

# Atlona HDMI 8 by 8 Matrix Switcher over CAT5e/6/7

AT-PRO2HD88M





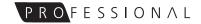
# **User Manual**

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#### Introduction

Extend HDMI and DVI (with HDMI to DVI adapter ex. AT-14040) sources up to 330ft at 1080p or 1920x1200. The Atlona HDMI 8 by 8 Matrix Switcher over CAT5e/6/7 allows for effortless control of up to 16 devices through IR remote control, RS-232, 3rd party IR controllers and the front panel. With stereo audio embedding combine stereo audio with DVI signals over one CAT5e/6/7 cable. To ensure all audio passes through the 8 by 8 Matrix Switcher supports all Lossy and Lossless formats of Dolby and DTS. The AT-PRO2HD88M delivers the best quality available with pass through of up to 1080p, 1920x1200, 3D, and Dolby TrueHD and DTS-HD Master audio signals.

# Package Contents

- 1 x 8x8 Matrix Switcher over CAT5e/6/7
- 1 x IR Receiver
- 9 x IR Emitter
- 2 x 24V/6.25A DC adaptor
- 2 x Power Cord
- 1 x Remote Control
- 1 x User Manual







#### **Features**

- HDBaseT allows IR, RS-232, audio and visual signals to pass over a single CAT5e/6/7 cable.
- IR ports for zone dedicated control through IR remote control and 3rd party IR controllers.
- 8 programmable I/O memories, save up to 8 routes for faster switching to the most commonly used configurations.
- EDID learning function for up to 8 video display EDIDs.
- Multiple control interfaces such as RS-232, IR, and the front panel.
- Dolby TrueHD and DTS-HD Master Audio pass through HDMI output interface.
- Compatible with DVI/D (with DVI/D to HDMI adapter such as AT14040), allowing DVI/D source signal to be passed to displays.
- Audio embedding enabled with DVI/D sources. The built in 3.5mm audio import port allows DVI/D audio to be passed through with the CAT5e/6/7 connection to HDMI displays.
- Optional receiver module AT-PRO2HDREC-DA de-embeds audio and sends it to an amp through the S/PDIF port.
- HDCP compliant

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#### **Before You Start**

- Make sure when connecting the CAT5e/6/7 cables a 568B termination method is used.
- Avoid using patch panels and wall plates during initial set up and testing of the matrix switcher.
- Make sure the matrix is connected to a component surge suppressor and line conditioner.

**Note:** Atlona's warranty does not cover damage due to electrical disturbances. A component surge suppressor and line conditioner are highly suggested especially in areas with electrical storms.

• Be sure you're using a mono to mono (2 conductor) 3.5mm IR cable (i.e. AT-MINIMONO6 - available to purchase at Atlona.com) when using IR output control from 3rd party controllers, stereo (3 conductor) 3.5mm cables are not compatible.

# **Specifications**

Bandwidth frequency 6.75 Gbps

Input Ports 8 x HDMI (Female Type)

9 x IR 3.5mm

1 x Firmware update 8 x 3.5mm Stereo Audio

Output Ports 8 x CAT 5e/6/7

1 x RS-232 9 x IR 3.5mm

Resolution outputs Video: up to 1080p@60Hz

Vesa: up to 1920x1200

Dimensions (HxWxD) 6.93x18.98x14.27 (inch) or 176x482x362.5 (mm)

Weight 21.61lbs or 9.8 kg

Temperature -4°F to 158°F or -20°C to 70°C

Power consumption 60W

# **Remote Control**



Output selection. Numbers correspond with the CAT5e/6/7 category cable outputs on the matrix. The same remote is used for the AT-PRO2HD88M as the AT-PRO2HD1616M. For AT-PRO2HD88M only 8 I/O buttons will be functional.

Arrow buttons are not functional for this product.

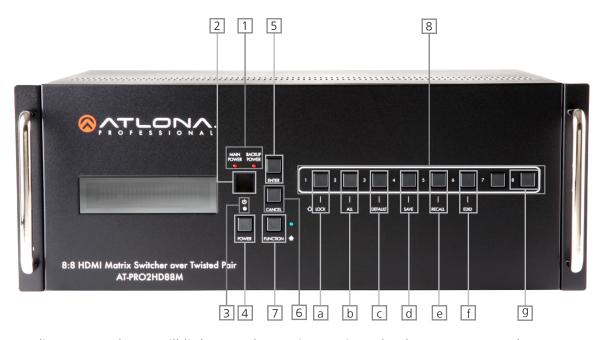
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# **Panel Description**

#### Front Panel



- 1. Power Indicators. Red LED will light up when using main or backup power supply.
- 2. IR Receiver Window. Receives the signal from the included IR Remote Control or a 3rd party IR Controller.
- 3. Power Indicator. The light will illuminate red when the Matrix is in standby mode or green when the matrix is on.
- 4. Power Button. Cycles the power between on or off (standby) mode.
- 5. Enter Button. Use to view current status for inputs and outputs or to confirm a command.
- 6. Cancel Button. Within the functions menu use to go back one screen or to the home screen.

