Total Recall VR Classic Desktop

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1. Preface

1.1. Conventions

Our guides use several conventions to highlight certain words and phrases and draw attention to specific pieces of information.

1.1.1. Notes & Warnings

We use the following visual styles to draw attention to information that might otherwise be overlooked:

- **Notes** are tips, shortcuts or alternative approaches to the task at hand. Ignoring a note should have no negative consequences, but you might miss out on a trick that makes your life easier.

- **Important boxes** detail things that are easily missed: configuration changes that only apply to the current session, or services that need restarting before an update will apply. Ignoring the information will not cause data loss, but may cause irritation and frustration.

- **Warnings** should not be ignored. Ignoring warnings will most likely cause data loss.

1.1.2. Typographic Conventions

We use typographic conventions to call attention to specific words and phrases. These conventions, and the circumstances they apply to, are as follows.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Example</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Select Add to create a new ...</td>
<td>Locate the button or menu item named &quot;Add&quot; on the screen; navigate to it using the [Up] and [Down] keys and then press the [Select] key to initiate the action.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Press [Select] ...</td>
<td>Locate the key named “Select” on the control keypad and then press it.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enter Commission ...</td>
<td>Locate the field named &quot;Commission&quot; on the screen; navigate to it using the [Up] and [Down] keys and then enter</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Choose **Country** ... Locate the field named "Country" on the screen; navigate to it using the [Up] and [Down] keys and then repeatedly press the [Select] key to select the desired option.

Tick **Active User** ... Locate the check box named "Active User" on the screen; navigate to it using the [Up] and [Down] keys and then press the [Select] key to place a visual tick in the box.

Un-tick **Active User** ... Locate the check box named "Active User" on the screen; navigate to it using the [Up] and [Down] keys and then press the [Select] key to remove the visual tick in the box.

Enter 3* ... Enter "3*" using the keys on the numeric keypad.

### 1.1.3. Procedures

We use numbered sequence of steps to define procedures for performing certain tasks. For example:

**Procedure Title**

1. This is the first step of the procedure.
2. This is the second step of the procedure.
   a. This is the first sub-step of step 2.
   b. This is the second sub-step of step 2.
3. This is step three.

### 1.2. We Need Feedback

If you find a typographical error in this guide, or if you have thought of a way to make this guide better, we would love to hear from you.


If you have a suggestion for improving the guide, then try to be as specific as possible when describing your suggestion. Otherwise, if you have found an error, please include the section number and some of the surrounding text so we can find it easily.
2. **Introduction**

2.1. **Thank You**

Congratulations on your purchase of a Total Recall VR professional audio logging and call recording system. Thank you.

Total Recall VR is a professional audio logging and call recording system which is self-contained, fully featured and cost-effective. Enterprises and governments worldwide use it to create electronic records of many forms of audio communication including telephone, 2-way radio, broadcast radio, public address, room microphones and much more.

2.2. **About This Guide**

This guide contains information intended to get you recording with your new Total Recall VR as quickly as possible.

However, to enjoy the maximum benefit from your purchase we recommend that you carefully read the following additional documents:

- Total Recall VR Overview Guide
- Total Recall VR Deployment User Guide
- Total Recall VR Embedded GUI user Guide
- Total Recall VR Remote Manager User Guide
3. **Pre Installation**

3.1. **Unpacking**

Please use care and assistance when unpacking, lifting and moving Total Recall VR.

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**DO NOT DROP** Total Recall VR. It contains sensitive electronic components.

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Check the box for damage. A crushed box, holes, or water damage, for example, could indicate that Total Recall VR has been damaged. Open the box and inspect Total Recall VR and associated accessories.

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If Total Recall VR appears damaged then contact your supplier, or us, right away. Save all packaging and if possible take photos that clearly show the damage to all packaging and Total Recall VR.

