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Product Overview

This section introduces you to the Birdie-C, and refers you to material to review to refamiliarize yourself with @Remote.

Operating the Birdie-C

- This explains how to navigate the menus.
- Safe shutdown and restart are also explained.

Installation

This section explains how to install Birdie-C on a computer, then how to login and activate the software.

Registering the Birdie-C at the @Remote Center

- This section explains how to register the Birdie-C at the @Remote Center.
- The method depends on whether you are replacing an old system (RC Gate, RC Gate A), or installing a completely new system with no existing data to transfer to the Birdie-C.

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Registering Devices in the Birdie-C

 This section explains how to register devices in the Birdie-C, and how to set up the Birdie-C so that it can discover devices on the network.

Changing Parameter Settings

- This section shows how to access the various parameter settings on the Birdie-C user interface.
- A lot of the important ones are already explained in the Installation section, so this section only explains a few additional ones.

Uninstalling and Reinstalling a Birdie-C

 This section explains the steps to be taken when uninstalling and reinstalling a Birdie-C.

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Products in the Birdie Series



- Birdie-DL: Desktop-type Device Management Tool. Successor for Uz-D and manages up to 250 devices.
- Birdie–DR: Successor for Uz-D Reporting option and manages up to 250 devices.
- Birdie-S: Server-type Device Management Tool. Successor for Forest / Uz-S and manages up to 5000 devices.
- Birdie-E: Enterprise Device Management Tool. It is intended for large customers with more than 5000 devices, distributed networks and/or other advanced requirements.
- Birdie-C: Connector to @Remote. It is a standalone system that can read the devices discovered by Birdie-S. It manages up to 5000 devices.
- This presentation covers the standalone Birdie-C.

Birdie-DL: Can retrieve device status, counters and other capabilities, and has device configuration capability such as Device Preference (UP setting), SDK Application Preference and Address Book Preference and so on.

Birdie–DR: Manages up to 250 devices and can generate accounting reports from user counters.

Birdie-S: In addition to Birdie-D functions, Birdie-S has functions like SNMP Trap, Device Eco Log Collection, Device Map, RFU, Driver Package Distribution, Device Status Report and so on.

RICOH What is Birdie-C? Birdie-C is an @Remote connector that can be installed as an add-on option for Birdie-S or Birdie-E, or as a standalone system. Birdie-E and Birdie-S monitor the customer's network for connected - Birdie-C connects Birdie-S or Birdie-E to the @Remote Center System

Birdie-S have more features for the customer to manage their devices.

Birdie-C can stand alone and do monitoring also, but Birdie-E and

 Birdie-C does not function with desktop products such as Birdie-DL or Birdie-DR.

The primary user of Birdie-C is a customer engineer (CE). However, all functionalities of Birdie-C are visible by an onsite administrator. An administrator also has control on how the information of his/her company will be sent to Ricoh.

Functionalities of Birdie-C for a CE include:

Registering the server machine on which Birdie-C is installed to @Remote Center System

Registering the devices to be managed by the @Remote service

Removing registered devices from the @Remote service

Configuring device discovery and status polling

Migrating the managed device list from superseded products such as Uz-S and Uz-A

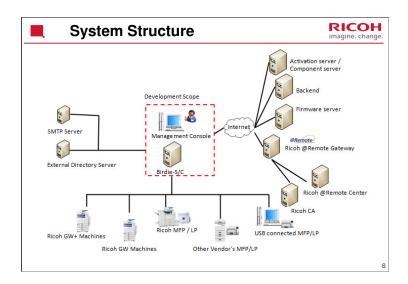
Viewing task logs (common to other Birdie series)

Setting options for a logged in account such as password and email address (common to other Birdie series)

Functionalities of Birdie-C for an onsite administrator include:

Disabling a CE account

Monitoring/confirming data sent to @Remote Center System from Birdie-C Configuring a few options about the behavior of Birdie-C



If the system has multiple active IP addresses (either on a single NIC or on multiple physical NICs), Birdie will listen on all addresses. If the user wishes to restrict access on specific NICs or addresses, this can be done using Windows firewall rules.

Management Console: Administrator's PC with a web-based management console Birdie-S/C: The Birdie-S server with core and Device Manager (DM) functions and optional Birdie-C

Ricoh GW+ Machines: Ricoh GW+ Machines which Birdie series manages

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Ricoh MFP/LP: Ricoh MFP/LP which Birdie series manages (non-GW device)

Other Vendor's MFP/LP: Other Vendor's network MFP/LP (MIB Compliant devices) which Birdie series monitors

USB connected MFP/LP: Birdie can monitor USB devices that are connected to Windows PCs with an FM Audit software agent installed on each such PC.

SMTP Server: SMTP Server for e-mail notification functions.

External Directory Server: Used for authentication & user management. Active Directory, LDAP and Mebius are candidates.

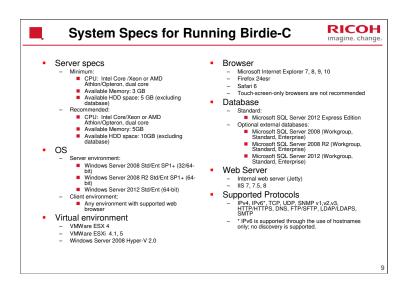
eDC Activation Server * / Component Server *: Used for Birdie products activation and SDK application activation & download.

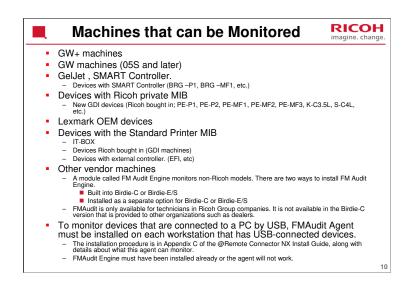
Calypso Backend Server *: Birdie series notify utilized status (No. of devices, country, model names, etc.) to this server at scheduled intervals. Also this server can notify to Birdie whether a new version of Birdie exists or not.

Ricoh Global Server for RFU *: Birdie series downloads device's firmware from this server.

Ricoh @Remote Gateway: This server acts as a gateway for the @Remote Center System. Birdie @Remote connector sends information about managed devices to this server.

^{*} These servers are sometimes referred to generically as "Ricoh Global Server".





Basically, Birdie should be able to monitor any device on the network.

The user interface appears the same whether or not FMAudit is installed. The only difference is the types of machines that will show up in the device list after discovery.

