

Quick Guide – MOBOTIX NAS & IoT Cameras

Setting up MOBOTIX NAS/MxManagementCenter Using IoT Cameras



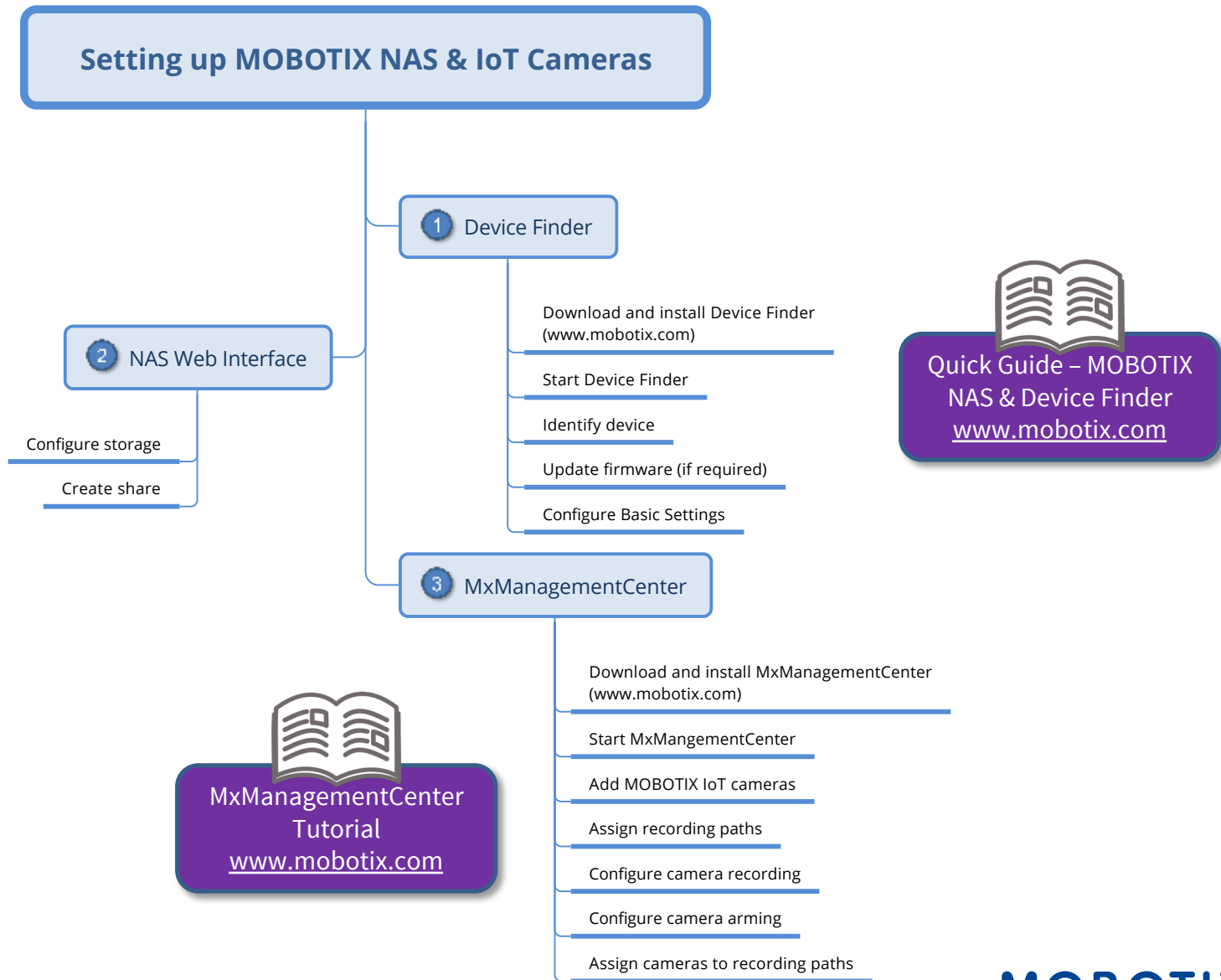
MOBOTIX NAS
2-Bay/8 Channels



MOBOTIX NAS
4-Bay/16 Channels



MOBOTIX NAS
8-Bay/32 Channels



This document is valid for the following MOBOTIX NAS models

Product Name	Item Number	Product Label
MOBOTIX NAS 2-Bay/8 Channels	Mx-S-NAS2a-8	251-G
MOBOTIX NAS 4-Bay/16 Channels	Mx-S-NAS4A-16	451-G
MOBOTIX NAS 8-Bay/32 Channels	Mx-S-NAS8A-32	873U-G

Minimum requirements for software versions

- MOBOTIX NAS: Mx-NAS2-4A-4.3.4.0807, Mx-NAS8A-4.3.4.0807, ContainerStation 1.8.3.207, QVRProServer 1.2.1.0 (see MOBOTIX NAS Quick Install)
- MOBOTIX IoT Cameras: 5.2.x (Mx6), 4.7.x (Mx3)
- MxManagementCenter: 2.0.1+

IMPORTANT: We recommend updating all system components to the latest software releases. Please download the latest releases of MxMC, MOBOTIX NAS, and MOBOTIX IoT cameras from the MOBOTIX website www.mobotix.com:

- Support > Download Center > Software Downloads

Video Tutorials are available from the MOBOTIX website www.mobotix.com:

- Support > Download Center > Documentation > Video Tutorials

The **MOBOTIX NAS HDD Compatibility List** is available from the MOBOTIX website www.mobotix.com:

- Support > Download Center > Documentation > White Lists

A Note on Licensing

- MxManagementCenter can show MOBOTIX IoT and MOVE cameras “as is”, i.e., without any further licensing. For bandwidth-optimized usage and professional applications, it is highly recommended to use **MxPEG**.
- Using the **Advanced Configuration** feature of MxManagementCenter requires a license. This is recommended for quick and easy setup of a video surveillance system.

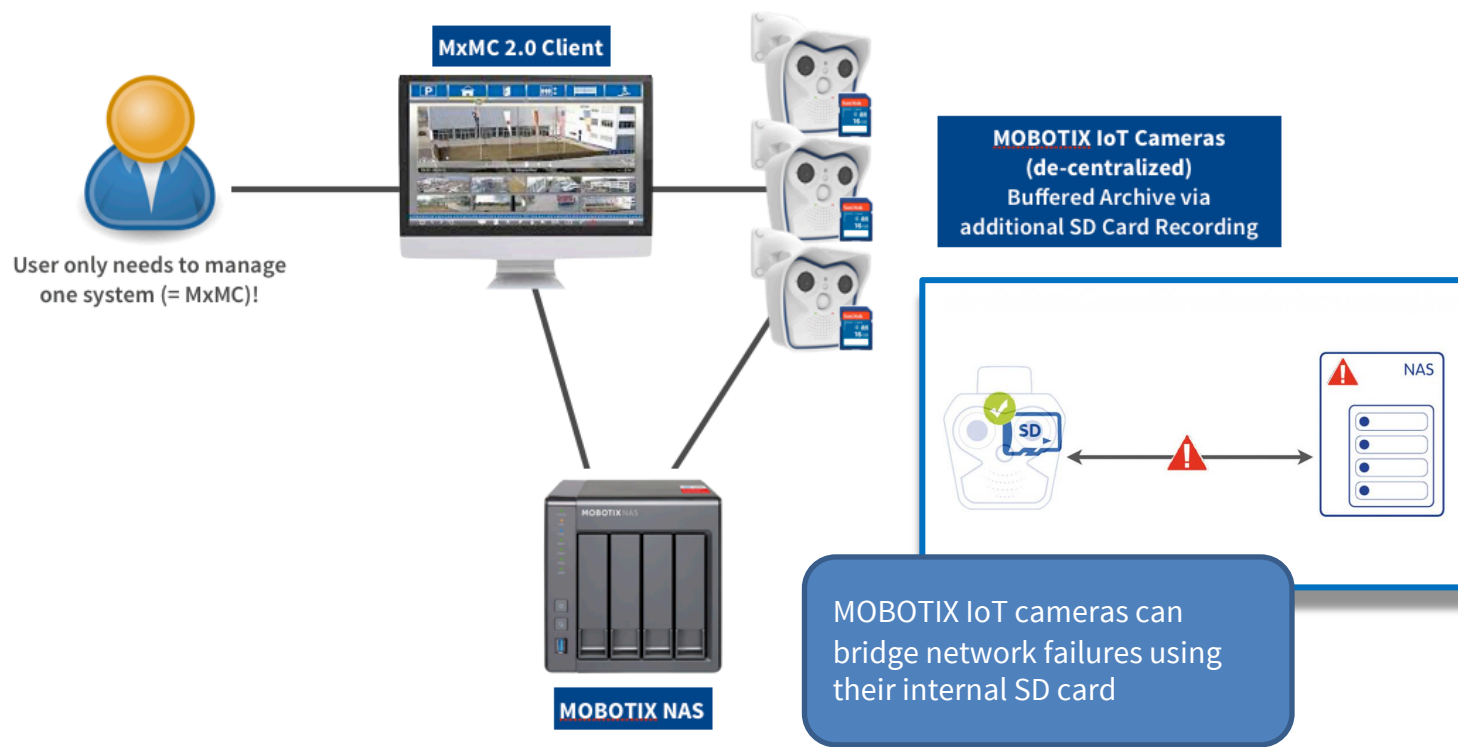
For more information on licensing models, please read the **MxMC 2.0 Tutorial** from the MOBOTIX website www.mobotix.com:

- Support > Download Center > Documentation > Brochures & Guides > Tutorials

A Note on Password Security

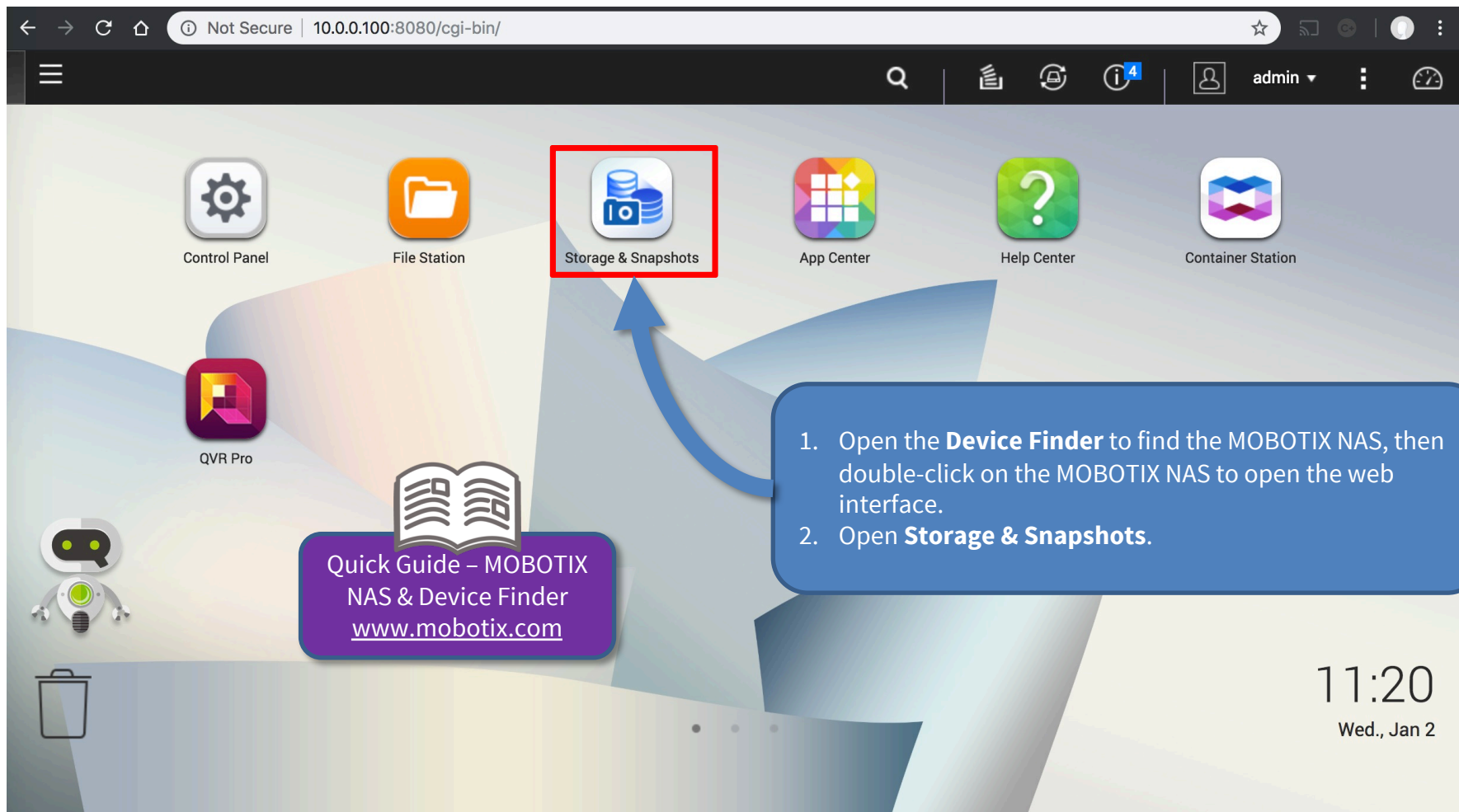
- The **default user** of the NAS is “**admin**” and the **password** is “**admin**”.
- **NEVER use the default access privileges!** Always make sure that you have changed the default passwords to strong passwords (numbers, lower/upper case letters, special characters)!
- **One-Click Convenience:** Use the **Secure System** wizard of MxManagementCenter.

The objective of this document is to set up a MOBOTIX NAS as a **storage device** for **MOBOTIX IoT cameras**. In this scenario, the cameras will be using the NAS as **network share**. The **QVR Pro** recording software is not required for recording MOBOTIX IoT cameras on the NAS. For most efficient configuration of camera settings, use the **Advanced Configuration** feature of MxManagementCenter.



Step 1 – Configure Volume (1)

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The screenshot shows the MOBOTIX web interface in a browser window. The address bar displays '10.0.0.100:8080/cgi-bin/'. The interface features a top navigation bar with a search icon, a list icon, a refresh icon, a notification icon with a blue '4', a user profile icon labeled 'admin', and a clock icon. The main dashboard contains several icons: 'Control Panel' (gear), 'File Station' (orange folder), 'Storage & Snapshots' (blue database icon, highlighted with a red box), 'App Center' (colorful grid), 'Help Center' (green question mark), and 'Container Station' (blue and purple cube). A 'QVR Pro' icon is also visible. A blue callout box with a white arrow points to the 'Storage & Snapshots' icon, containing the following instructions:

1. Open the **Device Finder** to find the MOBOTIX NAS, then double-click on the MOBOTIX NAS to open the web interface.
2. Open **Storage & Snapshots**.

A purple callout box with a book icon contains the text: 'Quick Guide – MOBOTIX NAS & Device Finder' and the URL 'www.mobotix.com'. The bottom right corner shows the time '11:20' and the date 'Wed., Jan 2'.

Step 1 – Configure Volume (2)

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The screenshot displays the 'Storage & Snapshots' management console. On the left is a navigation sidebar with sections for Overview, Storage, Snapshot Backup, and iSCSI. The main panel shows a summary of storage resources and a table of existing storage pools and volumes. A blue arrow points from a callout box to the 'Create' button in the top right, which has opened a dropdown menu. In this menu, 'New Volume' is highlighted with a red box.

Storage & Snapshots

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Total - Storage Pool: 1, Volume: 1, LUN: 0

Name/Alias	Status	Type	Snapshot
Storage Pool 1			
DataVol1 (System)	Ready	Thick volume	-

Create New


- New Storage Pool New
- New Volume**
- New iSCSI LUN
- Create Virtual JBOD

1. Click on **Create**.

2. Click on **New Volume**.

Step 1 – Configure Volume (3)

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 **Volume Creation Wizard**

Select Type

Select Disk(s)

Configure

Summary

Create Volume

Static volume

Thick volume

Thin volume

Space Allocation

Single fixed

Multiple preallocated

Multiple on-demand

Snapshots

Unsupported

Supported

Supported

Location:

Storage Pool 1

+

 Free Size: 744.42 GB

Thick volumes are created from preallocated storage pool space. They offer features such as snapshots, and can be expanded easily. Thick volumes are recommended for general usage.

Thick Volume

Storage Pool

RAID

Cancel

• Select **Storage Pool 1** as **Location**.

• Click on **Next** to proceed.