#### Note: You cannot power off or change functions unless you go to the home screen.

- 7. Function Button. Allows you to select command options.
  - a. **Lock:** Locks all the panel keys so nothing can be altered until unlocked.
  - b. All: Save a single input to all the outputs with this function.
  - c. **Default:** Mirrors all inputs to corresponding outputs. (i.e. 1 to 1, 2 to 2, 3 to 3, etc.)
  - d. **Save:** Save the current input and output route to memory. Up to 8 programmable memories.
  - e. **Recall:** Load the input and output routes that you have previously saved.
  - f. **EDID:** This function allows for individual output properties to be saved, altered or loaded to inputs. EDID has 8 memory settings to save to for easy loading later.

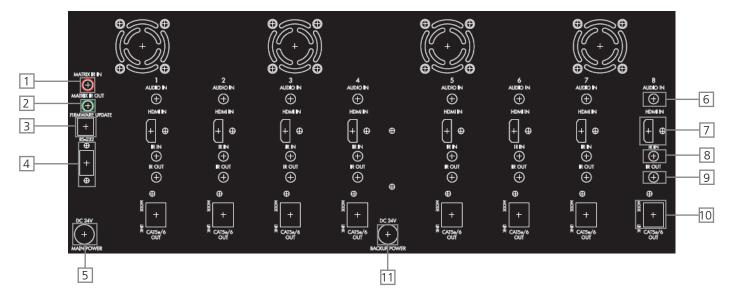
Note: Default setting for EDID is the highest common HD resolution of all connected devices. (i.e. if you have resolutions ranging 720p, 1080i, and 1080p then 720p would be the default resolution for all connected displays.)

- g. *Firmware:* This function option will display the current firmware the Matrix has installed.
- 8. Number buttons. Use these buttons to select input and output paths or use with the function button to change multiple matrix settings.

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#### Back Panel



- 1. Matrix IR IN Used to control matrix I/O switching from a 3rd party IR controller.
- 2. Matrix IR Out Global output, combines IR for all discrete IR output ports.
- 3. Firmware Update Type B USB Port used for updating the matrix firmware only
- 4. RS-232 Connect to this port for control from a computer or 3rd party controller.
- 5. Main Power Plug included 24V/6.25A DC adaptor to power the matrix switcher
- 6. Audio Input Ports 3.5mm stereo audio port enabled only when a DVI/D adaptor is connected, disabled when HDMI cable is connected.
- 7. HDMI Input Ports Connect HDMI sources into these ports, such as DVD players, Blu-ray players, computers, etc.
- 8. IR 3.5mm mono In ports Used in conjunction with 3rd IR party controller to extend IR control commands to video displays over CAT5e/6/7.

Note: Be sure you're using a mono to mono 3.5mm IR cable (i.e. AT-MINIMONO6) for 3rd party control boxes, stereo 3.5mm cables are not compatible.

- 9. IR Out ports Sends IR signal to sources through a 3.5mm mono IR emitter
- 10. CAT5e/6/7 Output ports Extends video and bidirectional RS-232, IR, and audio signals through a single CAT5e/6/7 cable.
- 11. Backup Power Redundant power supply in case the main power supply fails. Includes second 24V/6.25A DC adaptor.

