

QUICK START GUIDE



Overview

The Plasmon UDOTM Archive Appliance ExpressTM (hereafter referred to as AA ExpressTM) is available in two form factors: A 2U rackmountable unit (the AA Express) and a desktop mini-tower unit (the AAE Desktop). There are minor differences between the two.

This Quick Start Guide will show you how to:

Hardware

AA Express:

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- Install the SATA disk drives and dummy shuttles see page 5
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Unpack the AA Express

The following items are included in the AA Express package.

Important: Check the list before installation to ensure each item is present. Contact your supplier immediately if anything is missing.



AA Express enclosure



SATA disk drive shuttles



Dummy drive shuttle(s)

Plus:

- Ethernet Cable
- AC Power Cable
- AA Express Quick Start Guide (this document)
- AA Express Resources CD
- AA Express User Training CD
- UDO WORM or UDO2 WORM Media (1 piece)
- UDO Cleaning Cartridge (UDO1 only) (1 piece)
- UDO Media Labels (5 Pack)
- Rack Mount Kit
- Declaration of Conformity
- Channel Warranty Sheet

Install the rack mount kit

If the AA Express is to be installed in a rack, the rack mount kit should be fitted and the unit installed in accordance with the *Rack Mounting Guide*, which is included in the Rack Mount Kit.



Install the SATA disk drives and dummy shuttles

The AA Express is equipped with at least two SATA disk drives. These fit into the unit in the shuttles provided. The following instructions detail how to install the drives into the unit.

1. Remove shuttle from anti-static bag.

Caution: Handle the SATA disk drives with care, as damage may result in unreliable operation and reduced lifespan.

- Click the Lock release button to the right. The Drive tray handle will pop open.
- 3. Pull the **Drive tray handle** until it is pointing forward at a right angle to the shuttle.



 Slide the shuttle all the way into the unit - ensure that the Drive tray handle is still pointing outward.

Note: The SATA drives can be installed in any available slot.



- 5. Push the Drive tray handle closed until it clicks.
- Repeat the above for each shuttle to be installed, and fill any empty bays with the supplied dummy shuttles.

Connect the AA Express to the power and network



AA Express rear panel

- 1. Connect the power cable to the AC power inlet.
- 2. Connect the Ethernet cable to the Ethernet (Eth0) port.

Note: The second Ethernet (Eth1) port can also be connected now, if required. A second Ethernet port can be used on the AA Express for port bonding, to provide load balancing and fail over protection. For further information, refer to the Plasmon UDO Archive Appliance Express Administrator's Guide located on the Resource CD or on the Plasmon Technical Support website: http://www.plasmontech.com/customer/

 Press the power button, on the rear of the AA Express, to power on the unit.

The AA Express will take approximately three minutes to initialize and then be ready for use.

Unpack the AAE Desktop

The following items are included in the AAE Desktop package.

Important: Check the list before installation to ensure you have received each item. If you are missing any item, contact your supplier immediately.



AAE Desktop enclosure with drives pre-installed

Plus:

- Ethernet Cable
- AC Power Cable
- AA Express Quick Start Guide (this document)
- AA Express Resources CD
- AA Express User Training CD
- UDO WORM or UDO2 WORM Media (1 piece)
- UDO Cleaning Cartridge (UDO1 only) (1 piece)
- UDO Media Labels (5 Pack)
- Declaration of Conformity
- Channel Warranty Sheet

Connect the AAE Desktop to the power and network



Gigabit Ethernet (Eth0) _____ Gigabit Ethernet (Eth1) _____

AAE Desktop rear panel

- 1. Connect the power cable to the AC power inlet.
- 2. Connect the Ethernet cable to the Ethernet (Eth0) port.

Note: The second Ethernet (Eth1) port can also be connected now, if required. A second Ethernet port can be used on the AAE Desktop for port bonding, to provide load balancing or fail over protection. For further information, refer to the Plasmon UDO Archive Appliance Express Administrator's Guide located on the Resource CD or on the Plasmon Technical Support website: http://www.plasmontech.com/customer/

 Press the power button on the front of the AAE Desktop to power on the unit. The AAE Desktop will take approximately three minutes to initialize and then be ready for use.

When using DHCP, install and use DiscoverApplianceTM

The DiscoverAppliance utility allows you to locate an AA Express on your network when IP addresses are dynamically assigned using DHCP.

If your network does not use DHCP, you should refer to When not using DHCP, configure the AA Express to a static IP address using the Serial console interface.

Installing DiscoverAppliance

1. Insert the AA Express Resource CD into the CD-ROM drive of a LAN attached computer.

Browse the CD to the DiscoverAppliance directory and open the file install.htm.