Next

Step 1 – Configure Volume (4)

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Volume Creation Wizard

Select Type

Select Disk(s)

Configure

Summary

Configure:

Volume Alias:

Volume capacity: (Maximum: 744.42 GB)

Storage pool capacity:

■ Allocated: 1.28 TB ■ Subscription: 0 MB ■ Free: 544.42 GB

Note: Storage features such as expansion, thin allocation and snapshots can be affected by low storage pool space. You should try to leave some space free and perform expansion later when needed.

File system option: i

Bytes per inode:	4K	8K	16K	32K	64K
Maximum volume size:	15.99 TB	31.99 TB	63.99 TB	127.99 TB	250 TB
Maximum number of files/folders:	52M	26M	13M	6M	3M

Advanced Settings ▼

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Back

Next

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1. Fill in the fields as required.


2. Click on **Next** to proceed.





Notes

- Do not use the entire **Volume capacity** if you'd like to add MOBOTIX MOVE cameras later on!
- To calculate the space requirements, use the Storage Calculator on www.mobotix.com.

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 **Volume Creation Wizard** ✕

 Select Type  Select Disk(s)  Configure  Summary

Summary:

Volume Alias:	DataVol2
Type:	Thick volume
Storage pool name:	Storage Pool 1
Capacity:	200GB
Bytes per inode:	32K
File system option:	Maximum volume size: 127.99 TB, Maximum number of files/folders: 6M
Alert threshold:	Yes (80%)
Encryption:	No

Note: Actual usable capacity might be smaller due to metadata storage.

Continue with the next step.

Cancel

Back

Finish

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Step 1 – Configure Volume (6)

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The screenshot displays the 'Storage & Snapshots' management console. On the left is a navigation sidebar with categories: Overview, Storage, Storage/Snapshots (selected), Cache Acceleration, External Storage, Snapshot Backup, and iSCSI. The main panel shows a summary 'Total - Storage Pool: 1, Volume: 2, LUN: 0' and a table of storage resources. A modal dialog is open in the center, titled 'Volume DataVol2 is Being Created', providing instructions on what to do after the volume is ready. A 'Close' button in the dialog is highlighted with a red rectangle. Below the dialog, a blue button labeled 'Continue with the next step.' is visible.

Name/Alias	Status	Type	Snapshot	Snapshot Re...	Capacity	Percent Used
Total - Storage Pool: 1, Volume: 2, LUN: 0						
Storage Pool 1	Ready				1.81 TB	
DataVol1 (System)	Ready	Thick volume			1007.29 GB	
DataVol2						

Volume DataVol2 is Being Created

When the volume is ready, you can start to store data by creating a shared folder in [File Station](#).
Set up a snapshot schedule and configure snapshot guaranteed space to protect data on this volume.

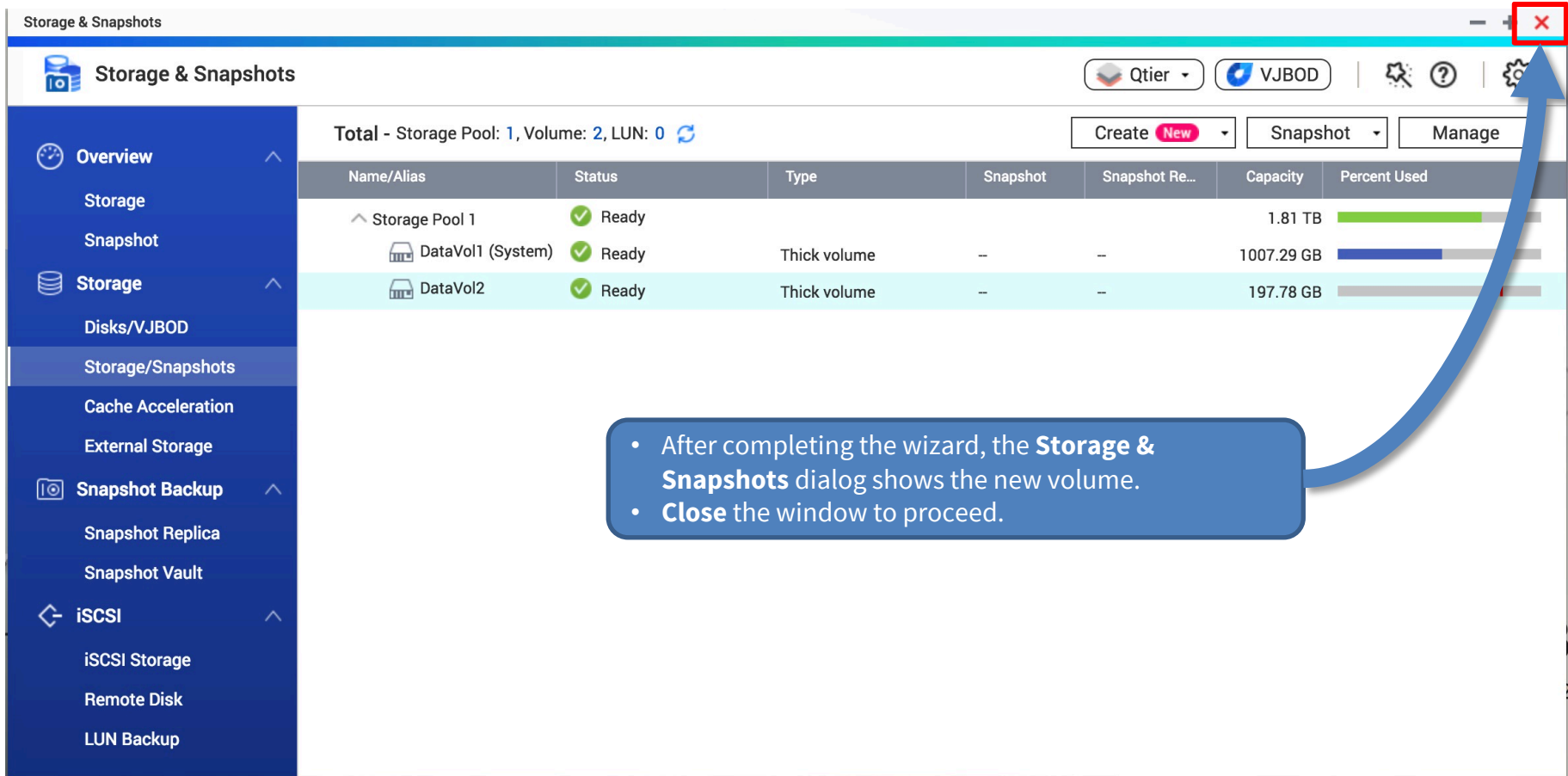
☐ Do not show this message again

Close

Continue with the next step.

Step 1 – Configure Volume (Completed)

