## **Specifications & User Manual**

FilmGrade™ DMX512 LED Dimmer / Decoder

FilmGrade™ DMX512 LED Dimmer / Decoder is a professional DMX512 dimmer and decoder that boasts the best dimming performance in the industry. The devices takes a low-voltage DC power source input (12-24V DC) and produces 5 separate channels of high-frequency flicker-free PWM output to control LED brightness levels. The output signal is controlled via DMX512 with a wide range of interface compatibility, or using the built-in control interface.

The unit has an unprecedented level of PWM control and capability:

- PWM Frequency is adjustable and can be set anywhere between 500 Hz (industry standard) through 30 kHz. High PWM frequency ensures that light output for use in all video and photography applications results in completely flicker-free images.
- PWM Resolution can be set at either 8-bit (industry standard) or 16-bit. 16-bit PWM
  provides more than 250x the dimming level precision vs 8-bit PWM. Increased PWM
  resolution results in smaller dimming steps, which provides smoother dimming and
  eliminates "jumps" between brightness levels, particularly when near 0% brightness.
- PWM Gamma Value can be adjusted between 0.1 to 9.9, giving you full control over the dimming curve. Don't like how brightness ramps up too quickly in the beginning but "plateaus" past 60%? Simply increase the gamma value to achieve a flatter dimming curve.

This product is capable of providing up to 40 Amps of power (8 Amps per channel), and is the perfect complement to FilmGrade™ FiveSpect™ 5-in-1 LED strips.

## **FEATURES**

- 5 channels of fully adjustable PWM output
- 12-24V DC input / output, 40 Amps (input) / 8 Amps (output, per channel)
- Black anodized aluminum enclosure with dimensions of 6.46 x 2.87 x 1.50 in
- DMX-512 & RDM compatible
- DMX signal input via XLR 5-pin, RJ45, or wire leads; daisy chain capable
- Standalone controller mode capable
- PWM frequency adjustable between 500 Hz and 30 kHz
- PWM resolution settable to 8-bit or 16-bit
- PWM gamma value adjustable between 0.1 and 9.9
- · Conforms to UL safety standards
- For indoor use only







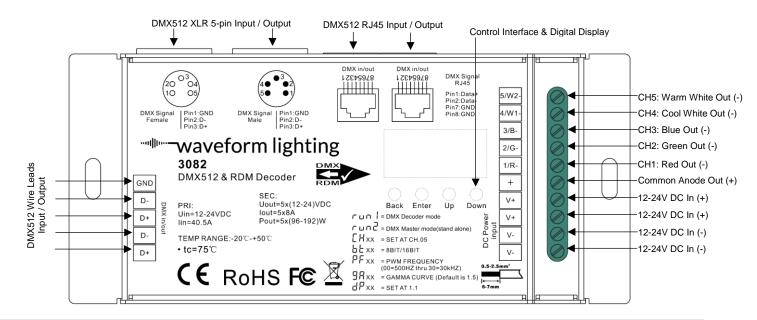
## **ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Input voltage:	12 - 24V DC		
Input connection:	Wire leads		
Max current:	40 Amps (input)		
	8 Amps (output, per channel)		
PWM Frequency:	500 Hz – 30 kHz adjustable		
PWM Resolution:	8-bit / 16-bit adjustable		
PWM Gamma Value:	0.1 – 9.9 adjustable		
PWM Frequency: PWM Resolution:	8 Amps (output, per channel) 500 Hz – 30 kHz adjustable 8-bit / 16-bit adjustable		

## **MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Length:	6.46 in (164 mm)
Width:	2.87 in (73 mm)
Height:	1.50 in (38 mm)
Weight:	7.76 oz (220 g)

## **PRODUCT INTERFACE**



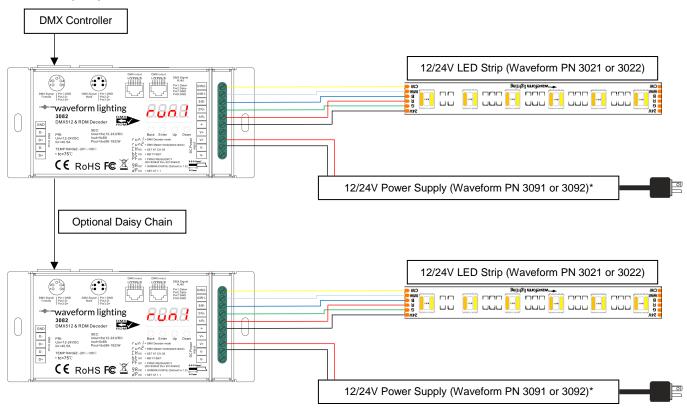
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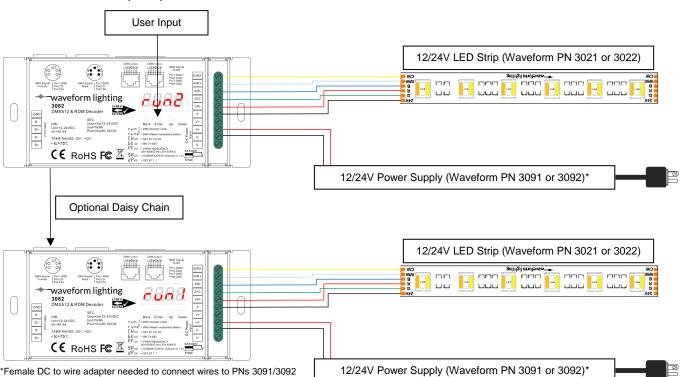
### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