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Check that you have received the following in the box, in addition to the Total Recall VR:

1. Two power on/off keys.
2. Power cord.
3. Cross over network cable.
4. Disc that contains Total Recall VR manuals (including this one) as well as Total Recall VR client applications such as Remote Manager.

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If items are missing then contact your supplier, or us, right away to arrange replacements.
DO NOT misplace the power keys. Keep one in a safe place while using the other.

3.2. Front Panel

The front panel of your Total Recall VR features a built-in LCD screen, built-in control keypad and DVD disc drive.

In summary:

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Note</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>LCD screen</td>
<td>Built-in LCD screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Control keypad</td>
<td>Built-in custom control keypad.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>DVD R/W disc drive</td>
<td>Use this drive to create archives of recordings on CD and DVD discs.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>Volume control</td>
<td>Adjust the audio volume while monitoring or re-playing recordings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E</td>
<td>Line-out connector</td>
<td>3.5mm standard audio line-out connector. Connect this output to an external audio amplifier to listen to audio while monitoring or re-playing recordings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>F</td>
<td>Headphones connector</td>
<td>3.5mm standard headphones connector. Attach headphones to this connector to listen to audio while monitoring or re-playing recordings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>G</td>
<td>Power on/off key lock</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H</td>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Built-in 2W audio speaker.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
3.3. **Back Panel**

The back panel of your Total Recall VR has a fixed set of standard connectors. In addition, it may have a number of expansion slots which are used, when necessary, to fit hardware for recording audio from different analogue sources.

In summary:

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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Note</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>Analogue channel connectors</td>
<td>Your system supports up to 24 analogue recording channels.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Analogue channel expansion slots</td>
<td>Additional analogue recording channels can be fitted.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>LAN port</td>
<td>Total Recall VR ‘LAN 1’ port. We recommend you use this port to connect Total Recall VR to your enterprise LAN. On this model you must use this port to record VoIP calls as well.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>USB 2.0 port</td>
<td>Connect a standard USB stick or disk drive to use as a Total Recall VR archive device.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E</td>
<td>IEC power socket</td>
<td>Connect 100-240VAC power.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3.4. **Colour LCD Screen**

The colour LCD screen is the main display which shows the various screens that are part of the Embedded Graphical User Interface (GUI) [5].

The screen has a built-in mechanism that extends the life of the screen. The screen backlight turns off automatically after 5 minutes of inactivity on the control keypad.
3.5. **Control Keypad**

Total Recall VR uses a custom control keypad.

Press any key on the control keypad to turn the screen backlight on at any time.

The following table has a complete summary of all key functions:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Key</th>
<th>Context</th>
<th>Function</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>[Menu]</td>
<td>A main screen</td>
<td>Navigates (cycles) between the three main screens: Logging, Search and Options Menu.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dialog window</td>
<td></td>
<td>Automatically moves the cursor to either the <strong>OK</strong> or <strong>Cancel</strong> button, saving keystrokes. Note that it does not actually activate the function that is attached to the button. The [Select] key does this.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[Select]</td>
<td>Button</td>
<td>Activates the function attached to the button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Check box</td>
<td>Toggles the state of the check box.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Input field</td>
<td>Cycles through the set of pre-defined values if the input field has a set of pre-defined values.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Recording on the</td>
<td>Toggles (start/stop) live real-time monitoring of a recording in progress</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Logging Screen</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Action</td>
<td>Description</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>---------------------------------------------</td>
<td>-----------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recording on the Search Screen.</td>
<td>Starts replay. Same as pressing the [▶] key.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[▲] Recording list</td>
<td>Moves the screen cursor to the recording before the current one.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dialogs</td>
<td>Moves the screen cursor to the previous GUI control or button.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[▼] Recording list</td>
<td>Moves the screen cursor to the recording after the current one.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dialogs</td>
<td>Moves the screen cursor to the next GUI control or button.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[ › ] Recording on the Search Screen.</td>
<td>Starts re-play.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Active re-play.</td>
<td>Pauses re-play.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[ ▶ ▶ ] Active re-play.</td>
<td>Fast forwards.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recording on the Search Screen.</td>
<td>Shows the next group of 1000 recordings that are younger (start time) than the group already on the display.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[ ▶ ▶ ▶ ] Active re-play.</td>
<td>Double speed fast forward.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[ ▽ ] Active re-play.</td>
<td>Rewinds.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recording on the Search Screen.</td>
<td>Shows the next group of 1000 recordings that are older (start time) than the group already on the display.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[ ■ ] Active re-play.</td>
<td>Stops re-play.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A main screen</td>
<td>Locks the user interface and logs out the current user.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[0] to [9] Entry field</td>
<td>Inputs the digit specified on the key.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[*] Entry field</td>
<td>Inputs *.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recording on the Logging or Search Screen.</td>
<td>Tags or un-tags the recording.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[#]</td>
<td>Not used.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4. **Installation**

