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Applied Vision™ 4 Software

Instruction Manual

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Thank you for your purchase.

This guide provides basic information about installing and using Applied Vision™ 4 Software. You can also find this guide on the Ken-A-Vision® web site www.ken-a-vision.com/support/software-downloads.

Introduction to Applied Vision™ Software

Applied Vision 4 (AV4) is a software program designed to enhance the use of Ken-A-Vision digital imaging products.

Applied Vision enables users to connect their USB-based Ken-A-Vision products to their computer, allowing capturing, viewing, and manipulation of both video and still images. Applied Vision 4 is optimized for utilization in a classroom setting while remaining widely applicable for any environment in which digital imaging is required.

Here are a few of the features built into Applied Vision:

- Cross-platform support for Windows and Mac
- Full screen viewing
- Video recording
- Still image capture
- Multiple camera support
- Advanced image editing and analysis
- Time lapse recording
- Video rotation
- Digital zoom
- Numerous science applications including calibrated measurement

Installation

Minimum Requirements

- o Windows XP SP2 or higher
- o Mac OS X 10.6.8 or higher
- o 512MB RAM
- o USB 2.0
- o Current version of Java. Available from www.java.com.

Windows Installation Instructions

1. Go to www.ken-a-vision.com/support/software-downloads.
2. Click Download Applied Vision 4 for Windows to begin downloading Applied Vision.
3. When the download is complete, click the **av4.msi** file to launch the installer.
4. Click Run and follow the on screen instructions to complete the installation.

Macintosh Installation Instructions

1. Go to www.ken-a-vision.com/support/software-downloads.
2. Click Download Applied Vision 4 for Mac to begin downloading Applied Vision.
3. When the download is complete, click the **av4.zip** file to open and uncompress the downloaded file.
4. Drag the Applied Vision application file to your Applications Folder, Desktop or Doc to complete the installation.
5. You may be prompted to install X11 or XQuartz. Follow the on screen instructions or visit www.xquartz.macosforge.org to get the latest version.

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Automatic Updates

Applied Vision™ 4 Software has an automatic update feature that will query Ken-A-Vision® for newer versions of the software. You can adjust the settings or operate this update checker manually with options in the Help menu.

Interface Description

Applied Vision 4 creates a unique window for each active video device and each captured image or movie.

There are three styles of windows:

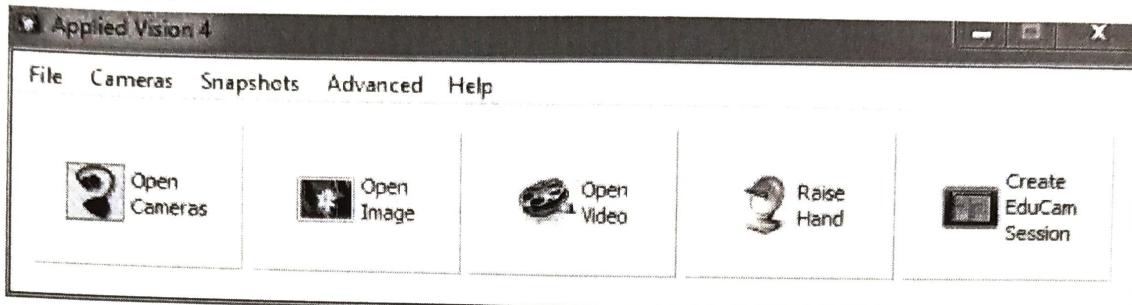
Camera Window - Live streaming video from the USB camera device.

Image Window - A still image captured from the video stream or loaded from a saved file.

Video Window - A movie captured from the camera or loaded from a saved file.

When Applied Vision launches, the primary window opens, and then camera windows are opened for any available imaging devices.

Main Applied Vision Window



The main Applied Vision™ window is the parent window for the application. If you close this window, it will close all Applied Vision windows and the application.

