Accessing the Rako Hub from an external application.



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1 Introduction

The Rako HUB can be accessed via a REST API, TCP socket or the legacy interfaces specified in 'Accessing The Rako Bridge'.

<u>2 TCP</u>

Products: RK-HUB WK-HUB

The TCP interface is available on port 9762. It can be used in BASIC or JSON mode. After the client connects, you must use the **SUB** message to select the protocol. Line termination can be the following: '\r', '\n' or '\r\n'. The encoding is UTF-8. Note: The legacy protocol uses port 9761 which is described in 'Accessing The Rako Bridge'.

Client to HUB commands are the following:

SUB: Must be sent as the first message to identify the client. Selects either BASIC or JSON.

STATUS: HUB identifiers and version info. **SEND:** Transmit commands from the HUB. **QUERY:** Query room data and levels info.

HUB to client feedback is provided in the following two ways:

Feedback: Triggered by "Button presses" may not result in a level change. Outputs all Rako commands.

Tracker: Occur when the level or scene of a dimmer changes. Only outputs level and scene changes.

<u>3 BASIC</u>

BASIC Commands (Client -> Hub)

JSON Connection described later

SUB

Name		SUB (BASIC)			
Parameters	Ι.				
		Arg	Name	Example	
		0	Command	SUB	
		1	Format	BASIC	
		2	Version	V3	
		3	Client name	MY_DRIVER	
		4	Subscriptions	TF	
Description		Subscriptions: T: Tracker events F: Feedback events			
Request Example		SUB,BASIC,V3,MY_CONTROL_SYSTEM\r\n SUB,BASIC,V3,MY_CONTROL_SYSTEM,TF\r\n			
Example Description	,	Subscribe as MY_CONTROL_SYSTEM. Basic format Version 2 to Tracker and Feedback.			
Response Example		A,1			

STATUS

Name	STATUS (BASIC)		
Request			T
	Arg	Name	Example
	0	Status	STATUS
	1	RFU	0
Request Example	STATI	JS,0\r\n	
Response		I	1
	Arg	Name	Example
	0	Command	STATUS
	1	Product Type	Hub
	2	Protocol Version	V3
	3	HUB ld 36 character UUID	3ab4696c-8844-4ab9-a4 8c-2c95fcb5f0e3
	4	Мас	70:B3:D5:08:40:00
	5	HUB Version	3.0.6
	6	RFU	0
Response example	STATUS,Hub,V3,353e89dd-862c-3256-aa79-8c3b89c23f2 1,70:B3:D5:08:40:00,3.0.6,0\r\n		

SEND

Name	SEND (BASIC)				
Request					
	Arg	Name	Example		
	0	Command	SEND		
	1	Room	4		
	2	Channel	1		
	3	Command	SCENE (See commands table)		
	47	Argument(s)	4		
Request Example	SEND,4,1,SCENE,5\r\n SEND,1,2,LEVEL,3\r\n SEND,5,4,RGB,127,0,255\r\n				
Response	e				
	Arg	Name	Example		
	0	Command	SEND		
	1	Success	1		
Response example	SEND,1 AERROR,UNKNOWN_ERROR				
Response Notes	The result '1' indicates the command has been successfully queued. It may fail to execute when processed. It is recommended to check the tracker feedback to ensure the command performed.				

BASIC Commands

Command	Description
SCENE	Scene 0-16 (0 = off)
LEVEL	Level (0-255)
FADE_UP	Start fading up
FADE_DOWN	Start fading down
FADE_STOP	Stop fading
RGB	Provide three 0-255 values for RGB. e.g. green = 0,255,0 White values are automatically calculated from the RGB

RGB example

RGB send/response example with RGBW strip on room 85 channel 6. Connection subscribed (SUB) with 'TF' flags.

```
SEND, 85, 6, RGB, 150, 255, 255
F, 85, 8, LEVEL, 123
F, 85, 6, LEVEL, 210
F, 85, 7, LEVEL, 210
F, 85, 9, LEVEL, 255
SEND, 1
T, 85, 8, LEV, 150, 123, 168, 0
T, 85, 6, LEV, 255, 210, 280, 0
T, 85, 7, LEV, 0, 210, 1310, 0
T, 85, 9, LEV, 0, 255, 1591, 0
```

User sends the 'SEND' command. Hub replies with 4 'F' feedback commands are sent with roughly 500ms delay. Hub replies with SEND,1. Hub replies with 4 'T' tracker messages showing current and target levels.

QUERY

Strings with invalid characters for CSV will be escaped, when this happens the entire string will be quoted.

