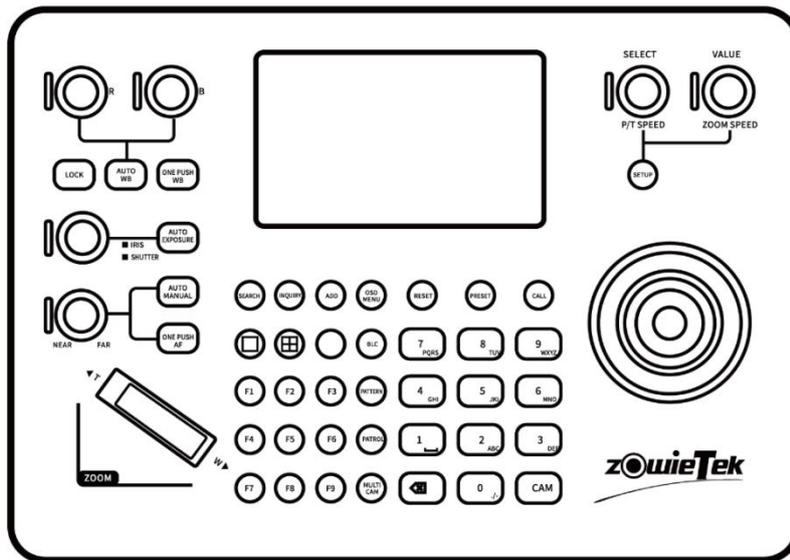




# ZowieKBD PTZ Camera Controller

## User Manual



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### **Attention**

The purpose of this user manual is to ensure that users can use the product correctly and avoid danger and damage in operation. Before using this product, please read this user manual carefully and keep it properly for future reference.

### **Statement**

The descriptions in this manual may differ from the version you are using. If you are having trouble using this manual, please contact our technical support for assistance. The contents of this manual will be updated, and our company reserves the right to leave it without notice.

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## **Warnings and Precautions**



1. Read all of these warnings and save them for later reference.
2. Follow all warnings and instructions marked on this unit.
3. Unplug this unit from the Power Adapter before cleaning. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners. Use a damp cloth for cleaning.
4. Do not use this unit in or near water.
5. Do not place this unit on an unstable cart, stand, or table. The unit may fall, causing serious damage.
6. Slots and openings on the cabinet slides and bottom are provided for ventilation. To ensure this unit's safe and reliable operation and protect it from overheating, do not block or cover these openings. Do not place this unit on a bed, sofa, rug, or similar surface, as the ventilation openings on the bottom of the cabinet will be blocked.
7. This unit should never be placed near or over a heat register or radiator. This unit should not be placed in a built-in installation unless proper ventilation is provided.
8. This product should only be operated from the type of power source indicated on the marking label of the AC adapter. If you are not sure of the type of power available, consult your ZowieBox dealer or your local power company.
9. Do not allow anything to rest on the power cord. Do not locate this unit where the power cord will be walked on, rolled over, or otherwise stressed.
10. If an extension cord must be used with this unit, make sure that the total of the ampere ratings on the products plugged into the extension cord does not exceed the extension cord rating.
11. Never push objects of any kind into this unit through the cabinet ventilation slots, as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short out parts that could result in a risk of fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind onto or into this unit.
12. Except as specifically explained elsewhere in this manual, do not attempt to service this product yourself. Opening or removing covers that are marked "Do Not Remove" may expose you to dangerous voltage points or other risks, and will void your warranty. Refer all service issues to qualified service personnel.
13. Unplug this product from the Power Adapter and refer to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:
  - a) When the liquid has spilled into the unit.
  - b) When the product has been exposed to rain or water.
  - c) When the product does not operate normally under normal operating conditions. Adjust only those controls covered by the operating instructions in this manual; improper adjustment of other controls may damage the unit and often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the unit to normal operation.
  - d) When the product has been dropped or the cabinet has been damaged.
  - e) When the product exhibits a distinct change in performance, indicating a need for service.

## Disposal



### For EU Customers only - WEEE Marking

This symbol on the product or its packaging indicates that this product must not be disposed of with your other household waste. Instead, it is your responsibility to dispose of your waste equipment by handing it over to a designated collection point for the recycling of waste electrical and electronic equipment. The separate collection and recycling of your waste equipment at the time of disposal will help to conserve natural resources and ensure that it is recycled in a manner that protects human health and the environment. For more information about where you can drop off your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local city office, your household waste disposal service, or the shop where you purchased the product.

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# 1. General

## 1.1 Overview

ZowieKBD is a professional-grade PTZ camera keyboard controller designed for efficient, ergonomic, and precise operation. Featuring a robust all-metal enclosure, intuitive layout, and responsive 7D joystick, it delivers seamless control across demanding video production environments.

Equipped with 41 hardware buttons, 6 knobs, and a zoom rocker, ZowieKBD supports popular control protocols including Sony VISCA, VISCA over IP, NDI, ONVIF, and Pelco D/P—making it highly versatile for both commercial and studio use. Users can easily manage pan, tilt, zoom, focus, and other key camera settings through a user-friendly OSD interface.

The built-in 5" LCD and optional HDMI output allow for flexible preview modes, supporting up to 4K30 video, quad-camera group control, and live feeds with Tally border indicators. ZowieKBD also supports camera patrol, presets, and API-based system integration across Windows, macOS, Android, and Linux platforms, powered by ZowieUI and ZowieAPI.

Compact, durable, and packed with powerful features, ZowieKBD is the ideal choice for modern PTZ camera workflows in broadcast, conferencing, and live streaming scenarios.

## 1.2 Features

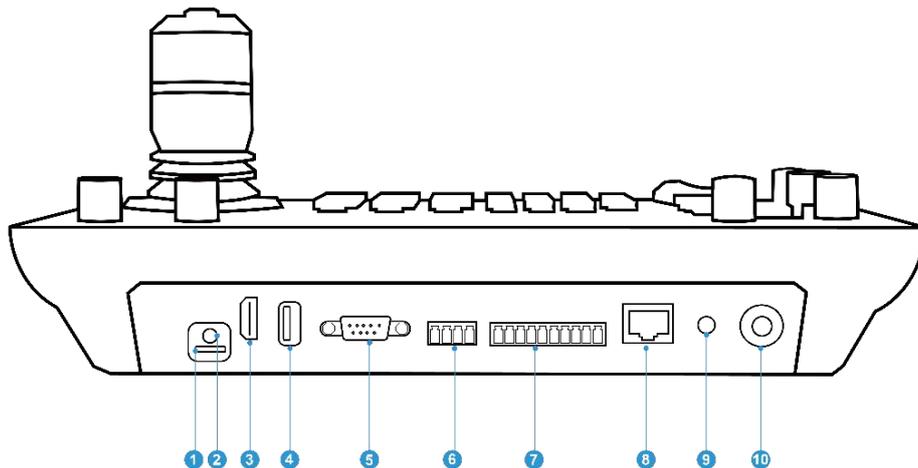
- Ergonomic and robust PTZ keyboard with metal enclosure, 41 buttons, 6 knobs, zoom rocker, and 7D joystick for precise control.
- 5" LCD screen and HDMI output support up to 4K30 video; easily switch between single and quad-camera views.
- Supports Sony VISCA, VISCA over IP, NDI (HX1/HX2/HX3), ONVIF, and Pelco D/P protocols.
- Customizable button lights, themes, and user-assignable function keys for tailored workflows.
- Group control, camera patrol, and quad preview switching for multi-camera environments.
- Tally integration with GPIO sync and preview/program status indicators.
- Web UI and RESTful API for remote control and automation via PC, tablet, or smartphone.
- Dual power options: DC adapter or PoE.
- Eco-friendly, all-metal build with OEM/ODM customization support.

## 1.3 Packing List

Product	Quantity
PTZ Camera KBD	X1
Accessories	Quantity
Power Adapter	X1
RS422/485 Phoenix Plug	X1
Tally Phoenix Plug	X1
Quick User Guide	X1

## 2. Quick Start Guide

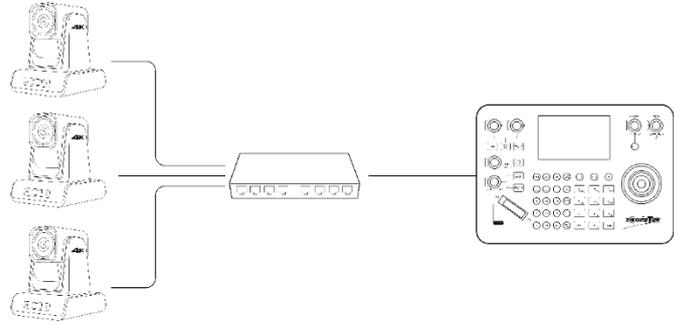
### 2.1 Interface Description



NUM	Name	Function
1	TF Card Port	For firmware upgrading.
2	Line Out Port	Monitor the current camera audio when the screen is single grid.
3	HDMI Out Port	Output the video to an external monitor.
4	USB Port	For firmware upgrading.
5	RS232 Interface	Connect RS232 cable for controlling Cameras.
6	RS422/RS485 Interface	Connect RS232 cable for controlling Cameras.
7	Tally / Contact (GPI I/O Connector)	Tally control interface.
8	LAN Interface	Connect the ZowieKBD to a network/power supply.
9	DC In	Power supply.