4.1. **Safety Information**

Always follow basic safety precautions when installing Total Recall VR to reduce the risk of injury from electrical shock and fire.

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**WARNING:** Potential shock hazard. Total Recall VR must be installed by qualified person.

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Observer the following:

1. Read and understand all instructions in Total Recall VR guides.
2. Observe all warnings and instructions marked on the product.
3. Use only grounded electrical outlet when connecting Total Recall VR to a power source. If you are unsure the outlet is grounded, then have a qualified electrician check it.
4. First connect Total Recall VR to grounded outlet, and only then connect the appropriate interface lines.
5. Do not touch the contacts on the ends of any cables used with Total Recall VR. If any cable becomes damaged, then have it replaced immediately.
6. Shut down and unplug Total Recall VR from telephone jacks, and then from power outlets, prior to moving or cleaning.
7. Do not open Total Recall VR. There are no user serviceable parts inside Total Recall VR. Refer all servicing to qualified personnel.

4.2. **General**

Total Recall VR is computer equipment and in general has the same physical and electrical requirements as desktop PCs. Attention should be paid to their environment to assure long life and reliable operation.

4.3. **Location**

When choosing a location for your Total Recall VR, consider the following:

- **Convenience.** Make the unit accessible to operators and service personnel who need to access the embedded display and control keypad.
- **Security.** User with access to the unit can remove power, disconnect other cables, monitor and play recordings, create archives and possibly compromise the recordings on Total Recall VR in other ways. Logins are no protection against determined attackers with physical access to the unit.
• **Operating environment.** Total Recall VR requires adequate cooling, clean and always on power source, vibration and shock free surface and protection from liquids.

DO NOT place Total Recall VR in an enclosed cupboard, a damp or dusty room or location with direct exposure to sunlight. Doing so will severely reduce the lifetime of your new Total Recall VR and void the warranty.

4.4. **AC Power**

Total Recall VR uses “universal” power supplies. This means you can plug Total Recall VR into any line (mains) voltage from 100 Volts to 240 Volts AC nominal.

However, to prevent unplanned shutdowns caused by power glitches or interruptions, we strongly recommend the use of an Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) unit.

Use only grounded electrical outlet when connecting Total Recall VR to a power source. If you are unsure the outlet is grounded, then have a qualified electrician check it.

4.5. **Local Area Network**

Connect Total Recall VR to an Ethernet network by attaching a network cable between the RJ45 jack (with label LAN) on the back of Total Recall VR and a network switch.

Use a standard CAT5, or equivalent, straight through cable.

Alternatively, use a crossover cable to isolate Total Recall VR from your network and connect it directly to the network connection of a PC (without using a switch). The default configuration of the Total Recall VR LAN network interface is:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LAN</th>
<th>IP Address</th>
<th>192.168.1.100</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Netmask</td>
<td>255.255.255.0</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VLAN ID</td>
<td>Not set</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4.6. **Analogue Signal Sources**

Total Recall VR uses a purpose built interface card to capture audio from different types of analogue sources including:

1. Analogue telephone lines.
2. Outputs of a digital-to-analogue converter (DAC).
3. Analogue signal sources with 2-wire output.