Name	C	QUERY (BASIC)				
Request						
		Arg	Name		Example	
		0	Command		QUERY	
		1	Туре		ROOM	
		2	Room Id (Optional. If missing uses room 0 (All rooms)) Arguments (Optional)		17	
		3			Ν	
	4	Arguments N: No header				
Response						
		Li I ne	Name	Exampl	le	
		0 Column QUERY,F headers LE,ROOM			/,ROOM_ID,ROOM_TIT DM_TYPE\r\n	
		1 Data 17,M		17,Mas	ter Bedroom,LIGHT\r\n	
Note	ר נ	Гуре с pelow.	an be ROOM	, CHANN	IEL or LEVEL. See tables	

Room Query

Request Example	QUERY,ROOM\r\n QUERY,ROOM,0,N\r\n QUERY,CHANNEL,0\r\n QUERY,LEVEL,17,N\r\n		
Response example (ROOM)	QUERY_HEADER,ROOM_ID,ROOM_TITLE,ROOM_TYPE\r\ n QUERY,17,Master Bedroom,LIGHT,0\r\n QUERY,14,Master Dress,BLIND,0\r\n QUERY,13,"One Room",LIGHT,0\r\n QUERY_COMPLETE,3		
Response			
description (ROOM)	Argu ment	Name	Example
	0	ROOM_ID	17
	1	ROOM_TITLE	Master Bedroom
	2	ROOM_TYPE	LIGHT
	3	ROOM_MODE (Added in V3)	4+OFF

ROOM_TYPE

LIGHT	Scene 1-4, Fade Up, Fade Down (Fade buttons should send stop on release)			ade buttons
BLIND	3 buttons open,stop,close.			
	Button	Press	Release	Alt
	Open	FadeUp	Stop	Scene 2
	Stop		Scene 3	
	Close	Fade Down	Stop	Scene 4
	If press/release events are unavailable use Alt.			
SWITCH	On: Scene 1 Off: Scene 0 (Off)			
CURTAIN	Same as Blind (Different room icon)			
AUDIO	Deprecate RFU			
BLIND_SMART	Positional blind with level percent u position		el percent us	ed for blind
CURTAIN_SMART	Same as BLIND SMART (Different room icon)			
VENTILATION	Same as LI	GHT (Differe	nt room icor	ı)

ROOM_MODE

0	Default (None set)	
S4OFF	4 Scenes, fade up/down, off	
S7OFF	7 Scenes, fade up/down, off	
S16OFF	16 Scenes, fade up/down, off	
SNAMEDOFF	Scenes Scenes, fade up/down, off	

Channel Query

Request Example	QUERY,CHANNEL\r\n QUERY,CHANNEL,17\r\n				
Response example (CHANNEL)	QUERY_HEADER,ROOM_ID,ROOM_TITLE,ROOM_TYPE,CH ANNEL_ID,CHANNEL_TITLE,CHANNEL_TYPE,S1,S2,S3 ,S4,S5,S6,S7,S8,S9,S10,S11,S12,S13,S14,S15,S 16\r\n 17,Master Bedroom,Lights,1,Ceiling,SLIDER,79,191,127,6 3,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0\r\n 17,Master Bedroom,Lights,2,Bedsides,SLIDER,79,191,127, 63,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0\r\n QUERY_COMPLETE,2\r\n				
Response description (CHANNEL)	Argu Name Example				
	0	ROOM_ID	17		
	1	ROOM_TITLE	Master Bedroom		
	2	ROOM_TYPE (Changed in V3)	LIGHT		
	3	ROOM_MODE (Added in V3)	4+OFF		
	4	CHANNEL_ID	5		
	5	CHANNEL_TITLE	Pendant		
	6	BLIND			
	723 S1S16 255				
	Channel Types: SLIDER BLIND SWITCH SCENES FADEUPDOWN S1S16 Scene 1-16 for each channel (0-255)				
Note	Query o	channel contains all da	ata in QUERY,ROOM		

Level Query

Response example (LEVEL)	QUERY,LEVEL,18\r\n QUERY_HEADER,ROOM_ID,CHANNEL_ID,CURRENT_SCEN E,CURRENT_LEVEL,TARGET_LEVEL,RFU\r\n 18,0,-1,0,0,0\r\n 18,2,-1,50,50,0\r\n QUERY_COMPLETE,2\r\n		
Response			
description (LEVEL)	Ar	Name	Description
	9		
	0	ROOM_ID	Room number
	1	CHANNEL_ID	Channel number
	2	CURRENT_SCENE	Current scene. Can be -1 if not set.
	3	CURRENT_LEVEL	Current level
	4	TARGET_LEVEL	Target Level
	5	RFU	Refrain from use

