

This course explains how to service the RICOH Remote Communication Gate A2.

This training course assumes that you are familiar with the @Remote system.

To learn about this machine, please study the user's guide and the field service manual in addition to this TTP.



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<ul> <li>What is Remote Communication Gate A2?</li> <li>Comparison with RC Gate A</li> <li>Installation</li> <li>Operating Procedures</li> </ul>	
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<ul> <li>Replacement and Migration Procedures</li> <li>Troubleshooting</li> </ul>	
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If you happen to press the tact switch while the power is on and the cover is open, any operation will be stopped and the RC Gate will be rebooted in the same way as when the power cord is disconnected and connected again.

These components are not available as service parts. If one of them fails, replace the RC Gate A2.

SD Card failure: See the Troubleshooting section of this course.

Power Button	RICOH imagine. change.
<ul> <li>The power turns on when the power cable is p into the wall socket, even without pressing the button.</li> </ul>	lugged power
<ul> <li>Also, by holding down the power button for 4 seconds, the system shuts down and switches standby mode.</li> </ul>	to the
<ul> <li>Before disconnecting the power plug, be sure switch to the standby mode. Otherwise, the standby mode. Otherwise, the standby medium may be damaged, causing the most re log data (up to 1 hour) to be lost.</li> </ul>	to orage ecent
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In RC Gate A, the storage 1000 option did not work if the accounting report option was not installed.

In RC Gate A2, the storage option 1000 will work without the accounting report option.



In this section, we will look at the main specifications. There are a few improvements from the RC Gate A, and these will be pointed out.





SOAP: Simple Object Access Protocol



\*1: TLS1.1 or 1.2 can be set with devices 11A or later SSL 3.0, SSL 2.0: 512-bit encryption key TLS 1.0, 1.1, and 1.2: 2048-bit encryption key
Enabling 2048-bit encryption is explained later in the course.



\*1: A license is required (difference from RC Gate A)

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\*2: Supports package firmware update from the center server (difference from RC Gate A)

Major S	Specificati	ons - 4		RICO imagine. char
		@Remote Device	GW MIB Device	Other MIB (Std. MIB) Devices
Auto Call	SC Call	Yes	Yes	No
	CC Call	Yes	No	No
	Alarm Call	Yes	No	No
	Supply Call	Yes	Yes	Just Toner
Manual Call		Yes	No	No

Same as RC Gate A



Before we start installing the machine and start to make settings, it is a good idea to become familiar with the screen and the terminology used to refer to each section of the screen.

It is very similar to the @Remote Connector NX.



This section will explain the main points about installing an RC Gate A2 at a customer site.

For full details of the procedures, see the service manual.



A Summary of the Steps - 2	RICOH imagine. change.
<ul> <li>Step 3. Make Initial Settings and register the Gate A2 with the @Remote Center</li> </ul>	RC
<ul> <li>Step 4. Register the devices that are connect the RC Gate A2(s) that you just installed</li> <li>Step 5. Test device connections to @Remote</li> </ul>	cted to e center
<ul> <li>This confirms that the devices were registered co</li> <li>Step 6. Install the Remote Communication G Accounting Report option</li> </ul>	orrectly. Gate A2
<ul> <li>Step 7. Make sure that the installed SD card is working</li> </ul>	option
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Important Notes - 3	RICOH imagine. change.
<ul> <li>If a dialog appears, asking "Stop running th script?", always click [No]. Correct operation guaranteed if you click [Yes].</li> </ul>	is n is not
<ul> <li>You cannot login to the RC Gate A2 until sta finished.</li> </ul>	artup has
<ul> <li>When the installation of the Remote Comm Gate A2 Accounting Report option is comple @Remote Center must activate the function select the target devices.</li> </ul>	unication ete, the n and
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For the RC Gate A2 without memory, the number of managed devices is fewer.

To manage more devices, the optional SD card must be installed.



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This model must be connected to the PC with a micro USB cable. The previous model (RC Gate A) requires an Ethernet cross cable.

