Advanced Micro Devices

Advanced Media Framework – h.264 Video Encoder

Programming Guide

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1 Introduction

1.1 Scope

This document provides a complete description of the AMD Advanced Media Framework (AMF) Video Encoder Component. This component exposes the AMD Video Compression Engine, which provides hardware accelerated H.264 video encoding functionality.

Figure 1 provides a system overview of the AMF Video Encoder Component.
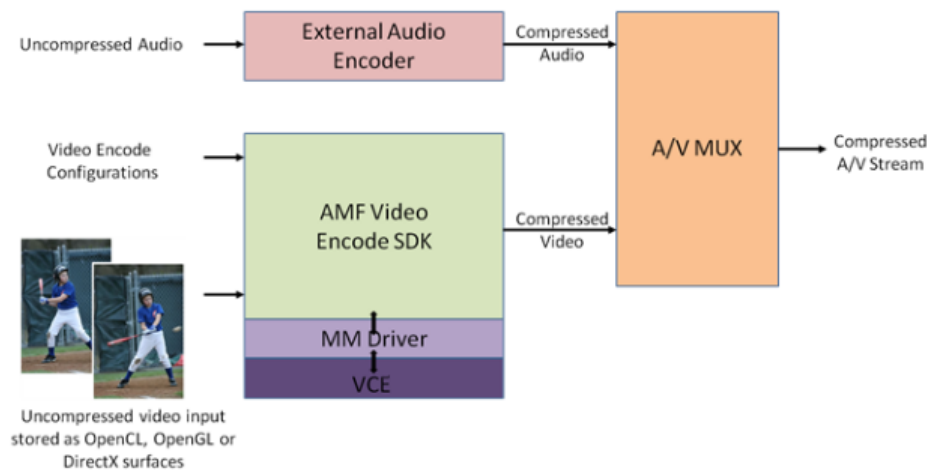
Figure 1 — System overview of the AMF Video Encode SDK

The AMF Video Encoder Component compresses RAW uncompressed video to an H.264 elementary bitstream.

The component does not provide a mechanism to handle audio compression, or stream multiplexing.

The component provides four different sets of pre-defined usages, which provide a convenient way for developers to configure the encoder to match the intended application use case. Advanced developers can also adjust encoding parameters to tailor the behavior to their specific application requirements.

1.2 Pre-defined Encoder Usages

The following table provides a brief overview of the encoding usage modes that have been defined:

Usage Mode	Intended use-cases	Comments
Transcoding	Transcoding, video editing	Favor compression efficiency and throughput over latency.
Ultra-low latency	Video game streaming	Optimize for extremely low latency use cases (e.g. cap the number of bits per frame), to enable high-interactivity applications.
Low Latency	Video collaboration, remote desktop	Optimize for low latency scenarios but allow occasional bitrate overshoots to preserve quality.
Webcam	Video conferencing	Optimize for a low-latency video conferencing scenario.
HQ	High quality mode	Optimize for best subjective video quality with possible loss of performance.
HQLL	High quality low latency mode	Optimize for good quality with low latency.

Table 1. Encoding usage modes

Note: User can override the default settings for these pre-defined usages in Table A-3. Default values of parameters.

2 AMF Video Encoder VCE-AVC Component

The AMF Video Encoder VCE-AVC component provides hardware accelerated AVC/SVC encoding using AMD's VCE.

To instantiate the AMF Video Encoder component, call the `AMFFactory::CreateComponent` method passing `AMFVideoEncoderVCE_AVC` or `AMFVideoEncoderVCE_SVC` component IDs defined in the `public/include/components/VideoEncoderVCE.h` header.

2.1 Input Submission and Output Retrieval

The AMF Video Encoder component accepts `AMFSurface` objects as input and produces `AMFBuffer` objects for output.

In the Transcoding mode the encoder needs to accept at least 3 input frames before any output is produced. In low latency modes output becomes available as soon as the first submitted frame is encoded.

2.2 Encode Parameters

Annex A provides the detailed description of encoding parameters (i.e., encoder properties) exposed by the Video Encoder VCE-AVC component for the following four usages:

- Transcoding mode,
- Ultra-low latency mode,
- Low Latency mode,
- Webcam mode,
- HQ mode, and
- HQLL mode.

All properties are accessed using the `AMFPropertyStorage` interface of the Encoder object.

2.2.1 Static Properties

Static properties (e.g., profile, level, usage) must be defined before the Init() function is called, and will apply until the end of the encoding session.

2.2.2 Dynamic Properties

All dynamic properties have default values. Several properties can be changed subsequently and these changes will be flushed to encoder only before the next Submit() call.

2.2.3 Frame Per-Submission Properties

Per submission properties are applied on a per frame basis. They can be set optionally to force a certain behavior (e.g., force frame type to IDR) by updating the properties of the `AMFSurface` object that is passed through the `AMFComponent::Submit()` call.

2.2.4 SVC Properties

Scalable Video Coding (SVC) is enabled by setting `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_NUM_TEMPORAL_ENHANCMENT_LAYERS` to a value that is greater than `1`. `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_NUM_TEMPORAL_ENHANCMENT_LAYER` is a dynamic property and can be changed at any time during an encoding session. To ensure proper support on Radeon RX 5000 Series or newer GPUs and Ryzen 2000 U/H series or newer APUs, `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_NUM_TEMPORAL_LAYERS` needs to be set before initializing the encoder to a value that is not smaller than the number of temporal enhancement layers. As an example, the maximum number of temporal layers shall be set to 4 if the number of temporal enhancement layers will be changed from 3 to 4 in an encoding session. The maximum number of temporal layers supported by the encoder can be queried from the encoder capabilities before initializing the encoder.

To define SVC parameters per layer, the following format must be used:

```
TL<Temporal_Layer_Number>.QL<Quality_Layer_Number>.<Parameter_name>
```

As an example with two temporal layers, to configure "Target bitrate" for the base/first temporal layer and first quality layer, the following parameter should be used:

```
TL0.QL0.TargetBitrate
```

To configure "Target bitrate" for the second temporal layer and first quality layer, the following parameter should be used:

```
TL1.QL0.TargetBitrate
```

When setting per layer parameters, the equivalent non-SVC layer parameters should not be set for the encoder otherwise the per layer configuration will be overwritten.