RGB Query

Response example (RGB)	QUERY, RGB, 18\r\n ROOM_ID, ROOM_TITLE, CHANNEL_ID, CHANNEL_TITLE, RGB_INDEX, RGB_TITLE, RGB_COLOR\r\n QUERY, 9, Kitchen, 3, Plinth red, 0, Plinth, RED\r\n QUERY, 9, Kitchen, 5, Plinth green, 0, Plinth, GREEN\r\n QUERY, 9, Kitchen, 4, Plinth blue, 0, Plinth, BLUE\r\n QUERY_COMPLETE, 3\r\n		
Response description	Arg	Name	Description
(RGB)	Aig		Poom number
	0		
	1	ROOM_IIILE	Room title
	2	CHANNEL_ID	Channel number
	3	CHANNEL_TITLE	Channel title
	4	RGB_INDEX	Index of separate RGB areas in room
	5	RGB_TITLE	A non unique title for the particular RGB area. (Can be blank)
	6	RGB_COLOR	RED, GREEN, BLUE or WHITE
	Note: • •	RGB areas are shown as colour wheels in the Rako app Items will contain RGB or RGBW Internally colour wheels are indexed by the roo channel value of RED. Send commands to hub using the SEND,RGB command (White channel is automatically calculated)	

BASIC Feedback (Hub -> Client)

Feedback

Name	Feedback			
Feedback Example	F,17,0,SCENE,1			
Data				
	Arg	Name	Example	
	0	Feedback	F	
	1	Room number	17	
	2	Channel number	0	
	3	Туре	SCENE	
	4	Argument	1	
		•	·	

Tracker

Name	Tracker			
Tracker Example	T,17,8,LEVEL,127,79,299,0			
Data				
	Arg	Name	Example	
	0	Tracker	т	
	1	Room number	17	
	2	2Channel number83TypeLEVEL		
	3			
	4	4 Current Level 127		
	5	Target Level	79	
	6	Time to take (ms)	299	
	7	7 Temporary 0		
	Note:	Temporary indicates it has come from a source such as fade buttons and is likely to not progress to the target level. If unsure, ignore events with temporary=1.		

BASIC Notes

• The column names will only change with a new version specified with the 'SUB' command. It is not required to check the 'Column headers'.

<u>4 JSON</u>

Connection (JSON)

Name	SUB (JSON)				
Direction	Client->Hub				
Parameters		r			
	Arg	Name	Example		
	0	Command	SUB		
	1	1 Format JSON			
	2	2 JSON Structure			
Description	Subscriptions: TRACKER: Tracker events FEEDBACK: Feedback events				
Example	<pre>SUB, JSON, {"version": 2, "client_name": "MY_TEST_CLIENT", "subscriptions": ["TRACKER", "FEEDBACK"] }\r\n</pre>				
Example Description	Subscribe as MY_TEST_CLIENT JSON format version 2 to Tracker and Feedback.				

STATUS (JSON)

Name	STATUS (JSON)				
Direction	Client->Hub				
Description	Subscriptions: TRACKER: Tracker events FEEDBACK: Feedback events				
Example	<pre>{ "name": "status", "payload": {} }</pre>				
Response					
	Name	Example			
	productTypeHubprotocolVersion2				
	hubld ebbe7961-7abb-3aed-9fef- 36 character 0bb7871ef74d UUID				
	mac 70:B3:D5:08:40:00				
	hubVersion 3.0.6				
Example Response	<pre>{"name":"status","payload":{"productType":"H ub","protocolVersion":2,"hubId":"ebbe7961-7a bb-3aed-9fef-0bb7871ef74d","mac;":"70:B3:D5: 08:43:27","hubVersion":"3.1.5"}}</pre>				

QUERY (JSON)

