Ethernet cable. Use a shielded twisted pair Ethernet cable for maximum signal integrity.

4. Connect devices to other connectors as required by your system configuration.

## Connecting a Camera

To connect a camera to the NI EVS-1463, complete the following steps:

1. Connect the appropriate cable to your camera. Refer to your camera manufacturer documentation for specific instructions about how to connect the cable to your camera.
2. Complete the following step for your camera type to connect the camera to the NI EVS-1463:
  - **Base Configuration Camera Link Compatible Cameras**—Connect the camera MDR 26-pin Camera Link cable to the MDR 26-pin connector on the NI EVS-1463 front panel.
  - **GigE Vision Cameras**—Connect the camera Ethernet cable to the secondary network connector on the NI EVS-1463 front panel.
  - **DirectShow-Compatible USB Cameras**—Connect the camera USB cable to a USB connector on the NI EVS-1463 front panel.

The camera is now attached to the NI EVS-1463.

## Connecting the Power Supply

To connect a power supply to the NI EVS-1463, complete the following steps.

1. Connect the power supply to the 3-position power connector.
2. Connect the 3-position power connector to the power supply connector on the NI EVS-1463.
3. Plug the power supply cord into an outlet.

The power LED will illuminate and the NI EVS-1463 will boot when the power supply is properly connected.

## Interfacing with Camera Link Cameras

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To interface with a Camera Link camera connected to the NI EVS-1463, you must associate the camera with the appropriate camera file. Complete the following steps to use Measurement and Automation Explorer (MAX) to associate a camera file with your Camera Link camera:

1. Select **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»Measurement & Automation** to launch MAX.
2. Expand the **Devices and Interfaces** branch of the configuration tree.
3. Expand the **NI-IMAQ Devices** branch.
4. Expand the NI PCIe-1427 branch.
5. Right-click **Channel 0** and select **Camera**.
6. Select your camera from the menu. If your camera is not in the menu, verify that the appropriate camera file is installed in the <NI-IMAQ>\Data directory.

For more information about camera files, refer to the *Camera Files* section of Chapter 1, *NI EVS-1463 Series Overview*, in the *NI EVS-1463 Series User Manual*.

## Acquiring an Image with MAX

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Complete the following steps to acquire an image using MAX:

1. Select **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»Measurement & Automation** to launch MAX.
2. Expand the **Devices and Interfaces** branch of the configuration tree.
3. Complete the following step for your camera type to select the camera:
  - **Base Configuration Camera Link Compatible Cameras**—Expand the **NI-IMAQ Devices** branch, then expand the NI PCIe-1427 branch and select **Channel 0**.
  - **GigE Vision or DirectShow-Compatible USB Cameras**—Expand the **NI-IMAQdx Devices** branch and select a camera.
4. Click **Snap** to acquire a single image, or click **Grab** to acquire continuous images. Click **Grab** again to stop a continuous acquisition.

The NI EVS-1463 is now configured and acquiring images. Use LabVIEW to create your application. Refer to the [Where to Go from Here](#) section for a list of documentation and other resources to help you set up and use the NI EVS-1463 in an application.

## Acquiring an Image with Vision Builder AI

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The NI EVS-1463 includes Vision Builder AI for evaluation purposes. Visit [ni.com/vision](http://ni.com/vision) to purchase a license for Vision Builder AI.

Complete the following steps to acquire an image using Vision Builder AI:

1. On the Vision Builder AI Welcome screen, click **Configure Inspection**.
2. In the Inspection Steps palette, select the **Acquire Images** tab.
3. Click the image acquisition step for your camera type:
  - **Base Configuration Camera Link compatible cameras**—Use the **Acquire Image** step.
  - **GigE Vision or DirectShow-Compatible USB Cameras**—Use the **Acquire Image (1394, GigE, or USB)** step.

The property page for the step opens.

4. Click **Acquire Single Image** to acquire an image from the NI EVS-1463.
5. Click **OK** to add the step to the inspection.