Supported Languages This system supports the following languages. Japanese (JP) English (EN) French (FR) German (DE) Italian (IT) Spanish (ES) Dutch (NE) Chinese (ZH) * Simplified Chinese (KANTAI) If the system is installed on an OS in other than the above languages, then the system displays wordings in English by default.

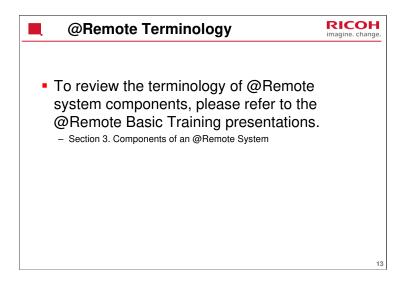
Major Enhancements/New Features



- Appliance Transition (Merger of multiple appliances into Birdie-C)

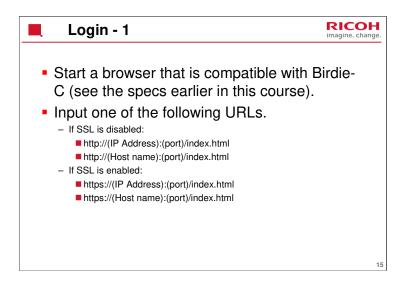
 It is easier to migrate from single or multiple older appliances (RC Gate/RC Gate A/RC Gate S Pro) to Birdie-C (Semi-automated)
- Appliance Replacement

 It is easier to perform appliance replacement (without uninstall/re-install/re-activation)
- Enhancement of device management
 - It is easy to enlarge the maximum number of managed devices to more than 5000 by collaborating with Birdie-E
- No unnecessary communication on the customer's network
 In the RC Gate S Pro, there is some unnecessary communication between the appliance and the devices. The RC Gate S Pro polls all devices but only sends information on managed devices to the @Remote Center. So communication between RC Gate S Pro and unmanaged devices was unnecessary.
- Data acquisition from local (USB-connected) printing devices
- Data acquisition from competitor's devices



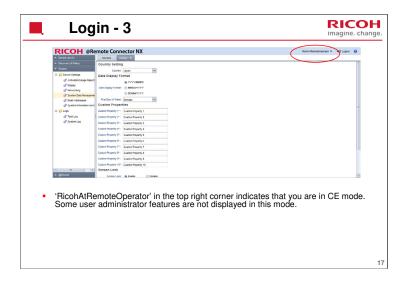


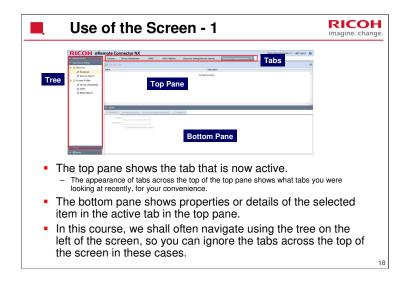
We explain this now, because you need to be familiar with the screen before completing activation and discovery.

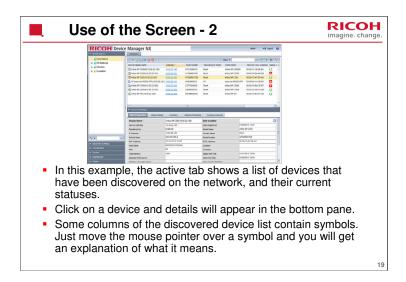


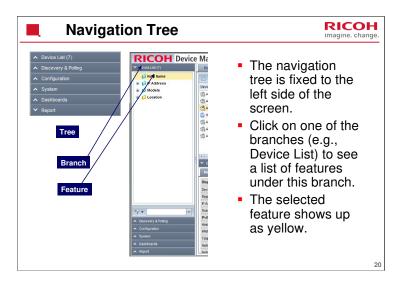


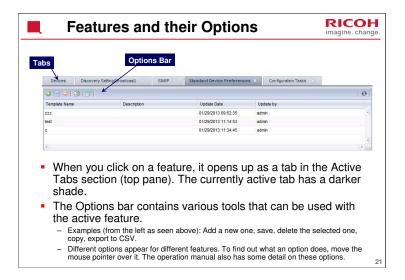
The Profile setting is only important if Birdie-E or Birdie-S is installed. Please refer to the documentation for these products to understand this setting.

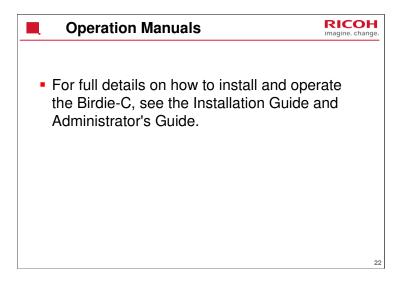


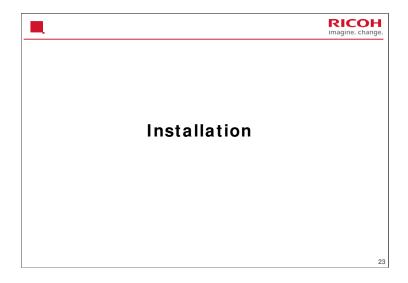










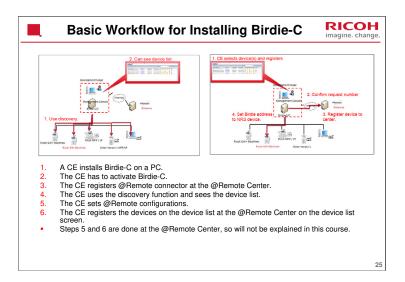


■ Three Ways to Install Birdie-C



- Birdie-C only: Standalone
- Birdie-E or Birdie-S, with Birdie-C installed as an option:
 - Independent monitoring of customer network by Birdie-C and by either Birdie-E or Birdie-S
 - Birdie-E/S and Birdie-C synchronize the results of their independent monitoring before sending the results to @Remote
 - Birdie-C is installed separately.
- Birdie-E or Birdie-S with Birdie-C built in
 - The customer's network is only monitored once.
 - Other than that, the function is the same.
 - $-\,$ Birdie-C is installed at the same time as Birdie-E/S
- This presentation covers the standalone Birdie-C.

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Types of Installation



New installation

 Use this for a completely new installation, or if you have already uninstalled the previous product, such as Uz-S1.