10	Power Button	Power on/power off the ZowieKBD.
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## 2.2 Connection



### Step1: Connect Network

To use Sony VISCA, VISCA over IP, NDI or ONVIF protocols, please connect to the network.

#### NOTICE

*ZowieKBD products default to DHCP, so for the purposes of this quick start guide, please connect ZowieKBD to a network with **DHCP server**.*

### Step 2: Connect Power Supply

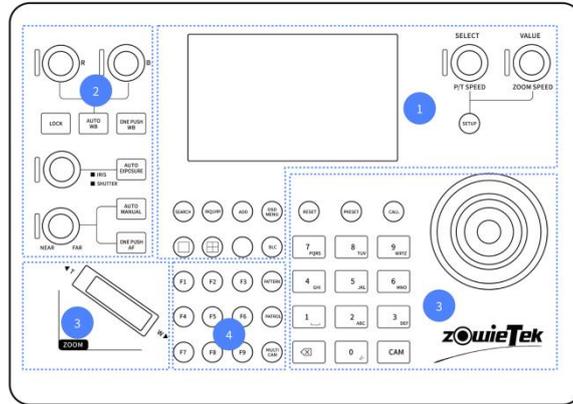
- ※ **DC** : Please use a **12V 1A DC power adapter** for power supply.
- ※ **PoE**: ZowieKBD can also be powered by Power over Ethernet (PoE/PoE+). To take advantage of POE, the LAN cable has to be connected to a PoE Network Switch with at least a **CAT5e LAN** cable.

### Step 3: Power Button

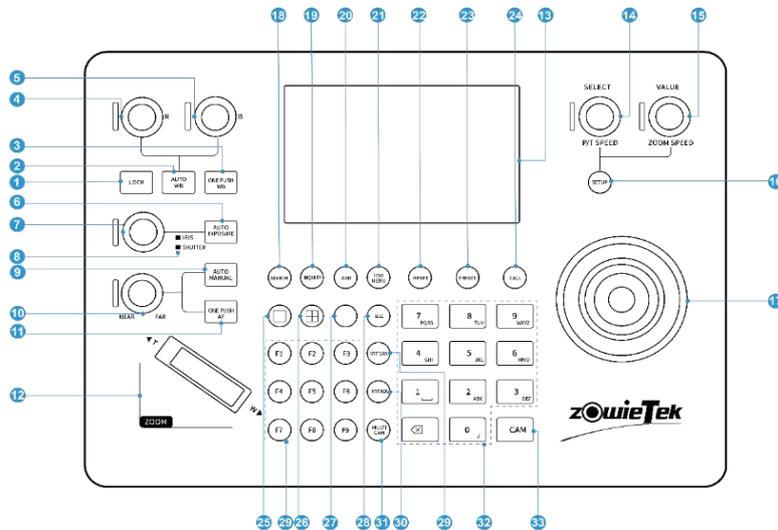
After connecting the device, **press** the power button and **hold until its light turns on**—this signals that ZowieKBD is ready to go.

## 2.3 Button Function Description

### ZowieKBD at a Glance



NUM	Zone	Function
1	LCD and Settings	Used for preview, ZowieKBD settings and camera interaction
2	Camera Image Adjustment	Set exposure, focus, and white balance.
3	Camera Control	Control the pan/tilt/zoom of camera, set/call/reset presets.
4	Fn and Muticam	For firmware upgrading.



**1. Lock**

Lock all ZowieKBD functions, the light is on when locked

**2. Auto White Balance**

Press to switch between Auto/Manual /Indoor /Outdoor /One-push/Manual white balance.

**3. One Push WB**

Trigger one-push white balance, automatically switch to one-push white balance mode when in other mode.

4. **Manual Red Adjustment for White Balance**

Automatically switch to manual white balance mode when in other white balance mode.

5. **Manual Blue Adjustment for White Balance**

Automatically switch to manual white balance mode when in other white balance mode.

6. **Auto Exposure**

Press to switch between auto/manual/shutter priority/aperture priority/brightness priority modes.

7. **Manual Adjustment for Exposure**

Adjust different exposure parameters according to different exposure modes.

Mode	Parameters
AAE	Iris+/-
SAE	Shutter+/-
Bright	Bright+/-
Manual	Iris/Shutter (Press the knob to switch adjustment parameters)
Auto	Automatically switch to manual mode

8. **Exposure mode indicator**

The current mode can be confirmed by the light of the button/knob

Exposure Mode	Knob	IRIS	SHUTTER	AUTO Exposure Button
Auto	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
Manual	ON	On	OFF	OFF
SAE	ON	OFF	ON	ON
AAE	ON	ON	OFF	ON
Bright	ON	OFF	OFF	ON

9. **Auto/Manual Focus**

Press to switch between auto/manual/one-push focus.

10. **Manual Adjustment for Focus**

Manually focus far/near, automatically switch to manual focus mode when in other mode.

11. **One Push AF**

Trigger one-push focus, automatically switch to one-push focus when in other mode

12. **Zoom Seesaw**

Zoom in/out

13. **LCD**

Video preview and settings

14. **P/T Speed**

Set the horizontal/vertical rotation speed

15. **Zoom Speed**

Set the zoom speed

16. **Setup**

Enter/exit the keyboard setting interface

17. Joystick  
Any directions to control the camera direction
18. Search  
Search for cameras on the same network segment through Sony VISCA/ONVIF/NDI protocols
19. Inquiry  
View/edit/add cameras, add groups
20. Add  
Through IP VISCA(UDP)/IP VISCA(TCP)/ONVIF/VISCA/Pelco D/Pelco P/NDI/Sony VISCA to add camera
21. OSD Menu  
Call/exit camera' s OSD menu
22. Reset  
Reset presets
23. Preset  
Set presets
24. Call  
Call presets
25. Single Grid Switch  
Switch single grid preview
26. Four-Grid Switch  
Switch four-grid preview
27. HDMI Switch  
Switch HDMI priority/LCD priority output
28. BLC  
Turn on/off Backlight
29. Pattern  
Reserve
30. Patrol  
Reserve
31. Multi Cam  
Number + MULTI CAM to switch group
32. Numeric Keypad  
Numeric-alphabetic input
33. Cam  
Number + Cam to switch camera

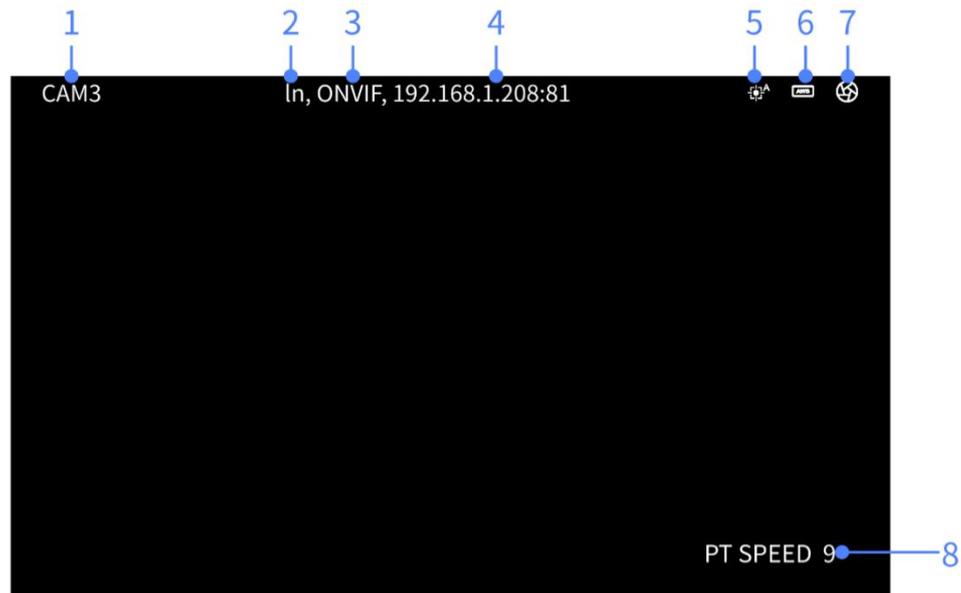
## 2.4 Shortcut Buttons

In certain interfaces, users can use long press/combination keys to perform some shortcut operations.