Remark: quality layers are not supported on VCE 1.0. "QL0" must be used for quality layers.

2.2.5 ROI Feature

Region of importance (ROI) feature provides a way to specify the relative importance of the macroblocks in the video frame. Encoder will further adjust the bits allocation among code blocks based on the importance, on top of the base rate control decisions. More important blocks will be encoded with relatively better quality.

The ROI map can be attached to the input frame on a per frame basis. Currently, the ROI map can only use system memory. The ROI map includes the importance values of each macro block, ranging from 0 to 10, stored in 32bit unsinged format. Refer to SimpleROI sample application for further implementation details.

2.2.6 Encoder Statistics Feedback

If an application sets the `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTICS_FEEDBACK` flag on for an input picture, the encoder will feedback to the application statistics for this specific picture. After the encoding ends, the application can retrieve by name the specific statistic(s) it is interested in. The supported encoder statistics are listed in Table A-4. This feature is supported by Radeon RX 5000 Series or newer GPUs as well as Ryzen 2000 U/H series or newer APUs.

2.2.7 Picture Transfer Mode

If an application enables `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE` for a specific input picture, it can dump out the reconstructed picture after encoding and/or it can inject a picture to be used as the reference picture during the encoding. It is worth noting that reference picture injection is a feature that is intended for advanced algorithm testing and exploration. It needs to be used with care since the internal DPB in the current encoding session will be overridden by the injected reference picture(s). The reader can refer to `SimpleFrameInjection` sample application for further implementation details. This feature is supported by Radeon RX 5000 Series or newer GPUs as well as Ryzen 2000 U/H series or newer APUs.

2.2.8 LTR Properties

LTR (Long Term Reference) is to manually select a reference frame which can be far away to encode current frame. Normally, the encoder selects last frame as reference or a frame at lower layer in the SVC case.

In AVC, maximum of `16` reference frames are supported according to the spec. These `16` reference frames are shared by SVC and LTR.

To use LTR, you need to set these properties as Static Properties:

`AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_LTR_FRAMES` , Max number of LTR frames.

`AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_LTR_MODE` default = `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_LTR_MODE_RESET_UNUSED` ; remove/keep unused LTRs (not specified in property `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FORCE_LTR_REFERENCE_BITFIELD`)

The `LTR_MODE` has two options:

```
enum AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_LTR_MODE_ENUM
{
    AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_LTR_MODE_RESET_UNUSED       = 0,
    AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_LTR_MODE_KEEP_UNUSED
};
```

Reset_unused: encoder will discard all other LTR frames stored once a LTR frame is used as reference.

Keep_unused: encoder will not change other LTR frames stored once any LTR frame is used as reference. When we enable auto LTR mode in PA, this mode will be automatically selected internally and `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_LTR_FRAMES` will be set to `4` no matter what users set. For details of "auto LTR mode", please refer to AMF_Video_PreAnalysis_API document.

There are two Frame Per-Submission Properties need be set to use LTR:

`AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MARK_CURRENT_WITH_LTR_INDEX`, Mark current frame with LTR index. `-1` means don't save current frame into LTR slots. `0~N` means save current frame into a LTR slot with index of `0~N`. Here N should be `<=` `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_LTR_FRAMES-1`.

When we use SVC encoding, only next base frame can be stored as LTR frame (i.e. only temporal layer number = `0` frames are allowed to be saved into LTR slot.)

`AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FORCE_LTR_REFERENCE_BITFIELD`, force LTR bit-field. This is a bit-field mask that indicate which LTR slot can be used as reference for current frame. `0b1` means only slot 0 can be used as reference. `0b10` means only slot 1 can be used as reference. `0b100` means only slot 2 can be used as reference...

`0b0` means no LTR frame will be used as reference for current frame hence current frame will select short term reference frame (usually last frame) as reference.

When there are multiple bits are enabled, for example: `0b1111` (`=decimal 15`), that means LTR slots 0,1,2 and 3 are all allowed to be selected as reference. In this case, the closest LTR frame to current frame will be selected.

When we encode a key frame or switch frame, all save LTR slots will be cleared.

Referring to a LTR frame not exiting in LTR slot will generate an Intra only frame.

2.2.9 SmartAccess Video

On supported APU + GPU systems, there is an opportunity to use SmartAccess Video. SmartAccess Video - an optimization logic which enables the parallelization of encode and decode streams across multiple Video Codec Engine (VCN) hardware instances – empowers apps to process streams faster through seamless job distribution across available hardware. With a simple enablement of the encoder and decoder control flags, the SmartAccess Video logic will optimally use hardware resources to benefit media apps. Follow the `SMART_ACCESS_VIDEO` tag in the documentation to search for the property flags to set. On systems without SmartAccess Video support, the `SMART_ACCESS_VIDEO` properties have no effect.

3 Sample Applications

The AMF Encoder Sample application show how to setup and use the AMF Video Encoder VCE-AVC Component to encode video frames that are loaded from disk or rendered by the DirectX 3D engine.

3.1 List of Parameters

Sample applications support almost all visible encoder parameters (except `PictureStructure`, `EndOfSequence`, `EndOfStream`) and few additional parameters.

Additional parameters of `TranscodeHW` application:

Name	Type
CODEC	string
OUTPUT	string
INPUT	string
WIDTH	int
HEIGHT	int

Name	Type
ADAPTERID	int
ENGINE	string
FRAMES	int
THREADCOUNT	int
PREVIEWMODE	bool

Table 2. Additional miscellaneous parameters of TranscodeHW application

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Name: `CODEC`

Values: `AVC` or `H264`, `HEVC` or `H265`, `AV1`

Default Values: `AVC`

Description: Specify codec type.

Name: `OUTPUT`

Values: File name, relative or absolute path

Default Value: `NULL`

Description: Output file for encoded data.

Name: `INPUT`

Values: File name, relative or absolute path

Default Value: `NULL`

Description: Input file with frames.

Name: `WIDTH`

Values: Frame width

Default Value: `0`

Description: Frame width.

Name: `HEIGHT`

Values: Frame height

Default Value: `0`

Description: Frame height.

Name: `AdapterID`

Values: Number

Default Value: `0`

Description: Index of GPU adapter.

Name: `ENGINE`

Values: `DX9` , `DX11` , `Vulkan`

Default Value: `DX11`

Description: Specify Engine type.

