



Additional Utilities for the Axxon PSIM Software

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1 Summary of the Axxon PSIM utilities

Additional *Axxon PSIM* software utilities are separate software applications intended to perform additional operations when setting up and working with *Axxon PSIM* software. This document describes the following utilities:

1. The utility for reading video capture card code and dongle
2. Converter.exe utility for converting video and audio archives
3. Tweaki.exe utility for advanced setup of the Axxon PSIM software system
4. The utility for collecting configuration data on servers and RWS for the Technical Support
5. The Fps.exe utility for productivity estimation
6. The SignCheck.exe utility for checking the authenticity of exported frames
7. The Convert.exe utility for correcting modification dates of video archives
8. The ddi.exe utility for editing database templates and external settings files
9. The Arpedit.exe utility for creating user dialog windows
10. The idb.exe utility for converting databases, selecting database templates and making backup copies of databases
11. Configuration check tool
12. Index.exe utility for reindexing archive files
13. The shedule.exe utility for creating a replication query file
14. The Axxon Player utility for viewing and converting the video archive
15. The Cam_title_updater.exe utility to convert titles database

2 The utility for reading video capture card code and dongle

2.1 The purpose of the CodeReader.exe utility

The CodeReader.exe utility is designed to read the dallas code of the cryptochip (chip) of the video capture card, which determines the card type, HID of computer and the number of the Guardant dongle.

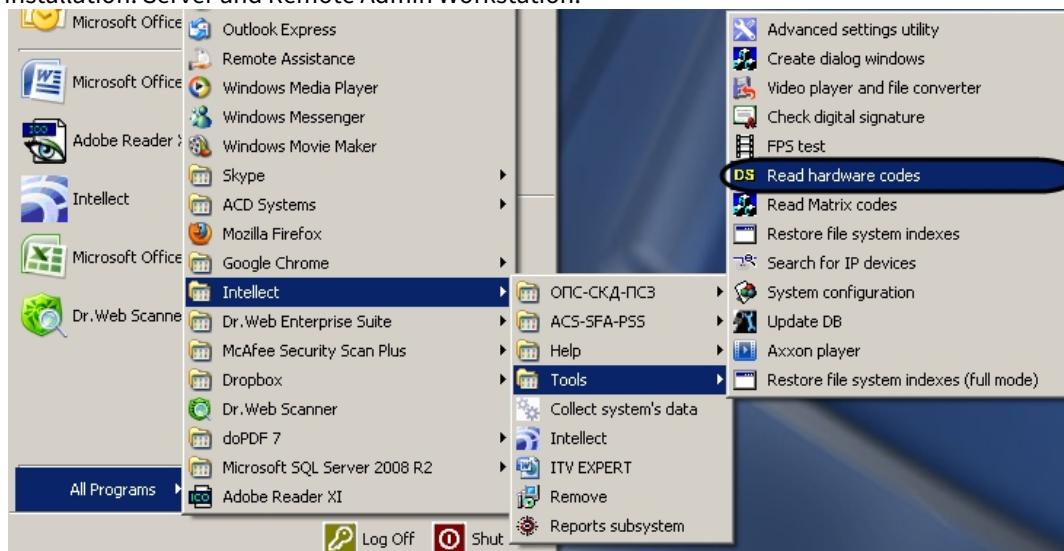
Note.

For proper operation of the utility Axxon PSIM™ is to be shut down.

2.2 Starting and shutting-down the utility

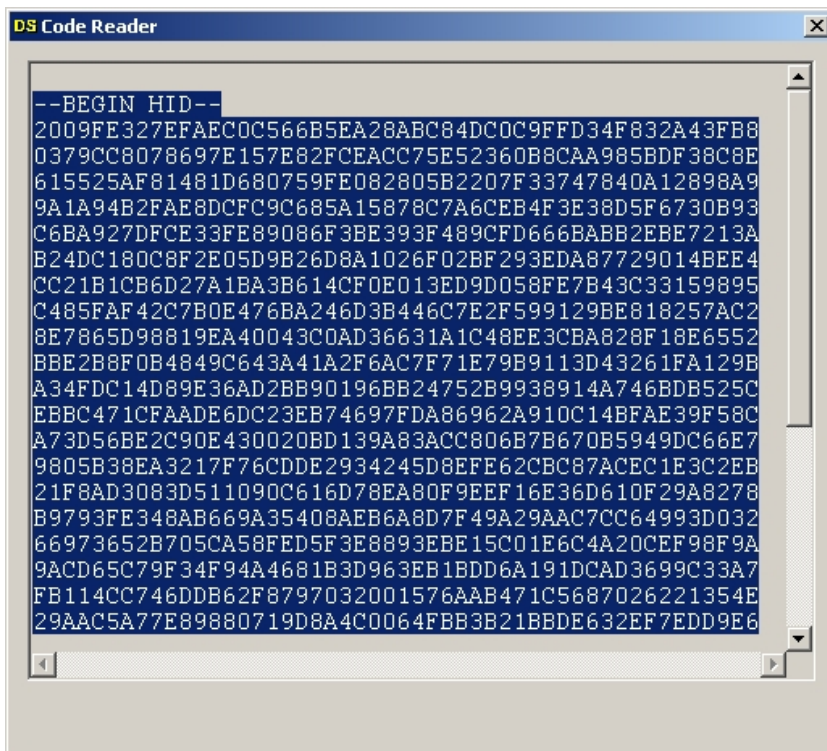
To start the CodeReader.exe utility, do one of the following:

1. Start the utility from the Windows taskbar. Click **Start**, then **All Programs**, then **Axxon PSIM**, then **Tools**, then **Read hardware codes**. The CodeReader.exe utility is available for the following types of Axxon PSIM™ installation: Server and Remote Admin Workstation.



2. Start the utility from the **Tools** folder of the *Axxon PSIM* folder. Example: C:\Program Files\Axxon PSIM\Tools\CodeReader.exe.

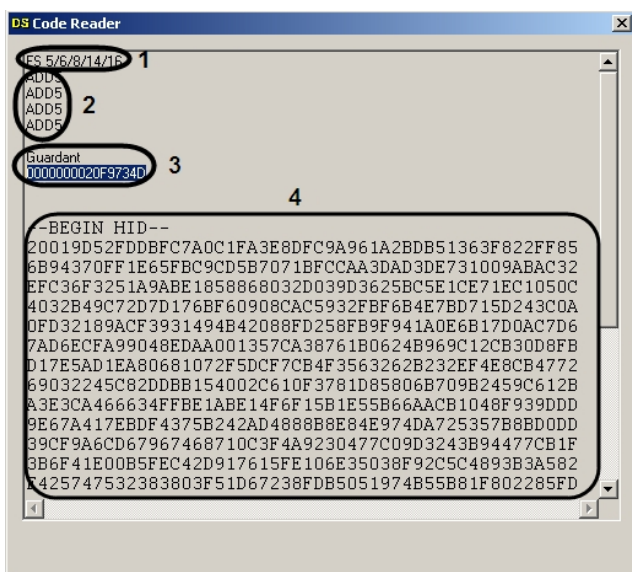
The Code Reader dialog box will open.



To shut down the CodeReader.exe utility, click the  button.

2.3 Using the CodeReader.exe utility

The CodeReader.exe utility allows determining the type of installed video capture card by its dallas code(s), HID of computer, as well as the number of the Guardant dongle. To read this information, start the utility (see the [Starting and shutting-down the utility](#) section). The type of video capture card, its dallas code(s) and the number of the Guardant dongle and HID will be displayed in the Code Reader dialog box.



The number of dallas codes depends on the number of chips on the video capture card. Figure shows that the FS6 card with 4 chips has been used.

2.4 Portable version CodeReader_portable.exe

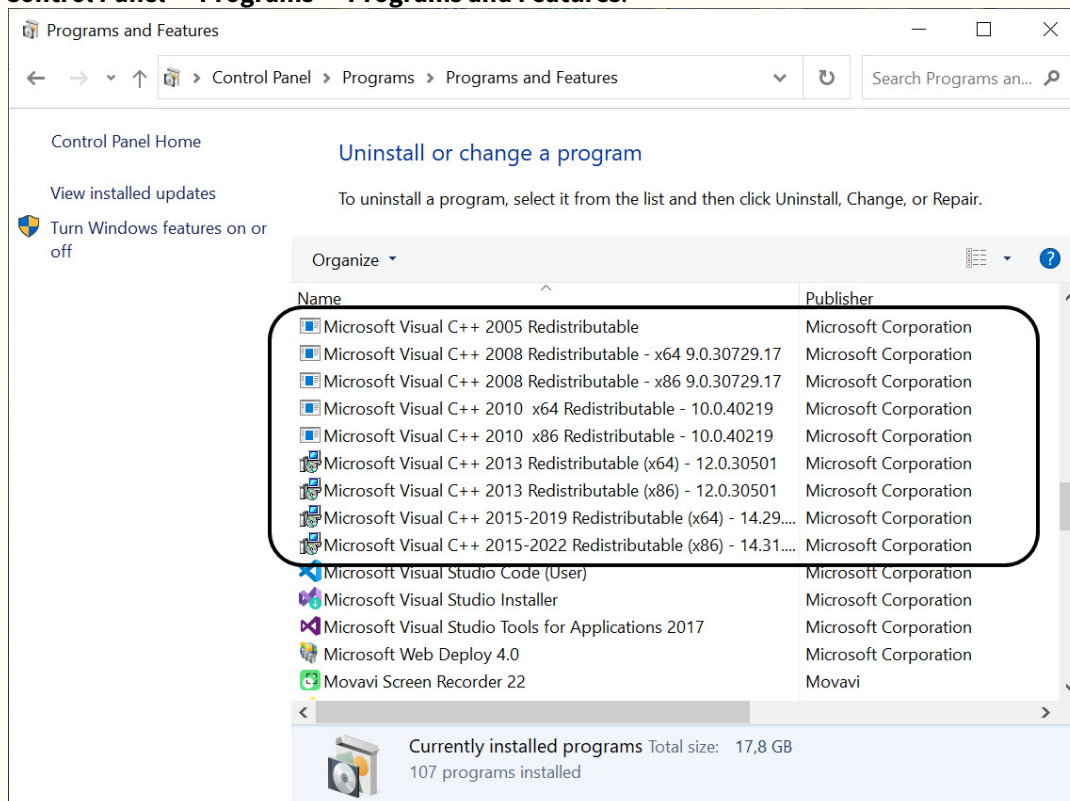
The portable version of the utility for reading the video capture card codes and dongles is the executable file CodeReader_portable.exe. This file can be downloaded from the official AxxonSoft website.

The CodeReader_portable.exe file can be launched on any computer even without *Axxon PSIM* installed.

Attention!

For the portable version of the utility to operate, you need to install the latest versions of the Visual C++ redistributable packages for Visual Studio.

To check the availability of the Visual C++ redistributable packages for Visual Studio, select **Start -> Control Panel -> Programs -> Programs and Features**.



If there are no redistributable packages, you can download them from the official website at: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/windows/latest-supported-vc-redist?view=msvc-170>, or install the file that is available in *Axxon PSIM* installation directory in the **Redist -> Dotnet4.5** folder.

The purpose and interface of the portable version, as well as the procedure for working with it are similar to the standard version of the CodeReader.exe utility – see [The utility for reading video capture card code and dongle](#).

3 Converter.exe utility for converting video and audio archives

3.1 The purpose of the Converter.exe utility

Important!

Correct operation of the Converter.exe utility on Windows 10 and newer OSes is not guaranteed.

The Converter.exe utility is designed to play video and audio archives, and to convert them to standard formats: MPEG, DivX, etc.

Besides video and audio playback, Converter.exe utility is used for:

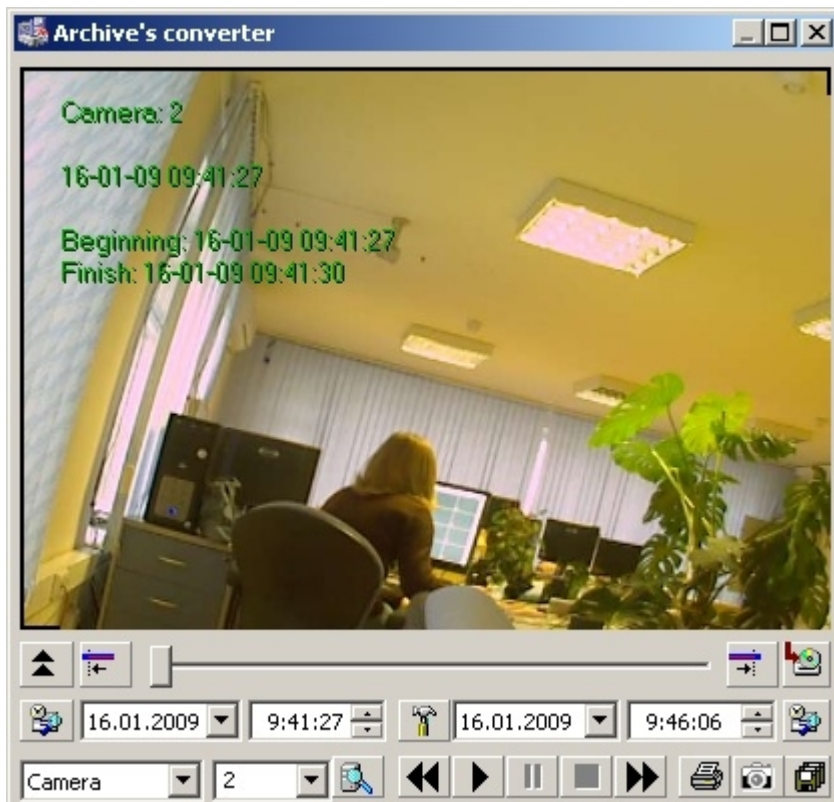
1. converting audio and video files;
2. copying the files from the archive to another folder with no data loss.

Note.

If video and audio were synchronized at the time of recording, the converted video file will contain sound track.

The utility can be started from the **Tools** folder of the Axxon PSIM program folder or from the **Start** menu: **Start -> Programs -> Axxon PSIM -> Utilities -> Playback and Conversion**.

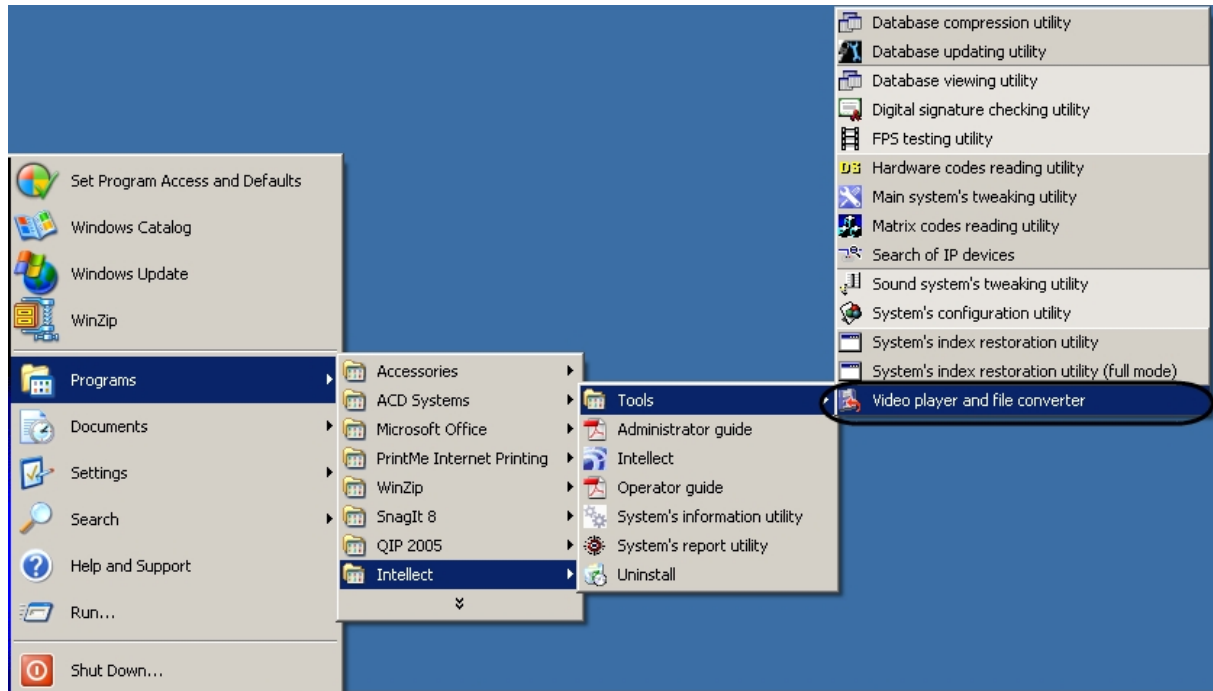
The utility dialog box is shown in the figure.



3.2 Starting and shutting-down the Converter.exe utility

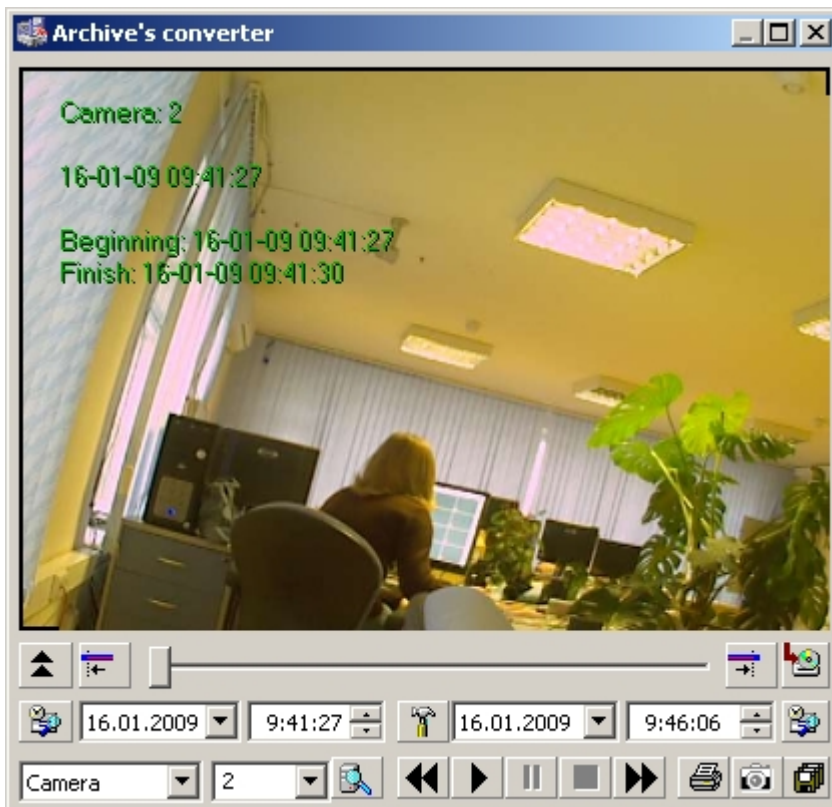
To start the Converter.exe utility, do one of the following:

1. Start the utility from the Windows taskbar. Click **Start**, then **Programs**, then **Axxon PSIM**, then **Utilities**, then **Playback and Conversion**. The Converter.exe utility is available from the **Start** menu with the following installation types of the Axxon PSIM software: Server, Remote administrator workstation, Remote client.

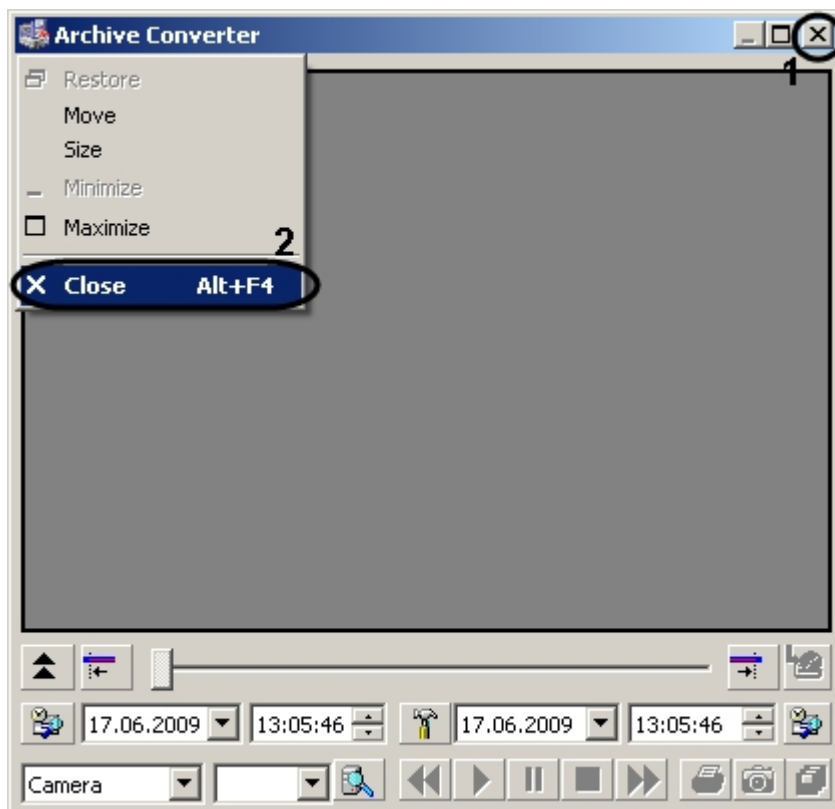


2. Start the utility from the Tools folder of the Axxon PSIM program folder. Example: C:\Axxon PSIM\Tools\converter.exe.

Archive Converter dialog box will open.



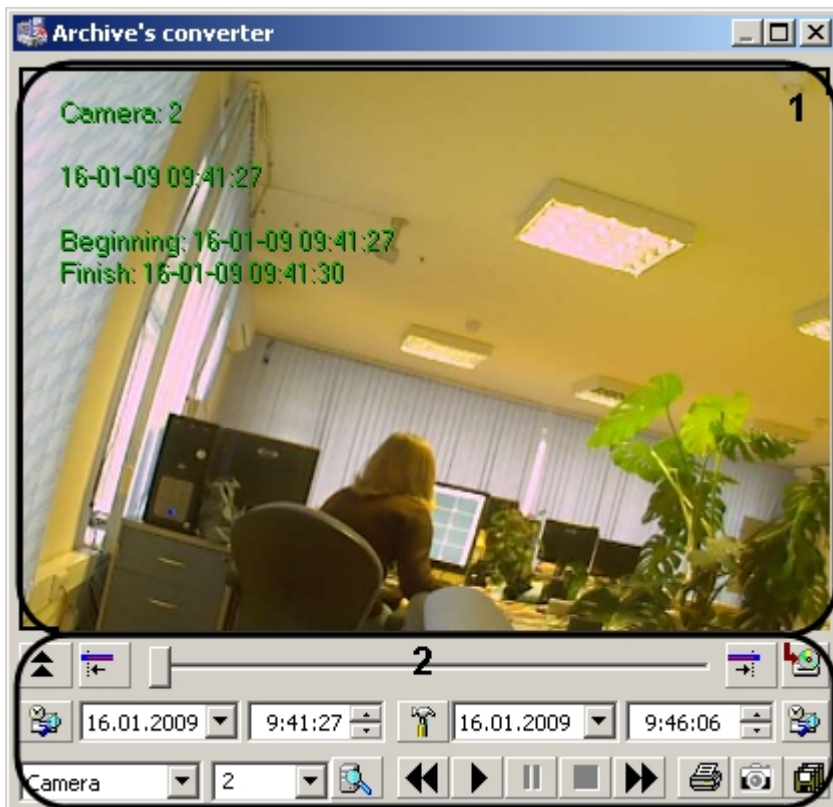
To close the Converter.exe utility, either click the cross button in the top right corner of the dialog box, or press Alt+F4 on the keyboard.



3.3 Converter.exe interface

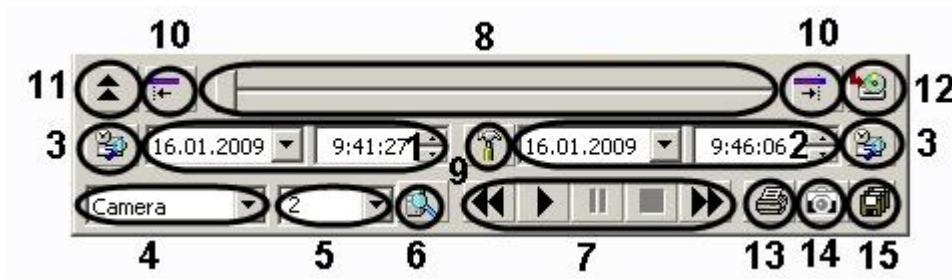
3.3.1 The Archive's Converter dialog box

The dialog box of the converter.exe utility is shown in the figure.



The Archive's Converter dialog box comprises of the following elements:

1. The screen to play back recordings (1);
 2. The control panel for video and audio recordings playback (2).
- The elements of the control panel are described in the table.



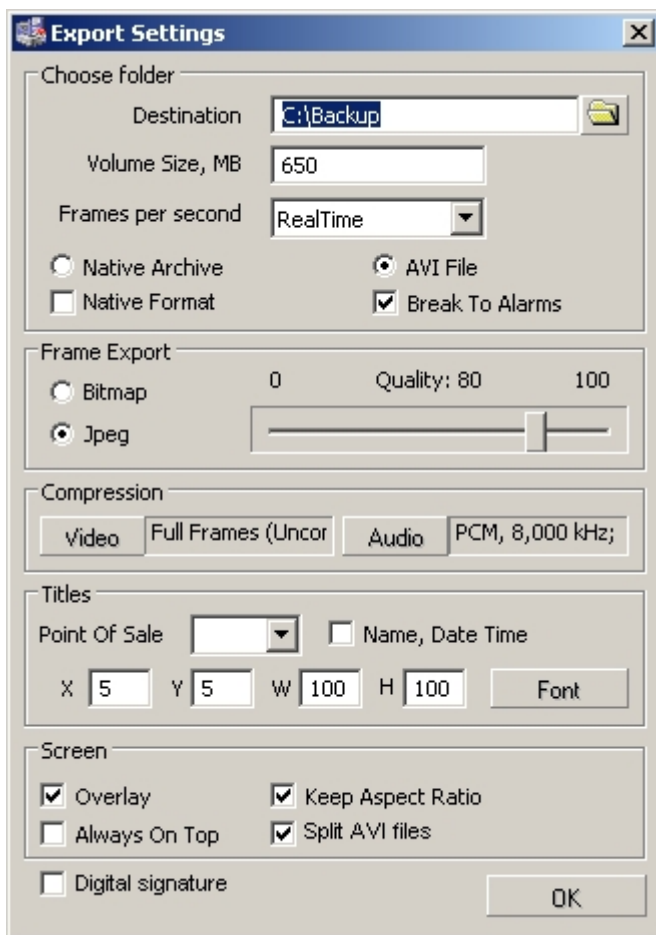
No	Element name	Description
1	Recording start date and time	Fields for entering the approximate start date and time of the video or audio recording
2	Recording end date and time	Fields for entering the approximate end date and time of the video or audio recording

Nº	Element name	Description
3	Go to first / last frame	Buttons for quick moving of the slider to the beginning or the end of the recording
4	Device	Drop-down list field for selecting the device (camera, microphone), for which the recording should be found in the archive
5	Device number	Drop-down list field for selecting the number of the device, for which the recording should be found in the archive
6	Search	Button for starting the search of recordings in the archive of the chosen device. The recordings are searched in the entire archive of the device. After the search is completed it is possible to specify the approximate beginning and end date and time for required recording
7	Playback panel	The panel contains typical standard functions (from left to right): backward, play, pause, stop, forward
8	Time scale	The scale allows monitoring the playback progress and moving between the frames. To move between the frames, drag the slider or use the playback panel buttons in a per frame playback mode.
9	Export setup	The button for opening the Export Setup dialog box
10	Exported recording limits	The buttons for setting the first and the last frames of the exported record
11	Hide/show the list	The button for hiding and showing the list of selected recordings
12	Add to list	The button for adding the selected recording (recording segment) to the list
13	Print frame	The button prints the current frame
14	Frame export	The button exports the current frame in a specified format. A dialog box opens for selecting the folder on the disk and entering the file name.

Nº	Element name	Description
15	Export to AVI or archive	The button for starting the export of the recording (a recording segment) in the specified format. A dialog opens for selecting the device name, which made the recording. On export start, a folder is created for saving the exported recordings (by default, C:\Backup).

3.3.2 The Export Settings dialog box

To open the **Export Settings** dialog box, click the  button in the **Archive's Converter** window. The **Export Settings** dialog box will open, allowing to specify export parameters.



Nº	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Format	Default value	Value range
The Choose folder group						

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Format	Default value	Value range
1	Destination	Type-in the value	Type-in the folder on the disk to store the exported files (by default the Backup folder is created on disk C:)	-	-	-
2	Volume Size, MB	Type-in the value	Type-in the maximum value of the volume (file) size containing one or more recordings. If the size of recording for export exceeds the set one, then it will not be split. When the recording is added to the volume, the size of recording is expected to equal the mean value of sizes of all added recordings. A new recording is added to the volume if it does not exceed the volume size. A real size of recording can differ from the assumed one, therefore the volume size can exceed the assumed one. If the Break To Alarms checkbox is checked, each volume will contain one recording only. The field is disabled if the Native Archive parameter is activated.	MB	650	0 to 2000 MB
3	Frames per second	Select in a drop-down list	Type-in the amount of grooming of the video recording	fps	RealTime	0.5; 1; 3; 5; 15; 30; RealTime

N o	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Form at	Default value	Value range
4	Native Archive AVI File	Select a radio-button	If the Native Archive radio-button is selected, then archive fragments will be exported keeping the creation time, but with no AVI conversion. If the AVI File radio-button is selected, then the fragment is converted to the AVI format using the specified codec.	-	AVI File	1. Native Archive 2. AVI File
5	Break To Alarms	Checkbox	The checkbox is for selecting the way of storing the archive export fragments to volumes (files of specified size): the recordings for each alarm will be saved to separate volumes (files).	-	Unchecked	Unchecked – the file (volume) will contain a fragment of the size specified in the Volume Size, MB field. Checked – the volume will contain a fragment related to one alarm only.
6	Native Format	Checkbox	If the Native Format checkbox is checked, then video recordings are exported to AVI file without recompression, i.e. in the same format as in Axxon PSIM archive. To playback these AVI files on the computer without Axxon PSIM software package installed, install components from Axxon PSIM distributive beforehand: 1. \Redist\VC2005_SP1\vcredist_x86.exe 2. \Redist\CamMonitor\CamMonitorInstaller.exe Note. To playback AVI files use Windows Media Player.	-	Unchecked	Unchecked – Axxon PSIM archive is exported to AVI file with recompression. Checked - Axxon PSIM archive is exported to AVI file without recompression.

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Format	Default value	Value range
The Frame Export group						
7	Bitmap Jpeg	Select a radio-button	If the Bitmap radio-button is selected, then the file is saved in Bitmap format. If the Jpeg radio-button is selected, then the file is saved in Jpeg format.			
8	Quality	Set the slider	The parameter specifies the quality level of the exported file. The value of 100% results in no quality loss.	%	80	0 to 100
The Compression group						
9	Video	Click the button	The button is for selecting and setting up the video codec used to compress video recordings. If the Native Archive radio-button is selected or the Native Format checkbox is checked, then this button is disabled.	-		-
10	Field next to the Video button	Not to be edited	The field shows the info on selected video codec. If the Native Archive radio-button is selected, then this field is disabled.	-	Full Frame (Uncompressed), Quality: 0	The list of codecs found by the utility.
11	Audio	Click the button	The button is for selecting and setting up the quality of the exported audio. The Native Archive radio-button is selected, then this button is disabled.	-	-	-

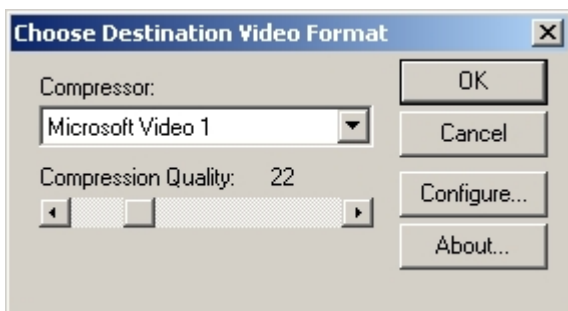
N o	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Form at	Default value	Value range
1 2	Field next to the Audio button	Not to be edited	The field shows the selected audio format.	-	PCM, 8000 kHz; 16 bit; Mono	The list of quality levels detected.
The Screen group						
1 3	Overlay	Checkbox	If the Overlay checkbox is checked, there is DirectDraw conversion	-	Checked	Checked – use DirectDraw for conversion Unchecked – do not use DirectDraw for conversion
1 4	Always On Top	Checkbox	If the Always On Top checkbox is checked, then Converter window is always over all other windows	-	Unchecked	Checked – the window is displayed on top. Unchecked – the window is not displayed on top.
1 5	Keep Aspect Ratio	Checkbox	If the Keep Aspect Ratio checkbox is checked, the aspect ratio of Converter window is fixed.	-	Unchecked	Checked – 3:2 ratio is kept when the size of the dialog box is changed. Unchecked – 3:2 ratio is not kept when the size of the dialog box is changed.
1 6	Split AVI files	Checkbox	Activates export of selected video recordings to the separate AVI files. <i>Note. If the checkbox is not checked, video recordings from one camera are exported to one AVI file.</i>	-	Checked	Checked - video recordings are exported to the separate AVI files. Unchecked - video recordings are exported to one AVI file.

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Format	Default value	Value range
17	Digital signature	Checkbox	Activates adding digital signature that is used for checking frame authenticity to exported frames. Note. Checking frame authenticity is performed using SignCheck.exe utility (see The SignCheck.exe utility for checking the authenticity of exported frames and video recordings section)	-	Unchecked	Checked – digital signature is added. Unchecked - digital signature is not added.

If a microphone was selected as a device in the dialog box of Converter.exe utility, only the **Audio** button and the **Screen** group are enabled.

3.3.3 A dialog box for choosing the video codec

The Video button in the **Export Setup** dialog box opens a dialog box for choosing a video codec to be used for video compression.



No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Format	Default value	Value range
1	Compression program	Select from drop-down list	The button allows selecting and setting up the video codec used to convert and compress the video image.	Codec name	Full frames (no compression)	All video codecs recognized by the operating system

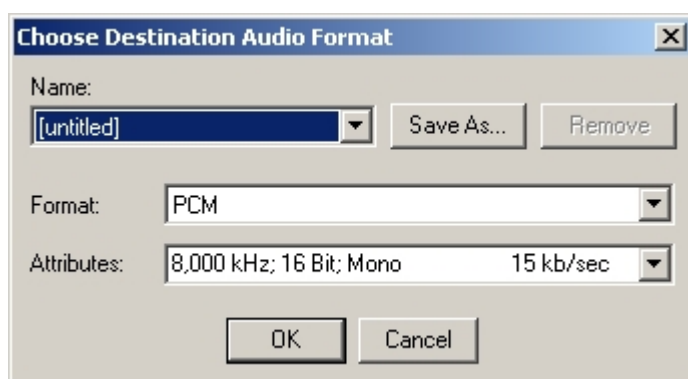
No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Format	Default value	Value range
2	Compression quality	Drag the slider	The slider allows setting the compression level. The zero position of the slider represents the highest compression and lowest quality. Changing this parameter is enabled if the codec is selected in the Compression Program field.	%	0	0 to 100
3	Setup ...	Click the button	The button opens the settings panel of the video codec. See the codec manual for details.	-	-	-
4	About	Click the button	The button opens an information box with codec details.	-	-	-

Note.

If AVI format is used, the resultant file size should not exceed 2 GB.

3.3.4 A dialog box for choosing the audio format

The **Sound** button in the **Export Setup** dialog box opens a dialog box for choosing an audio format.



No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Format	Default value	Value range
1	Name	Select from drop-down list	The field allows choosing the name for the selected audio format.	Format name	Untitled	Untitled CD Quality Radio Quality Telephone Quality Compact disk
2	Format	Select from drop-down list	The field for selecting the format	Format name	PCM	The list of audio formats used by the utility.
3	Attributes	Select from drop-down list	The list of sound characteristics: playback/recording frequency (8000 kHz), digitizing level (8, 16, etc bits), channel type (mono/stereo)	Parameter values	PCM, 8000 kHz, Mono	The list of characteristics, recognized by the operating system
4	Save as...	Click the button	The button allows creating a unique name for the selected format. To save a format under a unique name: 1. Select Untitled in the Name field. 2. Select the values in the Format and Attributes fields. 3. Click the Save As button 4. Enter a unique name in the Save This Format As field and click OK. The newly created name will appear in the Name drop-down list.	String	-	-

3.4 Using the Converter.exe utility

3.4.1 General description of the Converter.exe utility

The Converter.exe utility is designed to convert and play back audio and video recordings from the archive and save them to a specified folder.

