# **QSP-841Z**

## Owner's Manual

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## **Operating Instructions**

Instructions for basic operation and installation

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For Serial numbers 143500 and greater for EIA For Serial numbers 153500 and greater for CCIR



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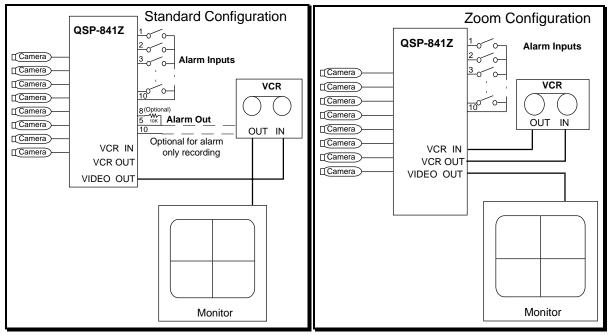
#### INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing our QuadraSplit™ 841Z (QSP-841Z). This instruction manual will cover installation and describe in simple step-by-step detail the features of this product.

#### **FEATURE SUMMARY**

- Black and white dual page quad in quarter frame rate
- Individual full screen call up (real time)
- Variable dwell setting
- VCR interface with zoom on playback
- Roll free full frame camera sequencing
- 8 Bit (256 gray scale) video
- No special camera sync required
- Auto leveling on all inputs (AGC)
- Alarming
- Loop through
- EIA and CCIR supported (EIA and EIA/CCIR versions)

#### INSTALLATION



**Equipment Interconnection** 

#### **EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

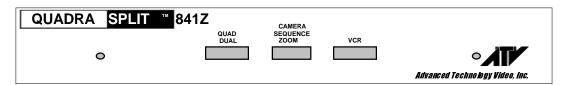
The QSP-841Z is designed to be compatible with all EIA and CCIR compatible equipment. Two versions of the product are available to make best use of these two standards. The EIA version (indicated by serial numbers 14....) will only be compatible with EIA installations. The CCIR version (indicated by serial numbers 15....) will be compatible with both EIA and CCIR installations. For installations requiring a mixture of CCIR and EIA cameras, it is recommended that the CCIR version QSP-841Z be used, with a CCIR camera on input #1. The remaining camera inputs can take either EIA or CCIR cameras.

The QSP-841Z will accept 2:1 interlace cameras in either a "line-locked" or "free running" (internal reference) modes. ATV does not recommend "Random Interlace" cameras.



To use the VCR playback "zoom" feature, refer to the "Zoom Configuration" diagram above. This configuration provides access to the VCR playback "zoom" feature. The VCR playback "zoom" feature enlarges a single quadrant of the display during playback to full screen. This allows the viewing of a single camera from a quad display recording. Because the VCR playback "zoom" is an enlargement of a smaller picture, the resulting full screen display will be of lower resolution. It is reasonable to expect some loss of detail and picture jitter in VCR playback "zoom" mode, especially in slow motion and still frame playback (refer to Field/Frame Mode Selection on page 6).

#### **BASIC OPERATIONS**



#### QUAD/DUAL

Each press of this button switches the QSP-841Z to the next quad mode of operation. At power-up the QSP-841Z is in dual page quad mode. Successive presses of this button will cause the QSP-841Z to switch to page 1 (Cameras 1 through 4), then to page 2 (Cameras 5 through 8) and then back to dual page quad mode. If the QSP-841Z previously happens to be in a full frame camera or sequencing mode, pressing this button will return the unit to the dual page quad mode.

#### CAMERA/SEQUENCE/ZOOM

Any short press of this button (less than two seconds) will switch the QSP-841Z to the next full frame camera. If the unit is already in the quad mode, the first press will switch the unit to camera #1. If this button is pressed for longer than two seconds, the QSP-841Z will switch to full frame sequencing. If the QSP-841Z is taking its video input from the VCR, this button is used to switch between a full frame view of the VCR output and "ZOOM" view of each of the four VCR quadrants.

