

Setting Up Your ComicBase DX4 Wired Laser Barcode Scanner

Getting Started

1. Insert the scanner's cord into an available USB port. Wait a moment for it to be recognized by your computer.
2. Assemble the scanner's stand, if desired, for hands-free scanning.
3. Setup your scanner for by scanning each of the Easy Setup codes below.

Scanning Tip!

Hold the scanner far enough away from the code so that the scanner will see the entire code (usually about 12 inches away for comics). If you hold it too close, the “supplemental” (smaller group of digits at the right of the code) might not be detected and you'll need to scan again to get the full code.

Easy Setup

This will set up the scanner to properly recognize the barcodes used by comics, books, magazines, and ComicBase.

It will automatically determine whether an EAN-13 code contains a supplemental (smaller group of digits at the right), and will work with codes which either do or do not have such a group (most comics have supplementals).

1. Enable 2-Digit Supplementals (EAN-13)



2. Enable 5-Digit Supplementals (EAN-13)



3. Prevent extra spaces before supplemental



4. Enable starting and terminating CODABAR characters



5. OPTIONAL: Turn on (or off) Auto-scanning for use with a stand and hands-free scanning

Auto-Scanning On



Auto-Scanning Off (default)



Setting the Beep Sound

Mute



Medium



Low



High



Scanning Items into ComicBase

ComicBase Professional and Archive Editions:

- Use the **Items > Add by Barcode** command (**Ctrl-I**) to add many items at once to your collection (recommended)
- Or use the **Items > Sales Terminal** command (**Ctrl+L**) to sell multiple items at once and remove them from your collection.

All Editions:

- Use the **Edit > Jump to Issue** command (**Ctrl+J**) to automatically move the cursor to the find field on the main screen, then scan in a barcode to be taken directly to that item.
- Once at an item, you can instantly set the quantity in stock by pressing a number from 0-9 on your keyboard, or press **Enter** to edit the item in detail.

For additional Help and Info

- Check out the **Support > Barcode Scanner FAQ** on comicbase.com for answers to common questions.
- We've also published a number of cool articles on what all the secret stuff in barcodes is all about. If you're interested, you can find those under our **Support > Tips and Tricks** section at comicbase.com.