Upgrade

- You cannot upgrade directly from Uz-S1, because data is not automatically migrated.
 - First, you must also set up the transfer of data from the UZ-S1 to the Birdie-C by an operation at the @Remote Center.
 - Then you must uninstall Uz-S1, or Birdie installation will abort.
 - Then install Birdie-C and copy the data in from the @Remote Center.
- Birdie-C cannot be installed on the same PC as the following older products: Forest, Uz-D1, Uz-S1, Birdie-DL, Birdie-DR

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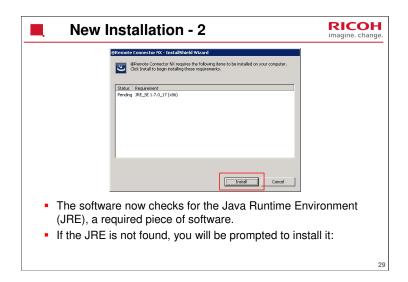
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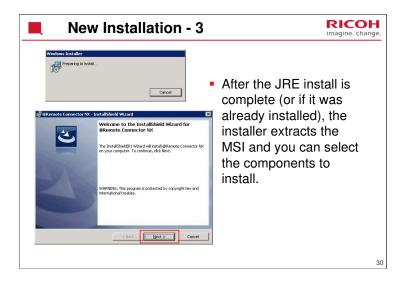


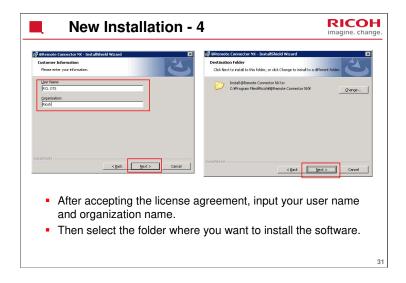
- The procedure is quite straightforward, but we will go over it briefly on the next few slides.
- You will need help from the customer concerning user names, SQL server settings, port numbers, and other settings during the installation.

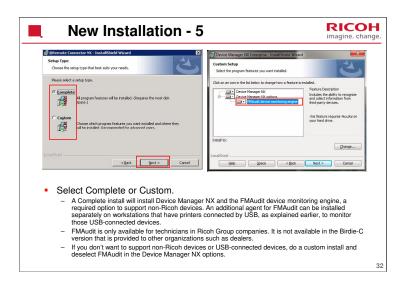
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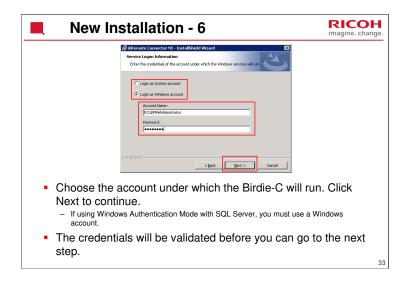


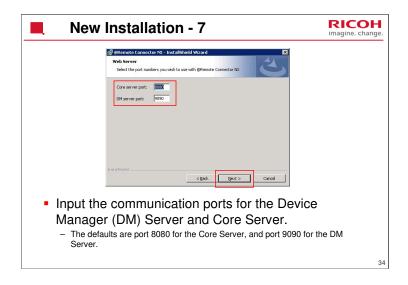


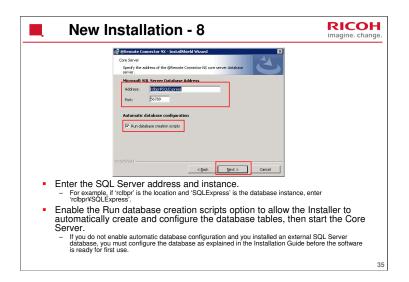


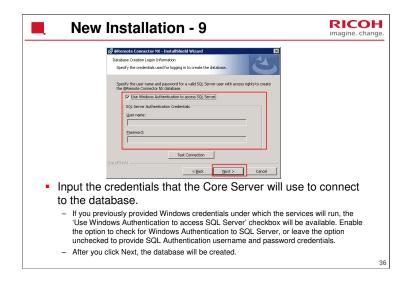


The FMAudit installed here, on the server, is FMAudit Engine. FMAudit Agent is installed on workstations that have devices connected by USB.

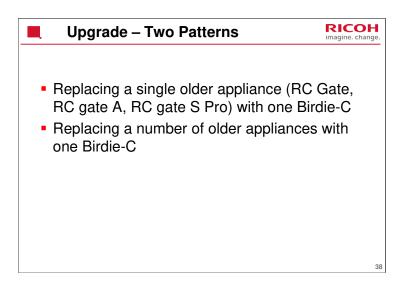


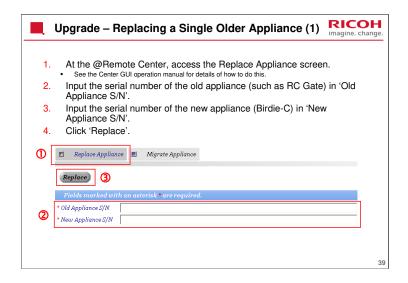


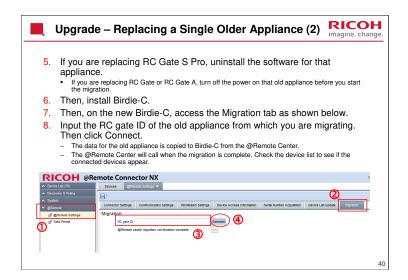










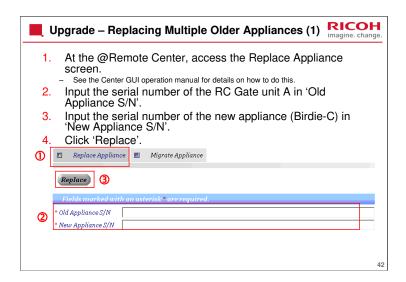


■ Upgrade – Replacing Multiple Older Appliances



- In the example on the next few slides, let us imagine that we are migrating from three old RC Gate units to a new Birdie-C.
 - We will call the RC Gate units A, B, and C.
 - The procedure first replaces unit A with the new Birdie-C. Then the data from unit B is migrated to the Birdie-C, then the data from unit C is migrated to the Birdie-C.
 - The procedure for unit A is different from that for subsequent units B and C.
- The @Remote settings for unit A will be copied to the Birdie-C. So, make sure that for unit A you select an RC Gate with the required settings.

