



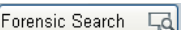
Cisco Video Surveillance Operations Manager 6.3: Forensic Search Quick Reference

Use the Forensic Search feature to create thumbnail images from a video archive. Use the thumbnails to locate specific scenes or events in the archive, then play the video in the Operator window or save it to a drive.

Requirements




- The Forensic Search feature works with any archive except BWX secure video clips and BWM archive clips
- The Forensic Search feature can be used only when the Operator page is open

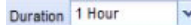



Performing a Forensic Search

1. Open the Forensic Search window by clicking the Forensic Search button  on the Operator page.
2. Display a thumbnail summary for a video archive by double-clicking the archive name from in the Video Archives list or by dragging the archive name to the thumbnail window pane.

Refining a Forensic Search

You can take any of these actions from the Forensic Search window to refine a search:

- Choose the start date and time for the first thumbnail in the display and click **Set Start**  04/05/2010  17 : 01 : 24  Set Start to display the selected start thumbnail in the top left corner.

- Choose the time span for the thumbnail display from the Duration drop-down list . For example, choose 1 Hour to display thumbnails for a time span of 1 hour.
- Click the Skip Back  or Skip Forward  buttons to skip forward or backward in the thumbnail display by the time that is defined in the Duration drop-down list.
- Drag the Start Time slider  to set a new start time.

Using the Thumbnail Size Menu

Use the Thumbnail Size menu in the Forensic Search window to enlarge or reduce the size of each thumbnail. Larger sizes display fewer thumbnails, each representing a greater time span.

Using the Actions Menu

The Actions menu Forensic Search window includes these options:

- **Set As Start**—Sets a thumbnail as the first thumbnail in a range.
- **Play Video**—Plays video that a selected thumbnail represents. The video plays in the Operator page.
- **Zoom To**—Sets the start time and end time for the display based range of thumbnails that you select. Shift-click or Ctrl-click to select thumbnails.
- **Zoom In**—Decreases the displayed thumbnail duration to the next available duration value. The start time remains the same.
- **Zoom Out**—Increases the duration of the displayed thumbnail duration to the next available duration value. The start time remains the same.
- **Create Clip**—Saves a selected video clip on a local or network drive.

Playing a Video Thumbnail

To play a video thumbnail, select the thumbnail and choose **Play Video** from the Actions menu.

Saving a Video Clip

You can save a a video clip that contains one or more contiguous thumbnails.

To save a video clip:

1. Shift-click or Ctrl-click to select a range of thumbnails, which defines the start time and end time of the clip.
2. Choose Create Clip from the Actions menu.
3. Choose the location in which to save the file.
4. Click Save.

To view a saved clip, double-click the file to play it with the Cisco ReView Player video client.



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