Total Recall VR does not interact with the analogue signal on the lines in any way, unless its configuration specifies to inject a recording ‘beep’ tone.
The interface cards use RJ11C/RJ12/RJ14 (6P6C) connectors. Each connector has two input lines, one line on pins 3 and 4 and another on pins 2 and 5 as shown on the following diagram.

![Analogue Connector Pin Assignment](image)

**Figure 1: Analogue Connector Pin Assignment**

Analogue line and recording channel numbering starts with the input lines on the left-most connector where recording channel 1 and 2 map to input line 1 and 2 on the first connector. The numbering then continues in lots of 2 with every adjacent connector.

The easiest way to connect Total Recall VR to the analogue telephone lines in order to record telephone conversations is to use module “T” adapters which are readily available from your local cable and accessories store.

The following diagram shows the connections between your telephones and PBX before you connect Total Recall VR.

![Analogue Telephone Connections (before)](image)

**Figure 2: Analogue Telephone Connections (before)**

The following diagram shows the connections after you connect Total Recall VR with readily available “T” adapters.
Use a 267B “T” adapter to connect two analogue telephone lines to a single connector on the Total Recall VR. In addition, use a 267A4 “T” adapter to connect every telephone to the PBX as well as the 267B “T” adapter which in turn will connect the telephone line to the Total Recall VR.

There are other ways to connect Total Recall VR to analogue telephone lines and other analogue signal sources as explained in detail in the Total Recall VR Deployment Guide [4].

4.7. VoIP Networks

Total Recall VR uses a software based VoIP packet collector which is capable of detecting, extracting and then processing SIP, RTP and H.323 packets when connected to an Ethernet link.

The packet collector does not interact with the packets on the Ethernet link. It does not add, remove or modify packets. It simply detects and takes a copy of each packet for further processing.

Each Total Recall VR is equipped with single VoIP packet collector capable of collecting VoIP packets from a single Ethernet link.

Ethernet switch SPAN port (or port mirroring as it is otherwise known) is by far the cheapest and easiest way to connect a Total Recall VR to a VoIP network for the purpose of recording. Even if your current Ethernet switch does not support it, myriad other switches, which cost not more than few hundred dollars, do support it.
SPAN ports may be the cheapest and easiest way to start recording VoIP calls; however, in some cases it may be necessary to use other methods in order to record all VoIP calls on the network. The Total Recall VR Deployment Guide [4] explains all techniques in detail.

**4.8. Headphones**

Optionally, connect headphones to the standard stereo audio jack (three conductor, 3.5mm jack) on the front panel.

Most headphones that are suitable for your PC will work with Total Recall VR. The volume of the audio can be adjusted to a comfortable level with the front panel volume control.

**4.9. Audio Amplifier**

A line-level audio output is available from an audio jack (three conductor, 3.5mm jack) on the front panel.

Optionally, connect an external audio amplifier, recorder or your PC audio input to it.

**4.10. USB Key or Disk Drive**

Your Total Recall VR is equipped with a USB 2.0 ports. You can connect a USB key or an external USB disk drive to the port and use it to archive recordings.
Total Recall VR can archive to one USB key or disk drive at a time. If you connect multiple USB keys/disk drives, then Total Recall VR will write archives to the key/drive that you connected FIRST.

To write archives to a specific key/drive, first disconnect all USB keys/drives and then connect the one that Total Recall VR should write to.
5. **Configuration**

5.1. **Default Configuration**

Every Total Recall VR leaves the factory with a default configuration which enables it to start recording the minute it is powered up.

