Summary

Hik-Connect is a new service introduced by Hikvision which integrates the dynamic domain name Service along with alarm push notification service. It provides an easy way for devices to connect to the Internet.

This is an updated manual for hik-connect v3.0.

For more configuration guide, please refer to the user manual of Hik-Connect.

Discretion

User interface may not be identical to the instructions shown below depending on the product, firmware version. However, the information and settings required to setup Hik-Connect services are similar across all supporting products.

Preparation

1. Users need to upgrade device to proper firmware that supports Hik-Connect Share function.
2. Update the hik-connect app to v3.0.0 or above.
How to add devices into Hik-Connect account

Users can enable Hik-Connect function via Hik-Connect APP, [www.hik-connect.com](http://www.hik-connect.com) web portal, SADP tool or iVMS-4200 client.

**Method 1: Add devices via Hik-Connect APP**

Steps:
1. Open Hik-Connect app in your mobile;
2. Go to Home interface, tap the icon at the upper-right corner;
3.1 Adding by Scanning QR Code
   - Tap Scan QR Code to enter the Scan QR Code interface, or you can click at the upper-right corner of the interface to extract QR code from local album. Normally, the QR code is on label, which is on the back cover of the device.

(3.2) Manual Adding
   - Tap Manual Adding to enter the New Device interface;

![Scan QR Code](image)
Select the adding type as Hik-Connect Domain;

Input the device serial No. manually.

Tab to search the device

(4) Click ‘Add’ to continue;

(5) Input device verification code to finish, and the Adding Completed interface will pop up.

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Note:
If you’ve entered this interface, it means you’ve added your device to hik-connect successfully. You can click Skip and go back to Home interface to watch the live view.

However, if you prefer a faster stream loading speed, you need to open ports in your router in advance, and continue to set the information below:

(6) Set the device alias and domain name;

(7) Select the port mapping mode. You can select either Automatic or Manual:

Automatic: The client will adopt a device port automatically.

Manual: You should set the port information manually.

(8) Input the device user name and the device password;

(9) Tap Finish to finish the operation.

Method 2: Add devices via www.hik-connect.com web portal

Steps:

(1) Input www.hik-connect.com into browser location bar;
(2) Login with your account user name and password.

(3) Go to **Device Management**;

(3) Click **Add**; Input your device **Serial no.** then click **Search**.

(4) When a connection is made to the device (it must be powered on and connected to the Internet) a pop-up shows the model and confirms the S/N. If this is the desired device, Click ‘+’ to continue;
(5) Input your device verification code, then click Add to finish.

(6) A pop-up confirms success. And the device now is editable on the Device Management page.

(7) Click on the IP address and Port No. of a connected device, a new window pops up to login the device. Enter the user name and password to login.
Note:

If it can’t redirect to your device after clicking IP/Port No. link in www.hik-connect.com while the device status is online, it means ports may not be properly configured for your device. In this case, please kindly open ports MANUALLY in router instead of using UPnP to configure port forwarding. Then input the correct ports number here.

Please try http:// WAN IP: Port No. to test whether port forwarding is successful after port forwarding manually.
Appendix:

1. How to find device verification code?

(1) Try to find device verification code on the label of the device;

![Device Label]

(2) Try to find the device verification code on the local GUI of DVRs/NVRs.

![GUI Screen]

(3) Try to find the verification code in the device web configuration interface for both camera and DVR/NVR.
2. How to configure Port Forwarding?

**Warning:**
Port forwarding should only be used when the devices need to be accessed via the internet. To ensure proper security configuration, please follow below points:

1. Minimize the port numbers exposed to the internet. Port forwarding should only be configured when absolutely necessary. For example, to use web service, only port 443 should be forwarded.

2. Avoid common ports and reconfigure them to customized ports. For example, port 80 is commonly used for HTTP. User is recommended to change to a customized port on the device other than port 80 for the designated service, following TCIP/IP port rule (1 – 65535).

**Method 1: Configure Port Forwarding via UPnP**

Steps:

1. Go to **Configuration -> Advanced Configuration -> Network -> General** to correctly configure network parameters to make sure your device is accessible in LAN. **DNS server address** is necessary in this case.

2. Click **Apply** to continue.

   ![Configuration Screen]

3. Go to **Menu->Configuration->Network->NAT** to check ‘Enable UPnP’;

4. Login router management interface via web and enable UPnP function.
Method 2: Configure Port Forwarding Manually

Steps:
1. Go to Configuration -> Advanced Configuration -> Network -> General to correctly configure network parameters to make sure your device is accessible in LAN. DNS server address is necessary in this case.

2. Click Apply to continue.

3. Go to Menu->Configuration->Network->More Settings to check the ports you need to open.
(4) Login router management interface via web;
(5) Go to Forwarding to open ports for device.

Note:
The port forwarding interface above is for TP-LINK router (TL-ER340G), which maybe distinct from other router’s interface.