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Storage & Snapshots

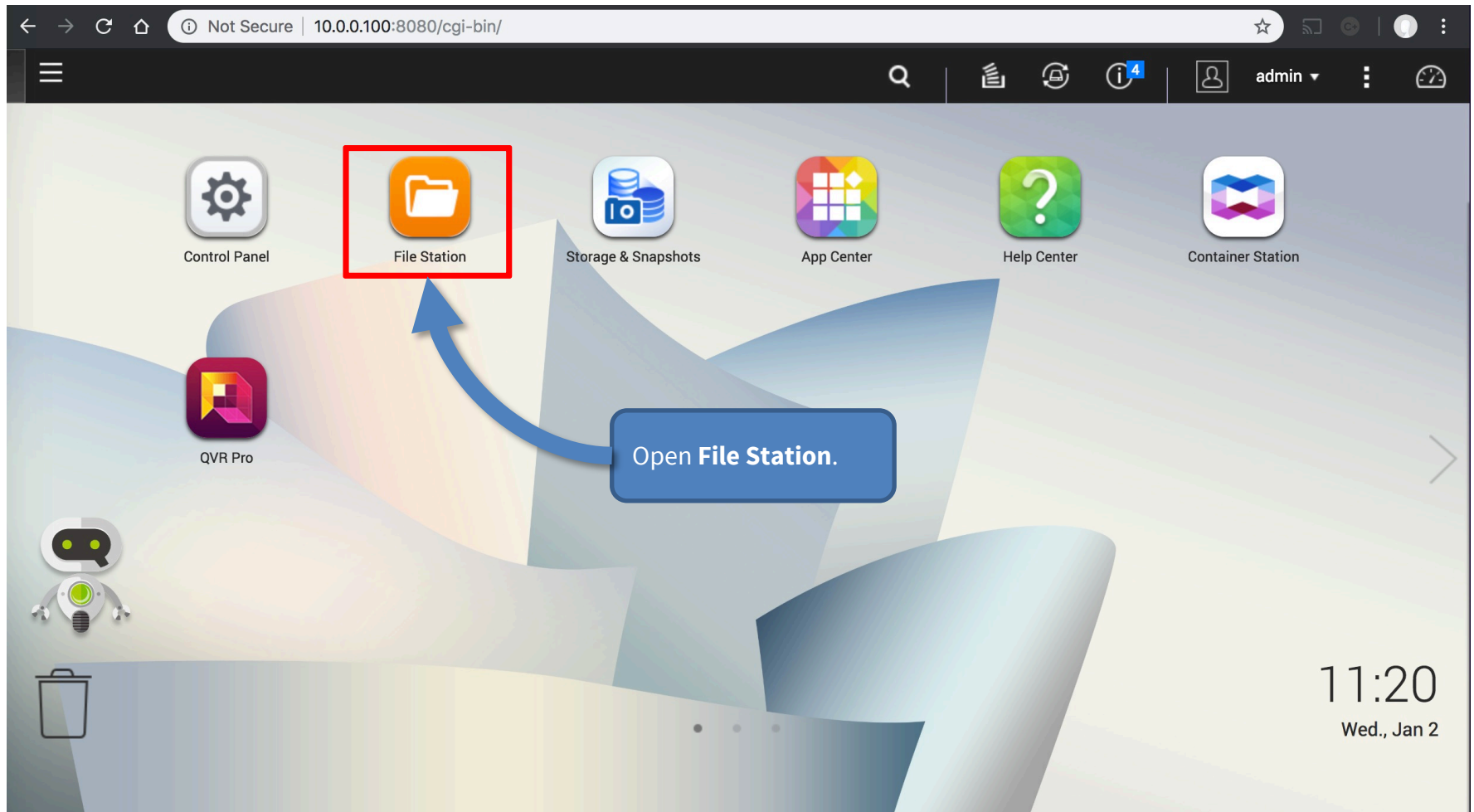
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Create **New** Snapshot Manage

Total - Storage Pool: 1, Volume: 2, LUN: 0

Name/Alias	Status	Type	Snapshot	Snapshot Re...	Capacity	Percent Used
Storage Pool 1	Ready				1.81 TB	
DataVol1 (System)	Ready	Thick volume	-	-	1007.29 GB	
DataVol2	Ready	Thick volume	-	-	197.78 GB	

- After completing the wizard, the **Storage & Snapshots** dialog shows the new volume.
- **Close** the window to proceed.



Step 2 – Configure Share (2)

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The screenshot shows the FileStation 5 web interface. On the left sidebar, under 'MxNAS', 'DataVol2' is selected, and its settings menu (three vertical dots) is highlighted with a red box. A blue arrow points from this menu to a context menu that appears, where 'Create a Shared Folder' is highlighted with a red box. The main area shows a file list with columns: Name, Modified Date, Type, and Size. The list contains two items: '@Recycle' and 'shot', both of type 'Folder' and modified on 2018/12/28 at 10:21:50. At the bottom, a blue box contains the following instructions:

1. Open the settings for **Data Vol2**.
2. Select **Create a Shared Folder**.

The bottom status bar shows 'Page 1 / 1', 'Display item: 1-2, Total: 2', and 'Show 50 Item(s)'.

Create A Shared Folder

Please fill out the following fields to create a shared folder

Folder Name: 1

Comment (optional):

Disk Volume:

Qtier Auto Tiering: ☐ Enable Auto-Tiering

Path: ☒ Specify path automatically
☐ Enter path manually

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Configure access privileges for users

Currently, only the "admin" account has full permissions for this folder.

Create A Shared Folder

Configure access privileges for users

Close

User name	Preview	RO	RW	Deny
admin	Read/Write	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1

1. Enable **Read/Write (RW)** rights for the camera user (default: “admin”).
2. Scroll down.

Page 1 / 1 | Display item: 1-1, Total: 1

CreateCancel

The screenshot shows the 'Create A Shared Folder' dialog box. It has a title bar with a close button (X). The main content area is divided into sections. The 'Folder Encryption' section has an 'Edit' button. Below it is a descriptive text: 'Using a key to encrypt this shared folder. Each encrypted shared folder is locked by a particular key.' The 'Advanced Settings' section has a 'Close' button. It contains a 'Guest Access Right' dropdown menu set to 'Deny Access'. Below this are several checkboxes: 'Hide network drive', 'Lock File (Oplocks)' (checked), 'SMB Encryption', 'Enable Network Recycle Bin' (highlighted with a red box and a blue circle with the number 1), 'Restrict the access of Recycle Bin to administrators only for n', and 'Set this folder as the Time Machine backup folder (macOS)'. A blue callout box with a white border contains the text: '1. Disable **Network Recycle Bin**. 2. Click on **Create**.' At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Create' (highlighted with a red box and a blue circle with the number 2) and 'Cancel'.

Create A Shared Folder

Folder Encryption Edit

Using a key to encrypt this shared folder. Each encrypted shared folder is locked by a particular key.

Advanced Settings Close

Guest Access Right: Deny Access

☐ Hide network drive i

☒ Lock File (Oplocks)

☐ SMB Encryption i

☐ Enable Network Recycle Bin 1

☐ Restrict the access of Recycle Bin to administrators only for n

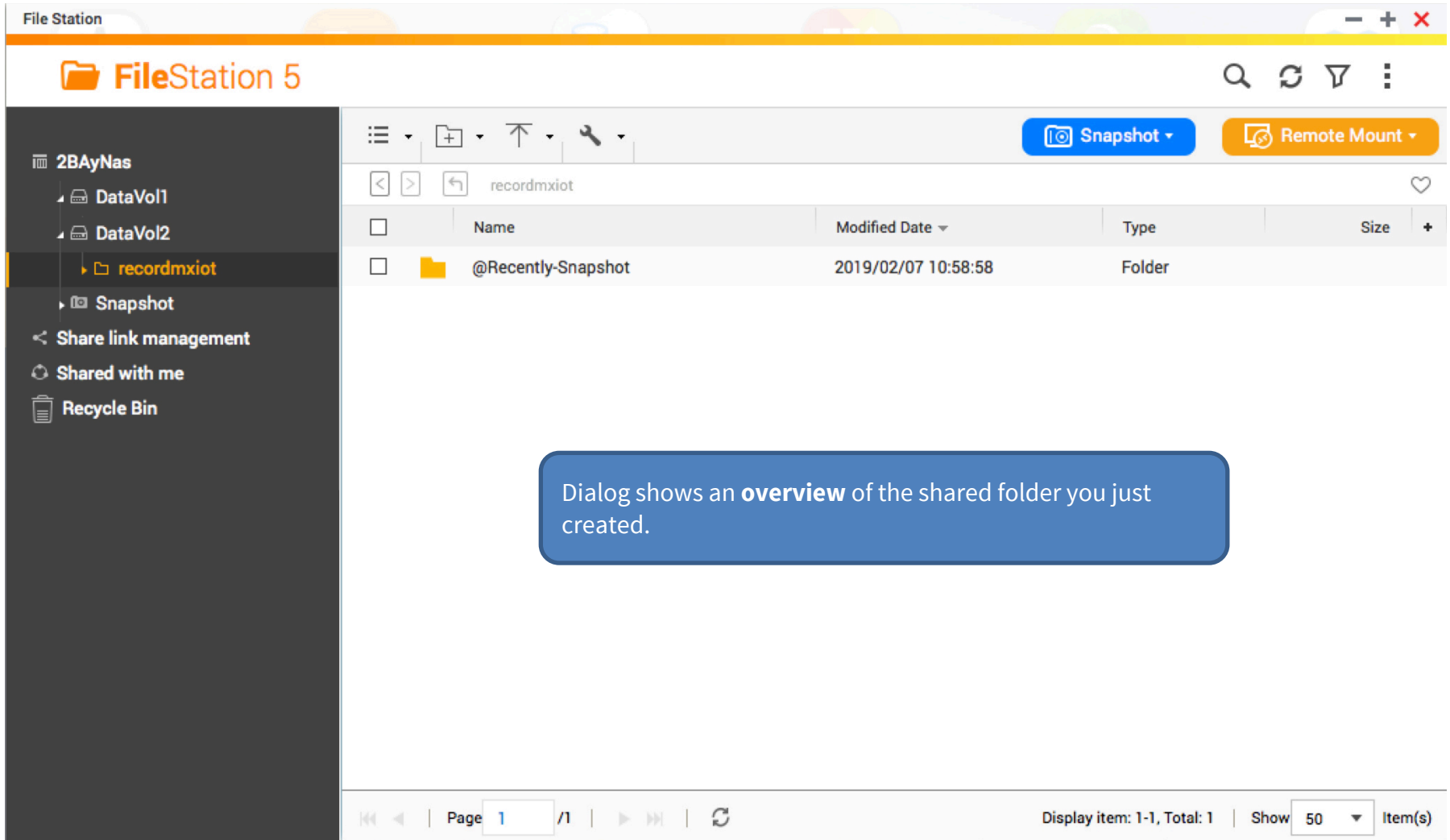
☐ Set this folder as the Time Machine backup folder (macOS)