Using the Converter.exe utility includes:

1. Starting the utility (see [Starting and shutting-down the Converter.exe utility](#)).
2. Selecting an archive (see [Selecting an archive to be played or converted](#)).
3. Finding a recording in the selected archive (see [Selecting an archive to be played or converted](#)).
4. Playback of the recording (see [Recording playback](#)).
5. Finding the required recording fragment or frame (see [Searching for a video recording](#)).
6. Setting the export or conversion parameters (see [Converting video and audio archives to AVI files](#)).
7. Exporting the fragment or printing the frame (see [Exporting recordings and frames](#)).
8. Shutting-down the Converter.exe utility (see [Starting and shutting-down the Converter.exe utility](#)).

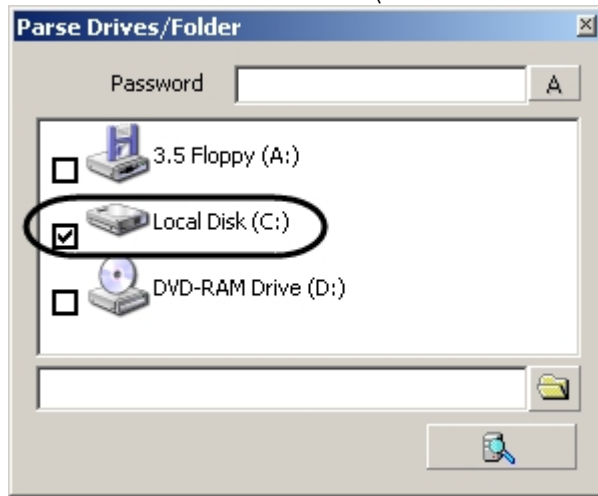
3.4.2 Selecting an archive to be played or converted

To search an archive for a recording, do the following:

1. Select the device the recording was made by, and its number (1).
2. Click the **Search** button (2).



3. Select the location of the archive (folder with archives for specific date and time) on an appropriate disk.



4. Click the  button.
5. Specify the time limits in the date/time fields (3).

The first frame of the required recording will be displayed in the video playback screen.

Note.

In case of searching for an audio recording, no visible signs of finding the recording will be shown. To check that a recording was found, play it.

Note.

Speed of records search directly depends on their number. The search process can take a lot of time if the archive depth is rather big and reading is performing from the network disk.

Note.

If video files that are to be opened were not recorded, but copied, then start the Convert.exe utility to open the archive (see [The Convert.exe utility for correcting modification dates of video archives](#) section):

- If the archive is created in the same time zone as it is viewed, then start the utility with the fullmode parameter:

`convert.exe fullmode`

- If the archive is created in different time zone than it is viewed, then move the archive to the current time zone by starting the utility with the following parameters in the command prompt:

`convert.exe fullmode TZ +hh:mm`

where +hh:mm is the time shift between the current time zone and the time zone of the archive.

Otherwise, the folders with video files fail to open.

3.4.3 Searching for a video recording

After the approximate time interval is selected using the date/time fields, and the required archive is found, it may be necessary to find a particular fragment or frame to be played or exported.

Searching for a fragment in a recording

To find the required video fragment in the selected recording, do the following:

1. Click the **Play** () button in the playback control panel.
2. When the required fragment appears, click the **Pause** () button.
3. Click the **Fragment Start** () button to make the current frame the start of the fragment.
4. Click the **Play** () button in the playback control panel.
5. When the required fragment ends, click the **Fragment End** () button to make the current frame the end of the fragment. All subsequent frames will be omitted.

The resultant recording fragment will then be available for conversion or export, maintaining the format and the creation date.

Searching for a frame in a recording

To find a particular frame in the selected recording, do the following:

1. Click the **Play** () button in the playback control panel.
2. When the required frame appears, click the **Pause** () button to enter the per frame playback mode.

Note.

If the recording is to be played back in the per frame playback mode starting with the first frame, then click the **Pause** () button instead of the **Play** () button.

3. Keep clicking the **Fragment Forward** () and **Fragment Back** () buttons, to browse the frames until the required frame appears on the screen.

The resultant frame may be printed or used as a starting frame for a fragment (see [Searching for a fragment in a recording](#) section).

Note.

To quit the per frame playback mode, click the **Pause** () button once more.

3.4.4 Recording playback

The recording selected by date and time, can be played in Converter.exe player using the playback control panel.



The panel contains five control buttons (left to right on the figure): **Back, Play, Pause, Stop, Forward**, allowing to play, pause, stop and browse the records.

1. If the **Stop** button is down (clicked), then it is possible to move between the recording segments by clicking the **Forward** or **Back** buttons. The recording segment means one of the following:
 - a segment of video recording between the commands to start and stop recording if the recording was initiated manually (for example, via a script or the camera's context menu);

- a segment of video recording between the beginning and the end of the detection tool triggering, taking into account the periods of pre- and post-recording in case the recording was initiated by any detection tool.
2. A short press of the **Play** button starts playing the recording segment from start to end. If the recording contains several recording segments, the **Play** button should be clicked to play each of them.
 3. To play a record consisting of several segments without stopping, press and hold the **Play** button for 1-2 seconds. The button then changes its appearance from  to . To stop playback, click **Stop**.
 4. To play the recording in the frame-by-frame mode: a) click **Play**, b) click **Pause**, c) keep clicking **Forward** or **Back** to view frames one by one.
 5. To view the recording segment in accelerated mode click the **Play** button and then click the **Forward** to accelerate twice relatively the previous speed. The current playback speed is displayed in titles above video image.
 6. To view the record section in slow motion, click the **Play** button and then click the **Back** to slow down twice relatively the previous speed. The current playback speed is displayed in titles above video image.

3.4.5 Converting video and audio archives to AVI files

Video and audio archives are converted into AVI format according to Converter.exe settings, using the **Export Setup** dialog box. The level of compression of the exported recording is determined by the following parameters:

1. **Frames Per Second** parameter – setting the parameters of the recording grooming;
2. **Video** button – selection of the video codec, in case of video archive export;
3. **Sound** button – set the sound quality parameters (frequency, bitrate, etc), in case of audio archive export.

Note.

If AVI format is used, the resultant file size should not exceed 2 GB.

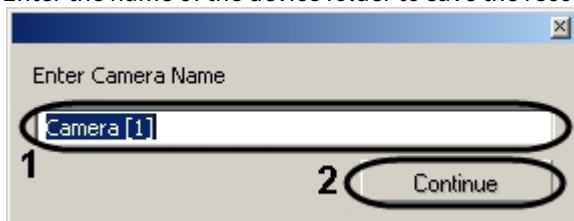
3.4.6 Exporting recordings and frames

Export of the recordings is one of the main functions of the Converter.exe utility. There are two ways of exporting records from an archive:

1. Export to AVI option converts (compresses) a recording and breaks it down into volumes (files of the size specified in the Export Setup dialog box).

To export the recording as AVI, do the following:

- a. Find the recording in an archive (see the [Selecting an archive to be played or converted](#) section).
- b. In the **Export Setup** dialog box, select the **Export to AVI** radio-button.
- c. Click the **Video** or **Sound** button to specify the conversion parameters. Click the **OK** button.
- d. Click the **Export to AVI/Archive** button () to start exporting.
- e. Enter the name of the device folder to save the recording to (1), then click **Continue** (2).



The export progress will be shown in the title bar of the Converter.exe window.



The title bar will read **Complete**, when exporting is completed. To verify the results, open the Backup folder and find the file named after the device from which archive the recording was exported.

2. The Export to Archive option allows copying the files from an archive to another location on the disk with no conversion, maintaining the recording creation date and an option for breaking it down into volumes.

To export a recording in the same format as it is stored in the archive, do the following:

- a. Find the recording in the archive (see the [Selecting an archive to be played or converted](#) section).
- b. In the **Export Setup** dialog box, select the **Export to Archive** radio-button.
- c. Specify volume size in the **Export Setup** dialog box. Click the **OK** button.
- d. Click the **Export to AVI/Archive** button () to start exporting.

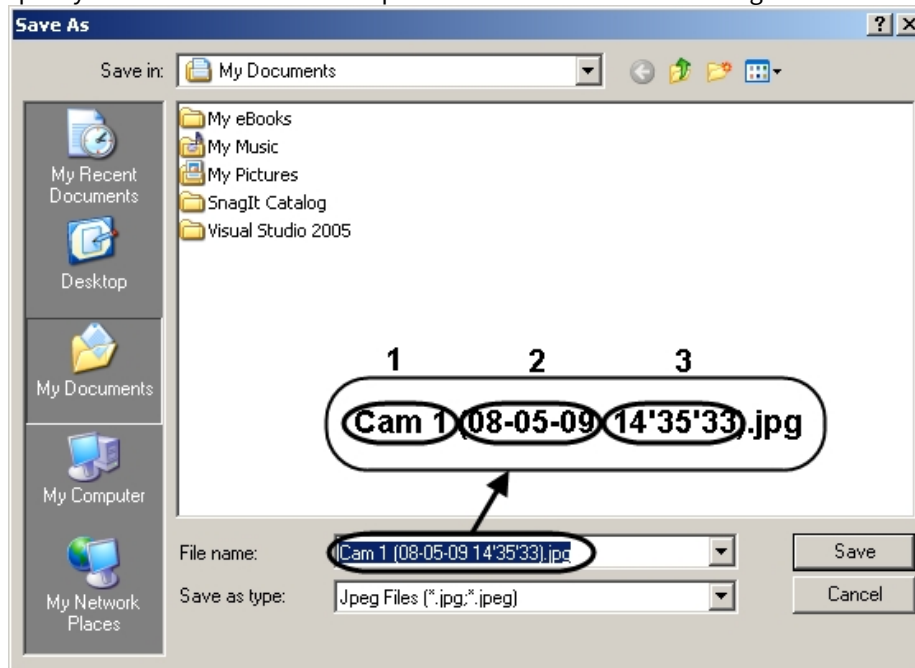
Note.

If AVI format is used, the resultant file size should not exceed 2 GB.

The Converter.exe utility allows exporting frames into bitmap and JPEG formats. Do the following:

1.
 - a. Find the required frame (see the [Searching for a frame in a recording](#) section).
 - b. In the **Export Setup** dialog box, specify the parameter values in the **Frame Export** group. Click the **OK** button.
 - c. Click the **Export Frame** button ().

- d. Specify the location to save the exported file to in the **Save As** dialog window.



The file name will be generated automatically in the following format: 1) name and number of the camera where the frame comes from; 2) creation date; 3) creation time. The file extension corresponds to the file format selected in the **Export Setup** dialog box.

- e. Click the **Save** button.

3.4.7 Using a command prompt to work with the Converter.exe utility

Video and frames can be exported with the help of a command prompt using the following commands:

Converter.exe Disc:\File,Number_Cam,StartDate StartTime,StopDate StopTime,CameraName

Converter.exe Disc:\File,Number_Cam,StartDate StartTime,,CameraName

Note.

If **StopDate and StopTime** parameters are not specified, then ',' is to be specified instead.

The table describes the command parameters.

Parameter	Description
Disk	Disk for storing exported files
File	Name of a catalogue or file. Note 1. If the catalogue or file specified in the command does not exist, it will be created automatically. Note 2. To export archive (video record in the original format) only catalogue name is to be specified.

Number_Cam	Number of a camera which performs the recording
StartDate	Date of record start (dd-mm-yy)
StartTime	Time of record start (hh:mm:ss)
StopDate	Date of record end (dd-mm-yy). Note. Parameter is not in use while exporting the separate frames
StopTime	Time of record end (hh:mm:ss) Note. Parameter is not in use while exporting the separate frames
CameraName	Name of the camera that is to be displayed in the titles on the exported video, as well as the name of the folder created in the specified export folder used for storing exported files.

The example of using the command prompt to export files is shown in the figure.

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C:\ Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Program Files\Интеллект\Tools>Converter.exe E:\Export,1,26-01-15 11:10:30,26
01-15 11:35:07,Camera 1

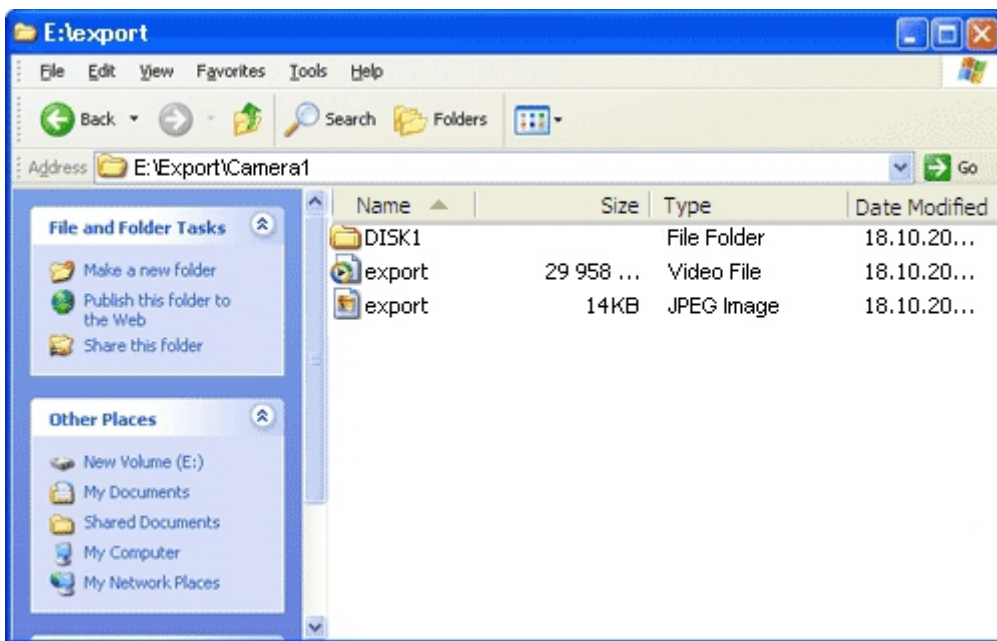
C:\Program Files\Интеллект\Tools>Converter.exe E:\Export\export.avi,1,26-01-15
11:10:30,26-01-15 11:35:07,Camera 1

C:\Program Files\Интеллект\Tools>Converter.exe E:\Export\export.jpg,1,26-01-15
11:10:30,26-01-15 11:35:07,Camera 1

