

# **DiNET DAN-TX2**

## **2-Channel Dante Network Transmitter**



# **User Guide**

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# Radial® DAN-TX2™ User Guide

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Thank you for purchasing the Radial DiNET DAN-TX2. The DAN-TX2 is a high-resolution stereo direct box designed to connect to a Dante™ enabled Ethernet network and seamlessly convert analog audio to a digital format compatible with Dante. This makes it ideal for connecting consumer line-level devices such as laptops and tablets, or professional balanced line-level equipment directly to a Dante network for easy routing and distribution to other devices.

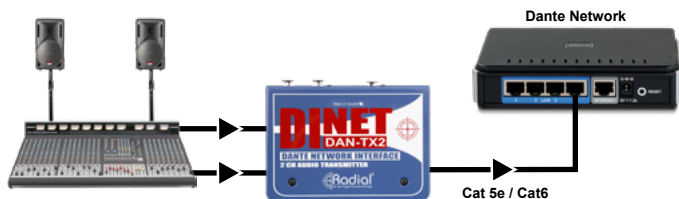
This manual covers the setup and operation of the DAN-TX2 in various applications. Please take a few minutes to read through and familiarize yourself with the DAN-TX2 features and functions. If you have any questions that are not covered in this manual, please consult the FAQ section on our website. This is where we post the latest updates. If you still do not find what you are looking for, feel free to send us an email at [info@radialeng.com](mailto:info@radialeng.com) and we will do our best to reply in short order.

## OVERVIEW

The DiNET DAN-TX2 is an analog to digital converter that is designed to take the signal from both consumer and professional line-level audio sources and transmit them over an existing Dante or AES67-enabled network.

The DAN-TX2 is equipped with a variety of connection options to make it easy to connect with any type of audio equipment. The included stereo 3.5mm jack and XLR/TRS combo connectors are wired in parallel to allow for immediate hookup of laptops, tablets, smartphones, consumer audio devices, broadcast and professional audio equipment without the need for adapter cables.

The inputs of the DAN-TX2 are processed using high quality 24 bit/96kHz analog-to-digital converters, providing two channels of Dante digital outputs over a single Ethernet connector, and allowing easy integration of analog audio devices with an existing Dante network.



The DAN-TX2 is easy to use, with no setup required on the device itself. It is completely configured by Dante Controller, which manages digital audio routing across the Dante network. Dante Controller is a software application by Audinate™ that allows the user to manage all Dante-enabled devices across a network. Use Dante Controller to route audio from the DAN-TX2 to any number of destinations on the network. Simply connect the DAN-TX2 to the network and it will automatically appear as an available transmit device within Dante Controller.

The DAN-TX2 will initially have the name “DiNET-TX2-xxxxxx”, where the last 6 digits will be the unique media access control address (MAC address) of your DAN-TX2. As this can be changed to a user-generated name using Dante Controller, we recommend writing down the MAC address of your unit in the space provided below for future reference.

**Record your DAN-TX2 MAC address here:**

**DiNET-TX2-\_\_\_\_\_**

Dante Controller can be downloaded for free at [www.audinate.com](http://www.audinate.com).  
For latest firmware for the DAN-TX2 please visit [www.radialeng.com](http://www.radialeng.com).

## FEATURES



1. **3.5MM INPUT:** Stereo TRS input for use with laptops, tablets and smartphones. Wired in parallel with the XLR combo inputs.
2. **PAD:** Engages a -18dB input pad for high output line-level sources.
3. **TRIM:** Adjustable trim control to set input levels, with unity gain at 12 o'clock. Provides -10dB of cut or +10dB of gain at the min/max settings.
4. **LINK:** When engaged, the TRIM and PAD controls for Channel-1 become the master controls for stereo operation.
5. **SIG/CLIP LEDs:** Will illuminate when input signal is present or clipping is detected on each input channel.
6. **SYNC LEDs:** Red LED is illuminated when unit is powered. Green LED will illuminate once connected to an Ethernet network. Flashing green LED indicates that the DAN-TX2 is in master clock mode, solid green LED indicates that it is in slave mode.
7. **SYS LEDs:** Red LED illuminates when power is first applied, green LED illuminates once Dante processor becomes active.
8. **+15V LED:** Will illuminate when the DAN-TX2 is connected to the included DC power adaptor.
9. **POE LED:** Will illuminate when the DAN-TX2 is receiving Power over Ethernet (PoE).
10. **POWER:** 15VDC connection for use with included Radial power adaptor when PoE is not available.