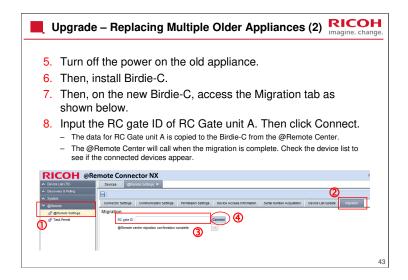
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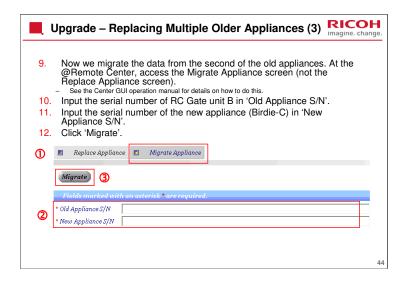


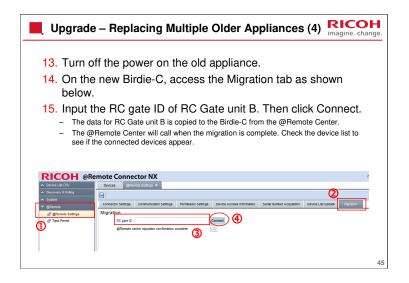
This procedure will be used if a customer wishes to upgrade from a situation with many RC Gates to just one appliance.

The appliances are migrated one at a time.

For the first appliance, the procedure is the same as Upgrade - Replacing a Single Older Appliance



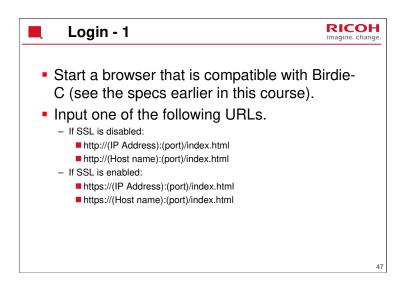




Upgrade – Replacing Multiple Older Appliances (5) RICOH magine. change.

- For RC Gate unit C, the procedure is the same as for RC Gate unit B.
- For units B and C, only the device list data is migrated.
 Settings are not migrated.
- After completing migration from all old units, make sure that the @Remote settings in the new Birdie-C are correct.
- The data of RC Gate A is deleted automatically from the @Remote Center (this step was a replacement). But the data of units B or C is not deleted automatically from the @Remote Center (these steps were migrations). So the data of units B and C must be deleted automatically from the @Remote Center manually afterwards.

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Activation - Overview



- You can run the software in trial mode for up to 60 days without performing activation, or many of the functions will be disabled.
- The administrator at the customer site can do this.
 - After the customer has purchased the software, a product key is provided by Ricoh. This must be input during the installation. It generates a license code, which is used to complete the activation process
- Activation can be done online or offline.

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The next few slides show details of the procedure.

Activation – Online Activation



- Requires internet connectivity to allow Birdie-C to contact the Ricoh Activation Server.
- A Product Key is provided to the customer at the time of purchase. This key is needed during online activation.
 - Basically for online activation, we just input the Product Key and click OK.
- If the network uses a proxy server to hide IP Addresses, you must set the proxy server information before you can do the activation.

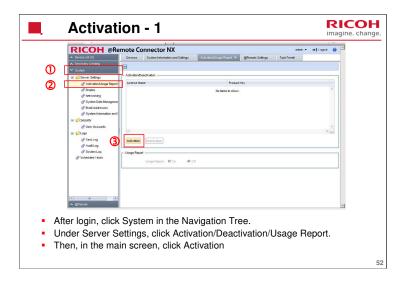
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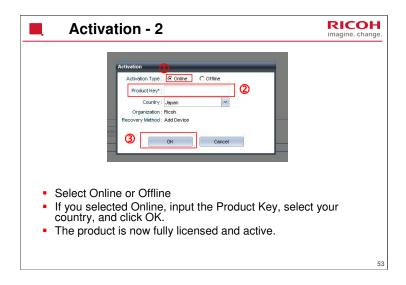
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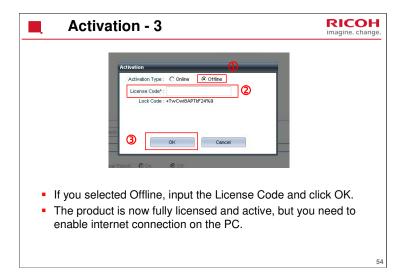


- If the PC with Birdie-C cannot connect to the internet at this time, you must do offline activation, as follows:
 - Contact Ricoh to obtain the lock codes for Birdie-C.
 - If the customer's hard disk has to be replaced and the software installed again, the locking code will be different. You cannot use the old locking code.
 - Use an internet-ready PC to enter the lock code and the product key on the Ricoh Activation Server website. The Activation Server will generate the required license code. Copy this carefully. You will need it for the offline activation procedure.

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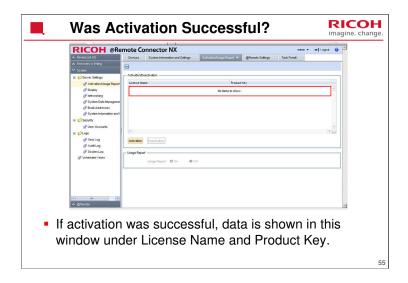


To get the License Code:

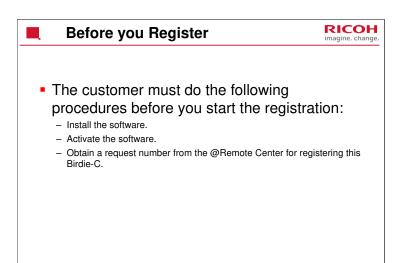
Contact Ricoh for a Lock Code.

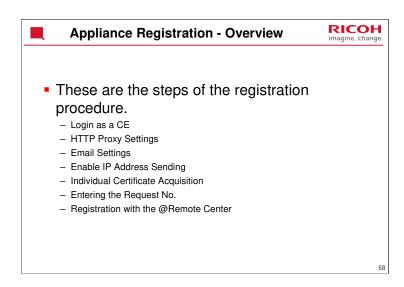
Input the Lock Code and the Product Key into the Ricoh Activation Server.

The Ricoh Activation Server will then give you a License Code.

