# VAMP2-S8MDA Series

2U Multi-Format Video and Multi-Channel Audio Monitor

with Two SDI and Two CVBS Video Inputs,
One (HD)-SDI input and Loop-Throughs,
SDI/AES/Analog Audio Inputs w/ Loop-Through,
Analog Stereo Outputs of Selected Source, Flexible
VPod LCD Display, and Eight 26-Segment Level Meters

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## User Manual

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Introduction

Congratulations on your selection of a PANORAMAdtv VAMP2-S8MDA Series multi-format audio/video monitor unit. We are confident it represents the best performance and value available, and we guarantee your satisfaction with it.

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Section 1

General Features and Specifications

Description
Features
Applications
Specifications
VAMP2-S8MDA Series
2U Multi-Format Video and Multi-Channel Audio Monitor

Description

The VAMP2-S8MDA Series monitoring products are a complete, exceptionally high quality SDI/AES/CVBS stereo video/audio monitoring solution available in compact two rackspace cabinets. There are numerous input and output features that make these units ideal for facility-wide monitoring of analog/digital audio and video signals.

This VAMP2-S8MDA Series models offer a solution to the common problem of poor off-axis viewing angle of LCD video display monitors; the LCD video display screen resides in a separate module which is mounted to the front panel by a length of flexible goose-neck tubing. The display is manually adjusted for viewing angle separately from the fixed position of the rack-mounted front panel thus allowing the operator to position the video display for an optimal angle for view. A choice of two wide format display sizes are available; either 5.8’ or 7”. Both are selectable for a 4:3 or 16:9 display aspect ratio.

The unit is capable of monitoring SDI, AES, and Analog audio signals in conjunction with HD-SDI, SDI, and CVBS video signals. In "Mix Mode" the individual input channels may be separately selected to be monitored through the left and/or right speakers. Color coded LEDs above each level meter bargraph display indicate which channels are selected for monitoring to which speaker they are assigned. Audio phase relationships are indicated by a bi-color (RED/GREEN) LED on the front panel. Audio input selection status is indicated by LEDs in close proximity to the selection buttons. Two of four SDI sub-groups are selectable via a front panel button when monitoring digital SDI audio signals.

Eight high-resolution 26-segment LED bargraph level meters exhibit simultaneous VU and PPM display characteristics to provide wide-range visual monitoring of audio signals. Meters are tri-color (red/amber/green) and have a dynamic range of 48 dB. Other features include internal/external speaker selection, video outputs of CVBS on BNC connector, selectable AES input termination via rear panel DIP switches, metered analog audio output on a DB-25 connector, selected analog audio stereo output on two XLR connectors, automatic sensing and configuration of NTSC or PAL video formats, and a headphone output jack.

Features

- Monitors and converts eight audio channels and one video channel simultaneously
- Converts SDI embedded audio to AES and/or analog audio outputs
- Flexible assignment of source signals to left and right speakers with indication LEDs
- Audio source selection of SDI, AES, Analog, and AFV (Audio Follows Video) source signals
- Select two of four SDI groups (8 channels) for monitoring
- LED indication of selection and mix settings
- Analog outputs of selected source on two XLR connectors
- External speaker connections (no external amp required)
- Headphone output
- Auxillary Analog or AES audio inputs may be monitored separately or in conjunction with the video inputs
Applications

The **VAMP2-S8MDA Series** is ideally suited to provide high quality multi-channel digital and analog audio and video monitoring in a very compact form factor. Ideal for use in VTR bays, mobile production vehicles, teleconferencing installations, multimedia systems, satellite links, cable TV facilities, and on-air radio studios. Designed and manufactured in the U.S.A., the **VAMP2-S8MDA Series** is backed by a strong warranty and a satisfaction guaranteed return policy.