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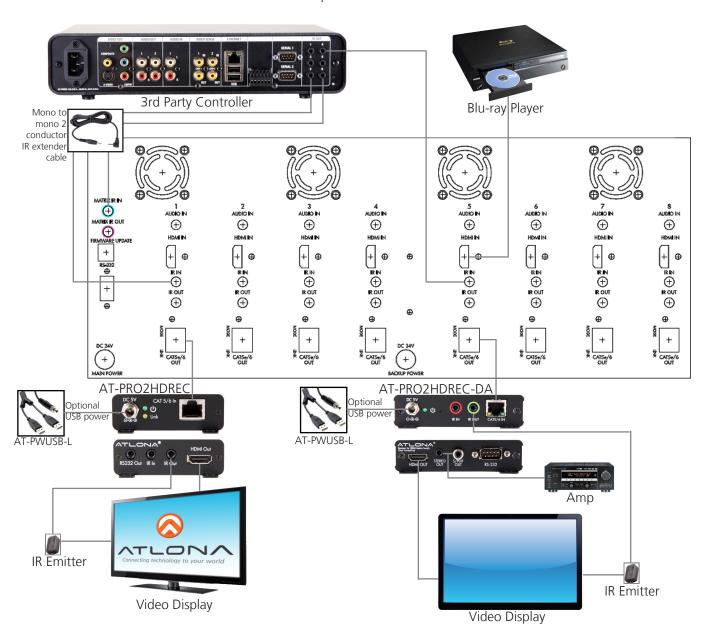


#### **Connection and Installation**

## 3rd Party Controller Set Up

Note: 3.5mm 3 conductor (stereo) cables are not compatible. Please use 2 conductor (mono) IR cables with IR input ports.

Important: When using a 3rd party IR controller remember to connect a mono to mono 2 conductor IR extender cable into the matrix IR IN port for IR control of the matrix switcher I/O.





With the new feature of the IR in ports the AT-PRO2HD88M has the unique ability to receive IR commands through a 3rd party controller and send it out through the CAT5e/6/7 port to control the displays in any zone.

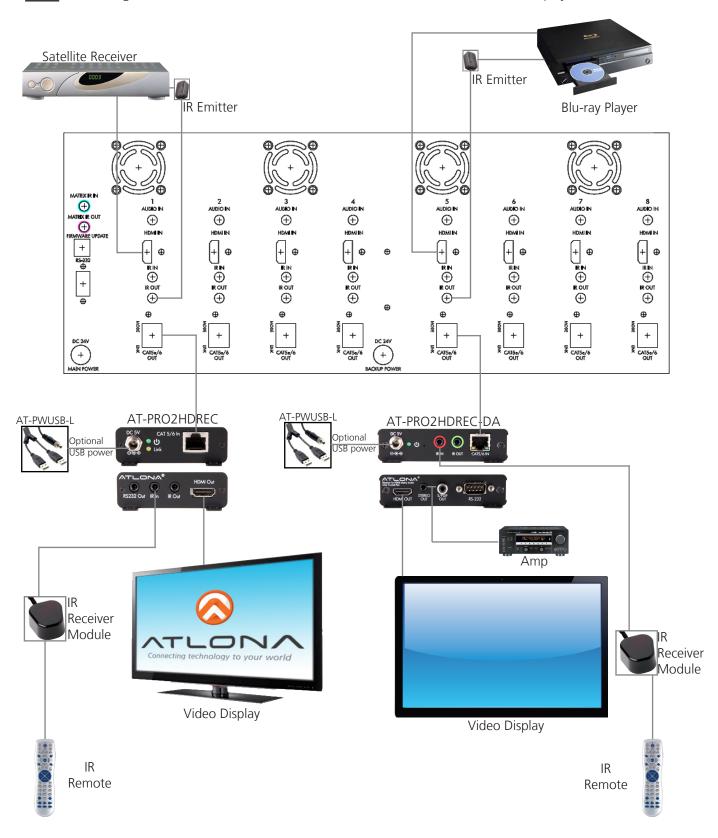
**Note:** Be sure to use a mono to mono (2 conductor) 3.5mm IR extender from the 3rd party controller to the AT-PRO2HD88M (example: AT-MINIMONO6)

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# IR Remote Control Set Up

**Note:** When using an IR remote control all sources can be controlled as well as the local display.



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#### **Matrix Front Panel Functions**

The AT-PRO2HD88M's front panel has 3 functions: I/O control, EDID set up, and matrix settings. The following sections go over step by step control.