Name: `FRAMES`

Values: Number of frames to be encoded

Default Values: `100`

Description: Number of frames to render.

Name: `THREADCOUNT`

Values: Number

Default Values: `1`

Description: Number of session run ip parallel.

Name: `PREVIEWMODE`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Values: `false`

Description: Preview Mode .

Additional parameters of `VCEEncoderD3D` application:

Name	Category
CODEC	string
OUTPUT	string
RENDER	string
WIDTH	int
HEIGHT	int
FRAMES	int

Name	Category
ADAPTERID	int
WINDOWMODE	bool
FULLSCREEN	bool
QueryInstanceCount	bool
UseInstance	int
FRAMERATE	int

Table 3. Miscellaneous parameters of VCEEncoderD3D application

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Name: `CODEC`

Values: `AVC` or `H264` , `HEVC` or `H265` , `AV1`

Default Value: `AVC`

Description: Codec name.

Name: `OUTPUT`

Values: File name, relative or absolute path

Default Value: `NULL`

Description: Output H.264 file for encoded data.

Name: `RENDER`

Values: `DX9` , `DX9Ex` , `DX11` , `OpenGL` , `OpenCL` , `Host` , `OpenCLDX9` , `OpenCLDX11` , `OpenGLDX9` , `OpenGLDX11` , `OpenCLOpenGLDX9` , `OpenCLOpenGLDX11` , `HostDX9` , `HostDX11` , `DX11DX9` , `Vulkan`

Default Value: `DX11`

Description: Specifies render type.

Name: `WIDTH`

Values: Frame width

Default Value: `1280`

Description: Frame width.

Name: `HEIGHT`

Values: Frame height

Default Value: `720`

Description: Frame height.

Name: `FRAMES`

Values: Number of frames to be encoded

Default Value: `100`

Description: Number of frames to render.

Name: `ADAPTERID`

Values: Number

Default Value: `0`

Description: Index of GPU adapter.

Name: `WINDOWMODE`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Shows rendering window for D3D sample application.

Name: `FULLSCREEN`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Full screen.

Name: `QueryInstanceCount`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: If the flag is set, the number of independent VCE instances will be quried and printed.

Name: `UseInstance`

Values: `0` ... `number of instances - 1`

Default Value: Depends on usage

Description: If there are more than one VCE Instances, you can force which instance to use. Valid range is `[0.. (number of instances - 1)]` .

Name: `FRAMERATE`

Values: Render frame rate

Default Value: `0`

Description: Render frame rate.

3.2 Command line example

3.2.1 Transcoding application (TranscodingHW.exe)

```
TranscodeHW.exe -input input.h264 -output out.h264 –codec AVC -width 1280 -height 720
```

This command transcodes H264 elementary stream to H.264 video. Encoder is created with "Transcoding" usage.

3.2.2 D3D application (VCEEncoderD3D.exe)

```
VCEEncoderD3D.exe -output VideoSample_1024x768.h264 -width 1024 -height 768 -frames 400
```

This command encodes `400` frames through D3D renderer and creates an output file with the encoded data. Encoder is created with "Transcoding" usage. Initial configuration sets bitrate to a value of 500kbits/sec.

4 Annex A: Encoding & frame parameters description

Table A-1. Encoder configuration parameters

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
USAGE	amf_int64
INSTANCE_INDEX	amf_int64
PROFILE	amf_int64
PROFILE_LEVEL	amf_int64
MAX_LTR_FRAMES	amf_int64
LTR_MODE	amf_int64
LOWLATENCY_MODE	amf_bool
FRAMESIZE	AMFSize
ASPECT_RATIO	AMFRatio
MAX_CONSECUTIVE_BPICTURES	amf_int64
ADAPTIVE_MINIGOP	amf_bool
PRE_ANALYSIS_ENABLE	amf_bool
COLOR_BIT_DEPTH	amf_int64
MAX_NUM_TEMPORAL_LAYERS	amf_int64
ENABLE_SMART_ACCESS_VIDEO	amf_bool

Table 4. Encoder initialization parameters

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_TRANSCONDING` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_TRANSCODING` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_ULTRA_LOW_LATENCY` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_LOW_LATENCY` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_WEBCAM` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_HIGH_QUALITY` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_USAGE_LOW_LATENCY_HIGH_QUALITY`

Default Value: `N/A`

Description: Selects the AMF usage (see Section 1.2).

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INSTANCE_INDEX`

Values: `0` , `1`

Default Value: `N\A`

Description: Selects the encoder engine used for encoding.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_BASELINE` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_MAIN` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_HIGH`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_MAIN`
- Ultra low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_MAIN`
- Low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_MAIN`
- Webcam: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_MAIN`
- HQ: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_HIGH`
- HQLL: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_HIGH`

Description: Selects the H.264 profile.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PROFILE_LEVEL`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_H264_LEVEL_ENUM` : `AMF_H264_LEVEL__1` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__1_1` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__1_2` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__1_3` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__2` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__2_1` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__2_2` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__3` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__3_1` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__3_2` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__4` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__4_1` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__4_2` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__5` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__5_1` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__5_2` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__6` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__6_1` , `AMF_H264_LEVEL__6_2`

Default Value: `AMF_H264_LEVEL__4_2`

Description: Selects the H.264 profile level.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_LTR_FRAMES`

Values: `0` ... `2`

Default Value: `0`

Description: The number of long-term references controlled by the user. Remarks:

- When == `0` , the encoder may or may not use LTRs during encoding.
- When > `0` , the user has control over all LTR.

- With user control of LTR, B-pictures and Intra-refresh features are not supported.
- The actual maximum number of LTRs allowed depends on H.264 Annex A Table A-1 Level limits, which defines dependencies between the H.264 Level number, encoding resolution, and DPB size. The DPB size limit impacts the maximum number of LTR allowed.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_LTR_MODE`

Values: `0` (reset unused) , `1` (keep unused)

Default Value: `0`

Description: Removes/keeps unused LTRs not specified inside the LTR reference bitfield.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_LOWLATENCY_MODE`

Values: `true` (on), `false` (off)

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `false`
- Ultra low latency: `true`
- Low latency: `false`
- Webcam: `false`
- HQ: `false`
- HQLL: `true`

Description: Enables low latency mode in the encoder and switches POC mode to `2` .