11. **CABLE CLAMP:** Used to secure the power supply cable to prevent accidental disconnection.
12. **ETHERNET PORT:** Connects to the Dante network using a standard CAT5e or CAT6 Ethernet cable. This port delivers the digital audio signal to the network and powers the DAN-TX2 when Power over Ethernet (PoE) is available.
13. **ETHERCON COMPATIBLE CONNECTION:** Locking connector prevents accidental disconnection or damage to RJ45 connectors when used with Neutrik etherCON cable connector carriers.
14. **XLR/TRS COMBO INPUTS:** Balanced inputs for connection to professional audio playback sources.
15. **NON SLIP PAD:** Provides electrical & mechanical isolation and keeps the unit from sliding around.

## GETTING STARTED

Before making any connections, always ensure your amplifiers or speakers are either turned down or turned off in order to protect sensitive components from damage due to loud transients that can occur when plugging in or turning on various components.

## POWERING THE DAN-TX2

### PoE

Power for the DAN-TX2 can be provided via Power over Ethernet (PoE) from a PoE-capable network switch or a separate PoE injector. Once power is available, the side panel PoE LED indicator will illuminate and the DAN-TX2 will be ready to use.



### Power Supply

The included 15VDC power supply is provided for use when PoE is not available. Once you have connected the DAN-TX2 to the Ethernet switch, plug in the power supply. The +15VDC LED will illuminate and the DAN-TX2 will be ready to use.



As a backup option, the DAN-TX2 is designed to be able to have both PoE and the 15VDC adaptor connected at the same time. If one fails, the other will maintain power without interruption.

## ETHERNET CONNECTION

The DAN-TX2 connects to an Ethernet switch using a standard CAT5e or CAT6 cable. Once the Ethernet switch is connected to a computer running the Dante Controller software, the DAN-TX2 will appear as an available transmit device.