#### I/O Control

To **set** an input to an output



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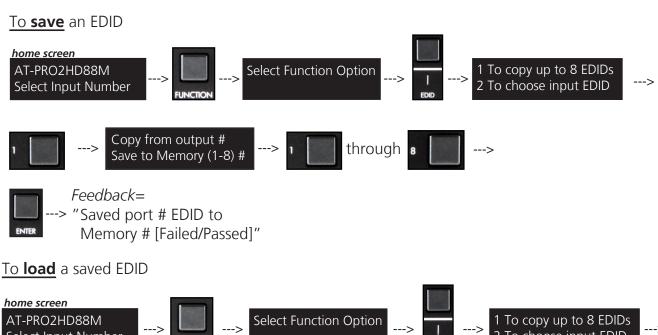


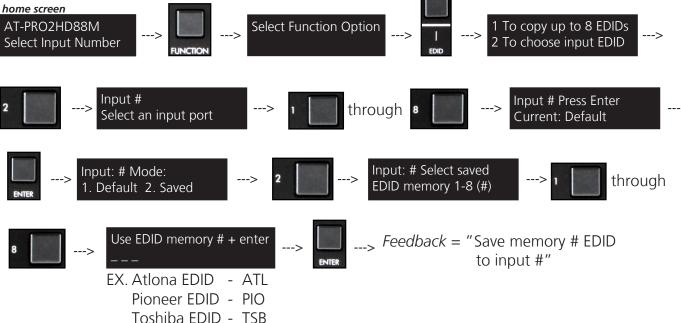
#### EDID Set Up

When the matrix is completely connected and turned on it will load the **default EDID**, which is the highest common native resolution of the devices. (i.e. With devices connected that range from 720p, 1080p, 2 channel audio, multi-channel audio and 3D, the default resolution will be 720p. Multi-channel audio and 3D are not available on default unless all devices have these features.)

There are two options when setting up EDID: Default and Copy. In order to have any options other than default different EDIDs must first be copied. The AT-PRO2HD88M can copy up to 8 EDIDs to memory.

**Note:** EDID Copy is not recommended or necessary if Matrix is functioning as needed. EDID copy is only needed if sync issues or resolution needs arise.





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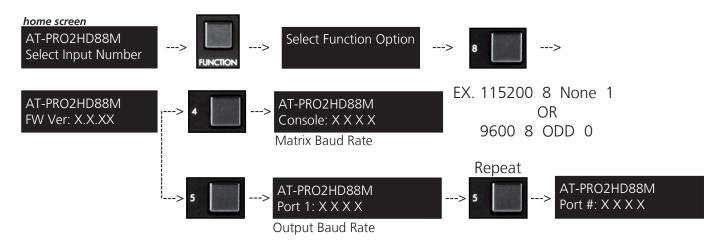
#### **Matrix Settings**

When installing or troubleshooting it's important to verify settings, or be able to come back to a project and see how it was set up. The AT-PRO2HD88M has matrix settings viewable through the front panel. View current I/O settings, firmware version, and the baud rates of not just the matrix but extenders as well.

#### View I/O settings



#### View Firmware/Baud Rate settings

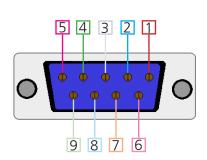




#### **RS-232**

#### **Connection**

RS-232 is connected through a 9-pin female D connector. The pins will have functions associated with them, some will be unassigned.



No.	Pin	Function
1		Not used
2	Tx	Transmit
3	Rx	Receive
4		Not used
5	Gnd	Ground
6		Not used
7		Not used
8		Not used
9		Not used

#### **Command**

The command codes are very sensitive, do not change capitalization, spacing, or lettering.

Command	Feedback	Description
Туре	(Model #)	Brings up the model information
Lock	Lock	Locks the front panel of the Matrix switcher so no buttons are active
Unlock	Unlock	Unlocks the front panel of the Matrix switcher, enabling buttons
Version	(Firmware #)	Brings up the firmware version
RS232zoneX[command]		Send commands to devices connected to the receiver RS-232 ports.  Commands are the same as the ones stated in this table.  X = zone number
ex: RS232zone1[PWON]		Ex: Turning the power on for the device connected in zone 1
PWON	PWON	Power on
PWOFF	PWOFF	Power off
PWSTA	PWx	Will display the power status of the matrix (ex. Power is on = PWON)
Statusx1	x7AVx1	Shows what input is connected to selected output
Status	x1AVx1, x2AVx2, x3AVx4,	Displays which inputs are currently connected to which outputs
SaveY (ex. Save2)	SaveY (ex. Save2)	Saves settings for future use, preset options 0 to 9
RecallY (ex. Recall2)	RecallY (ex. Recall2)	Recalls saved settings for the number you selected
ClearY (ex. Clear2)	ClearY (ex. Clear2)	Erases the save for the number you selected
x1All	x1All	Sets selected input to all outputs (x3All would set input 3 to all)
x1#	x1#	Sets input to corresponding output (x4# would set input 4 to output 4)
All#	All#	Resets all inputs to corresponding outputs (in3 to out3)
x1\$	x1\$	Turns off output channel (to turn off output 3 = x3\$)
All\$	All\$	Turns off all output channels
x1AVx2	x1AVx2	Switch input to output (input 3 to output 5 = x3AVx5)
x1AVx2,x3,x4	x1AVx2,x3,x4	Switch input to multiple outputs (input 3 = x3AVx1,x2)
Mreset	Mreset	Sets matrix back to the default settings

Each command is terminated with a carriage return.