At the top of the window is a menu bar:

- **File**
 - **Properties** - Set various program properties such as the localized language of choice
 - **Exit** - Exit the Applied Vision application
- **Cameras**
 - A dynamically populated list of all available imaging devices on your system
 - **Refresh Device List**
- **Snapshots**
 - A list of all captured snapshot images, which can be clicked on to save to disc
- **Advanced**
 - **Image Comparison** - Open the Image Comparison window which allows the user to layer one image over another
- **Help**
 - **Help Topics** - the help file for Applied Vision 4
 - **Update Options** - Configure automatic software updates
 - **Check for Updates** - checks the Internet for updates to Applied Vision 4 and, with the user's permission, installs updates
 - **About** - Applied Vision 4 information
 - **Connect AV4Net** - Only available with Applied Vision 4 Net software. To learn more, contact Ken-A-Vision sales.
 - **Get EduCam App** - Link to information about the EduCam app
 - **Show IP Address** - Display your computer's IP address

Below the title bar are 4-5 buttons depending on your configuration:

- **Open Cameras** - Launches a separate window for each connected camera
- **Open Image** - Open a still image previously saved on the computer
- **Open Video** - Open a video file previously saved on the computer
- **Raise Hand** - Only available with Applied Vision 4 Net software. To learn more, contact Ken-A-Vision sales.
- **Create EduCam Session** - Generate a Session ID and begin streaming images to the EduCam app

Camera Window



The Camera Window displays the real-time live video stream being transmitted by the connected video device. It may be resized, moved, maximized, minimized, or closed.

At the bottom of the window is a tabbed toolbar. It has four tabs:

- Camera Options (default)
- Rotate
- Color Balance
- Zoom
- Focus (FlexCam 2 only)

Camera: Video Options Toolbar



This toolbar is the default toolbar setting of a Camera window. The following commonly used features are included:

- **Fullscreen** - Stretch the video stream to fill the entire screen. To exit this mode, click the "X" button in the upper right corner of the screen.
- **Take Snapshot** - Capture a still image frame from the video stream, and open the captured image up in a new Image window.
- **Record** - Select a location and filename to record to, and click Record to capture video to the selected file location. You may also select an audio source to record audio along with the video recording. Click the button again to stop the recording process.
- **Time-Lapse Record** - Enter a time value in seconds and then select a location to save the files. Applied Vision 4 will take a snapshot once every number of seconds specified by the user.
- **Document Orientation** - Flip and mirrors the current video. Useful when documents are placed under the camera and appear "upside down".
- **Camera Resolution** - Change the display resolution of the camera. High resolutions have superior image quality but lower frame rates. Lower resolutions have superior frame rates but lower image quality.
- **Set Window Title** - Change the window title. Useful for identifying cameras when using EduCam to stream multiple camera images
- **Refocus** (FlexCam 2 only)
- **Camera Light** - Turn LED lights on/off (FlexCam 2 only)
- **Microscope Mode** - Zoom in on microscope field of view when camera is attached to microscope eyepiece (FlexCam 2 only).

Camera: Rotate Toolbar



This toolbar offers several options for rotating and manipulating the video stream:

- Rotate Counterclockwise - Left
- Rotate Clockwise - Right
- Flip Horizontal
- Flip Vertical

Camera: Color Balance Toolbar



This toolbar allows adjustment of the following settings affecting the video stream:

- Brightness
- Contrast
- Saturation

To reset these to their original values, click **Reset Defaults**.

Camera: Zoom Toolbar



This toolbar allows digital zooming on the video stream. There are three modes:

- **Original Size** - Display video without scaling.
- **Fit to Window** - Scale the image to fit in the window size; this is the default.
- **Custom Zoom** - Allow for a manual configuration of digital zooming.

When **Custom Zoom** is enabled, the slider bar at right can be utilized to change the zoom factor. Note, that as digital zoom increases, the image will progressively pixelate. To return to normal settings, click **Fit to Window**.

Camera: Focus (FlexCam 2 only)

This toolbar allows adjustment of the camera focus.

