

# **RPS-24** (Router Protection Switch)

# Router Back-up Automation



No matter how reliable a piece of network equipment there is always a chance that something will fail. When continuous network equipment uptime is an absolute necessity, Cornet Switching Systems's Router Protection Switch (RPS-24) provides you with that extra bit of security. The RPS-24 is an intelligent protection switch targeted at backing up routers in dark or dim sites where continuous up-time is critical and rack space is at a premium. The 24-port design closely matches the number of inputs on a standard router.

These reliable switches use proven latching relay technology to ensure that connectivity is maintained even in the event of a complete power failure. The RPS-24 supports up to GigE Ethernet and is designed to automatically detect Ethernet link status.

### **Router Back-up Automation**

The key function of the RPS-24 is to provide one-to-one backup for routers using automatic A to B, B to A switching. The intelligent RPS-24 monitors the link status of all active IP circuits from the Router. When a problem is detected, it automatically switches the problem circuit to the back-up Router and issues an SNMP trap

indicating the need for engineer intervention. The RPS-24 can detect that both main and backup routers are down. In this admittedly very rare event, a port failure trap is issued indicating the critical need for engineer on site attendance.

#### Control

The RPS-24 offers multiple means of unit control: through SNMP, a craft port, Telnet, and via a Web browser with highly intuitive GUI interfaces.

Use of flash memory makes software upgrading an easy on-site operation without any downtime.

#### **Key Features**

- Compact IU packaging saves precious rack space
- Automation of a dark-site eliminates the need for a full-time on-site technician
- Fully redundant power supply ensures uptime even on a part-failure
- Latching relays maintain connectivity even during a complete power failure
- Auto-detection of Ethernet speed eliminates the need for operator definition

#### **Key Features**

- Auto detects link status of 10/100BaseT, switches up to GigE Ethernet
- Front A/B connections rear C connection
- Compact chassis design IU high x 19"W
- Latching relay technology
- LEDs on front RJ-45 connectors indicate A/B switching status and Ethernet link pulse
- Power failure alarms reported via control system
- Rear plate offers two DB-9 connectors one for power failure alarm and the other for craft port control
- Dual redundant external power supply supports two units
- Multiple support methods: SNMP, Telnet,
- Craft port, Web browser with intuitive GUI interface

## **Specifications**

Datacom Interface: 24 channels of A/B switching

to C side of I0BaseT/ I00BaseT/I000BaseT Connectors: RJ-45 with integral 2 x LED's Switching time < 10 ms

Switching Method: Latching relays provide

independent switching of each channel. Individual channels switched either manually through remote control or automatically on loss of Link on either A or

B sides. Cat5/Cat6

supported. Master reset to A toggle switch provided.

Remote control: SNMP

RS-232 Craft Port

**Telnet** 

Web Browser

Automatic Switching: A to B or B to A, channel by

channel. Detects loss of Ethernet Link on A or B side as appropriate. Auto switching can be disabled on a channel by channel basis. Reset after Autoswitch: Either by Master reset to A

toggle

Or through Telnet, Craft Port, Web Browser, optional

Control Inputs: RJ-45 connector for IP/Web

browser/SNMP input.
10/100BaseT auto detect
DB-9 Craft Port (DB-9 to
RJ-45 adapter optional
DB-9 for power supply
Alarm reporting

Power: Externally through PSC-4N dual

redundant power supply unit (Up to

2 RPS-24 per PSC-4N). Maximum PSC-4N power

dissipation 50 Watts per RPS-24. Ability to lock power cord prevents accidental power cord removal

#### **Environmental**

Temperature Operating: 0 to 50° C (32°F to 122 °F)

Operating Relative

Humidity: 10 to 80% RH Non-

Condensing

Non-operating Temp:  $-20^{\circ}$  to  $70^{\circ}$ C ( $-5^{\circ}$  to  $160^{\circ}$ F)

Non-operating Relative

Humidity: 98% RH @ 65° C (150° F)

Physical: 19" Rackmount x 1U

(1.75") high x 9.25" deep --Ground stud for CE

compliance

Weight: 2.5 Kg

Compliance: CE 73/23/EEC Low Voltage Directive

89/336/EEC Electromagnetic

Compatibility

99/5/EEC Radio & Telecom Terminal

equipment ROHS WEEE

Power Supply: 100/240 v + 10%

Power cord lock

On/Off switch with power LED