The device is now configured and acquiring images. Use Vision Builder AI to add and configure additional inspection steps to create your application. Refer to the [Where to Go from Here](#) section for a list of resources to help you set up and use the NI EVS-1463RT in an application.

## Specifications

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Refer to the *NI EVS-1463 Series User Manual* for detailed device and I/O specifications.

### Environment

NI EVS-1463 systems are intended for indoor use only.

Maximum altitude.....2,000 m

Pollution Degree (IEC 60664) .....2

## Operating Environment

Ambient temperature range .....0 °C to 45 °C  
(IEC 60068-2-1 and IEC 60068-2-2)

Relative humidity range (IEC 60068-2-56) .....10% to 90% noncondensing



**Caution** Clean the NI EVS-1463 with a soft nonmetallic brush. Make sure that the system is completely dry and free from contaminants before powering-on the controller again.

## Storage Environment

Ambient temperature range .....-40 °C to 70 °C  
(IEC 60068-2-1 and IEC 60068-2-2)

Relative humidity range (IEC 60068-2-56) .....5% to 95% noncondensing

## Shock and Vibration

Operational shock .....30 g peak, half-sine, 11 ms pulse  
(Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-27.  
Test profile developed in accordance with  
MIL-PRF-28800F.)

Random vibration

Operating .....5 to 500 Hz, 0.3 g<sub>rms</sub> (with solid-state hard drive)

Nonoperating .....5 to 500 Hz, 2.4 g<sub>rms</sub>  
(Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-64.  
Nonoperating test profile exceeds the requirements  
of MIL-PRF-28800F, Class 3.)

## Safety

This product is designed to meet the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN-61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1



**Note** For UL and other safety certifications, refer to product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

## Electromagnetic Compatibility

This product meets the requirements of the following EMC standards for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- EN 61326 (IEC 61326): Class A emissions; Basic immunity
- EN 55011 (CISPR 11): Group 1, Class A emissions
- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions



**Note** Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.



**Note** Note For EMC compliance, operate this product according to the documentation.

## CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives as follows:

- 2006/95/EC; Low-Voltage Directive (safety)
- 2004/108/EC; Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMC)

## Online Product Certification

Refer to the product Declaration of Conformity (DoC) for additional regulatory compliance information. To obtain product certifications and the DoC for this product, visit [ni.com/certification](http://ni.com/certification), search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

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## Where to Go from Here

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The following documents and resources contain information you may find helpful as you set up and use the NI EVS-1463 in an application.

Refer to the *NI EVS-1463 Series User Manual* for detailed information about:

- Device and I/O specifications
- Mounting requirements
- Answers to common questions about network, firewall, hardware, software, and power issues

### Additional Resources for Vision Builder for Automated Inspection 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.

Visit the NI Developer Zone at [ni.com/zone](http://ni.com/zone) for the latest example programs, tutorials, technical presentations, and a community area where you can share ideas, questions, and source code with developers around the world.

### Additional Resources for LabVIEW Users

Documentation for LabVIEW is available from the **Help** menu on the LabVIEW toolbar. You can access documentation for the NI Vision Development Module by selecting **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»Vision»Documentation»NI Vision**.

Documentation for the NI-IMAQ driver software is available by selecting **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»Vision»Documentation»NI-IMAQ**.

Documentation for the NI-IMAQdx driver software is available by selecting **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»Vision»Documentation»NI-IMAQdx**.

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**.

Examples of image acquisitions and common machine vision inspections are installed to the <LabVIEW>\Examples\IMAQ and <LabVIEW>\Examples\Vision directories, where <LabVIEW> is the location where LabVIEW is installed.

Visit the NI Developer Zone at [ni.com/zone](http://ni.com/zone) for the latest example programs, tutorials, technical presentations, and a community area where you can share ideas, questions, and source code with developers around the world.

## Where to Go for Support

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The National Instruments Web site is your complete resource for technical support. At [ni.com/support](http://ni.com/support) you have access to everything from troubleshooting and application development self-help resources to email and phone assistance from NI Application Engineers.

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