2 Create Cancel

1. Disable **Network Recycle Bin**.
2. Click on **Create**.

Step 2 – Configure Share (Completed)

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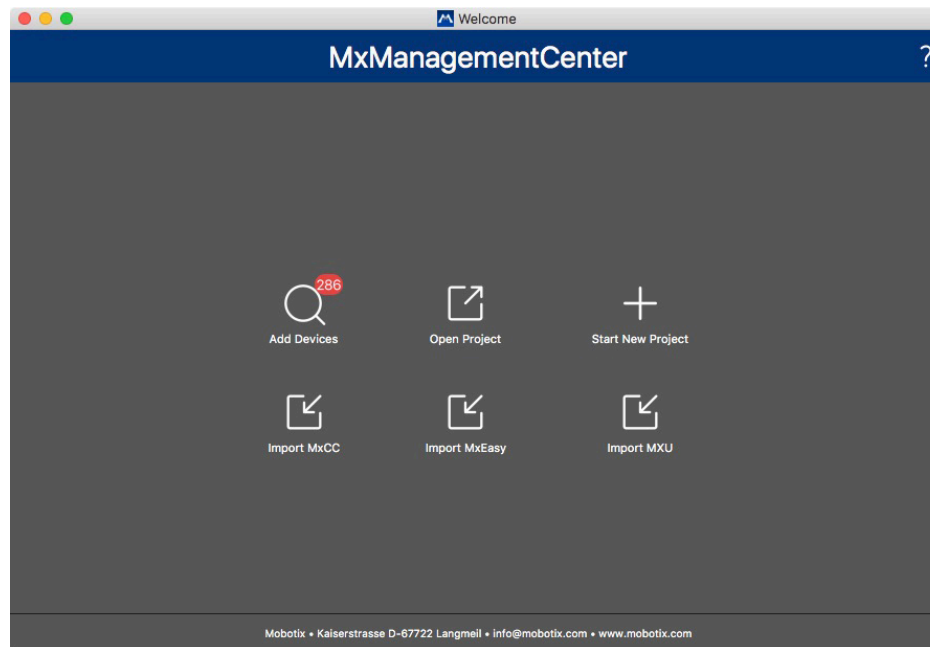


The screenshot displays the FileStation 5 web interface. On the left is a sidebar with a tree view containing '2BAyNas', 'DataVol1', 'DataVol2', 'recordmxiot' (highlighted), 'Snapshot', 'Share link management', 'Shared with me', and 'Recycle Bin'. The main area shows the 'recordmxiot' folder's contents in a table view. The table has columns for checkboxes, Name, Modified Date, Type, and Size. One item is listed: '@Recently-Snapshot' (Folder) with a modified date of '2019/02/07 10:58:58'. Above the table are navigation icons and buttons for 'Snapshot' and 'Remote Mount'. A blue callout box is overlaid on the table area.

Dialog shows an **overview** of the shared folder you just created.

At the bottom of the interface, there is a pagination bar showing 'Page 1 / 1' and a display settings bar showing 'Display item: 1-1, Total: 1' and 'Show 50 Item(s)'.

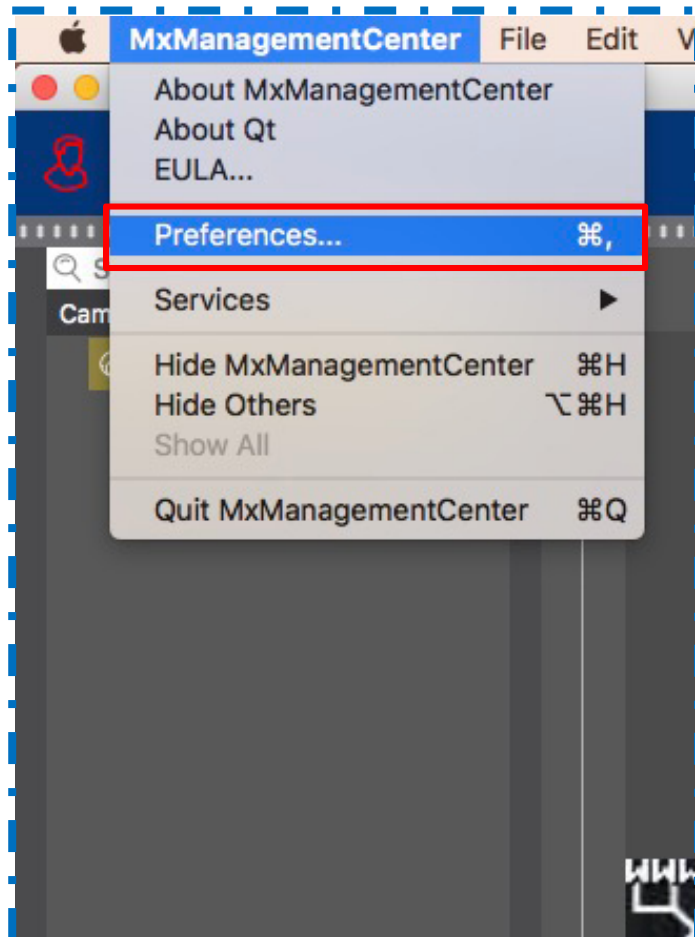
1. Start **MxManagementCenter**.
2. Start the **Welcome** wizard by clicking on **File > Welcome** in the menu bar.



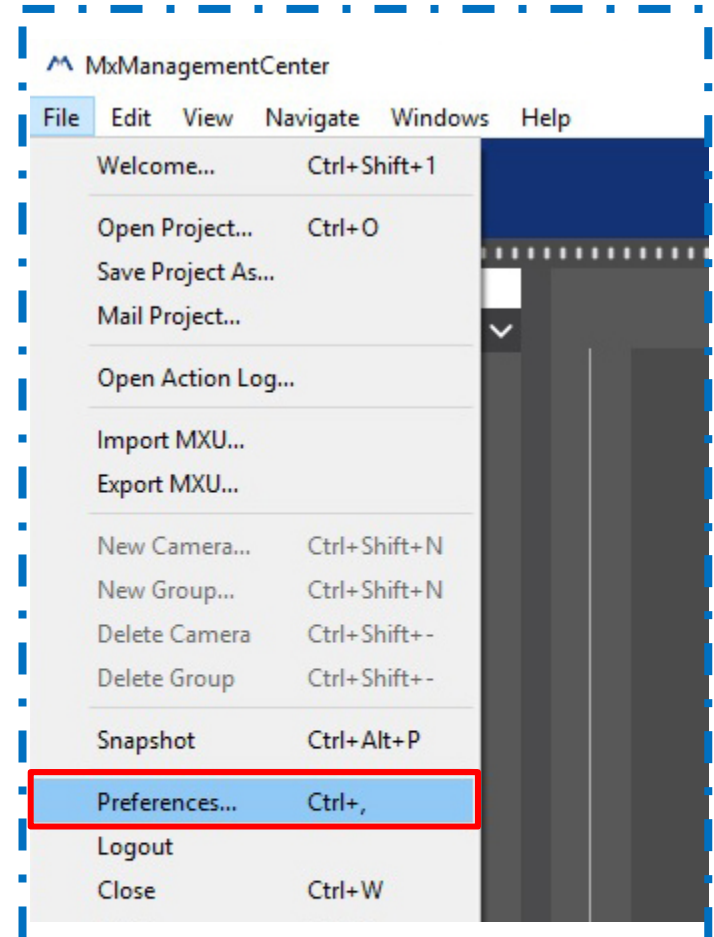
3. Click on **Add Devices**. Then select the desired MOBOTIX IoT cameras to be added to MxMC.
3. Enter the access privileges for each camera.