This device is capable of working as both a DMX decoder (slave mode) or standalone controller (standalone master mode). As a DMX decoder, a separate DMX controller is needed to generate the DMX signals. As a standalone controller, the dimming signals are generated directly and no separate DMX controller is needed. Determine whether you intend to use the device as a pure DMX decoder only or as a standalone controller, and connect as shown in the wiring diagrams below. For both configurations, daisy-chaining is possible via the DMX output port. The downstream DMX devices will emulate the upstream devices.

### Decoder Mode (Slave)



#### Standalone Controller Mode (Master)



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## **User Settings Guide**

Settings such as DMX addresses and PWM parameters can be adjusted using the four buttons and digital display mounted on the front panel of the unit.

There are a total of 6 settings that can be adjusted. Use the [Up] and [Down] buttons to scroll through the settings. To change the setting, press [Enter], after which the digital display will begin to blink, indicating that the setting is now adjustable. Use the [Up] and [Down] buttons until your desired setting is found, then press [Back] to save the settings.

IMPORTANT: When switching between Decoder Mode ( 8088) and Standalone Controller Mode ( 8088), reboot the unit prior to continuing.

	Settings for Decoder Mode 8888					
	Default Value	Default Value Display	Setting	Possible Values	Value Description	
	A001		DMX Address	8888	DMX 001	
		8888		8.8.8	DMX 001 (Dot indicates signal detected)	
				<i>8.8.8.8</i> .	DMX 512	
	run1	8.8.8.8	Run Mode	8.8.8.8	Decoder Mode – uses DMX input signal	
(Up) →				<i>8.8.8.8</i> .	Standalone Controller Mode – uses user defined settings	
		88.8.8	Decoder Setting	8.8.8.8	Single channel per output	
	dP1.1			8.8.8.8	Coarse/fine (two channels) per output (Gamma must be < 1.4)	
S	ur I.I	0.0.0.0.		88.8.8	Single channel per output, channel 6 = master dimmer	
uttor				88.8.8	Single channel per output, channel 6 = master dimmer, channel 7 = strobe*	
Scroll Settings Using Up/Down Buttons		0000		8888	Gamma = 0.1, most sensitive at low brightness	
OO	GA1.5	8888	Gamma			
/dn		•.•.•.		98.8.8	Gamma = 9.9, most sensitive at high brightness	
sing			PWM Frequency	<i>8.8.8.8</i> .	500 Hz	
us Us		8.8.8.8			<i>8.8.8.</i> 8	1 kHz
etting				8.8.8.8	2 kHz	
S III	PF01			88.88	3 kHz	
Scr				88.88	4 kHz	
				8888	 30 kHz	
Ĺ	bt16 <b>8</b>	8888	PWM Resolution	88.88	8-bit PWM resolution	
[Down]		U.U.U.U.		<i>8.8.8.8</i> .	16-bit PWM resolution	
<b>→</b>	СН05	8888	Output channels	<i>8.8.8.</i>	1 DMX Address, all 001	
				8.8.8.8	2 DMX Addresses, Output 1/3 = 001, Output 2/4/5 = 002	
				<i>8.8.8.</i> 8.	3 DMX Addresses, Output 1/2 = 001/002, Output 3/4/5 = 003	
				8.8.8.8	4 DMX Addresses, Output 1/2/3 = 001/002/003, Output 4/5 = 004	
				8.8.8	5 DMX Addresses, Output 1/2/3/4/5 = 001/002/003/004/005	
	← [Back] Press [Enter] to select a setting, and [Back] to confirm change and return [Enter] →					