Name	QUERY (JSON)		
Direction	Client->Hub		
Parameters	Arg 0 1	rg Name Example queryType ROOM roomId 15	
Description	Queries ROOM: CHANN LEVEL COLOF	s: Query room names and types IEL: Query room data and chan : Query tracked level informatior R: Query RGB/W and colour tem	nel data n perature items.
Example	<pre>{ "name": "query", "payload": { "queryType": "ROOM", "roomId": 0 } }</pre>		
Example Description	Query roomId 0 will return all rooms.		
Response Example (ROOM)	{ "pay { }, { } }	ne": "query_ROOM", /load": ["roomId": 9, "title": "Test room", "type": "LIGHT" "roomId": 10, "title": "Test room", "type": "CURTAIN"	
Response Example (CHANNEL)	{ "nam "pa <u>y</u> {	ne": "query_CHANNEL", /load": ["roomId": 9, "title": "Test room",	

```
"type": "LIGHT",
                "channel": [
                  {
                    "channelId": 1,
                    "title": "Pendant",
                    "type": "SLIDER",
                    "sceneLevels": [0,255,191,127
          ,63 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0]
                  },
                  {
                    "channelId": 2,
                    "title": "Bookshelf Red",
                    "type": "SLIDER",
                    "sceneLevels": [0 ,255 ,191 ,127
          },
                  {
                    "channelId": 3,
                    "title": "Bookshelf Blue",
                    "type": "SLIDER",
                    "sceneLevels": [0 ,255 ,191 ,127
          ,63 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ]
                  },
                  {
                    "channelId": 4,
                    "title": "Bookshelf Green",
                    "type": "SLIDER",
                    "sceneLevels": [0,255,191,127
          ,63 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ]
                  }
                ]
              },
               {
                "roomId": 10,
                "title": "Test room",
                "type": "CURTAIN",
                "channel": [
                  {
                    "channelId": 1,
                    "title": "Window",
                    "type": "BLIND",
                    "sceneLevels": [0,255,191,127
          ,63 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ,0 ]
                  }
                ]
               }
            1
           }
Response
          {
Example
             "name": "query_LEVEL",
```

(LEVEL)	"payload": [
	<pre>{ "channel": [{ "channelId": 0, "currentLevel": 50, "targetLevel": null }, { "channelId": 1, "currentLevel": 50, "targetLevel": null }], "roomId": 45, "currentScene": -1 } }</pre>		
Response Example (COLOR)	<pre>{ "name": "query_COLOR", "payload": [{ "roomId": 9, "title": "Test room", "type": "LED", "color": [{ "sceneId": 0, "rgb": [0,0,0], "hex": "000000", "kelvin": null }, { "sceneId": 1, "rgb": [255,255,255], "hex": "FFFFFF", "kelvin": null }, { "sceneId": 2, "rgb": [191,191,191], "hex": "BFBFBF", "kelvin": null }, { "sceneId": 3, "rgb": [127,127,127], "hex": "7F7F7F", "kelvin": null } }, {</pre>		

```
},
      {
       "sceneId": 4,
       "rgb": [63 ,63 ,63],
       "hex": "3F3F3F",
       "kelvin": null
      }
    ],
    "channel": [
      {
       "channelId": 2,
       "title": "Bookshelf Red",
       "rgbColor": "RED",
       "sceneLevels": [0 ,255 ,191 ,127
},
      {
       "channelId": 4,
       "title": "Bookshelf Green",
       "rgbColor": "GREEN",
       "sceneLevels": [0,255,191,127
},
      {
       "channelId": 3,
       "title": "Bookshelf Blue",
       "rqbColor": "BLUE",
       "sceneLevels": [0,255,191,127
}
    ],
    "primaryChannel": 2,
    "rgbMode": "MULTICHANNEL",
    "rgbTitle": "Bookshelf"
   }
 ]
}
```

Query notes:

- Query CHANNEL contains all information in Query, ROOM.
- Query,LEVEL will not return any rooms at power up, they will be tracked from first user interaction.
- QUERY,COLOR finds rgb/w capable rooms by channel names. The channels must be sequential containing 'red', 'green & 'blue' in their names.

Send command (JSON)

Name	Send			
Direction	Client->Hub			
Payload	Payload:			
	Element name	Example		
	room	Room number		
	channel	Channel number		
	description Description			
	action	Action		
	Action:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	Element name	Example		
	command	*required command		
	scene	*optional scene number		
	level *optional level 0-255			
	down	*optional fade direction		
Example (Scene)	<pre>{ "name": "send", "payload": { "recom": 1</pre>			
	"channel": 2, "action": {			
		"command": "scene",		
	}	"scene": 3		
	}			
	}			
Example	<pre>{ "name": "send",</pre>			
(Level)	"payload":	{		
	"room	": 1, nol": 2		
	"acti	on": {		
	"command": "levelrate",			
		"level": 255		
	}			
	}			
	,			

Command list (JSON)

Command	ID	Argument	Description	
ident	8	Flash the circuit		
stop	15		Stop fading	
scene	49	scene	Scene 0-16 (0 = off)	
levelrate	52	level	Level (0-255)	
fade	50	down	Start fading up or down.	