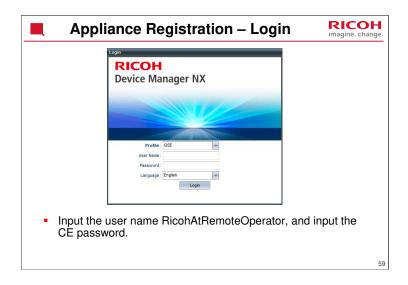




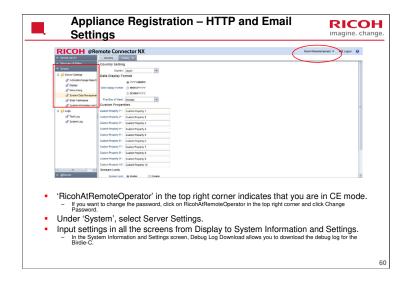


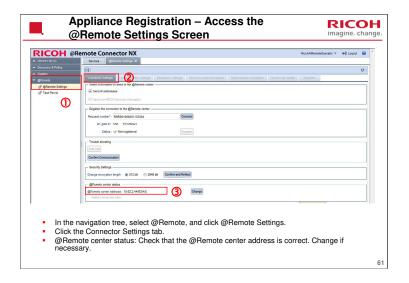


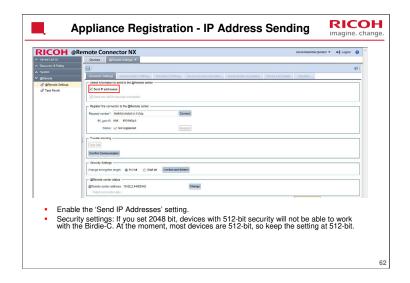
Appliance: The Birdie-C is an appliance (@Remote terminology).



No need to add /CE to the end of the url.







If you do not select Send IP Addresses, the operation of the Birdie-C will be extremely restricted, because all IP addresses will be informed as 0.0.0.0.

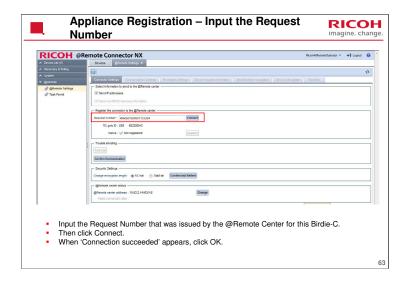
Communication with the @Remote Center will be possible, and information can be received from the devices connected to the Birdie-C, and logged, because the device serial number is used for handling counter data, and receiving SC calls or toner alarm calls.

However, the @Remote Center cannot communicate with the devices and changes cannot be made from the Center GUI.

Also, remote registration will not be possible (this needs IP addresses as well as serial numbers and MAC addresses; when the appliance sends the data from auto discovery, the IP addresses will not be included)

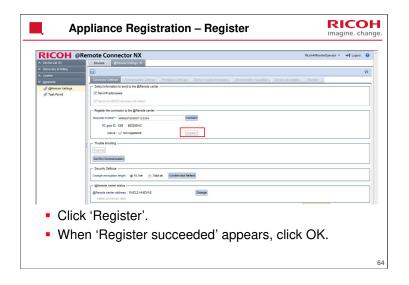
Also, if the appliance must be replaced at some time, restoring data on connected devices during appliance replacement will not be possible. After restoration, the appliance tries to contact all the connected devices to confirm that they are present, but there are no IP addresses if the setting is 'do not permit', so the function will not work.

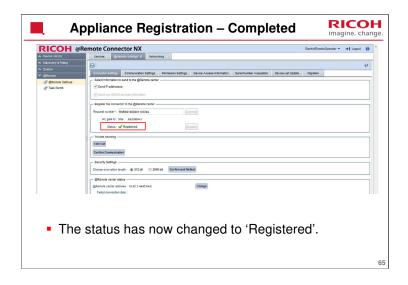
Appliance restoration: The @Remote Gateway has details of all connected devices for each appliance (refreshed daily). During restoration, these can be sent back to the new appliance using the Center GUI.

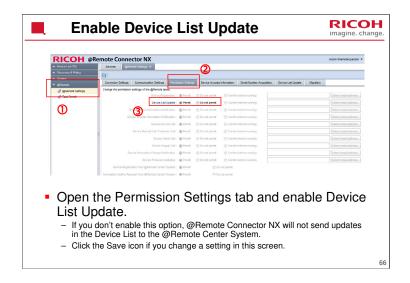


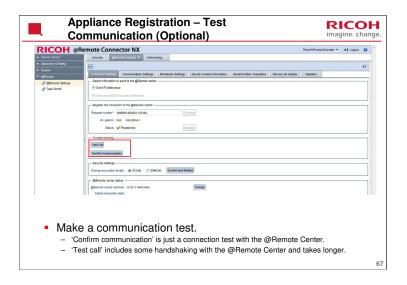
The Individual Certificate is acquired and the ID2 generated automatically after activation, based on the product key, in the same way as for the UZ-S1. The ID2 is displayed on the screen as RC Gate ID.

In the same way as for UZ-S1, if the hard disk is changed or you get a new computer, you must make a new product key when you re-install, and reactivate the software.









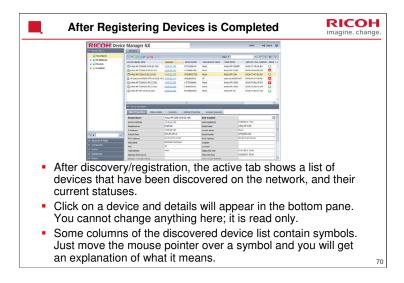


Methods



- Broadcast: Issues an SNMP broadcast and searches the responding IP addresses.
- Network Search: Access one by one with SNMP
- Manual Input: Identify specific devices by IP Address or by OID.
- Import: Import list of devices from a csv file
- Migrate: Import device data from a previous Ricoh @Remote appliance.
 - This was explained in the Installation section of the course.

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There is no device connection check such as the one in the RC Gate A.

With the Access Accounts tab in the bottom pane, it appears that you can specify which access profile to use when connecting to a certain machine. However, there is no need to do this, because after discovery, the machine will automatically use the most appropriate profile to use when communicating with that machine. So you do not need to touch anything in the tabs in the bottom pane.

However, if you want to fine-tune a profile, you can modify the access profile using the procedures explained on the next few slides.

Access Profiles – What are They?



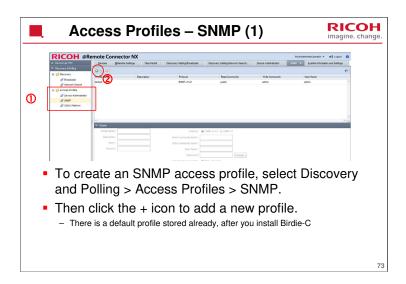
- An access profile is a method by which Birdie-C tries to authenticate itself for access to the machine.
- You have to set up access profiles for the Birdie-C so that it can access the machines on the customer's network, based on the authentication settings set up by the customer on their machines.

