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| June 12, 2023 | * Initial Release for LXI 1.6.1
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| Feb 16, 2025 | * New rule that IPv4 shall have a Command-and-Control Interface
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# Interpretations and Clarifications

## Overview

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## IPv4 shall have a Command-and-Control Interface

The IPv6 Extended Function has a Rule 21.1.3 that a Command-and-Control Interface must be provided on IPv6. To be consistent a rule needs to be added that IPv4 must have a Command-and-Control interface.

For now, we don’t deem changing the Device Specification to add this small and obvious rule. When the Device Specification is updated, this new rule will be added:

**8.14 Rule – IPv4 Instrument Control Connections**

LXI IPv4 Devices shall support Command and Control connections using at least one IPv4-based protocol.