Buttons	Function	Description
Long press 	Hide/show camera information	
Press 	View basic keyboard information	Use in single grid/four grid interface preview
Long Press 	Modify the current camera parameters	Use in single grid/four grid interface preview
Long press 	Enter group management interface	
Number + 	Quickly switch current group	
Number1~4 + 	Quickly switch current control window	Use in four grid interfaces
Press 	Enter camera/group list for quick selection	Use in single grid/four grid interface
Press 	Enter the camera's OSD menu	Takes effect when the camera's OSD menu is awakened

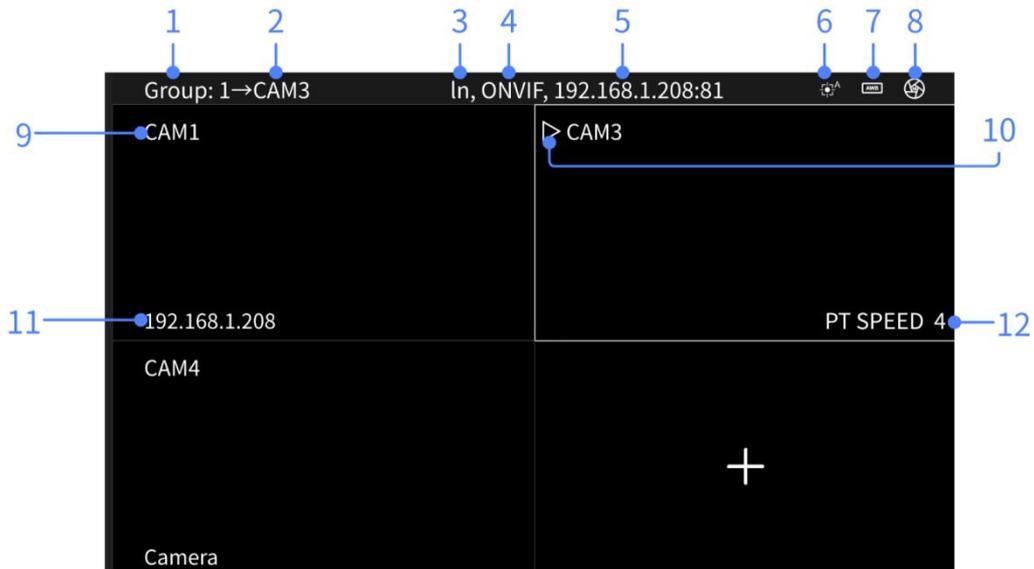
## 2.5 ZowieKBD Screen LCD

### 2.5.1 Single grid display



1. Current controlled camera number
2. Current controlled camera name
3. Current controlled protocol
4. Current camera IP
5. Current focus mode
6. Current white balance mode
7. Current exposure mode
8. Current operation

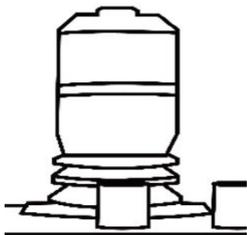
## 2.5.2 Four grid display



1. Current controlled group number
2. Current controlled camera number
3. Current controlled camera name
4. Current controlled camera protocol
5. Current controlled camera IP
6. Current controlled camera focus mode
7. Current controlled camera white balance mode
8. Current controlled camera exposure mode
9. Camera number
10. Current controlled window signal
11. Camera IP
12. Current operation

## 2.6 Navigating the Menus

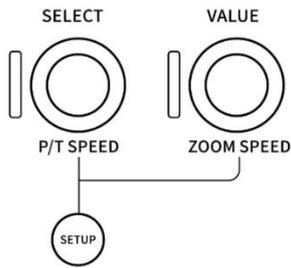
### Method 1: Use the joystick to control the menu



Action	Response
Up/Down	Control the cursor to move up and down
Right/Click	Enter the next menu
Rotate	Return to the previous menu

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## Method 2: Use the knob to control the menu



Action	Response
Setup	Open the menu/return to the previous menu
P/T Speed	Rotate: Move the cursor Click: Enter the next menu
Zoom Speed	Rotate: Modify the value of the current parameter Click: Confirm parameter modification

## 3. Basic Functions

### 3.1 Add an NDI® Camera to ZowieKBD

Before adding an NDI camera, please make sure that NDI is activated on the keyboard. Go to page 27 to see how to activate NDI.

#### Method 1: Search for NDI cameras (Recommended)

Click  and select NDI protocol to search.



NDI Discovery			
1	HD CAMERA (NDI ...)	192.168.1.88:5961	-
2	✓ KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.125:5961	Cam5
3	✓ KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.103:5961	Cam6
4	✓ ZOWIEPTZ (ZowiePTZ-00001)	192.168.1.23:5961	Cam7
5	✓ ZOWIEPTZ (ZowiePTZ-66138)	192.168.1.138:5961	Cam8
6	✓ ZOWIEPTZ ...	192.168.1.131:5961	Cam9
Add		Check All	Search

After the search is completed, use the up, down and top button of the joystick to select the camera to add. A " ✓ " sign will appear in front of the selected camera .

Use the left, right and top button of the joystick to operate Add/Check All/Search below.

#### Method 2: Manually add NDI camera

Click  to add manually or click  -> Device Management->CAM List->Add to add

manually.

Use the up, down and top buttons of the joystick to move the cursor and modify the parameters.



Select the type as NDI, and the Cam number can be specified or automatically assigned in the order of addition.

Enter the NDI Name, and make sure that the entered NDI name is correct. Even missing or adding spaces will cause the manual addition of NDI to fail.



Users can first open the NDI monitor of NDI Tool to view the actual NDI name.



Enter the IP address and URL of the NDI source. The default NDI port number is 5961. Click ADD to complete the addition.

**Tips:**

1. Users also can click  ->Device Management->Search and select NDI protocol to search.

2. Users can also use P/T SPEED knob  to select the camera to add, ZOOM SPEED knob  to operate Add/Check All/Search below.

## 3.2 Add an ONVIF Camera to ZowieKBD

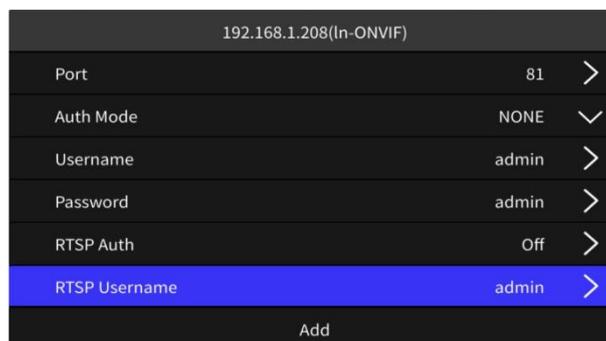
### Method 1: Search for ONVIF cameras (Recommended)

Click  and select ONVIF protocol to search or click  ->Device Management->Search and select ONVIF protocol to search.



After the search is completed, use the up, down and top button of the joystick to select the camera to add. A " ✓ " sign will appear in front of the selected camera .

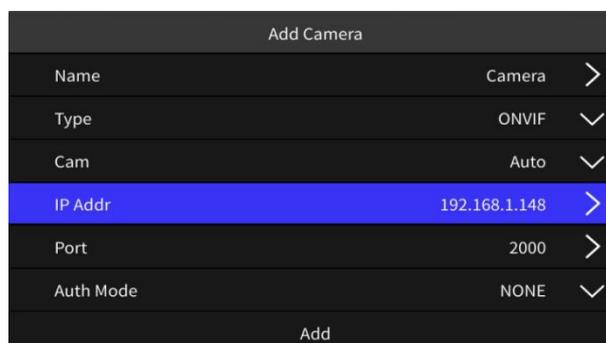
Use the left, right and top button of the joystick to operate Add/Check All/Search below. When clicking to add a single camera, please select the correct ONVIF authentication and RTSP authentication. (This step is not required when adding ONVIF cameras in batches)



## Method 2: Manually add ONVIF camera

Click  to add manually or click  -> Device Management->CAM List->Add to add manually.

Use the up, down and top buttons of the joystick to move the cursor and modify the parameters.



Select ONVIF as the type and enter the IP address and port number of the ONVIF camera (the default port number for most cameras is 2000).

Cam numbers can be specified or automatically assigned in the order.

Add Camera	
Auth Mode	NONE ▾
Username	admin >
Password	admin >
RTSP Auth	Off >
RTSP Username	admin >
RTSP Password	admin >
Add	

Select the correct ONVIF protocol authentication and RTSP authentication (both are disabled by default for ZowiePTZ cameras) and click Add to complete the addition.

### 3.3 Add a Sony VISCA Camera to ZowieKBD

#### Method 1: Search for Sony VISCA Camera (Recommended)

Click  and select Sony VISCA protocol to search or click  ->Device Management->Search and select Sony VISCA protocol to search.



