



Generic Lighting Dimmer Driver (IR)

Installation and Usage Guide

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Overview

Control4 allows for you to easily integrate infra red based audio/visual devices but it does not give you the ability to integrate infra red based lighting devices.

This is where the Chowmain generic lighting driver comes in. With customisable properties where you can enter in IR HEX codes you can now integrate infra red based lighting devices into Control4 with the correct icon.

Features

- Definable On/Off/25%/50%/75%/100%/Up/Down Hex IR codes
 - Can have multiple copies of the same driver with different IR codes
 - Definable IR repeat counts.
- IR Binding
 - You can bind it to any infra red output in your Control4 system.
- On/Off/Toggle/Level functions
 - With notifications to the proxy means that the client will know when the light is on/off (note that as it is IR based/without feedback it is assumed On/Off)

Change Log

Version #20160721 - 21-JUL-2015

- Initial Release

Important Notice

This driver has been developed for Control4 OS version 2.6.0. It will not work on older versions of OS. This driver was developed for use for the white portion of the RGBW brandless IR controllers you find on various online retailers.

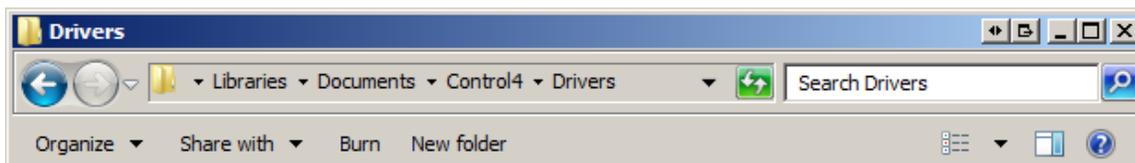


Driver Installation

1. The driver you have downloaded will be in a zip file. Double click on this file to open it in your preferred zip program (WinZip, WinRar, etc.).



2. Extract the c4i file to the My Documents\Control4\Drivers directory. If you are using Windows 7 or 8 this will be extracted to the Libraries\Documents\Control4\Drivers directory.

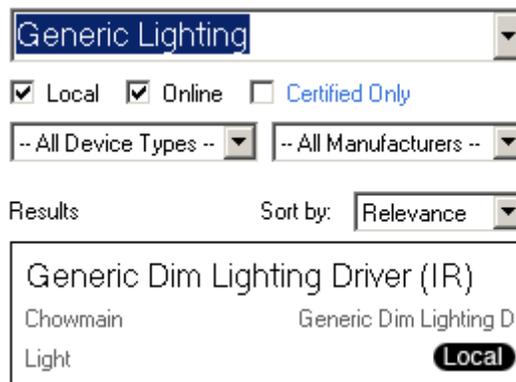


3. You are now ready to add and configure the driver via the Composer Pro software.

Adding the driver to your project

IMPORTANT – Before undertaking the installation of the driver please follow the licencing steps outlined at the end of this document.

1. Launch the Composer Pro application and connect to your project
2. In the **'System Design'** page select the **'Search'** tab on the right hand side.
3. Type in **'Generic Lighting'** in the search bar



Generic Lighting

Local Online Certified Only

-- All Device Types -- -- All Manufacturers --

Results Sort by: Relevance

Generic Dim Lighting Driver (IR)
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4. Double click on the **'Generic Dim Lighting Driver (IR)'** driver to add it to your project
5. Highlight the **'Light'** driver on the left hand side. Rename it to a meaningful name.
6. In the driver properties enter in the Houselogix licence details.

7. Enter in the On, Off, 100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, Ramp Up and Ramp Down IR Codes along with repeat counts.

Note: The infra red codes will need to be obtained from the manufacturer or learnt using an infra red learner. Control4's controllers have infra red learners inbuilt and can be used during the driver wizard process. See the installation manual for more details on how to use the driver wizard.

On IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0157 00a9 0016 0015 0015 0015 0016 0
On Repeat Count	0
Off IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0157 00a9 0016 0015 0015 0015 0016 0
Off Repeat Count	0
100% IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0156 00aa 0015 0015 0016 0015 0016 0
100% Repeat Count	0
75% IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0157 00a9 0016 0015 0015 0015 0016 0
75% Repeat Count	0
50% IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0156 00aa 0015 0015 0016 0015 0016 0
50% Repeat Count	0
25% IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0156 00aa 0015 0015 0016 0015 0016 0
25% Repeat Count	0
Ramp Up IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0157 00a9 0016 0015 0015 0015 0016 0
Ramp Up Repeat Count	0
Ramp Down IR Code	0000 006c 0022 0002 0157 00a9 0016 0015 0015 0015 0016 0
Ramp Down Repeat Cour	0

8. If your device requires an ON command be send prior to the level command set the 'Send On First' property to True.

Send On First True

9. Adjust the 'Milliseconds between ir commands' to suit

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10. Adjust the Ramp Steps. Ramp Steps are the amount of Ups or Downs to get from 25% to 50% and vice versa.

Ramp Steps 4

11. Click on the Connections tab.

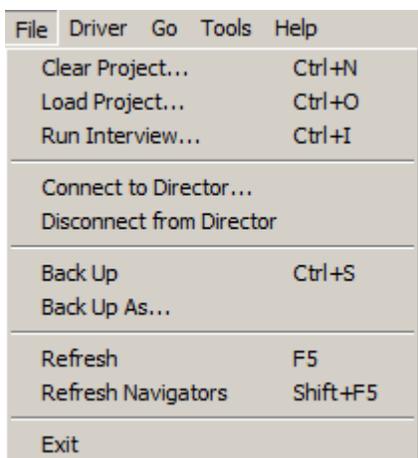


12. Highlight driver on the left hand side.

13. Bind the IR Sensor to the IR output to be used.

Name	Type	Connection	Input/Output	Connected To
Control Inputs				
 IR Sensor	Control	IR_OUT	Input	

14. Click on the File and Refresh Navigators. Congratulations you have set up generic lighting driver (IR).



Licencing

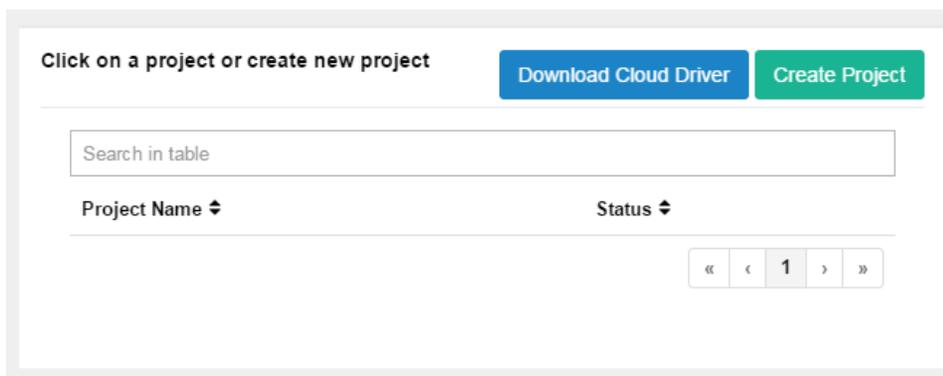
Chowmain drivers require a valid licence to use the driver. Drivers can be purchased from our distributor [driverCentral](#) however all Chowmain drivers come with a 7 day trial. We recommend that prior to purchasing a driver that you test the driver out to ensure that it will work with your hardware and will meet your requirements. The licencing procedure is broken down into 4 steps. A summary of the steps are below along however we have also provided detailed steps if the summary is not sufficient.

Summary

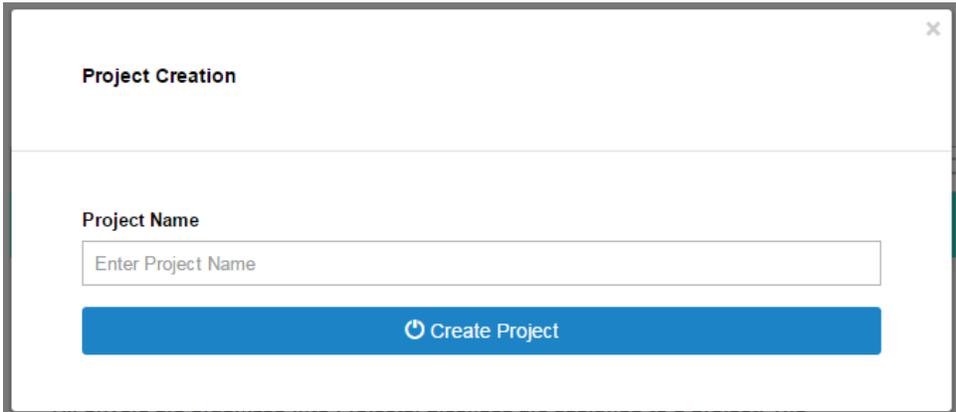
1. Create your project on the driverCentral.io website (This will generate a specific token which you will use in the next step)
2. Download, install and activate the driverCentral cloud driver in your project (Only once per project. Use the token generated in step 1)
3. (Optional) To try a driver, simply download it and install it in your project
4. To purchase a driver:
 - a. On driverCentral, purchase a license and register it to your project
 - b. If the driver is not already installed in your project, download it and install it
 - c. If necessary, use the cloud driver's Action: "Check Drivers" to force licence download to the project.

