

Activating Hikvision Cameras: Local Activation

Introduction

After activating your Hikvision NVR, it's essential to activate each camera in your surveillance system. Local camera activation ensures that every device in your system is secured and protected from unauthorized access. This guide will provide you with a step-by-step process for locally activating Hikvision cameras using a PoE switch and the SADP tool.

1. Camera Activation (Local)

- a. **Connect the camera to the PoE switch:** Connect each camera to a PoE switch, ensuring that they receive power and network connectivity during the activation process.
- b. **Download and launch the SADP tool:** Download the SADP tool from the Hikvision website and install it on your computer. Launch the tool once the installation is complete.
- c. **Detect cameras on the network:** The SADP tool will automatically detect Hikvision devices on the network, including the cameras connected to the PoE switch. You should see a list of all connected cameras within the SADP tool interface.
- d. **Change the IP address (if necessary):** If there are any IP conflicts among the connected cameras, use the SADP tool to assign a unique IP address to each camera. This helps prevent potential issues when adding cameras to the NVR.
- e. **Activate each camera:** Select an unactivated camera from the list in the SADP tool and click "Activate." You will be prompted to create a strong, unique password for the camera. Enter the new password, confirm it, and click "OK" to finish the activation process.
- f. **Set up password recovery:** To ensure you can recover the camera's password if it's forgotten, set up password recovery using an email address or a security question. Follow the on-screen prompts to set up your preferred recovery method.
- g. **Repeat the process for all cameras:** Activate each camera on the network by repeating steps e and f for every unactivated camera listed in the SADP tool.

Conclusion

Local activation of Hikvision cameras using a PoE switch and the SADP tool is a crucial step in setting up a secure surveillance system. This method streamlines the process and helps save time

compared to logging in to each camera individually. By following the process outlined in this guide, you can ensure that each camera in your system is protected from unauthorized access. Once all cameras are activated, you can proceed with further configuration, such as adding the cameras to your NVR and setting up remote access.

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