

Exporting Dahua Video Clips with SmartPSS (network access)

This method is ideal for exporting footage remotely from your computer without needing physical access to the NVR.

What you'll need

- **SmartPSS Software:** Dahua's free PC client software: https://dahuawiki.com/SmartPSS_Lite
- **Network Access:** Both your PC and NVR must be on the same local network.

Steps

1. **Launch SmartPSS.** Open the software and go to the `Playback` tab.
2. **Add your NVR.** Ensure your NVR is added to the SmartPSS device list. On the `Playback` screen, find your NVR in the device tree on the left.
3. **Search for footage.** Set your desired parameters, including:
 - **Channel(s):** Select the camera(s).
 - **Date and Time:** Specify the date and time range.
 - **Type:** Select the recording type (e.g., General, Motion).
 - **Stream Type:** Select `Main` for the highest quality footage.
4. **Initiate the export.** Click the `Search` button. A timeline will appear, and you can play back the footage.
5. **Use the clipping tool.** To export specific portions, click the "Time Clip" or scissors icon to mark a start and end point on the timeline. Click the scissors icon again to finalize your selection.
6. **Set export options.** An export window will appear. Choose the following settings:
 - **Path:** Browse to the folder on your PC where you want to save the video.
 - **Export Format:** Select **MP4** for playback on most media players.
7. **Start the download.** Click `OK` to begin the export. You can monitor the progress in the `Export Progress` window