SECTION 1 – INTRODUCTION

1.1 WELCOME

The nVent RAYCHEM Supervisor heat-tracing controller configuration and monitoring software provides a graphical user interface for nVent RAYCHEM communications and controller products. The software supports the Elexant Series controllers, nVent RAYCHEM NGC series controllers, 780 Series/GCC-9000 Group Communications Controllers, nVent RAYCHEM T2000 AC 2000+ alarm/communications interface cards, nVent RAYCHEM 910/915/920 Heat Trace Controllers and/or legacy nVent RAYCHEM Controllers (except the nVent RAYCHEM 200N) using the Modbus protocol.

The software allows the user to configure and monitor any RAYCHEM controller which has the appropriate communications interface installed from one central location. The software also incorporates advanced features such as data logging and trending, batch and recipe processing, scheduled events, etc.

Please refer to the RAYCHEM Supervisor Operations Manual (H57576) for more information on features and capabilities.

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1.3 USER RESPONSIBILITIES

The performance, reliability and safety of your heat-tracing system depend on proper design, selection and installation. The RAYCHEM Supervisor program will help you configure and monitor a system that meets your requirements, but it is only a tool. It assumes that your input is accurate, that you are familiar with heat-tracing system design and configuration, and that you will ensure that all components of the heat-tracing system are installed, maintained and used as intended. The configuration of the RAYCHEM Supervisor program should be reviewed by a knowledgeable engineer to ensure it is appropriate for your application. Additional information relating to safety, design and installation is contained in Design Guides, Installation Manuals, Data Sheets, and other literature available from nVent. Be sure to consult these documents as needed.

1.4 SAFETY WARNINGS

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SECTION 2 – SYSTEM OVERVIEW

The software allows the user to configure and monitor any RAYCHEM controller installed in the field which has the appropriate communications interface installed from one central location. The software also supports alarm monitoring, with the ability to acknowledge and clear alarms.

2.1 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The RAYCHEM Supervisor software is designed to run in a networked environment using one or more computers. The software is composed of two components, and it is assumed that all computers are networked together on a corporate intranet. Implementation details of this type of networking environment are beyond the scope of this document.

- RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server
- RAYCHEM Supervisor Client

The RAYCHEM Supervisor Client provides the user interface and can be installed on any computer that requires user interaction with the system. Once the RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server and RAYCHEM Supervisor Client(s) are installed, multiple users can access the RAYCHEM Supervisor EHT system from different client computers simultaneously.

The computer hardware required to run RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server and RAYCHEM Supervisor Client is outlined in the following sections.

2.1.1 TYPICAL SYSTEM ARCHITECTURES

Versions of RAYCHEM Supervisor prior to 2.4, used the Microsoft SQL Server Desktop Edition (MSDE) as the database engine. By default, this version of RAYCHEM Supervisor uses Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express, which is an updated version of MSDE. If you are upgrading a prior version of RAYCHEM Supervisor, this version will detect the existing MSDE installation and continue to use it. If you are installing a new instance of RAYCHEM Supervisor, then Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express will automatically be installed.

While many RAYCHEM Supervisor system architectures are possible, they will generally fall into one of two types described below. Please note that this installation manual discusses the RAYCHEM Supervisor Standard installation only. For RAYCHEM Supervisor Enterprise installation, refer to the Installation Manual for RAYCHEM Supervisor Enterprise (H57989).

- Single User (Client). This type of installation will typically use the SQL Express database (“Standard”) version of RAYCHEM Supervisor.

![Diagram](image)

**Figure 2 1-1 Typical single master, single client system**

- Single Master Server, Multiple Users (Clients). This architecture may be SQL Express based as long as the number of simultaneous users is limited to a maximum of four. Due to SQL Express database limitations, no performance guarantees can be made in all situations with this many Users. For example, if several data trending or batch jobs are being run simultaneously, only one or two Users may be able to connect without impacting system performance.
Applications that require more users or the ability to have a larger number of batch/trending/configuration jobs must use the SQL-based Enterprise version of RAYCHEM Supervisor.