#### **VCR**

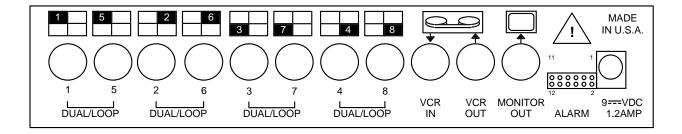
When installed in the Standard Configuration, the VCR button is disabled. When in the Zoom Configuration, pressing this button will switch the video source input back and forth from the cameras to the VCR which will be indicated by the rightmost indicator (an amber LED). If the indicator is on, the video input is from the VCR.

#### **BACK PANEL CONNECTIONS**

There are eleven BNC connectors on the back of the QSP-841Z. Eight of these are for the camera inputs, one for a VCR input, one for a VCR output, and one for an output which can be connected to a monitor and/or VCR input. Cameras 1 through 4 are displayed on the first page of the output quad format, and Cameras 5 through 8 are display on the second page.

Looping is normally disabled as a factory default configuration. If enabled (see section on input options), each pair of BNC connectors shown below can only support one camera input where loop through is used. For example, if only camera 1 - 5 looping is enabled, then the QSP-841Z can accept input from cameras 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8. Since camera 5 is then an output (to send camera 1 signal to another piece of equipment), page 1 of the quad format will contain cameras 1 - 4 and page 2 of the quad format will contain cameras 1, 6, 7 & 8. Any camera being "looped" through will be repeated in quad pages 1 and 2.

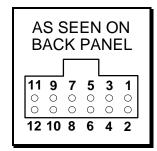
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The power connector is for a 9 Volt DC power adapter rated at 1.2 Amps. It is **NOT** recommend that any adapter other than the one shipped with the QSP-841Z be used.

The alarm connector has the following "Pin-out":

- 1. Alarm input #1
- 2. Alarm input #2
- 3. Alarm input #3
- 4. Alarm input #4
- 5. Alarm output
- 6. Alarm input #5
- 7. Alarm input #6
- 8. +5V through 100 ohm resistor
- 9. Alarm input #7
- 10. Ground through 100 ohm resistor
- 11. Freeze input
- 12. Alarm input #8

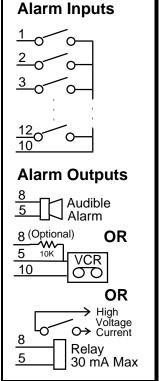


The factory default alarm contact option is "normally open" (see following section on alarm contact options). A contact closure on any alarm input (which "grounds" that input by connecting it to the alarm connector ground pin) puts the QSP-841Z in an "alarm" state. In this state, the unit will switch to a full screen view of the camera associated with that alarm input. If more than one alarm input is activated, then the QSP-841Z will sequence between each "alarmed" camera at the normal dwell rate. The alarm output will be activated when there is an alarm input. An alarm condition exists until the alarm input is deactivated.

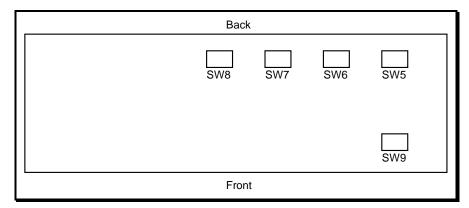
The alarm output is limited to 30 mA of current and an external relay should be used to drive any high powered or high voltage device. An external resistor pull-up is required for some systems when the alarm out is deactivated. The pull up resistor (10K ohm typically) may be connected to the +5 Volt pin or some other higher voltage not to exceed +25 Volts (sometimes used in +12 Volt systems). The "off" or "open circuit" voltage on the alarm output should not exceed +25 Volts to avoid damaging the alarm output.

The +5 Volt and ground pins are connected through an internal 100 ohm resistor for short circuit protection. This limits the current to about 50 mA if the +5 Volt supply is shorted to ground. If the +5 Volt supply is used with the alarm output to drive an external load (as shown above) the internal resistor and the load should produce less than 30 mA current to prevent damaging the alarm output.