Step 4 – Assign Recording Paths (1)

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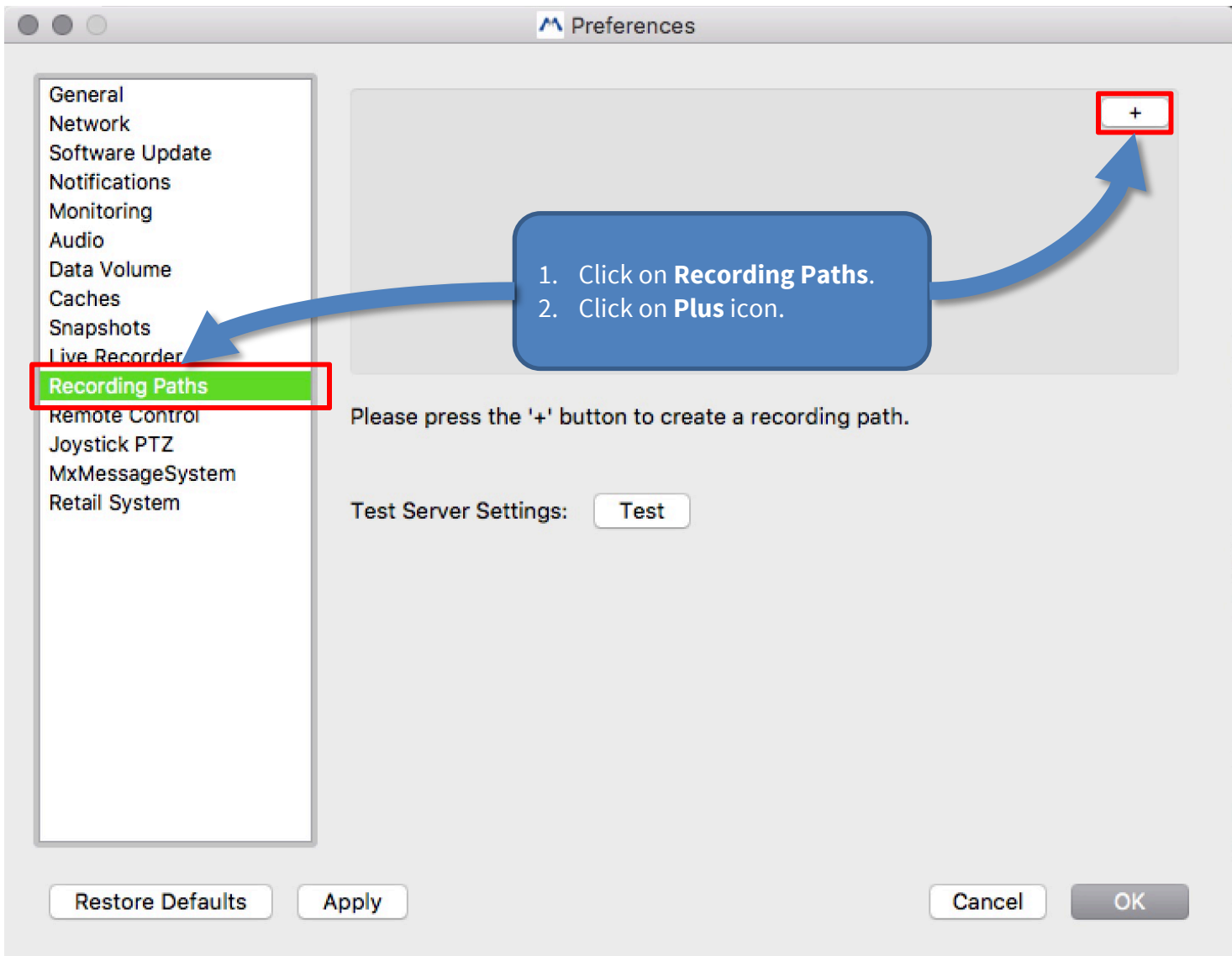


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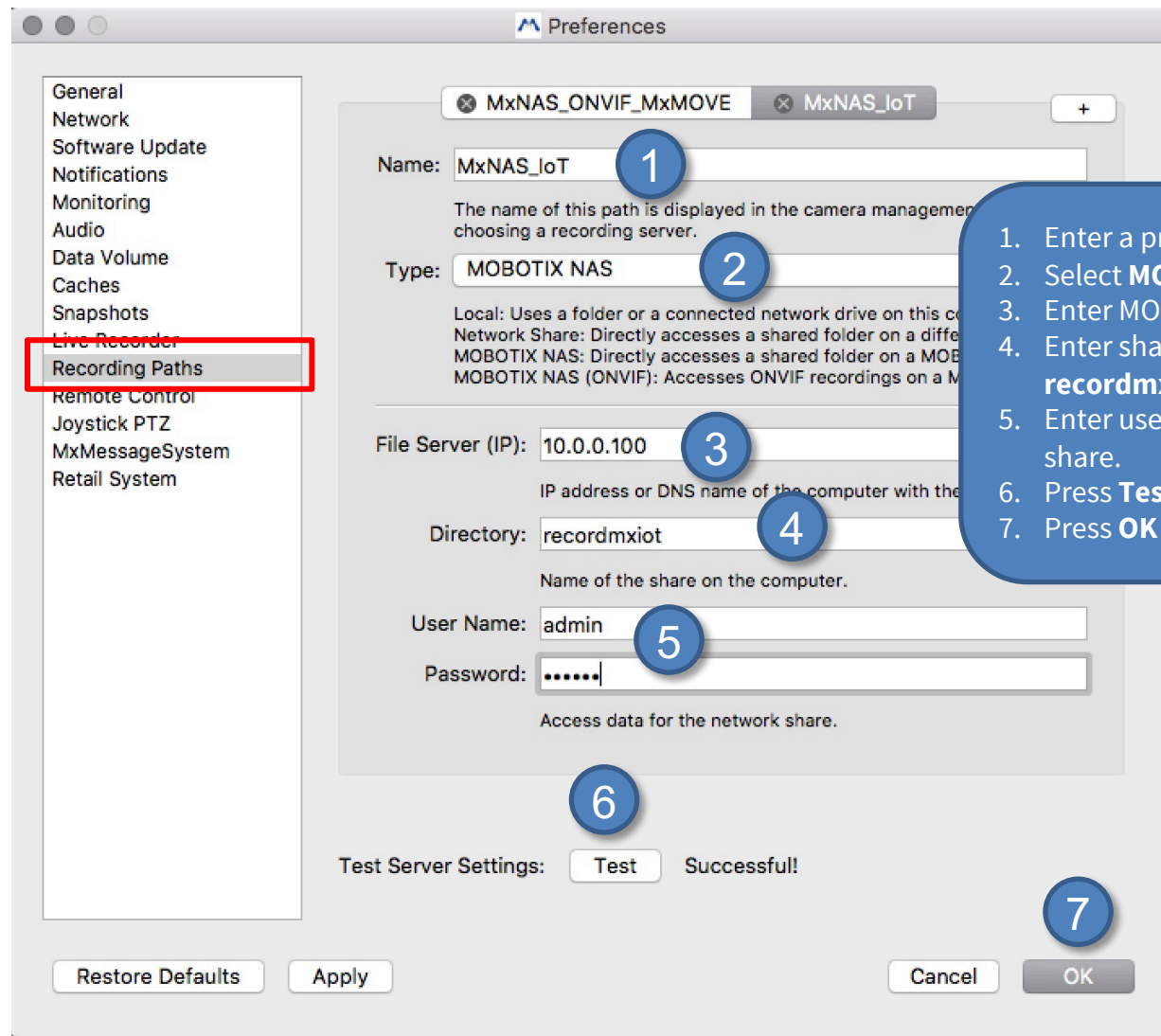
Windows Version





Step 4 – Assign Recording Paths (3)

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1. Enter a profile name (e.g., **MxNAS_IoT**).
2. Select **MOBOTIX NAS**.
3. Enter MOBOTIX NAS IP address.
4. Enter share name as defined before (e.g., **recordmxiot**).
5. Enter user name and password for accessing the share.
6. Press **Test** to check the connection.
7. Press **OK** to store the settings.