![Diagram of a typical single master, multiple client system](image)

**Figure 2 1-2 Typical single master, multiple client system**

### 2.1.2 RAYCHEM SUPERVISOR MASTER SERVER

To effectively use the software, the following configuration is required:

- A Quad core® – 2.0 GHz or faster (Recommended), Pentium®4 – 1 GHz (Minimum) computer.
- A hard disk with at least 4 gigabytes of free space (Recommended), 2 gigabytes (Minimum)
- 8 gigabyte of RAM (Recommended), 1 gigabytes of RAM (Minimum)
- CD-ROM Drive
- One or more available serial ports
- A mouse or other compatible pointing device
- SVGA display with 800x600 resolution
- Standard configurations using Microsoft SQL Express: Windows® XP Pro SP3, Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8 or Windows 10, either 32 or 64 bit.
- Multi-User/Server Capable configurations using MS SQL Server: Microsoft Windows® Server 2000 through 2017
- Microsoft .NET® Framework version 4.0
- Network connectivity

### 2.1.3 RAYCHEM SUPERVISOR CLIENT

To effectively use the software, the following configuration is required:

- A Quad core® – 1GHz or faster (Recommended), Pentium®4 – 1 GHz (Minimum) IBM compatible personal computer
- A hard disk with at least 1 gigabytes of free space (Recommended), 500 megabytes (Minimum)
- 2 gigabytes of RAM (Recommended), 1 gigabytes of RAM (Minimum)
- CD-ROM Drive
- 1 or more available serial ports
- A mouse or other compatible pointing device
- SVGA display with 800x600 resolution
- Microsoft .NET Framework version 4.0
- Network connectivity
SECTION 3 – INSTALLING RAYCHEM SUPERVISOR


**Note:** To install Windows, follow the installation procedure provided by Microsoft. Familiarity with the Windows environment is highly recommended, and it is assumed throughout this manual. Knowledge of the Windows environment will make this program easier to use and understand.

If you are upgrading an existing RAYCHEM Supervisor installation which is version 1.30 or earlier, please refer to Section 15.3 “Converting RAYCHEM Supervisor Databases” in the RAYCHEM Supervisor Operations Manual (H57576) for information on how to convert your existing database.

**Note:** Components should be installed in the order in which they are presented in this document.

3.1 QUICK START GUIDE

The following provides a brief outline of the installation process. Detailed instructions may be found in each of the sections that are referenced within the individual steps:

### 3.1.1 RAYCHEM Supervisor STANDARD INSTALLATIONS:

1. Setup the Master Computer:
   - Start the RAYCHEM Supervisor Standard Setup wizard and it will install the RAYCHEM Supervisor Client and RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server software plus other required components onto your computer.
   - When the installation is complete, click the RAYCHEM SupervisorClient Shortcut on your desktop to start the RAYCHEM SupervisorClient software.

2. Setup any Client Computers (optional):
   - Start the RAYCHEM Supervisor Client Setup wizard and it will install the RAYCHEM Supervisor Client software plus other required components to your computer (see Section 2.1).

3. Convert an existing database (optional):
   - If you are upgrading from a previous version of RAYCHEM Supervisor, PyroMaster, or TraceMaster software, you may import some of the system setup information into the new software (see Sections 15-3 through 15-5 in the RAYCHEM Supervisor Operating Instructions manual as appropriate).

4. Activate and Register your new software (see Section 4).

**Note:** Other required components includes any of the following: Microsoft Windows Installer 4.5, Microsoft.NET Framework 4.0, Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express Edition, and SAP Crystal Reports Runtime Engine.

3.2 INSTALLING RAYCHEM SUPERVISOR

To start the RAYCHEM Supervisor Installation wizard, insert the “RAYCHEM Supervisor” CD into the drive. Double click on the RAYCHEM SupervisorStandardSetup.exe file in the main disc directory. The RAYCHEM Supervisor Standard Setup Wizard screen will appear. You must click "Accept" to accept the RAYCHEM Supervisor Program License Agreement to continue with the installation.
Once you accept the license agreement, the installation wizard determines what components are missing on your computer and prompts you to install them. Click "Install" to begin the installation.