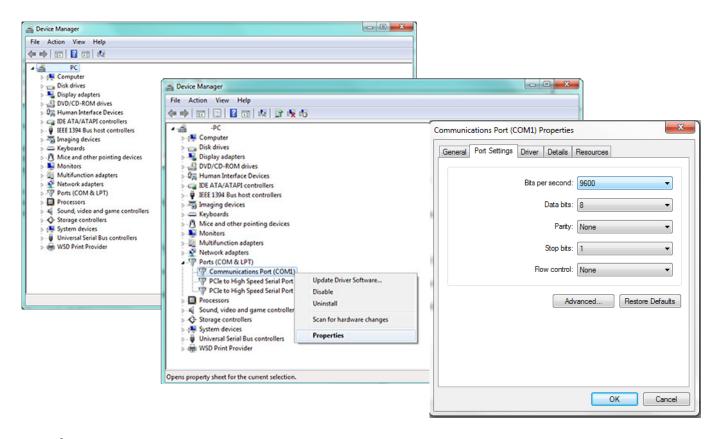
Each Feedback is terminated with a carriage return and line feed.

Note: If the command fails or is incorrect the feedback should be "Command FAILED"



#### RS-232 Set Up

To set up the RS-232 hyperterminal (if not using 3rd party software) the first thing needed is to find the RS-232 communications port under the computer's device manager. Once there right click the port and select properties. Under the properties menu select the port settings tab and update the menu to the **matrix default**: Bits Per Second: 115200, Data Bits: 8, Parity: None, Stop Bits: 1 and Flow Control: None.



#### **Baud Rate**

To change the baud rate of the matrix or the receivers (i.e. AT-PRO2HDREC or AT-PRO2HDREC-DA) an RS-232 hyperterminal will be needed. Once the RS-232 hyperterminal is set up changing the baud rate will be done with a command line. **The baud rate for the matrix is for matrix control and the receiver baud rate is for control of the RS-232 device in the zone being altered.** 

**Note:** Baud Rate must be only 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, or 115200

Command for Matrix baud rate

**CSpara[baudrate,data-length,parity,stop-bit]** (data, parity, and stop for matrix must be 8,0,1) For example if you wish to change the baud rate to 38400 the command would look like this:

CSpara[38400,8,0,1]

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## RS-232 Command for the Output baud rate status

#### RS232para

The RS-232 status command will provide feedback for the current parameters for each output.

**Example:** (See example of feedback below)

#### RS232para

Current RS232 parameter:

- Port 1 :BaudRate 2400bps, DataBits 0, Parity None, StopBits 1.
- Port 2 :BaudRate 9600bps, DataBits 0, Parity ODD, StopBits 1.
- Port 3: BaudRate 9600bps, DataBits 0, Parity None, StopBits 1.
- Port 4 :BaudRate 9600bps, DataBits 0, Parity None, StopBits 1.
- Port 5 : BaudRate 19200bps, DataBits 0, Parity None, StopBits 1.
- Port 6: BaudRate 9600bps, DataBits 0, Parity None, StopBits 1.
- Port 7 :BaudRate 57600bps, DataBits 0, Parity None, StopBits 1.
- Port 8 : BaudRate 9600bps, DataBits 0, Parity ODD, StopBits 1.

Note: Default for the outputs is: Baud-9600bps, Data length-8bit, Parity-None, Stop Bit-1

The ability to check baud rate status on the outputs will help to identify control compatibility for in zone RS-232 devices.

#### Command for Output (receiver) baud rate

#### RS232paraX[baudrate,data-length,parity,stop-bit]

X represents the zone# (output#), the data length must be 7 or 8, partity bit will be 0 for none, 1 for odd, 2 for even, and the stop-bit must be 1 or 2.