- Refocus button auto adjusts focus
- Slider bars can be adjusted to focus and control the iris..

Image: Window

The image window displays a still image captured from a video device or opened from a file. It may be resized, moved, maximized, minimized, or closed. At the bottom of the window is a tabbed toolbar. It has five tabs:

- Drawing
- Measure
- Zoom
- Rotate
- Comparison

Image: Drawing Toolbar

This toolbar offers vector-based tools for annotating captured and saved images.



	Selection: Default mode that allows selection of an annotated object for moving, resizing, or modification.
	Paintbrush: A freehand painting tool.
	Text: Add a resizable, movable text object to the captured image.
	Rectangle: Add a resizable, movable hollow rectangle to the captured image.
	Filled Rectangle: Add a resizable, movable filled rectangle to the captured image.
	Straight Line: Add a single straight line object to the captured image.
	Line Width: Select from three preset line widths; this tool applies to line objects, rectangles, and paintbrush objects.
	Color: Select from 6 preset colors to apply to any annotation object.
	Save: Save the image with a specified filename and location.
	Open: Open a new image file from a saved location in a separate window.
	Print: Send the image to the default installed printer.
	Undo: Undo the last action.
	Redo: Redo the last undone action.
	Delete: Delete any selected annotation object.
	Clear: Remove all annotations from the image, returning to the original captured image.

Image: Measure Toolbar

This toolbar provides the following tools for measurement and analysis:

- Calibration - Create a new scale measurement standard.
- Select/Remove Scale
 - Select Saved Scales - Choose a saved scale with which to measure.
 - Remove Saved Scales - Remove a previously saved scale.
- Perform Measurement - Show the results of the current measurement relative to the selected scale.
- Write Last Measurement to Image
- Copy All Measurements to Clipboard - Add contents of the Measurement window to the clipboard for pasting into other programs.

Calibration

To calibrate a new scale, follow these instructions:

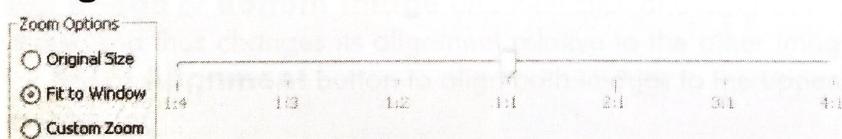
1. Click and drag to draw a line on the image to identify a known distance that can be used to calibrate a measurement scale. (The line will be orange if dragged correctly.)
2. Click Calibration.
3. Type a full name for the scale under "Name".
4. The Distance in Pixels should be preset according to the line drawn in step 1.
5. Type the amount of actual units measured by the line in Known Distance.
6. Enter an abbreviated unit name under "Unit of Length".
7. Click OK.

Now the new scale will be selected by default and new measurements will be computed using that scale.

Select / Remove Scale

Use this to change to a different measurement scale that you have specified or to remove a specified scale from the list.

Image: Zoom Toolbar



This toolbar allows manipulation of the image with the following tools:

- Zoom In - Zoom in on the image by 10% increments.
- Zoom Out - Zoom out on the image by 10% increments.
- Display as Original Size - Display the image in its original size, without scaling, at a 1:1 pixel ratio.
- Fit Image to Window - Set the zoom ratio to scale the image to the window size.

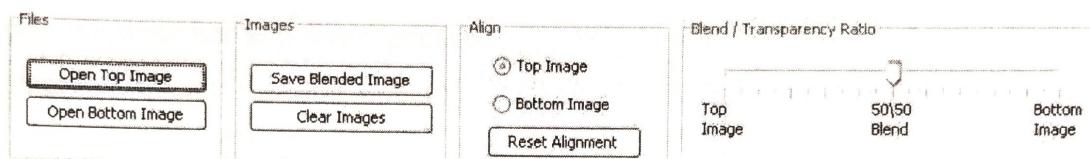
Image: Rotate Toolbar



This toolbar allows manipulation of the image with the following tools:

- Rotate Counterclockwise - Rotate the image 90 degrees counterclockwise.
- Rotate Clockwise - Rotate the image 90 degrees clockwise.