The installation wizard will install each component in the sequence it is listed in the setup screen. In the example above, the Microsoft Windows Installer 4.5 will be installed first.
Some components will require a reboot of the computer. When prompted to reboot, click "Yes". Once the computer reboots, the installation will continue where it left off.

The installation wizard continues with the installation of the Microsoft.NET Framework 4.0, the Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express, and the SAP Crystal Reports Runtime Engine. It will take some time to install these components since they provide extensive functionalities and therefore are quite large in size. Please note that you will be required to reboot again after the Microsoft.NET Framework 4.0 is installed.
Figure 3 2-7 Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express installation in progress

After all the required components are installed, the RAYCHEM Supervisor Client will be installed, followed by the RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server.

Figure 3 2-8 RAYCHEM Supervisor Client installation in progress

For the RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server Installation, there are several screens that might require user input. These screens include choosing the SQL Server you want to use as the RAYCHEM Supervisor database, and if you are installing over an existing RAYCHEM Supervisor installation, you have to choose an existing system database option. For the remainder of the setup screens, you can simply click "Next" to continue. The installation wizard will automatically fill in a default SQL Server name which you can use. However you can edit the name if you wish, but you must use a valid SQL Server name.
Figure 3 2-10 Select a SQL Server for RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server screen

The Select an Existing System Database Options screen will appear only if an existing RAYCHEM Supervisor installation exists. You must choose an option other than "None of the above" to continue.

Figure 3 2-11 Select an Existing System Database Option screen

After you click "Next" on the last confirmation screen, the installation will continue until completion. If errors occur during the installation, please refer to section Appendix B - Troubleshooting on how to correct the problem; otherwise the Installation Complete screen will display. Make sure the checkbox for the "Restart RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server for the new configuration to take effect" is checked, then click "Close" to exit the installation.
You can now start the RAYCHEM Supervisor Client software by double-clicking on the RAYCHEM SupervisorClient icon on your desktop.

3.3 UNINSTALLING MICROSOFT SQL SERVER 2008 EXPRESS

You may remove Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express from your computer system by following these steps:

1. Click the START button, then Select Control Panel.
2. Double-Click Add/Remove Programs.
3. In the list of installed programs, select Microsoft SQL Server 2008. Click on the Remove button.
4. Follow the instructions that appear on the screen.
5. Once this has been completed, you must also delete the Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express folder found in C:\Program Files\Microsoft SQL Server\MSSQL10.SQLSERVER.
3.4 UNINSTALLING RAYCHEM SUPERVISOR

Prior to removing any RAYCHEM Supervisor components from your computer system, back up your RAYCHEM Supervisor database. (Refer to Section 15.2.1 in the RAYCHEM Supervisor Operations Manual (H57576) for instructions on the proper backup procedure.)

3.4.1 UNINSTALLING RAYCHEM SUPERVISOR MASTER SERVER

You may remove RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server from your computer system by following these steps:

1. Click the START button, then Select Control Panel.
2. Double-Click Add/Remove Programs.
3. In the list of installed programs, select RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server. Click on the Remove button.
4. Follow the instructions that appear on the screen.
3.4.2 UNINSTALLING RAYCHEM SUPERVISOR CLIENT

You may remove RAYCHEM Supervisor Client from your computer system by following the following steps:

1. Click the START button, then Select Control Panel.
2. Double-Click Add/Remove Programs.
3. In the list of installed programs, select RAYCHEM Supervisor Client. Click on the Remove button.
4. Follow the instructions that appear on the screen.

Figure 3.4-2 Remove RAYCHEM Supervisor client
SECTION 4 – SOFTWARE ACTIVATION AND REGISTRATION

Please refer to Section 16 in the RAYCHEM Supervisor Operations Manual, H57576.
APPENDIX A – 780 SERIES/GCC-9000 CABLING

Refer to the 780 Series/GCC-9000 manual for an explanation regarding wiring of the HTC communications, alarm and relay ports. The communications between the master computer and the 780 Series/GCC-9000s may be accomplished using either RS-232 or RS-485, depending on the circumstances. If you are connecting multiple 780 Series/GCC-9000s to the RAYCHEM Supervisor software, you will need to use the RS-485 port and associated wiring to accomplish this.