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FRAMESIZE`

Values: Width: `64` – `4096` Height: `64` – `4096`

Default Value: `(0,0)`

Description: Frame width and height in pixels, maximum values are hardware-specific, should be queried through AMFCaps.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_ASPECT_RATIO`

Values: `(1, 1)` ... `(INT_MAX, INT_MAX)`

Default Value: `(1,1)`

Description: Pixel aspect ratio.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_CONSECUTIVE_BPICTURES`

Values: `0` ... `3`

Default Value: `0`

Description: Maximum number of consecutive B Pictures, suggestion set to `3` if `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_B_PIC_PATTERN` is not `0` .

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_ADAPTIVE_MINIGOP`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Disable/Enable Adaptive MiniGOP, can enable with PA enabled.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PRE_ANALYSIS_ENABLE`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Some encoder properties require this property been set. Enables the pre-analysis module. Refer to *AMF Video PreAnalysis API* reference for more details.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_COLOR_BIT_DEPTH`

Values: `AMF_COLOR_BIT_DEPTH_ENUM` : `AMF_COLOR_BIT_DEPTH_UNDEFINED` , `AMF_COLOR_BIT_DEPTH_8` , `AMF_COLOR_BIT_DEPTH_10`

Default Value: `8`

Description: Sets the number of bits in each pixel's color component in the encoder's compressed output bitstream.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_NUM_TEMPORAL_LAYERS`

Values: `1` ... `Maximum number of temporal layers supported`

Default Value: `1`

Description: Sets the maximum number of temporal layers. It shall not be exceeded by the number of temporal enhancement layers. The maximum number of temporal layers supported is determined by the corresponding encoder capability. This property is not supported on GPUs prior to Radeon RX 5000 Series or APUs prior to Ryzen 2000 U/H series.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_ENABLE_SMART_ACCESS_VIDEO`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: When set to `true` , enables the SmartAccess Video feature, which optimally allocates the encoding task on supported APU/GPU pairings.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
INPUT_COLOR_PROFILE	amf_int64
INPUT_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC	amf_int64
INPUT_COLOR_PRIMARIES	amf_int64
OUTPUT_COLOR_PROFILE	amf_int64
OUTPUT_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC	amf_int64

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
OUTPUT_COLOR_PRIMARIES	amf_int64

Table 5. Encoder color conversion parameters

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INPUT_COLOR_PROFILE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_UNKNOWN` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_601` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_709` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_2020` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_JPEG` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_FULL_601` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_FULL_709` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_FULL_2020`

Default Value: `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_UNKNOWN`

Description: Color profile of the input surface.

- SDR - Setting this parameter (COLOR_PROFILE) can fully describe a surface for SDR use case.
- HDR – For HDR use case the `TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC` , `COLOR_PRIMARIES` , and `NOMINAL_RANGE` parameters describe the surface.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INPUT_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC`

Values: `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_ENUM` : `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_UNDEFINED` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT709` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_UNSPECIFIED` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_RESERVED` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_GAMMA22` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_GAMMA28` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE170M` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE240M` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_LINEAR` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_LOG` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_LOG_SQRT` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_IEC61966_2_4` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT1361_ECG` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_IEC61966_2_1` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT2020_10` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT2020_12` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE2084` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE428` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_ARIB_STD_B67`

Default Value: `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_UNDEFINED`

Description: Characteristic transfer function of the input surface used to perform the mapping between linear light components (tristimulus values) and a nonlinear RGB signal. Used (alongside `COLOR_PRIMARIES` and `NOMINAL_RANGE` parameters) to describe surface in HDR use case.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INPUT_COLOR_PRIMARIES`

Values: `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_ENUM` : `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_UNDEFINED` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT709` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_UNSPECIFIED` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_RESERVED` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT470M` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT470BG` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE170M` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE240M` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_FILM` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT2020` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE428` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE431` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE432` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_JEDEC_P22` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_CCCS`

Default Value: `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_UNDEFINED`

Description: Color space primaries for the input surface which are the maximum red, green, and blue value permitted within the color space. Used (alongside `TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC` and `NOMINAL_RANGE` parameters) to describe surface in HDR use case.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_COLOR_PROFILE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_UNKNOWN` ,
`AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_601` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_709` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_2020` ,
`AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_JPEG` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_FULL_601` ,
`AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_FULL_709` , `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_FULL_2020`

Default Value: `AMF_VIDEO_CONVERTER_COLOR_PROFILE_UNKNOWN`

Description: Color profile of the compressed output stream.

- SDR - Setting this parameter (`COLOR_PROFILE`) can fully describe a surface for SDR use case.
- HDR – For HDR use case the `TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC` , `COLOR_PRIMARIES` , and `NOMINAL_RANGE` parameters describe the surface. Determines the optional VUI parameter `matrix_coefficients` .

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC`

Values: `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_ENUM` : `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_UNDEFINED` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT709` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_UNSPECIFIED` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_RESERVED` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_GAMMA22` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_GAMMA28` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE170M` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE240M` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_LINEAR` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_LOG` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_LOG_SQRT` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_IEC61966_2_4` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT1361_ECG` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_IEC61966_2_1` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT2020_10` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_BT2020_12` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE2084` ,
`AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_SMPTE428` , `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_ARIB_STD_B67`

Default Value: `AMF_COLOR_TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC_UNDEFINED`

Description: Characteristic transfer function of the compressed output stream used to perform the mapping between linear light components (tristimulus values) and a nonlinear RGB signal. Used (alongside `COLOR_PRIMARIES` and `NOMINAL_RANGE` parameters) to describe surface in HDR use case.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_COLOR_PRIMARIES`

Values: `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_ENUM` : `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_UNDEFINED` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT709` ,
`AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_UNSPECIFIED` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_RESERVED` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT470M` ,
`AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT470BG` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE170M` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE240M` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_FILM` ,
`AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_BT2020` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE428` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE431` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_SMPTE432` ,
`AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_JEDEC_P22` , `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_CCCS`

Default Value: `AMF_COLOR_PRIMARIES_UNDEFINED`

Description: Color space primaries for the compressed output surface which are the maximum red, green, and blue value permitted within the color space. Used (alongside `TRANSFER_CHARACTERISTIC` and `NOMINAL_RANGE` parameters) to describe surface in HDR use case.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
TARGET_BITRATE	amf_int64
PEAK_BITRATE	amf_int64