STEP 1 - Creating your project on driverCentral

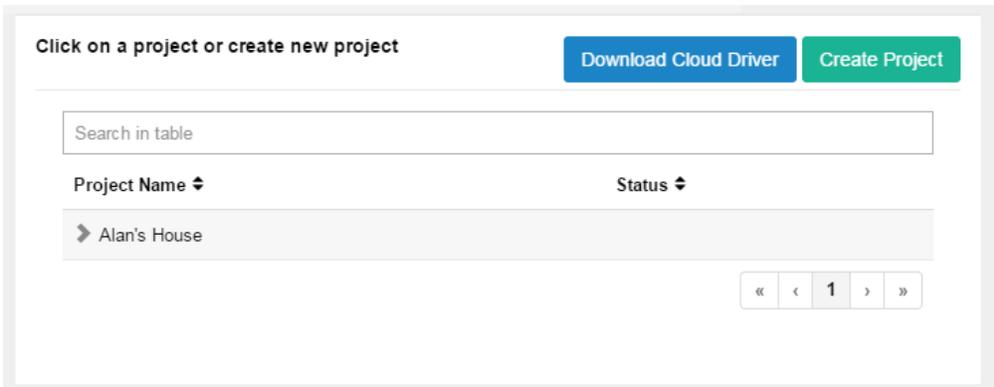
1. Visit <http://www.drivercentral.io>
2. Log into your driver Central dealer account.
3. Visit the Project Portal
4. Click on Create Project



- It will prompt you for a project name. Type in a meaningful name for your customer's project



- Click on Create Project
- Click on the project we just created to expand the project



- Take note of the Project Token as this will be used in STEP 3 when we install the driverCentral cloud driver.

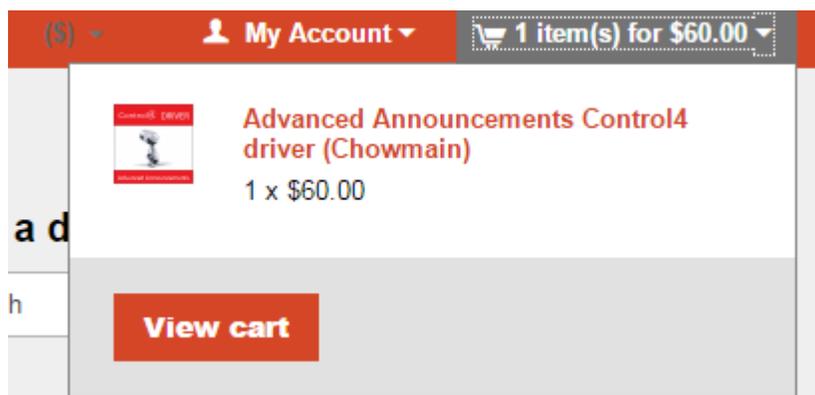
Project Name: <input type="text" value="Alan's House"/>	MAC Address: Not Connected to Project	Action:
Project Token: ABCDEFGHIJ	Last Communication: Not Connected	Connection Status: Not Connected

STEP 2 –Purchase driver licence

1. Visit <https://www.drivercentral.io/chowmain-ltd/> and find the product/driver you want to purchase a licence for.
2. Click on the Add to Cart button