A-1 RS-232 COMMUNICATIONS TO A 780 SERIES/GCC-9000

Communications to the 780 Series/GCC-9000 may be established via an RS-232 cable plugged into the 780 Series/GCC-9000’s SIO#2 port and to one of the serial (COM) ports of your computer. The required cable wiring is shown below.

A-2 RS-485 COMMUNICATION TO A 780 SERIES/GCC-9000

The wiring between the master computer and a 780 Series/GCC-9000 using the RS-485 port is accomplished using either a 2-wire or a 4-wire connection and an RS-485/RS-232 converter plugged into the computer’s serial (COM) port.
The following chart shows typical distances that may be achieved using the RS-485 communications port. These distances are based on using a 4-wire, 26-AWG shielded twisted pair. Note that speed and distances will depend on actual operating conditions.

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<tr>
<th>Speed</th>
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<tr>
<td>1200 bps</td>
<td>4.00 miles (6.4 km)</td>
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<tr>
<td>2400 bps</td>
<td>3.00 miles (4.8 km)</td>
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<tr>
<td>4800 bps</td>
<td>2.30 miles (3.7 km)</td>
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<tr>
<td>9600 bps</td>
<td>1.70 miles (2.7 km)</td>
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The RS-485 converter may be an internal card that plugs into one of your computers’ empty slots, or an external device that connects to one of the existing serial ports via a cable. It is strongly recommended that you use an isolated-type interface to protect the computer from any voltage transients that may be introduced into the field wiring.

**A-3 780 SERIES / GCC-9000 RS-485 JUMPER SETTINGS**

**Preparation**

1. Power down the GCC and unplug its line cord.
2. Remove the four screws holding down the GCC’s cover.
3. Identify the four jumpers on the drawing below.
4. Check to see if the existing jumper settings are acceptable.

**Note:** Static electricity can destroy electrical components! Ground one hand by touching the metal case prior to handling the jumpers.
For 2 Wire RS-485 Operation

1. Install jumpers E36 and E40 and use Tx+ and Tx- terminals to connect the RS-485 wiring.
2. Install jumper E35 for the termination resistor if this is the last (or furthest) GCC.

For 4 Wire RS-485 Operation

1. Remove jumpers E36 and E40, if present, and use all four terminals Tx+, Tx-, Rx+, and Rx- to connect the RS-485 wiring.
2. Remove jumper E35 and install jumper E37 for the termination resistor if this is the last GCC on the RS-485 communications bus.
APPENDIX B – TROUBLESHOOTING

B-1 INSTALLATION ERRORS

Cannot install Master Server due to database error
• Ensure that the Microsoft SQL Server is properly installed and running on the computer where you are installing RAYCHEM Supervisor.
• Verify that the Master Server name has been typed in correctly.
• If RAYCHEM Supervisor Master Server does not install, ensure that there is no MSSQL file in the folder C:\Program Files\Microsoft SQL Server. This may be left over from a previous installation and will prevent the installation from completing.

Install error 1604 encountered installing Crystal Reports Runtime Engine
• Try running the installation setup again. This might happen if the installation setup files are stored in a network drive instead of the local drive.

Unexpected Installation errors encountered
If there are unexpected errors encountered during the installation, check that the Windows Operating system meets the minimum software requirement needed to install RAYCHEM Supervisor. Upgrade to the latest version if possible.

B-2 COMMUNICATION ERRORS

Communication Failures
When RAYCHEM Supervisor is connected to GCCs and HTC-direct controllers using a 2-wire RS-485 configuration make sure that the Tx Delay setting for each GCC and HTC-direct controller is set to at least 0.06 seconds. This will ensure that the GCC or HTC-direct devices do not start to transmit a reply until RAYCHEM Supervisor has turned off its driver.

B-3 OTHER ERRORS

Some text does not display properly in the “Help About” screen
• If you are using McAfee Virus Scan software, you may have to disable the “Buffer Overflow Protection” option in the McAfee setup to eliminate this problem.

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