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
RATE_CONTROL_METHOD	amf_int64
RATE_CONTROL_SKIP_FRAME_ENABLE	amf_bool
MIN_QP	amf_int64
MAX_QP	amf_int64
QP_I	amf_int64
QP_P	amf_int64
QP_B	amf_int64
QVBR_QUALITY_LEVEL	amf_int64
FRAMERATE	AMFRate
VBV_BUFFER_SIZE	amf_int64
INITIAL_VBV_BUFFER_FULLNESS	amf_int64
ENFORCE_HRD	amf_bool
MAX_AU_SIZE	amf_int64
B_PIC_DELTA_QP	amf_int64
REF_B_PIC_DELTA_QP	amf_int64
PREENCODE_ENABLE	amf_int64
FILLER_DATA_ENABLE	amf_bool
ENABLE_VBAQ	amf_bool

Table 6. Encoder rate-control parameters

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_TARGET_BITRATE`

Values: `10 000` - `100 000 000` bit/s

Default Value: `20` mbit/s

Description: Sets the target bitrate.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PEAK_BITRATE`

Values: `10 000` - `100 000 000` bit/s

Default Value: `30` mbit/s

Description: Sets the peak bitrate.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_UNKNOWN` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_CONSTANT_QP` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_CBR` ,

`AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_PEAK_CONSTRAINED_VBR` ,

`AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_LATENCY_CONSTRAINED_VBR` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_QUALITY_VBR` ,

`AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_HIGH_QUALITY_VBR` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_HIGH_QUALITY_CBR`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_PCVBR`
- Ultra low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_LCVBR`
- Low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_PCVBR`
- Webcam: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_PCVBR`
- HQ: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_QVBR` / `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_PCVBR`
- HQLL: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_METHOD_CBR`

Description: Selects the rate control method:

- CQP – Constrained QP,
- CBR - Constant Bitrate,
- VBR - Peak Constrained VBR,
- VBR_LAT - Latency Constrained VBR,
- QVBR – Quality VBR
- HQVBR – High Quality VBR
- HQCBR – High Quality CBR

Remarks:

- When SVC encoding is enabled, some rate-control parameters can be configured differently for a particular SVC-layer. An SVC-layer is denoted by an index pair `[SVC-Temporal Layer index][SVC-Quality Layer index]` . E.g. The bitrate may be configured differently for SVC-layers `[0][0]` and `[1][0]` .
- We restrict all SVC layers to have the same Rate Control method. Some RC parameters are not enabled with SVC encoding (e.g. all parameters related to B-pictures).
- QVBR, HQVBR and HQCBR are only supported if PreAnalysis is enabled.
- QVBR, HQVBR and HQCBR target improving subjective quality with the possible loss of objective quality (PSNR or VMAF).

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RATE_CONTROL_SKIP_FRAME_ENABLE`

Values: `true` (`on`), `false` (`off`)

Default Value: Depends on `USAGE`

Description: Enables skip frame for rate control.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MIN_QP`

Values: `0` — `51`

Default Value: `0`

Description: Sets the minimum QP.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_QP`

Values: `0` — `51`

Default Value: `51`

Description: Sets the maximum QP.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QP_I`

Values: `0` — `51`

Default Value: `22`

Description: Sets the constant QP for I-pictures. Remarks: Only available for CQP rate control method.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QP_P`

Values: `0` — `51`

Default Value: `22`

Description: Sets the constant QP for P-pictures. Remarks: Only available for CQP rate control method.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QP_B`

Values: `0` — `51`

Default Value: `22`

Description: Sets the constant QP for B-pictures. Remarks: Only available for CQP rate control method.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QVBR_QUALITY_LEVEL`

Values: `1` — `51`

Default Value: `23`

Description: Sets the quality level for QVBR rate control method. Remarks: Only available for QVBR rate control method.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FRAMERATE`

Values: `1*FrameRateDen` ... `120* FrameRateDen`

Default Value: `30` fps

Description: Frame rate numerator.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_VBV_BUFFER_SIZE`

Values: `1000` — `100 000 000`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `20` mbits
- Ultra low latency: `735` kbits
- Low latency: `4` mbits

- Webcam: `2` mbits
- HQ: `40` mbits
- HQLL: `10` mbits

Description: Sets the VBV buffer size in bits.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INITIAL_VBV_BUFFER_FULLNESS`

Values: `0` - `64`

Default Value: `64`

Description: Sets the initial VBV buffer fullness.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_ENFORCE_HRD`

Values: `true` , `false` (`On` , `Off`)

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `false`
- Ultra low latency: `true`
- Low latency: `false`
- Webcam: `false`
- HQ: `false`
- HQLL: `false`

Description: Disables/enables constraints on rate control to meet HRD model requirement(s) with peak_bitrate, VBV buffer size and VBV buffer fullness settings.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_ENABLE_VBAQ`

Values: `true` , `false` (`On` , `Off`)

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `false`
- Ultra low latency: `false`
- Low latency: `false`
- Webcam: `false`
- HQ: `true`
- HQLL: `true`

Description: Note: Cannot use when `RATE_CONTROL_METHOD` is CQP.

- VBAQ stands for *Variance Based Adaptive Quantization*.
- The basic idea of VBAQ: Human visual system is typically less sensitive to artifacts in highly textured area. In VBAQ mode, we use pixel variance to indicate the complexity of spatial texture. This allows us to allocate more bits to smoother areas. Enabling such feature leads to improvements in subjective visual quality with some content.Note: Cannot use when `RATE_CONTROL_METHOD` is CQP.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_AU_SIZE`

Values: `0` - `100 000 000` bits

Default Value: `0`

Description: Maximum AU size in bits.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_B_PIC_DELTA_QP`

Values: `-10` ... `10`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `4`
- Ultra low latency: `0`
- Low latency: `4`
- Webcam: `4`
- HQ: `4`
- HQLL: `4`

Description: Selects the delta QP of non-reference B pictures with respect to I pictures. This feature is not supported by VCE 1.0. `BPicturesDeltaQP`, `ReferenceBPicturesDeltaQP`, `IntraRefreshNumMBsPerSlot`, `BPicturesPattern` and `BReferenceEnable` parameters are available only when:

- `MaxOfReferenceFrames` is greater than `1`
- `NumOfLTR` is `0` (LTR is not used)