C:\Program Files\Интеллект\Tools>_

```

As a result the “export” folder containing the exported files is created on the local disk “E”.



3.4.8 Printing a frame

To print a frame, do the following:

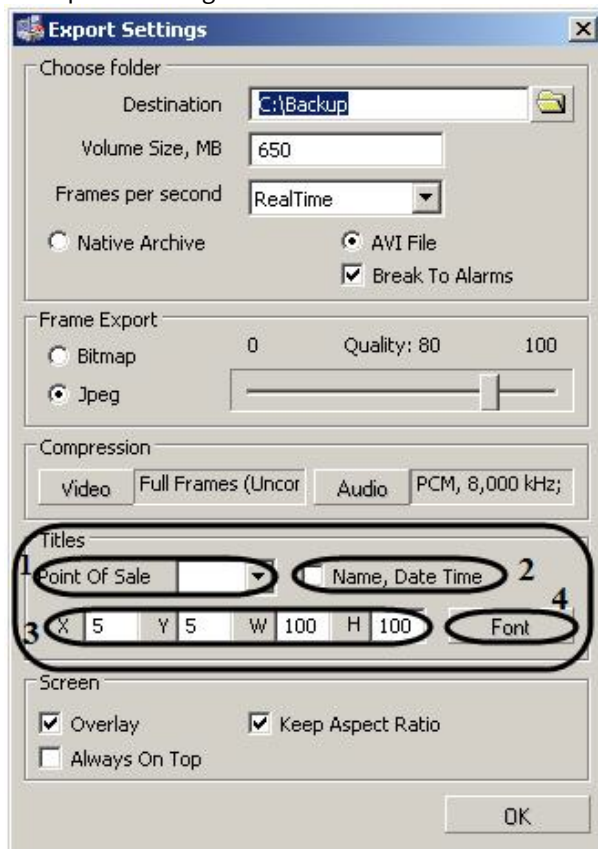
1. Find the required frame (see the [Searching for a frame in a recording](#) section).
2. Click the **Print Frame** button ().
3. A standard dialog box for printing and printer setup will be opened.

3.4.9 Exporting video with titles

Video with titles is exported as follows:

1. Run the Converter.exe utility(see [Starting and shutting-down the Converter.exe utility](#)).
2. Call for **Export Settings** dialog window in the opened window of Converter.exe utility and set its groups **Choose folder**, **Frame Export**, **Compression** and **Screen** (see. Interface description of [The Export Settings dialog box](#)).

3. Set the titles displaying in the **Titles group** in the dialog window **Export Settings**; table shows parameters description of the given.



No	Parameter name	Parameter description	Value range
1	Point of sale dropdown list	Name of cash terminal, titles from which should be laid over the video recording while viewing and exporting the frames and recordings with the help of Converter.exe utility.	Empty value– titles from all the titrates overlay function . no - overlay function is off. Number of cash terminal (from one and above) – function of displaying the titles concerning the given cash terminal.
2	Checkbox Name, Date, Time	When the given checkbox is activated , lines, containing name and number of a camera, date and time of creation of the given video frame , will be laid over the video recording.	Yes – lines, containing name and number of a camera, date and time of creation of the given video frame , will be laid over the video recording. No – lines, containing name and number of a camera, date and time of creation of the given video frame , will not be laid over the video recording.

3	Editing text fields X, Y, W, H	Coordinates and area size , taken by titles in the video recording. Is expressed in percentage relative to the screen size of video recording playback.	From 0 and above. Depends on the screen size of video recording playback.
4	Font button	Font selection of titles displaying.	-

Note.

If the cash terminal is selected, its value will not be saved with the repeated run of Converter.exe utility. On default displaying titles from all the titers is set.

4. To apply the settings it is necessary to click **OK** button. To cancel settings one should click the cross mark in the upper right corner of **Export Settings** dialog window.
5. Dialog window of Converter.exe utility for exporting the required file will open in result (see. [Exporting recordings and frames](#)).

Export of video recordings with titles is completed.

4 Tweaki.exe utility for advanced setup of the Axxon PSIM software system

4.1 The purpose of tweaki.exe utility

The tweaki.exe utility is designed for configuring the *Axxon PSIM* system by editing the sections of the Windows registry, where the setup parameters for the *Axxon PSIM* core and modules are stored:

- For 64-bit systems, the sections are HKLM\SOFTWARE\Wow6432Node\AxxonSoft and HKCU\SOFTWARE\Wow6432Node\AxxonSoft.
- For 32-bit systems, the sections are HKLM\SOFTWARE\AxxonSoft and HKCU\SOFTWARE\AxxonSoft.

Attention!

Specifying invalid values of the registry keys may lead to system failure.

The Tweaki.exe utility provides the following functionality:

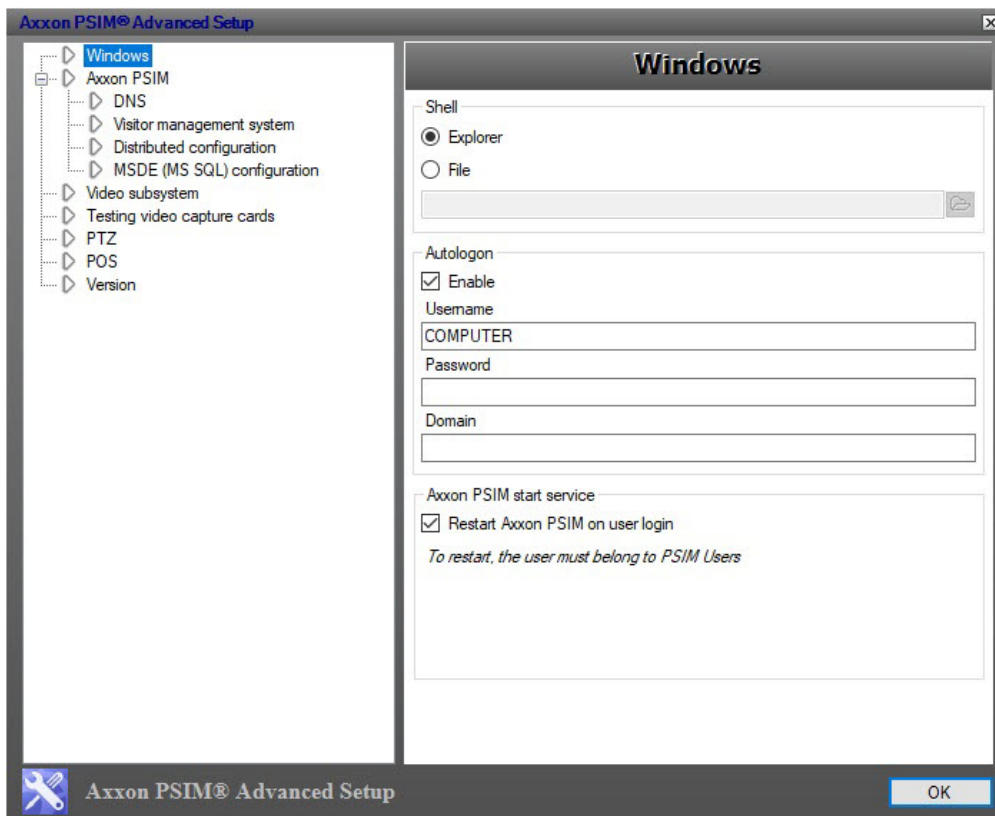
1. Setup of Axxon PSIM system start-up (see [The Settings panel of the Windows section](#));
2. Enabling the debug mode (see [Selecting and enabling the debug mode of Axxon PSIM software](#));
3. Advanced setup of the video surveillance monitor (see [The Settings panel of the Video subsystem section](#));
4. Advanced setup of events logging (see [The Settings panel of the Axxon PSIM section](#));
5. Advanced setup of video signal processing by Server (see [The Settings panel of the Video subsystem section](#));
6. Advanced setup of distributed architecture (see [Extended setup of the distributed architecture](#));
7. Changing netnames and IP-addresses in the configuration database (see [Changing computer names and IP addresses in the Axxon PSIM configuration database](#));
8. Limiting the RAM used by MS SQL server (see [Limiting memory usage by an MS SQL server](#));
9. Advanced setup of audio or video recording to an archive (see [The Settings panel of the Video subsystem section](#));
10. Re-indexing audio and video archives (see [Re-indexing the audio and video recordings archive](#));
11. Selecting the analog video out operation mode [The Settings panel of the Video subsystem section](#));
12. Testing the operability of video capture cards (see [Testing video capture cards](#));
13. Advanced setup of PTZ devices (see [The Settings panel of the PTZ section](#));
14. Advanced setup of POS-Axxon PSIM (see [The Settings panel of the POS PSIM section](#));
15. Displaying versions of Axxon PSIM modules (see [The Settings panel of the Version section](#)).

4.2 Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility

To start the tweaki.exe utility, do one of the following:

1. Start the utility from the Windows taskbar. Click **Start => All Programs => Axxon PSIM => Tools => Advanced settings utility**. The tweaki.exe utility is available from the **Start** menu with the following installation types of *Axxon PSIM*: Server, Remote administrator workstation, Remote client.
2. Start the utility from the **Tools** folder of the *Axxon PSIM* program folder: C:\Axxon PSIM\Tools\Tweaki.exe.

The **Axxon PSIM Advanced Setup** dialog box appears after running the tweaki.exe utility.

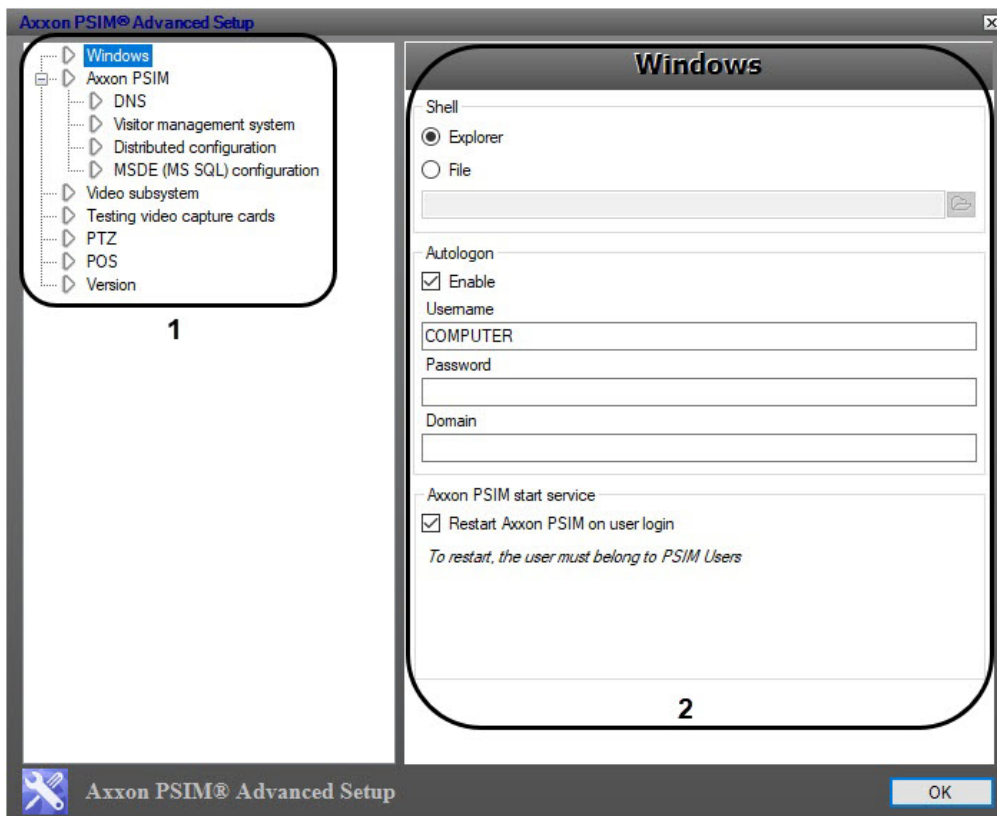


To shutdown the tweak.exe utility and save the changes click **OK**. To shutdown the tweak.exe utility without saving the changes, click .

4.3 Interface of the Tweak.exe utility

The user interface of the tweak.exe utility consists of two interrelated elements:

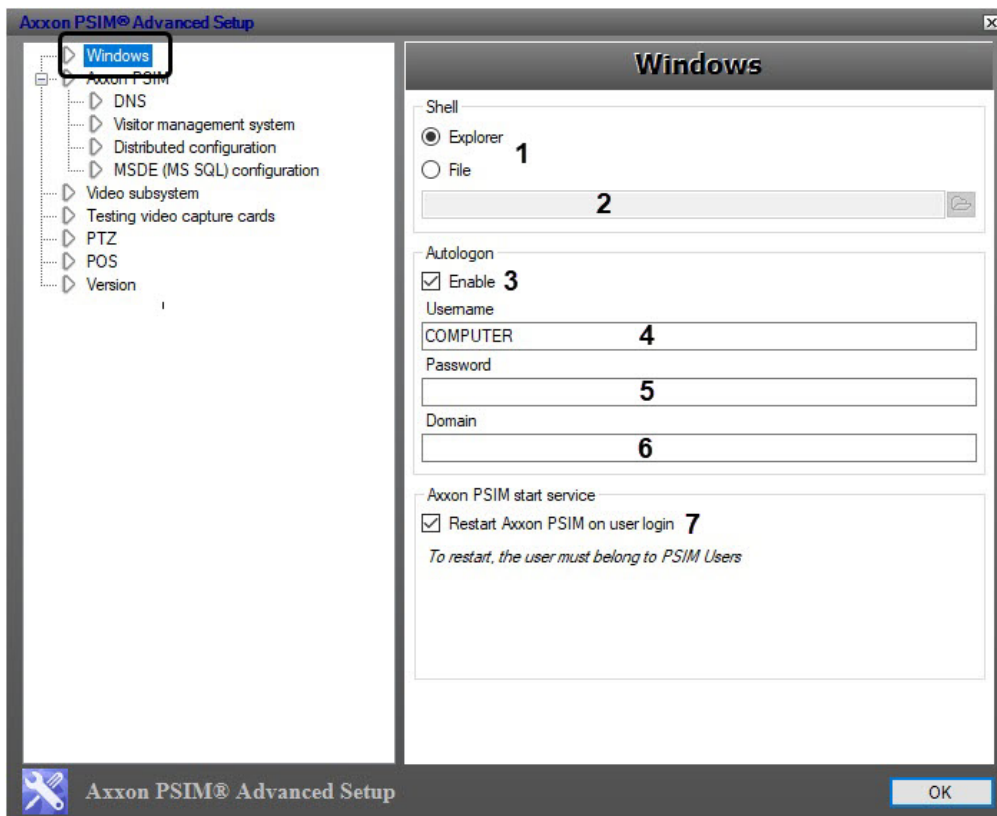
1. Tree of sections (**1**).
2. Settings panel for each section (**2**).



Sections tree of the tweaki.exe dialog box has static structure and is used for navigation in the utility. To access the settings panel for the required section, left-click the corresponding tree tab.

4.3.1 The Settings panel of the Windows section

The **Windows** section is used to set Windows running Windows OS. The settings panel for the **Windows** section is shown in the figure.



The parameters of the **Windows** setting panel are described in the table.

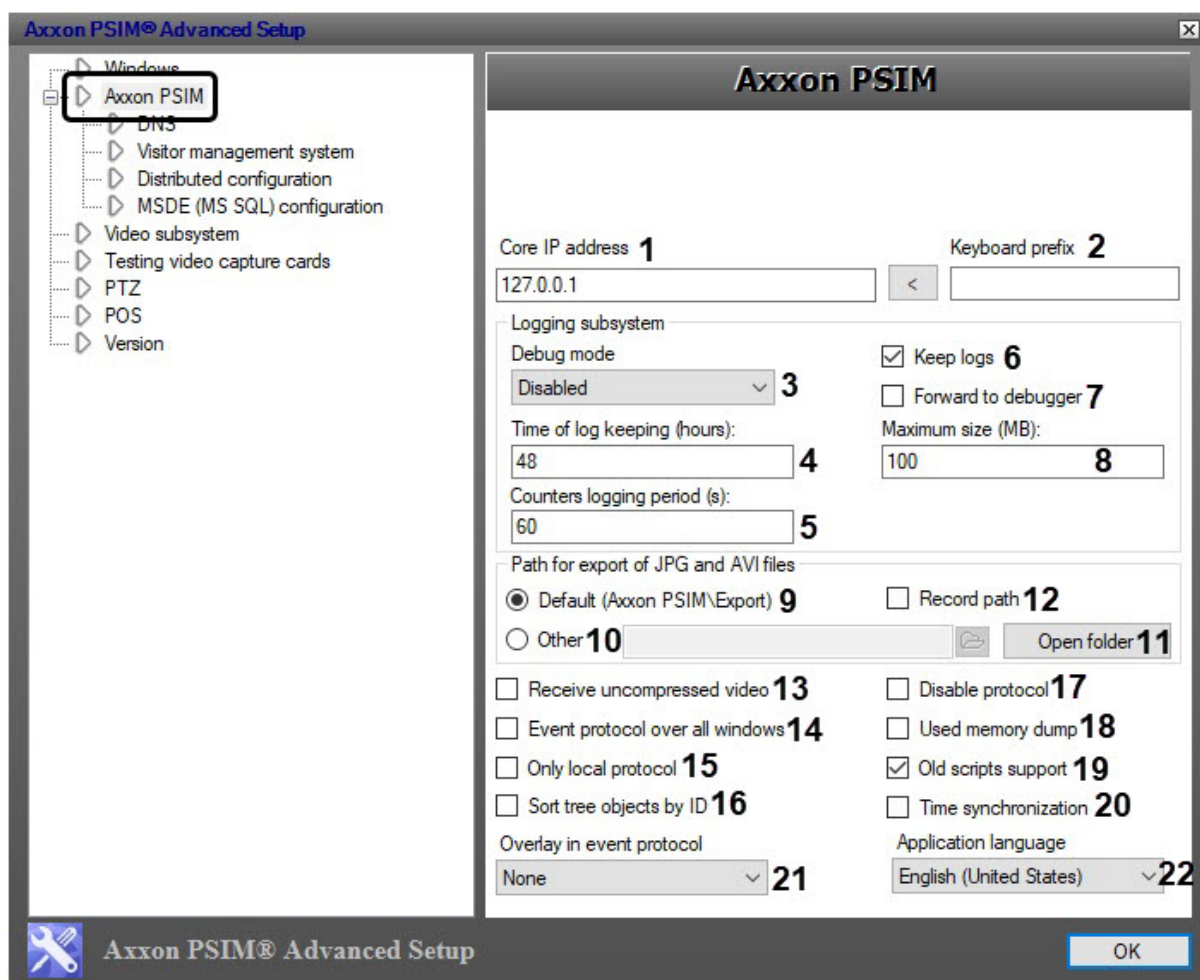
No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
The Shell group						
1	The Explorer/ File switch	Set in the position	Selection of Windows working shell Attention! Disable UAC to run the Axxon PSIM software package as the shell. Configuration of the local security policy is required for full disabling of UAC in the Windows 8 and Windows 8.1 OS – see OS settings for correct operation of Remote Admin Workstation or Server	-	Explorer	Explorer – Microsoft Explorer is loaded as working Windows OS shell (corresponds to standard Windows OS settings). File – Axxon PSIM starts as a working shell of Windows OS

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
2	The File field with  button. Active for the File switch position	Button is pressed	Opens standard Windows window «Open» to select shell file of OS Windows. Full path to the file is displayed in the field.	-	-	The psim.exe or psim_host.exe executive file is selected as a shell
The Autologon group						
3	The Enable checkbox	Checkbox	Activates automatic log on of the user to OS Windows	Boolean type	No	Yes – automatic log on of the user is activated No – automatic log on of the user is not activated
4	The Username field	Type-in the value	Set the username for logging on the OS Windows	-	-	Up to 64 characters. Depends on the settings of Windows user account (stored locally or on domain server)
5	The Password field	Type-in the value	Set the password for logging on the OS Windows	-	-	8 to 14 characters Depends on the settings of Windows user account (stored locally or on domain server)
6	The Domain field	Automaticaly	Displays the name of domain server (if there is any), where data concerning user account is stored (user name and password)	-	-	Depends on domain net settings (net settings of OS Windows correspondingly)

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
7	Restart Axxon PSIM on user login checkbox	Setting checkbox	Specifies the way of restart the <i>Axxon PSIM</i> software installed as a service on user login	Boolean type	Yes	Yes – the <i>Axxon PSIM</i> software installed as a service restarts under the current user if it belongs to the Axxon PSIM Users group. No – The <i>Axxon PSIM</i> software installed as a service doesn't restart under the current user even for users belonging to the Axxon PSIM Users group.

4.3.2 The Settings panel of the Axxon PSIM section

The **Axxon PSIM** section is used for *Axxon PSIM* advanced setup. The settings panel for the **Axxon PSIM** section is shown in the figure.



The parameters of the *Axxon PSIM* settings panel are described in the table.

N o	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representa tion	Default value	Value range
1	The Core IP address field with  button. Is set on the Client	Type-in the value in the field/use the  button	Set the IP address of the Axxon PSIM server to which the psim_host.exe module is connected by default. In case of pressing  button, IP address of the local computer is set.	IP address	127.0.0.1	Depends on net settings of the Server. In case of connection failure dialog window requiring IP address is displayed

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
2	The Keyboard prefix field	Type-in the value in the field	Set the prefix for a special key-board. When a button is pressed on this key-board the <i>Axxon PSIM</i> detects when the button was pressed on this very key-board	Symbol	-	Usually, a tilde (~), code 126
The Logging subsystem group						

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
3	The Debug mode dropdown list	Drop-down list item	Set the mode of the <i>Axxon PSIM</i> Debug window displaying	List of available modes of Debug window displaying	None	Disabled – Debug window is not displayed. Debug 1 – Debug window is displayed and a log-file containing recordings about modules errors is created. Debug 2 – Debug window is displayed and a log-file containing recordings about modules errors and alerts is created. Debug 3 – Debug window is displayed and a log-file containing recordings about all the modules events is created. Debug 4 – Debug window is displayed and a log-file containing recordings about all the modules events, and also additional menu that is individual for each module (used by programmers) are created.
4	The Log-storing time (hours) field	Type-in the value in the field	Set the time of keeping log files	Sequence	48 hours	> 0

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
5	The Counters logging time (sec) field	Type-in the value in the field	Assigns the time interval in seconds for logging processor load, memory usage, and disk usage.	Sequence	60	Positive whole numbers not less than 60 and zero. If the value 0 is specified, sensor data is not included in the log file.
6	The Save logs checkbox	Checkbox	Enables logs saving	Boolean type	Yes	Yes – logs are saved. No – logs are not saved.
7	The Redirect to debugger checkbox	Checkbox	Enables the debugger	Boolean type	None	Yes –the debugger is in use. No – the debugger is not in use.
8	The Maximum size (MB) field	Type-in the value in the field	Defines the maximum size of RAM that log files can use. Log files are archived after that size is reached.	Sequence	100 MB	>= 100 Values less than 100 Mb are ignored.
The JPG and AVI files export path group						
9	The Default (Axxon PSIM\Export)/Other switch	Set in the position	Set the folder for exported files from <i>Axxon PSIM</i> video archive	-	Default (Axxon PSIM\Export)	Default (Axxon PSIM\Export) – exported to the C: \Users\%current user name% \Documents\Axxon PSIM\export\ folder Other – exported to the selected folder

N o	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representa tion	Default value	Value range
1 0	The Other field with the  button	Click the button/type- in the value in the field	Set the pathname to the folder, where files from video archive are to be exported when the switch is set in the Other position	Pathname	-	-
1 1	The Open folder button	Click the button	Opens the current folder to export the files	-	-	-
1 2	The Record path checkbox	Checkbox	The checkbox forbids export catalogue change while exporting the archive period as well as exporting the archive from AviExport utility.	Boolean type	No	Yes – export catalogue change is forbidden. No – export catalogue change is allowed.
No group						
1 3	The Receive uncompressed video checkbox	Checkbox	Enables receiving uncompressed video from the Server. As a rule is set on the Client	Boolean type	No	Yes – Client receives uncompressed video from the Server No – Client receives compressed video from the Server
1 4	The Event viewer over all windows checkbox	Checkbox	Enable displaying the Event viewer window over all windows.	Boolean type	No	Yes – the Event viewer window is displayed over all windows. No – the Event viewer window is displayed if a corresponding screen is selected

N o	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representa tion	Default value	Value range
1 5	The Only local protocol checkbox	Checkbox	Enables logging the events registered in the given computer to the Events protocol database. Note. <i>This parameter can be set on the settings panel of the Computer object – see Configuring events logging section.</i>	Boolean type	No	Yes – events registered in the given computer are recorded to the Events protocol database No – all required events are recorded to the Events protocol database
1 6	The Sort tree objects by ID checkbox	Checkbox	Enables sorting of objects in the tree by identifier. Note 1. <i>If sorting by name is chosen, and there are numbers in the object name, then the objects will be sorted in alphabetical order. For example, an object with the name "115" will be above the object with the name "15", because in the name "115" the second number is 1, and in the name "15" the second number is 5.</i> Note 2. <i>This key also affects the sorting of objects in the tree when adding the objects to a layer in the Map Editor utility.</i>	Boolean type	No	Yes – objects in the tree are sorted by identifier No – objects in the tree are sorted by name

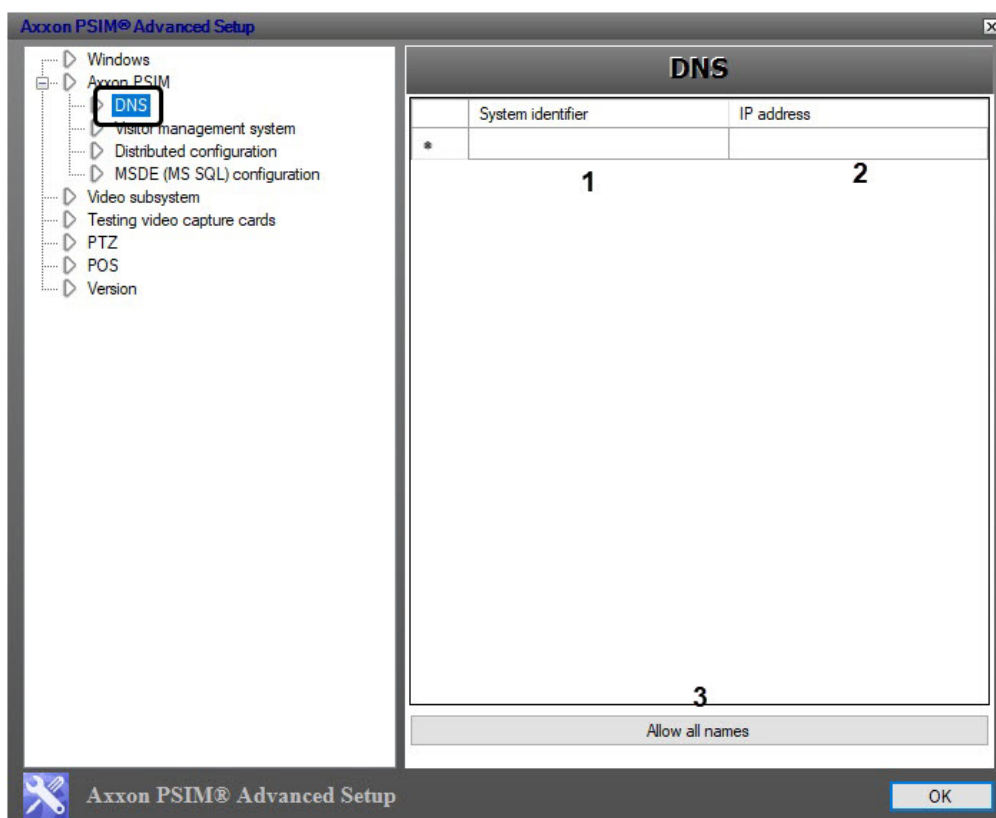
N o	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representa tion	Default value	Value range
1 7	The Disable protocol checkbox	Checkbox	Disables events logging to the Event viewer database on this computer. Note. <i>This parameter can be set on the settings panel of the Computer object – see Configuring events logging section.</i>	Boolean type	No	Yes – events are not logged to the Event viewer database No – events are logged to the Event viewer database
1 8	The Used memory dump checkbox	Checkbox	Enables logging .dmp file with a copy of main memory with incorrect shutting down at least one of the system modules to the <i>Axxon PSIM</i> root folder	Boolean type	No	Yes – memory dump is created No – memory dump is not created
1 9	The Support old scripts checkbox	Checkbox	Set the support of program tools in <i>Axxon PSIM</i>	Boolean type	No	Yes – both scripts and programs are supported No – only scripts are supported

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
20	The Time synchronization checkbox	Checkbox	Set time synchronization of all computers in the distributed system with system time of this computer. Time is automatically synchronized at midnight every 24 hours or when <i>Axxon PSIM</i> is started on the Server that is the source of time synchronization.	Boolean type	No	Yes – synchronization is enabled No – synchronization is disabled
21	The Overlay in Event protocol dropdown list	Drop-down list item	Set the overlay mode for processing the video signals that can be viewed with the help of the Event protocol object	Names of overlay modes	Overlay 2	None – video signals are not processed by video card Overlay 1 – Direct3D is used Overlay 2 – DirectDraw is used
22	The Application language dropdown list	Drop-down list item	Assigns the <i>Axxon PSIM</i> Software System's interface language	Names of installed languages	-	Depends on the set of installed languages.

The Settings panel of the DNS section

The **DNS** section is used for setting the automatic connection between the Client and reserve Servers in case of connection loss with the main Server. In the **DNS** section it is necessary to specify netnames and IP-addresses of reserve Servers as they are not listed in the Windows registry by default.

The settings panel for the **DNS** section is shown in the figure.



The parameters of the DNS settings panel are described in the table.

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
1	The System identifier column	Type-in the value in the field	Set the netname of the reserve video Server if the connection with main Server is lost	-	-	Depends on net settings of reserve video server
2	The IP-address column	Type-in the value in the field.	Set the IP-address of the selected reserve video Server	IP-address	-	Depends on net settings of reserve video Server

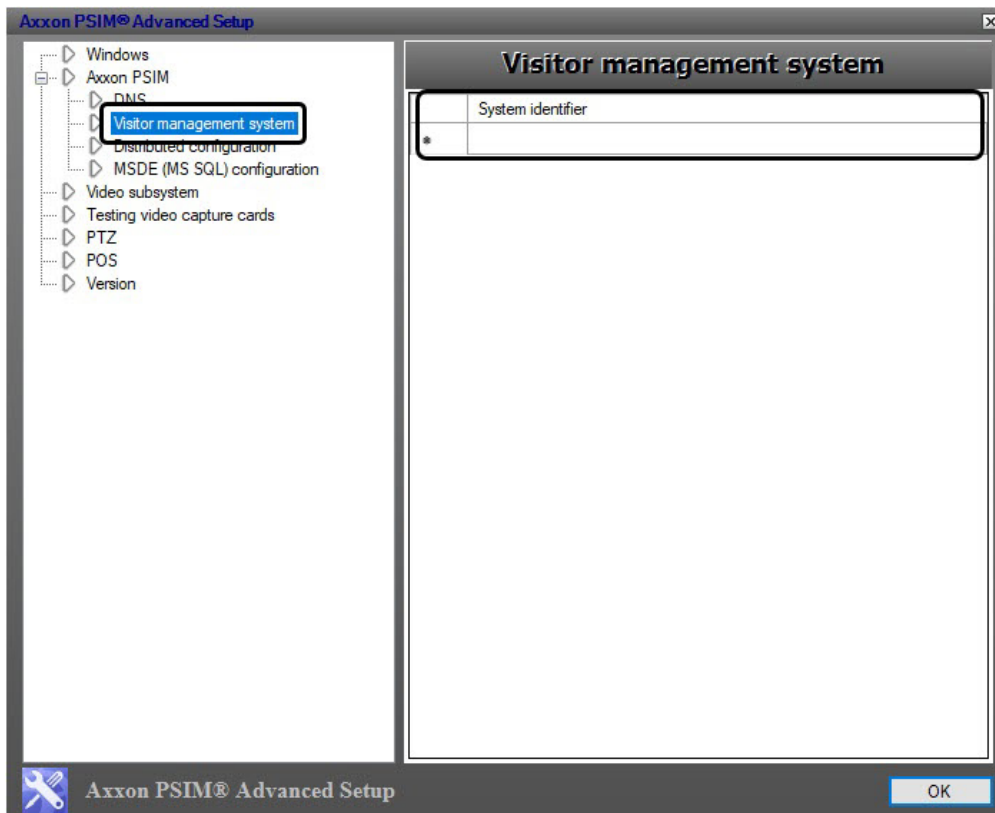
Nº	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
3	The Allow all names button	Click the button	Computer's IP-addresses, set in the System identifier column, are automatically added to the IP-address column, if these addresses are enabled and identified	-	-	-

The Settings panel of the Visitor management system section

The **Visitor management system** section is designed for creating common photo database of the *Access Manager* module (is not included into *Axxon PSIM* base configuration). In this section it is necessary to specify netnames of computer where the photos are to be stored. Photos are to be stored in the **Person** folder (<Axxon PSIM>\Bmp\Person).

Note.

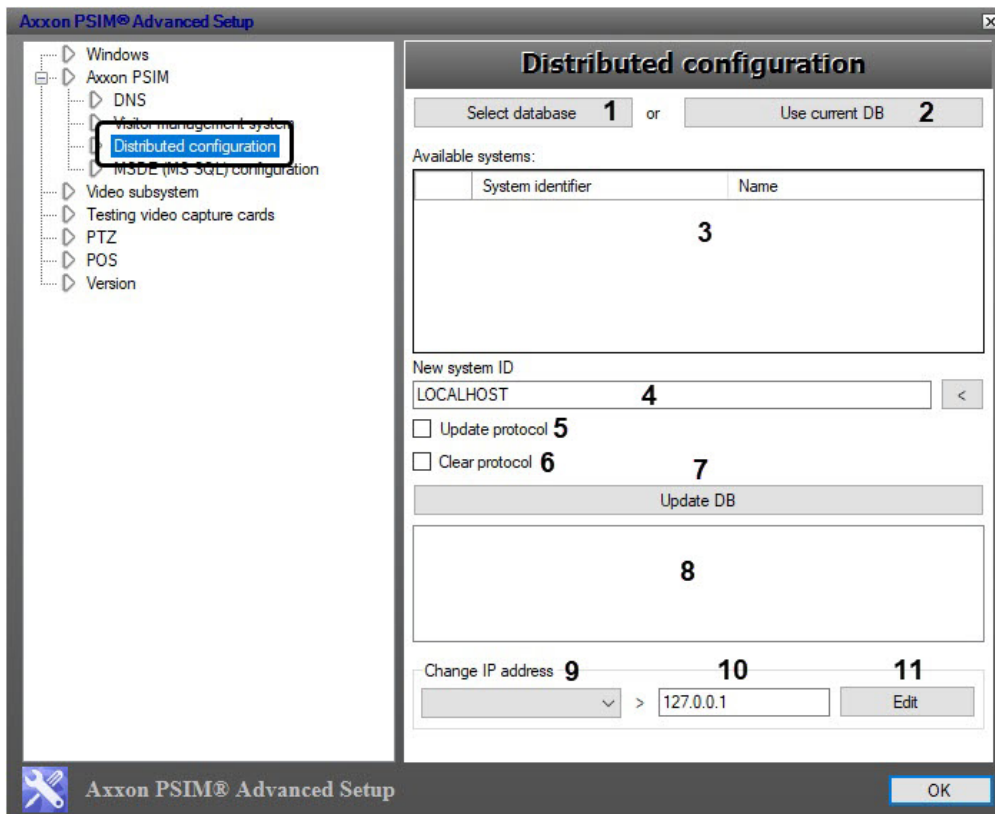
The **Person** folder is automatically created when the *Access Manager* module is installed.



The Settings panel of the Distributed configuration section

The **Distributed configuration** section is for *Axxon PSIM* common database adjustment when real computer netnames do not coincide with the names in the database (for instance when the computer with the database is replaced). The section is also used for adjusting IP-address of selected computer in the database.

The settings panel for the **Distributed configuration** section is shown in the figure.



The parameters of the settings panel are described in the table.

Nº	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
1	The Select database button	Click the button	Opens the standard Data Link Properties dialog box to choose the database, where netname and/or IP-address are to be changed.	-	-	-

Nº	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
2	The Use current DB button	Click the button	Selection of main <i>Axxon PSIM</i> database			
3	The Available systems table	Automatically	Displays the list of netnames of computers that are in selected database	-	-	Netnames of computers connections between which are set on the Architecture tab
4	The New system ID field with  button	Button is clicked and value is selected from the list/ typed in the field.	Specifies a new netname of a computer selected in the Available systems table	-	-	Depends on the current net settings of the required computer. If the network name is longer than 15 characters, then first 15 characters are to be specified as the network name in this field
5	The Update protocol checkbox	Checkbox	Replaces the computer's netname in the Events protocol table of the selected main Axxon PSIM database	Boolean type	None	Yes – computer's netname is replaced in the Events protocol table No – computer's netname is not replaced in the Events protocol table

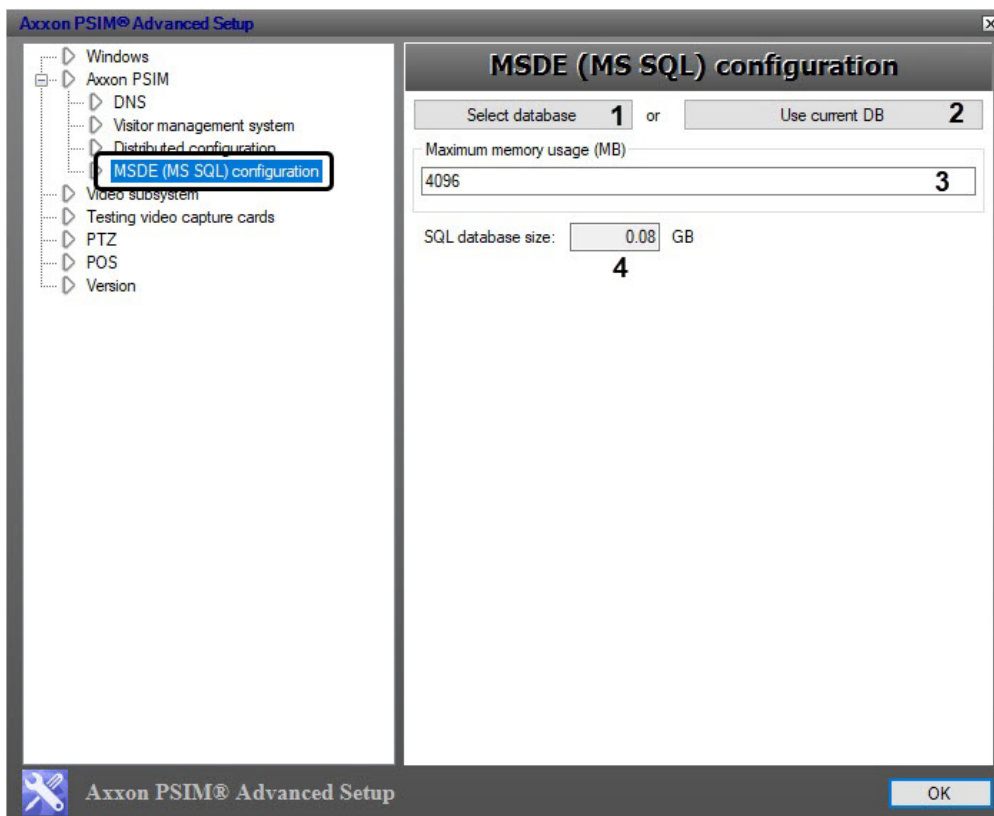
Nº	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
6	The Clear protocol checkbox	Checkbox	Clears the event log from the Events protocol table of the selected main <i>Axxon PSIM</i> database	Boolean type	None	No – the list of registered events is not cleared Checked – the list of registered events is cleared
7	The Update DB button	Click the button	Runs the process of updating the selected database in accordance with given settings	-	-	-
8	The Update protocol field	Automatically	Displays updating process of the selected database	-	-	Depends on the structure of the selected database and the given settings
The Change IP address group						
9	The dropdown list with IP-addresses	Select from the list	Specifies IP-address that is to be changed in the selected database	IP-addresses of computers in the selected database	-	Depends on the number of computers connections between which are set on the Architecture tab