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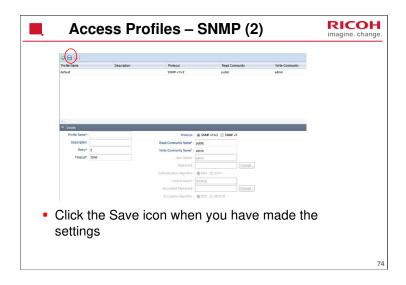
Access Profiles – Three Types



- Birdie-C attempts to communicate and authenticate with a device using three possible access profile types:
 - SNMP
 - Device AdministratorSDK/J Platform
- For each profile, you must set the authentication information, or account profiles, that Birdie-C can use to communicate with devices.
 - You can configure as many access profiles per profile type as you require, and set priority on each profile.
 - Then, for each discovery and search operation, you can select one or more of these profiles, and for that particular discovery or network search, Birdie-C will try to authenticate itself on each machine that it discovers using these profiles in the selected order of priority.

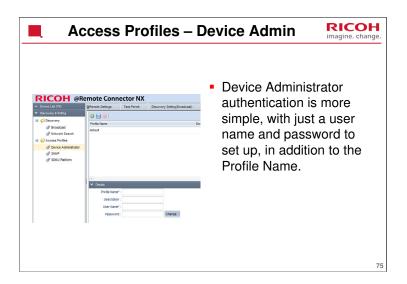


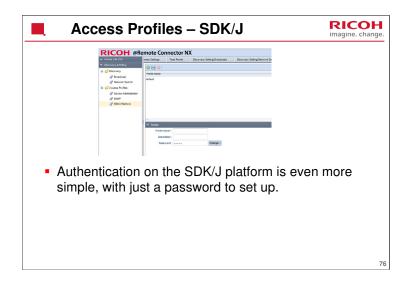
Communication with USB-connected local devices also uses SNMP v1/v2. Ensure the @Remote Connector NX USB Agent is installed on each local computer which has a USB-connected device.

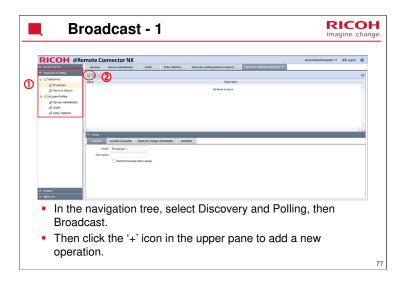


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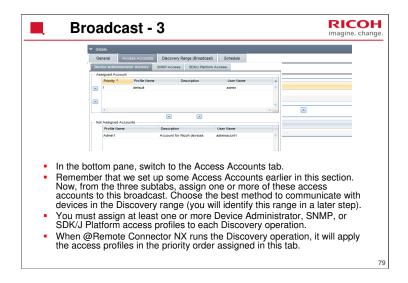
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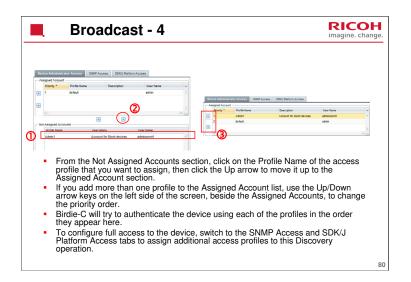