Step 5 – Configure Camera Recording (1)

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The screenshot displays the MxManagementCenter web interface. The top bar shows 'Live - mx10-22-6-117'. On the left, the 'Cameras' list includes 'mx10-8-32-83' and 'mx10-22-6-117'. Below this, the 'Camera Groups' section is expanded, showing a list of options: 'View Selection', 'Grid', 'Graphic', 'Live', 'Playback', 'Grid Playback', 'Research', 'Info', 'Wizards & Tools', and 'Configuration'. The 'Configuration' option is highlighted with a red box. A blue callout box with two steps is overlaid on the interface: '1. Right-click to open the menu.' and '2. Click on **Configuration**.' A blue arrow points from the 'Configuration' option in the menu to a red box around the 'Playback' icon in the bottom toolbar. The main video feed shows a large indoor space with a glass roof, featuring a 'SKECHERS' banner and a 'MARIA DESCHIDERE' poster.

1. Right-click to open the menu.
2. Click on **Configuration**.

Step 5 – Configure Camera Recording (2)

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The screenshot displays the 'Configuration - M16' interface. On the left sidebar, the 'Cameras' section lists 'MOVE-10.192.4.124', 'M16Thermal', and 'M16' (selected). Below it, 'Camera Groups' shows 'All cameras' selected. The main area is titled 'Camera Configuration' and contains a grid of settings: Overview, Network, Time, Hardware, Audio, Video, Arming, Events, Recording (highlighted with a red box), Notification & Transfer, Actions, and Analytics. A blue callout box points to the 'Basic Settings' header and contains the following text:

The **Camera Configuration** is not available if you do not have an **Advanced Configuration** license. Without this license, please configure the corresponding settings in the browser interface of the camera.

Step 5 – Configure Camera Recording (3)

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Recording

General | **Recording Mode** | **Storage** | Backup Storage | Monitoring

Recording Medium: RAM Buffer

Encryption Key: []

1. Open **Storage** tab.
2. Select **RAM Buffer**.
3. Copy this setting to all desired cameras using Drag&Drop in the configuration bar.

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Configuration Bar

Search
Cameras & Settings
Recording Medium
SD Flash Card
M16Thermal
RAM Buffer
M16

Step 5 – Configure Camera Recording (4)

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Configuration Bar

Recording

Backup Storage

Backup Medium: SMB/CIFS File Server

URL: 10.0.0.100

Folder: recordmxiot

User name: admin

Password:

NTLM mode: NTLM

Max. Backup Size [GiB]: 90,00

Reboot Required

To apply your changes, the following devices must be rebooted:

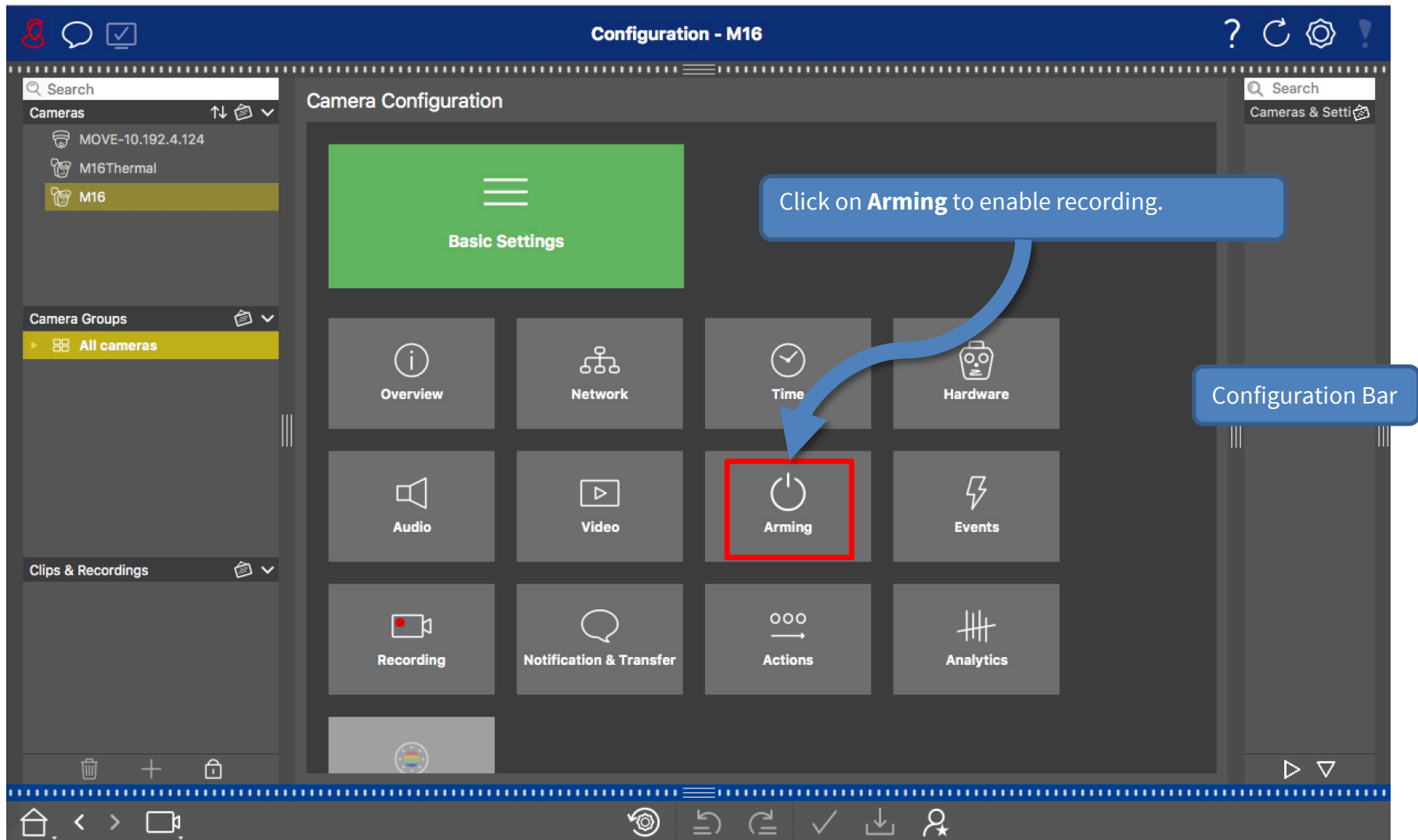
Type	Name	URL
	M16	10.22.224.129
	M16Thermal	10.22.94.45

Reboot later **Reboot**

1. Open **Backup Storage**.
2. Select **SMB/CIFS File Server**.
3. Enter MOBOTIX NAS IP address.
4. Enter the share name of the NAS.
5. Enter user name and password for accessing the share.
6. Set **Max. Backup Size** for the camera.
7. Copy this setting to all desired cameras using Drag&Drop in the configuration bar.
8. Press the **Store** button to store the configuration.
9. **Reboot** the cameras you just modified.

Step 6 – Configure Camera Arming and Recording Mode (1)

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Step 6– Configure Camera Arming and Recording Mode (2)

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The screenshot displays the Mobotix configuration interface for a camera. The left sidebar shows a list of cameras, including 'MOVE-10.192.4.124', 'M16Thermal', and 'M16'. The 'Arming' settings are shown in the main area, with the 'Arming' dropdown set to 'Enabled' and the 'Time Table Profile' set to '(no timetable)'. A blue callout box provides instructions: 1. Enable the **Arming** (i.e., main switch for recording). 2. Copy this setting to all desired cameras using Drag&Drop in the configuration bar. A blue box labeled 'Configuration Bar' is visible on the right side of the interface.