### General Specifications

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<td>Analog Input Impedance</td>
<td>27KΩ balanced, minimum</td>
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<td>AES Input Configuration</td>
<td>110 Ω balanced, 75 Ω unbalanced</td>
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<td>AES Termination</td>
<td>DIP switch selectable on rear panel</td>
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<td>Analog Input Overload</td>
<td>+24 dBu balanced</td>
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<td>Analog Reference</td>
<td>+8, +6, +4, or 0 dBu</td>
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<td>Digital Reference</td>
<td>-20, -18, or -9 dBFS</td>
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<td>Meter Dynamics</td>
<td>VU and PPM</td>
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<td>AES Input Sampling Rate</td>
<td>32-48 KHz, auto-select</td>
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<td>D to A Converter</td>
<td>24-bit low jitter</td>
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<td>Peak Acoustic Output (@ 2 ft.)</td>
<td>2U: 104 dB SPL</td>
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<td>Acoustic Distortion</td>
<td>6% or less at worst case frequencies above 140 Hz including cabinet resonance; typically less than 1.5%</td>
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<td>Response, Sixth Octave</td>
<td>80Hz – 18 KHz +/- 5 dB (-10 dB @ 55 Hz, 21 KHz)</td>
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<td>Distortion, Electrical</td>
<td>&gt; 0.15% at any level below limit threshold</td>
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<td>Hum and Noise, Analog</td>
<td>Better than -68 dB below full output</td>
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<td>High Frequency</td>
<td>6 W RMS</td>
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<td>Low Frequency</td>
<td>14 W RMS</td>
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<td>Converted Analog Out THD</td>
<td>&lt; 0.008%</td>
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<td>Magnetic Shielding</td>
<td>Less than 1 Gauss any adjacent surface</td>
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<td>Input Connectors</td>
<td><strong>AES:</strong> BNC <strong>HD-SDI, SD-SDI:</strong> BNC <strong>Analog:</strong> D-SUB 25 (“Tascam” pinout on all D-sub connectors)</td>
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<td>Power Consumption (less than)</td>
<td>70 W</td>
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<td>AC Mains Input</td>
<td>100-240 VAC, 50-60 Hz</td>
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<td>89 x 483 x 317.5 mm</td>
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<td>14 inches (355.6 mm) depth including controls/knobs</td>
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<td>Weight</td>
<td>12 lbs. (5.5 kg)</td>
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### VPOD Display Specifications

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<th>VPOD 7W</th>
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<tr>
<td>Screen Size (diagonal inches)</td>
<td>5.8”</td>
<td>7”</td>
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<td>Active Area (H x V, mm):</td>
<td>127.2 x 71.838</td>
<td>154.1 x 88.6</td>
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<td>LCD Aspect Ratio:</td>
<td>16:9</td>
<td>16:9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Resolution (dots x lines):</td>
<td>1200 x 234</td>
<td>1440 x 234</td>
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<td>Dot Pitch (mm):</td>
<td>0.106 x 0.307</td>
<td>0.107 x 0.370</td>
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<td>Contrast Ratio:</td>
<td>150 : 1</td>
<td>150 : 1</td>
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<td>Brightness (NI,Ts):</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>400</td>
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<td>Viewing Angle (top/bottom/left/right):</td>
<td>30° 60° 60° 60°</td>
<td>60° 30° 60° 60°</td>
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<tr>
<td>Weight (VPOD module w/mount):</td>
<td>1.25lbs.</td>
<td>1.4lbs.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Power Consumption (Watts, VPOD):</td>
<td>7W</td>
<td>10W</td>
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<tr>
<td>Height x Width x Depth (inches):</td>
<td>4.23 x 6.4 x 1.22</td>
<td>4.93 x 7.4 x 1.22</td>
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</table>
Section 2

Operation

Installation
Front Panel Features
Rear Panel Features
Installation

Unpacking
Unpack the VAMP2-S8 unit from the shipping container and inspect all articles for shipping damage. If you find any damage, notify the shipping carrier immediately for claims adjustments.

Compare the shipping box contents to the packing slip. Contact a Panorama sales representative if there are any unexplained shortages.

Power Requirements
The VAMP2-S8 unit is equipped with a world standard power supply that is capable of operating on 100-240 VAC @ 50-60 Hz. Power consumption is 70 watts, maximum.

