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**Express  
Ethernet Switch  
LB9108A-R2**



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1. Todas las instrucciones de seguridad y operación deberán ser leídas antes de que el aparato eléctrico sea operado.
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3. Todas las advertencias en el aparato eléctrico y en sus instrucciones de operación deben ser respetadas.
4. Todas las instrucciones de operación y uso deben ser seguidas.
5. El aparato eléctrico no deberá ser usado cerca del agua—por ejemplo, cerca de la tina de baño, lavabo, sótano mojado o cerca de una alberca, etc.
6. El aparato eléctrico debe ser usado únicamente con carritos o pedestales que sean recomendados por el fabricante.
7. El aparato eléctrico debe ser montado a la pared o al techo sólo como sea recomendado por el fabricante.
8. Servicio—El usuario no debe intentar dar servicio al equipo eléctrico más allá a lo descrito en las instrucciones de operación. Todo otro servicio deberá ser referido a personal de servicio calificado.
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11. El aparato eléctrico deberá ser conectado a una fuente de poder sólo del tipo descrito en el instructivo de operación, o como se indique en el aparato.

12. Precaución debe ser tomada de tal manera que la tierra física y la polarización del equipo no sea eliminada.
13. Los cables de la fuente de poder deben ser guiados de tal manera que no sean pisados ni pellizcados por objetos colocados sobre o contra ellos, poniendo particular atención a los contactos y receptáculos donde salen del aparato.
14. El equipo eléctrico debe ser limpiado únicamente de acuerdo a las recomendaciones del fabricante.
15. En caso de existir, una antena externa deberá ser localizada lejos de las líneas de energía.
16. El cable de corriente deberá ser desconectado del cuando el equipo no sea usado por un largo periodo de tiempo.
17. Cuidado debe ser tomado de tal manera que objetos líquidos no sean derramados sobre la cubierta u orificios de ventilación.
18. Servicio por personal calificado deberá ser provisto cuando:
  - A: El cable de poder o el contacto ha sido dañado; u
  - B: Objetos han caído o líquido ha sido derramado dentro del aparato; o
  - C: El aparato ha sido expuesto a la lluvia; o
  - D: El aparato parece no operar normalmente o muestra un cambio en su desempeño; o
  - E: El aparato ha sido tirado o su cubierta ha sido dañada.

## **About This Manual**

This manual describes the Black Box Express Ethernet Switch LB9108A-R2 in these basic sections:

- Product Features
- Installation

### **Product Features**

This section examines the key features, the physical features, and the product specifications of each model.

### **Installation**

This section leads with a Quick Tip, and continues with a detailed description of Connecting to Power and Connecting to Your Network with the two types of cable: copper-based and fiber-optic. The section concludes with instructions on using the Uplink Function.

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## Packing List

- The switch
- User's manual
- One AC power cord

## Introduction

Designed in reliable metal case, LB9108A-R2 is a compact size Fast Ethernet switch that equipped with 8 ports 10/100Base-TX. It is the internal power supply version of LB8408A-R3.

By using standard auto-negotiation and the inclusion of Auto-MDIX, LB9108A-R2 provides a cost-effective way of integrating legacy 10Mbps with 100Mbps networks while eliminating problems arises from cabling difficulties. Auto-sensing MDI/MDIX allows every port on LB9108A-R2 automatically detect the Ethernet cable type (straight or crossover) being used and make adjustment to link over that cable to another PC, switch or hub.

The bridging function of LB9108A-R2 provides a solution for extending the distance between two networks segments. The non-blocking switching architecture satisfies the great demand in multimedia and imaging applications.

LB9108A-R2 meets a variety of installation requirements. It is an economical solution providing multimedia networking with space conservation.

## Product Features

- 8 ports 10/100BaseTX
- All TX ports are auto-MDIX, auto-negotiation on 10/100Mbps speed and full/half duplex mode
- Broadcast storming filter function
- True non-blocking architecture
- Full wire-speed forwarding rate
- Store-and-forward mechanism
- Back pressure and IEEE802.3x compliant flow control
- Supports 2K MAC addresses
- Supports 1M bits buffer memory
- Front panel power and port status LEDs
- Compact size

## Front Panel

The front panel of LB9108A-R2 has eight ports and an array of LED indicators to provide you with instant feedback on the status of the switch.

## LEDs

The array of LED indicators on the front panel conveys status and configuration information to help you monitor and troubleshoot the switch.

**Figure 1: Front panels**



- ❶ **Power:** This LED comes on when the switch is connected to the power.
- ❷ **Port Status:** Each port has a LED, indicating the port status.

**Table 1: Port Status**

LED	State	Indication
LNK/ACT	Steady	The port has established a valid network connection. LNK stands for LINK.
	Flashing	The port is transmitting or receiving data. ACT stands for ACTIVITY.

## Installation

### Selecting a Site for the Switch

As with any electronic device, you should place the switch where it will not be subject to extreme temperatures, humidity, or electromagnetic interference. Specifically, the site you select should meet the following requirements:

- The ambient temperature should be between 32 and 104 degrees Fahrenheit (0 to 40 degrees Celsius).
- The relative humidity should be less than 90 percent, non-condensing.
- Surrounding electrical devices should not exceed the electromagnetic field (RF) standards for IEC 801-3, Level 2 (3V/M) field strength.
- Make sure that the switch receives adequate ventilation. Do not block the ventilation holes on the side of the switch or the fan exhaust port on the rear of the switch.
- The power outlet should be within 1.8meter (6 feet) of the switch.

### Connecting to Your Network

Connect network cables from computers or network segments to the TX ports on the back of the unit.

**Table 2: Cabling Information**

Speed	Connector	Port Speed Half/Full Duplex	Cable
100BaseTX	RJ-45	100/200 Mbps	100 m, Category 5 STP/UTP
10BaseT	RJ-45	10/20 Mbps	100 m, Category 3, 4, or 5 STP/UTP
100BaseFX Multi-mode	SC, ST, MT-RJ, VF-45, or LC	100/200 Mbps	Up to 2km, 50 or 62.5/125µm Multi-mode fiber cable
100BaseFX Single-mode	SC	100/200 Mbps	Up to 75km, 9 or 10/125µm Single-mode fiber cable



## Specifications

<b>Applicable Standards</b>	IEEE 802.3, 10BaseT, IEEE 802.3u, 100BaseTX/FX
<b>LED Indicators</b>	Per unit – Power Status Per Port – LNK/ACT
<b>Cable</b>	10BaseT 2-pair UTP/STP Cat. 3,4,5, up to 100m 100BaseTX 2-pair UTP/STP Cat.5, up to 100m 100BaseFX 50 or 62.5/125µm Multi-mode fiber optic cable, up to 2km 100BaseFX 9 or 10/125µm Single-mode fiber optic cable, up to 75km
<b>Switching Methods</b>	Store-and-Forward
<b>Forwarding Rate</b>	14,880pps for 10Mbps, 148,800pps for 100Mbps
<b>AC Input</b>	100~240VAC, 50-60Hz
<b>Power consumption</b>	3.3VDC, 2.5A, 8.25W max.
<b>Operating Temperature</b>	0°C~40°C (32°F~104°F)
<b>Storage Temperature</b>	-25°C~70°C (-13°F~158°F)
<b>Humidity</b>	10%~90%, non-condensing
<b>Emissions</b>	FCC part 15 Class A, CE Mark
<b>Dimensions</b>	W254 x D135 x H35mm compact size
<b>Weight</b>	1.6kg (3.5lb.)