Overview

The PDXL-2 (FG1090-170) is a Power over DXLink injector which allows for remote powering of any two DXLink devices. The device simplifies installation by allowing the DXLink Transmitters and Receivers to be placed anywhere even where there are no AC power outlets—simply install a PDXL-2 in any convenient place within the 100 meter path to provide power.

The PDXL-2 provides power for DXLink devices by “injecting” power through the twisted pair cable. The PDXL-2 also accepts I/O control from a NetLinx controller allowing power down capabilities to either (or both) of the connected DXLink devices to achieve power savings when the devices are not in use.

Twisted Pair Cable Type*

- Shielded Cat6A minimum for 4K signal support.
- Shielded Cat6 minimum for 1080p and below.

For more details and helpful cabling information, reference the white paper titled "Cabling for Success with DXLink" available at www.amx.com or contact your AMX representative.

Twisted Pair Cable Length*

- Up to 262 ft. (80 m) for full 4K signal support.
- Up to 328 ft. (100 m) for 1080p and below.

Important: DXLink twisted pair cable runs for DXLink equipment should only be run within a common building.

Important Safety Information

- The PDXL-2 should be connected to DXLink devices only. Outside network connections are not supported.
- Only qualified personnel can install or remove the PDXL-2.
- AC Power Cord Set:
  - The power cord must have regulatory agency approval for the specific country in which it is used (for example, UL, CSA, VDE, etc.).
  - The power cord must be a three-conductor type (two current-carrying conductors and one ground conductor) terminated on one end by an IEC 60320 appliance coupler (for connection to the PDXL-2), and on the other end by a plug containing a ground (earthing) contact.
- The power cord must be rated for a minimum of 250 VAC RMS operation, with a minimum rated current capacity of 5 amps or a minimum wire gauge of 18 AWG (0.75 mm²).
- A PDXL-2 installed in Australia requires power cords with a minimum wire gauge of 16 AWG (1.0 mm²).
- The PDXL-2 DATA and DATA & POWER ports are shielded RJ45 data sockets. They CANNOT be used as Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS) telephone sockets. Only RJ45 data connectors may be connected to these sockets.
- The AC wall socket-outlet must be near the PDXL-2 and easily accessible. You can remove AC power from the PDXL-2 by disconnecting the AC power cord from either the wall socket-outlet or the PDXL-2 appliance coupler.
- The PDXL-2 “DATA” and “DATA & POWER” interfaces are qualified as Safety Extra-Low Voltage (SELV) circuits according to IEC 60950-1. These interfaces may only be connected to SELV interfaces on other equipment.
- AMX only supports the use of our Enova DGX, Enova DVX, DXLink or Power over DXLink solutions as the use of any other power supplies or non-compatible standard PoE solutions may potentially damage the DXLink equipment.

WARNINGS

- The PDXL-2 should only be connected to devices compatible with this product. Using the PDXL-2 with incompatible devices may cause damage to the device.
- Read the installation instructions before connecting the PDXL-2 to its power source.
- Follow basic electricity safety measures before connecting the PDXL-2 to its power source.
- A voltage mismatch can cause equipment damage and may pose a fire hazard. If the voltage indicated on the label is different from the power outlet voltage, do not connect the PDXL-2 to this power outlet.
Mounting the Device

The PDXL-2 may be mounted on a flat surface using AVB-VSTYLE-SURFACE-MNT Surface Mount Brackets (FG1010-722) to mount the device. See the Module Options for V Styles Modules Quick Start Guide for mounting instructions.

- Use MPA-VRK Rack Mount Brackets (FG5968-30) for a rack mount installation.
- Use the AVB-VSTYLE-POLE-MNT Single Module Pole Mounting Kit (FG1010-723) for a pole mount installation.

Preliminary Steps

Before placing the PDXL-2:

- Ensure that AC power is applied to the PDXL-2, using an operational ground connection.
- Connect the incoming DXLink twisted pair connection to the Data port and connect the twisted pair connection for the DXLink device to be powered to the Power port.
- Do not cover the device or block the airflow to the device with any foreign objects. Keep the PDXL-2 away from excessive heat and humidity and free from vibration and dust.
- Ensure that the cable length from the originating DXLink source to the final DXLink destination does not exceed 328 feet (100 meters). The device is not a repeater and does not amplify the DXLink data signal.
- The PDXL-2 does not have a power switch. Simply plug the device into an AC power source.

Installing the PDXL-2

Perform the following steps to install the PDXL-2:

1. Connect the PDXL-2 to an AC outlet (100-240VAC) using an appropriate power cord.
2. Connect the DATA & POWER port to a DXLink Transmitter, Receiver, or Wallplate via the appropriate twisted pair cable.
3. Use an additional twisted pair cable to connect the DATA port to a separate DXLink Transmitter, Receiver, or Wallplate. Note: If connecting both DATA & POWER ports to separate devices, use the provided twisted pair cable to connect the two DATA ports together. Connecting the DATA ports is not necessary if you are only connecting one DATA & POWER port to another device.
4. (Optional) Connect the PDXL-2 to the I/O port on your Master so you can power off connected devices. See Powering Off Connected Devices for details.

Installing the PDXL-2

WIRING USING BOTH DATA & POWER PORTS

FIG. 2 displays an example configuration when using only one DATA & POWER port to power a device. In this example, the RX is powered by the PDXL-2 while the TX is powered by a local power supply, so a power line to the TX is not needed.

WIRING USING ONLY DATA & POWER PORT

FIG. 3 displays an example configuration when using both DATA & POWER ports to power two separate devices:

Pin Connections

FIG. 4 describes the PDXL-2 pin-out connections for the IN and OUT Ports on the front panel of the device:

RELAY PORT 1 = Input/Output
RELAY PORT 2 = Input/Output
+ 12V = Power input
Transformer

Connecting the PDXL-2 to the I/O port on your Master enables you to power off devices connected to the PDXL-2. FIG. 5 displays the relay port on the rear panel of the PDXL-2:

Powering Off Connected Devices

The relay port on the PDXL-2 is set to ON by default. The following diagram (FIG. 6) illustrates how the Relay Port on the PDXL-2 connects to an I/O ports on a NetLinx Master Controller:

- Note that the +12V Power pin on the PDXL-2 is a power input (unlike the relay connectors on many other AMX products). In this case, the +12V Power (output) pin on a NetLinx I/O Port connects directly to the +12V pin on the PDXL-2 Relay Port.
- The RELAY PORT 1 and RELAY PORT 2 pins on the PDXL-2 connect to the pins on the NetLinx I/O Port associated with the devices that will be powered off.
- Also note that a GND-to-GND connection between these connectors is not necessary.

To turn off power on a DXLink port, you must connect the relay port to an I/O port on a Master and set the corresponding I/O channel on the Master to ON. For example, to turn off power on DXLink port 1 (assuming the connection shown in FIG. 6):

- Switch the PDXL-2 Relay Port x
- Switch the NetLinx I/O Port
- Switch the NetLinx Master I/O Port

Consult the NetLinx Integrated Controllers WebConsole & Programming Guide for more information on channels and commands.