Cooling and Airflow
It is recommended that you allow a 1RU (1.75”/25mm) space above and below the unit for air circulation.

Rack Mounting
The VAMP2-S8 unit rack mounts in a standard EIA-310-D specification 19”/483mm rack and needs 2RU (3.5”/88.9mm) of space. (See Figure-2a, facing page, for unit dimensions.) Allow sufficient space at the unit rear for connector and cable clearance (approximately 4”/102 mm). The VAMP2-S8 unit weighs 12 pounds (5.5 kg) and rack mounts from the front panel support rails. Rear support is not required.

LCD Monitor Viewing Position: Good image quality is assured if the video display is positioned so that viewing angles are between +/- 45 degrees from the center axis in the horizontal plane (left/right). In the vertical axis, good image quality is obtained between 10 degrees looking down and 30 degrees looking up. Due to the nature of LCD’s, there are certain anomalies, which can cause the displayed video to appear incorrect. If the viewer is outside the optimal LCD display viewing range, the contrast ratio, brightness, and color saturation will not be or may not appear to be, a true representation of the displayed video. Additional anomalies such as loss of resolution, apparent reversed video effect, and frame/field strobe effect with the CCFT backlight may also be observed. The LCD used in the VAMP2-S8 is optimized for viewing from the 12 o’clock position relative to the plane of the video display screen. Typically, the unit is mounted at eye height so that the display may be adjusted and viewed by looking straight into it. Going beyond the specified viewing area can cause anomalies as mentioned above.

NOTE: In PAL mode operation, the LCD driver discards every seventh line of active video so an entire video frame fits within the display screen. This is normal with most LCD’s currently on the market.

General Installation Recommendations
Recommended cable type for analog video signals is: Belden 8281, Belden 1694A, or equivalent.
Recommended cable type for digital video signals is: Belden 1694A or equivalent.

Recommended cable type for analog audio signals is: Belden 9451 or equivalent.
Recommended cable type for digital audio signals is: Belden 1800B or equivalent.

Static Discharge: As with most electronic equipment, static discharges can damage components within the unit. Take precautions to ensure your installation environment is not subject to static discharges.
Front Panel Features

Please refer to Figure-2a on the following page to familiarize yourself with the front panel features of the VAMP2-S8MDA Series unit. The following sections describe these functions and are referenced, by number, to Figure-2b.

Note that Figure-2a shows only the 5W VPOD module. See Figure-2b on page 14 for features of both available VPOD modules.

1 Speakers (Left and Right)
The VAMP2-S8 internal speaker system is comprised of two high-range and two low-range speakers (left and right).

2 Video Source Select Button and Indication LED
This button (VIDEO SOURCE) is used to select a signal source for monitoring. There are three selections:

1) SDI
2) CV1 (CVBS 1)
3) CV2 (CVBS 2)

Repeated pressing of the Source Select Button will step through each of the three selections. One of the three indication LEDs will glow GREEN to indicate which signal source is selected for monitoring (SDI, CV1, or CV2).

When SDI is selected, one of the two available SDI inputs on the rear panel (Item B, Page 18) is selected for monitoring using the SDI Input Select Button (Item 3). When CV1 or CV2 is selected, one of the two corresponding CVBS inputs on the rear panel (Item D, page 18) is selected for monitoring. See the Audio Source Select Button (Item 10, page 12) for information about selection of audio inputs for video monitoring.

3 SDI Input Select Button and Indication LEDs
This button (SDI SEL) toggles the selection between the two SDI inputs (SDI IN1 or SDI IN2) when the Video Source Select Button (Item 2) is set to SDI or the Audio Source Select Button (Item 10, page 12) is set to SDI. The appropriate indication LED (1 or 2) will glow GREEN to indicate which SDI input is selected (SDI IN1 or SDI IN2).

4 Speaker Select Button (Internal/External) and Indication LED
When external speakers are connected to the External Speaker Connectors on the rear panel (Item Q, Page 21), this toggle button selects which speakers (Internal or External) will monitor the selected audio channels. When the Internal speakers are selected for monitoring, the LED will not be lit. When the External speakers are selected, the LED will glow GREEN.