The "Freeze" input pin will halt all picture input processing which will effectively "freeze" the present image on the quad output. Activating this pin is similar to an alarm input which merely requires "grounding" to be active.



#### **OPTIONS**



The QSP-841Z input option DIP switches are located in the rear of the unit and the sequence dwell setting DIP switch is located toward the front right hand corner. These are accessed by removing the top cover.

#### **INPUT OPTIONS**

The first three DIP switch positions of switches SW5 through SW8 affect the camera input conditions. The last switch position on switches SW5 and SW7 are not used. The last position on SW6 is an alarm contact option (described in a following section). The last position of SW8 controls the input termination for the VCR input.

# DIP Switches SW5: Cameras 1 and 5 SW6: Cameras 2 and 6 SW7: Cameras 3 and 7 SW8: Cameras 4 and 8 Page 1 to Page 2 Loop Through Page 2 input ON=75, OFF=High Z Page 1 input ON=75, OFF=High Z SW8 only: VCR input ON=75, OFF=High Z SW6 only: Alarm Contacts ON=Normally Open OFF=Normally Closed

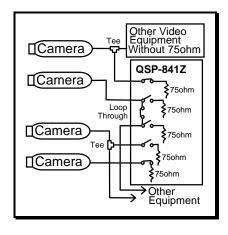
#### **LOOP THROUGH**

The Page 1 to Page 2 loop through (DIP switch position #1), connects together the input BNC connectors of the affected cameras (see above

diagram) when switched to the "ON" position. The factory default for this switch is "OFF". In this "OFF" position, the affected cameras are independent and each has its own input termination resistor (see next section). If switched to the "ON" position at least ONE of the input termination resistors (DIP switch position 2 or 3) should be disabled. If the VCR, Monitor or whatever is on the other end of the loop has a 75 ohm load, BOTH termination resistors in the QSP-841Z should be switched to the "OFF" position.

#### INPUT TERMINATION

DIP switch positions 2 and 3 affect the camera input termination resistor for the page 2 camera and page 1 cameras respectively. Additionally DIP switch position 4 of SW8 serves the same purpose on the VCR input. For proper operation a termination resistor of 75 ohms should be on the last piece of video equipment which is connected to a given camera. For a simple system where cameras are brought directly into the QSP-841Z the termination resistors are always enabled (factory default). When connecting a camera to more than one piece of equipment, or if "loop through" is used, termination resistors should be removed such that only one is loading each camera.





#### **ALARM CONTACTS**

Position 4 on DIP switch SW6 only affects whether the alarm inputs are active when the contacts are closed (switch position is ON) or open (switch position is OFF). In either case, the assumption is that the alarm contacts connect together the ground pin and the alarm input pin associated with a particular camera. For "normally open" type contacts, position 4 on SW6 should be ON. For "normally closed" type contacts, position 4 on SW6 should be OFF. The QSP-841Z assumes that all of the alarm inputs are of the same type. Selecting an incompatible combination of contact type and option setting will result in the QSP-841Z being in a continuous "alarm" condition which is indicated by the unit to seemingly be stuck in full frame sequencing mode, and generating a continuous alarm output state. Note that if less than eight alarms are used and position 4 on SW6 is OFF, the unused alarm inputs must be connected to ground (pin 10).

#### **DWELL OPTIONS**

The QSP-841Z dwell time is set by SW9 and affects the amount of time between camera changes. The dwell setting is set to a factory default of 4 seconds but is adjustable in 4 sec steps from 4 to 16 seconds.

The dwell time affects:

- 1. The dual quad paging dwell time.
- 2. Full frame sequencing dwell time.
- Alarm full frame sequencing dwell time (When more than one simultaneous alarm input).

#### Field/Frame Mode Selection

Switch positions #1 and #2 on SW9 control how video field information is handled. We have preset them to defaults that should work with most systems, but there is a very large variation in the behavior of VCRs and you may have to experiment with the settings that work best for your installation.

