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# Advanced Media Framework –HQ Scaler

**Programming Guide** 



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# 1 Introduction

AMF HQ Scaler is a technique for achieving high-end video upscaling results from lower resolution video inputs. This document provides a complete description of the AMD Advanced Media Framework (AMF) Video HQ Scaler Component. This component performs the following functions:

- HQ Scaling
- Sharpening



# 2 AMF Video HQ Scaler Component

Video HQ scaler accepts input frames stored in *AMFSurface* objects wrapping DirectX 11/12 textures, Vulkan surfaces, OpenCL surfaces. The output is placed in *AMFSurface* objects wrapping DirectX 11/12 textures, OpenCL surfaces, Vulkan surfaces, depending on the component configuration.

Include public/include/components/ HQScaler.h

### 2.1 Component Initialization

The AMF Video HQ Scaler component should be initialized using the following sequence:

- 1. Create an AMF Context and initialize it for one of the following:
  - a. DirectX 11
  - b. DirectX 12
  - c. Vulkan
  - d. OpenCL
- 2. Configure the HQ Scaler component by setting the necessary properties using the AMFPropertyStorage::SetProperty method on the HQ Scaler object.
- 3. Call the VideoHQScaler::Init method of the video HQ Scaler object.

### 2.2 Configuring the HQ Scaler

HQ scaler supports the following input and output formats:

- 1. BRGA
- 2. NV12
- 3. RGBA
- 4. R10G10B10A2
- 5. RGBA F16
- 6. P010

The output format must be same as the input and the format conversion is not supported. The parameters of the output stream are set using the following properties:

- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_ENGINE\_TYPE specifies the memory type of output surfaces (surfaces are allocated internally by the HQ Scaler component). Can be one of the following values:
  - o DX11 place output in a DirectX 11 texture
  - o DX12 place output in a DirectX 12 texture
  - Vulkan place output in a Vulkan surface
  - OpenCL place output in an OpenCL surface
- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_OUTPUT\_SIZE output image resolution specified as AMFSize. Scaling will be performed
  when this property is set.
- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_KEEP\_ASPECT\_RATIO Boolean: force the scaler to keep the aspect ratio of the input image when the output size specified by the AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_OUTPUT\_SIZE property has a different aspect ratio.
- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_FILL Boolean: specifies whether the output image outside the region of interest, which
  does not fill the entire output surface should be filled with a solid color. The fill color is specified using the
  AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_FILL\_COLOR property.
- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_FILL\_COLOR fill color specified as AMFColor to fill the area outside the output rectangle. Applicable only when the AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_FILL property is set to true.
- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_ALGORITHM specifies scaling method. This property can have one of the following values:



- o AMF HQ SCALER ALGORITHM BILINEAR use a bilinear scaler
- o AMF HQ SCALER ALGORITHM BICUBIC use a bicubic scaler
- o AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_ALGORITHM\_FSR use a FSR1.0 scaler
- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_FROM\_SRGB convert color space from linear to SRGB
- AMF\_HQ\_SCALER\_SHARPNESS— control FSR scaler sharpening. The range of the sharpness is from 0 to 2.
   Default = 0.5

## 2.3 Submitting Input and Retrieving Output

Once the HQ Scaler component is successfully initialized, you may start submitting input samples to it. Input samples must be submitted as *AMFSurface* objects.

At the same time poll for output by calling *AMFComponent::QueryOutput* on the HQ Scaler object. Polling for output samples can be done either from the same thread or from another thread.

Suspend submission of input samples briefly when *AMFComponent::SubmitInput* returns *AMF\_INPUT\_FULL*. Continue to poll for output samples and process them as they become available.

# 2.4 Terminating the HQ Scaler Component

To terminate the HQ Scaler component, call the *Terminate* method, or simply destroy the object. Ensure that the context used to create the HQ Scaler component still exists during termination.