5 Headphone Jack
Select the headphone audio sources as you would for the internal speakers. When you plug in headphones, the internal speakers will mute. This jack accepts a standard 1/4" stereo (ring/tip/sleeve) plug.

6 Volume Control
This controls the loudness of the audio reproduced by the internal speakers or connected headphone. Clock-wise rotation of this control increases the loudness of the monitored audio.

7 VPOD LCD Video Display Module
The VPOD module houses the LCD video display screen, on-screen display controls, Tally LED, and Power LED. See Items 7a to 7e, page 14 for a description of VPOD module features. The VPOD module is attached to the VAMP2-S8MDA front panel by a length of flexible gooseneck tubing. This allows the video screen angle to be positioned independently of the fixed position of the main chassis. There is about a +/- 60 degree field of movement of the VPOD from the vertical and horizontal plane of the front panel. When adjusting the angle of the video screen, grasp the VPOD module at the right/left or top/bottom sides. Two sizes of LCD video display are available; the 5.8" Widescreen (5W) and 7" Widescreen (7W).

See page 16 for instructions on how to adjust the display parameters using the on-screen display controls.

CAUTION: Do NOT rotate (twist) the VPOD module around the gooseneck axis; the torque may damage the gooseneck and/or internal wiring. Also, avoid touching the LCD video screen itself with the fingers or other objects.

8 Balance Control
This pans the volume balance between the left and right speakers.

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Figure-2a: Front Panel Features
Front Panel Features

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9 **SDI Group Select Button and LEDs**

This button (SDI GROUPS) selects which two SDI Groups will be assigned for monitoring through the eight level meters when either the Video Source Select Button (Item 2, page 10) or Audio Source Select Button (Item 10) is set to SDI. SDI group selections are indicated by the appropriate LEDs glowing GREEN. When SDI is not selected, these LEDs will be unlit. When SDI is selected, but there is no signal entering the selected inputs, the SDI group LEDs will turn RED.

The following SDI group assignments are selected with each push of the button.

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<th>Channels 1-4 SDI Group</th>
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<td>G4</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>G3</td>
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10 **Audio Source Select Button and Indication LEDs**

This push button (AUDIO SOURCE) is used to step through the four audio sources as follows:

1) SDI = Monitors the audio as input to the SDI inputs on the rear panel (Item B, page 18).
2) AES = Monitors the audio as input to the AES inputs on the rear panel (Item N, page 21).
3) Analog = Monitors the audio as input to the Analog inputs on the rear panel (Item F, page 18).
4) AFV (Audio Follows Video) = This setting will monitor the audio source which is associated with the selected video source as shown below in the table.

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<td>CV1</td>
<td>AES</td>
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<tr>
<td>CV2</td>
<td>Analog</td>
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11 **Mix Assign Buttons (1-4 and 5-8)**

Each of these eight push buttons (MIX ASSIGN) is separately associated with one of each of the eight level meters (1-8). Each button is used to assign the channel monitored by the associated level meter to the left or right speaker channel mix only when both the left and right Speaker Assign Buttons are in "Mix Mode" (the 5th pushbutton cycle; See Item 13, page 13 for more information). When in "Mix Mode" the right and/or left Mix LEDs (Item 13, page 13) will glow either GREEN (left Mix LED) or YELLOW (right Mix LED).

When a channel is selected using these buttons, the Channel LED (Item 12, page 12) above the associated level meter will glow GREEN when assigned to the left speaker channel, YELLOW when assigned to the right speaker channel, or alternately GREEN/YELLOW if assigned to both speaker channels.

12 **Channel LEDs (1-4)**

These eight LEDs indicate when the associated channel is assigned to one or both speaker channels. When these LEDs glow GREEN the channel is assigned to the LEFT speaker channel, when glowing YELLOW the channel is assigned to the RIGHT speaker channel, and when it glows alternately GREEN and YELLOW then the channel is assigned to both left and right speaker channels. The LEDs are unlit when the channel is not assigned to either speaker channel.