In summary the default configuration is:

- The display language is set to English.
- The ID of the Total Recall VR is set to 1. If you have multiple Total Recall VRs we recommend that you assign a different ID to every Total Recall VR.
- The time zone is set to Australian Eastern Standard Time. The time and date are set to the current time and date in Sydney, Australia. We recommend that you change the time zone before starting to record.
- The default passwords for the administrator and the standard user are set to ‘0000’. We recommend that you change both to improve the security of Total Recall VR.
- The LAN interface has an IP address of 192.168.1.100/24.
- The Remote Manager Interface accepts connections from client applications on IP address 192.168.1.100 and TCP port 10010.
- All recordings will be kept when recorded irrespective of their duration.
- Recordings will not be deleted based on their age, but will be deleted when the occupancy of the disks reaches 95% or more, or the number of recordings in reaches 350,000 or more.
- All audio that is recorded on the analogue channels will be kept, irrespective of the duration of recordings. The recording trigger is VOX (audio signal level) with 15 second timeout. DTMF detection is on. Generation of recording “beep” tone is disabled.
- All SIP calls that are detected on the network that is connected to the LAN interface will be recorded and kept. The duration of recordings of SIP call is capped at 2 hours.
- Automatic archiving of recordings is not enabled.

The following list is a summary of the default factory configuration.

**General Settings**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Language</th>
<th>English</th>
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<tr>
<th>Time &amp; Date</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Use NTP</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NTP Address 1</td>
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<tr>
<td>NTP Address 2</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>---------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time Zone Area</td>
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<tr>
<td>Time Zone City</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>User Session</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Enable Timeout</td>
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<td>Idle Timeout</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Recent Calls</strong></td>
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<td>Update Period</td>
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<tr>
<td>Records to Show</td>
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<tr>
<td>User Password</td>
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<tr>
<td>Administrator Password</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Call Settings</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Disable Compression</td>
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<td>Min. Call Length</td>
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<td>Max. Call Length</td>
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<td>Max. Call Lifetime</td>
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**Network Settings**

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<td>Name Server (DNS)</td>
<td>Not set</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Host Name</td>
<td>Not set</td>
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<td><strong>LAN 1</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>LAN 2</strong></td>
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The configuration of the LAN 2 interface does not apply to your system.

**Extension Settings**

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<tr>
<td>Enable Monitoring</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recording Mode</td>
<td>Record by Default</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Enable Phone Keys  No
Start Recording Phone Key  *11
Stop Recording Phone Key  *22

License Settings
The parameters in this group are pre-configured with valid licenses.

Analog Settings
Channel  Unique number as assigned by the system
Trigger  VOX 4
Beep  Off
DTMF  On
Extension  Not assigned

ISDN Settings
The ISDN configuration does not apply to your system.

VoIP Settings
Signalling Type  SIP
Connection Type  Local
Connector  LAN 2
TRVR Port  10020
TRVR IP Address  192.168.2.100
Limit Calls To  2 hours
Trace Signalling  No
Proxies/Gateways  None specified

Archive Settings
Reminder  No
Auto Archive Every  No
Archive Device  Disc

Maintenance
System Information
Recorder ID  1

Remote Manager
Use Dial-up  No
IP Address  192.168.1.100
Base Port 10010
Hostname Not set
Maximum Sessions 5
Session Duration 2 hours

5.2. Pre-Recording Configuration

Your Total Recall VR will operate with its default configuration. However, we strongly recommend that at minimum you change the following configuration in order to customise Total Recall VR to your business environment BEFORE you start recording.

General Settings

Time & Date
Date Set it to your current date
Time Set it to your current time
Time Zone Area Set it to your time zone area
Time Zone City Set it to your city
User Password Change the password to improve security
Administrator Password Change the password to improve security

Network Settings

Default Gateway Set it to the IP address of your gateway
Name Server (DNS) Set it to the IP address of your DNS
LAN 1
IP Address Set it to an IP address for your network
Netmask Set it to the netmask for your network

Maintenance

System Information
Recorder ID Set it to a unique ID if you have multiple recorders
We recommend that you restart Total Recall VR after completing the pre-recording configuration.
6. Basic Operation

Total Recall VR has an embedded Graphical User Interface (embedded GUI). The Total Recall VR Embedded GUI guide [5] explains this interface in great detail. This section contains a summary.