Some VCRs (in certain modes) and cameras will fail to generate correct field information that can be decoded by the QSP-841Z. A camera or VCR of this type may cause

SW9: Dwell Time Setting Field/Frame Mode Selection ON 2 (Factory Default Shown) Field/Frame **Dwell Time** OFF OFF 4 Seconds 8 Seconds OFF ON 12 Seconds ON OFF 16 Seconds ON ON Field Mode Toggle OFF OFF ON OFF Field Mode Single OFF Frame Mode Force Odd ON Frame Mode Force Even ON ON

the Quad picture to jump up and down by one line or generate intermittent picture refreshing. In VCR recording and playback, the field decoding problem can cause line reversals and "motion artifacts" when playing back a recording of a 525 line frame (625 for CCIR).

Most time-lapse VCRs on the market are "field recorders" and if frame recording is desired (for better line resolution), the recommendation is to use "real-time" 24 hour recorders where the tape is always in motion. Motion artifacts can be eliminated by the use of shuttered cameras with a shutter speed set to 30 frames per second (25 frames per second for CCIR). Non-real-time VCRs should use field mode recording which is the factory default setting.

#### Field Mode (SW9:Position #2 = OFF)

This switch option sets the unit to display on its output only one field of video which is repeated twice per frame. This same field is used during playback for both full screen and quadrant zoom. In a few cases when the VCR is in playback but "paused", the picture will jump (vibrate) by one line. Setting SW9:Position #1 to ON usually compensates for this. For most other cases SW9:Position #1 should be OFF.



#### FRAME MODE (SW9:Position #2 = ON)

In frame mode each independent field which makes up a frame will get displayed for monitoring or recording. In a system **without** a VCR, **frame** is the recommended mode of operation since it has twice the line resolution as field mode. When used **with** a VCR, **field** mode is recommended. During VCR playback, most VCR's will generate intermittent field information in non-linear time lapse mode. Some VCRs tend to play back more odd fields than even and other VCRs tend to playback more even fields than odd. SW9 position 1 should be set to whatever position works best for that particular VCR.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **PHYSICAL**

Dimensions: H: 1-7/8" x W: 8-1/2" x D: 5-7/8"

H: 48 mm x W: 216 mm x D: 150 mm

Weight: 3.125 lbs./1.42 Kg. (Main Unit)

1.25 lbs./0.80 Kg. (Power Supply)

Operating Temp:  $32^{\circ} - 104^{\circ}F (0^{\circ} - 40^{\circ}C)$ 

**VIDEO** 

Signal Format: EIA/CCIR Compatible Monochrome

EIA: 525 Lines, 60 Fields / Sec. CCIR: 625 Lines, 50 Fields / Sec. 0.6 to 1.2V p-p, 75 Ohm Termination

Camera Inputs: 0.6 to 1.2V p-p, 75 Ohm Ter Camera Sync: No Special Sync Required

Monitor Output: 1.0V p-p into 75 Ohm Termination
VCR Output: 1.0V p-p into 75 Ohm Termination
Digital Memory: 512 x 512 (256 Gray Scale Level) EIA

1024 x 512 (256 Gray Scale Level) CCIR

**ELECTRICAL** 

Power: 9V DC @1.2 Amp Power Supply Included

Safety: UL Listed and CSA Certified (CCIR Units are VDE Approved)

EMI: FCC Part 15, Class A

CONNECTORS

Video In/Loop Through: BNC, 1 per Camera, 75 Ohm or HI-Z Selectable Termination

Monitor Output: BNC VCR Output and Input: BNC

Alarm Connector: Dual Row 6 Pin Crimp Connector (0.10" centers, 12 pins total)

**CONTROLS** 

Quad/Dual: Return to quad display or switch quad page

Camera/Sequence/

Zoom: Select display camera, initiate camera sequencing, and when in VCR

mode select zoom function and quadrant

VCR: Select VCR playback or normal Quad display mode



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