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### Speaker Assign Buttons and Mix LEDs (Left and Right)

These two buttons (LEFT SPEAKER and RIGHT SPEAKER) are used to assign any single channel or group of channels (4 maximum) separately to each of the two speaker channels (left and right). When the left and/or right button is pushed a 5th time in its cycle, its associated Mix LED will light up GREEN to indicate that channels may be added to that speaker mix by pushing the Mix Assign Buttons (Item 3) located under the Level Meter Bargraph Displays. With each push the following will happen:

**Left Speaker Assign Button:**
- 1st push - Channel 1 LED lights GREEN; signal is assigned to LEFT speaker.
- 2nd push - Channel 2 LED lights GREEN; signal is assigned to LEFT speaker.
- 3rd push - Channel 3 LED lights GREEN; signal is assigned to LEFT speaker.
- 4th push - Channel 4 LED lights GREEN; signal is assigned to LEFT speaker.
- 5th push - Left Mix LED lights GREEN; use Mix Assign Buttons to assign channels to speaker mix as desired.
- 6th push - Cycles to beginning (same as 1st push).

**Right Speaker Assign Button:**
- 1st push - Channel 1 LED lights YELLOW; signal is assigned to RIGHT speaker.
- 2nd push - Channel 2 LED lights YELLOW; signal is assigned to RIGHT speaker.
- 3rd push - Channel 3 LED lights YELLOW; signal is assigned to RIGHT speaker.
- 4th push - Channel 4 LED lights YELLOW; signal is assigned to RIGHT speaker.
- 5th push - Right Mix LED lights YELLOW; use Mix Assign Buttons to assign channels to speaker mix as desired.
- 6th push - Cycles to beginning (same as 1st push).

**Note:** When the same channel is assigned to both LEFT (GREEN LED) and RIGHT (YELLOW LED) speaker channels, the Channel LED (Item 12, page 12) for that channel will alternately glow GREEN and YELLOW.

### Phase Indication LED

This LED (PHASE) indicates the phase status of the audio signals assigned to the speakers. This LED indicates the average phase condition by glowing GREEN for in-phase conditions, or RED for out-of-phase conditions. While it is normal for stereo signals to contain some intermittent instantaneous out-of-phase and in-phase conditions, a steady RED glow of this LED almost always indicates an out-of-phase alarm condition.

### Audio Level Meter LED Bargraph Displays (1-8)

Audio levels are visually displayed via these two banks of eight high-resolution, 26-segment, tri-color (RED/AMBER/GREEN) LED bargraph display meters. There are eight level meters labeled 1 through 8 and they correlate to the eight channels of the selected source. Dynamic range for these 26-segment meters is -48 dB and they simultaneously display both VU and PPM ballistic characteristics.

Contact the factory for additional information concerning level meter scales and ballistics.
Please refer to Figure-2c on the facing page to familiarize yourself with the front panel features of the VPOD LCD display modules that can be specified for the VAMP2-S8MDA Series units. The following sections describe these features and are referenced, by number, to Figure-2c. See page 10 for front panel features of the main chassis.

**Front Panel Features**

**VPOD - LCD Video Display Modules**

Each VPOD video display module houses the user display controls and is attached to the VAMP2-S8MDA Series chassis front by a length of flexible gooseneck tubing. Each VPOD module may be adjusted for viewing angle independent of the fixed position of the main chassis. There is about a +/- 60 degree field of movement of the VPOD module from the vertical and horizontal plane of the front panel. When adjusting the angle of the video screen, grasp the VPOD module at the right/left or top/bottom sides and bend in the desired direction.

**CAUTION: Do NOT rotate (twist) the VPOD module around the gooseneck axis; the torque may damage the gooseneck and/or internal wiring. Also, avoid touching the LCD video screen itself with the fingers or other objects.**

**7a Power Button (5W VPOD only)**

This button switch is used to cycle the 5W LCD display ON/OFF.