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_REF_B_PIC_DELTA_QP`

Values: `-10` ... `10`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `2`
- Ultra low latency: `0`
- Low latency: `2`
- Webcam: `2`
- HQ: `2`
- HQLL: `2`

Description: Selects delta QP of reference B pictures with respect to I pictures. This feature is not supported by VCE 1.0. `BPicturesDeltaQP`, `ReferenceBPicturesDeltaQP`, `IntraRefreshNumMBsPerSlot`, `BPicturesPattern` and `BReferenceEnable` parameters are available only when:

- `MaxOfReferenceFrames` is greater than `1`
- `NumOfLTR` is `0` (LTR is not used)

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_ENABLE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_DISABLED`, `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_ENABLED`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_DISABLED`
- Ultra low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_DISABLED`
- Low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_DISABLED`
- Webcam: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_DISABLED`
- HQ: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_ENABLED`
- HQLL: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PREENCODE_DISABLED`

Description: Enables or disables rate control pre-analysis.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FILLER_DATA_ENABLE`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Enables/disables filler data to maintain constant bit rate.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
HEADER_INSERTION_SPACING	amf_int64
IDR_PERIOD	amf_int64
DE_BLOCKING_FILTER	amf_bool
INTRA_REFRESH_NUM_MBS_PER_SLOT	amf_int64
SLICES_PER_FRAME	amf_int64
B_PIC_PATTERN	amf_bool
B_REFERENCE_ENABLE	amf_int64
CABAC_ENABLE	amf_int64
MAX_NUM_REFRAMES	amf_int64
HIGH_MOTION_QUALITY_BOOST_ENABLE	amf_bool

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Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_HEADER_INSERTION_SPACING`

Values: `0` ... `1000`

Default Value: `0`

Description: Sets the headers insertion spacing.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_IDR_PERIOD`

Values: `0` ... `1000`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `30`

- Ultra low latency: `300`
- Low latency: `300`
- Webcam: `30`
- HQ: `300`
- HQLL: `120`

Description: Sets IDR period. IDRPeriod = `0` turns IDR off. To get SPS/PPS for every IDR, header insertion spacing has to be the same as IDR period.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_DE_BLOCKING_FILTER`

Values: `true` (on), `false` (off)

Default Value: `true`

Description: Enable/disable the de-blocking filter.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INTRA_REFRESH_NUM_MBS_PER_SLOT`

Values: `0` - #MBs per frame

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `0`
- Ultra low latency: `255`
- Low latency: `255`
- Webcam: `0`
- HQ: `0`
- HQLL: `0`

Description: Sets the number of slices per frame. `BPicturesDeltaQP` , `ReferenceBPicturesDeltaQP` , `IntraRefreshNumMBsPerSlot` , `BPicturesPattern` and `BReferenceEnable` parameters are available only when:

- `MaxOfReferenceFrames` is greater than `1`
- `NumOfLTR` is `0` (LTR is not used)

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_SLICES_PER_FRAME`

Values: `1` - #MBs per frame

Default Value: `1`

Description: Sets the number of slices per frame.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_B_PIC_PATTERN`

Values: `0` , `1` , `2` , `3`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `3`
- Ultra low latency: `0`

- Low latency: `0`
- Webcam: `0`
- HQ: `3`
- HQLL: `0`

Description: Sets the number of consecutive B-pictures in a GOP. BPicturesPattern = `0` indicates that B-pictures are not used. This feature is not supported by VCE 1.0. `BPicturesDeltaQP` , `ReferenceBPicturesDeltaQP` , `IntraRefreshNumMBsPerSlot` , `BPicturesPattern` and `BReferenceEnable` parameters are available only when:

- `MaxOfReferenceFrames` is greater than `1`
- `NumOfLTR` is `0` (LTR is not used)

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_B_REFERENCE_ENABLE`

Values: `true` (on), `false` (off)

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `true`
- Ultra low latency: `false`
- Low latency: `true`
- Webcam: `true`
- HQ: `true`
- HQLL: `true`

Description: Enables or disables using B-pictures as references. This feature is not supported by VCE 1.0. `BPicturesDeltaQP` , `ReferenceBPicturesDeltaQP` , `IntraRefreshNumMBsPerSlot` , `BPicturesPattern` and `BReferenceEnable` parameters are available only when:

- `MaxOfReferenceFrames` is greater than `1`
- `NumOfLTR` is `0` (LTR is not used)

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_CABAC_ENABLE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_CODING_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_UNDEFINED` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_CABAC` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_CALV`

Default Value: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_UNDEFINED`

Description: Encoder coding method, when Undefined is selected, the behavior is profile-specific: CALV for Baseline, CABAC for Main and High.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_NUM_REFRAMES`

Values: `0 … 16`

Default Value: `4`

Description: Maximum number of reference frames.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_HIGH_MOTION_QUALITY_BOOST_ENABLE`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `false`
- Ultra low latency: `false`
- Low latency: `false`
- Webcam: `false`
- HQ: `true`
- HQLL: `true`

Description: Enable High motion quality boost mode. It pre-analysis the motion of the video and use the information for better encoding.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
SCANTYPE	amf_int64
QUALITY_PRESET	amf_int64
FULL_RANGE_COLOR	amf_bool
MAX_INSTANCES	amf_int64
MULTI_INSTANCE_MODE	amf_bool
CURRENT_QUEUE	amf_int64
PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE	amf_int64
QUERY_TIMEOUT	amf_int64
PSNR_FEEDBACK	amf_bool
SSIM_FEEDBACK	amf_bool
BLOCK_QP_FEEDBACK	amf_bool

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Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_SCANTYPE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_SCANTYPE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_SCANTYPE_PROGRESSIVE` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_SCANTYPE_INTERLACED`

Default Value: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_SCANTYPE_PROGRESSIVE`

Description: Selects progressive or interlaced scan.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_BALANCED` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_SPEED` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_QUALITY`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_BALANCED`
- Ultra low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_SPEED`
- Low latency: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_SPEED`
- Webcam: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_SPEED`

- HQ: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_QUALITY`
- HQLL: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUALITY_PRESET_QUALITY`

Description: Selects the quality preset in HW to balance between encoding speed and video quality.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FULL_RANGE_COLOR`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: True indicates that the YUV range is `0` ... `255` .