The GUI has 3 main screens: Logging Screen, Search Screen and Options Menu Screen. Use the [Menu] key to switch from one screen to another as shown on the subsequent figure.

[Figure 5: Embedded GUI Main Screens]

Access to the Options Menu Screen is restricted to Administrator users. This screen is NOT shown to standard Users.
Total Recall VR shows the Logging Screen by default. By default, this screen displays recordings in progress, in reverse start time order (latest, or most recent, on top).

The Search Screen makes provisions for searching, playing and archiving recordings. By default this screen shows the result of the last search, in reverse start time order (latest on top).

The Options Menu Screen makes provisions for system configuration and maintenance. Configuration and maintenance activities are organised in groups, each represented by its own button on this screen.

### 6.1. Recording

You do not need to interact with the embedded GUI in any way to log audio or record calls. Total Recall VR automatically records as instructed by its configuration.

Recordings that are in progress, and while in progress, are shown on the Logging Screen.

![Figure 6: Logging Screen with Recordings in Progress](image)

### 6.2. Monitoring

To monitor recordings in progress, in real time, first navigate to the Logging Screen with the [Menu] key.

Use the [▲] and [▼] keys to navigate to the row that shows the details of the recording that you wish to listen to.

Press the [Select] key to start monitoring.

The following will happen when you start monitoring:

- The row that shows the details of the recording will move to the top of the table from its sort position according to start time and it will remain highlight.
“[Monitoring]” will appear at the centre bottom of the Logging screen.

Audio will be heard from the built-in speaker, or head phones if connected.

Press the [Select] key to stop monitoring.

Figure 7: Logging Screen with Monitoring in Progress

Total Recall VR remembers the channel number of the recording channel when you start monitoring, but not stop it while recording is in progress. And if a new recording starts on the same channel, Total Recall VR automatically start monitoring the new recording.

This is not useful for recordings on VoIP recording channels as VoIP recording channels are allocated dynamically to calls. However, it may prove very useful for recordings on analogue channels where one-to-one mapping exists between audio sources and recording channels.

For example, if you start monitoring a recording in progress that is using analogue recording channel 1, and not stop it while it is in progress, then monitoring continues when the next recording starts on analogue recording channel 1.

6.3. Searching

The embedded GUI makes provisions for searching for recordings that reside on the system itself, recordings that are stored on archive discs (CD, DVD or BD), recordings that are stored in archives located on a USB key or disk drive, and recordings that are stored in a pre-defined network archive.

To locate recordings that have completed first navigate to the Search Screen with the [Menu] key.

Then, select Search … to display the Search Criterion dialog and define the search criterion by ticking (to include) and entering values for various search parameters.
Finally, select **Search** to search recordings that reside on the system itself, or select **Search Archive** to search recordings that reside on an archive disc or in a network archive.

The search will identify all recordings that match the search criterion and display them sorted in reverse order of start time, i.e. latest recording on top.

If the search results in 1000 recordings or less, then all recordings will be shown. However, due to screen space limits, only the 25 or so will be visible. Use the [▲] and [▼] keys to view rows that are not visible.

### 6.4. Playing

To play a recording, first navigate to the Search Screen using the [Menu] key and search for it. Section 6.3 Searching explains searching.
Use the [▲] and [▼] keys to position the screen cursor on the row that shows the details of the recording that you wish to play and then press the [▶], or the [Select], key to start playing.

![Figure 10: Search Screen when Playing a Recording](image)

While playing is in progress you can use the [▶], [▶▶] and [◀] keys to fast forward, fast forward at double speed and rewind respectively. In additions, while playing is in progress you can use the [▶] key to pause and re-start playing.