**7b LCD Video Display**

View input video sources here. The VAMP2-S8MDA/5W model features a 5.8” LCD video display. The VAMP2-S8MDA/7W model features a 7” LCD video display. Each offers a different set of controls which are described within this section.

Note that when no source signal is being input to a powered display, a "NO SIGNAL" message will show in the display screen until a source signal is applied.

**7c 5W (5.8”) LCD On-Screen Display Controls (5W VPOD only)**

The 5W video display properties may be adjusted using these on-screen display controls. See page 16 for instructions on how to adjust these parameters. The following parameters may be adjusted for the 5W LCD display:

- **Brightness** - adjust for desired screen brightness.
- **Contrast** - adjust for desired image scene, dark-to-bright contrast.
- **Color (Saturation)** - adjust for desired amount of image color saturation.
- **Tint (Hue)** - adjust for desired image color hue (NTSC only).
- **Dimmer Level** - 1 to 8.
- **Power Savings** - ON/OFF (turns monitor off if no video signal after 6 seconds, returns power at signal).
- **Frequency Subcarrier** - select 3.58 MHz or 4.43 MHz for frequency subcarrier.
- **Horizontal Normal** - reverses image horizontally.
- **Vertical Normal** - reverses image vertically.
- **Mode** - NORMAL (original aspect ratio), ZOOM1 (arbitrary zoom in), or FIT (stretches image to fit screen).

**7d 7W (7”) LCD Display Controls (7W VPOD only)**

The 7W video display properties may be adjusted using these four trimpot controls:

- **TNT** = **Tint**; adjust for desired image color hue (NTSC only).
- **COL** = **Color Saturation**; adjust for desired amount of image color saturation.
- **BRT** = **Brightness**; adjust for desired screen brightness.
- **CNT** = **Contrast**; adjust for desired image scene, dark-to-bright contrast.

**7e Aspect Ratio (Format) Select Switch (7W VPOD only)**

This 2-position slide switch selects the aspect ratio (format) of the respective video source being monitored. Aspect ratios of 4:3 (standard) or 16:9 (wide) are selectable. Inappropriate format selection will result in distortion of the video image as seen on the video display screen.
Figure-2b: VPOD Module Features
Display controls for the 5.8" VPOD (VPOD5W) are set via the three buttons (See Item 7c, page 14) on the VPOD front panel. Parameters are manipulated as described below:

**BRIGHTNESS**

Press the UP and DOWN buttons directly to increase and decrease the LCD display BRIGHTNESS. The image below will be displayed on-screen while adjusting to indicate the level.

![BRIGHTNESS](image)

**COLOR / CONTRAST / TINT**

1. Press the MENU button to access the Main Menu onscreen.
2. Press the UP and DOWN buttons to scroll through the options.
3. Press the MENU button to select the chosen parameter for adjustment.
4. Press the UP and DOWN buttons to adjust the level.
5. Press the MENU button to return to the Main Menu.
6. To exit the menu, use the UP and DOWN buttons to select EXIT and then press MENU.

**NOTE:** The TINT parameter is applicable ONLY when monitoring NTSC video source signals.

The onscreen menu and parameters for COLOR, CONTRAST, and TINT controls are shown below:
SYSTEM SETUP

To enter the System Setup submenu, choose SYSTEM SETUP in the Main Menu, and press the MENU button.

Main Menu: 

- BRIGHT 
- COLOR 
- CONTRAST 
- TINT [NTSC ONLY] 
- SYSTEM SETUP 
- EXIT 

System Setup Menu: 

- DIMMER 8 
- POWER SAVING ON 
- FSC SET 3.58MHz 
- TINT [NTSC ONLY] 
- HOR. NOR. 
- VER. NOR. 
- MODE NORMAL 
- EXIT 

Use the UP and DOWN buttons to select System Setup option as shown below.

DIMMER 8

1) Press MENU button to select DIMMER 8 option. 
2) Press Up and DOWN buttons to select Dimmer level from 0 to 8. 
3) Press MENU to activate selection.