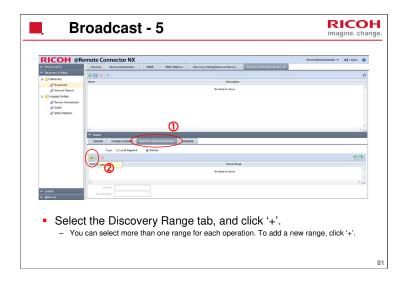


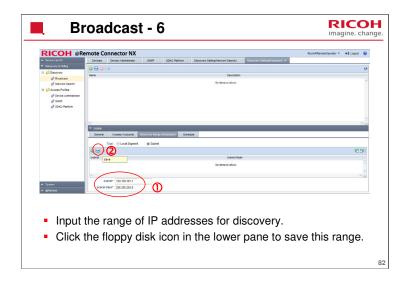


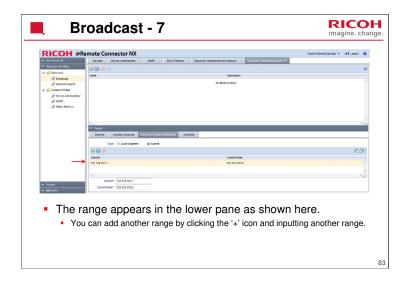


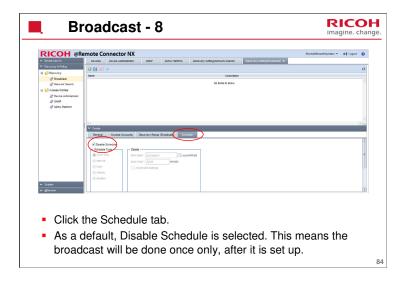


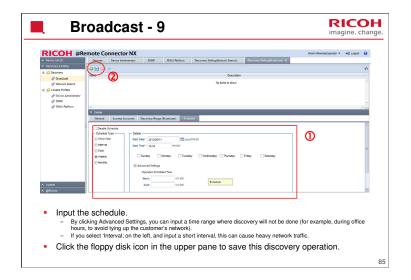


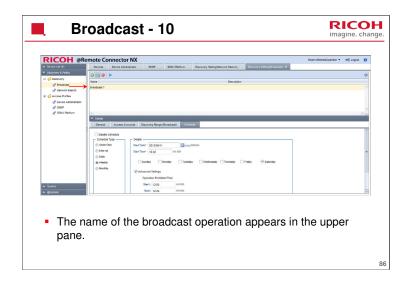


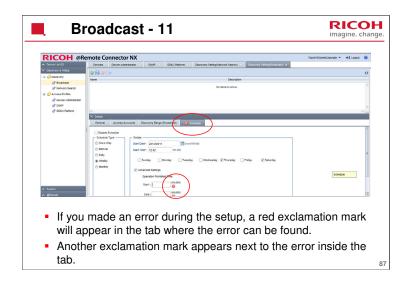


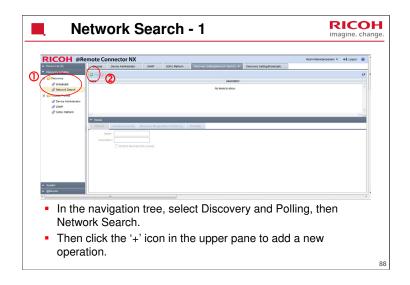


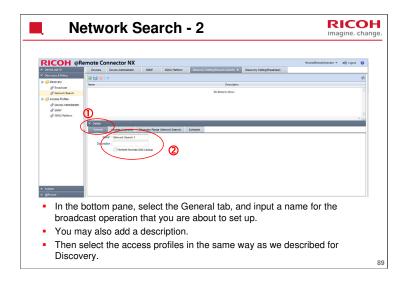


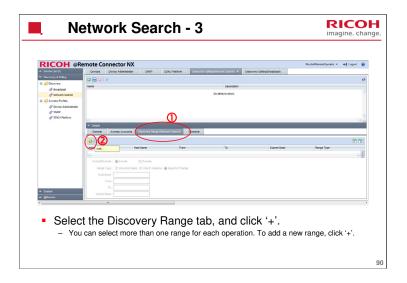


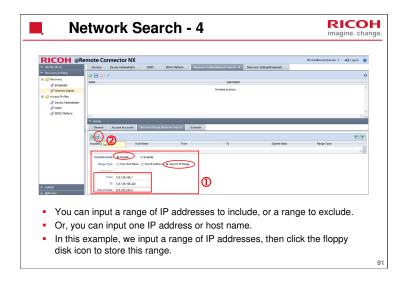


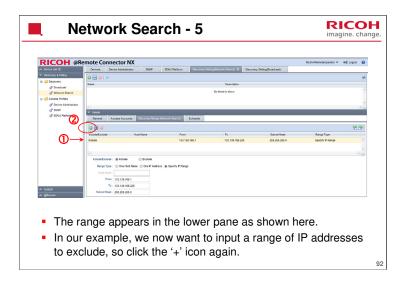


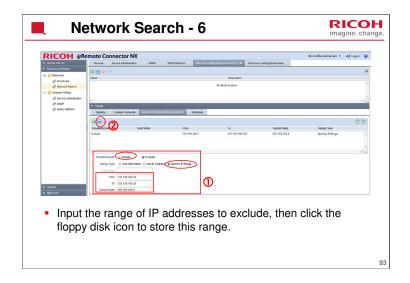


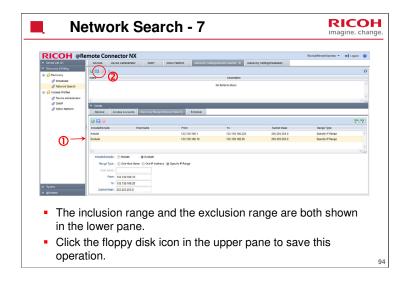


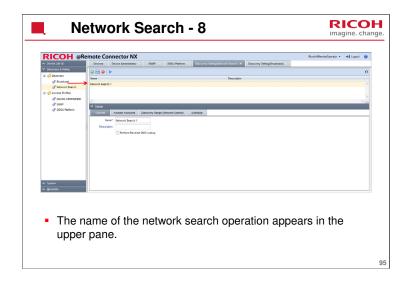


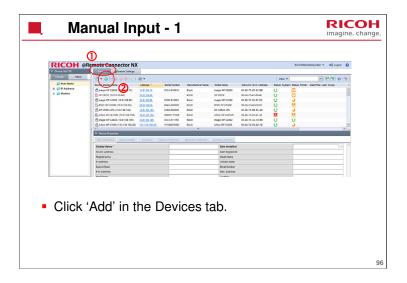


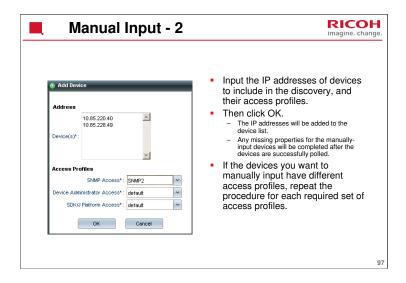


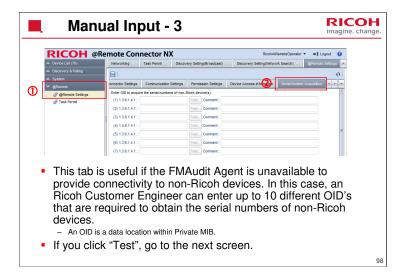












This is a way to get serial numbers of non-Ricoh devices during Auto Discovery. Normally, the MAC Address of these devices is reported, instead of the serial number.

But, if you specify the OID for a non-Ricoh device, Auto Discovery can pick-up the serial number of that device.

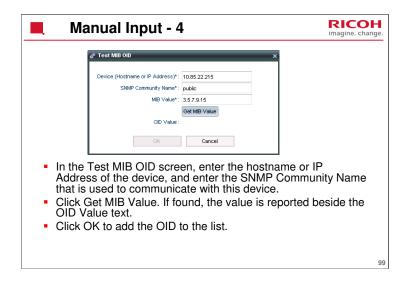
An OID (Object Identifier) is a data location within the device's Private MIB area. Because this information belongs to another company, it may not be easy to find out which OID is the correct one for the serial number for a particular model.

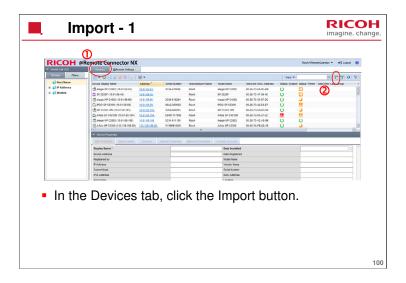
When you find the OID for the serial number of a non-Ricoh device on the customer's network, input it into one of the spaces on the screen. Add the model name in the Comment field.

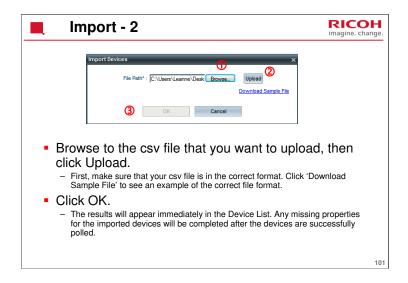
Click the Test button to see what data comes back from the device. If it is the serial number, then you have the correct OID. See the next slide for how to use this feature.