Necessary at the Customer Site
<ul> <li>Hub for connecting the RC Gate A2 to the customer's network, and router for access to the internet.</li> <li>Power outlet for the RC Gate A2</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Request number for connection to the @Remote Center (see the next slide)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>In all machines that the customer will connect to @Remote, SP5-816-001 must be set to 2 before we start to install the RC Gate A2, to permit @Remote connection in those machines.</li> <li>For installing the Remote Communication Gate A2 Accounting Report option: Product key for this option, and serial numbers of the devices that will be used for this function.</li> </ul>
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This slide is an overview of the steps. The procedure is the same as for the previous models 'RC Gate', and 'RC Gate A'.





If the customer wants to install the SD card at a later time, this is not a problem. Just shut the RC Gate A2 down, and install the card. It is not necessary to remove the RC Gate A2 from the @Remote Center.



Service manual: Installation > SD Card

In the @Remote Connector NX, it is necessary to enable installed options. In the RC Gate A2, this is not necessary.





Very rarely, you might have to uninstall a memory option.

If you uninstall the memory option after you have registered the RC Gate A2 at the @Remote Center, then you must do the following:

- 1. Remove the RC Gate A2 from the @Remote center.
- 2. Remove the Memory Option from the RC Gate A2.
- 3. Perform "A to A replacement".

If you remove the option before removing the RC Gate A2 from the @Remote center, device registration data will still remain in the storage option.

Removing the RC Gate A2 from the @Remote center will erase all data in the storage option.

If there are more than 100 managed devices or more than 500 monitored devices, it is not possible to restore the backed-up data to the RC Gate A2 after removing options.


Turning off the Power	nge.
<ul> <li>To turn off the power, if you need to disconnect the RC Gate A2:</li> <li>First, click 'Shutdown' in the header of the main screen.</li> <li>Then click 'Yes' when the dialog box appears.</li> <li>Wait until all LEDs are off, then disconnect the power cord</li> <li>Turning off the power without safe shutdown can damage the RC Gate's hard drive and result in loss of up to an hour of log data.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Another method:         <ul> <li>Hold down the Power button for 4 seconds (until the red LED starts flashing).</li> <li>Wait until all LEDs are off, then disconnect the power cord.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	38



See the 'Plugging in the Power Cable' slide earlier for more details.

















Outline of the Procedure - 6	Hange.
Now we are ready to set up the network settings.	
<ul> <li>The maintenance port of the RC Gate A2 has a default IP address (192.168.10.153). However, this may clash with the customer's network environment.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>This means that devices in the customer's network cannot have the IP addresses 192.168.10.152 - 192.168.10.159.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Consult the customer.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>If you need to change this IP address, follow the instructions in step 9 of the procedure.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>It must be 192.168.x.153.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>The table in step 9 shows, for each value of x, which IP addresses cannot be used for devices on the customer's network. Choose a convenient value of x for the customer.</li> </ul>	40



Settings on Installation	Desction Setting	
Interest Oracy Same String Oracy Same String Ora	White     W	<ul> <li>You can now input the settings for connecting the RC Gate A2 to the customer's network (click Networking in the section area of the display).</li> <li>Consult the customer for assistance if needed.</li> </ul>
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IEEE802.11x: The RC Gate A2 does not have Wireless LAN. However, these settings can be used to provide even more security for Ethernet communications.

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<ul> <li>Click Pr</li> <li>At the Conner</li> <li>Gate A</li> </ul>	bottom of this screen, you can use the ection button to test communication betw A2 and the servers in the @Remote sys	Check ween the RC tem.

Communication test: If it fails, see 'How to Check Connection with Related Servers' in the troubleshooting section of the service manual.



Service manual: Installation > Registration with the @Remote Center

The items 'Permit @Remote Task Performance', 'Auto Discovery', and 'SNMP Access' in the menu on the left side that are greyed out can be skipped until you start to discover and register devices.

These should normally be set up by the customer anyway.



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In this section, we will look for devices on the custome	er's
network and register them at the @Remote center.	
<ul> <li>Search for devices using either broadcast (over the whole of customer's network), or network search (searching portions o customer's network).</li> </ul>	the of the
<ul> <li>Then register the devices that were found.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Finally, click 'Installation Complete'</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>To allow the RC Gate A2 to discover new devices automatical customer must make sure that Auto Discovery is enabled in the Permission Settings, and then set up 'Auto Discovery'.</li> </ul>	lly, the he
Service manual sections to refer to:	
<ul> <li>Looking for devices:</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Installation &gt; Registering Devices (MFPs/Printers) &gt; Discovering Device [Broadcast]</li> </ul>	es with
<ul> <li>Installation &gt; Registering Devices (MFPs/Printers) &gt; Discovering Device [Network Search]</li> </ul>	es with
<ul> <li>Registering the devices:</li> </ul>	
Installation > Registering Devices (MFPs/Printers) > Device Registration	n 55

The technician can also enable and set up auto discovery.