POWER SAVING ON

1) Press MENU button to select POWER SAVING ON option. 
2) Press Up and DOWN buttons to select POWER SAVING ON or POWER SAVING OFF. 
3) Press MENU to activate selection.

When the display is set up with Power Saving Mode ON, power will automatically turn off after 6 seconds if there is no video signal entering the display. Power will automatically turn as soon as a video signal is detected.

FSC SET 3.5MHz

1) Press MENU button to select FSC SET 3.5MHz (Frequency Subcarrier) option. 
2) Press Up and DOWN buttons to select FSC SET 3.58MHz or FSC SET 4.43MHz. 
3) Press MENU to activate selection.

This option will force the Frequency Subcarrier of the display at 3.58MHz or 4.43 MHz.

HOR. NOR.

1) Press MENU button to select HOR. NOR. (Horizontal Reverse Image) option. 
2) Press Up and DOWN buttons to reverse the image horizontally. 
3) Press MENU to activate selection.

VER. NOR.

1) Press MENU button to select VER. NOR. (Vertical Reverse Image) option. 
2) Press Up and DOWN buttons to reverse the image vertically. 
3) Press MENU to activate selection.

MODE NORMAL

1) Press MENU button to select MODE NORMAL option. 
2) Press Up and DOWN buttons to select NORMAL, ZOOM1, or FULL. 
3) Press MENU to activate selection.

NORMAL mode will display images in original aspect ratio of source (example: 4:3 ratio displayed undistorted in 16:9 screen with blank space on either side). ZOOM1 mode zooms into center area of display. FULL mode forces aspect ratio of source to conform to 16:9 aspect ratio (example: 4:3 ratio displayed in 16:9 screen stretched [distorted] to fill entire display).

EXIT

Press MENU button to select EXIT option, press MENU button again to return to Main Menu.
Please refer to Figure-2c on the following page to familiarize yourself with the rear panel features of the VAMP2-S8MDA Series unit. The following sections describe these features and are referenced, by letter, to Figure-2c.

### Power Connector
Attach a standard IEC-320 power cord between this connector and mains power.

### SDI Input Connectors (SDI IN1 and SDI IN2)
These two BNC connectors (SDI IN1 and SDI IN2) accept both high-definition HD-SDI and standard SD-SDI audio/video signals. HD-SDI signals are automatically down converted to SD-SDI for monitoring.

To monitor video from these inputs, the Video Source Select Button (Item 2, page 10) should be set to SDI, the SDI Input Select Button (Item 3, page 10) should be set to the SDI input of choice (SDI IN1 or SDI IN2), and the SDI Group Select Button (Item 9, page 12) should be used to select the two SDI Group(s) of choice.

To monitor audio (only) from these inputs, the Audio Source Select Button (Item 10, page 12) should be set to SDI, the SDI Input Select Button should be set to the SDI input of choice (SDI IN1 or SDI IN2), and the SDI Group Select Button should be used to select the SDI Group(s) of choice.

### SDI Loop-Through Output Connector
The selected SDI output is down converted for video display by an internal down-converter module. The external connection (BNC cable) from the selected SDI output (SDI OUT) back into the SDI down-converter (SDI CONV IN, Item K, page 20) is necessary for monitoring the selected SDI video source. Two loop-thru outputs (SDI LOOP THRU) are available for the selected SDI source. See Item J on page 20 for a description of the SDI LOOP THRU outputs.

### CVBS Video (Analog) Input and Loop-Through Connectors (CV1 and CV2)
These BNC connector inputs accept standard CVBS (Composite Analog) video signals. There are two CVBS input sections (CV1 and CV2) and each section has an input and loop-through on unbalanced BNC connectors. See Item E for termination settings.

In order to monitor the video from these inputs, the Video Source Select Button (Item 2, page 10) must be set to the CVBS input section of choice (CV1 or CV2).

### CVBS Video (Analog) Input Termination DIP Switch
Termination for the CVBS (Composite Analog) input connectors (Item x) is adjustable via the 2-position DIP switch module located between the two CVBS input sections (CV1 and CV2). The switch section nearest the associated connector is responsible for setting the termination for that connector (CV1 = Left, CV2 = Right).