10	Field of setting IP-address	Type-in the value in the field	Specifies a new IP-address to be changed in the selected database	IP-address	127.0.0.1	Depends on the current net settings of the required computer

Nº	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
11	The Edit button	Click the button	Changes the IP-address of the required computer in the selected database	-	-	-

The Settings panel of the MSDE (MS SQL) configuration section

The **MSDE (MS SQL) configuration** section is designed for setting the limits of RAM space for MS SQL Server operation with databases of SQL format. This limitation enhances the performance of the system.

The settings panel for the **MSDE (MS SQL) configuration** section is shown in the figure.



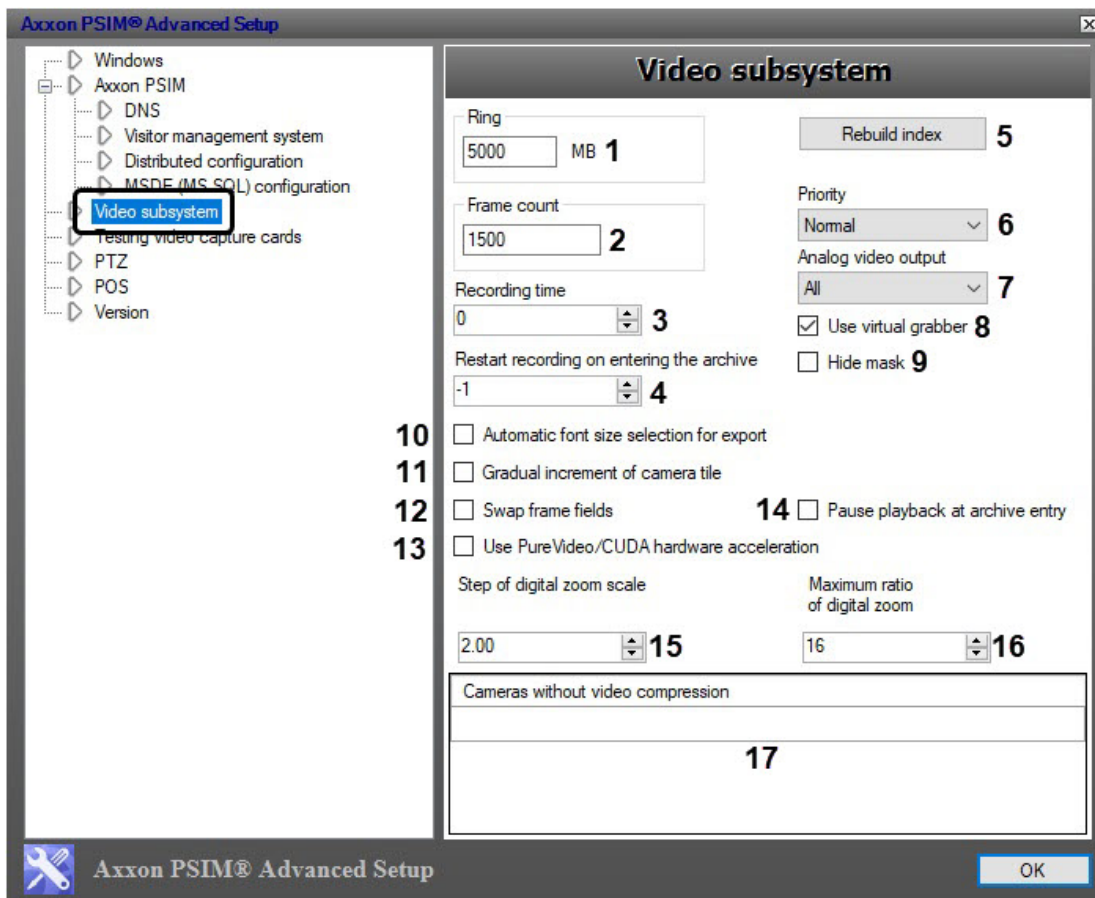
The parameters of the settings panel are described in the table.

Nº	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
1	The Select database button	Click the button	Opens the standard Data Link Properties dialog box for choosing the database of MS SQL format the RAM space for which is to be limited.	-	-	-
2	The Use current DB button	Click the button	Selects the main Axxon PSIM database	-	-	-
3	The Maximum memory usage (MB) indicator	Enter the value in the field	Sets the space of RAM in MB for SQL Server operation	MB	4096	Depends on full space of RAM.
4	The SQL database size field	Automaticall y	Displays the current size of all MS SQL databases on the Server	Positive real number with amount precision – two decimals	-	Depends on the capacity of storage where the database is.

4.3.3 The Settings panel of the Video subsystem section

The **Video subsystem** section is designed for advanced setup of the video subsystem in order to enhance the performance of *Axxon PSIM*.

The settings panel for the **Video subsystem** section is shown in the figure.



The parameters of the settings panel are described in the table.

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
1	The Ring field	Enter the value in the field	Sets free disk space; when the limit is reached the earliest recordings will be deleted on loop (see General information on video archiving). If 2 or more disks are in use for video archiving, archiving on current disk is performed till there is FreeMbCritical of free disk space (1000 Mb by default, see the info on the key in Registry keys reference guide). Free space set by the Ring parameter is used for recording temporary files. This means that when the limit set by the Ring parameter is reached, the maximum size of the temporary file is Ring (registry key FreeMb). Video can contain less frames than set by the Frame count parameter. <i>Note. Old recordings may get deleted before the remaining disk space reaches the specified value if the disk space is less than 15000</i>	MB	5000	Depends on the disk space

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
2	The Frame count field	Enter the value in the field	Sets the maximum number of frames in one recording file	Frame	1500	1500 to 10000. It is not recommended to change the default value
3	The Recording time list	Enter the value in the field / select from the list	Sets the length of the file in seconds, restricting fragment's size not by number of frames but by time of its recording	Time in sec	0	Unlimited
4	The Record restart when entering the archive checkbox	Enter the value in the field / select from the list	Enables restarting record on archive entering	Integer	No	0 – patch that has been recorded on archive entering is stopped and a new one starts. As a result the user who enters the archive sees a freeze frame corresponding to that on exiting >0 – the recording is restarted when entering the archive, while positioning in the archive is carried out with a shift back to the specified value in seconds -1 – recording is not stopped on archive entering
5	The Rebuild index button	Click the button	Deletes the database index file. After deleting the index, restart <i>Axxon PSIM</i> for a new index to be created	-	-	-

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
6	The Priority dropdown list	Select the value from the list	Sets the priority of all <i>Axxon PSIM</i> video system processes	Names of priority processes	Below normal	Realtime, High, Above normal, Normal, Below normal, Low
7	The Analog video output drop-down list	Select the value from the list	Selects analog output operation mode	Names of available modes	All	All – video signals from all the analog outputs are displayed on one screen One – video signal from one analog output is displayed on one screen
8	The Use virtual grabber checkbox	Set the checkbox	Allows access to virtual Video Capture Devices settings (grabber) in <i>Axxon PSIM</i> . <i>Note. Desktop Experience Feature is to be enabled when using a virtual video capture device on server OS and avi files</i>	Boolean type	No	Yes – the Virtual value is available from the Type drop-down list on the settings panel of the Video Capture Device objects No – the Virtual value is not available for the Video Capture Device objects
9	The Hide mask checkbox	Set the checkbox	Prohibits displaying video hidden with the motion detector mask. Video area marked with motion detector mask will be grey-filled. This feature supports only uncompressed video from FS or FX video capture cards	Boolean type	No	No – video hidden with the mask is displayed Yes – video hidden with the mask video is not displayed

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
10	The Automatic font size selection for export checkbox	Set the checkbox	Enables the relative font size for captions (camera No. and time) when exporting a frame or fragments of the video archive	Boolean type	No	No – when exporting a frame, regardless of the video resolution, the caption size remains constant as set by the SubtitlesFontSize registry key, see the Registry keys reference guide. Yes – when exporting a frame, the caption size is scaled depending on the video resolution.
11	The Gradual increment of camera tile checkbox	Set the checkbox	Enables a gradual increase of the Video Surveillance window on the custom layout by double-clicking the left mouse button. All Video surveillance windows on the layout should be the same size to ensure proper operation of the key	Boolean type	No	No – the Video surveillance window is expanded to the entire Video surveillance monitor by double-clicking the left mouse button. Yes – by double-clicking the left mouse button, the Video Surveillance Window is enlarged gradually: the first double-click enlarges it 2 times of the initial size, the second double click enlarges 3 times of the initial size, etc. The Video Surveillance Windows adjacent to it are hidden on the layout.

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
1 2	The Swap frame fields checkbox	Set the checkbox	Switches <i>Axxon PSIM</i> from basic to additional driver if there are video artifacts while using basic driver	Boolean type	No	No – <i>Axxon PSIM</i> operates with basic driver Yes – <i>Axxon PSIM</i> operates with additional driver
1 3	The Use PureVideo/ CUDA hardware acceleration checkbox	Set the checkbox	Enables PureVideo/ CUDA support on the Server while decompressing video from IP devices if PureVideo HD card of the 2 nd or 3 rd generation (NVIDIA VP2 and VP3) is installed. Used to reduce Server load due to resources of graphics processor	Boolean type	Yes	No – PureVideo/CUDA is not in use Yes – PureVideo/ CUDA is in use
1 4	The Pause playback at archive entry checkbox	Set the checkbox	The Pause button is pressed on archive entering	Boolean type	No	Yes – the Pause button is pressed on archive entering, archive navigation using arrow keys No – the Pause button is not pressed on archive entering
1 5	The Step of digital zoom scale field	Enter the value in the field / select the value from the list	Specifies the fractional step of video image zooming	Real numbers with the fixed point	2,00	Maximum value depends on the maximum scale of digital zoom (see. №17). Minimum value is 1,00
1 6	The Maximum scale of digital zoom field	Enter the value in the field / select the value from the list	Specifies the maximum value of digital zoom of video image	Numbers	16	1-16

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
17	The Camera without video compression table	Enter the value in the field	Specifies the numbers of cameras connected to the video capture cards with compression. There is no compression for these cameras, i.e. the compressor settings in <i>Axxon PSIM</i> are ignored	Camera's serial number	-	Depends on the number of cameras registered in the system

Note

Setting the non-zero value to the **Recording time** parameter does not exclude the **Frame count** parameter. If the values for both parameters are set, then the file recording will be performed in accordance with the value which comes first. For instance, if the value of **Recording time** is equal to 10 seconds and **Frame count** is equal to 500 frames (by default) and in ten seconds the fragment consists of 80 frames, then 80-frame file is recorded.

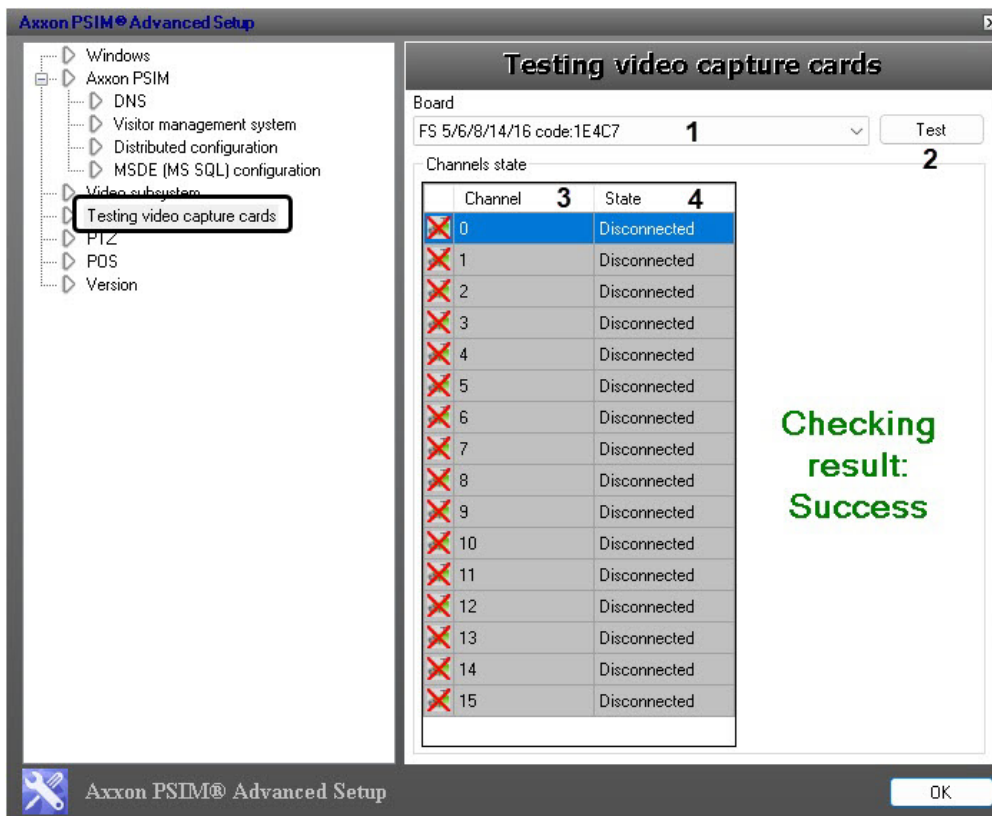
4.3.4 The Settings panel of the Testing video capture cards section

The **Testing video capture cards** section is designed to test the connection of the cameras to the video capture card.

Note.

To use this functionality *Axxon PSIM* is to be logged off. Otherwise there is “Cards not found” message.

The settings panel for the **Testing video capture cards** section is shown in the figure.



The parameters of the settings panel are described in the table.

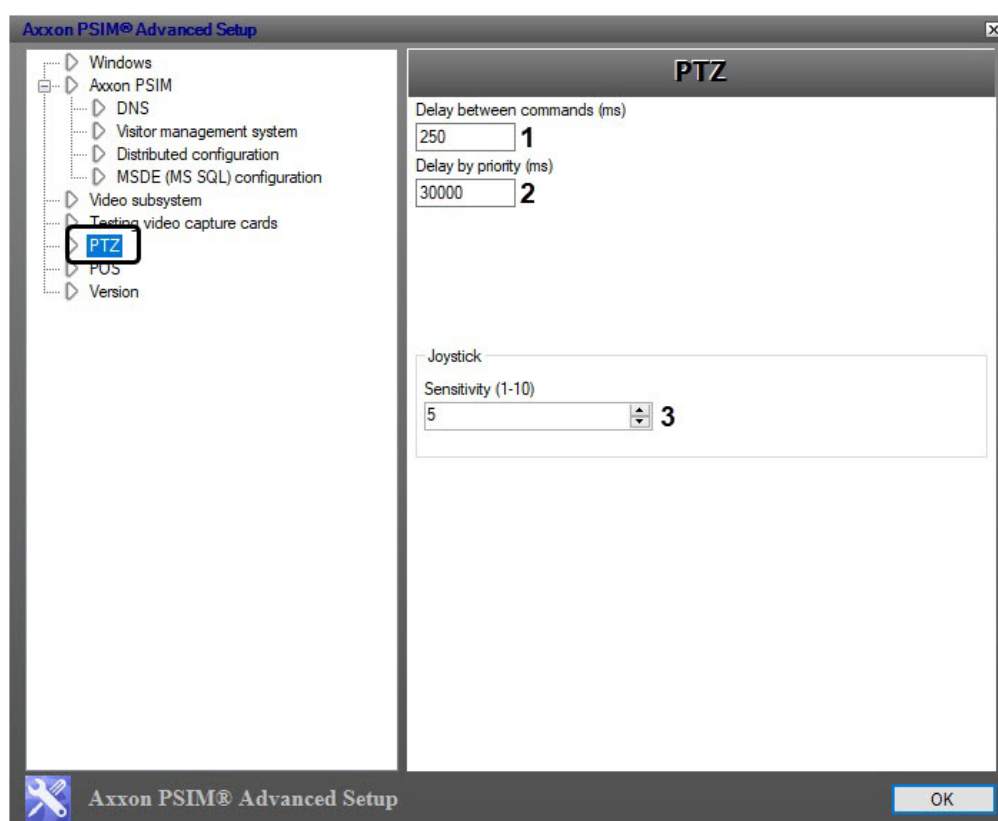
No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
1	The Board dropdown list	Drop down list	Specifies the video capture card which camera connections are to be checked	List of video capture cards	-	Depends on the number of installed video capture cards
2	The Test button	Click the button	Starts the testing process of the video capture card. The <i>Axxon PSIM</i> system is to be closed at the time of testing.	-	-	-
The Channels state table						
3	The Channel column	Automatically	Displays the channels numbers of the selected video capture card	-	-	From 1 to 16

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
4	The State column	Automatically	Displays the state of camera connections to the channels of the selected video capture cards			Attach – camera is attached Detach – camera is detached

4.3.5 The Settings panel of the PTZ section

The **PTZ** section is used for setting the telemetry control elements.

The settings panel for the **PTZ** section is shown in the figure.

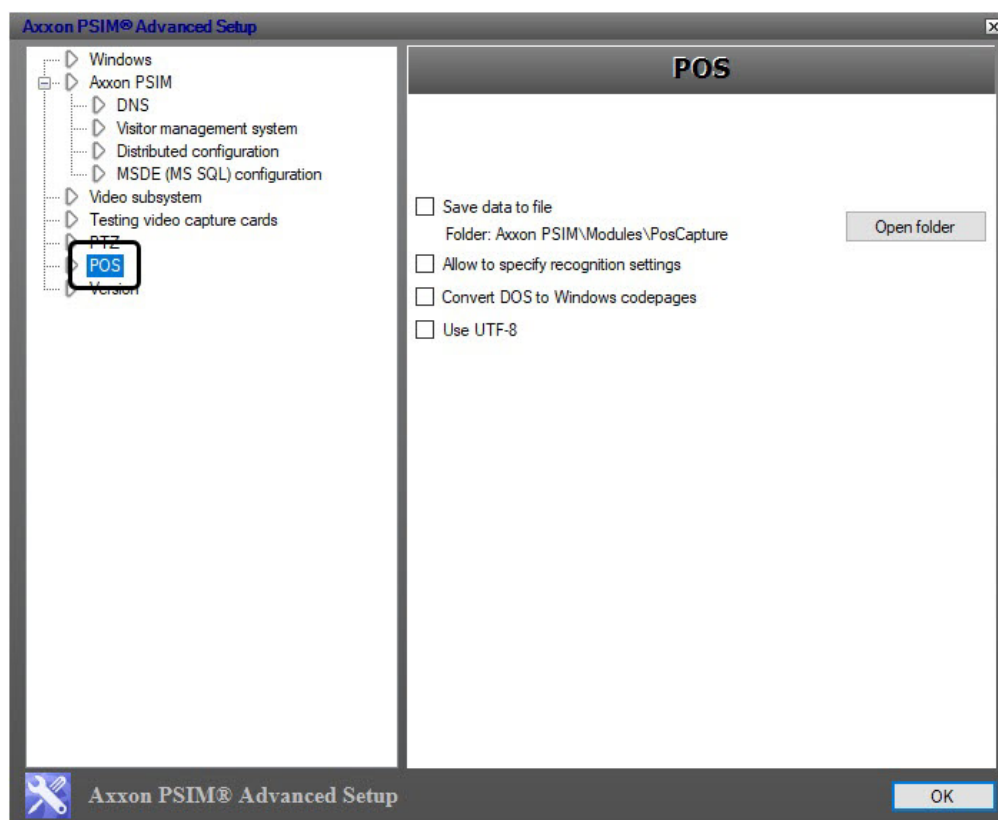


The parameters of the **PTZ** settings panel are described in the table.

No	Parameter name	Field type	Description	Representation	Default value	Value range
1	The Delay between commands (ms) field	Type-in the value	Sets the delay time between executing the commands for PTZ devices This parameter is not supported by IP cameras.	ms	250	No limitations. It is not recommended to change the default value.
2	The Delay by priority (ms) field	Type-in the value	Sets the delay time before switch from the PTZ control to a user with lower or equal priority.	ms	30000	No limitations. It is not recommended to change the default value.
The Joystick group						
3	The Sensitivity (1-10) field	Enter the value in the field	Sets sensitivity of the joystick: the less value the more sensitivity. If value of parameter is small then camera will react on even small deviations of the joystick. If value of parameter is great the camera will stay fixed until significant deviation of joystick	Sensitivity in conditional units	5	1-10

4.3.6 The Settings panel of the POS PSIM section

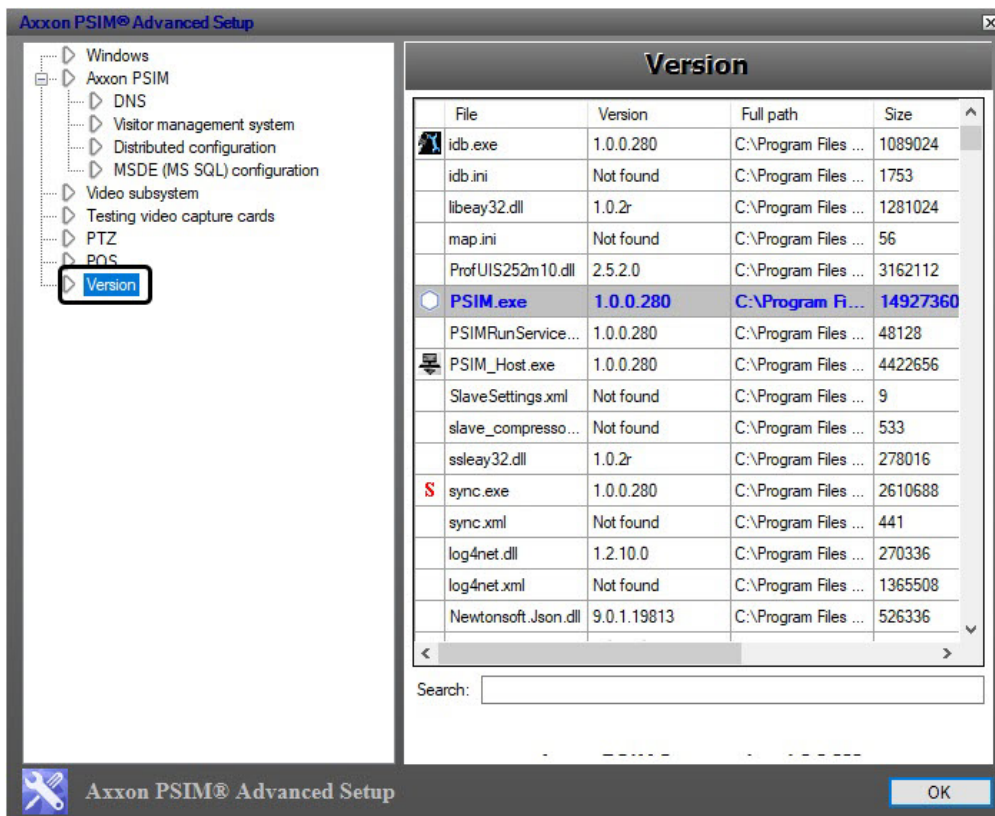
The POS-psim.section is designed for setting the *POS PSIM* module for controlling cashier operations (is not included in *Axxon PSIM* basic version). Detailed information about *POS PSIM* configuring using the *tweaki.exe* utility is presented in [The settings panel for the POS sections using the tweaki.exe utility](#) section in the Administrator's Guide documentation for *POS PSIM* software package.



4.3.7 The Settings panel of the Version section

The **Version** section provides information about *Axxon PSIM* software modules: versions, paths to executable files and .dll libraries, file sizes and dates of creation and modification.

The settings panel for the **Version** section is shown in the figure.



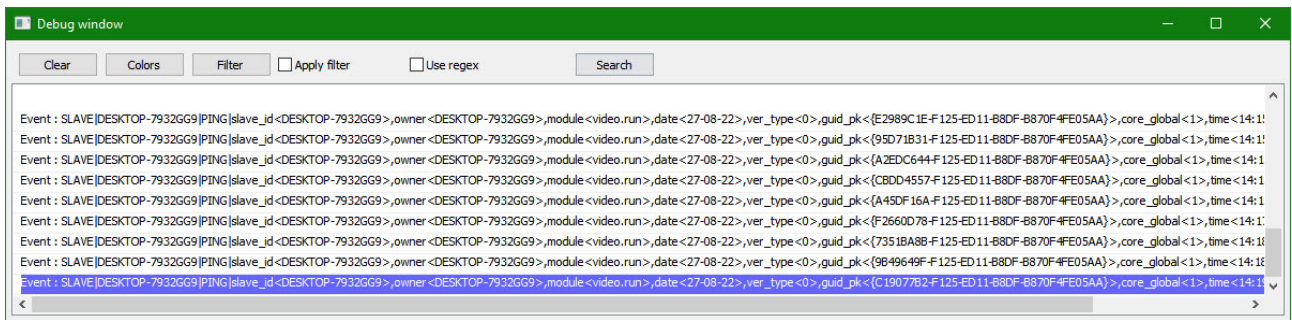
4.4 Typical tasks concerning system extended settings

4.4.1 Selecting and enabling the debug mode of Axxon PSIM software

On the page:

- [Enabling debug mode](#)
- [Configuring log keeping](#)

Debug mode is a special operation mode when the Debug Window is open, and is designed for analyzing the progress of *Axxon PSIM* software operation and for prompt debugging in case errors occur. Log files are created in this mode – they are stored on the disk for a specific time period.

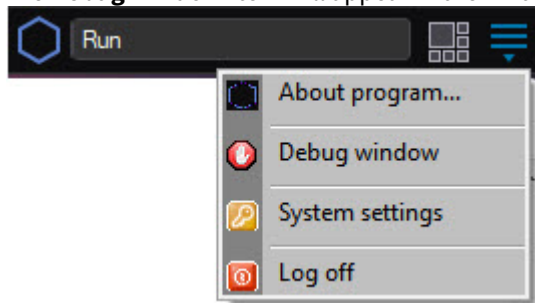


Enabling debug mode

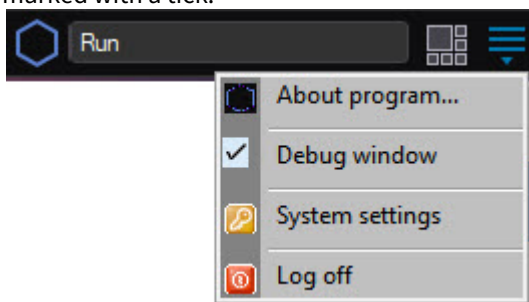
By default, debug mode is disabled. To enable debug mode, do the following:

1. Shut down *Axxon PSIM*.
2. Start the *Tweaki.exe* utility (see the [Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility](#))
3. Select the **Axxon PSIM** node in the tree on the left side of the utility dialog box.
4. Change the parameter **Debug Mode** from **None** to **Debug 1**, **Debug 2**, **Debug 3** or **Debug 4** (see [The Settings panel of the Windows section](#)).
5. Click the **OK** button.
6. Start *Axxon PSIM*.

The **Debug window** item will appear in the *Axxon PSIM* main control menu.



7. Select **Debug window** in the main control menu to open the **Debug window**. The selected item will be marked with a tick.



To hide the **Debug window**, select the **Debug window** item in the menu once more.

Note

The debug mode slows the system down and uses a lot of system resources. We strongly recommend to enable debug mode for debugging purposes only and to disable it when all the settings are completed.

Note

Find details in the [The Debug window](#) section of [Programming Guide \(JScript\)](#).

Configuring log keeping

One can set log keeping parameters both on the *Axxon PSIM* setting panel in the Tweaki.exe utility (see [The Settings panel of the Axxon PSIM section](#)) and using some registry keys:

1. The **Time of log keeping (hours)** parameter means the same as DebugTime registry key. It specifies the number of hours for keeping log files. 48 hours by default.
2. The **Maximum size (MB)** parameter means the same as DebugSize registry key. It specifies the number of megabytes provided for log. 100 MB by default.
3. The DebugZipDays registry key enables the logs archiving in the .gz format and specifies the time period for their keeping. 2 days by default.

Log files are rewritten when one of these parameters is at its maximum.

Find more about registry keys in [Registry keys reference guide](#).

Example.

The **Time of log keeping (hours)** is 720 hours (1 month) and the **Maximum size (MB)** is 100 MB.

One week later the size of log file is 100 MB. It starts being rewritten though the log is kept less than it was specified.

And if DebugZipDays has the value equal to the time period in days to keep logs, then logs are not rewritten – they are archived in the *.gz format and are kept for so long as it was specified in DebugZipDays parameter.

4.4.2 Extended setup of the distributed architecture

Extended setup of the distributed architecture is performed in the **DNS** section; it is intended to create reserve connections between the Client and other cores (Servers) in case of losing connection with the main core. Reserve connections are to be set up for each Client individually.

To create a reserve connection between the Client and a core, do the following:

1. Stop the *Axxon PSIM* software if it was running.
2. Start the Tweaki.exe utility (see the [Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility](#)).
3. Select the **DNS** node in the tree on the left side of the utility dialog box (see [The Settings panel of the DNS section](#)).
4. Specify the core computer name and IP-address in the table.
5. Click **OK**.

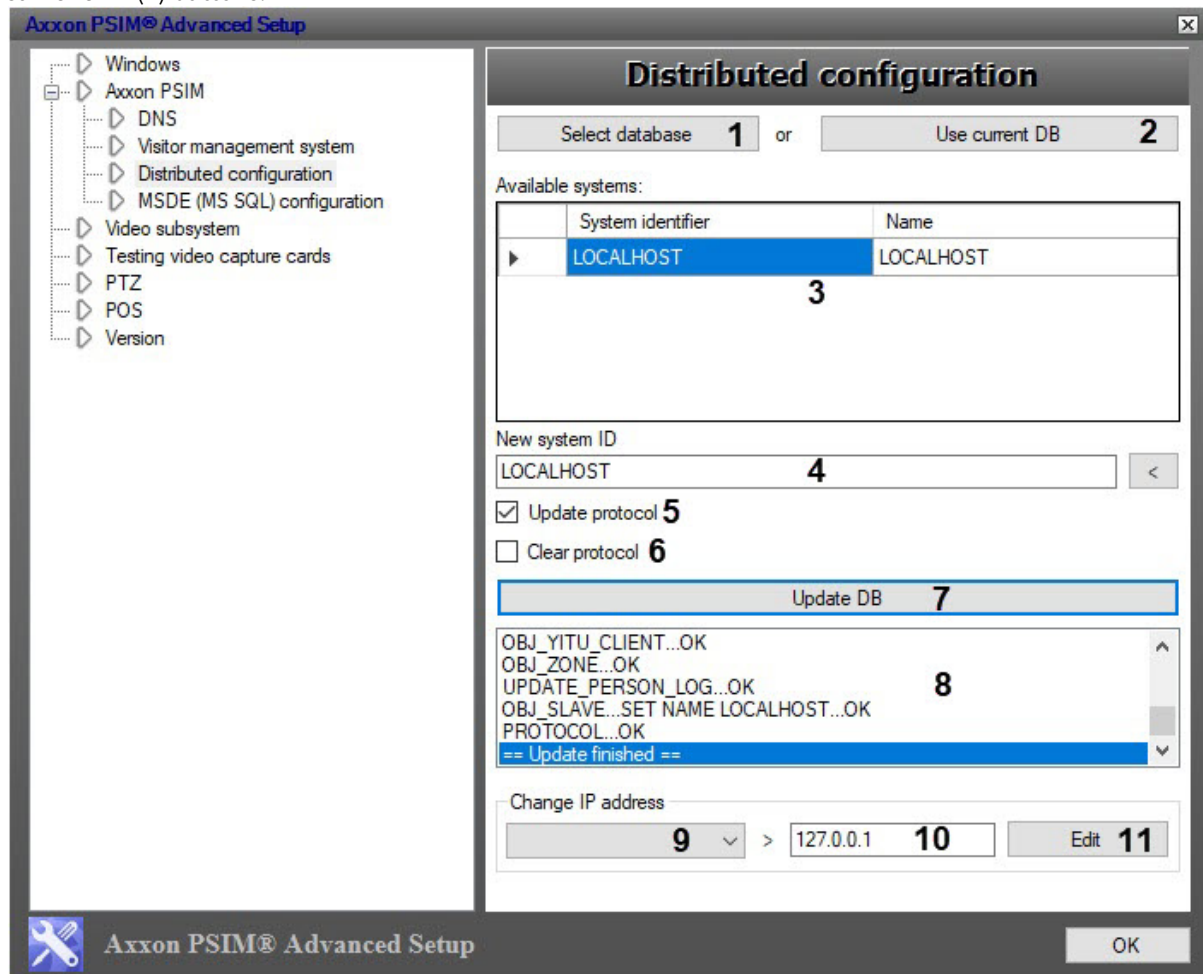
4.4.3 Changing computer names and IP addresses in the Axxon PSIM configuration database

The **Distributed configuration** node allows changing the computer name and/or IP address in the *Axxon PSIM* database.

To change the computer name in the configuration database, do the following:

1. Shut down *Axxon PSIM* if it runs.
2. Start the tweaki.exe utility (see [Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility](#)).
3. Select the **Distributed configuration** in the tree on the left side of the utility dialog box (see [The Settings panel of the Distributed configuration section](#)).

4. Select the database containing the computer name to be changed using the **Select database (1)** or **Use current DB (2)** buttons.



As a result the **Available systems (3)** table will show all computer names registered in the selected database.

5. To select the computer name to be changed in the **Available systems** table, right-click an appropriate row. The row will be highlighted.
6. Click the button next to the **New system ID (4)** field to see the drop-down list of available computer names. Select the required computer name in the list. The selected name will appear in the **New system ID** field. Name can also be entered in the field manually.
7. Set one of the following checkboxes: **Update Protocol (5)** checkbox to replace the computer name in the events log, or the **Clear protocol** checkbox to delete all records in the log. Only one of two checkboxes should be set.
8. Click the **Update DB** button (7). The progress of replacing computer names for a new one will be displayed in the field below the **Update DB** button (8).

To change the IP address in the configuration database, do the following:

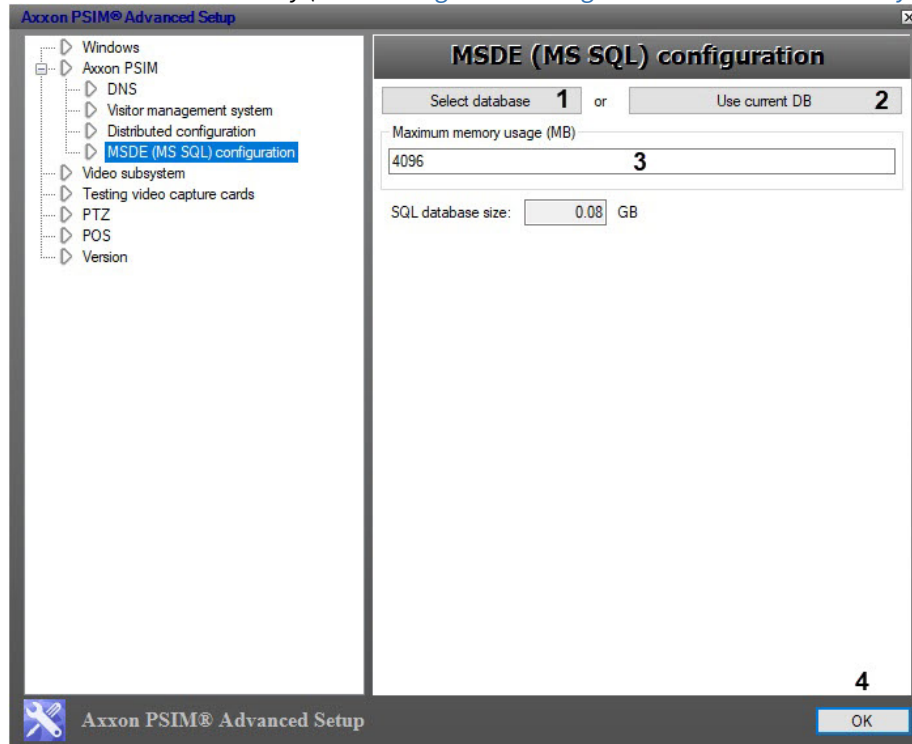
1. Do steps 1-4 of the previous instructions.
2. Select the IP address to be replaced from the drop-down list (9).
3. Enter a new IP address into the field (10).
4. Click the **Edit** button (11).

The IP address in the database will be changed.

4.4.4 Limiting memory usage by an MS SQL server

A certain amount of disk space is allocated for the SQL server for storing its data, functions and other internal structures. Allocated RAM is determined by default by the total RAM resources available for the SQL server in the system. The Tweaki.exe utility allows limiting the amount of RAM allocated for the SQL server. Do the following:

1. Close the *Axxon PSIM* software if it is open.
2. Start the Tweaki.exe utility (see [Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility](#) section).



3. Select the **Configure MSDE (MS SQL)** node in the tree on the left side of the utility dialog box (see [The Settings panel of the MSDE \(MS SQL\) configuration](#) section).
4. Select the MS SQL database to limit the allocated RAM by doing one of the following using **Select database (1)** or **Use current DB (2)** buttons.
5. In the **Maximum memory usage (MB) (3)** enter the required amount of memory to be allocated for the SQL server.
6. Click the **OK** button (4).

4.4.5 Re-indexing the audio and video recordings archive

To re-index the audio and video archives, do the following:

1. Close the *Axxon PSIM* software if it is open.
2. Start the Tweaki.exe utility (see the [Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility](#)).
3. Select the **Video Subsystem** node in the tree on the left side of the utility dialog box (see [The Settings panel of the Video subsystem](#) section).
4. Click the **Rebuild Index** button to delete the INDEX folder with .idx files containing the indexes to the video recording files in the archive.

Note.

Pressing the button **Rebuild index** sets the value of parameter IndexRebuilding=1 in the register's branch of OS Windows: HKLM\SOFTWARE\AxxonSoft\PSIM\VIDEO for 32-bit system (HKLM\SOFTWARE\Wow6432Node\AxxonSoft\PSIM\VIDEO for 64-bit). After archive reindexing the value of the parameter IndexRebuilding=0 is automatically set. When *Axxon PSIM* software is run together with IndexRebuilding=1 parameter, the archive is reindexed without any attempt to read it from *.idx files.

5. Click **OK**.
6. Start the *Axxon PSIM* system again. A new INDEX folder will be created in the video archive folder, containing new indexes.

This completes re-indexing of the database.

4.4.6 Enabling the Pure video/CUDA hardware acceleration

It is possible to enable the PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration when video signals are decompressed from IP devices. In this case decompression may be carried out by Server's graphics processor and this reduces the load on CPU.

Attention!

It is recommended to update the driver of the card that supports the PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration. Drivers are available for downloading at the official web page of NVIDIA (www.NVIDIA.com).

Note.