Sony VISCA

ONVIF

NDI®

Sony VISCA Discovery			
1	ZowiePTZ-00001	192.168.1.23	Cam20
2	Minrray	192.168.1.32	Cam21
3	ZowieBox-23455	192.168.1.45	-
4	ZowieBox-SDI-00001	192.168.1.47	-
5	ZowiePTZ-66128	192.168.1.64	-
6	ZowiePTZ-2212	192.168.1.76	-
Add		Check All	Search

After the search is completed, use the up, down and top button of the joystick to select the camera you want to add. A " ✓ " sign will appear in front of the selected camera . Use the left, right and top button of the joystick to operate Add/Check All/Search below. After clicking to add a single camera, please enter the correct RTSP address and RTSP authentication. (This step is not required when adding Sony VISCA cameras in batches)

192.168.1.148(ZowiePTZ-66148-Sony VISCA)	
Name	Camera >
Cam	Auto ▾
Stream Addr	3:554/sub/av rtsp://192 >
RTSP Auth	Off >
RTSP Username	admin >
RTSP Password	admin >
Add	

#### Method 2: Manually add Sony VISCA camera

Click  to add manually, or click  ->Device Management->CAM List->Add to add

manually.

Use the up, down and top buttons of the joystick to move the cursor and modify the parameters.

Add Camera	
Name	Camera >
Type	Sony VISCA v
Cam	Auto v
IP Addr	192.168.1.148 >
Stream Addr	p://192.168.1.148:554/sub/av >
RTSP Auth	On >
Add	

Change the Type to Sony VISCA, enter the IP address and RTSP URL of the camera to be controlled, and select the correct RTSP authentication.

The Cam number can be specified or automatically assigned in the order in which it is added. Click Add to complete the addition.

**Tips:**

Go to page 30 to see how to preset the RTSP suffix for quick addition

### 3.4 Add a VISCA Over IP Camera to ZowieKBD

Click  to add manually or click  ->Device Management->CAM List->Add to add manually.

Use the up, down and top button of the joystick to move the cursor and modify the parameters.

Add Camera	
Name	Camera >
Type	VISCA over IP(UDP) v
Cam	VISCA over IP(UDP)
IP Addr	VISCA over IP(TCP)
Port	ONVIF
Stream Addr	rtsp://192.168.1:5 VISCA
Add	
PELCO D	

Select the type as VISCA over IP (UDP)/VISCA over IP (TCP), and the Cam number can be specified or automatically assigned in the order in which it is added.

Add Camera	
IP Addr	192.168.1.148 >
Port	1259 >
Stream Addr	rtsp://192.168.1.148:554/sub/1 >
RTSP Auth	Off >
RTSP Password	admin >
RTSP Username	admin >
Add	

Enter the IP address and UDP/TCP port number of the camera to be controlled (ZowiePTZ default port TCP: 5230; UDP: 1259)

Enter the correct RTSP address and RTSP authentication for preview.

### 3.5 Add a Serial Port Protocol Camera to ZowieKBD

Click  to add manually or click  -> Device Management->CAM List->Add to add manually.

Use the up, down and top button of the joystick to move the cursor and modify the parameters.

Select the protocol as VISCA/PELCO D/P and enter the correct baud rate and protocol address. (The default baud rate of ZowiePTZ is 9600, and the default address is VISCA: 1, PELCO D: 1, PELCO: 0)

Cam numbers can be specified or automatically assigned in the order they are added.

Add Camera	
Name	Camera >
Type	VISCA v
Cam	Auto v
Baud Rate	9600 v
Devices Addr	1 >
Stream Addr	rtsp://192.168.1 >
Add	

If the camera supports RTSP streaming, please enter the camera's RTSP URL and RTSP authentication and click Add.

### 3.6 Modify the Added camera

If you need to modify the added camera, please click  to view the added camera list, or

click  -> Device Management->CAM List to view the added camera.

Use the up, down, and top button of the joystick to move the cursor and select the camera to

be modified.

Use the left, right, and top button of the joystick to operate Add Group/Edit/Add/Delete below.

CAM List			
CAM1(1,2)	Camera-G50.V	192.168.1.208	Sony VISCA
CAM2(2)	Camera-	192.168.1.88	Sony VISCA
CAM3(1)	Camera-In	192.168.1.208	ONVIF
CAM4(1)	Camera	1-9600	PELCO D
CAM5	Camera-KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.125:5961	NDI®
CAM6	Camera-KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.103:5961	NDI®
Add Group	Edit	Add	Delete

For NDI Camera:

Only the parameters of manually added NDI cameras can be modified. For NDI cameras added by automatic search, only the camera name can be modified.

For ONVIF cameras:

After adding the camera, you can enter the camera modification page to modify the default configuration of the ONVIF camera to determine whether the ZowieKBD preview is a sub-stream or a main stream.

CAM3(In-ONVIF-rtsp://192.168.1.208:554/stream1)		
Username	admin >	
Password	admin >	
RTSP Auth	Off >	
RTSP Username	admin >	
RTSP Password	admin >	
Profiles	mainStream_Profile_Token v	
Save	Select	Delete

## 3.7 Add/Modify Groups

### Method 1:

Click  or  -> Device Management → CAM List to enter the list of added cameras.

Use the up, down and top button of the joystick to move the cursor and select the camera to be added to the group, and use the left, right and top button of the joystick to select the Add Group operation below.

CAM List			
CAM1(1,2)	Camera-G50.V	192.168.1.208	Sony VISCA
✓CAM2(2)	Camera-	192.168.1.88	Sony VISCA
CAM3(1)	Camera-In	192.168.1.208	ONVIF
✓CAM4(1)	Camera	1-9600	PELCO D
✓CAM5	Camera-KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.125:5961	NDI®
✓CAM6	Camera-KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.103:5961	NDI®
Add Group	Edit	Add	Delete

After adding, the camera name will be followed by the group number.

CAM List			
CAM1(1,2)	Camera-G50.V	192.168.1.208	Sony VISCA
CAM2(2,3)	Camera-	192.168.1.88	Sony VISCA
CAM3(1)	Camera-In	192.168.1.208	ONVIF
CAM4(1,3)	Camera	1-9600	PELCO D
CAM5(3)	Camera-KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.125:5961	NDI*
CAM6(3)	Camera-KEYBOARD ...	192.168.1.103:5961	NDI*
Add Group	Edit	Add	Delete

## Method 2:

Click  ->Device Management->Group List->Add and select Add a New Group, or long press  to Add a new group.

Group List		
Group1	Group name	CAM #1,3,4
Group2	Group name	CAM #1,2
Group3	Group name	CAM #2,4,5,6
Edit	Add	Delete

Entering a name for the group, click the "+" below to add a camera.

Group	Auto 
Group name	Group name 
+	
+	
+	
+	
Add	

### *Tips:*

Adding a group, please confirm the resolution of the cameras in the group. The four-grid preview can be performed only when the preview resolutions of the cameras are consistent. Otherwise, the cameras with mismatched resolutions cannot be previewed.

## 3.8 Switch Active Camera/Group

When switching cameras, please stay in the window preview interface instead of the settings interface

### Switch active camera

#### Method 1:

Press  to enter the quick camera list, rotate  and move the cursor.

CAM List				↑ GROUP
CAM1	Camera-In	192.168.1.208	ONVIF	⌘
CAM2	Camera---	192.168.1.148	ONVIF	⌘
CAM3	Camera---	192.168.1.21	ONVIF	⌘
CAM4(1)	Camera---	192.168.1.47	ONVIF	⌘
CAM5	Camera---	192.168.1.56	ONVIF	⌘
CAM6(1)	Camera---	192.168.1.47	Sony VISCA	⌘
CAM7	Camera---	192.168.1.56	Sony VISCA	⌘

Select the desired camera and press the P/T SPEED key  to switch camera.

### Method 2:

Use the alphanumeric Keyboard +  to switch cameras.

## Switch active group

### Method 1:

Press  and turn the knob clockwise to enter the quick group list.  
When the cursor is on the first camera, continue to move upward to switch to the group quick switch list.

Group List			↓ CAM
Group1	Group name	CAM #1,2,3	

### Method 2:

Use the alphanumeric Keyboard +  to switch groups.

### Tips:

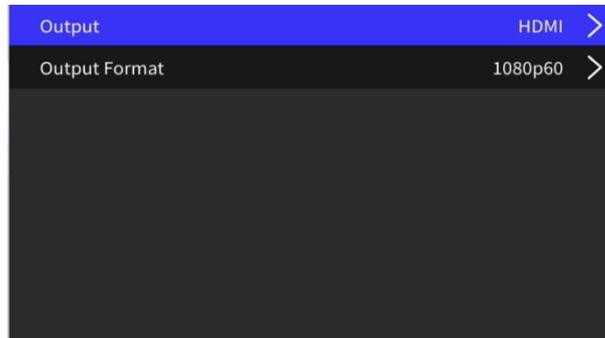
1. When the keyboard is in a single grid and you select to switch a group, the ZowieKBD will automatically switch to a four-grid display.
2. When the keyboard is in a four-square grid and you choose to switch cameras, the keyboard will automatically replace the camera in the current window.
3. When the camera currently displayed in the four-grid is changed, the changed information will be saved in the group information.
4. Please make sure that the camera/group number you entered exists, as ZowieKBD cannot switch to an unadded camera/group.