## The follow RDM PIDs are supported:

The follow RDM PIDs are DISC\_UNIQUE\_BRANCH DISC\_MUTE DISC\_UN\_MUTE DEVICE\_INFO DMX\_START\_ADDRESS IDENTIFY\_DEVICE SOFTWARE\_VERSION\_LABEL DMX\_PERSONALITY DMX\_PERSONALITY\_DESCRIPTION SLOT\_INFO SLOT\_DESCRIPTION MANUFACTURER\_LABEL SUPPORTED\_PARAMETERS

### \*Strobe Channel Inputs

Strobe Input Value	Effect
{0, 7}	Undefined
{8, 65}	Slow to Fast Strobe
{66, 71}	Undefined
{72, 127}	Slow push, Fast close
{128, 133}	Undefined
{134, 189}	Slow close, Fast push
{190, 195}	Undefined
{196, 250}	Random Strobe
{251, 255}	Undefined

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			Settings for Stan	dalone Contro	bller Mode 8888
	Default Value	Default Value Display	Setting	Possible Values	Value Description
		0000	5 44 1	8.8.8.8	Decoder Mode – uses DMX input signal
	run2	<i>8.8.8.8.</i>	Run Mode	8.8.8.8.	Standalone Controller Mode – uses user defined settings
				8888	Brightness: 0%
		0000			
	5-00	88.88	Channel 5 Brightness	<i>8.8.8.8</i> .	Brightness: 99%
				8.8.8.8.	Brightness: 100%
				88.88	Brightness: 0%
		0000			
	4-00	8.8.8.8	Channel 4 Brightness	8888	Brightness: 99%
				8.8.8.8.	Brightness: 100%
				8888	Brightness: 0%
		0000		0.0.0.0.	
	3-00	8888	Channel 3 Brightness	8.8.8.8	Brightness: 99%
0				8.8.8.8.	Brightness: 100%
[Up]				2.8.8.8	Brightness: 0%
				<i>U.U.U.U.</i>	Digitaless. 076
	2-00	8888	Channel 2 Brightness	8888	Brightness: 99%
ttons				8.8.8.8.	Brightness: 100%
But				8.8.8.8	Brightness: 0%
owr				0.0.0.0.	bilgituless. 0%
Jp/D	1-00	8.8.8.8.	Channel 1 Brightness	8.8.88	Brightness: 99%
ing (				8.8.8.8.	Brightness: 100%
s Us				8.8.88	8-bit PWM resolution
Scroll Settings Using Up/Down Buttons	bt08 <b>8888</b>	PWM Resolution	8.8.88	16-bit PWM resolution	
Se					
Scro	CD 4	<i>8.8.8.</i>	Sequence Speed	8.8.8.8	Slowest
0)	SP-4			8.8.8.8	Fastest
_			Preset Sequences	8.8.88	Off
[Down]				8.8.8.8.	Static red
				8.8.8.8	Static green
				8.8.8.8	Static blue
				<b>8.8.8.</b>	Static yellow (50% red + 50% green)
				8.8.8.8.	Static amber (75% red + 25% green)
				<i>8.8.8.</i> 8.	Static cyan (50% green + 50% blue)
	P-01	8.8.8.		<i>8.8.0.8.</i>	Static magenta (50% blue + 50% red)
				8.8.08	Static RGB white (100% red + 100% green + 100% blue)
				8.8.0.8.	RGB fade-out, fade-in 1
				8.8.8.8	RGB colors mix fade
				8.8.8.8.	RGB fade-out, fade-in 2
				8.8.8.8	RGB jump
				8888	RGB fade-in
				8.8.88	RGB fade-out
				U.O.O.O.	NOD laug-out

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	8.8.8.8	RGB 3 color strobe	
	8.8.8.8	RGB white strobe (100% red + 100% green + 100% blue)	
	<b>8</b> .8.8.8.	7 color fade-out, fade-in	
	<b>8</b> .8. <b>8.8</b> .	7 color jump	
	8.8.8.8.	7 color strobe	
	8.8.8.8	Red – RGB white gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8	Green - RGB white gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8	Blue - RGB white gradual fade cycle	
	<b>8.8.8.8</b>	Red - amber gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8	Red - magenta gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8.	Green - yellow gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8	Green - cyan gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8	Blue - purple gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8	Blue - cyan gradual fade cycle	
	<b>8.8.8.8</b> .	Red – yellow - green gradual fade cycle	
	8.8.8.8	Red – magenta – blue gradual fade cycle	
	<b>8.8.8.</b> 8.	Green – cyan – blue gradual fade cycle	
← [Back] Press [Enter] to select a setting, and [Back] to confirm change and return [Enter] →			

## **Factory Reset**

The settings are saved in memory even after the device is unplugged from power. To reset all settings to original factory settings, press and hold the [Back] and [Enter] buttons simultaneously until you see the digital display blink. Then, release the buttons, after which the system will reboot with all user settings