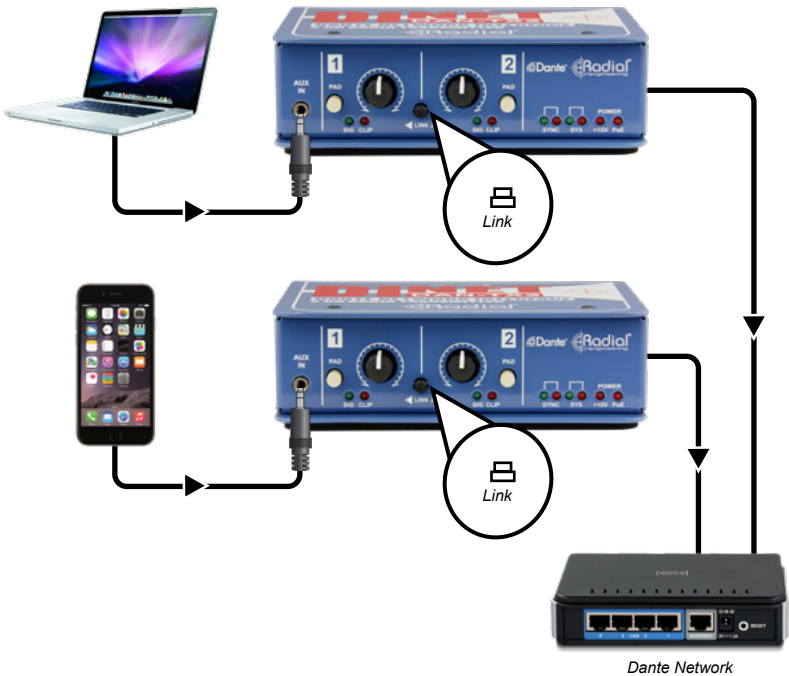


## DAN-TX2 WITH UNBALANCED CONSUMER AUDIO

When using the DAN-TX2 with consumer audio devices the mini 3.5mm connector will typically be used. However, the XLR/TRS inputs can also be employed for this purpose. The DAN-TX2 will accept consumer line level signals such as those from a laptop, tablet, or smartphone. The TRIM control can be used to fine tune the level, and the PAD can be engaged should further attenuation be required.

When connecting to stereo input sources, engage the LINK switch to allow the TRIM and PAD on Channel-1 to affect both left and right signals equally, providing you with the ability to adjust the levels of both channels using just one control without altering the stereo balance.

Only one set of inputs should be used at a time, as they will all sum together to the left and right Dante outputs over Ethernet. To connect more than one device at a time to the Dante network, use multiple DAN-TX2 units.



## DAN-TX2 WITH PROFESSIONAL LINE-LEVEL EQUIPMENT

The balanced XLR/TRS combo inputs on the DAN-TX2 are designed to be used with professional audio and broadcast equipment such as mixing consoles and recording interfaces, with the ability to handle extremely hot signal levels of up to +28dBu. TRIM controls for each channel have +/-10dB of gain to accommodate for a wide range of input levels, along with -18dB pad switches for extremely hot signals. When the TRIM control is set to 12 o'clock and the PAD is engaged, +18dBu = 0dBFS. Without the PAD engaged 0dBu = 0dBFS. As with the unbalanced inputs, when connecting to stereo input sources engage the LINK switch to allow the PAD and TRIM on Channel-1 to affect both inputs equally.



## MOUNTING THE DAN-TX2 IN A RACK

The DAN-TX2 can be mounted in standard 19" equipment racks using the optional SA Series Rack Adaptor kit (Part # R800 9422). This 1 RU adaptor allows you to mount one or two DAN-TX2 receivers in a single rack space.





**SPECIFICATIONS\***

Audio Circuit Type:	High current balanced active input device
Number of Channels:	2
Sample Rate:	44.1kHz, 48kHz, 88.2kHz, and 96kHz
Bit Depth:	24 bit
Frequency Response:	20Hz-20kHz
Idle Channel Noise:	-108dB
Dynamic Range:	>103dB
Channel Separation:	>85dB
Maximum Input:	+28dBu
Equivalent Input Noise:	-98dB
Total Harmonic Distortion + Noise:	0.008% @ -6dBfs
IMD:	0.0017% -10dBfs
Balanced Input Impedance:	40kOhm
Unbalanced Input Impedance:	20kOhm
Power Consumption:	1.25W

**Features**

Input Connectors:	2x XLR/TRS combo, 3.5mm TRS
Output Connectors:	RJ45 Ethernet with locking etherCON
LED Indicators:	SYNC, SYS, +15V, and PoE
Pad:	-18dB

**General**

Power:	15VDC 400mA (included) or PoE
Power Over Ethernet (PoE):	Class 1 IEEE 802.3af
FCC Approval:	Meets FCC Part 15B Class A
Construction:	14-gauge steel
Finish:	Durable powder coat
Size (L x W x D):	4.5" x 2" x 6" (121 x 6 x 147mm)
Warranty:	Radial 3-year, transferable



Note: This device has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, according to Part 15 of the FCC Rules and EN55022. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the device is operated in a commercial environment. This device generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the user manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this device in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference, in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at their own expense.





## THREE YEAR TRANSFERABLE LIMITED WARRANTY

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