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MAX_INSTANCES`

Values: `1` , `2`

Default Value: `1`

Description: Hardware-dependent, only some hardware supports 2 instances.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MULTI_INSTANCE_MODE`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Enables or disables multi-instance mode.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_CURRENT_QUEUE`

Values: `0` , `1`

Default Value: `0`

Description: Selects the encoder instance frames are being submitted to.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE_ON` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE_OFF`

Default Value: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE_OFF`

Description: The application can turn on this flag for a specific input picture to allow dumping the reconstructed picture and/or injecting a reference picture.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_QUERY_TIMEOUT`

Values: `ENCODER_TIMEOUT`

Default Value associated with usages:

- Transcoding: `0` (no wait)
- Ultra low latency: `0` (no wait)
- Low latency: `0` (no wait)
- Webcam: `0` (no wait)
- HQ: `50`
- HQLL: `50`

Description: Timeout for QueryOutput call in ms.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PSNR_FEEDBACK`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Signal encoder to calculate PSNR score.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_SSIM_FEEDBACK`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Signal encoder to calculate SSIM score.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_BLOCK_QP_FEEDBACK`

Values: `true` , `false`

Default Value: `false`

Description: Signal encoder to collect and feedback block level QP values.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
MOTION_HALF_PIXEL	amf_bool
MOTION_QUARTERPIXEL	amf_bool

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Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MOTION_HALF_PIXEL`

Values: `true` (on), `false` (off)

Default Value: `true`

Description: Turns on/off half-pixel motion estimation.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MOTION_QUARTERPIXEL`

Values: `true` (`on`), `false` (`off`)

Default Value: `false`

Description: Turns on/off quarter-pixel motion estimation.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
NUM_TEMPORAL_ENHANCMENT_LAYERS	amf_int64

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Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_NUM_TEMPORAL_ENHANCMENT_LAYERS`

Values: `1` ... `Maximum number of temporal layers supported`

Default Value: `1`

Description: Sets the number of temporal enhancement layers. SVC with temporal scalability is enabled when the number of layers is greater than `1` . The maximum number of temporal layers supported is determined by the corresponding encoder capability.

Remarks:

- Actual modification of the number of temporal enhancement layers will be delayed until the start of the next temporal GOP.
- B-pictures and Intra-refresh features are not supported with SVC.

`NumOfTemporalEnhancmentLayers` shall not exceed `MaxNumOfTemporalLayers` . SVC is supported in all usages on Radeon RX 5000 Series or newer GPUs and Ryzen 2000 U/H series or newer APUs. It is only supported in Webcam usage on products prior to the aforementioned.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
TL<TL_Num>.QL<QL_Num>.<Parameter_name>	

Table 11. Encoder SVC per-layer parameters

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_TL<TL_Num>.QL<QL_Num>.<Parameter_name>`

Values: Parameter-specific values

Default Value: `N\A`

Description: Configures rate-control parameter per SVC layer.

- TL_Num — temporal layer number
- QL_Num — quality layer number
- Parameter_name — rate-control parameter name (see below)

Rate-control parameters supported

- TargetBitrate
- PeakBitrate

- VBVBufferSize
- FrameRate
- MinQP
- MaxQP
- QPI
- QPP
- FillerDataEnable
- RateControlSkipFrameEnable
- EnforceHRD
- MaxAUSize

(Refer to rate-control parameters section of this table for more details)

Remarks: Quality layers are not supported on VCE 1.0. "QL0" must be used for quality layers.

Table A-2. Input frame and encoded data parameters

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
INSERT_SPS	amf_bool
INSERT_PPS	amf_bool
INSERT_AUD	amf_bool
PICTURE_STRUCTURE	amf_int64
FORCE_PICTURE_TYPE	amf_int64
END_OF_SEQUENCE	amf_bool
END_OF_STREAM	amf_bool
MARK_CURRENT_WITH_LTR_INDEX	amf_int64
FORCE_LTR_REFERENCE_BITFIELD	amf_int64
ROI_DATA	AMF_SURFACE_GRAY32
STATISTICS_FEEDBACK	amf_bool
REFERENCE_PICTURE	AMFInterfacePtr

Table 12. Frame per-submission parameters

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INSERT_SPS`

Values: `true` (on), `false` (off)

Default Value: `false`

Description: Inserts SPS.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INSERT_PPS`

Values: `true` (on), `false` (off)

Default Value: `false`

Description: Inserts PPS.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_INSERT_AUD`

Values: `true` (`on`), `false` (`off`)

Default Value: `false`

Description: Inserts AUD.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_STRUCTURE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_STRUCTURE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_STRUCTURE_NONE` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_STRUCTURE_FRAME` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_STRUCTURE_TOP_FIELD` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_STRUCTURE_BOTTOM_FIELD`

Default Value: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_STRUCTURE_FRAME`

Description: Picture structure.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FORCE_PICTURE_TYPE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_NONE` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_SKIP` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_IDR` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_I` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_P` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_B`

Default Value: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TYPE_NONE`

Description: Forces the picture type (to use this feature, set `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_IDR_PERIOD` to `0`). `B` feature is not supported by VCE 1.0.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_END_OF_SEQUENCE`

Values: `true` (`on`), `false` (`off`)

Default Value: `false`

Description: End of sequence.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_END_OF_STREAM`

Values: `true` (`on`), `false` (`off`)

Default Value: `false`

Description: End of stream.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_MARK_CURRENT_WITH_LTR_INDEX`

Values: `-1` ... `MaxOfLTRFrames -1`

Default Value: `N/A`

Description: If != `-1` , the current picture is coded as a long-term reference with the given index.

Remarks:

- When the user controls N LTRs (using the corresponding Create parameter), then the LTR Index the user can assign to a reference picture varies from `0` to `N-1` . By default, the encoder will "use up" available LTR Indices (i.e. assign them to references) even if the user does not request them to be used.
- When LTR is used with SVC encoding, only base temporal layer pictures can be coded as LTR. In this case, the request to mark the current picture as LTR would be delayed to the next base temporal layer picture if the current picture is in an enhancement layer. If the user submits multiple requests to mark current as LTR between base temporal layer pictures, then only the last request is applied.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_FORCE_LTR_REFERENCE_BITFIELD`

Values: Bitfield `MaxOfLTRFrames` (max possible 16 bits)

Default Value: `0`

Description: Force LTR Reference allowed bitfield. If == `0` , the current picture should predict from the default reference. If != `0` , the current picture should predict from one of the LTRs allowed by the bitfield (bit# = LTR Index#).