## 3.9 Single/Four-grid/HDMI output switch

Use  to switch ZowieKBD to single-grid display, and use  to switch ZowieKBD to four-grid display.

Use  to switch ZowieKBD to HDMI priority display, the button will light up when the device is HDMI priority.

Or click  ->System Settings->Output Settings to switch output options and HDMI output resolution.



When the device is in the four-grid mode, press and hold the top button on the joystick and move the joystick to switch the current control window.

Or press and hold the P/T SPEDD knob and rotate it to switch the current control window.

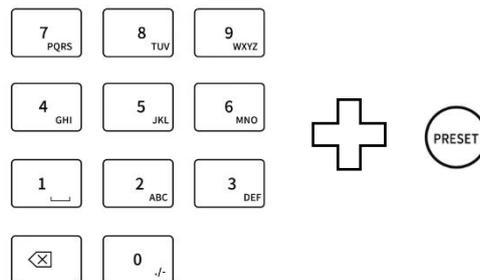
Or use the 1~4 alphanumeric keypad +  to switch the current control window.

## 3.10 Setting/Calling presets

### Set presets

After moving the camera to the desired position, use the alphanumeric

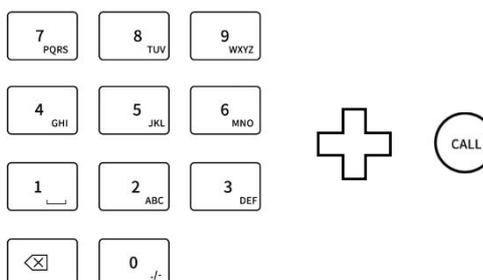
keyboard+  to set the presets.



### Call presets

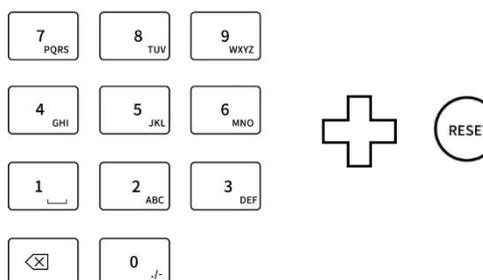
Use alphanumeric

keyboard+  to call presets.



### Reset presets

Use alphanumeric



keyboard+  to delete presets.

**Tips:**

1. The preset position can support up to 0-255. If the number exceeds this, the input/call will fail.
2. The NDI protocol does not support deleting presets.

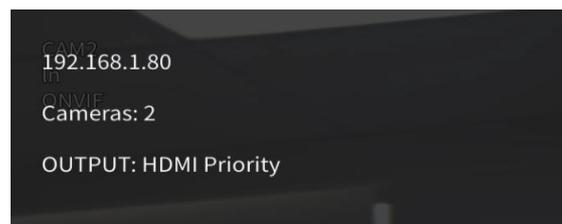
## 4. Keyboard Advanced Configuration

### 4.1 NDI Active

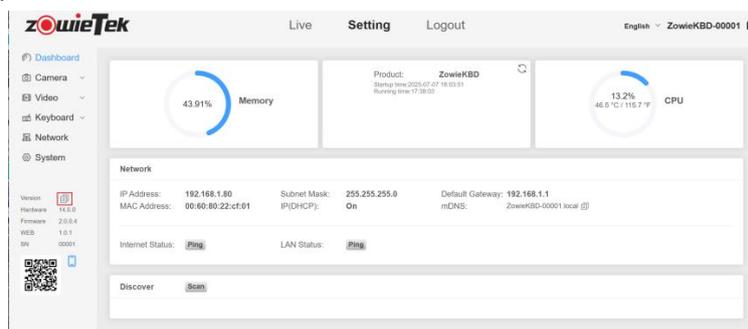
Click  -> Protocol Settings-> NDI to check whether NDI needs to be activated. The following shows that NDI is not activated.



1. Enter <https://zowietek.com/store> and purchase the NDI activation code.
2. Please connect ZowieKBD to the network and click the ZOOM SPEED button in the window preview interface to view the current IP of ZowieKBD.

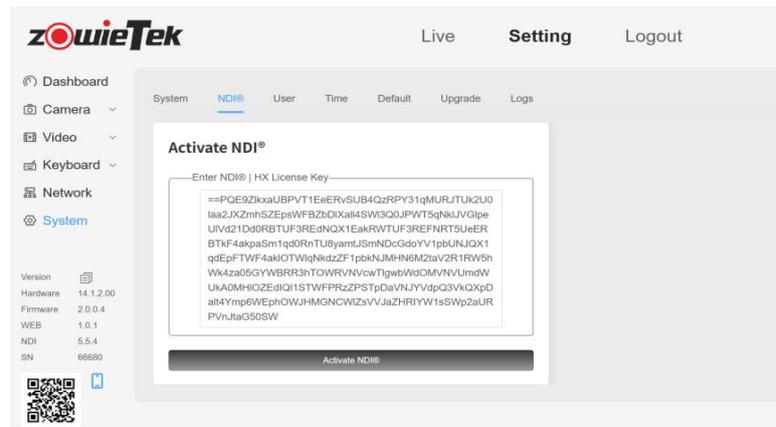


Log in to ZowieKBD web interface, click the copy button, and copy the keyboard's SN, Hardware, Chip ID and other information.



Please send the purchase information and device information to the email address displayed after the purchase is successful.

After obtaining the activation code, log in to the ZowieKBD website, click Setting->System->NDI, click the Activate NDI button and restart ZowieKBD.

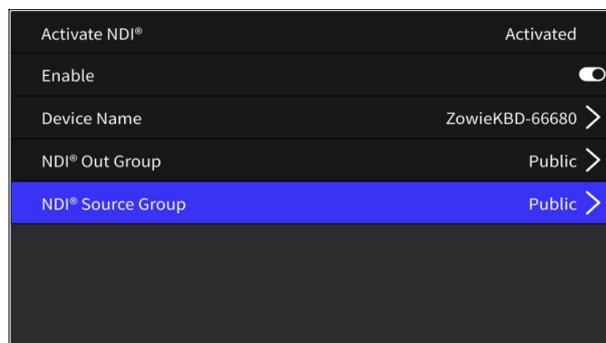


## 4.2 NDI Source/Out Settings

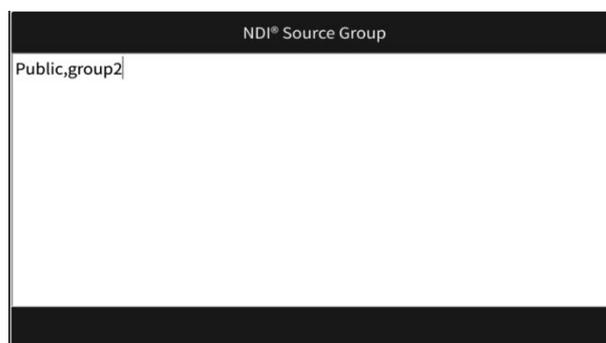
ZowieKBD can receive NDI signal sources of NDI HX1/HX2/HX3, and convert the received NDI/RTSP stream into NDI signal and send it out.

### NDI Source Settings

Click ->Protocol Settings->NDI to view the received NDI group information. The default group is Public.



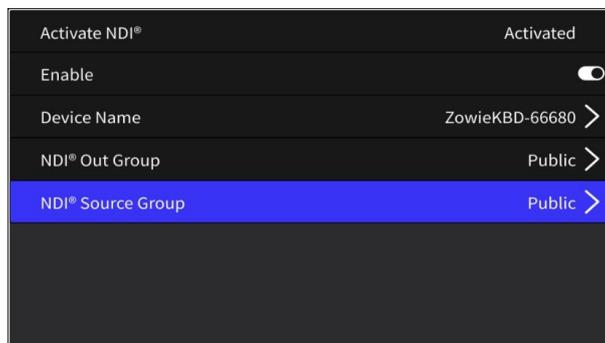
If you need to add or modify group information, click the top button of the joystick or the P/T SPEED knob to enter the modification. Use "," to separate different groups.



### NDI Out Settings

Click ->Protocol Settings->NDI to change parameters.

After modifying all NDI output related settings, please restart the keyboard.



Turn on the NDI Enable button for NDI output, and the NDI name of the keyboard will be determined by the Device Name.

If you need to add or modify the information of the output group, click the button on the top of the joystick or the P/T SPEED knob to enter the modification, and use "," to separate different groups.