Note: DiscoverAppliance can also be downloaded from the Plasmon Technical Support website: http://www.plasmontech.com/customer/

2. Click the **Install for ...** button to begin the installation.

3. Select an Operating System from the list.

Note: If you require Java VM and do not have it installed, select the installer which **includes Java VM**.

The DiscoverAppliance Installer will open:

DiscoverAppliance	
	Introduction
 Introduction Choose Install Folder Choose Shortcut Folder Pre-Installation Summary Installing Install Complete 	Instal/Anywhere will guide you through the instal/ation of DiscoverAppliance It is strongly recommended that you quit all programs before continuing with this installation. Click the "Next" button to proceed to the next screen. If you want to change something on a previous screen, click the "Previous" button. You may cancel this installation at any time by clicking the 'Cancel' button.
InstallAnywhere by Zero G	Previous

Click Next.

DiscoverAppliance	
	Choose Install Folder
Introduction	Where Would You Like to Install?
📮 Choose Install Folder	C:\Program Files\DiscoverAppliance
Choose Shortcut Folder	Restore Default Folder Choose
Pre-Installation Summary	
Installing	
Install Complete	
InstallAnwhere by Zero G	,
Cancel	Previous Next

4. Choose an installation path and click Next.

DiscoverAppliance	
	Choose Shortcut Folder
 Introduction Choose Install Folder Choose Shortcut Folder Pre-Installation Summary Installing Install Complete 	Where would you like to create product icons? In a new Program Group: In an existing Program Group: In the Start Menu On the Desitop In the Guick Launch Bar Other: Don't create icons
InstallAnywhere by Zero G	Previous Next

5. Choose where and how to create shortcuts and click Next.



6. Review the summary and click **Install** to begin the installation.



7. Wait for the installation to complete.



When the installation has finished click **Done** to quit the installer.

DiscoverAppliance is now ready for use.

Using DiscoverAppliance

To locate an AA Express on your network:

1. Open the DiscoverAppliance utility. Double-click the DiscoverAppliance Icon:



DiscoverAppliance

Or click

Start > Programs > DiscoverAppliance > DiscoverAppliance.exe

Search for A	ppliances			
Help				
IP Address Range				
Search Start:				
192	168	0	þ	
Search End:				
192	168	0	254	
Timeout (seconds	;):		3	
Servers Found: (louble click on th	e name to	open)	

 Enter an IP Address Range to search and, if required, a Timeout setting. Click Start Search.

Note: Ensure that the IP Address Range being searched is set to the same subnet as the AA Express.



When the search is complete, double-click on the AA Express you wish to open. This will launch the Web interface in your default web browser.

Note: Create a reservation for this address on the DHCP server once setup is complete.

When not using DHCP, configure the AA Express to a static IP address using the Serial console interface

By default the AA Express attempts connection using DHCP. If this connection is not made in three attempts, the unit will automatically use a static IP address.

Your unit's static IP address and Netmask can be found on the back of the AA Express Resource CD case, as shown below:



Note: IP addresses are in the format 169.254.X.X and the Netmask is set to 255.255.0.0

The following sections describe how to configure the AA Express using the Serial console interface.

Connect using a terminal emulator

1. Connect the Serial cable to the Serial port, shown below:



 Use a terminal emulator (such as Microsoft HyperTerminal) to connect to the Serial console interface using the following settings:

COM1 Properties	? 🛛
Port Settings	
<u>B</u> its per second:	115200
<u>D</u> ata bits:	8 🗸
<u>P</u> arity:	None
<u>S</u> top bits:	1
<u>F</u> low control:	Xon / Xoff 🛛 👻
	<u>R</u> estore Defaults
40	Cancel Apply

Note: Emulation should be set to VT100J or Auto Detect. ANSI is not supported.

Change configuration via the Serial console interface

You are required to login to access the Serial console interface.

Note: There may be some delay before the Console Menu is available.

Note: There may be no visual indication that the connection is successful and the Console Menu is waiting for password entry.

1. Enter the password. The default password for the Serial console interface is *hello123*.

The Console Menu is displayed:



2. Select Configure TCP/IP Information.

The TCP/IP Console Menu will be shown:



- 3. Select DHCP. Set to No.
- 4. Select IP Address. Enter the AA Express's new IP Address.
- Repeat for Netmask, Gateway and other settings, as required, for your network.
- 6. When all applicable information has been entered, select **Save and Back** to return to the Console Menu.