Service manual: Installation > Registering Devices (MFPs/Printers) > Discovering Devices with [Broadcast]



Service manual: Installation > Registering Devices (MFPs/Printers) > Discovering Devices with [Network Search]



Service manual: Installation > Registering Devices (MFPs/Printers) > Device Registration

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<ul> <li>When all device [Installation Con click [OK].</li> </ul>	s have been registered, on npleted] in the section are	click ea, and then
<ul> <li>Check the device devices are disp</li> </ul>	e list to make sure all reg played.	gistered
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Device list: To access the device list, click 'Device List' in the section area. For more details on accessing the device list, see section 4 'Device List' in the Operating Instructions.





This test lets technicians know that the devices were registered with the servers properly.



See Installation > Accounting Report Option in the service manual.



If the customer wants to manage more than 300 devices under the accounting report option, then more than one unit of RC Gate A2 must be installed. It is not possible to handle this with one unit of RC Gate A2 and installing more memory.





Service Manual: Installation > Accounting Report Option

In the RC Gate A, it is necessary to enable installed options. In the RC Gate A2, this is not necessary.





See Installation > SD Card > Operation Check in the service manual.



This is a possible troubleshooting tool in case there is a problem with the memory.

Look at the values in the red square as shown above to see the memory space.

Note that due to a firmware limitation, these two lines on the screen are currently only displayed in English (or in Japanese).





This screen is from the operation manual, in user mode. In CE mode, all settings are greyed out except Auto Discovery.








There are two ways to login: as an administrator (customer) or as a CE.







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<ul> <li>This is a list of appears. Click</li> </ul>	menus. Click on one of thes on a sub-menu item, and the	e and a sub-men e items in the top	and bottom



Shutdown is explained in more detail later.



In this example, the list area shows a list of devices that have been discovered on the network, and their most recently discovered statuses (to update to the latest status, the device must be polled manually).

Click on a device and details will appear in the properties area.

To update the status, and the contents of the property area, the device must be polled manually.

Some columns of the discovered device list contain symbols. Just move the mouse pointer over a symbol and you will get an explanation of what it means.









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

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<ul> <li>If you will be</li> </ul>	click 'Batch Modification', 2048-bit end e applied to all to all the devices.	cryption





This is remote update of the firmware of the RC Gate A2, not the devices.

Remote firmware update for the devices is enabled or disabled with the 'Device Firmware Update' setting immediately above.





Access Profiles – What are They?	RICOH imagine. change.
<ul> <li>An access profile is a method by which the RC A2 tries to authenticate itself for access to the machine.</li> </ul>	Gate
<ul> <li>In almost all cases, the default profiles already in the RC Gate A2 are enough to do the job.</li> </ul>	set up
<ul> <li>This section briefly explains problems that may if the default profiles need adjusting, and how to adjust them.</li> </ul>	occur o
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What Each Type of Profile Does	RICOH imagine. change.
The SNMP profile is used for:	
<ul> <li>Searching for devices, including searching in order a device, and auto discovery (which is a scheduled search).</li> </ul>	r to add I
<ul> <li>Communicating with MIB (non-HTTPS) devices on customer's network, after registration.</li> </ul>	the
The Device Administrator profile is used for:	
<ul> <li>Communicating with HTTPS devices (@Remote compatible Ricoh devices) on the customer's netw after registration.</li> </ul>	ork,
<ul> <li>It uses SOAP protocol.</li> </ul>	
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When does the Default SNMP Profile Need Adjusting?	H nge.
<ul> <li>The default SNMP profile is designed to work with the device's default settings for SNMP communication.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>If the customer requires different SNMP settings in any of their devices from these defaults, then a new SNMP profile must be made.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>The default profile can be modified, and new profiles can be made.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>A different SNMP profile can be used for each search range for auto discovery (or other type of search).</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Also, each search range can have more than one profile (up to 5), in case the search range contains machines with different SNMP settings.</li> </ul>	
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In the device list, you can select a profile for each machine in the device properties (you don't need to do this because RC Gate A2 will use each profile in priority order until you can connect).