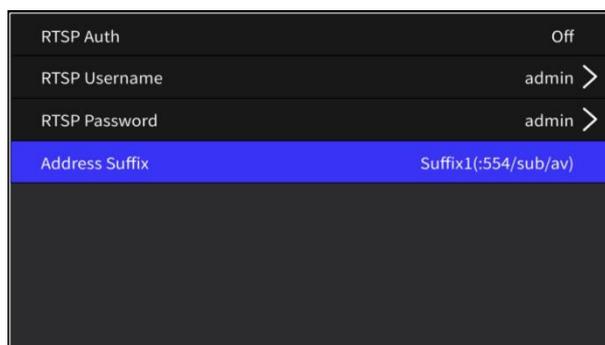


**Tips:**

ZowieKBD does not support Full NDI and NDI HB video preview.

## 4.3 RTSP Endpoint Preset/Authentication

For Sony VISCA, VISCA over IP, VISCA, Pelco -D/P, if you need to preview the video, you need to manually enter the RTSP URL and authentication information. Users can preset the *RTSP suffix and authentication information for easy addition*.



Click -> Protocol Settings->RTSP to set whether to enable RTSP authentication for the cameras added later, as well as the username and password.

Click Address Suffix to select the suffix of the RTSP URL. Use the left and right buttons of the joystick or the P/T SPEED knob to switch the preset RTSP suffix. If the preset URL does not meet the requirements, switch to the Custom option for custom input.

RTSP Auth	Off
RTSP Username	admin >
RTSP Password	admin >
Address Suffix	Custom
	:554/new/stream

After the settings are completed, the next camera added will use the RTSP suffix.

192.168.1.45(ZowieBox-23455-Sony VISCA)	
Name	Camera >
Cam	Auto ▾
Stream Addr	58.1.45:554/new/stream >
RTSP Auth	Off >
RTSP Username	admin >
RTSP Password	admin >
Add	

## 4.4 Button Light/Color

The ZowieKBD' s light brightness, light color, and LCD style can be customized.

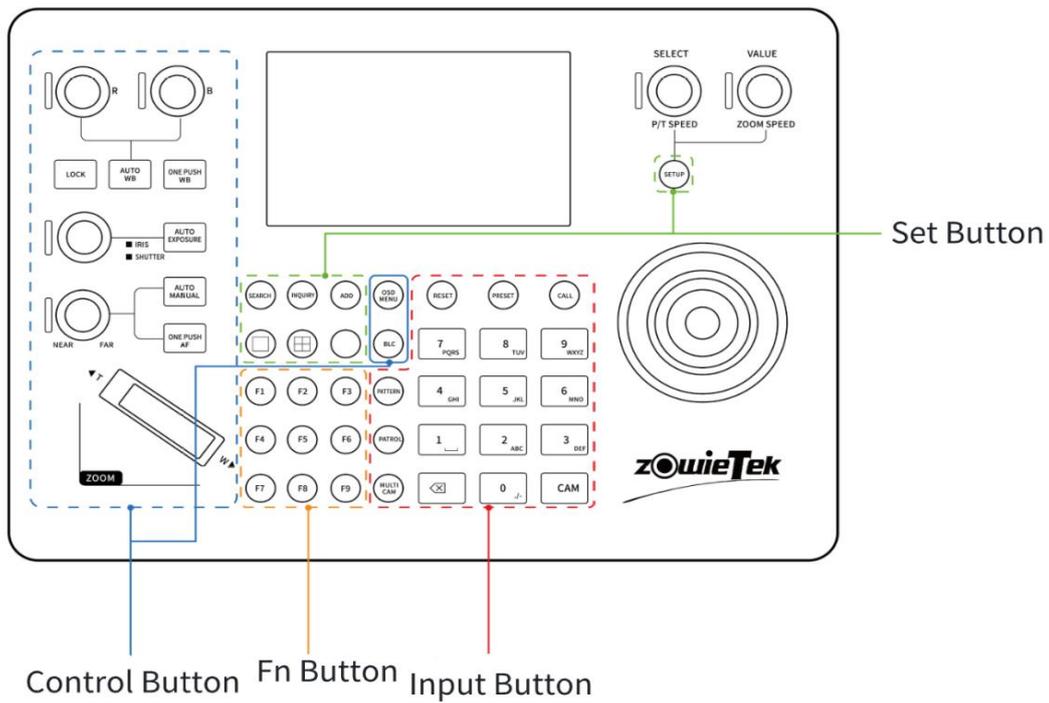
Click ->System Settings->Display Settings to make settings.

Display Settings	
UI Theme	Default
Brightness	100%
Key Style	Custom
Control key	Pink
Set key	White
Input key	Blue
Fn key	Blue

The UI Theme can be changed to Dark Mode to reduce the brightness for use in dark environments.

Modify the Brightness percentage to reduce the brightness of the ZowieKBD buttons.

Modify Key Style to customize your favorite light color. White, cyan, green, red, blue, pink, yellow or turn off the light is available.



You can also change key style to modify the light color.

Style	Control Key	Set Key	Input Key	Fn Key
Custom	Pink	White	Blue	Blue
Brightness	White	White	White	White
Mystical	Pink	Blue	White	White
Nature	Yellow	Cyan	Green	Green
Conspicuous	Red	White	Pink	Pink

## 4.5 Button Sounds

ZowieKBD will give the user feedback through sound when button is pressed or the cursor is moved to the border.

Click  ->System Settings->Display Settings to set the tone of ZowieKBD.

Sound Settings	
Key Tone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Common Tone	1
Knob Press Tone	1
Joystick Tone	2
Knob Rotation Tone	1
Prompt Tone	10

Common Tone: Button press sound.

Knob Press Tone: The sound of the knob being pressed.

Joystick Tone: The sound of pressing the top button of the joystick.

Knob Rotation Tone: The sound of knob rotation.

Prompt Tone: Prompt sound when the cursor reaches the border.

## 4.6 Function Key Assignment



ZowieKBD supports 9 custom function buttons for quick function switching.



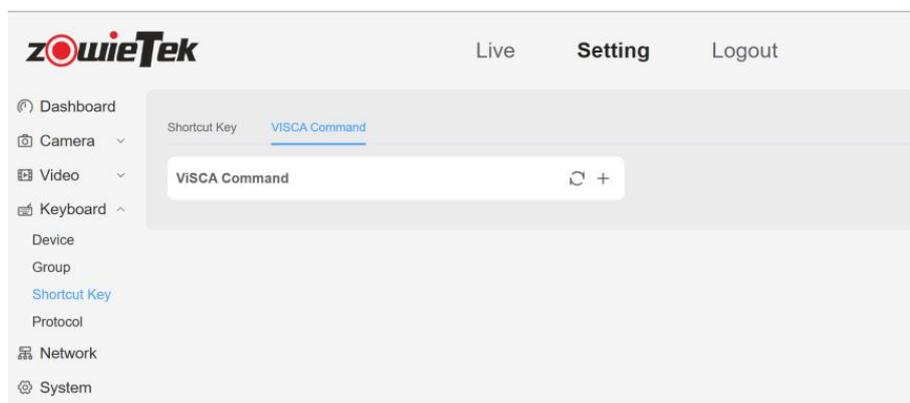
F1-F9 will switch to Cam1-Cam9 by default.



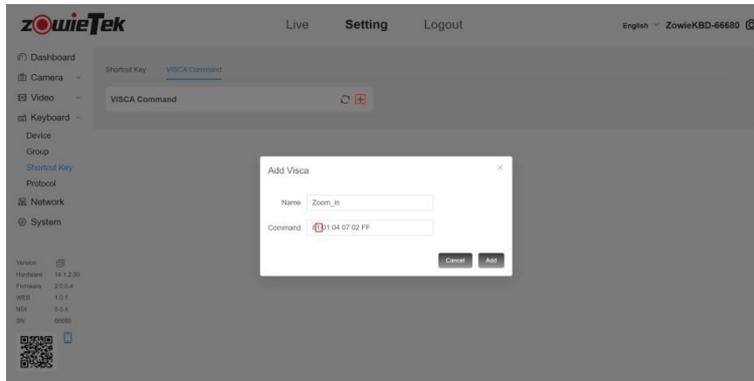
If you need to modify the function of FN button, please click  -> Shortcut Key Setting.

F1	None	>
F2	None	CAM2 >
F3	VISCA Function	Power On
F4	VISCA Directive	Home
F5	CAM	Flip-V
F6	Flip-H	
F7	CAM7	>
F8	CAM8	>

1. Select CAM to quickly switch to the specified camera
2. Select VISCA Function to call basic VISCA functions (power off, power on, return to home position, horizontal flip, vertical flip)
3. If you need to use other VISCA functions, please log in to the ZowieKBD' s web, click Setting->Keyboard->Shortcut Key->VISCA Command to manually add VISCA commands.