Detailed information about the PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration is given in reference manual of NVIDIA company.

The PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration functionality is implemented correctly when Server meets the following requirements of the software platform:

1. Is managed by OS Windows XP/Vista/7.
2. The PureVideo HD video card of the second or third generation is installed (NVIDIA VP2 and VP3).

Note.

Widespread models of video cards that support the PureVideo/CUDA:

- 1 NVIDIA GeForce GTX 295;
- 2 NVIDIA GeForce GTX 285;
- 3 NVIDIA Quadro NVS 450;
- 4 NVIDIA GeForce 9800 GT;
- 5 NVIDIA Quadro NVS 420;
- 6 NVIDIA Quadro NVS 295.

Note.

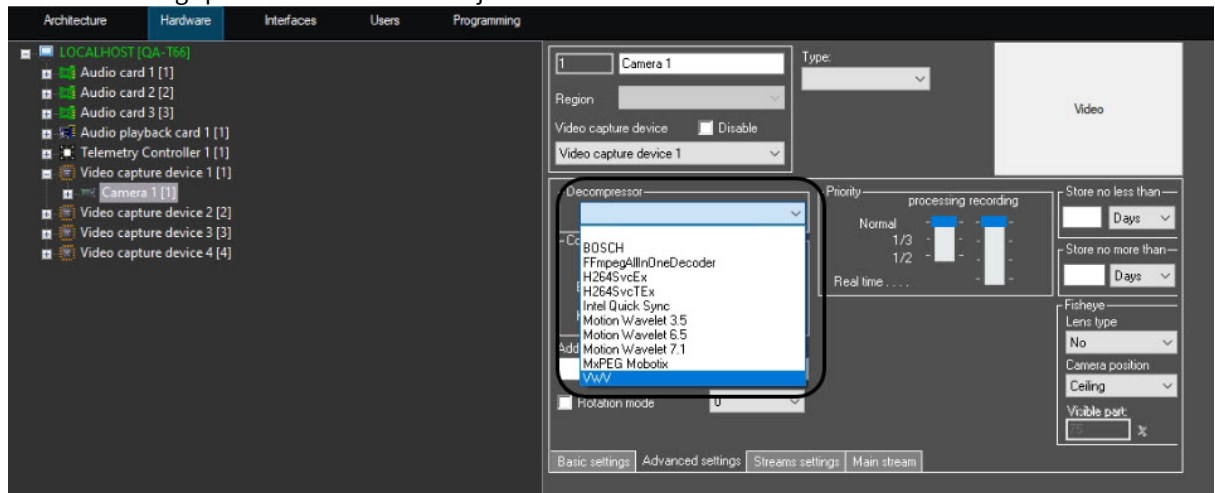
In the *Axxon PSIM* software package the PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration is applied only for video signals' decompression in H264 codec.

Note.

If the resolution more than 1920x1088 is set in the camera, then the PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration is not used for *video signals' decompression*.

To enable the PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration, do the following:

1. Shutdown the *Axxon PSIM* software package if it was run on the computer.
2. Run the *Tweaki.exe* utility (See the [Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility](#) section).
3. Select the **Video subsystem** section in the tree in the upper left corner of the utility's dialog box (see [The Settings panel of the Video subsystem section](#)).
4. Set the **Enable PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration** checkbox.
5. Click the **OK** button.
6. Go to the settings panel for the **Camera** object.



7. In the **Decompressor** drop-down list select the **H264CudaVP2Decoder** value.
8. Click the **Apply** button.

The PureVideo/CUDA hardware acceleration is now enabled.

4.4.7 Testing video capture cards

To test a video capture card, test its channels using the **Testing video capture cards** module of the *Tweaki.exe* utility. Do the following:

1. Shut down the *Axxon PSIM* software if it is started.
2. Start the *Tweaki.exe* utility (see the [Starting and shutting-down the Tweaki.exe utility](#) section).
3. Select the **Testing video capture cards** node in the tree on the left side of the utility dialog box (see [The Settings panel of the Testing video capture cards section](#)).
4. Press **Test** button.

The **Board** field will display the name of the video capture card, and the **Channels state** table will show the information about each channel of the card (number and status). The confirmation of successful testing will be displayed to the right of the **Channels state** table.

5 The utility for collecting configuration data on servers and RWS for the Technical Support

5.1 The purpose of the Support.exe utility

The Support.exe utility is designed for collecting information about the configuration and operating status of the hardware, OS Windows and the Axxon PSIM™ system. The utility generates an archive that can be used by AxxonSoft Technical Support Service for troubleshooting purposes. In case of system malfunction or errors in the Axxon PSIM™ system, do the following:

1. Go to the AxxonSoft tech support server: <https://support.axxonsoft.com/>
2. Register a new account on the tech support server or log in the registered account.
3. Create an issue for tech support. Attach an archive generated by Support.exe utility.

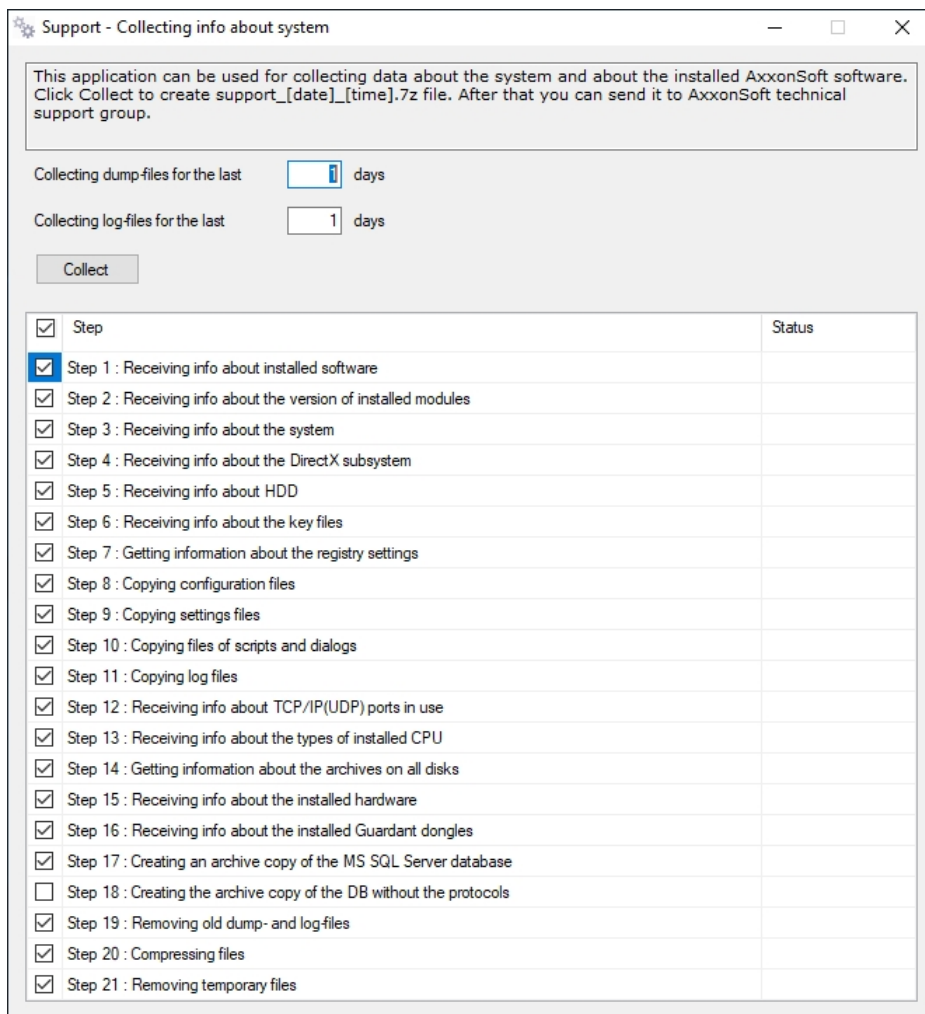
Information on the issue progress will be sent to the email specified at registration.

5.2 Starting and shutting-down the Support.exe utility

To run Support.exe utility, use one of the following methods:

1. From the **Start** menu of OS Windows: **Start -> All programs -> Axxon PSIM -> System's information gathering utility**
2. From the **Tools** folder of the Axxon PSIM program folder: <Axxon PSIM>\Tools\Support.exe

After running the Support.exe, the **Support – Collecting info about system** utility dialog box is displayed.

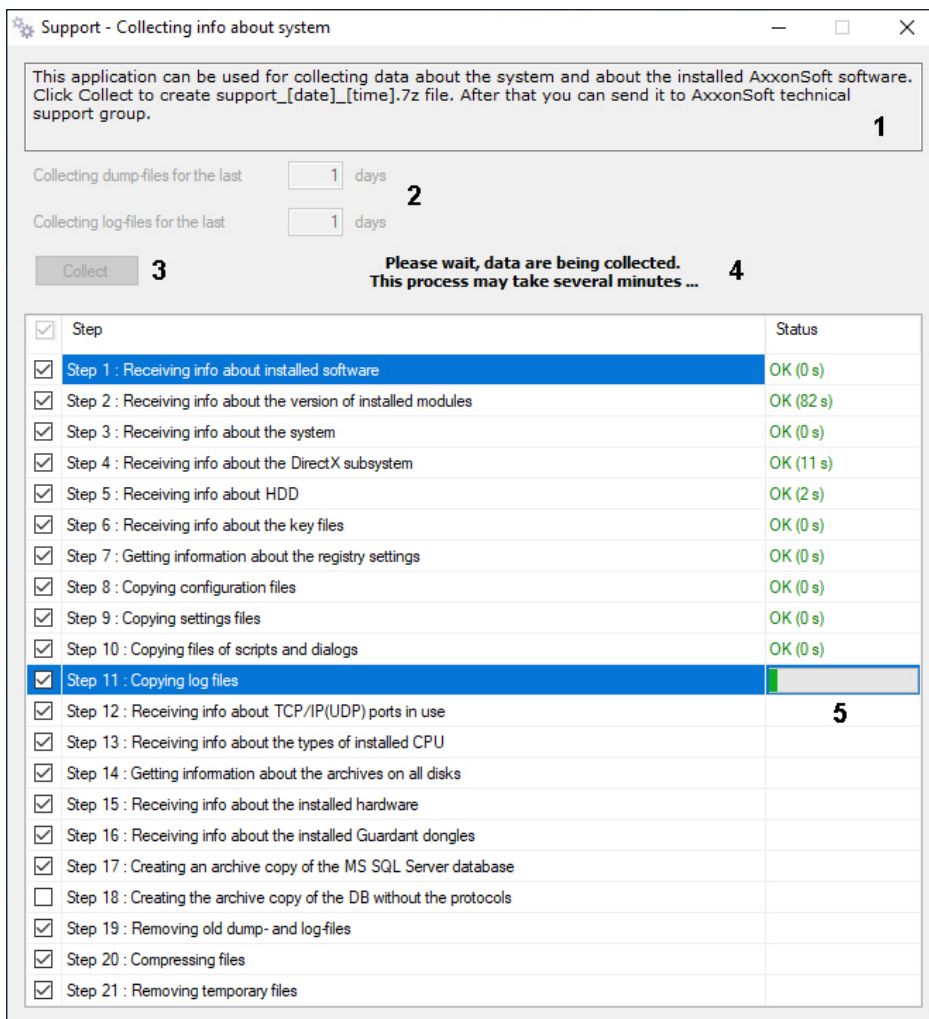


To close the Support.exe utility, click the **Close** button (.

5.3 The Support interface description

Support.exe utility interface includes the following elements:

1. Short directions for using the Support.exe (1).
2. A group of settings for specifying data set collection time period (2).
3. **Collect** button to run the process of gathering information (3).
4. Filed of displaying the information (4).
5. Table to display and select steps of gathering information, it includes two columns – **Step** ans **Status**. In the **Step** column, the short characteristics of information gathering process step is displayed and the step can be cancelled before the information gathering starts. In the **Status** column there is displayed process-bar and time, spent on information gathering (5).



To close the Support.exe utility, click the **Close** button ().

5.4 Collecting information about videoservers and remote workstations using the Support.exe utility

To collect the information using the Support.exe utility, do the following:

1. Start the utility.
2. If necessary set the dump and log files collection parameters:
 - a. In the **Collect dump files for ___ days** field specify the number of days for which dump files are to be included into the data set for technical support (1).
 - b. In the **Collect log files for ___ days** field specify the number of days for which log files are to be collected into the data set for technical support (2).
3. By default, all available system information is collected. If necessary, uncheck the boxes next to the information collection steps that should be skipped (3). If unchecked, information is not collected at the corresponding step.
Some stages of information collection are mutually exclusive, for example, you cannot simultaneously select the **Creating an archive copy of the MS SQL Sever database** and **Creating the archive copy of the DB**

without the **protocols** checkboxes.

Some steps cannot be excluded, including **Compressing files** and **Removing temporary files**.

4. Click the **Collect** button (4).

The data collection process will start. Upon completion, the result of information gathering on each step is displayed in the **Status** column (5), while the information area will show the link to the newly generated file – support.7z (6).

This application can be used for collecting data about the system and about the installed AxxonSoft software. Click Collect to create support_[date]_[time].7z file. After that you can send it to AxxonSoft technical support group.

Collecting dump-files for the last days **1**

Collecting log-files for the last days **2**

Collect **4** **Completed!** [Open folder with file support_09-12-2019_05-12-27.7z](#) **6**

☒ Step 3	Status 5
☒ Step 1 : Receiving info about installed software	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 2 : Receiving info about the version of installed modules	OK (82 s)
☒ Step 3 : Receiving info about the system	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 4 : Receiving info about the DirectX subsystem	OK (11 s)
☒ Step 5 : Receiving info about HDD	OK (2 s)
☒ Step 6 : Receiving info about the key files	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 7 : Getting information about the registry settings	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 8 : Copying configuration files	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 9 : Copying settings files	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 10 : Copying files of scripts and dialogs	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 11 : Copying log files	OK (1 s)
☒ Step 12 : Receiving info about TCP/IP(UDP) ports in use	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 13 : Receiving info about the types of installed CPU	OK (4 s)
☒ Step 14 : Getting information about the archives on all disks	Error!
☒ Step 15 : Receiving info about the installed hardware	OK (1 s)
☒ Step 16 : Receiving info about the installed Guardant dongles	Error!
☒ Step 17 : Creating an archive copy of the MS SQL Server database	OK (0 s)
☐ Step 18 : Creating the archive copy of the DB without the protocols	
☒ Step 19 : Removing old dump- and log-files	OK (0 s)
☒ Step 20 : Compressing files	OK (1 s)
☒ Step 21 : Removing temporary files	OK (0 s)

Follow the **Open Folder with Support.7z File** link to view the archive (6).

The archive is saved in C:\Users\%current user name%\Documents\Support\.

6 The Fps.exe utility for productivity estimation

6.1 The purpose of the Fps.exe utility

Productivity measurement fps.exe utility is used to estimate productivity of video processing.

Estimation is done in the following way:

1. Segmentation of the given video fragment for a set of frames in jpeg format.

Note.

If the video fragment is not set, the utility generates pattern set of frames. When necessary the utility may store the created set for frames to the selected directory.

2. Compression and/or decompression of the created frame set.
3. Calculation of productivity parameters- number of processed fps with defined resolution and colour.

Note.

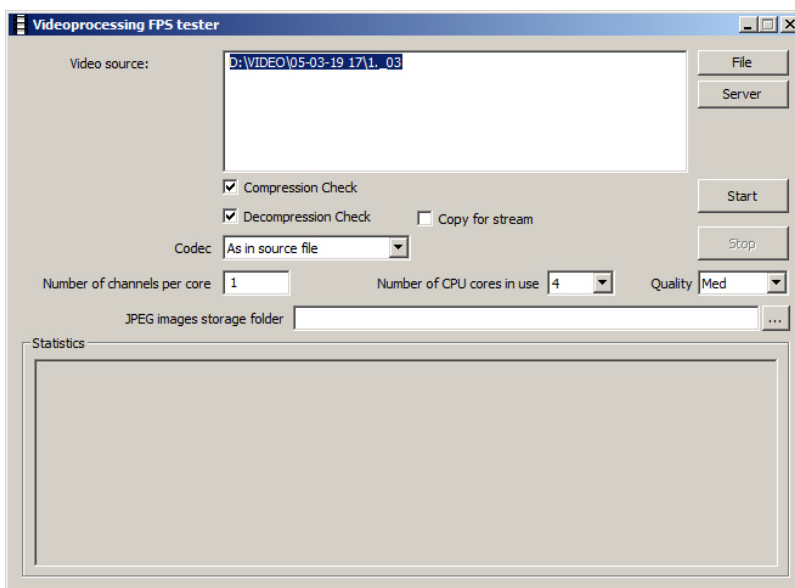
Compression is not available on the Cilent. Playback of a previously recorded video, or a video being received over the network in real time, is available.

6.2 Starting and shutting-down the Fps.exe utility

To start fps.exe, do one of the following procedures:

1. Start the utility from the Windows taskbar. Click **Start**, then **Programs**, then **Axxon PSIM**, then **Tools**, then **FPS testing utility**.
The fps.exe utility is available from the **Start** menu with the following installation types of the Axxon PSIM software: Server, Remote administrator workstation, Remote client.
2. Start the utility from the **Tools** folder of the Axxon PSIM program folder: <Axxon PSIM>\Modules64\fps.exe .

After starting the fps.exe utility there will be a dialog window **Video processing FPS tester**.



To close fps.exe utility click  in the right upper corner of the utility's dialog window.

6.3 Using the Fps.exe utility

On the page:

- [Selecting the video source](#)
- [Setting the check parameters](#)
- [Running the check and reading into its results](#)

To check productivity of video processing, do the following:

1. Start the fps.exe utility (see [Starting and shutting-down the Fps.exe utility](#)).
2. Select the video source.
3. Set the check parameters.
4. Run the check and read into its results.

6.3.1 Selecting the video source

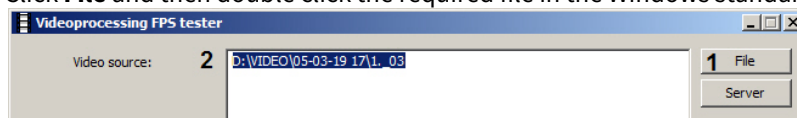
The video source can be either an archive file or a video server archive recorded on specific cameras.

Note.

The field **Video Source File** is not required to run the check on an emulated pattern set of frames.

If the video source is an archive file, select it as follows:

1. Click **File** and then double click the required file in the Windows standard **Open** box (1).

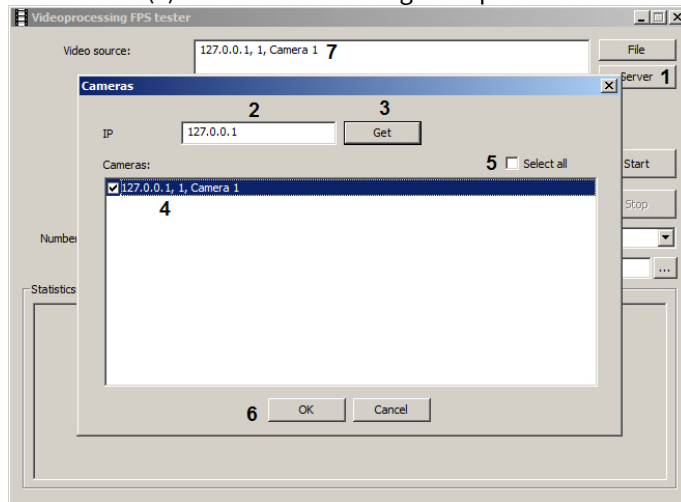


2. The full name of the selected file is displayed in the **Video source** field (2).

If the video source is a video server archive, make sure the *Axxon PSIM* is running on that server and all the required cameras are created in the hardware tree before performing the check.

Select the archive video source as follows:

1. Click **Server** (1). The **Cameras** dialog box opens.

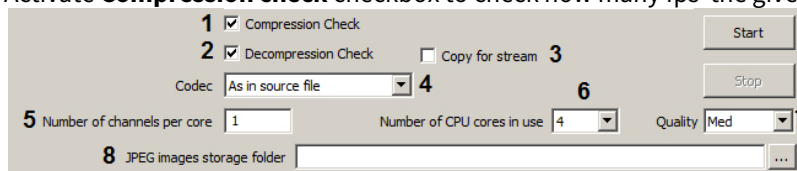


2. In the **IP** field, specify the IP address of the *Axxon PSIM* video server (2).
3. Click **Get** (3). If connection with the server is established, the **Cameras** field displays the list of cameras.
4. Set the check boxes next to the cameras to check performance using their archive (4) or set the **Select all** check box to select all the cameras in the list (5).
5. Click **OK** (6).
6. The selected cameras are added into the **Video source** field (7).

6.3.2 Setting the check parameters

Set the parameters of performance check as follows:

1. Activate **Compression check** checkbox to check how many fps the given computer can compress (1).



2. Activate **Decompression check** checkbox to check how many fps the given computer can decompress (2).
3. Select the **Copy for stream** check box to create a separate copy of each stream file in the RAM in order to avoid conflicts during the check (3). This function increases memory consumption when running the fps.exe utility.
4. Select the required compressor version from the drop-down list **Codec** (4).
5. Enter the required number of emulated cameras in the field **Channels amount** (5).

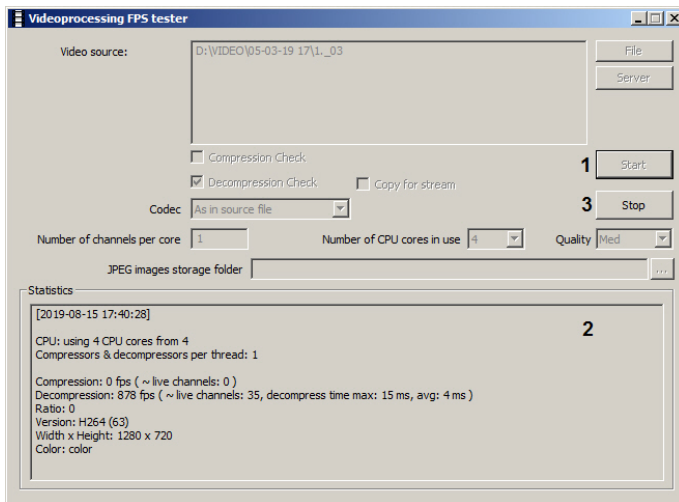
Note.

This setting is actual only with emulation of pattern set of channels.

6. In the **Number of CPU cores in use** field specify the number of CPU cores to be used for performance check (6).
7. Select the required value of frames compression from the dropdown list **Quality** (inversely to compression level) (7).
8. When necessary, set the directory where frames extracted from the video would be unzipped by clicking  next to the **Jpeg images storage folder** field (8).

6.3.3 Running the check and reading into its results

Click the **Start** button to run video processing tester (1).

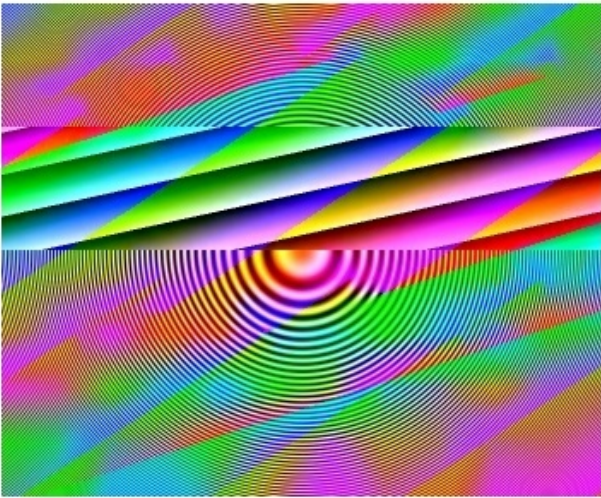


As a result, parameters of video processing productivity will be displayed in the title bar of the utility window (2).

Productivity parameter	Description of parameter
Compression	total number of frames that can be compressed in one second
Decompression	total number of frames that can be decompressed in one second
Ratio	compression ratio
Version	selected version of the compressor
Width	frame width
Height	frame height
Color	if the frame is in color
CPU	number of CPU cores in use
Compressors \$ decompressors per thread	number of compressor instances per CPU

If the **Jpeg images storage folder** is selected, the frames for testing video processing will be recorded to the selected .jpeg files storage folder.

The example of the emulated frame is shown below:



To stop the testing process, click the **Stop** button (3).

7 The ddi.exe utility for editing database templates and external settings files

The ddi.exe utility is designed for editing external system settings files (*.ddi) and the templates of the main database (psim.dbi and Axxon PSIM.ext.dbi).

The ddi.exe utility is started from the **Start -> All Programs -> Axxon PSIM -> Tools -> System configuration** menu.

The ddi.exe utility is available from the **Start** menu with the following installation types of Axxon PSIM: Server, Remote administrator workstation, Remote client.

The utility can also be started from the **Tools** folder of the Axxon PSIM program folder.

After the changes are made to *.ddi and/or *.dbi files, update the main database. For this use the idb.exe utility (see [The idb.exe utility for converting databases, selecting database templates and making backup copies of databases](#) section).

Note.

If changes were made to .ddi or .dbi files using the ddi.exe utility and these files were installed along with Axxon PSIM, then these files will be deleted while deleting with configuration upload. .ddi and .dbi files added manually will be saved.

7.1 Editing Axxon PSIM.dbi and Axxon PSIM.ext.dbi database templates using the ddi.exe utility

To edit the template of the main database, open it using the **File -> Open** menu. The template files are stored in the root of the Axxon PSIM program folder.

Note.

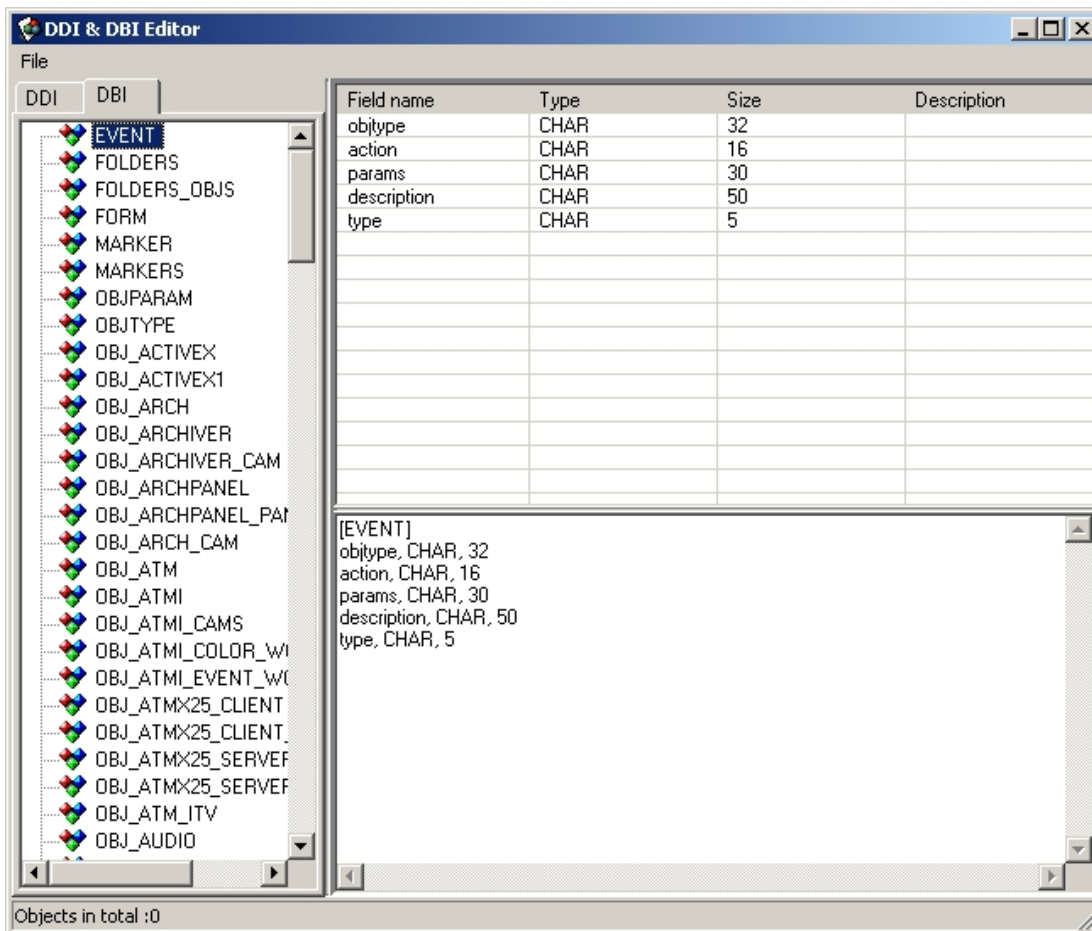
To open the recently used file, select the **Last files** item in the **File** menu or open the context menu in the **Names** tab.

Note.

The **Paste from file** item in the **File** menu allows opening several files by adding tables, described in other dbi files, to the open dbi file.

psim.dbi file contains the list of main tables and fields of the database. User-defined tables and fields are stored in a separate file – Axxon PSIM.ext.dbi. This file is made separate from the main file, to eliminate the need to re-insert user-defined tables and fields into the main file, in case of Axxon PSIM system update. The contents of these files are merged upon Axxon PSIM start-up.

To view the database template, open the **DBI** tab in the top left corner of the window. The list of the tables of the main *Axxon PSIM* database will be displayed in the left panel. The right panel will show the list of fields of the selected database.



To delete, add, edit or copy object fields, use the table on the left of the utility box.

The following parameters of the table fields are displayed:

1. **Field name** – the name of the field in the database.
2. **Type** – data type of the field contents. Available types:
 - a. BIT – checkboxes taking logical values Yes and No;
 - b. CHAR – fields with a few symbols;
 - c. DATETIME – date and time in the following format: date – dd-mm-yyyy, time – hh:mm:ss;
 - d. DOUBLE, INTEGER, SMALLINT – numerical fields of corresponding types;
 - e. TEXT – fields with the text.
3. **Size** – maximum number of units of the specified format in a field.
4. **Description** – field name shown in the interface.

The database is to be refreshed after the changes were made.

7.2 Editing the external setting file (Axxon PSIM.ddi) using the ddi.exe utility

To edit the external settings file (Axxon PSIM.ddi), open it using the **File -> Open** menu. This file is stored in the root of the *Axxon PSIM* program folder.

Note.

To open the recently used file, select the **Last files item** in the **File** menu or open the context menu in the **Names** tab.

Note.

The **Paste from file** item in the **File** menu allows opening several files by adding tables, described in other dbi files, to the open dbi file.

The external settings file contains the information about objects and events loaded into the system configuration, graphical symbols for various object states on the map, and the transition rules from one object state to another.

The purpose of editing can be software localization or expanding/limiting its functionality (for example, removing unused objects from the system).

Note.

Changing the external settings file may lead to system failure. Create a backup copy of the file before editing it.

The database is to be refreshed after the changes were made.

7.2.1 General information on editing the external setting file

To start using the utility, open the **DDI** tab in the top left corner of the utility dialog box.

The left side of the dialog box will display all system objects loaded into the configuration. The right side of the dialog box shows the properties panel for the selected object. This panel consists of several tabs: **Names, Events, Reactions, Icons, States, and Transition rules**.

To delete, add, edit or copy object properties, right-click a cell in the tab or the list of system objects to open the context menu. You can also use **Ctrl+C** and **Ctrl+V** to copy and paste lines from one object to another. Select the whole line(s) or just a cell(s) in it to copy by **Ctrl+C**. Delete lines with **Delete** key.

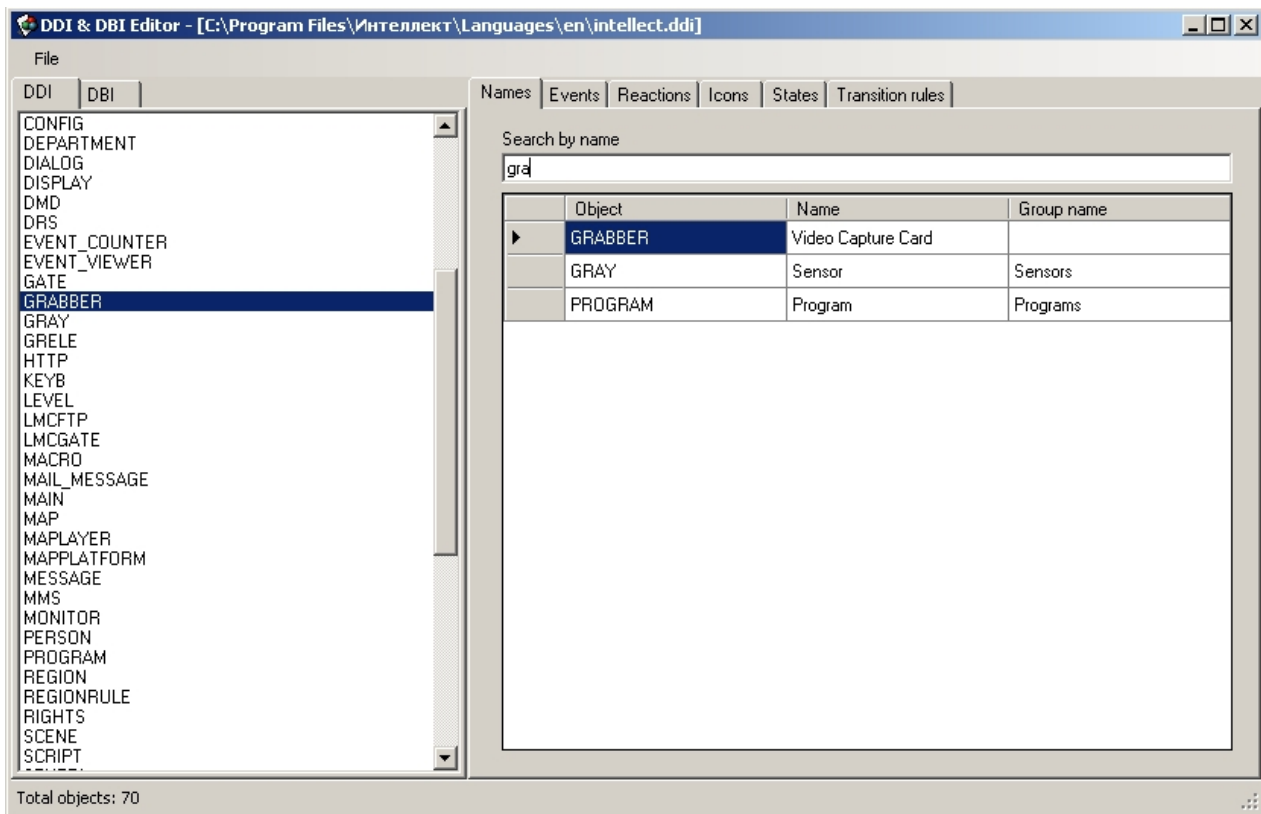
To edit the object properties, use the tables on the right of the ddi.exe utility box.

7.2.2 The Names tab

This tab contains the table with three fields:

1. **Object** – object ID in the system.
2. **Name** – the name of the object in the system.
3. **Group name** – the name of the group the object will be assigned to upon creation. If this field is left blank, no group will be created. Objects of different types may be assigned to the same group given that they have the same parent object (e.g., **Sensor** and **Relay** can be included to the "Sensors and Relays" group and so on).

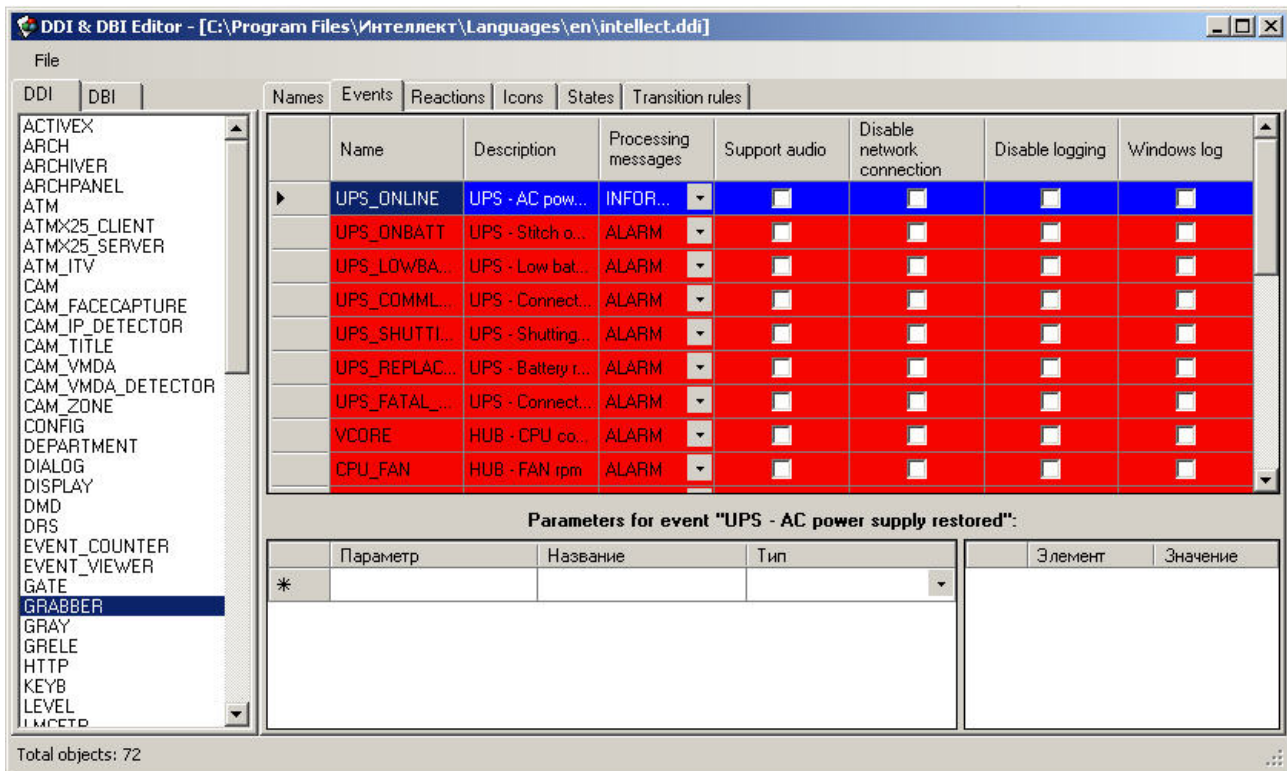
By default all objects, the description of which the ddi file contain, are displayed in the table. To find an object, type-in the object name or ID in the **Search by name** field. As a result the table will contain all object names in the system that exactly or partially match the word typed in this field.



7.2.3 The Events tab

This tab contains the list of the system events that the selected object can create. Each event has the following editable parameters:

1. **Name.** The event identifier.
2. **Description.** A short description of the event.
3. **Processing messages.** The type of window to open on event occurrence: alarm window or information window.
4. **Support audio.** The attached .wav files to be played when the event occurs.
5. **Disable network connection.** A local event only. If this checkbox is set, other computers on the network will not be notified when the event occurs.
6. **Disable logging.** By default, all events are displayed in the Event log. Set the checkbox not to log the event or record it in the database.
7. **Windows log.** Set the checkbox to log the event (see step 6) to Windows log. If the event is not logged, then it cannot be logged to Windows log.



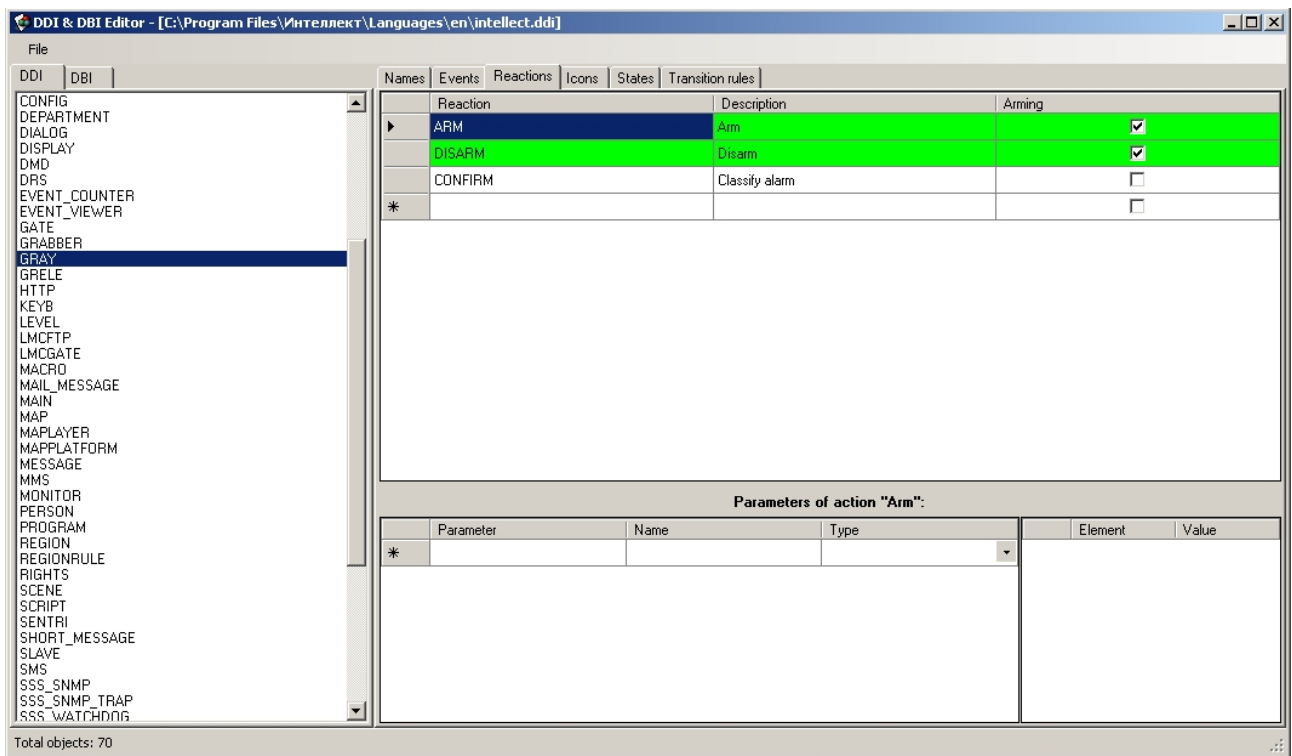
Note

You can create only the events that are available for the selected object (created at the stage of the system programming). Initially all of them are in the Axxon PSIM.ddi file.

7.2.4 The Reactions tab