Complete configuration of the AA Express using the Web interface

- 1. On a LAN-attached client, start a web browser (such as Microsoft Internet Explorer).
- 2. In the URL field, enter the IP address or hostname of the AA Express to configure. For example:

http://192.168.0.1

The Web interface log-in page loads:

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Login			
Usemame	admin		
Password			
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- Enter a valid AA Express Administrator User Name and Password.
 - This is not the same as a Windows Domain Administrator.
 - The default administrator username and password is admin. It is reccommended that this is changed on first login (*Modifying a User's details* on page 42 of the AA Express Administrator's Guide).
 - The default administrator can be used to add or remove additional administrator accounts.

4. Click OK.

The Web Interface System - Status page is displayed.

The System - Status page

The System - Status page gives an overview of current system status and allows you to access all the system configuration and monitoring via a menu bar along the top of the page.

Systen	ı - Status			
Activity				
3	Last Backup:	2007/10/04 02:01:56		
-	Last Migration:	O migration completed in the last 24 hours		
	Last Recall:	O recall completed in the last 24 hours		
- 🌮 -	Last Replication:	No archives scheduled to be replicated		
Hardwa				
	Environmental: OK	RAID(s): OK		
Media I	fanagement			
	Drive empty			
	No action required			

Menu bar

System	Network	Storage	Data Protection	Diagnostics	Shutdown	000

1. Hover the pointer over a top-level menu item to reveal submenu options, for example:

System
Status
Time & Date
Services
Software Update
Notification

2. Click on your chosen option:

Menu/Icon	Description
System Status Time & Date Services Software Update Notification	Monitor the AA Express' status, set the time & date, monitor and configure the services, update the system software and configure alert notifications
Network Configuration Users Groups Shares Authentication	Define the network configuration, users, groups and shares
Storage RAIDs Volumes Offline Media Media Requests Browse	Configure RAIDs, volumes and the library, browse the volume, manage offline media and monitor media requests
Data Protection Recovery Replication	Perform disaster recovery and configure replication
Diagnostics System Jobs Storage Devices UDO Drives Self Tests System Information	Monitor system jobs and devices (disks, libraries, etc.), perform self tests, view system information (software version, serial numbers, hardware revisions, etc.) and create a log file bundle
Shutdown	Reboot or shut down the AA Express.
0	Display context-sensitive online help.
\bigcirc	Return to the Web interface System - Status page.



Add some media

Label some UDO media and insert the piece labelled **Sequence number 1** into the UDO drive.

For further information about the labelling, handling and use of UDO media, refer to the Using the AA Express chapter of the Plasmon UDO Archive Appliance Express Operator's Guide.

Set-up e-mail Alert notification

1. From the menu bar, select System - Notification

	SMTP <u>SNMP</u>
System - Notification (SMTP)	
♦ Enable	✓ (i)
SMTP Server	192.168.4.2
SMTP Port	25 ③
&Sender (optional)	AAE1@example.com
&Username (optional)	admin
🔗 Password (optional)	ewweike (i)
Notification Recipients	
🖁 Recipients 🛞	OAlert threshold Level ③
croyston@software.example.com	

Check services

1. From the menu bar, select System - Services

System - Services					
Service	Status	Action			
<u>CIFS</u>	Started	stop			
NFS	Stopped	start			
<u>FTP</u>	Stopped	start			
<u>UPS</u>	Stopped	start			
<u>Storage</u>	Started	stop			
SSM	Started	stop			
Keypad	Started	stop			

 Ensure that the required services are running and/or start or stop services as required.

Run self-tests

1. From the menu bar, select Diagnostics - Self Tests

Diagnostics - Archive Test	Self test		Archive.test
Last run at N/A			
Test Not running		Status	
Cache		PASS	
Devices		PASS	
Email		PASS	
Services		PASS	

- 2. Click start. Wait for the Self Test to complete.
- 3. Click the Archive Test tab.
- 4. Click start. Wait for the Archive Test to complete.
- 5. Ensure all self tests pass.

The AA Express is now ready for use.

Further information

Online help

Each page of the Web interface has an online help page associated with it. To access the on-line help:

 From the page you require help with, click the (2) icon. The online help page will open in a pop-up browser window. For example:



2. When finished with the on-line help, click the 🐼 icon to close the window.

Tool tips

Hovering the mouse pointer over the tool tip icon icon displays a text box detailing key features of that field or function, e.g.:



More help

For further information, refer to the following documentation:

- Plasmon UDO Archive Appliance Express Administrator's
 Guide
- Plasmon UDO Archive Appliance Express Operator's Guide.

or the Plasmon Technical Support website:

http://www.plasmontech.com/customer/

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