

Instructions for Using the CVDCC Brightness Control

Entrants into CVDCC competitions are encouraged to use the Brightness Control to adjust the brightness of their monitors. This will ensure that the brightness of the images when projected in competition will more closely approximate of what the entrant sees on their own monitor. This will NOT, however, affect color compatibility: entrants are still encouraged to color calibrate their monitors.

To use the Brightness Control:

1. Download the Control from the CVDCC website [Competitions](#) page. It is a PDF image. Save it to somewhere convenient on your computer.
2. Open the Control using any software that can display a PDF image e.g., Photoshop, Photoshop Elements, Lightroom, Adobe Reader etc.
3. Wait until nightfall and perform the next step in a darkened room!
4. Adjust the brightness of your monitor so that the whitest gradation is just off white and so that all the gradations are distinct and visible. If any compromises need to be made, it is better that the darkest gradations “fuse” and the lightest gradations are distinct.
5. If too many gradations “fuse”, you are encouraged to purchase a new monitor!

We will be using the same Brightness Control to calibrate the brightness of the projector thus ensuring the closest match possible.