Send colour (JSON)

Name	Send Color (RGB/W)		
Direction	Client->Hub		
Payload	Payload:		
	Element name	Example	
	room	Room number	
	channel	Channel number	
	red	Red (0-255)	
	green	Green (0-255)	
	blue	Blue (0-255	
	Note: The channel num containing RGB. Chann	ber should be set to a single channel nel 0 is also valid.	
Example	<pre>{ "name": "send-color", "payload": { "room": 16, "channel": 2, "red": 25, "green": 50, "blue": 255 } }</pre>		

Name	Send Color (Temperature)			
Payload	Payload:			
	Element name Example			
	room Room number			
	channel Channel number			
	temperature Kelvin value (1700-10,000)			
Example	{ "name": "send-colorTemp",			
	"payload": {			
	"room": 16,			
	"channel": 2,			
	"temperature": 2700			

}
}

Feedback

Feedback (JSON)

Name	Feedback (Use for mapping to button presses)		
Direction	Hub->Client		
Payload			
	Element name Example		
	roomRoom numberchannelChannel number		
	description	Description	
	action	Action	
	Action structure		
	Element name	Example	
	command	*required command	
	scene	*optional scene number	
	level *optional level 0-255		
	down *optional fade direction		
	<pre>{ "name": "feedback", "payload": { "action": { "actUniqueId": -1, "defaultFadeRate": true, "decay": 0, "level": 90, "expFadeRate": false, "command": 52 }, "room": 85, "channel": 4, "description": "[Rm:85 Wine Cellar][Ch:4 Counter] Level: 35%" } }</pre>		

Tracker (JSON)

Name	Tracker (Use for tracking scenes and levels)			
Direction	Hub->Client			
Payload				
	Element name	Descript	ion	
	roomIdRoom numberchannelIdChannel number			
	currentLevel	Current	Level	
	targetLevel	Target L	evel	
	timeToTake	Time to t	take in milliseconds	
	temporaryTemporary indicates it has come from a source such as fade buttons and is likely to not progress to the target level. If unsure, ignore events with temporary=true.			
	Element name		Description	
	roomId Room number			
	channelId		Channel number	
	scene		Scene number	
Example (Level tracker)	<pre>{ "name": "tracker", "payload": { "roomId": 85, "channelId": 4, "currentLevel": 127, "targetLevel": 90, "timeToTake": 230, "temporary": false } }</pre>			

Example 2	{
(Scene tracker)	"name": "tracker",
	"payload": {
	"roomId": 85,
	"channelId": 0,
	"scene": 4
	}
	}

5 UDP/IP

Products:

RA/RTC/WA/WTC-Bridge APR/WRE-Bridge (V1.7.9 Limited support)

UDP Discover

All text is encoded with WINDOWS-1252

To find a BRIDGE or HUB on the network send a UDP broadcast packet where the data consists of a single literal 'D'. The bridge will reply to the source IP address with:

Direction	Parameters		Description	Examplo
	Byte	Function	Description	Example
Client to UDP Broadcast	0	0x44: 'D' for request	Discover Required	0x44
Client to UDP Broadcast	1	0x58 : 'X' for request	Bypass Disable auto detect	0x58
Client to UDP Broadcast	2	0x48: 'H' for request	Append \r\nHub\r\n2	0x48

Bridges and HUBs are discovered by the same command so it is recommended to send "DXH" as the discovery command.

The reply is send as a String:

Direction	Broadcast Reply From Bridge
Bridge	RAKOBRIDGE\r\n00-04-A3-B1-21-F1\r\n
HUB before version 3.0.6	RakoHub\r\n70-B3-D5-08-40-00\r\nHUB\r\n
HUB after version 3.0.6	RakoHub\r\n70-B3-D5-08-41-9F\r\nHUB\r\n2\r\n

HUB versions after 3.0.6 include the version. The TCP API requires 3.0.6 and later.

6 Compatibility

Hub Version	Date	Description
Pre 3.0.6		API not supported.
3.0.6	18/12/2019	API V2 supported
3.0.9	27/04/2020	Issue present requiring extra arguments to send command (Use of version not recommended).
3.1.0	11/06/2020	API V3 supported. (V2 still supported).
3.1.5	17/08/2020	Minimum version for JSON support

Note:

- All Hubs can upgrade to the latest version.
- RA/WA/RTC/WTC/WRA Bridge will never support this protocol. Use 'Accessing The Rako Bridge'.

7 Changelog

Version	Date	Description
0.1.5	21/01/202	API version V2
0.1.6	24/04/2020	 API version V3 Added changelog PLAIN renamed to BASIC (Only in document) Documentation for JSON API Added description for RoomType and ChannelType Added room mode to Room query V3 QUERY,CHANNEL Room Type was changed to be the same as QUERY,ROOM Added QUERY,RGB Added SEND,{room},{channe},RGB,{R},{G},{B}
0.1.7	20/06/2020	Document formatting
0.1.8	10/08/2020	Added JSON query information

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