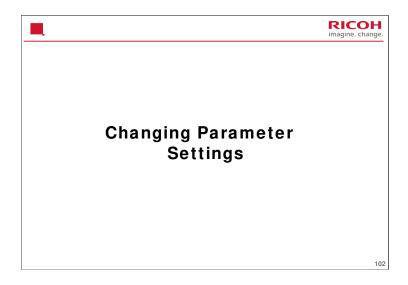
If there is more than one non-Ricoh model, how does Birdie-C know which OID to use for which model? The software looks inside these OIDs for all the non-Ricoh models, and looks for data that is in the format of a serial number.

You can also use the MIB OID Test feature to see if you got the correct data. See the next slide.

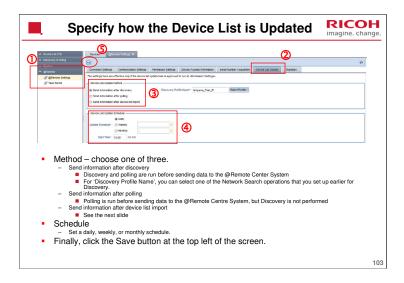






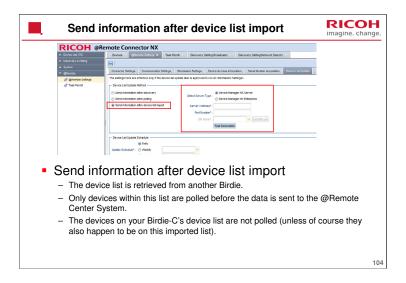


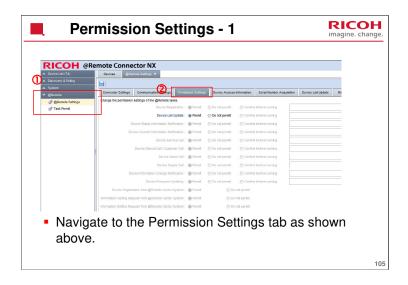
Basic settings were covered in the Installation section. We will look at some other settings here.

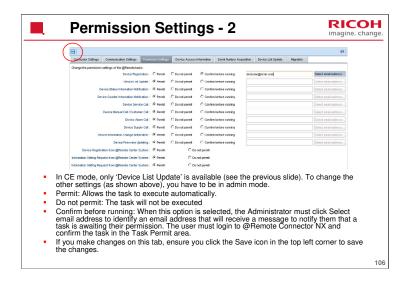


If Birdie-S or Birdie-E is installed, there is a 4th Device List Update Method.

'Send information only': No polling or importing – the appliance just sends what is currently in the Device Manager server







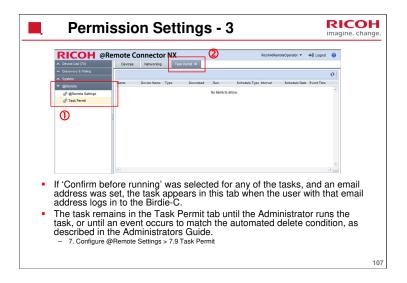
Device status information notification: An @Remote task that periodically provides managed device information to the @Remote Centre System.

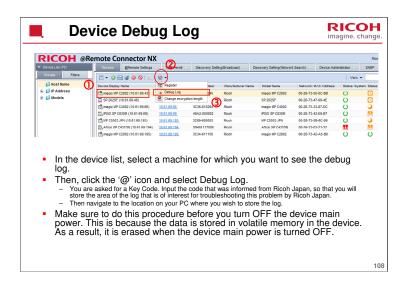
Device counter information notification: An @Remote task that provides managed device reporting counter information to the @Remote Centre System on or after a device closing date for meter reading.

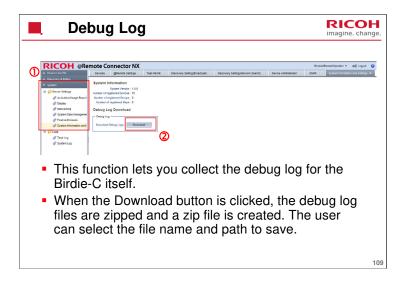
Device Information Change Notification: Notifies @Remote Center that the device information has changed (e.g. IP address change). Check timing: Periodic Device Connection Check or after a registered device restart. Example: When a device restarts, @Remote Connector gets the device's IP address from the device wakeup notification which is sent by the device. Then @Remote Connector checks whether it is same as the device's IP (etc.) saved in the database.

Device Firmware Updating: Allows/disallows the device firmware update task that is run by the @Remote Center System.

Device Registration from @Remote Center System: The process in which @Remote Center System uses @Remote Connector to add a device to the management list.







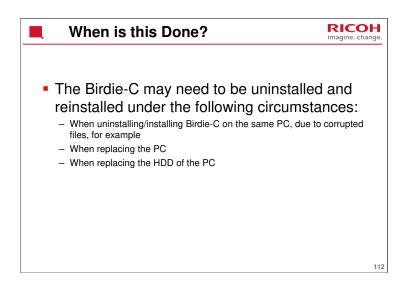
Remote Firmware Update

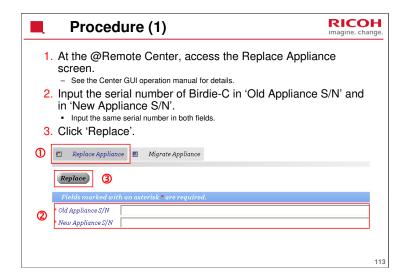


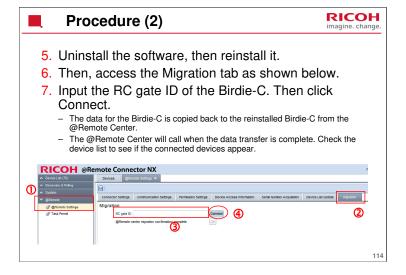
- Enable/disable is set with 'Device Firmware Update' in the Permission Settings tab.
- There is no timeshift function.
- The prohibition interval can only be set up at the @Remote Center.

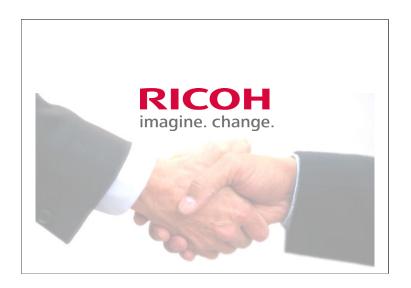
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