This tab lists all reactions that the object can make in response to events. Each reaction has the following properties:

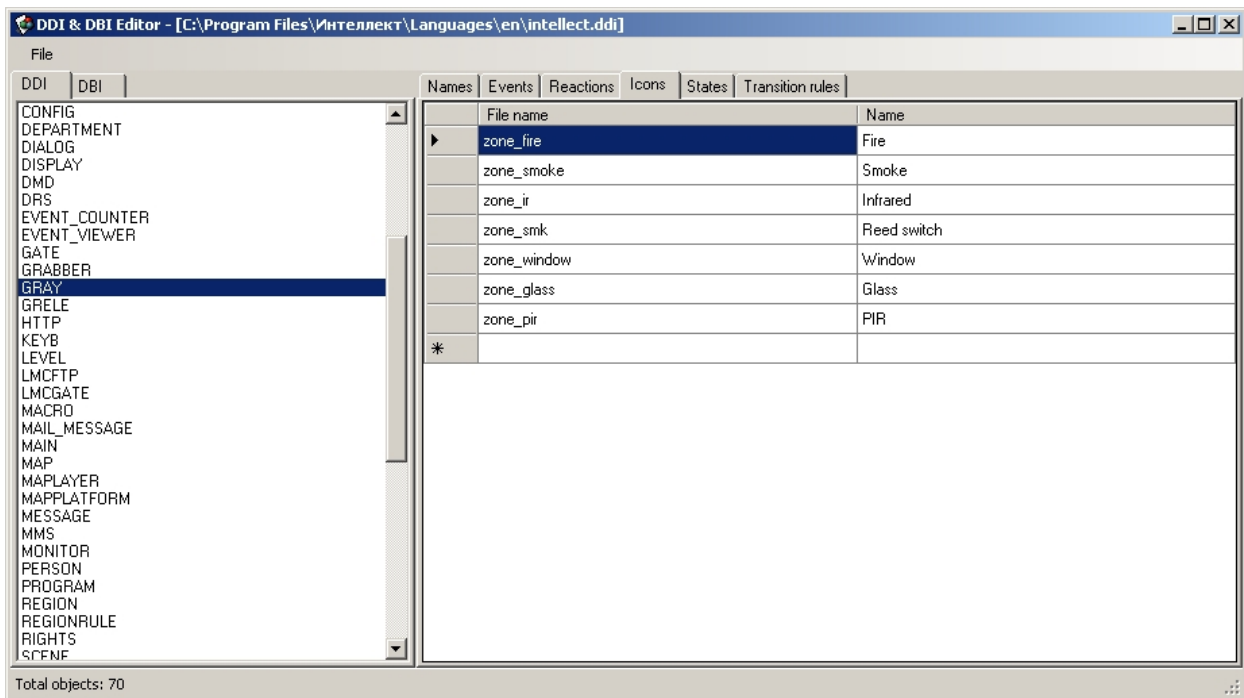
1. **Reaction** – reaction ID.
2. **Description** – short description of the reaction.
3. **Arming** – additional property of the reaction, arming a region.

**Note.**

You can create only the reactions that are available for the selected object (created at the stage of system programming). Initially all of them are in the Axxon PSIM.ddi file.

7.2.5 The Icons tab

This tab lists the graphical symbols (icons) that represent the selected object on the map. The part of the name used for identifying the file in the .bmp, .jpg or .png format is specified in the **File name** column. Image files are to be stored in the **Bmp** folder in the *Axxon PSIM* program folder (for example, C:\Program Files\Axxon PSIM\Bmp).



If default icons are to be in use for the same states of objects of the same type, the def icon should be specified on this tab (**By default**). See [The States tab](#) section for more information.

Names	Events	Reactions	Icons	States	Transfer rules
			File name		Name
			cam		Standard
			camptz		PTZ
			camfisheye		Fisheye
			def		By default
			*		

7.2.6 The States tab

This tab lists all states of the selected object. The states have the following properties:

1. **Name** – state ID.
2. **Image** – part of the name in the .bmp format that represent the object state on the map. For example, if the zone_fire file name was selected in the **Icons** tab, and the image of the selected ARMED state is arm, then the zone_fire_arm.bmp file will be in the **Bmp** folder.

The default icon for the states can be set. For this, set the def icon (**By default**) on the **Icons** tab. For example, if there is no zone_fire_arm.bmp icon for the ARMED state, then the def_arm.bmp icon will be searched. This avoids duplicating icons if one state for the different types of the object icon should be displayed identically.

Note.

If the file ID is not set in the **Icons** tab, then the file name will consist of the object ID and part of the file name specified in the Image column.

Note.

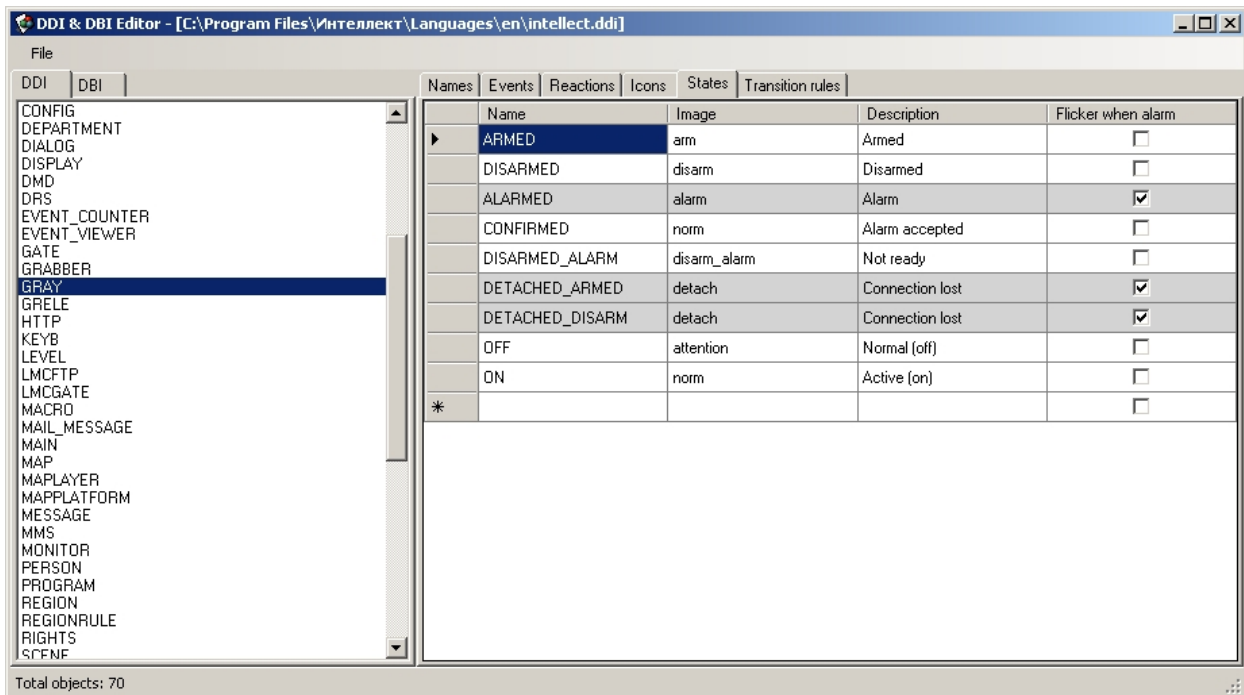
If the object is displayed on the map as a polygon, circle or line, then the color of these figures can be set for each state.

For this specify the color in the R:G:B:A format after the icon name (separated by **&**) in the **Image** column or specify the color only in this format instead of the icon name. Here are the examples of the **Image** column contents:

255:0:0 – red color is set for the state.

alarm&255:0:0 – icon and red color are set for the state.

1. **Description** – short description of the state.
2. **Flicker when alarm** – option of displaying object state - flickering.

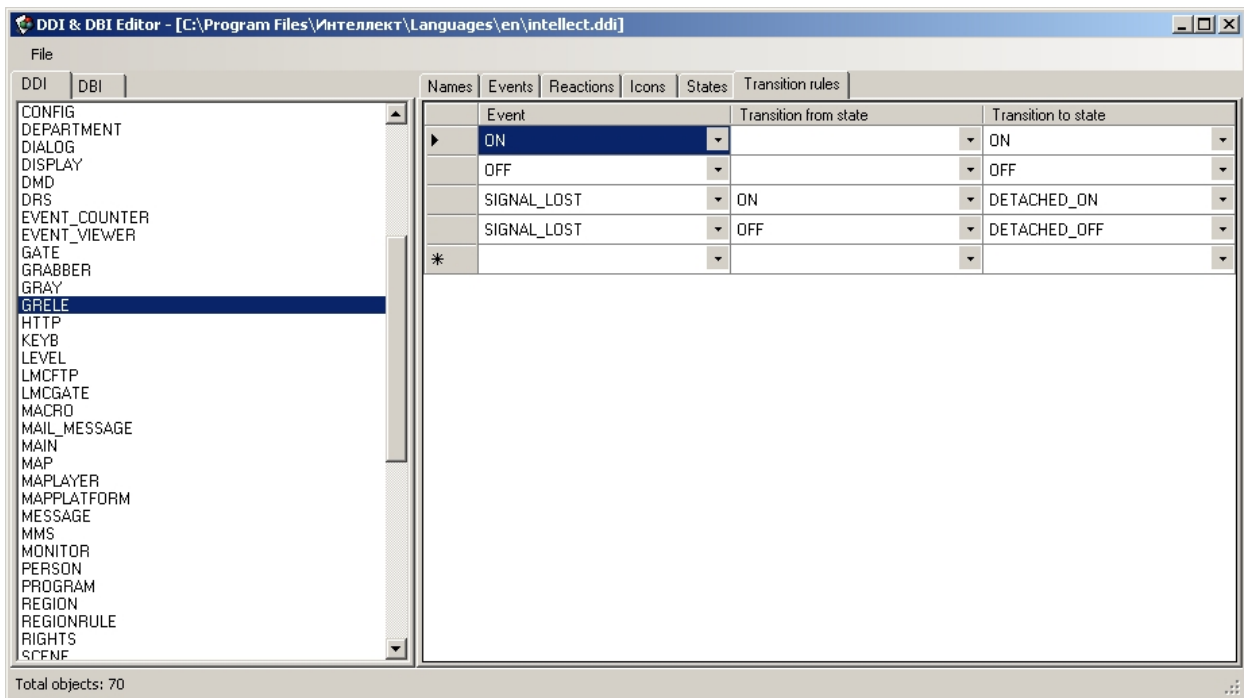


7.2.7 The Transition rules tab

Transition rules connect the events generated by objects, and the states of these objects. Each rule consists of the starting state of the object, an event, and an ending state that the object will take after the event.

The table lists the transition rules from one object state to another. Each rule has the following properties:

1. **Event** – identifier of the event triggering the transition.
2. **Transition from state** – identifier of the object state before the event took place. If this field is left blank, the rule will apply to all starting states.
3. **Transition to state** – identifier of the resultant state of the object.

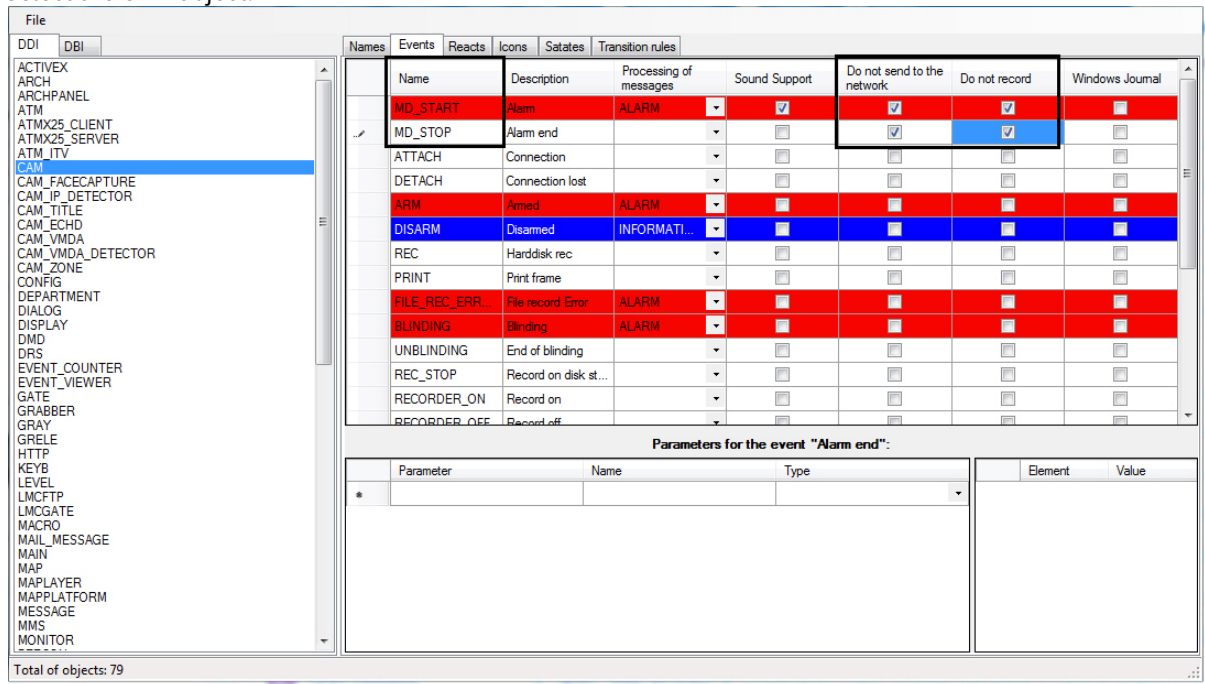


7.2.8 Example of editing the Axxon PSIM.ddi file to reduce database load

When changing the ddi file events, reactions, etc. can be added, modified or deleted.

To reduce database load modify the AxxonPSIM.ddi file as follows:

1. Open the AxxonPSIM.ddi file in the ddi.exe utility.
2. Select the **CAM** object.



3. Go to the **Events** tab.

4. Set the **Do not record** and **Do not send to the network** checkboxes checked for the **MD_START** (Alarm) and **MD_STOP** (Alarm end) events.
5. Save the file.
6. Update the database using the idb.exe utility (the **Update database** button, see [Interface elements of the idb.exe window](#)).

When these actions are performed the events from the main motion detection tool are not recorded and sent to other cores. This reduces the database load.

Important!

When updating *Axxon PSIM* the modified AxxonPSIM.ddi file is substituted with the file by default.

In order the AxxonPSIM.ddi file is not substituted it is to be saved with another name at step 5 - e.g. "AxxonPSIM_1.ddi". Thus, 2 files of external settings are saved in the Languages catalog: source file and modified one. The idb.exe utility loads them in alphabetical order. As a result the AxxonPSIM_1.ddi file is loaded the last one and its parameters are applied when database is updated.

If the event list in AxxonPSIM_1.ddi is different from the original Axxon PSIM.ddi, e.g. some events are added or deleted, then the event list is merged by idb.exe DB update.

When installing a new *Axxon PSIM* version the AxxonPSIM_1.ddi file is not affected by the installation wizard and changes are saved.

Important!

When deleting *Axxon PSIM* without saving the configuration the entire *Axxon PSIM* catalog (including modified files) is deleted. In this case the modified files are to be manually backed up, e.g. to C:\Temp, under after reinstallation they are to be copied to <Axxon PSIM installation folder>\Languages\en.

8 The Arpedit.exe utility for creating user dialog windows

The Arpedit.exe utility is designed for creating dialog boxes. It allows tailoring Axxon PSIM™ system to particular monitoring and security tasks of the customer.

The Arpedit.exe utility is in the “Arpedit” folder (<Installation directory> \Axxon PSIM\Tools\ Arpedit). Detailed information on the utility is given in [User's Manual for ArpEdit](#) which is located in the same folder.

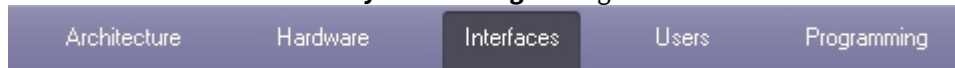
9 Configuration check tool

The Configuration check tool is designed for checking the settings of all created objects in the Axxon PSIM™ software and restoring the correct configuration if any changes occurred. Restoring is performed from the configuration template which can be created at any moment in accordance with current settings.

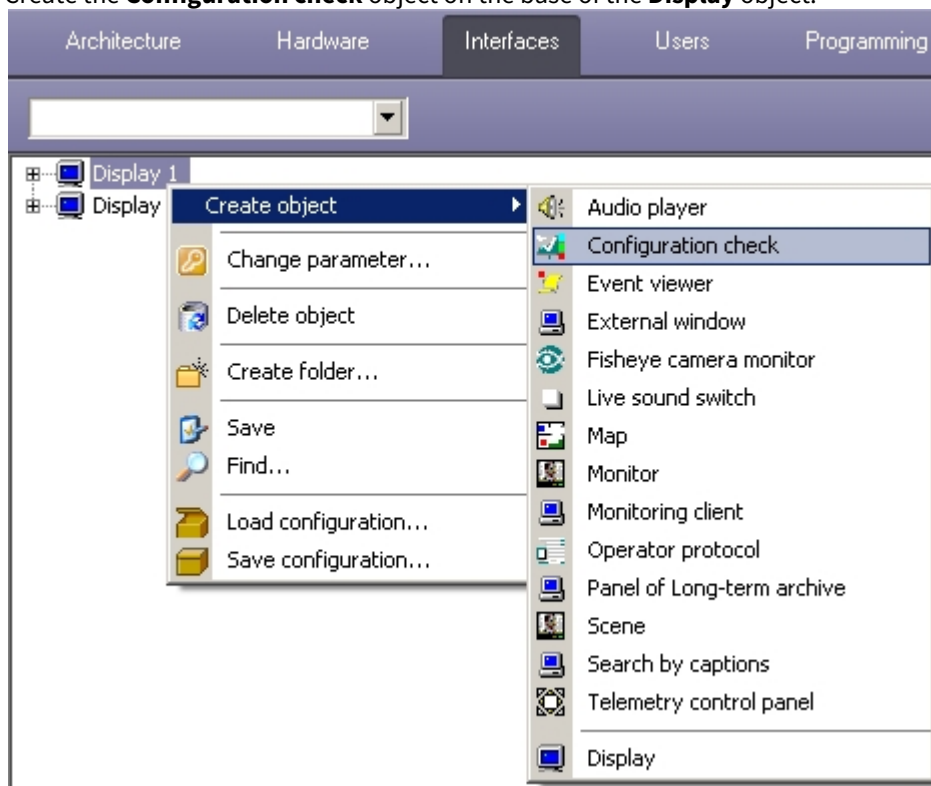
9.1 Starting and shutting down the Configuration check tool

To start the Configuration check tool, do the following:

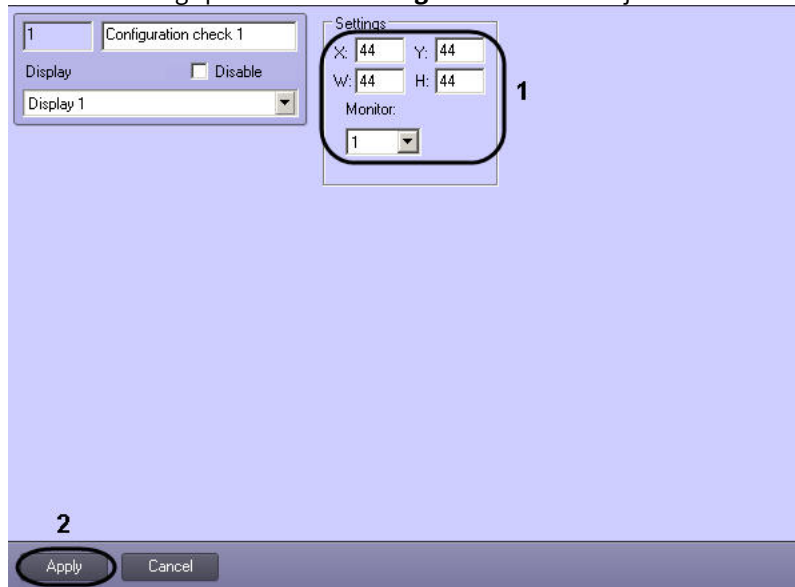
1. Go to the **Interfaces** tab of the **System settings** dialog box.



2. Create the **Configuration check** object on the base of the **Display** object.

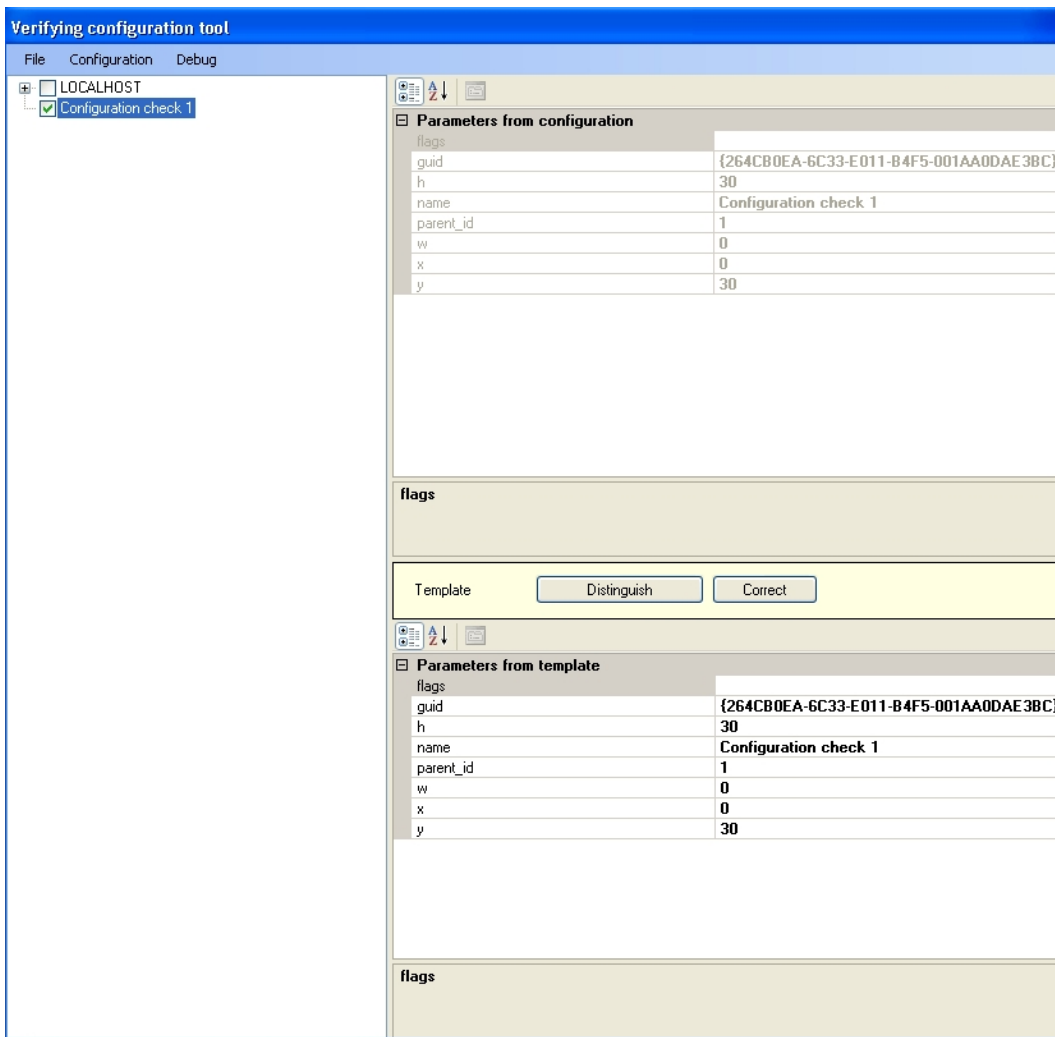


3. Go to the settings panel for the **Configuration check** object.

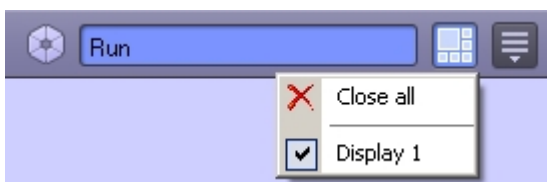


4. To configure the position of the **Configuration check** object, set the coordinates of upper left corner in **X:**, **Y:** fields and values of window's width and height in **W:**, **H:** fields, and select the computer monitor for which the coordinates are set (1).
5. To save the changes, click the **Apply** button (2).

As a result the **Verifying configuration** tool dialog box is displayed.



To shut down the tool, click the  button on the main control panel of Axxon PSIM™ software and select the **Close all** menu item;



9.2 Configuration check tool interface description

The dialog box of the Configuration check tool has four main interface elements:

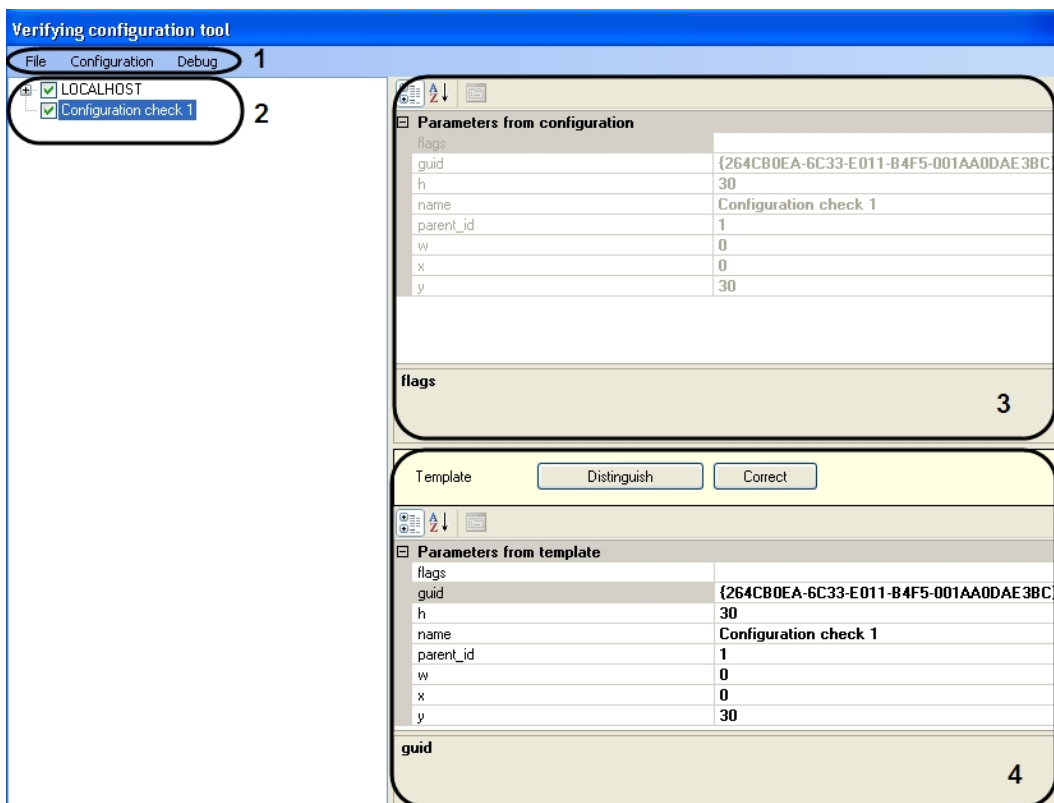
1. The toolbar (1).
The tool's control menu is located here.
2. The objects tree of Axxon PSIM™ software (2).
The objects tree of Axxon PSIM™ software is displayed here. Clicking the left mouse button on any object in the objects tree, the configuration of its parameters is displayed in parameters field (points 3-4).

3. The field of object parameters from Axxon PSIM™ configuration (3).
The current configuration is displayed in this field. These parameters are not available for editing.
4. The field of object parameters from a template (4).

Parameters of the selected object from the configuration template field are displayed here. These parameters are available for editing.

Note.

At the first start of the Configuration check tool, the current configuration of selected object is displayed in this field.



9.3 Using the Configuration check tool

To start the operation, start the Configuration check tool (see the [Starting and shutting down the Configuration check tool](#) section).

9.3.1 Creating a template

To create a template in the Configuration check tool, do the following:

1. In the objects tree, set the checkboxes next to those objects which parameters configuration will be included in a template.



2. Click the left mouse button upon the object which parameters configuration is to be edited.

Note.

The set checkbox next to the required object is an obligatory term in order to edit the parameters.

As a result there is a list of object parameters with values, available for editing in the parameters from template field.

Note.

In the parameters from Axxon PSIM configuration field there is a list of object parameters with values set in Axxon PSIM software. They can not be edited.

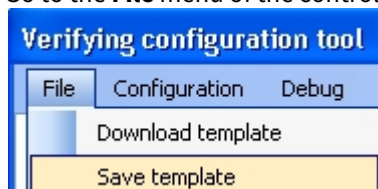
Parameters from configuration	
auth	
brand	
chan	0
codec	
flags	
format	PAL
guid	{CD5DCD06-BE2E-E011-B4F3-001AA0DAE3}
ip	
ip_port	80
mode	1
model	

Note.

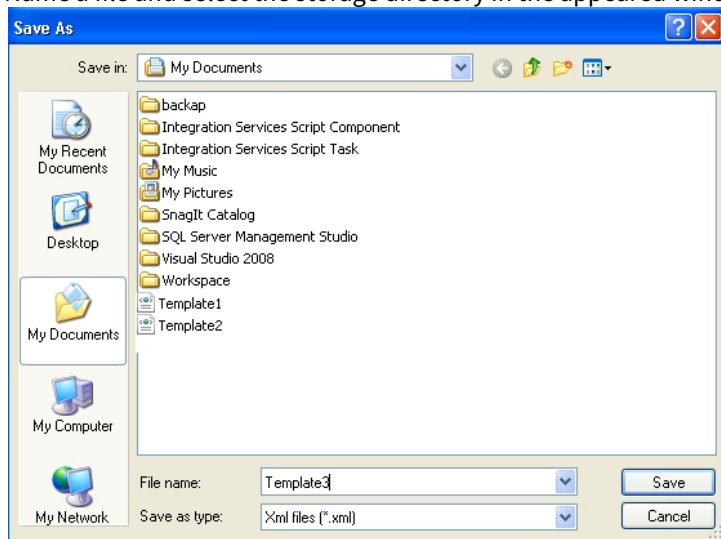
At the first start of the Configuration check tool, the current configuration of selected object is displayed in this field.

flags	
format	PAL
guid	{CD5DCD06-BE2E-E011-B4F3-001AA0DAE3}
ip	
ip_port	80
mode	1
model	
name	Video Capture Card 1
parent_id	T-MAKAROVA

3. Edit the object parameters. To edit the selected parameter, click the left mouse button upon the corresponding line with its value and edit it.
4. Repeat steps 3-4 for all objects, which parameters configurations are to be edited.
5. Go to the **File** menu of the control panel and select the Save template item.



6. Name a file and select the storage directory in the appeared window.



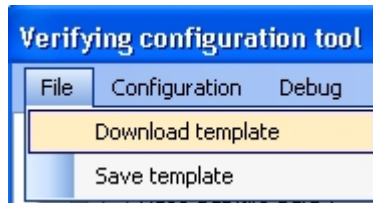
7. Click the **Save** button.

The template is now created.

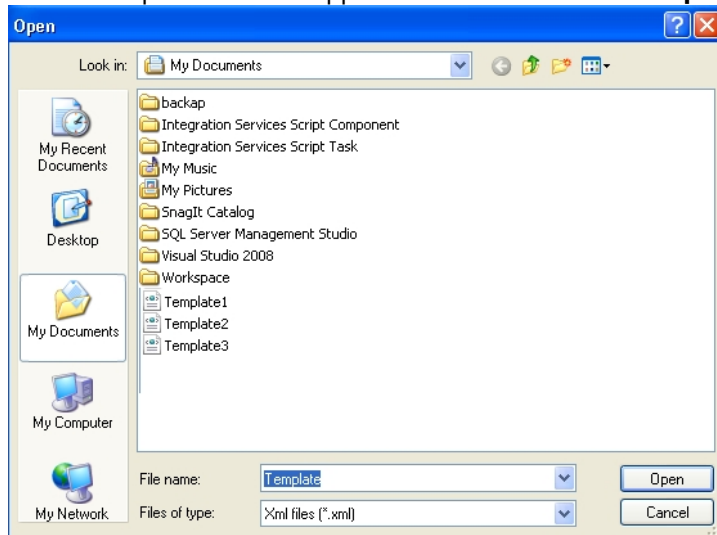
9.3.2 Downloading and editing the template

To download and edit the template, do the following:

1. Go to the **File** menu on the control panel and select the **Download template** item.



2. Select a template file in the appeared window and click the **Open** button.



The objects tree is displayed as a result. The active checkbox is next to the objects which configuration has been saved in the template.



3. To edit the template, repeat steps 1-7 of the **Creating a template** section.

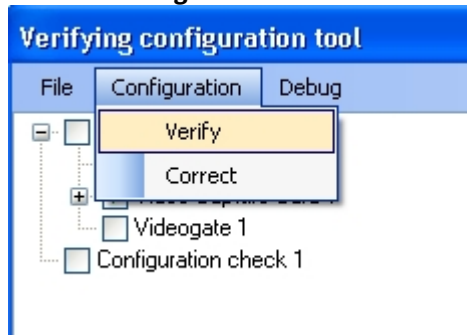
The template is now downloaded and edited.

9.3.3 Verifying and correcting the configuration

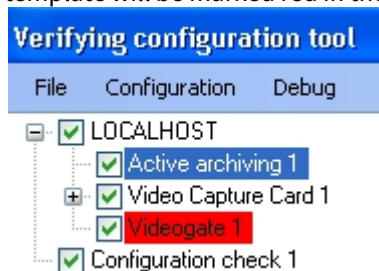
To verify the current configuration of objects in Axxon PSIM software and restore it from the template, do the following:

1. Download the template for which the object configuration is to be verified in Axxon PSIM software (see the [Downloading and editing the template](#) section).

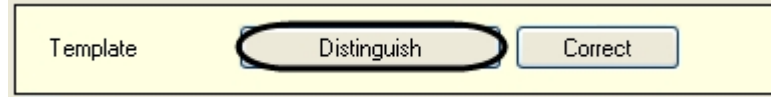
- Go to the **Configuration** menu on the control panel and click the **Verify** button.



As a result the objects which current configuration in Axxon PSIM software differs from that one in the template will be marked red in the objects tree.



- To view object parameters in the template which values are different from those ones in the Axxon PSIM software, click the left mouse button upon the object marked red in the objects tree and go to the parameters from the template field.
- Click the **Distinguish** button in the **Template** field.

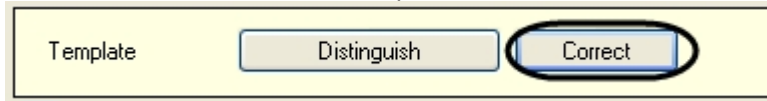


As a result the parameters which values are different from those ones in Axxon PSIM software are moved to the **Differences** list.

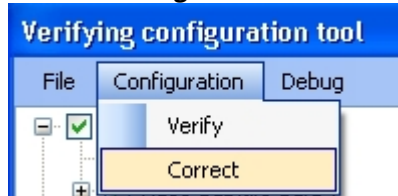


- Correction (if necessary) of these parameter in Axxon PSIM software for those ones from the template may be performed in two ways:

- a. Click the **Correct** button in the Template field.



- b. Go to the **Configuration** menu on the control panel and select the **Correct** item.



The parameter configuration from Axxon PSIM templates is now verified and corrected.

10 Index.exe utility for reindexing archive files

10.1 The purpose of Index.exe utility

Index.exe utility reindexes archive files with big data array without restarting the *Axxon PSIM™* software.

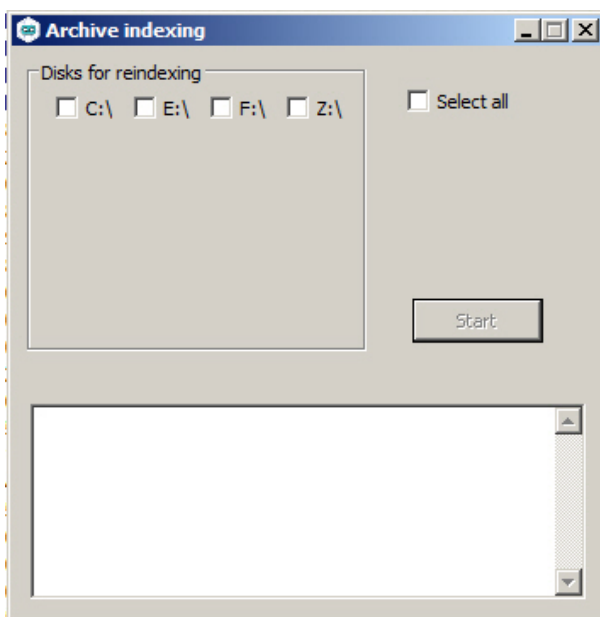
Note.

Another way to perform reindexing of archive files is to shut down the *Axxon PSIM* software and delete the INDEX folder in the VIDEO folder on the disk with archive. Indexes will be rebuild automatically after the *Axxon PSIM* startup. This method is equal to using of the index.exe utility.

10.2 Starting and shutting down the utility

To start reindexing utility run *index.exe* executive file in the **Modules64** folder that is in the catalogue of the Axxon PSIM™ software installation, for example, «C: \Program Files\Axxon PSIM \Modules64».

As a result the window of *index.exe* utility is displayed



To stop working with *index.exe* utility click «Close» - .

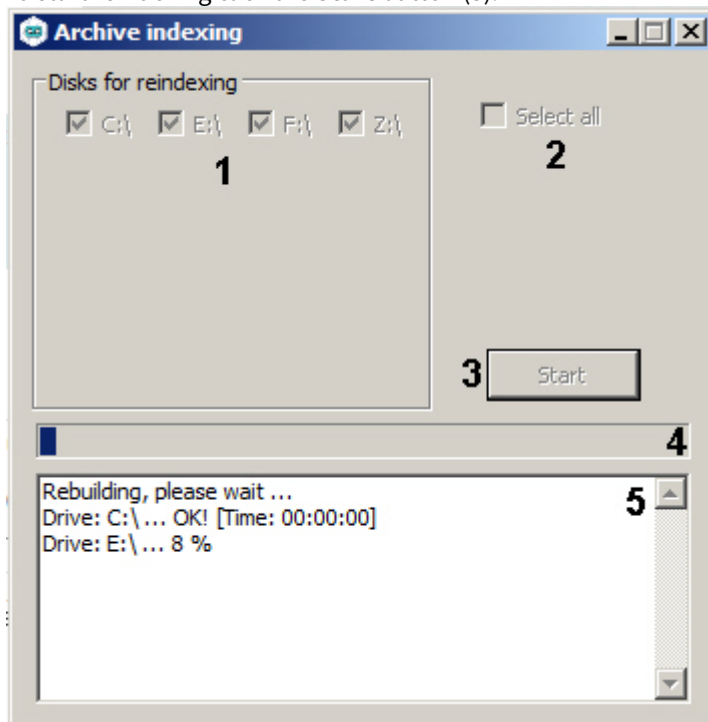
10.3 Using the Index.exe utility

Attention!

Before you start working with the utility check the value of IndexRebuilding parameter in HKLM/ SOFTWARE/AxxonSoft/Axxon PSIM/Video for 32-bit systems (HKLM/SOFTWARE/Wow6432Node/AxxonSoft/Axxon PSIM/Video for 64-bit) section of OS Windows registry: by default it should be 0. If the parameter value differs from the value by default, you should change it to 0, otherwise the utility will not index the archive.

To reindex archive files after its changing (for example, after copying new video recordings to one or several archive disks), do the following:

1. Start *index.exe* utility (see [Starting and shutting down the utility](#) section).
2. In appeared window select archive disks for reindexing by setting checkbox next to required disks (1). Check **Select All** to set all checkboxes (2).
3. To start reindexing click the **Start** button (3).



Note.

At the time of reindexing all the elements of utility window are not active.

4. Rebuilding process is displayed by progress bar (4) and in the text field (5).
5. When you finish reindexing, shut the window of utility.

Reindexing of archive files is completed.

To reindex archive files without using the dialog box, in the command line start *index.exe* utility with parameters, for instance, *index.exe C, D* command will reindex archive files on disks C and D. To reindex archive files on all disks, use the *all* parameter.

11 The shedule.exe utility for creating a replication query file

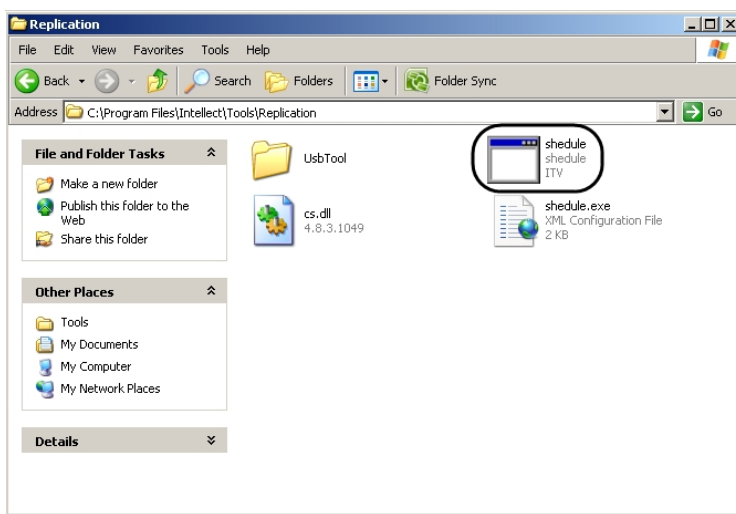
11.1 The purpose of the shedule.exe utility

The shedule.exe utility is designed for creating a query file on the Server-Receiver while replicating the archive on unconnected Servers (see [Replicating archive from unconnected servers using the removable storage](#) section).

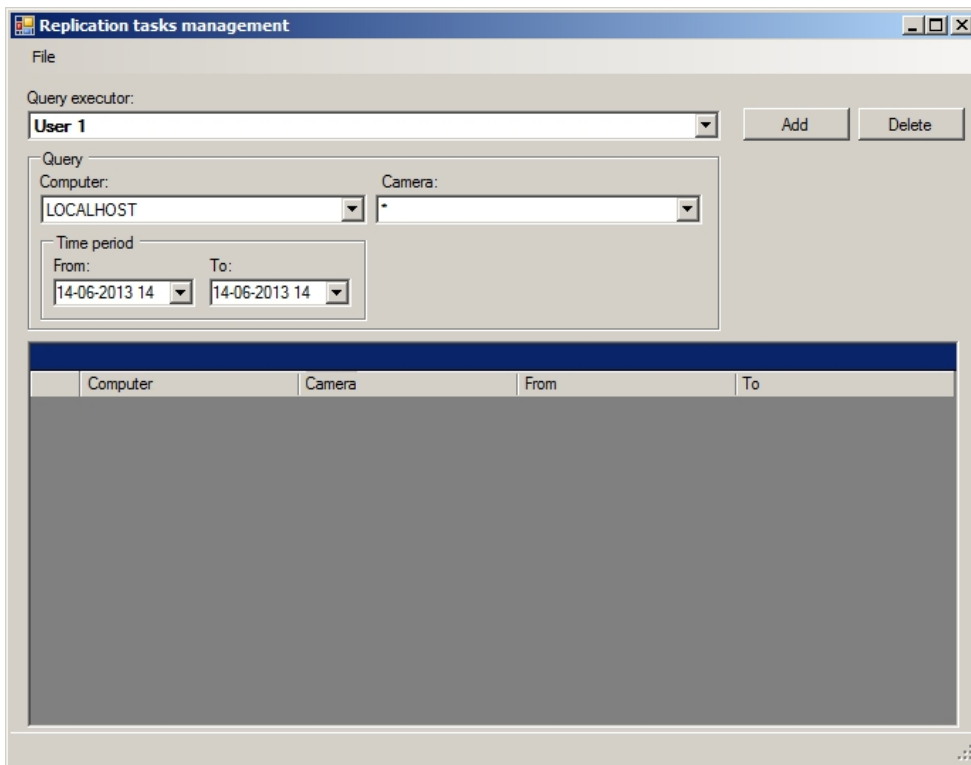
11.2 Starting and shutting-down the schedule.exe utility

To start the utility start the schedule.exe file in the Tools\Replication folder of the Axxon PSIM™ installation directory. For example:

C:\Program Files\Axxon PSIM\Tools\Replication\shedule.exe .

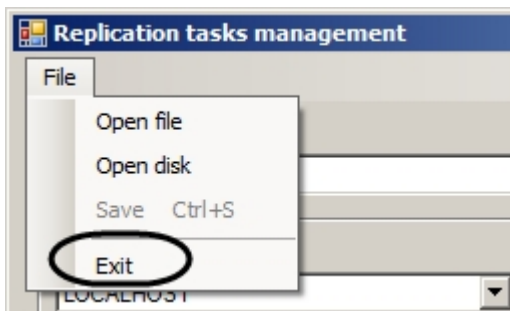


As the result the dialog window of the schedule.exe utility is opened.

**Note.**

The error message is displayed at opening the *schedule.exe* utility when users or the **Camera** objects are not created in the Axxon PSIM™ software under the **Computer/LOCALHOST** object corresponding to the Receiver. It is needed to create required objects and restart the system.

To close the *schedule.exe* utility, click the  button or select **Exit** in the **File** menu.



11.3 Using the *schedule.exe* utility

11.3.1 Creating the query file for replication

To create the query file do the following:

1. Connect the removable storage to the Receiver.

2. Select the user registered the Axxon PSIM™ software in the **Query executor** drop-down list (1).

Computer	Camera	From	To
LOCALHOST	Camera 1	2013-06-14T14:00:00.00000	2013-06-14T14:00:00.00000

3. Select the **Computer** object corresponding to the Data source in the **Computer** drop-down list (2).
4. In the corresponding drop-down list select the **Camera** object the archive of which is to be copied (3).
5. Specify the time period for which the archive from selected camera is to be copied in the **From:** and **To:** fields using the mask or calendar that is displayed by clicking the  button (4).
6. Click the **Add** button (5).
The task is added to the list (6).

Note.

Select the task and click the **Delete** button to delete it from the list (7).

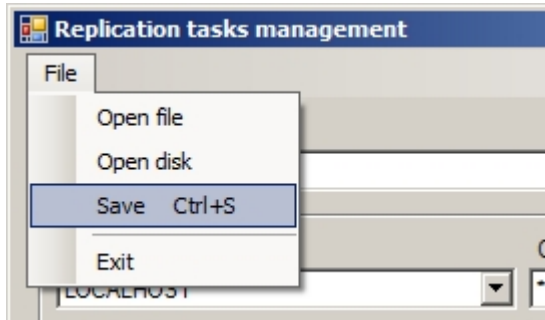
7. Repeat steps 2-6 for all required Sources.
8. Save the query file.

The query file is now created.

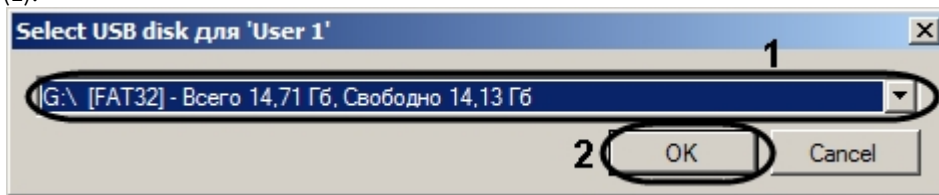
11.3.2 Saving the query file

To save the query file do the following:

1. Select **Save** in the **File** menu.



2. Select the removable disk where the query file is to be saved in the drop-down list of the opened dialog box (1).

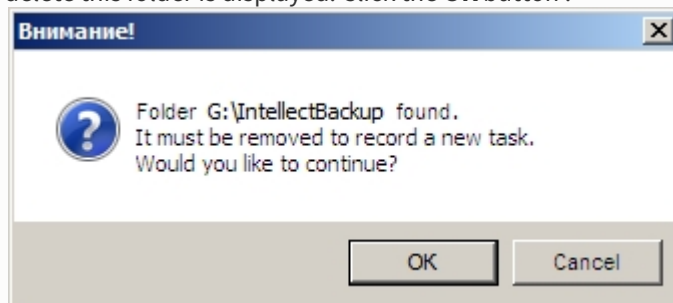


Note.

The Removable disks are not found message will be displayed if the removable storage is not found while saving the query file.

Note.

If there is the Axxon PSIMBackup folder on the removable storage, then the dialog box asking to delete this folder is displayed. Click the **OK** button .



3. Click the **OK** button (2). The query file is saved on the selected disk.

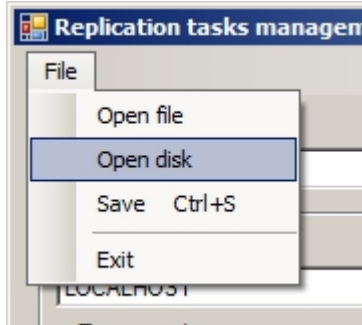
The query file is now saved.

11.3.3 Opening the query file

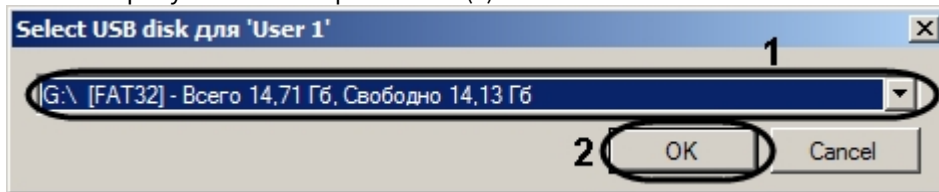
To open the query file do one of the following:

1. Specify the disk where the query file is. For this:

2. Select **Open disk** in the **File** menu.



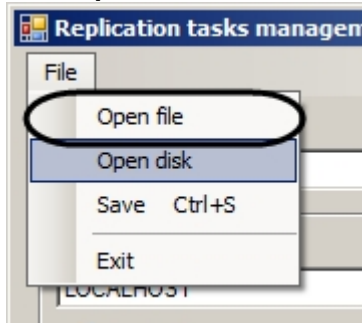
3. Select the query file in the drop-down list (1).



Note.

The Removable disks are not found message will be displayed if the removable storage is not found while opening the query file.

4. Click the **OK** button (2).
- The utility detects and opens the query file which is in the root of selected disk.
5. Select the query file manually. For this:
6. Select **Open file** in the **File** menu.



7. Select the *itv_task.xml* file containing the query parameters using the standard opening dialog.

The query file is now opened.

12 The Cam_title_updater.exe utility to convert titles database

12.1 Purpose of the Cam_title_updater.exe utility

The Cam_title_updater.exe utility is used to convert titles database to a new format when updating to Axxon PSIM 4.10.x from older versions.

12.2 Starting and quitting the Cam_title_updater.exe utility

Start the Cam_title_updater.exe utility as follows:

1. Start -> All Programs -> Axxon PSIM -> Tools -> Update titles DB.
OR
2. <Axxon PSIM installation folder>\Modules using Cam_title_updater.exe file.

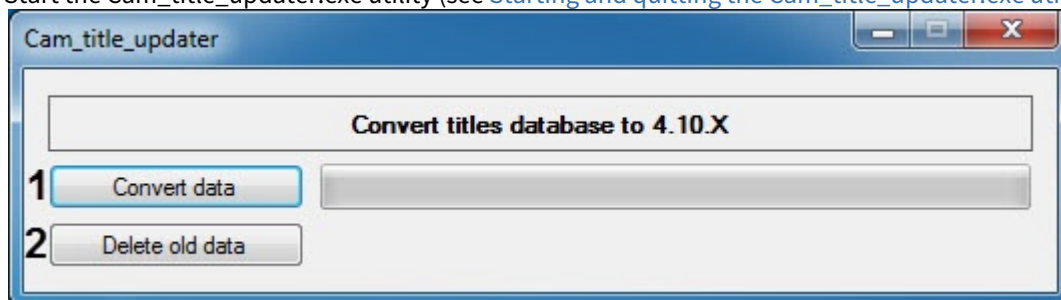
The Cam_title_updater.exe overview is shown below.



12.3 Updating titles database using the Cam_title_updater.exe utility

Start titles database update as follows:

1. Start the Cam_title_updater.exe utility (see [Starting and quitting the Cam_title_updater.exe utility](#)).

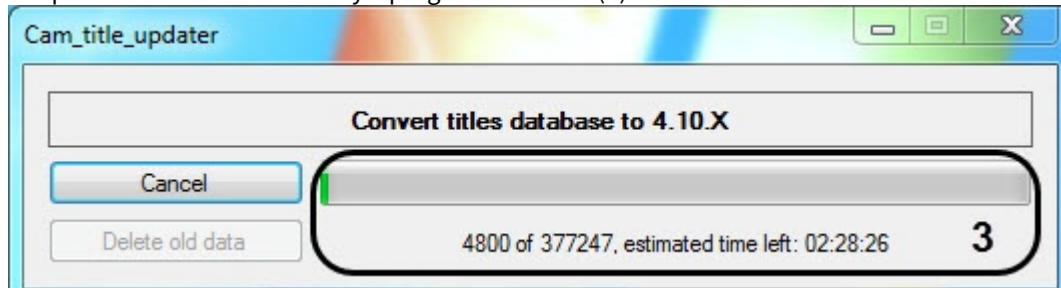


2. Click the **Convert data** button (1). Data conversion to new format will start.

Note

The conversion of receipts is performed by hundreds: each 100 receipts' data are entered into the new spreadsheet, then deleted from the old.

3. The process will be visualized by a progress indicator (3).



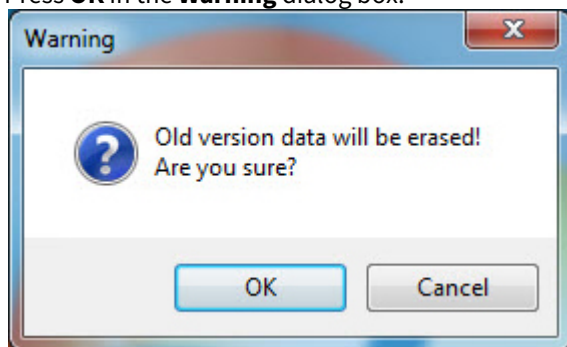
Note.

To stop the conversion process, press **Cancel** button. All data converted before you pressed the button will become accessible.

After a successful update of the Titles Database, you will see a Finished! sign in the (3) area.

To clean up old-format only titles from the database, do the following:

1. Press the **Delete old data** button (2).
2. Press **OK** in the **Warning** dialog box.



All old-format titles will be cleaned up.

The Titles Database is now updated.

13 The SyncProtocol.exe utility to synchronize event log database

13.1 The purpose of the SyncProtocol.exe utility. Starting and shutting-down the utility

Purpose

The SyncProtocol.exe utility is designed to synchronize Server/Client Event log database with databases of other Servers/Clients by command if the auto synchronization is disabled.

The auto synchronization is disabled on the **Computer** settings panel using the **Only local protocols** checkbox. If this checkbox is set checked, then the auto synchronization is not performed - see [Configuring events logging](#).

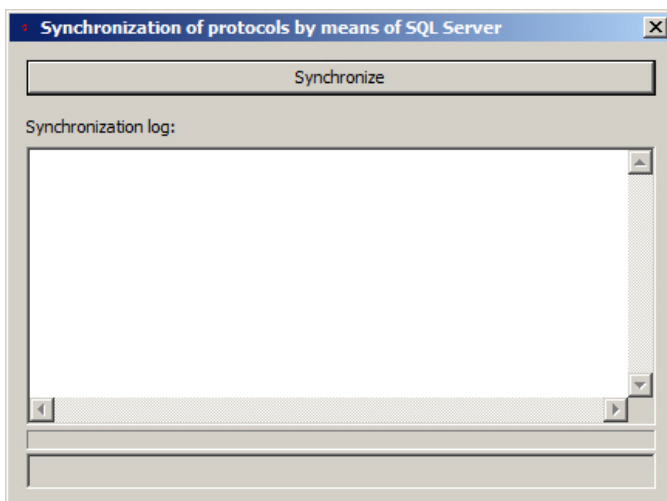
Before starting synchronization using the SyncProtocol.exe utility it is required to configure synchronization on the **Computer** settings panel by specifying the computers for synchronization and the Event Viewer database connection string – see [Configuring the Event Viewer databases synchronization](#).