1. Enable the **Arming** (i.e., main switch for recording).

2. Copy this setting to all desired cameras using Drag&Drop in the configuration bar.

Configuration Bar

Step 6 – Configure Camera Arming and Recording Mode (3)

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Recording Mode

Recording Mode: Continuous Recording

Frames Per Second: 6 fps

Audio: ☐

Event Frame Rate: Max fps

Recording Time After Event: 10 sec

Start Events: All, None, MI, PI, AS, VM2, VM, UC, SI, PE, TT

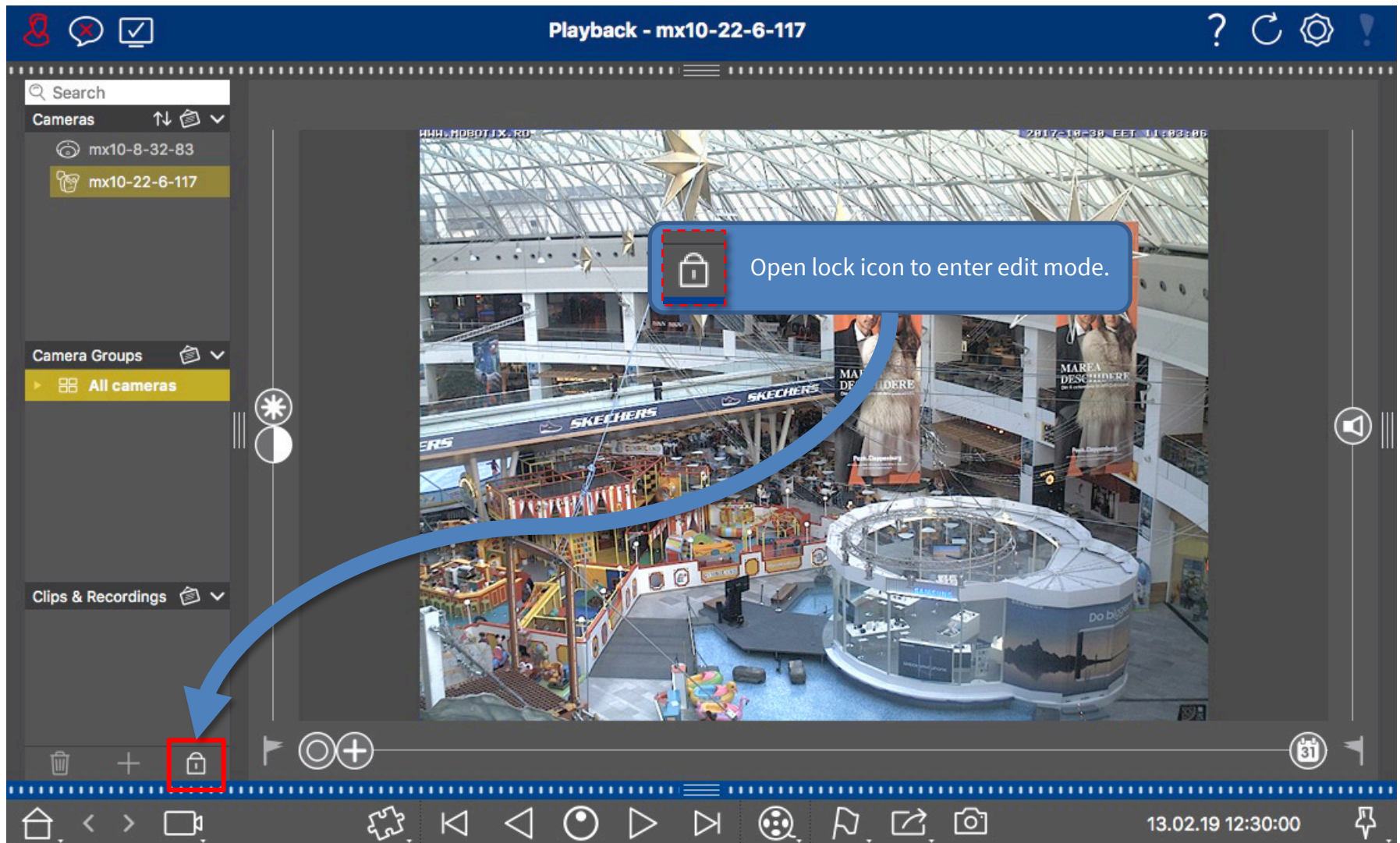
Do you want to permanently store the configuration changes?
You can discard the changes that have been made since the configuration was last stored.

Discard Cancel Store

1. Open **Recording Mode** tab.
2. Select **Continuous Recording**.
3. Set parameters (additional settings for event recording).
4. Copy these settings to all desired cameras using Drag&Drop in the configuration bar.
5. Press **Store** button at the bottom.
6. Press **Store** in the dialog.

Step 7 – Assign Cameras to Share (1)

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Step 7 – Assign Cameras to Share (2)

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Multi-Camera Configuration

Cameras >

User Name admin

Password [MultipleValues]

Environment Default

Background Alarms ☐

Remote ☐

SSL ☒

Bandwidth HiRes

Bandwidth Settings >

Recording Settings MxNAS_IoT

Alarms ☒

Remove

Recording Settings

Recording Path MxNAS_IoT

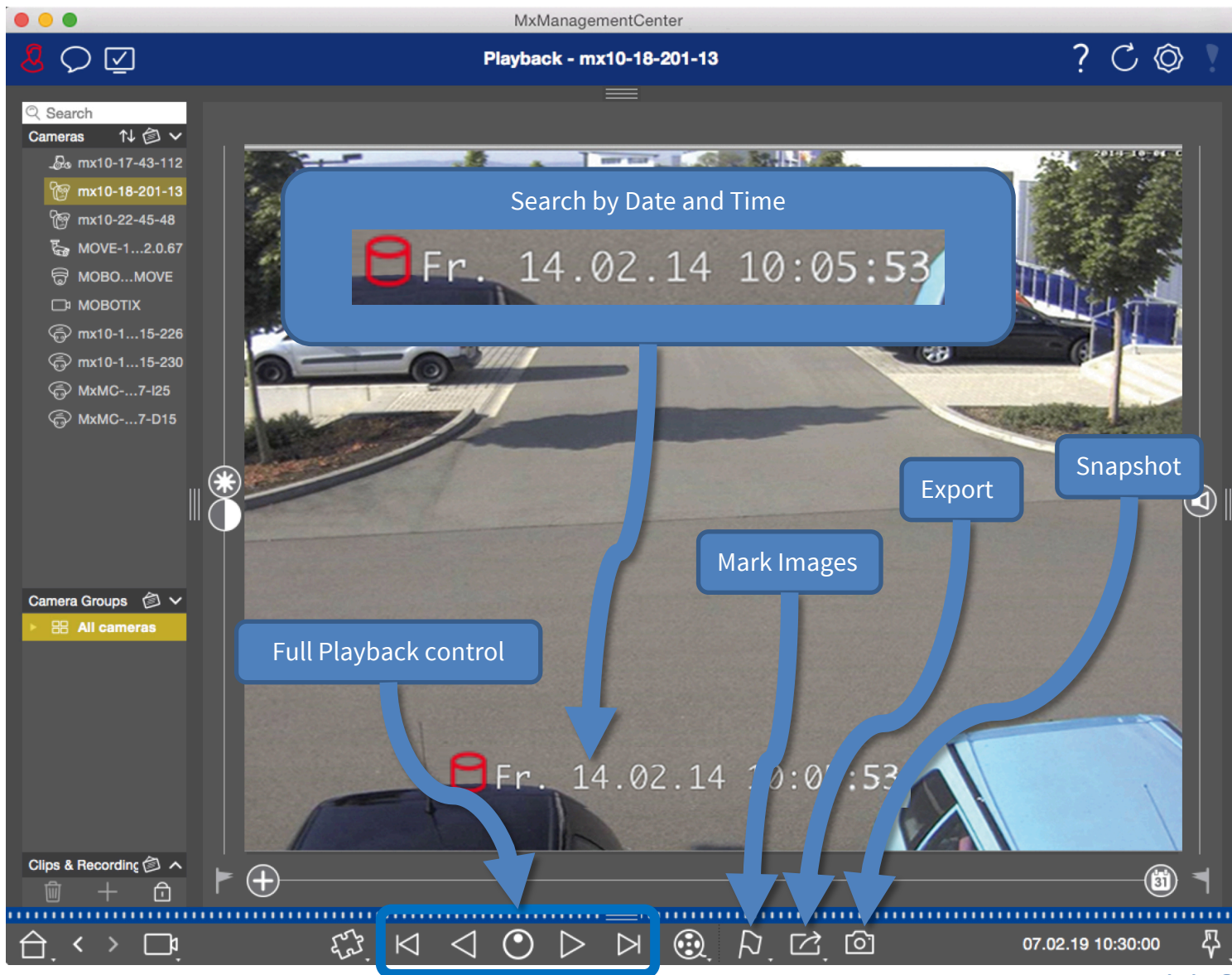
Format MxFFS

MxFFS Key Key

Device Directory

OK

1. Select all cameras that will be using the same share.
2. Right-click the cameras to open the configuration dialog.
3. Click on **Recording Settings**.
4. Select the **Recording Path**.
5. Wait until **Device Directory** shows status **OK**.
6. Close the dialogs.
7. Click on the lock icon to close the edit mode.



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