- Click "+" and enter a custom name and command.  
The second digit of the VISCA command is the VISCA address of the camera, VISCA command cannot be called correctly if it is wrong.



After adding command, select the added command as a shortcut function in VISCA Directive.

F1	None	>
F2	None	CAM2 >
F3	VISCA Function	CAM3 >
F4	VISCA Directive	Zoom_In >
F5	CAM	CAM5 >
F6		CAM6 >
F7		CAM7 >
F8		CAM8 >

**Tips:**

The VISCA Function and VISCA Directive functions are only effective for Sony VISCA, serial VISCA, and VISCA Over IP cameras.

## 4.7 Factory Reset Options

Click  -> System Settings and choose to restart ZowieKBD or restore it to factory settings.

If you restore the device to factory settings, all group and camera information will be lost.

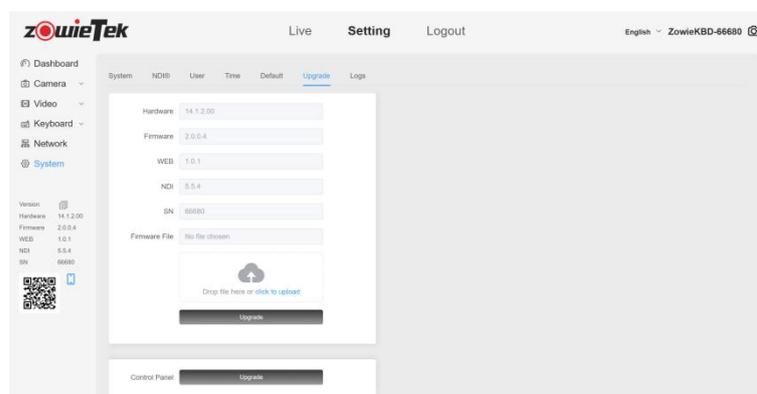
	About the equipment	>
	Display Settings	>
	Sound Settings	>
	Output Settings	>
	Language	English
	Restart	
	Restore	
	Upgrade	

## 4.8 Upgrade

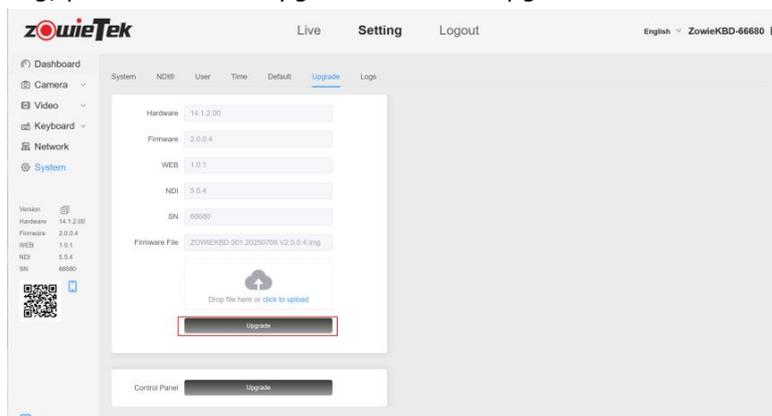
ZowieKBD supports upgrading via web page, SD card or USB flash drive.

### Method 1: Upgrade using the web page

1. Please go to the official website to download the latest keyboard firmware <https://zowietek.com/documents/>
2. Please click the ZOOM SPEED knob in the single-grid/four-grid interface  to check the IP address of ZowieKBD.
3. Enter the IP address into the browser and log in (the default username and password are both admin), then click Setting->System->Upgrade



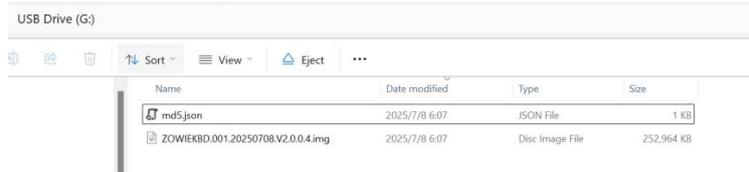
4. Click Upload File, select the previously downloaded firmware and upload it directly. Do not unzip the firmware. The firmware name starts with ZOWIEKBD.001.
5. After uploading, please click the Upgrade button to upgrade.



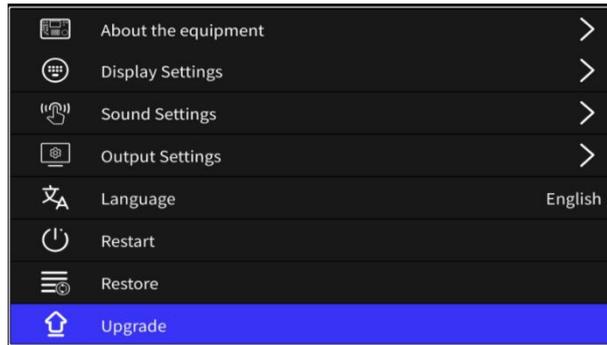
### Method 2: Use USB/TF card to upgrade

ZowieKBD can be upgraded using a USB flash drive or TF card in Fat32/ exFAT format. It is recommended to use a high-speed USB flash drive/TF card to ensure file read and write speeds.

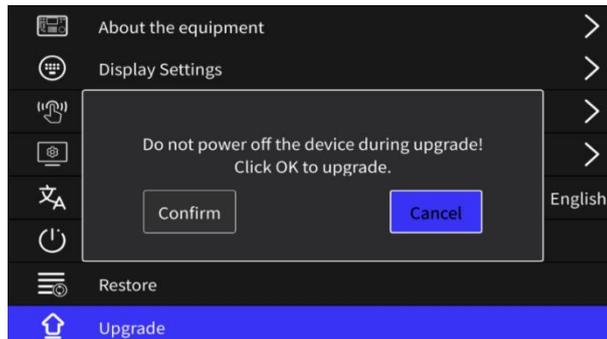
1. Please download the latest ZowieKBD firmware from the official website <https://zowietek.com/documents/>
2. Please unzip the downloaded firmware and copy the unzipped files to the root directory of the USB drive/TF card. If it is not the root directory, ZowieKBD will not be able to detect the upgrade file.



- 1 . Eject the USB drive or TF card and insert it into ZowieKBD, then click  ->System Settings->Upgrade to upgrade.



- 2 . After clicking Confirm, the device will automatically upgrade. During the upgrade process, please do not disconnect the power supply of ZowieKBD or unplug the USB drive, otherwise the upgrade may fail and the device may not be able to start.



## 4.9 Tally - GPI I/O

Tally only supports communication with cameras controlled by Sony VISCA, VISCA serial, and VISCA over IP (UDP/TCP) protocols.

The Tally pins are defined as follows:

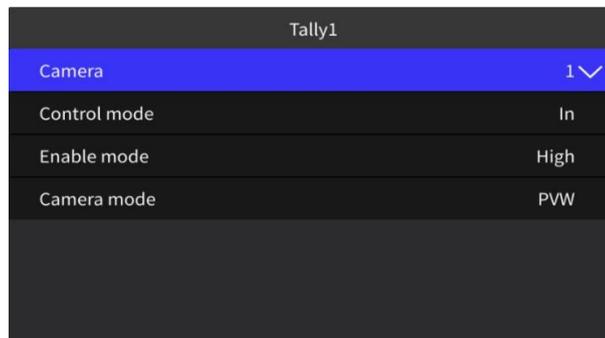
Pin	Function
	
1	Tally 1
2	Tally 2
3	Tally 3

4	Tally 4
5	Tally 5
6	Tally 6
7	Tally 7
8	GND
9	GND

Click ->Tally Settings to set the input/output of the tally light.

### Tally light input mode:

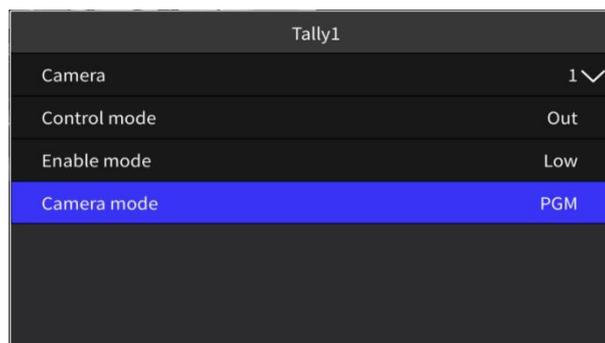
1. Select the camera number you want to control.
2. Change the control mode to input mode.
3. Choose to receive high level or low level signal from tally interface.
4. Select to send Preview (PVW green) or Program (PGM red) mode to the camera when receiving a high/low level signal.



As shown in the figure: When the Tally light pin 1 receives a high level signal and Camera 1 is the currently controlled camera, a signal will be sent to Camera 1 to change the Tally light of Camera 1 to PVW (green) mode, otherwise the Tally light of Camera 1 will remain off.