There is no synchronization with computers for which sending events is disabled in the **Architecture** tab (see [Configuring the interaction of distributed system components](#)). If the **Send events** checkbox is set checked, but checkboxes for all the events are set unchecked, then the events that cannot be disabled will be synchronized (for instance, SLAVE and macro events).

Starting and shutting-down the utility

Start the SyncProtocol.exe utility from the **Tools** folder in the *Axxon PSIM* installation folder (by default, C:\Program Files (x86)\Axxon PSIM\Tools\).

The utility dialog box is shown in the figure.

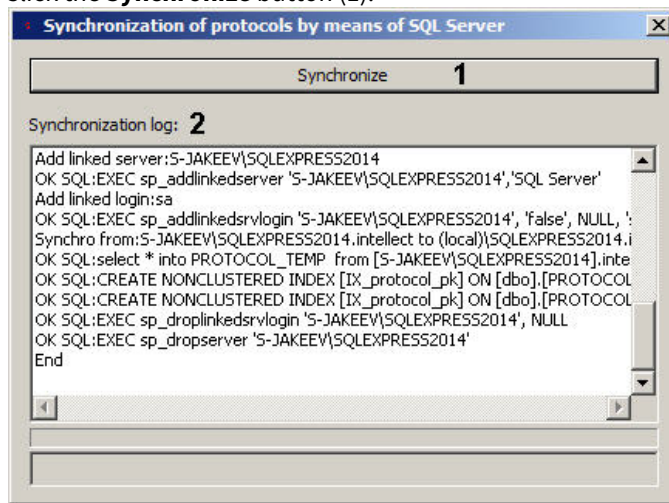


To shut down the SyncProtocol.exe utility click the  button in the upper-right corner of the window.

13.2 Synchronization of event log database using the SyncProtocol.exe utility

Synchronize the event log database using the SyncProtocol.exe utility as follows:

1. Preconfigure the system and start the SyncProtocol.exe utility (see [The purpose of the SyncProtocol.exe utility. Starting and shutting-down the utility](#)).
2. Click the **Synchronize** button (1).



3. The information on the synchronization process is displayed in the **Synchronization log** field (2).
4. When the process is completed shutdown the utility by clicking the  button.

The event log database is now synchronized using the SyncProtocol.exe utility.

14 User's Manual for ArpEdit

14.1 Introduction into User's Manual for ArpEdit

On the page:

- [The purpose of the document](#)
- [The purpose of ArpEdit](#)

14.1.1 The purpose of the document

The *User's Manual for ArpEdit* is a reference tool and contains information needed to work with the *ArpEdit*. This utility is included in the basic distribution of the *Axxon PSIM* software package.

The following materials are included in this manual:

1. General information on *ArpEdit*.
2. User guidelines for *ArpEdit*.

14.1.2 The purpose of *ArpEdit*

ArpEdit is designed to perform the following functions:

1. Creating badge forms for the **Access Control Service** module (in the form of files with the .arp extension).
2. Creating user dialog boxes (in the form of files with the .dlg extension).

Note.

The dialog box is connected to Axxon PSIM via a system operator **object query window** and displayed as a result of the macro commands that are specifically designed to work with this dialog box. Thus, the *ArpEdit* utility allows you to completely adapt *Axxon PSIM* to solve particular problems of control and security at a production facility.

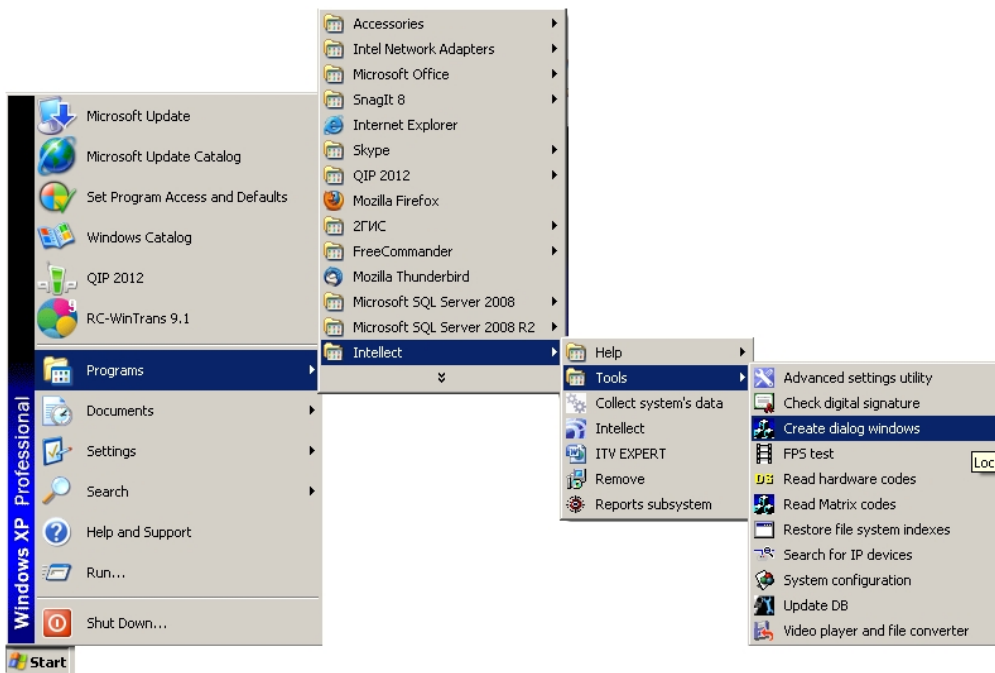
14.2 General principles of operating ArpEdit

14.2.1 Starting and shutting down ArpEdit

Launching *ArpEdit* can be done in one of the following ways:

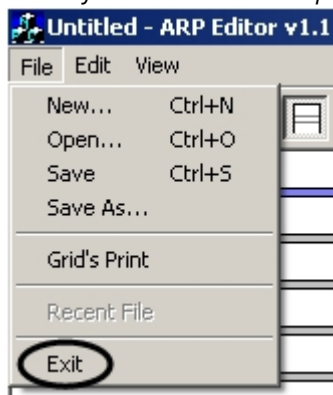
1. Launch from the *Axxon PSIM* installation directory. To launch the *ArpEdit* utility from the *Axxon PSIM* installation directory, follow these steps:
 - a. Go to the folder where you installed *Axxon PSIM* (default directory is C:\Program files\Axxon PSIM).
 - b. Go to the **Tools\Arpedit** folder.
 - c. Launch the file arpedit.exe.

2. Launch from the **Start** menu. To launch the *ArpEdit* utility from the **Start** menu, select the menu item **Create dialog box**, located in **Start -> Programs -> Axxon PSIM -> Utilities**.



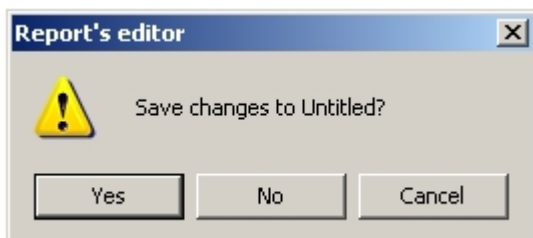
Closing the operation of the *ArpEdit* utility may be done in one of the following ways:

1. In the system menu of the *ArpEdit* utility, in the **File** heading, select **Exit**.



2. Click .

If the document contains any unsaved changes, a **Report editor** dialog box appears.



To confirm the changes, click **Yes**. To exit the program without saving the changes, click **No**.

The utility window will close.

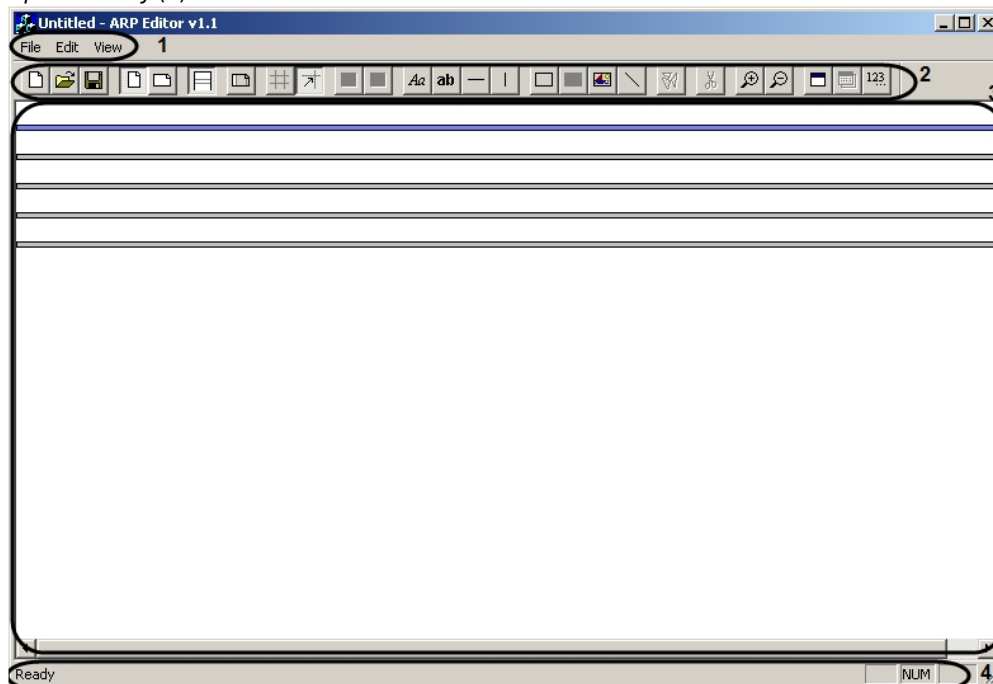
14.2.2 Description of the interface elements of the ArpEdit utility

The *ArpEdit* utility window contains the following key interface elements:

Note.

More information on the interface elements of the ArpEdit utility can be found in the appendix (see [APPENDIX 1. Interface elements of the ArpEdit utility](#)).

1. The System menu. Provides access to file operations, editing functions and window display settings for the *ArpEdit* utility (1).

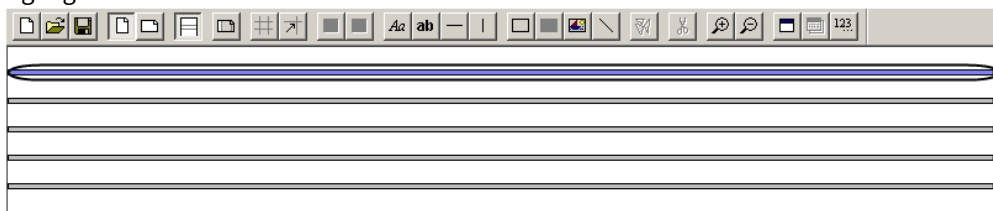


2. Toolbar. Provides access to key features of the utility (2).
3. Workspace. Contains elements of the badge or dialog box, add users, and allows for the management of placement and sizes (3).
4. The status bar displays information about the actions produced by the utility (4).

14.2.3 Creating ArpEdit objects

ArpEdit objects are divided into the user interface and variable elements. To create a new object in the workspace, follow these steps:

1. Select a section of the workspace where you want to add an item, click on it. The selected part will be highlighted in blue.



2. Go to the *ArpEdit* toolbar.



3. Select the object to be added by clicking the left mouse button on the appropriate icon on the toolbar (see description below).
4. Click the left mouse button at the point in the workspace in which to place the upper left corner of the object.

Note.

The dimensions of the created object can be changed in two ways:

1. By dragging the right or bottom edge of the object with the mouse.
2. By setting new values for the height and width of the object in the field box (see [Setting field variables](#)).

The position of the created object can also be modified in two ways:

1. Dragging the object with the mouse from the top or left edge.
2. By setting the new position of the object in the field variable window (see [Setting field variables](#)).

ArpEdit objects:



Name	Description	Purpose
Text	Fixed text field	Display fixed text field



Name	Description	Purpose
Variable	Variable text field, hidden text box, button or drop-down list.	1. Displays information from the database when creating badges; 2. Variable when creating dialog boxes



Name	Description	Purpose
Line	A line of given length and direction	Design element



Name	Description	Purpose
Frame	Set rectangular frame sizes	Design element



Name	Description	Purpose
Square	Set filled square sizes	Design element



Name	Description	Purpose
Image	Image placed at a specific location	Insert client photographs in the badge form for printing

Creating a new object is finished.

14.2.4 Setting object display variables

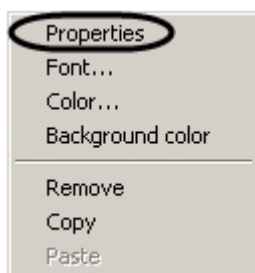
Setting field variables

To set the field variables, follow these steps:

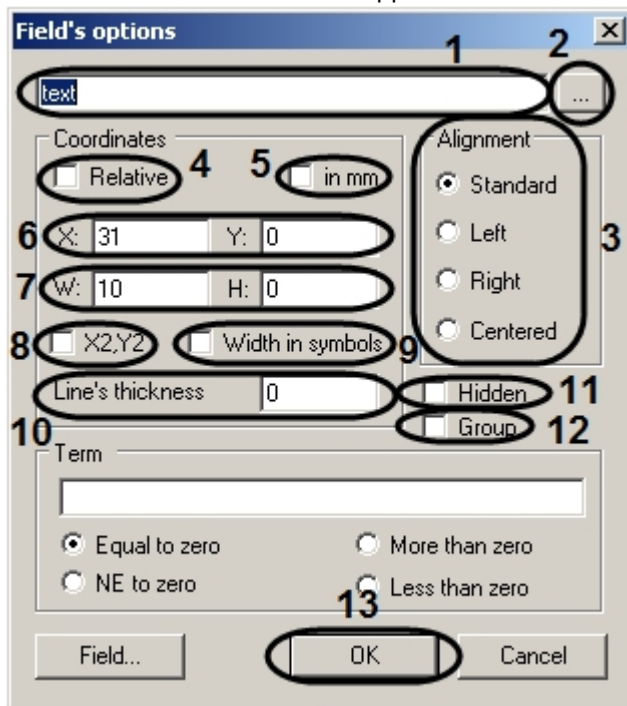
1. In order to set the field variables, it is necessary to select the variables of the object in the workspace, and open the **Variables** field in one the following ways:
 - a. Click  on the toolbar;
 - b. In the object functional menu, select **Properties**.

Note.

The object functional menu is opened by right-clicking anywhere inside the object.



2. The **Field variables** window will appear.



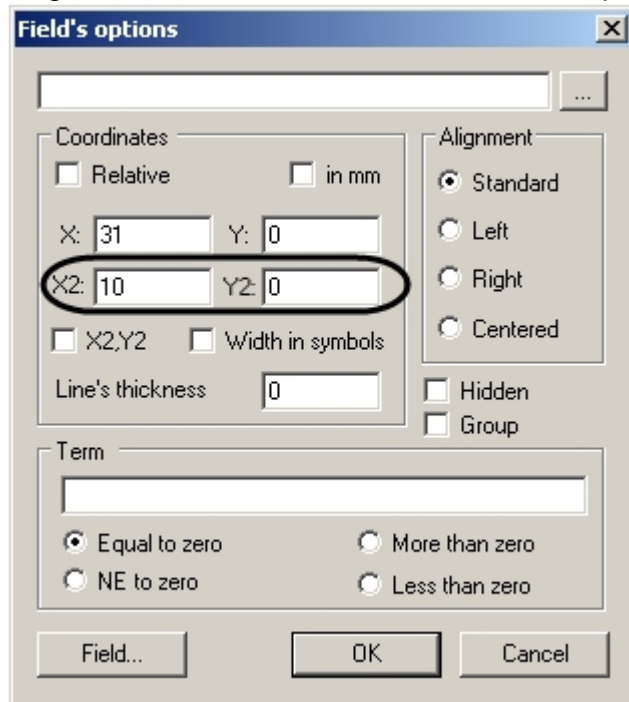
3. In the text field (1) enter information describing the field:
- Enter text in **Text field**, which will be displayed in the text field.
 - For **Variable**, enter the variable name.
 - For an **Image**, enter the image address in quotes. The image must be placed in one of the following folders:
 - In the *Axxon PSIM* software installation folder (e.g. C:\Program Files\Axxon PSIM), then in the field (1) enter the image name, e.g. "image.bmp".
 - In the Bmp folder of the *Axxon PSIM* software installation folder (e.g. C:\Program Files\Axxon PSIM\Bmp), then enter the image file address as "Bmp\image.bmp" or "Bmp/image.bmp".
4. If you would like to fill in the text field with data from a text file or enter a large amount of data, then click the  button (2) and use a text editor (see the section in [APPENDIX 2. Entering text using the editor](#)).
5. Set the **Alignment** settings for the desired justification of the text within a selected object (3).
6. Select units of measure which will be used to size the object:
- If the size of the object will be given in millimeters, then check the **in mm** box (5).
 - If the size of the object will be given in characters [symbols], then check the **Width in symbols** box (9).

Note.

The size of the object is given in characters [symbols] by default.

7. Set the position of the upper left of the object in one of the following ways:
- Specify the absolute coordinates of the object. In this case you should indicate the position of the upper left corner by setting the X-axis in the **X** field, and the Y-axis in the **Y** field: (6)
 - Specify the relative coordinates of the object. In this case you should check the **Relative** box (4).
8. The width and height of the object can be set in one of the following ways:
- Specify the width of the object in the **W** field, and the height of object in the **H** field (7).
 - Specify the coordinates of the lower-right corner. To do this, check the **X2, Y2** box (8). The **W** and **H** fields will be by **X2** and **Y2**. After this, specify the coordinates of the lower-right corner of the object

using the **X2** field for the x-axis and the **Y2** field for the y-axis.



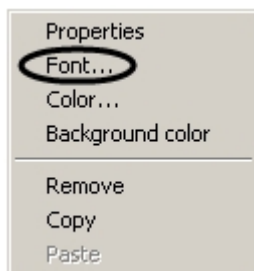
9. Specify the line thickness in the **Line thickness** field in the desired units (**10**).
10. If a custom object should be on the badge or there is a dialog window, but it should not be visible to the user, then check the **Hidden** box (**11**).
11. If the object must be part of a group, check the **Group** box (**12**).
12. Click **OK** (**13**).

Setting the variables is completed.

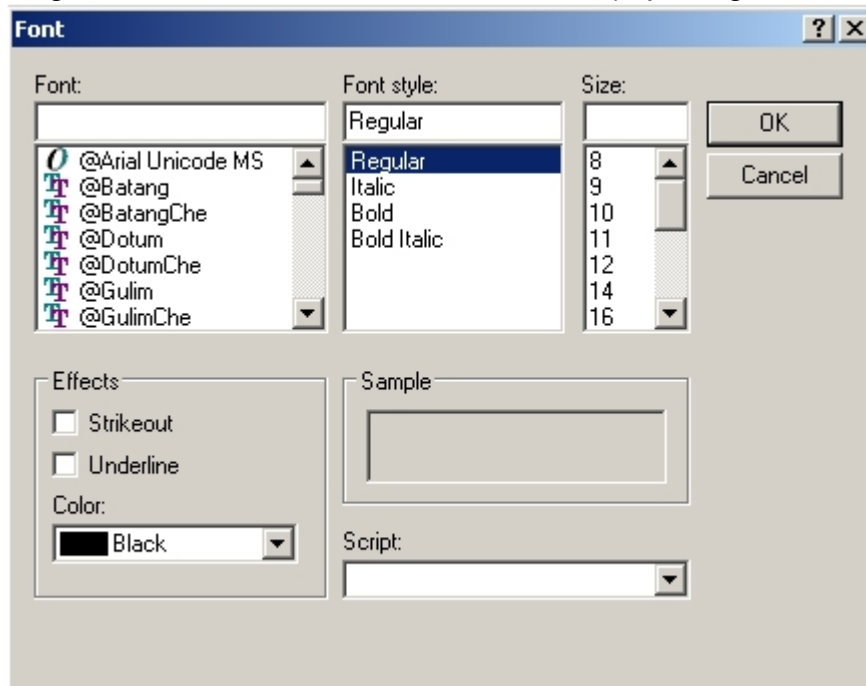
Setting the text font

To set the text font, follow these steps:

1. Select **Font...** from the menu...



- Using the standard font selection menu, set the text display settings.

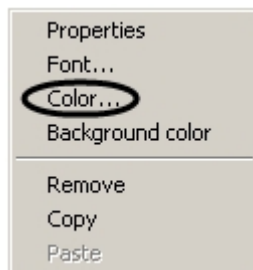


Setting the text font is completed.

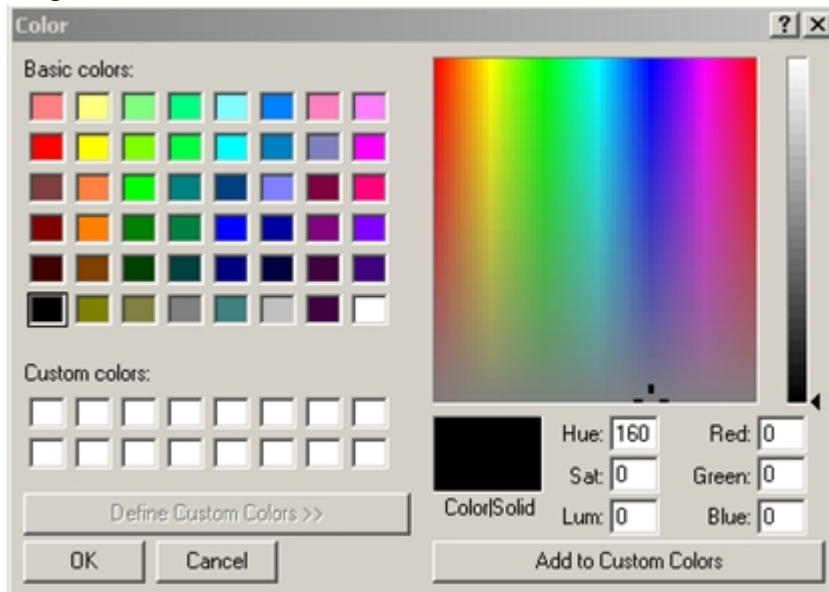
Setting the color

To set the color, follow these steps:

- Select **Color** from the menu.



2. Using the standard color selection menu, select the color desired for the object.

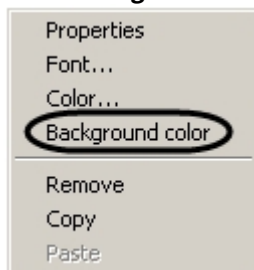


Setting the color of the object is completed.

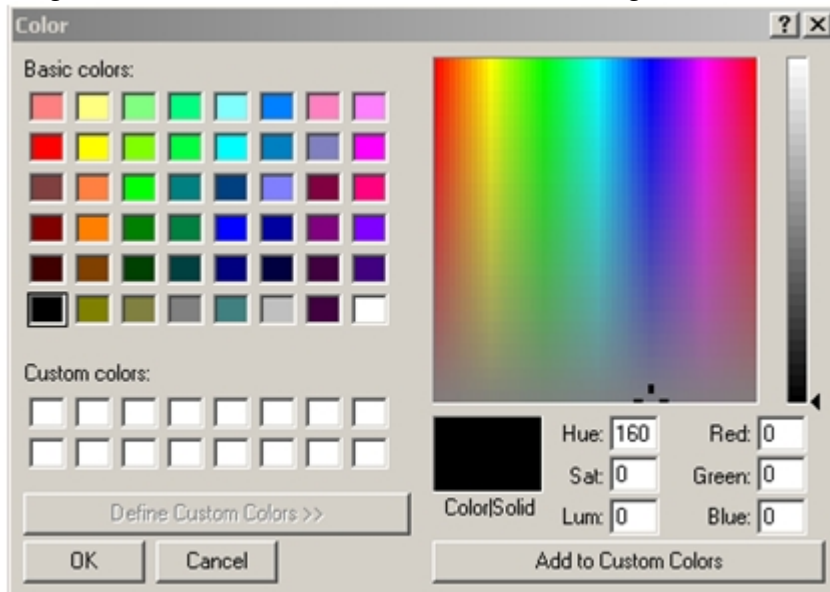
Setting the background color of the object

To set the background color of the object, follow these steps:

1. Select **Background color** from the menu.



- Using the standard color selection menu, select the background color desired for the object.



Setting the background color of the object is completed.

14.3 Creating dialog boxes

14.3.1 Creating a dialog box form

In the *Axxon PSIM* dialog box, objects will be displayed in the *ArpEdit* workspace.

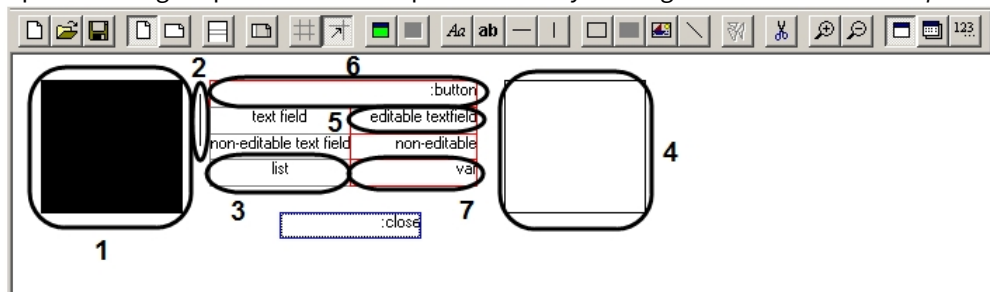
Create a dialog box form in the following order:

- Create design elements in the workspace.
- Create variables in the workspace.
- Configure the design elements in the workspace.

Create design elements

The design element types in the dialog box correspond to their appearance on the workspace. You can add the following design elements to the dialog box form:

- Square. Adding a square in the workspace is done by clicking on the  on the *ArpEdit* toolbar (1).



- Line. Adding a line in the workspace is done using one of the following buttons:    on the *ArpEdit* toolbar (2).

3. Text field. Adding a text field in the workspace is done by clicking on the  on the *ArpEdit* toolbar (3).

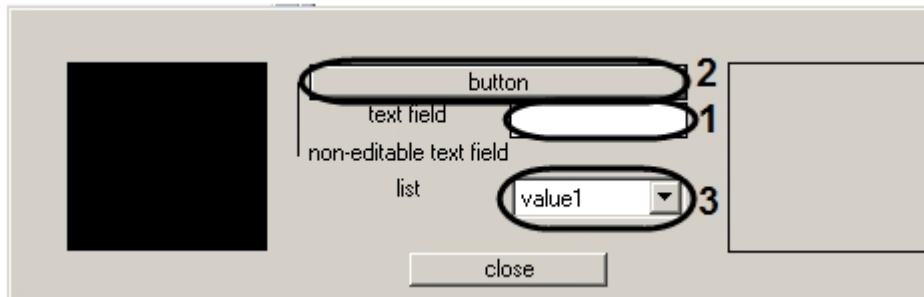
4. Frame. Adding a frame in the workspace is done by clicking on the  on the *ArpEdit* toolbar (4).

Creating design elements is completed.

Creating variables

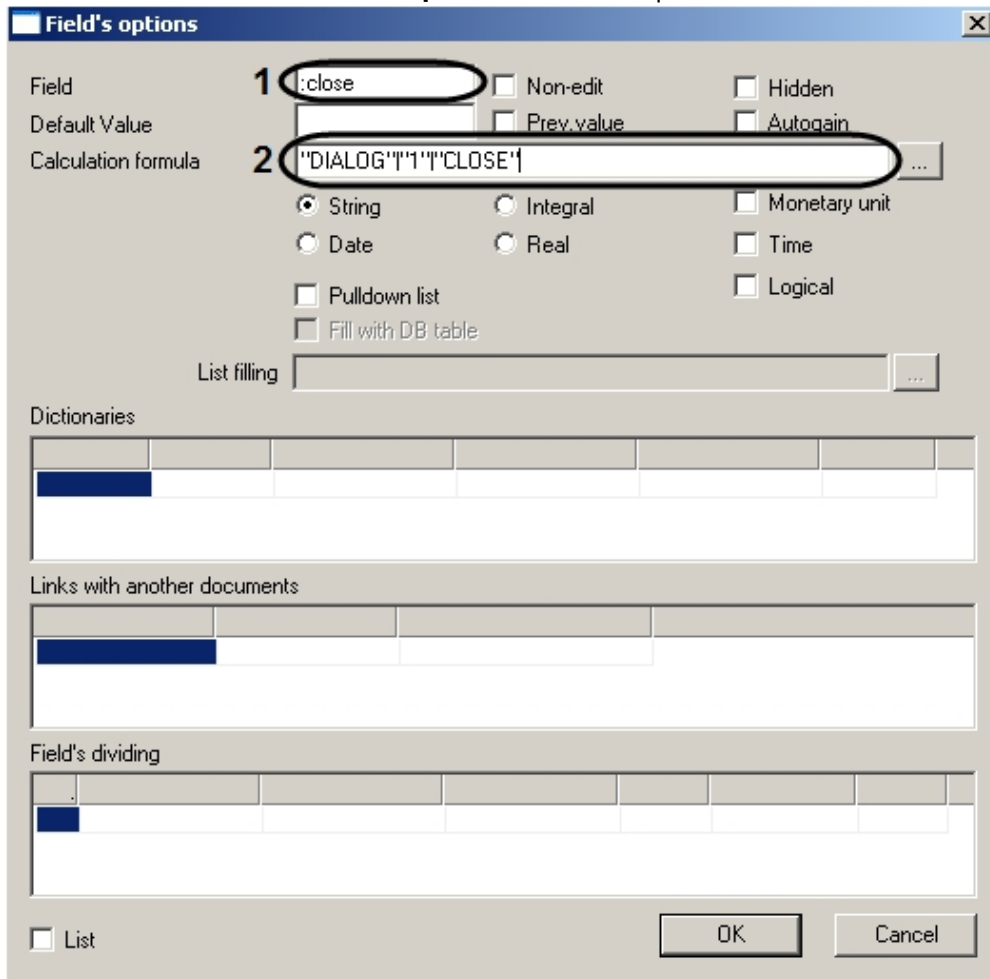
Creating variables in the workspace is done using the  on the *ArpEdit* toolbar. Depending on the variable setting they may be displayed in the dialog box as follows:

1. Editable text field (1). Additional configuration after adding is not needed (5).



2. Button (2). In order to display a variable as a button in the dialog box, you must configure it after adding it to the workspace, as follows (6):

- a. Click  on the toolbar. The **Field options** window will open.



The **Field's options** dialog box is shown. It has a title bar with a close button. The dialog contains several sections:

- Field:** A text box containing `:close`, with a red circle and the number 1 around it.
- Default Value:** An empty text box.
- Calculation formula:** A text box containing `"DIALOG"|"1"|"CLOSE"`, with a red circle and the number 2 around it. To the right of this box is an ellipsis button.
- Options:** A group of checkboxes and radio buttons:
 - ☐ Non-edit
 - ☐ Hidden
 - ☐ Prev. value
 - ☐ Autogain
 - ☒ String
 - ☐ Integral
 - ☐ Monetary unit
 - ☐ Date
 - ☐ Real
 - ☐ Time
 - ☐ Pulldown list
 - ☐ Logical
 - ☐ Fill with DB table
- List filling:** A text box with an ellipsis button.
- Dictionaries:** A table with 7 columns and 1 row, with the first cell highlighted in blue.
- Links with another documents:** A table with 4 columns and 1 row, with the first cell highlighted in blue.
- Field's dividing:** A table with 7 columns and 1 row, with the first cell highlighted in blue.
- Buttons:** ☐ List, OK, and Cancel.

- b. Place a colon in front of the variable name (1).
 - c. In the **Calculation formula** field, specify the variables for the DoReact function using quotes “,” – which will be used with the button is clicked (2).
 - d. Click **OK**.
3. Drop-down list (3). In order to display a variable as a drop-down menu in the dialog box, you must configure it after adding it to workspace, as follows (7):
- a. Click  on the toolbar.

- b. Double click on the frame around the variable name. The **Field options** window will open.

The screenshot shows the 'Field's options' dialog box. It has a title bar with a close button. The main area contains several sections: 'Field' with a text box containing 'var'; 'Default Value' with an empty text box; 'Calculation formula' with an empty text box and a button; a group of radio buttons for 'String' (selected), 'Date', 'Integral', 'Real', and 'Monetary unit'; a group of checkboxes for 'Non-edit', 'Hidden', 'Prev. value', 'Autogain', 'Time', and 'Logical'; a checked 'Pulldown list' checkbox circled with a '1'; a 'Fill with DB table' checkbox; and a 'List filling' text box containing 'value1|value2|value3' circled with a '2'. Below these are three empty table-like structures labeled 'Dictionaries', 'Links with another documents', and 'Field's dividing'. At the bottom left is an unchecked 'List' checkbox, and at the bottom right are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

- c. Check the **Drop-down menu [Pulldown list]** box (1).
- d. If you would like to manually specify menu values, then you must enter the desired value in the **Fill list** field, using the character “|” as the separator between values (2). To enter a large amount of text or to paste text from a file, click  and use the editor (see the section in [APPENDIX 2. Entering text using the editor](#)).
- e. Click **OK**.

Creating variables is completed.

Setting up workspace objects

After adding interface elements and variables to the workspace, it is necessary to configure them. Configuring interface elements includes specifying their display variables (see the section on [Setting object display variables](#)).

To configure a variable, follow these steps:

1. Click  on the toolbar.
2. Double click the left mouse button on **Variable** menu item that you wish to set. The **Field options** window will open.
3. Enter the name of the variable in the **Text field** (1).

Note.

If there is a colon in front of the variable name (for example :var), then when creating a dialog box it will be displayed as a button with the same name (var). At the same time, in the **Calculation formula field (3)** the variables for the DoReact function will be displayed, delineated by the “|” character.

The screenshot shows the 'Field's options' dialog box with the following elements and annotations:

- 1**: Points to the 'Field' dropdown menu, which is currently set to 'editable textfield'.
- 2**: Points to the 'Default Value' text input field.
- 3**: Points to the 'Calculation formula' section, which includes radio buttons for 'String' (selected), 'Date', 'Integral', and 'Real'.
- 4**: Points to the format checkboxes on the right: 'Monetary unit', 'Time', and 'Logical'.
- 5**: Points to the 'Non-edit' checkbox.
- 6**: Points to the 'Hidden' checkbox.
- 7**: Points to the 'OK' button.

Other visible elements include 'Autogain', 'Prev. value', 'Pulldown list', 'Fill with DB table', 'List filling', 'Dictionaries', 'Links with another documents', 'Field's dividing', and a 'List' checkbox at the bottom left.

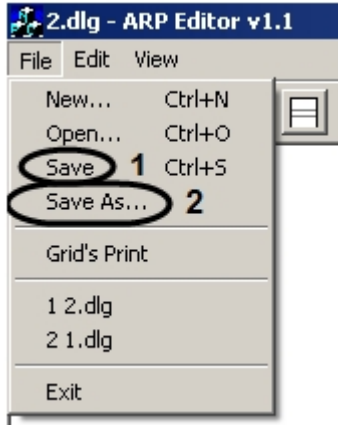
4. Enter the **Default value** in the field, of the variable that will be the default value (**2**).
5. Set the switches (**3**) to the position corresponding to the type of variable.
6. Specify the format for the variable. To do this you need to check one or more of the checkboxes in front of the format corresponding to the variable (**4**).
7. If you do not want to allow the value of the variable in the dialog box to be changed, then check the **Non-edit** box (**5**).
8. If you want the value of the variable to be present in the dialog box, but not visible, then check the **Hidden** box (**6**).
9. Click **OK** (**7**).

Configuring variables is completed.

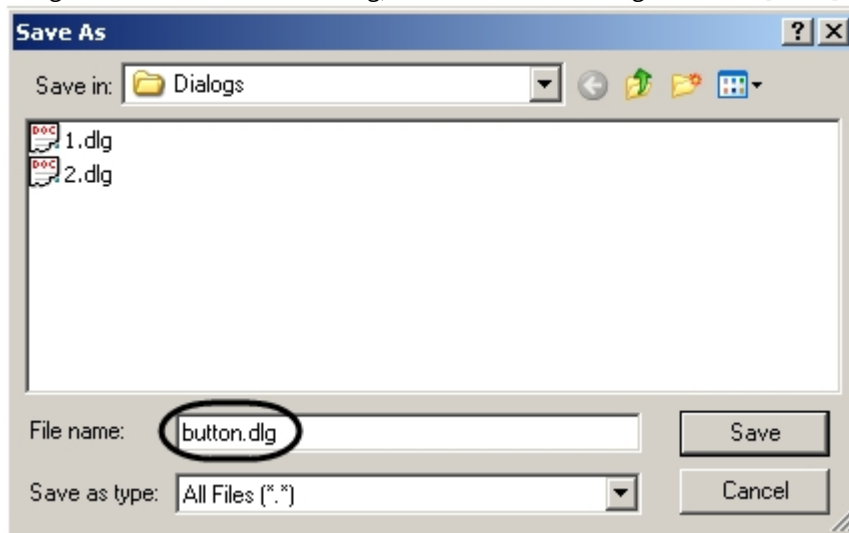
14.3.2 Saving the dialog box form

To save the dialog box form, follow these steps:

1. Select **File**, then click **Save (1)** or **Save as... (2)** to save the file under a new name.



2. Using the standard save file dialog, save the file with a .dlg extension [suffix].



Note.

The file extension should be entered manually in this case.

Important!

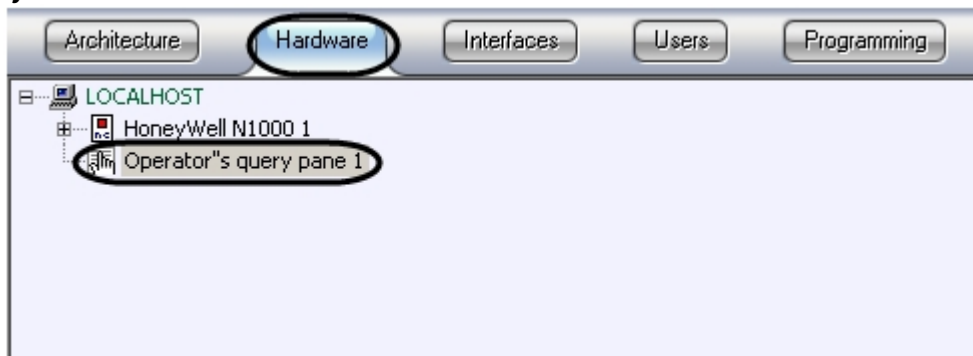
In order to have access to the saved dialog form file in *Axxon PSIM*, it should be saved in the following folder: <Path to installation directory of Axxon PSIM>/Program.

Saving the dialog box form is completed.

14.3.3 Accessing the dialog box from Axxon PSIM

To access the dialog box from *Axxon PSIM*, follow these steps:

1. Create an **Operator query window** under the **Computer** object in the **Hardware** tab of the **Configure systems** menu.

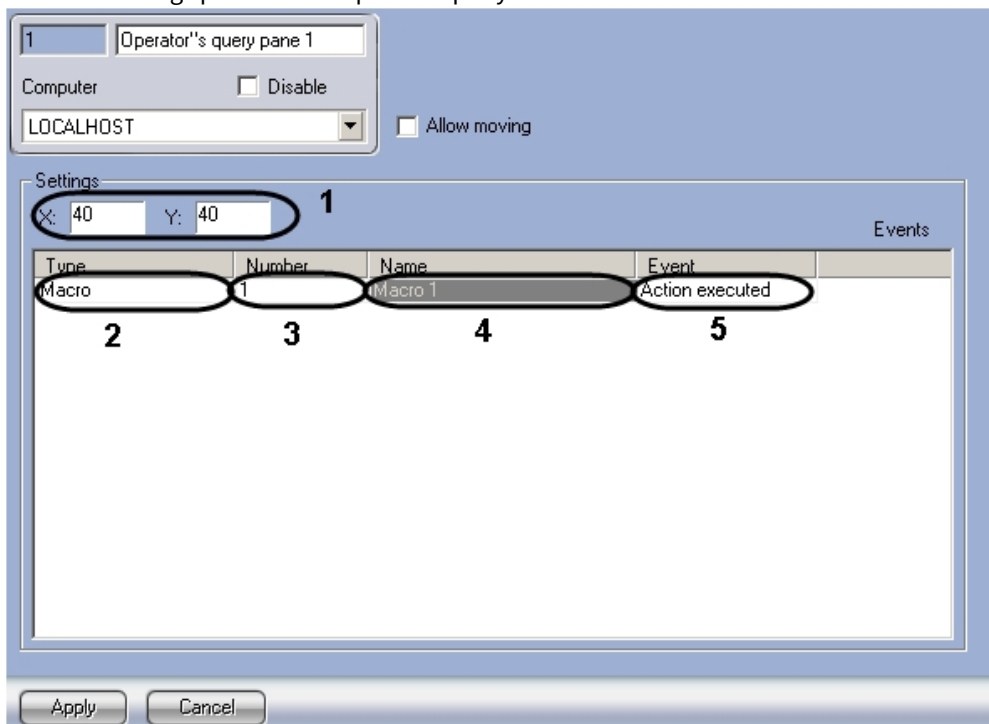


Important!

When you create an Operator query window in the number field you should specify the name of the saved dialog box form in the relevant director.



2. Go to the settings panel of the Operator query window.

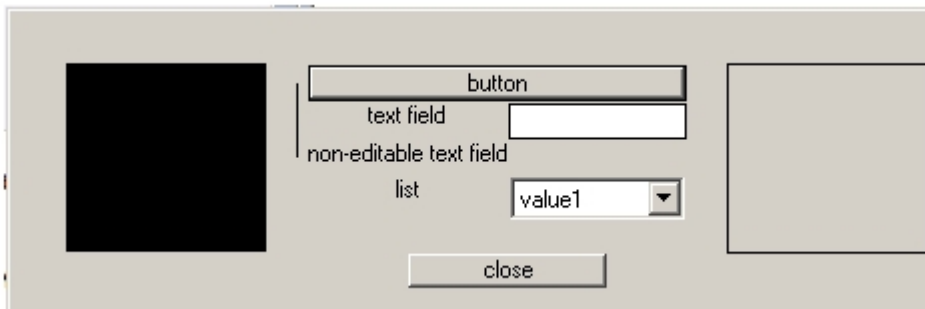


3. Specify the window coordinates: in the **X** field specify the coordinates along the horizontal axis, in the **Y** field specify the coordinates along the vertical axis (1).
4. From the drop-down menu, in the **Type** column, select the type of object that trigger a dialog box (2).

5. From the drop-down menu, in the **Number** column, select the number of selected objected types (3).
6. Double click the left mouse button on the **Name** column (4). The cell will be automatically completed with the name of the selected object.
7. Specify the action to be performed upon the occurrence of a specified event, in the **Event** column (5).

Note.

In the example shown in the illustration above, the dialog box, created in the form, will be displayed from the macro.



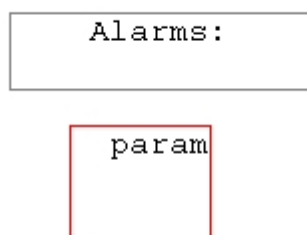
Dialog boxes are used for programming the *Axxon PSIM* software package. More information on the built-in programming language can be found in the *Axxon PSIM Software Package. Programming Guide*.

Configuring the **Operator query window** is described in detail in the [Administrator's Guide](#).

14.3.4 Example of creating a dialog bog to count the number of movements

This section provides an example of how to create a dialog box to count the number of movements. To create such a dialog box, follow these steps:

1. Create a text field with the text **Number of movements [Alarms:]** (1).



2. Create variables (2).
3. Click  on the toolbar.
4. Double click on the frame around the variable name. The **Variable field** window will open.

5. For the name of the variable, name it **param** (1).

Field's options

Field: (1) ☒ Non-edit (2) ☐ Hidden

Default Value: ☐ Prev. value ☐ Autogain

Calculation formula: ...

☒ String ☐ Integral ☐ Monetary unit

☐ Date ☐ Real ☐ Time

☐ Pull down list ☐ Logical

☐ Fill with DB table

List filling: ...

Dictionaries:

Links with another documents:

Field's dividing:

☐ List

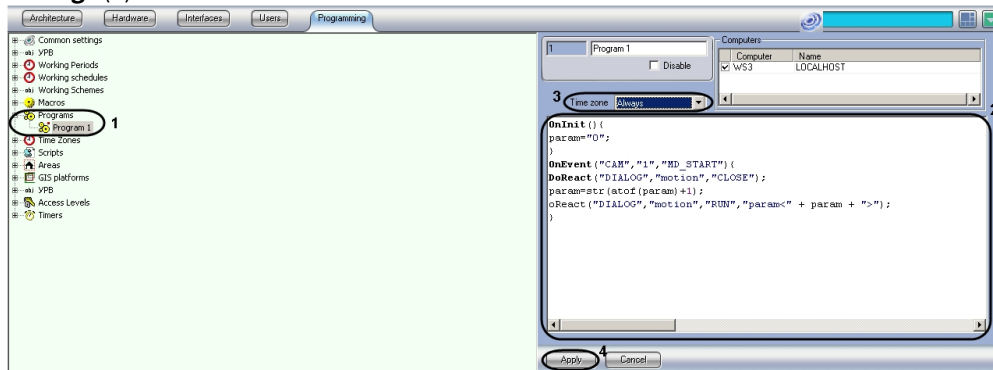
6. Check the **Non-edit** box (2).
7. Save the file with the name **motion.dlg** in the following folder: <Axxon PSIM installation directory>\Program
8. Run *Axxon PSIM*.
9. Create a directory try for the **Operator query window** in *Axxon PSIM* with the number **motion**.

Number:

Name:

▼

10. In *Axxon PSIM* create a **Program** under the **Programs** tab in the **Programming** dialog box of **System settings (1)**.



11. Write the following code (2):