3. Click on the Shopping Cart icon in the top right corner and click on View cart



4. Confirm that your order is correct and click on Proceed to checkout



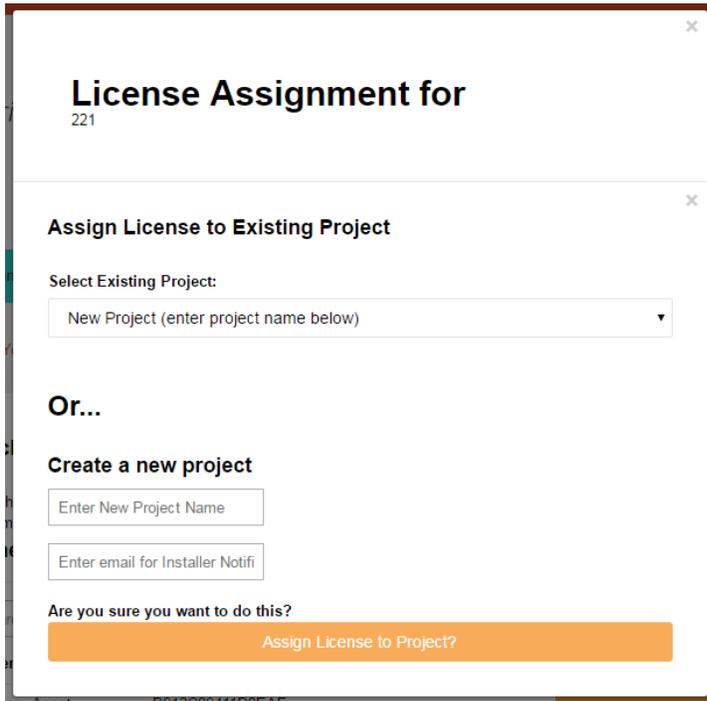
5. Follow the prompts and click on Submit my order



6. This will take you to PayPal for payment.
7. Pay via PayPal. It will automatically return to the marketplace when confirmed.
8. You will now be at a page where you can see your purchased licence.

License Name ⇅	License Key ⇅	Project Assigned ⇅	Action ⇅
[REDACTED]			Assign to Project

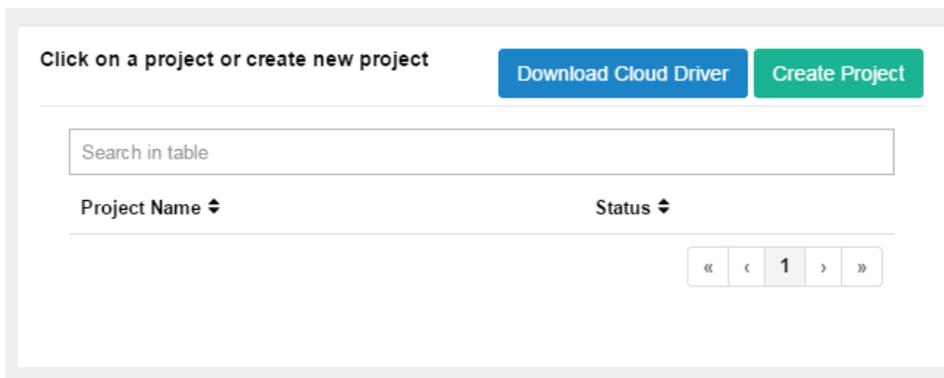
- From here assign the licence to the project we created or if you did not follow that step create a new project



STEP 3 – Install and activate the driverCentral cloud driver

NOTE: Only one instance of the driverCentral cloud driver installed per project. Do not install additional cloud drivers.

- Visit <http://www.drivercentral.io>
- Log into your driver Central dealer account.
- Visit the Project Portal
- Click on Download Cloud Driver



- Copy the C4Z driver to My Documents\Control4\Drivers directory.
- Add the driver to your project.

- Click on the driver to view it's properties

Cloud Status	Please enter cloud project token below...
Project Information	(1) Total, (0) Licensed, (0) Trials, (1) Expired, (0) Updates.
Driver Version	1001
Project Token	<input type="text"/>
	Project token from driverCentral.io project portal
Driver Actions	<input type="button" value="v"/>
Debug Mode	Off <input type="button" value="v"/>

- Type in the project token we took note of in STEP 1.
- Click on the Actions tab
- Click on Check Drivers

STEP 4 - Install Chowmain driver

- Install the Chowmain driver
- You will notice that the Activation Status reflects a Licence Activated state.
- Any driver that does not have a purchased licence will have a trial licence activated via the marketplace. Note that there is no way to reactivate the trial so please use wisely.
- If you do not then press the Check Drivers action in the driverCentral Cloud driver again.

Activation Status	Update Available!!! License Activated
Driver Version	1002
Driver Information	Navigate to connections tab and make serial binding
Automatic Updates	Off <input type="button" value="v"/>