### Tally light output mode:

1. Select the camera number that needs to receive the Tally signal.
2. Change the control mode to output mode.
3. Select to output high level or low level signal.
4. Select to send high/low level signal to the tally interface after receiving Preview (PVW green) or Program (PGM red) from the camera.



As shown in the figure: when Camera1 is the currently controlled camera and the camera's Tally light changes to PGM (red), a low level signal will be output from pin 1 of the Tally interface.

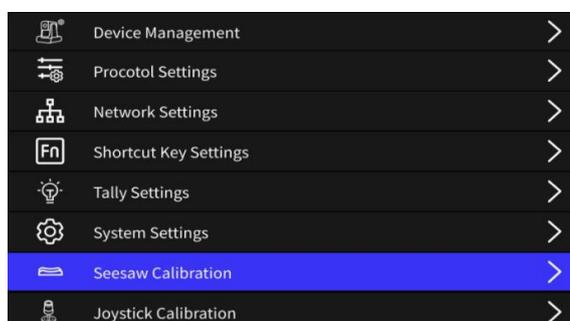
**Tips:**

1. In input mode, if the controlled camera is not VISCA protocol, the window will display the corresponding Tally color, but it cannot be sent to the camera.
2. In input mode, the Tally interface defaults to low level

## 4.10 Seesaw/Joystick Calibration

If the joystick or seesaw key does not respond, responds sporadically, or responds incorrectly, it is recommended to recalibrate the joystick and seesaw key.

Click  to select the seesaw or joystick calibration.



After starting the calibration, please follow the steps on the screen to calibrate step by step. If the calibration fails, you cannot proceed to the next step. If you need to exit, please

click  to exit calibration.



## 4.11 ZowieKBD Info

Click  ->System Settings->About the equipment to view the hardware version, firmware version, software version, serial number and other information of ZowieKBD.

Device Name	ZowieKBD-66680
Hardware version	14.1.2.00
Software version	2.0.0.4
Serial Number	66680
Model	ZowieKBD
NDI	5.5.4

## 4.12 Network Setting

ZowieKBD is in DHCP mode by default. When ZowieKBD is connected to a network with DHCP, it can automatically obtain an IP.

If you need to manually modify the IP address of ZowieKBD, please click  -> Network Settings.

IP(DHCP)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
IP Address	192.168.1.80	>
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0	>
Default Gateway	192.168.1.1	>
MAC Address	00:60:80:22:cf:01	
Preferred DNS	114.114.114.114	>
Alternate DNS		>
Save		

After disabling the DHCP function, manually enter the IP address, subnet mask, default gateway, and DNS.

The input IP address format must meet IPv4 constraints, otherwise, it cannot be saved.

IP Address

192.168.1.266

Please enter the correct IP address format

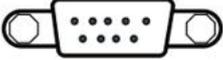
Confirm

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After the modification is completed, please click Save and ZowieKBD will restart automatically.

## 5.RS232 Connection

### Pin Definition:

		
1	DCD	Carrier Detect
2	RXD	Receive Data
3	TXD	Transmit Data
4	DTR	Data Terminal Ready
5	GND	System Ground
6	DSR	Data Set Ready
7	RTS	Request to Send
8	CTS	Clear to Send
9	RI	Ring Indicator

### Connection method:

Please connect the second pin (RXD) of ZowieKBD to the TXD input of the camera, the third pin (TXD) of ZowieKBD to the RXD input of the camera, and the fifth pin GND to the GND of the camera.

Or please use the RS232 cable that comes with ZowieKBD to connect directly to the RS232 input port of the camera.

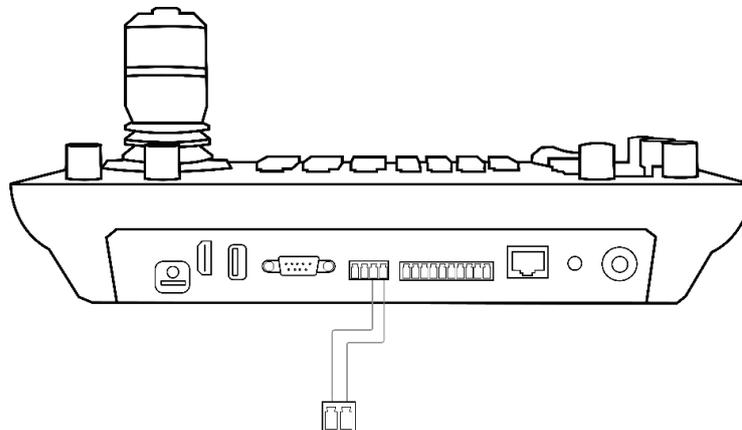
### Keyboard Configuration:

Please go directly to the page 21 to see how to add a serial protocol camera.

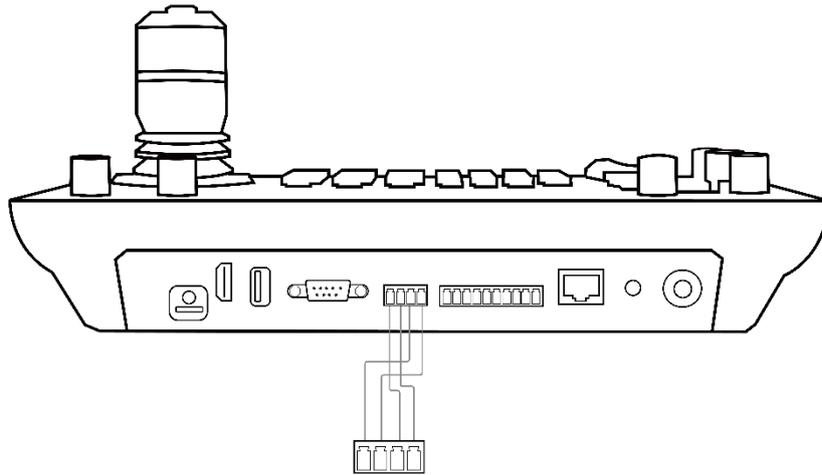
## 6.RS485/422 Connection

### Connection method 1:

Please connect ZowieKBD' s TX+ to the camera's RS485+, and connect ZowieKBD' s TX- to the camera's RS485-



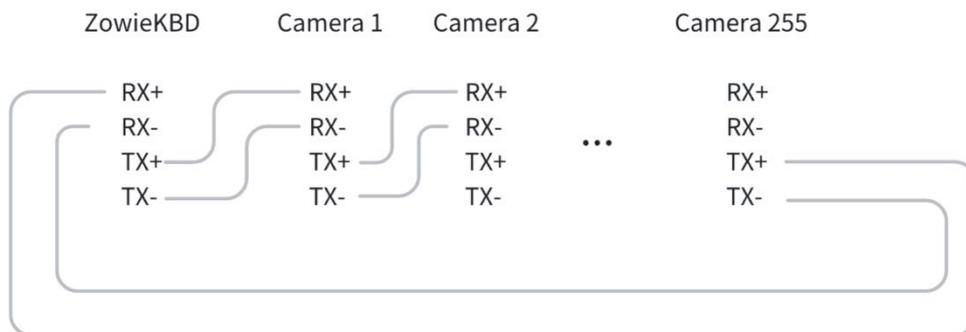
### Connection method 2:

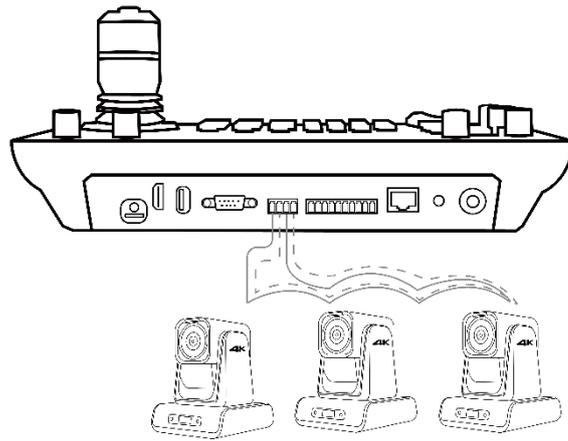


Please connect ZowieKB's TX+ to the camera's RX+, connect ZowieKB's TX- to the camera's RX-, connect ZowieKB's RX+ to the camera's TX+, connect ZowieKB's RX- to the camera's TX-

### Cascade connection:

Please connect ZowieKB's TX+ to the camera's RX+, and connect ZowieKB's TX- to the camera's RX-; connect the previous camera's TX+ to the next camera's RX+, and connect the previous camera's TX- to the next camera's RX-; connect the last camera's TX+ to ZowieKB's RX+, and connect the last camera's TX- to ZowieKB's RX-





### **Keyboard Configuration:**

Please go directly to page 21 to see how to add a serial protocol camera.