```
OnInit(){
param="0";
}
OnEvent("CAM","1","MD_START"){
DoReact("DIALOG","motion","CLOSE");
param=str(atof(param)+1);
DoReact("DIALOG","motion","RUN","param<" + param + ">");}
```

12. From the drop-down **Time zone** menu, select **Always (3)**.
13. Click **Apply (4)**

This script indicates that if the video camera in sector 1 detects movement, then a **motion** operator query window will open, showing the number of movement alarms (**param**).



14.4 Working with badge forms

The *ArpEdit* utility supports work with the *Visitor Management System* (see [Visitor Management System Module Settings and Operation Guide](#)) module and allows you to create badge forms and output them for printing.

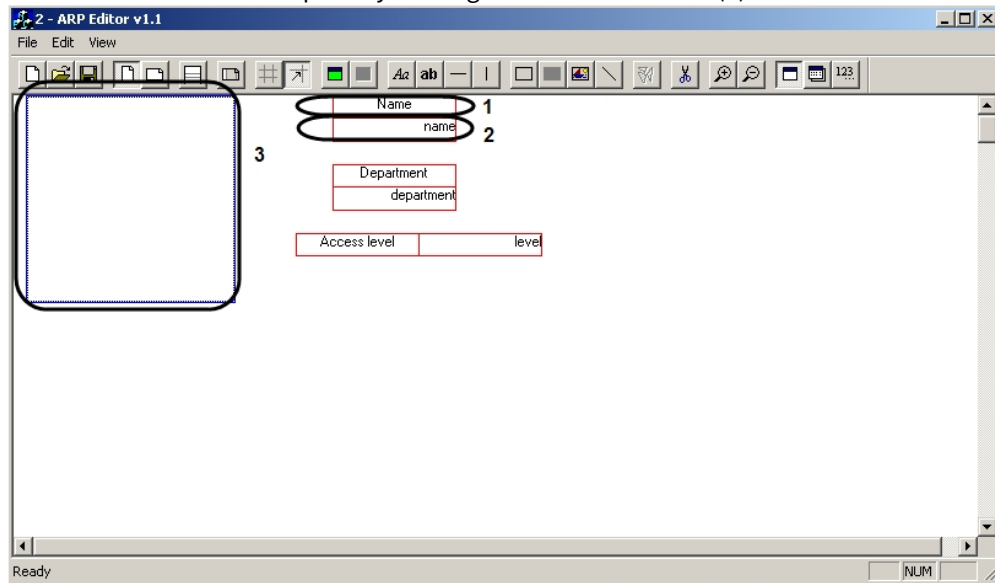
14.4.1 Creating a badge form

Before you start to create badge forms, you need to make sure that you have created an **Access Control Service** object, as well as departments and users in *Axxon PSIM*.

To create badge forms in the *Access Control Service*, follow these steps:

1. Select the workspace section where the items will be added to the interface. Each section represents a single page.
2. Create the required number of variables, as follows:

- a. Add a variable to the workspace by clicking  on the toolbar (1).



- b. Click  on the toolbar.

- c. Double click the left mouse button on the border of the **Variable** that you wish to set. This will open the **Field options** window.

Field's options

Field **1** name ☐ Non-edit ☐ Hidden

Default Value ☐ Prev. value ☐ Autogain

Calculation formula ...

☒ String ☐ Integral ☐ Monetary unit

☐ Date ☐ Real ☐ Time

☐ Pulldown list ☐ Logical

☐ Fill with DB table

List filling ...

Dictionaries

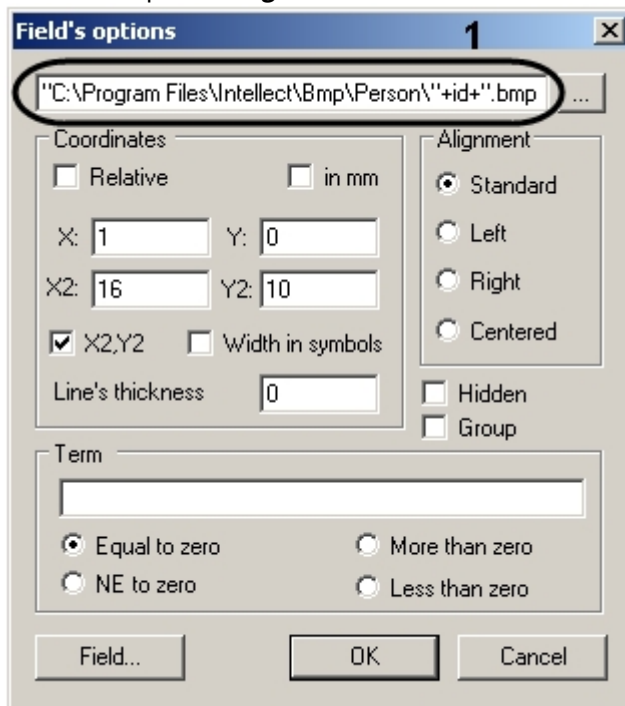
Links with another documents

Field's dividing

☐ List OK Cancel

- d. In the **Field** box [field], enter the name of the variable corresponding to the table in the *Axxon PSIM* database: `dbo.OBJ_PERSON`, from which data will be accessed for printing the badges (**1**).
3. Add the required design elements from the *ArpEdit* toolbar.
 4. In order to allow the printing of photographs of employees on each pass for badge users, the **Image** should be set as follows:

5. Select the required **Image** and click  on the toolbar. The **Field options** window will open.



The **Field's options** dialog box is shown. The file path in the text box is `"C:\Program Files\Intellect\Bmp\Person\"+id+".bmp"`. The **Coordinates** section has ☐ Relative, ☐ in mm, X: 1, Y: 0, X2: 16, Y2: 10, ☒ X2,Y2, ☐ Width in symbols, and Line's thickness: 0. The **Alignment** section has ☒ Standard, ☐ Left, ☐ Right, ☐ Centered, ☐ Hidden, and ☐ Group. The **Term** section has ☒ Equal to zero, ☐ More than zero, ☐ NE to zero, and ☐ Less than zero. Buttons at the bottom are Field..., OK, and Cancel.

6. In the **Field options** window, specify the following text string: "<Axxon PSIM installation directory>\bmp\Person\"+id+".bmp" (1). When outputting the badge to the printer, the **id** variable will be automatically read from the data base, and photography assigned to that ID by *Axxon PSIM* will be printed on the badge.

Design elements used for badge forms:



Name	Description	Function
Text	Uneditable text field	Will display uneditable text information



Name	Description	Function
Line	Line of any given length and direction	Design element



Name	Description	Function
Frame	Rectangular frame of a specified size	Design element



Name	Description	Function
Square	Filled rectangle of a specified size	Design element



Name	Description	Function
Image	An image placed at a specified location	Insert user photographs on badge forms when printing

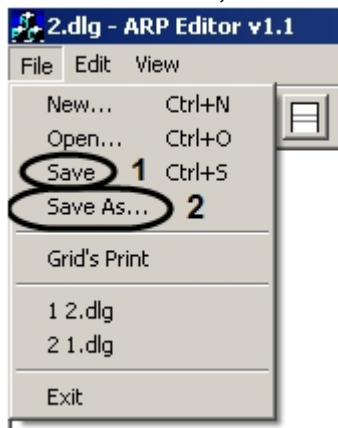
After adding all the required elements in the workspace, you must set the display variables (see section on [Setting object display variables](#)).

Creating badge forms is completed.

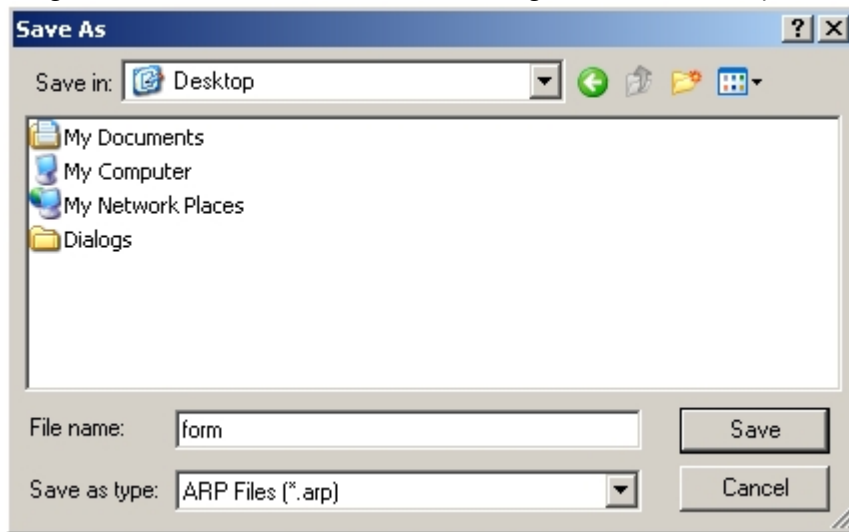
14.4.2 Saving badge forms

To save created badge forms, follow these steps:

1. From the **File** menu, select **Save** (1) or **Save as...** (2) to save a file with a new name.



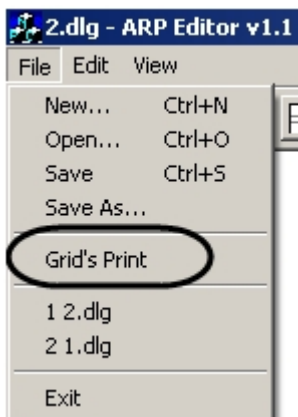
- Using the standard save file menu, save the badge form file with a .arp extension.



Saving badge forms is complete.

14.4.3 Printing badges

To output badges for printing, select **Printer network [Print's Grid]** from the **File** menu.



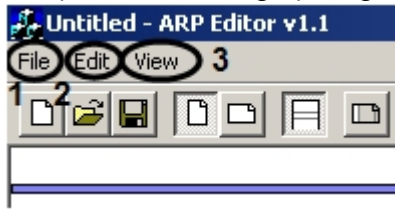
Outputting the badge to the printer is completed.

14.5 APPENDIX 1. Interface elements of the ArpEdit utility

14.5.1 System menu

The *ArpEdit* utility system menu provides access to the following functions:

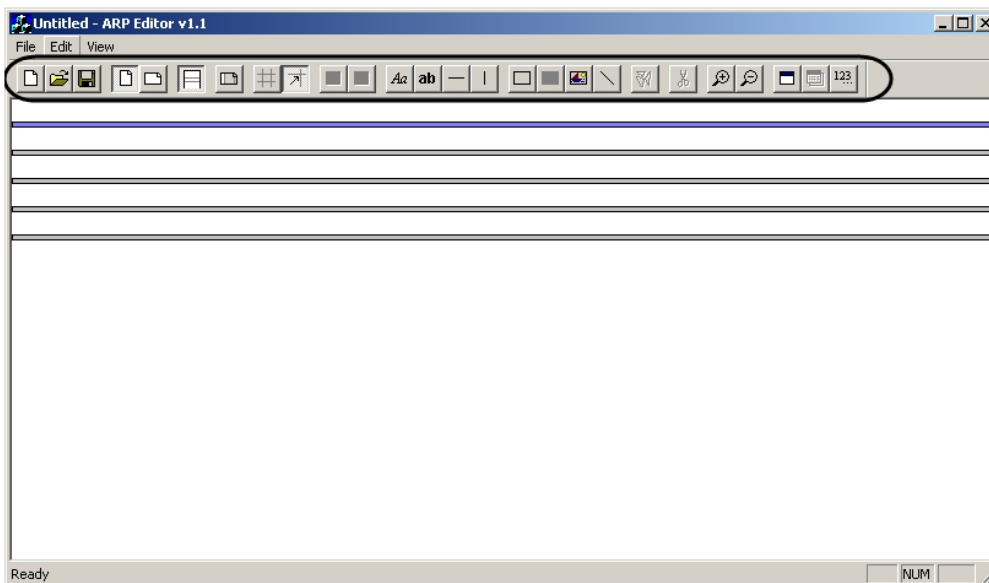
1. File operations: creating, opening, saving, printing (1).



2. Text editing features (2).
3. *ArpEdit* utility window display settings. In this menu, you can enable or disable the display of the toolbar and status bar (3).

14.5.2 Toolbar

The main way to manipulate objects in *ArpEdit* is via a toolbar, that has buttons to control the utility.

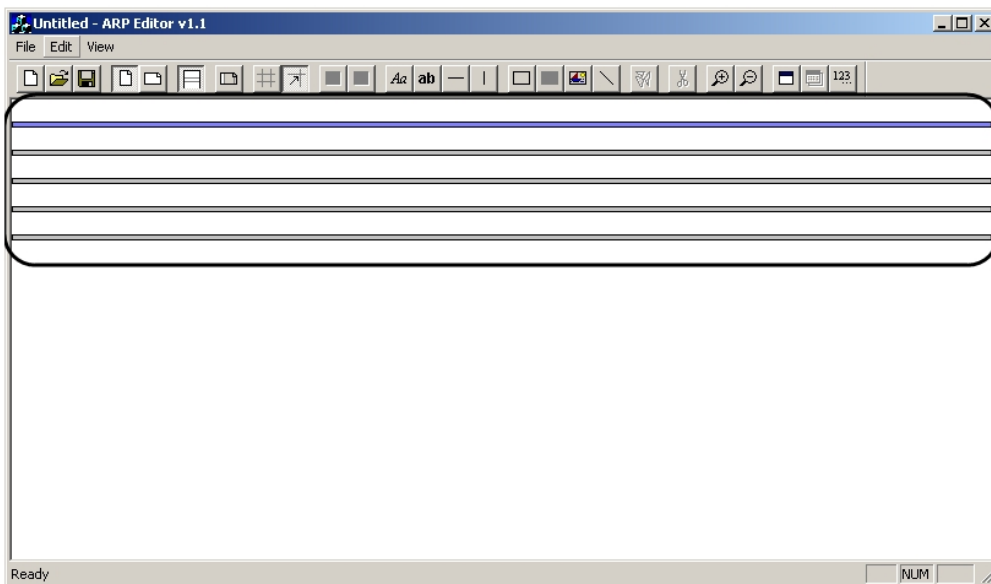


Description of the buttons in the *ArpEdit* utility toolbar:

Button image	Name	Function
Manipulation of <i>ArpEdit</i> documents		
	New	Create new document
	Open	Open file
	Save	Save text document
Managing an <i>ArpEdit</i> document		
	Orient vertically	When this element is activated, the page is oriented vertically
	Orient horizontally	When this element is activated, the page is oriented horizontally
	Display sections	Displays sections (pages) of the document (up to five)
	Show grid	Displays the mapping grid for the workspace
	Snap to grid	Snaps the object to the grid
	Zoom in	Increases the size of objects in the workspace
	Zoom out	Decreases the size of objects in the workspace
	Display options	Opens a settings window with display settings for the selected object
	Sort fields	Displays the fields in order by section
Adding objects to the <i>ArpEdit</i> workspace		
	Text	Insert a text field in the workspace
	Field	Insert a Variable (editable text field) in the workspace
	Horizontal line	Insert a horizontal line in the workspace
	Vertical line	Insert a vertical line in the workspace
	Frame	Insert a frame in the workspace
	Square	Insert a square (shaded rectangle) in the workspace
	Image	Insert an image in the workspace
	Line	Insert a line in any direction in the workspace
Object management		
	Separate text	Separate text using a linefeed as a separator
	Delete	Delete the selected object
	Form	Access the editor for variable parameters
	Form options	Set parameters for the connection with the data source

14.5.3 Workspace

The ArpEdit utility workspace is designed for the placement of objects in ArpEdit. When the Show sections button is activated, the workspace will be divided into sections by horizontal lines.



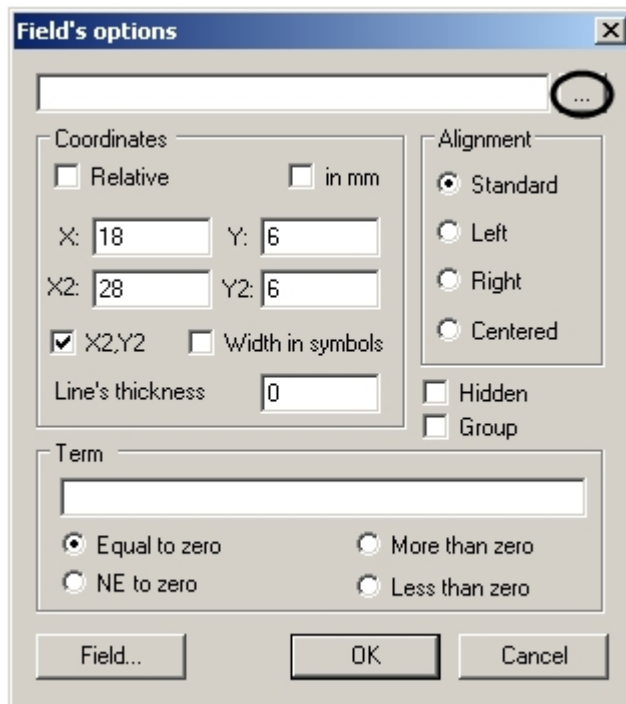
Each section will have its own page. To start editing a section, select it by clicking on the dividing line with the left mouse button. The selected section will be highlighted in blue.

14.6 APPENDIX 2. Entering text using the editor

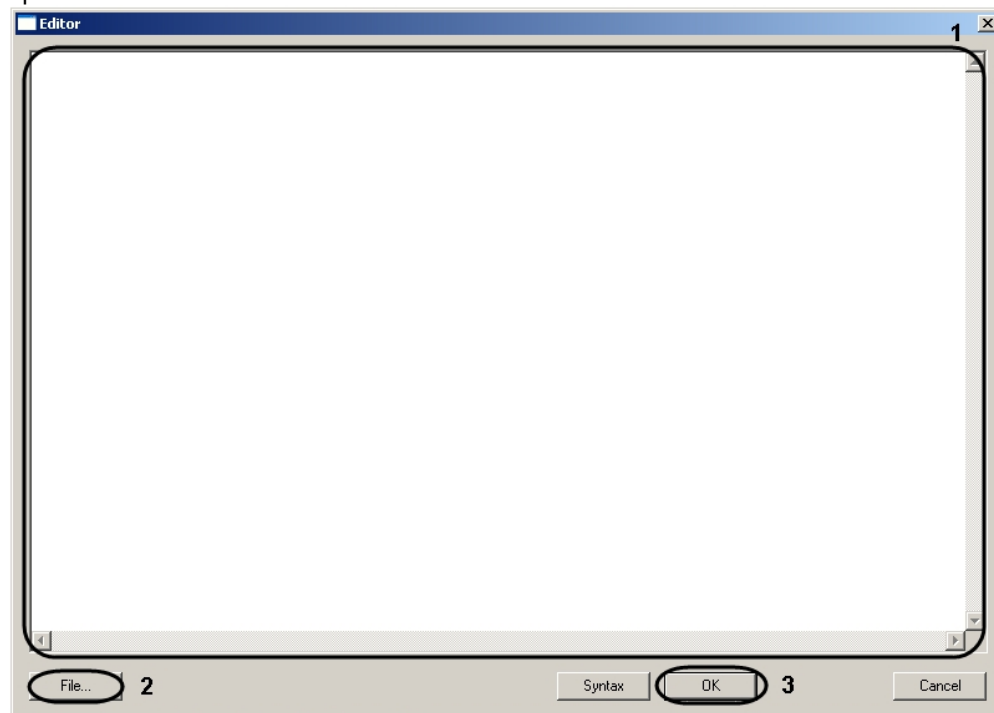
You can enter text in the variable settings using the built-in *ArpEdit* editor. This editor should be used when you want to fill in a text field with data from a text file or a large amount of data.

To enter text using the editor, follow these steps:

1. Click  next to the text field.



2. Open the **Editor** window.



3. Enter text in the text field (1).
4. If you want to paste the text into a text field from a text file, then click **File...** (2) using the standard open file dialog box, select the required text file. Text from the selected file will appear in the text field (1).
5. Click **OK** (3).

Entering text using the editor is completed.

15 The Axxon Player utility for viewing and converting the video archive

Please see the documentation [here](#).

16 The openRTSP.exe utility for checking RTSP workability

The openRTSP.exe utility is a console application without a graphical user interface. This utility is intended for use in scripts to check workability of the RTSP Server module. Please visit <http://www.live555.com/openRTSP/> for details about the utility.

The openRTSP.exe file is located in the <Axxon PSIM installation directory>\Tools folder.

An example of a script to test the workability of RTSP is given below. This script runs the openRTSP.exe utility by timer, then the utility takes 1 sec of video and checks the status of the RTSP Server. If a rejection from the RTSP Server itself is received, the StreamingServer.run process is restarted.

Note.

Create and configure the **Timer** object for the required check period – see [Creating and using the Timer object](#).

```
function check_cam(addr)
{
    var scmd = "./Tools/openRTSP.exe -V -D 10 -d 1 "+addr;
    DebugLogString("run:"+scmd);

    var s = run_cmd_timeout(scmd, 10000);

    DebugLogString(s);
    if(s.indexOf("Receiving streamed data") < 0)
    {
        DebugLogString("restarting");
        var msg = CreateMsg();
        msg.StringToMsg("SLAVE|COMP_NAME|EXECUTE|
restart<1>,command<streamingserver.run>"); //change COMP_NAME to the name of the
computer where the process runs
        DoReact(msg);
    }
}

if(Event.SourceType == "LOCAL_TIMER" && Event.SourceId == "TEST_RTSP")
{
    check_cam("rtsp://127.0.0.1:5544/1"); //the link is formed as described in the
"Configuring the RTSP Server Module" section
    check_cam("rtsp://127.0.0.1:5545/4");
}
```