# Cambridge Audio

#### **RS232 Protocol**

The protocol is accessed via the rear panel RS232C port at 9600,n,8,1 with no handshaking.

All data consists of ASCII bytes.

All commands end with a \r Carriage Return character, ASCII value 13 decimal.

## The basic format for a command is:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
#	Group	,	Comi	mand	,	Data	\r

## **Command groups**

Commands are split into the following groups:

Command group	Description
1	Control commands
2	Setup commands
3	Control replies
4	Setup replies
5	Error messages

# The following are parameters for some of the commands:

Sources (default names)			
1	Input 1		
2	Input 2		
3	Input 3		
4	Input 4		
5	BNC		
6	AES/EBU		
7	Bluetooth		
8	USB		

Inp	Input Word Width		
00	Invalid		
01	16 bits		
02	17 bits		
03	18 bits		
04	19 bits		
05	20 bits		
06	21 bits		
07	22 bits		
08	23 bits		
09	24 bits		

Input S	Input Sampling Frequency				
00	Invalid				
01	32kHz				
02	44.1kHz				
03	48kHz				
04	88.2kHz				
05	96kHz				
06	176.4kHz				
07	192kHz				

Volume is a value between 000 and 096 as the -dB level in 1dB steps.

Balance is a value between 0 (full left) and 16 (full right) with 8 being centre.

**Group 1: Control Commands** 

Command	Description	Coi	mmand data	Example	Example Reply
01	Source Select	Source		#1,01,x	#3,01,x
02	Select Next Source			#1,02,	#3,01,x
03	Select Previous Source			#1,03,	#3,01,x
04	Get Input Word Width			#1,04,	#3,04,xx
05	Get Input Sampling Frequency			#1,05,	#3,05,xx
12	Get Volume			#1,12,	#3,12,xxx
13	Goto Volume	volume		#1,13,xxx	#3,13,xxx
14	Power	0 – Standby		#1,14,0	#3,14,x
14	rowei	1 - On		#1,14,1	#3,14,8
		0 – Off		#1,15,0	
15	LCD Brightness	1 – Dim		#1,15,1	#3,15,x
		2 - Brigh	nt	#1,15,2	
			1 – Lin	#1,40,x,y:	
		Х	2 – Min	#1,40,1 (sets Lin filter leaving phase unchanged)	
40	Select Filter		3 – Steep	#1,40,2,0 (sets Min filter with normal phase)	#3,41,x,y
		0 – normal		#1,40,3,1 (sets Steep filter with inverted phase)	
		У	1 – Inverted		
	<u> </u>		phase		W2 44
41	Get Filter			#1,41,	#3,41,x,x
42	Volume Up			#1,42,	#3,42,xxx
43	Volume Down			#1,43,	#3,43,xxx
44	Mute			#1,44,	#3,44,

45	UnMute		#1,45,	#3,45,
46	Set Balance	00 - Max Left 08 - Balanced 16 - Max Right	#1,46,xx	#3,46,xx
47	Balance Right		#1,47,	#3,47,xx
48	Balance Left		#1,48,	#3,48,xx
49	Set Trigger	0 – Low 1 - High	#1,49,x	#3,49,x
50	Get Headphone Volume		#1,50,	#3,50,xxx
52	Headphone Volume Up		#1,52,	#3,52,xxx
53	Headphone Volume Down		#1,53,	#3,53,xxx

Headphones must be inserted to adjust the headphone volume.

**Group 2: Setup commands** 

Command	Description	Command Data	Example	Example Reply
01	Software Version	<no data=""></no>	#2,01,	#4,01,x.x
02	DSP Version	<no data=""></no>	#2,02,	#4,02,xx.xx
04	Set Source Name	source ',' name max 8 chars	#2,04,x,xxxxxxxx	#4,04,x,xxxxxxxx
05	Get Source Name	Source	#2,05,x,	#4,05,x,xxxxxxxx

**Group 3: Replies from Control Commands** 

Command	Description	Reply Data	Example
01	Selected Source	Source	#3,01,x
04	Input Word Width		#3,04,xx
05	Input Sampling Frequency		#3,05,xx
12	Volume	volume	#3,12,xxx
13	Set Volume	volume	#3,13,xxx
14	Power	0 – Standby 1 - On	#3,14,x
15	LCD Brightness	0 – Off 1 – Dim 2 - Bright	#3,15,x
22	Headphones in/out	0 – Out 1 - Inserted	#3,22,x
41	Filter	1 – Lin 2 – Min 3 - Steep	#3,41,x,x
42	Volume Up	volume	#3,42,xxx
43	Volume Down	volume	#3,43,xxx
44	Mute		#3,44,
45	UnMute		#3,45,
46	Balance	00 - 16	#3,46,xx
47	Balance Right	00 - 16	#3,47,xx
48	Balance Left	00 - 16	#3,48,xx
49	Trigger Out	0 – Low 1 - High	#3,49,x

50	Headphone Volume	volume	#3,50,xxx
52	Headphone Volume Up	volume	#3,52,xxx
53	Headphone Volume Down	volume	#3,53,xxx

## **Group 4: Replies from Setup Commands**

Command	Description	Reply Data	Example
01	Software Version	version number	#4,01,x.x
02	DSP Version	version number	#4,02,xx.xx
04	Set Source Name	source ',' 8 chars	#4,04,x,xxxxxxxx
05	Get Source Name	source ',' 8 chars	#4,05,x,xxxxxxxx

# **Group 5: Error Messages**

Command	Description	Example
01	Group unknown	#5,01,
02	Command Number unknown	#5,02,
04	Command Data error	#5,03,

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