For example if you wish to change the baud rate to 19200, data length 8, ODD parity, and 1 stop-bit on other receiver in zone 6 to 19200 the command would look like this:

#### RS232para6[19200,8,1,1]

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# **Updating and Resetting**

# **Updating firmware**

At times there will be new firmware to update, fix, or change functionality of products. Atlona has made this as easy as possible for updating on the job by simply downloading from Atlona.com and uploading the file onto the matrix.

**NOTE:** Only use a Windows computer to update the matrix. Use of an Apple computer to update will cause the matrix to be unusable until the update is redone with a Windows computer.

#### Needs:

- Verify the current firmware version
- PC (not compatible with MACs)
- OS that supports USB mass storage devices
- USB A to USB B cable (i.e. AT11008)

To **view** the current firmware. Function option is "8"



#### Preparing the Matrix:

- Unplug the power cable.
- Hold the Cancel button while plugging the power back in.
- Connect the USB B to USB A cable into the Matrix and the Computer.

#### **Updating the Matrix:**

The computer should auto detect the connection, if it does not, open the USB device from my computer.

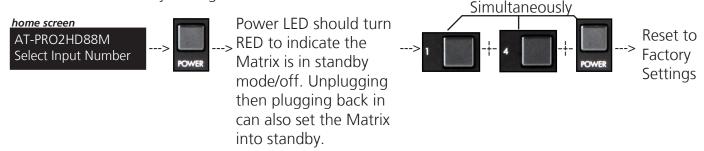
- Click open in a new folder. (if auto run detects connection)
- Delete the file in the folder. (there should be only one file, if more delete all files)
- Copy and Paste the new firmware file into the USB folder.
- Unhook the Matrix from the computer.
- Unplug the power cable from the AT-PRO2HD88M
- Replug the power and start the matrix normally. Your update should be complete

If you wish to verify the new firmware, press function then button 16 and it will display on the OSD.

# Resetting to factory settings

Atlona understands that settings can be troublesome and at times its just easier to set things back to factory settings. To make things easier a simple one step reset was created.

To reset the matrix, hold down the buttons 1 and 4 while powering on. If done correctly the matrix will be back to factory settings when it turns on.





# **Safety Information**

#### Safeguards



To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not expose this product to rain or moisture



Do not modify the wall plug. Doing so will void the warranty and safety features.



If the wall plug does not fit into your local power socket, hire an electrician to replace your obsolete socket.



This equipment should be installed near the socket outlet and the device should be easily accessible in the case it requires disconnection.

#### **Precautions**

FCC regulations state that any unauthorized changes or modifications to this equipment, not expressly approved by the manufacturer, could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

Operate this product using only the included external power supply. Use of other power supplies could impair performance, damage the product, or cause fires.

In the event of an electrostatic discharge this device may automatically turn off. If this occurs, unplug the device and plug it back in.

Protect and route power cords so they will not be stepped on or pinched by anything placed on or against them. Be especially careful of plug-ins or cord exit points from this product.

Avoid excessive humidity, sudden temperature changes or temperature extremes.

Keep this product away from wet locations such as bathtubs, sinks, laundries, wet basements, fish tanks, and swimming pools.

Use only accessories recommended by Atlona to avoid fire, shock, or other hazards.

Unplug the product before cleaning. Use a damp cloth for cleaning and not cleaning fluid or aerosols. Such products could enter the unit and cause damage, fire, or electric shock. Some substances may also mar the finish of the product.

Never open, remove unit panels, or make any adjustments not described in this manual. Attempting to do so could expose you to dangerous electrical shock or other hazards. It may also cause damage to your AT-PRO2HD88M. Opening the product will void the warranty.

Do not attempt to service the unit. Disconnect the product and contact your authorized Atlona reseller or contact Atlona directly.

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# Warranty

# **Limited Warranty**

Atlona Technologies warrants that (a) its products (AT-PRO2HD88M) will perform substantially in accordance with the accompanying written materials for a period of 3 years from the date of receipt and (b) that the product will be free from defects in materials and workmanship under normal use and service for a period of 3 years. In the event applicable law imposes any implied warranties, the implied warranty period is limited to 3 years from the date of receipt. Some jurisdictions do not allow such limitations on duration of an implied warranty, so the above limitation may not apply to customers that fall within those areas.

#### **Customer Remedies**

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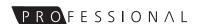
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Registration creates an ownership record if your product is lost or stolen and helps ensure you'll receive notification of performance issues and firmware updates.

At Atlona we respect and protect your privacy, assuring you that your registration information is completely secure. Atlona product registration is completely voluntary and failure to register will not diminish your limited warranty rights.

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