The switch is moved DOWN to TERMINATE the connector and UP to UNTERMINATE the connector.

### Analog Input Connector
This DB-25 connector accepts standard Analog signals and is configured for a balanced connection (110 Ω impedance). The Audio Source Button (Item 10, page 12) must be set to ANALOG to select this input for monitoring. See below for pin-out information.
Figure-2c: Rear Panel Features
Rear Panel Features

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Reference Select Rotary Switch
This recessed 10-position rotary switch sets the reference level for the unit. See below for setting information.

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Selected Analog output Connectors (Left and Right)
These two male 3-pin XLR connectors are analog outputs of the source as selected for the left and right speaker channels. Output is not affected by the volume and balance controls. See diagram below for pinout information.

(HD)SDI Video Down-Converter Lock Indication LED
This LED glows GREEN to indicate a valid HD-SDI or SDI bitstream is being input to the converter.

(HD)SDI Video Down-Converter Loop-Through Output Connectors
These two female BNC connectors output an equalized and buffered copy of the selected (HD)SDI input (Item L).

(HD)SDI Video Down-Converter Input Connector
The selected SDI output is down converted for video display by an internal down-converter module. The external connection (BNC cable) from the selected SDI output (SDI OUT, Item C, page 18) back into the SDI down-converter (SDI CONV IN) is necessary for monitoring the selected SDI video source. Two loop-thru outputs (SDI LOOP THRU) are available for the selected SDI source. See Item J for a description of the SDI LOOP THRU outputs.

Video Out - CVBS (Composite) Connector
This female BNC connector outputs Composite video. Selection between NTSC and PAL is automatic.

It is possible for the unit to generate either composite or independent sync by moving the shorting header on JP6 (located close to the composite video out BNC). From the rear of the unit this jumper will select composite when the jumper is connecting the left pair of header pins or independent sync when the right pair are connected.

AES Balanced Output (From SDI Input) Connector
This DB-25 connector outputs AES signals converted from the selected SDI input and is configured for balanced connections (110 Ω impedance). Pinout information for this connector is shown below.

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**AES Unbalanced Input/Loop-Through Connector and Termination DIP**

Each of these four female BNC connectors (1/2, 3/4, 5/6, and 7/8) accepts standard AES audio signals and is configured for *unbalanced* connections (75 Ω impedance).

These inputs are selected for monitoring by setting the **Audio Source Select Button** (Item 10, page 12) to **AES**.

Termination for all four **AES** inputs (1/2, 3/4, 5/6, and 7/8) is adjustable via the two 4-position DIP switch modules located between each of two pairs of input connectors. The switch section nearest the associated connector is responsible for setting the termination for that connector. The appropriate switch is moved DOWN to **TERMINATE** the connector and UP to **UNTERMINATE** the connector. See diagram below for DIP settings.

Note that sections 1 and 3 of both DIP modules should be left in the UP position and *not used*.

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<td><strong>Left DIP Module</strong></td>
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<td>AES IN, 3/4</td>
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**RS232 Connector**

This DB-9 connector is used for downloading/uploading programming information into and out of the **VAMP2-S8MDA Series** unit.

**Metered Analog Output Connector**

This DB-25 connector outputs the **Analog** signals which are selected for display in the level meters. See diagram under **Item F**, page 18 for pin-out information.

**External Speaker Connectors (Left and Right)**

Connect external speakers here using these terminal posts. The *left* pair outputs the signals as selected for the *left* speaker, and the *right* pair outputs the signals as selected for the *right* speaker. Terminal posts in each output pair are color coded for polarity; RED is *positive* (left post) and BLACK is *negative* (right post). An external amplifier is not needed to drive the external speakers.

In order to monitor audio through the external speakers, the **Speaker Select Button** on the front panel (**Item 4**, page 10) must be used to select **EXTERNAL** (the LED will glow GREEN).
NOTE:

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