Image: Comparison Toolbar



This toolbar opens the Image Comparison window and loads the selected image into either the top or bottom slot for variable opacity image blending and comparison.

Images can be loaded for comparison in two ways:

1. In the main Applied Vision 4 window, click on the **Advanced** menu and select **Image Comparison**. Click on either the **Open Top Image** or **Open Bottom Image** buttons to open existing images for comparison.
2. Select an open Camera Window. Click the **Take Snapshot** button. Click on the **Comparison tab**. Click on either **Set Top Image for Comparison** to add this image to the Comparison window in the top layer or **Set Bottom Image for Comparison** to add this image to the Comparison window in the bottom layer.

Aligning the Image:

Once images have been opened in the Image Comparison window, they may be aligned using the mouse. In the Align section of the Image Comparison window, select either the **Top Image** or **Bottom Image** and then click and drag with the mouse to move the image and thus changes its alignment relative to the other image in the window. Click the **Reset Alignment** button to align both images to the upper left hand corner of the window.

Setting the Opacity:

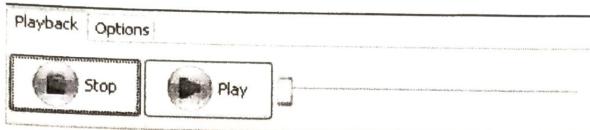
Move the slider bar under the **Blend / Transparency Ratio** section to determine the opacity or transparency of the top and bottom images.

Saving Output:

Click **Save Blended Image** if you want to save the current comparison to an image file.

Video: Window

The Video Window allows the user to playback recorded video and audio files created using Applied Vision 4. This window has two tabs that contain control buttons: **Playback** and **Options**.



The **Playback** tab has **Stop** and **Play / Pause** buttons.

These buttons control the basic playback of the recorded video file. There is also a slider control that allows the user to move to a specific section of the video by clicking or dragging the slider bar to a given location.



The **Options** tab has buttons that allow you to open another Video file, take the current video being played to fullscreen mode or Take A Snapshot from the movie that is currently being played back.

Troubleshooting

For technical support please visit our website for troubleshooting guides, downloads, and technical support request forms:

www.ken-a-vision.com/support

You can also call our offices toll-free at 1-800-627-1953 for technical support.

About EduCam Classroom Viewer

Free App for iPad® and Android™ Tablets

Desktop client now available for Windows and Mac

Available free at www.ken-a-vision.com/educam

EduCam Classroom Viewer is a student device app that enables users to view, capture, annotate and share live streaming images directly from a document camera, visualizer or digital microscope. Designed with teacher input, EduCam is an ideal mobile solution for BYOD, One-to-One and iPad® equipped schools. Use with FlexCam visualizers, kena and Ken-A-Vision educational microscopes.

A hands-on solution for today's schools, EduCam enables teachers to engage students by broadcasting live images from a USB document camera or microscope to a classroom set of mobile devices. Students can now complete and submit assignments digitally for immediate assessment, creating a greener environment. EduCam puts the lesson content in the students' hands.

**EduCam is for use with FlexCam and Ken-A-Vision digital products only.

Features

Intuitive and easy-to-use. Ideal for all ages and grade levels.

Session ID unique to each classroom for security

Annotation tools: Text, arrow, and free-hand drawing

Pan and Zoom

Capture images and save to gallery

Open & annotate images from gallery

Undo, Redo, or Clear to the original captured image

Ideal Environment

FlexCam or Ken-A-Vision document camera, visualizer, or digital microscope.

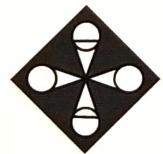
Wi-Fi connection (802.11g – 802.11n recommended)

UDP protocol permitted on network

Ken-A-Vision or FlexCam digital product connected via USB 2.0 to a PC or Mac

Applied Vision 4 for Windows XP (or better) and Mac OS 10.5+ (or better)





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