SNMP settings in devices can be changed with Web Image Monitor.





Problems when a Device Administrator Profile Does Not Work	<b>H</b> ange.
<ul> <li>The RC Gate A2 cannot get accounting report Information from devices that have this profile assigned to them.</li> <li>The RC Gate A2 cannot do firmware update (RFU) for devices that have this profile assigned to them.</li> <li>The devices that have this profile assigned to them cannot be managed from the Center GUI remotely. They can only be monitored.</li> </ul>	
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The top half of the screen shows a list of SNMP profiles already made. Normally, there is only one, the default profile.



For details on the settings, see the operating instructions.

5. Discovery and Polling > Discovery and Polling > Access Profiles



The top half of the screen shows a list of profiles already made. Normally, there is only one, the default profile.

The password always appears as 12 dots, regardless of the actual length.



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SP5-816-002 (Remote Service: CE Call)



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<ul> <li>This section will explain how to help a customer who has a number of RC Gates to change over to RC Gate A2.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>This is a lot simpler than with the previous model (RC Gate A).</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>The procedure is basically the same as installation of a new RC Gate A2, except that device registration is not needed.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Service manual:</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>First, replace one of the RC Gates with a new RC Gate A2.</li> <li>Installation &gt; Replacement/Migration &gt; Replacement</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Then, migrate the other RC Gates to the new RC Gate A2.</li> <li>Installation &gt; Replacement/Migration &gt; Migration</li> </ul>	
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<ul> <li>First, you replace one of the old RC Gates with a new RC Gate A2.</li> </ul>	_
<ul> <li>To do this, you must first contact the @Remote Center and do the following:</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Tell the @Remote Center the serial numbers of the all the old RC Gates and the new RC Gate A2. For the old RC Gates, you must also specify which is the one for replacement (the 1<sup>st</sup> RC Gate), and which are the ones for migration.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Check how many managed devices there are.</li> </ul>	
If there are more than 100, you must install the SD card option in the new RC Gate A2.	
<ul> <li>Check if the Remote Communication Gate A2 Accounting Report option is being used.</li> <li>If there are more than 300 devices for the Accounting Report option, you will need</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>more than one RC Gate A2s.</li> <li>Also, you must choose an appliance with the Accounting Report activated as the unit that will be replaced, before migrating the others.</li> </ul>	111

Service manual: Installation > Replacement/Migration > Replacement

Replacing the 1 <sup>st</sup> RC Gate - 2	ige.
<ul> <li>Wait for the reply from the @Remote Center. You will be given the request number.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>For your interest, the service manual shows how this request number is generated.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Don't input this request number yourself until informed by the @Remote Center.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>This is because a replacement procedure must be done at the @Remote Center first, before you input the request number.</li> </ul>	
Then shut down the RC Gate that will be replaced.	
<ul> <li>Install the RC Gate A2 in the same way as a normal installation, except that device registration is not needed (the @Remote Center takes care of that).</li> </ul>	112

Service manual: Installation > Replacement/Migration > Replacement



Service manual: Installation > Replacement/Migration > Replacement of the Accounting Report Option



Service manual: Installation > Replacement/Migration > Migration



Notes - 2	<b>H</b> ange.
<ul> <li>If the total number of managed devices is more than 100, the optional SD card must be installed in the RC Gate A2.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>If there is no SD card, then migration will only be partially successful.</li> </ul>	
Example:	
<ul> <li>A customer has some old RC Gates (let us call them A, B, C, D, and so on): A has 50 managed devices, B has 20, C has 50, D has 30, and so on</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Replacement of A was successful, and so was migration of B. But during migration of C, the limit of 100 was exceeded, and that migration failed. The process stops.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>As a result, the customer now has a new RC Gate A2, but still has to use the old RC Gates C, D and so on.</li> </ul>	116











Troubleshooting > Error Codes > SC Codes



Troubleshooting > Error Codes > SC Codes



This works for both the SD cards (system SD card and optional SD card).





The End