Remarks:

- E.g. if `Bit#0` = `1` , then the existing LTR with LTR Index = `0` may be used for reference. The bitfield may allow more than one LTR for reference, in which case the encoder is free to choose which one to use. This bitfield also disallows existing LTRs not enabled by it from current/future reference.
- E.g. if `Bit#1` = `0` , and there is an existing reference with LTR Index = `1` , then this LTR Index will not be used for reference until it is replaced with a newer reference with the same LTR Index.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_ROI_DATA`

Values: Video surface

Default Value: `N\A`

Description: Important value for each macro block ranges from `0` to `10` , stored in 32bit unsigned format.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTICS_FEEDBACK`

Values: `true` (on), `false` (off)

Default Value: `false`

Description: Instruct encoder to collect and feedback statistics.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_REFERENCE_PICTURE`

Values: `AMFSurface`

Default Value: `N\A`

Description: Injected reference picture. Valid with `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE` turned on.

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
OUTPUT_DATA_TYPE	amf_int64
OUTPUT_MARKED_LTR_INDEX	amf_int64
OUTPUT_REFERENCED_LTR_INDEX_BITFIELD	amf_int64
OUTPUT_TEMPORAL_LAYER	amf_int64
RECONSTRUCTED_PICTURE	AMFSurface

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Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_DATA_TYPE`

Values: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_DATA_TYPE_ENUM` : `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_DATA_TYPE_IDR` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_DATA_TYPE_I` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_DATA_TYPE_P` , `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_DATA_TYPE_B`

Default Value: `N/A`

Description: Type of encoded data. `B` feature is not supported by VCE 1.0.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_MARKED_LTR_INDEX`

Values: `-1` ... `MaxOfLTRFrames -1`

Default Value: `-1`

Description: Marked as LTR Index. If != `-1` , then this picture was coded as a long-term reference with this LTR Index.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_REFERENCED_LTR_INDEX_BITFIELD`

Values: Bitfield `MaxOfLTRFrames` (max possible 16 bits)

Default Value: `0`

Description: Referenced LTR Index bitfield. If != `0` , this picture was coded to reference long-term references. The enabled bits identify the LTR Indices of the referenced pictures (e.g. if `Bit#0` = `1` , then LTR Index 0 was used as a reference when coding this picture).

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_OUTPUT_TEMPORAL_LAYER`

Values: `0` ... `Maximum number of temporal layers supported - 1`

Default Value: `N\A`

Description: Temporal layer of the encoded picture.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_RECONSTRUCTED_PICTURE`

Values: `AMFSurface`

Default Value: `N\A`

Description: Reconstructed picture. Valid with `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_PICTURE_TRANSFER_MODE` turned on.

Table A-3. Encoder statistics feedback

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
STATISTIC_FRAME_QP	amf_int64
STATISTIC_AVERAGE_QP	amf_int64
STATISTIC_MAX_QP	amf_int64
STATISTIC_MIN_QP	amf_int64
STATISTIC_PIX_NUM_INTRA	amf_int64
STATISTIC_PIX_NUM_INTER	amf_int64
STATISTIC_PIX_NUM_SKIP	amf_int64
STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_RESIDUAL	amf_int64
STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_MOTION	amf_int64
STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_INTER	amf_int64
STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_INTRA	amf_int64
STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_ALL_MINUS_HEADER	amf_int64
STATISTIC_MV_X	amf_int64
STATISTIC_MV_Y	amf_int64
STATISTIC_RD_COST_FINAL	amf_int64
STATISTIC_RD_COST_INTRA	amf_int64
STATISTIC_RD_COST_INTER	amf_int64
STATISTIC_SATD_FINAL	amf_int64
STATISTIC_SATD_INTRA	amf_int64
STATISTIC_SATD_INTER	amf_int64

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Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_FRAME_QP`

Description: QP of the first encoded macroblocks in a picture.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_AVERAGE_QP`

Description: Average QP of all encoded macroblocks in a picture.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_MAX_QP`

Description: Max QP among all encoded macroblocks in a picture.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_MIN_QP`

Description: Min QP among all encoded macroblocks in a picture.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_PIX_NUM_INTRA`

Description: Number of intra-coded pixels.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_PIX_NUM_INTER`

Description: Number of inter-coded pixels.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_PIX_NUM_SKIP`

Description: Number of skip-coded pixels.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_RESIDUAL`

Description: Frame level bit count of residual data.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_MOTION`

Description: Frame level bit count of motion vectors.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_INTER`

Description: Frame level bit count of inter macroblocks.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_INTRA`

Description: Frame level bit count of intra macroblocks.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_BITCOUNT_ALL_MINUS_HEADER`

Description: Frame level bit count of the bitstream excluding header.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_MV_X`

Description: Accumulated absolute values of MVX.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_MV_Y`

Description: Accumulated absolute values of MVY.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_RD_COST_FINAL`

Description: Frame level final RD cost.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_RD_COST_INTRA`

Description: Frame level RD cost for intra mode.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_RD_COST_INTER`

Description: Frame level RD cost for inter mode.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_SATD_FINAL`

Description: Frame level final SATD.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_SATD_INTRA`

Description: Frame level SATD for intra mode.

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_SATD_INTER`

Description: Frame level SATD for inter mode.

Table A-4. Encoder PSNR/SSIM feedback

Name (prefix "AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_")	Type
STATISTIC_PSNR_Y	double
STATISTIC_PSNR_U	double
STATISTIC_PSNR_V	double
STATISTIC_PSNR_ALL	double
STATISTIC_SSIM_Y	double
STATISTIC_SSIM_U	double
STATISTIC_SSIM_V	double
STATISTIC_SSIM_ALL	double

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Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_PSNR_Y`

Description: PSNR Y

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_PSNR_U`

Description: PSNY U

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_PSNR_V`

Description: PSNR V

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_PSNR_ALL`

Description: PSNR YUV

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_SSIM_Y`

Description: SSIM Y

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_SSIM_U`

Description: SSIM U

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_SSIM_V`

Description: SSIM V

Name: `AMF_VIDEO_ENCODER_STATISTIC_SSIM_ALL`

Description: SSIM YUV