Press the [■] key to stop playing.

6.5. Archiving

The embedded GUI makes provisions for on-demand and automatic archiving.

6.5.1. On-Demand

To archive a user defined set of recordings on-demand, first navigate to the Search Screen using the [Menu] key.

Optionally, perform a search that identifies the recordings that you wish to archive. Section 6.3 Searching explains searching. You can skip this step if you wish to archive all recordings.

Select Archive to display the Manual Archive dialog which makes provisions for specifying the set of recordings that you wish to archive as well as the archive device (disc, network share ...).
Finally, start archiving. If you are archiving to disc, then you may have to insert new discs as archiving progresses.

6.5.2. Automatic

Unlike on-demand archiving, automatic archiving is a “set and forget” operation. Well mostly – you must replace full discs and make space on network disks as they become full.

To start automatic archiving all you need to do is enable and configure automatic archiving using the **Archiving Settings** on the Options Menu Screen.

6.6. Configuration

To configure Total Recall VR, use the buttons provided on the Options Menu Screen. Note that you need to log in with the password for the Administrator user to access the Options Menu Screen.
7. **Preventative Maintenance**

Total Recall VR requires minimal preventive maintenance to ensure maximum performance.

7.1. **Air Filter**

As with most computing devices, Total Recall VR has a fan that provides air flow through the system to keep it at operating temperature. However, unlike most computing devices, the air that enters the system is kept clean by a filter.

Every 3 months, or so, the embedded GUI will display a message and start generating an audible beep to alert you to the fact that it is time to check and clean the filter.

![Clean Filter Reminder Dialog](image)

**Figure 13: Clean Filter Reminder Dialog**

Select **OK** to dismiss the dialog. However, at this point in time the filter should be washed in warm soapy water, and then rinsed thoroughly and allowed to dry completely prior to being replaced.

New filters are available from us or your local Total Recall VR supplier.

7.2. **Hard Disks**

The hard disks are the hardest working component in Total Recall VR. Information is constantly written to and read from the disks.

The average life expectancy of the hard disks is 5 years. However, as with any electronic and mechanical technology, the disks in your system may last much longer or much less.
We recommend that you replace the disks in your system every 4 years or so. You can purchase suitable disks from us or your local Total Recall VR supplier.

7.3. Disk Space
Total Recall VR manages disk space automatically.
Total Recall VR has an in-built auto cleaning function which ensures that it has enough free disk space in it to continue recording endlessly.

A working archiving strategy must be implemented to avoid losing recordings as a result of auto-cleaning.

In general, the auto-cleaning function automatically deletes recordings when the number of recordings reaches more than 350,000 or the disk occupancy reaches 95% whichever occurs first. It removes oldest first recordings until the number of recordings reduces to 300,000 or less and the disk occupancy is below 88%.

7.4. Orderly Shutdown
Total Recall VR must be powered down in an orderly fashion to prevent damage to its electronic components and in particular its hard disks.

To shut down Total Recall VR in an orderly fashion first navigate to the Options Menu Screen using the [Select] button. Then select System Shutdown.

The system will stop all recording, then stop all applications and then stop its operating system.
Finally, use the power key to turn power off.

DO NOT turn power off Total Recall VR while it is recording. This will result in damage of its hard disks which may result in total information loss.

In addition it may cause damage to other electronic components.
8. **Troubleshooting**

8.1. **Support Information**

If after using this manual, and other Total Recall VR manuals, you still have questions about the operation of Total Recall VR, or you are experiencing problems with your Total Recall VR, then:

1. Please visit the Resources section on our web site [http://www.totalrecallvr.com](http://www.totalrecallvr.com)
2. Contact technical support via e-mail: trvr@prolancer.com.au

8.2. **Forums**

Our online forums, [http://www.totalrecallvr.com/forum](http://www.totalrecallvr.com/forum), contain answers to common problems that you may experience when installing and using Total Recall VR.

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