# **MİPRO**<sup>®</sup>

**User Guide** 

ACT-51B / ACT-52B ACT-51 / ACT-52 WIRELESS MICROPHONE SYSTEMS





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# **! IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS !**

- 1. Read these instructions.
- 2. Keep these instructions.
- 3. Heed all warnings.
- 4. Follow all instructions.
- 5. Do not use this apparatus near water.
- 6. Clean only with a dry cloth.
- 7. Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- 8. Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- 9. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarised or ground plug: A polarised plug has two blades with one wider than the other. The wide blade is provided for your safety. When the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
- 10. Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plug, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
- 11. Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- 12. Use only with a cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table specified by the manufacturer, or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over.



- Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
- 14. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.
- 15. To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture.
- 16. Apparatus should not be exposed to dripping or splashing and no objects filled with liquids, should be placed on the apparatus.
- 17. Use only with the battery which specified by manufacturer.
- 18. The power supply cord set is to be the main disconnected device.
- 19. Where the MAINS plug or an appliance coupler is used as the disconnect device, the disconnect device shall remain readily operable.

# WARNING

# 1. FOR OUTDOOR USE:

To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture.

# 2. UNDER WET LOCATION:

Apparatus should not be exposed to dripping or splashing and no objects filled with liquids, such as vases should be placed on the apparatus.

# 3. SERVICE INSTRUCTIONS:

CAUTION - These servicing instructions are for use by qualified service personnel only. To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not perform any servicing other than that contained in the operating instructions unless you are qualified to do so.





This symbol indicates that dangerous voltage constituting a risk of electric shock is present within this unit.

This symbol indicates that there are important operating and maintenance  $\Delta$  instructions in the literature accompanying this unit.

# F© & IC - ID

THIS DEVICE COMPLIES WITH PART15 OF THE FCC RULES AND RSS-123 ISSUE2 OF CANADA. OPERATION IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TWO CONDITIONS:

(1) This device may not cause interference.

(2) This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device. This equipment complies with FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment.

# **Disposal** Dispose of any unusable devices or batteries responsibly and in accordance with any applicable regulations.



Disposing of used batteries with domestic waste is to be avoided!

Batteries / NiCad cells often contain heavy metals such as cadmium(Cd), mercury(Hg) and lead(Pb) that makes them unsuitable for disposal with domestic waste. You may return spent batteries/ accumulators free of charge to recycling centres or anywhere else batteries/accumulators are sold.

By doing so, you contribute to the conservation of our environment!

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# **DIVERSITY RECEIVERS**

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# **PRODUCT OVERVIEW**

The receivers feature a full-color Vacuum Fluorescent Display (VFD) which delivers a very bright light with exceptionally clear contrast. The VFD has a wide viewing angle and can be viewed clearly in both indoor and outdoor environments.

The panel displays all pertinent parameters on the same screen, audio professionals can clearly monitor group, channel, working frequency, RF & audio signal strength, diversity condition, transmitter battery level, squelch level and indication of interference at a glance.

The diversity technology ensures optimal reception and freedom of movement, while the industry's first AutoScan & Automatic Channel Targeting (ACT) channel set-up technology and dual-squelch "PiloTone & NoiseLock" circuits minimize interference.

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# **MIPRO'S PROPRIETARY "ACT" FUNCTION & OPERATION**

#### What is ACT?

"ACT" stands for "Automatic Channel Targeting". MIPRO developed and patented this innovative infrared (IR) technology in 2001. MIPRO was the first manufacturer in the industry to automatically synchronize the frequency selected on the receiver to any ACT handheld or bodypack transmitter on the same frequency band.

#### **ACT Benefits**

- No manual frequency adjusting needed, unlike traditional transmitters.
- Simple, fast and precise frequency set-up without mechanical errors.
- Once the frequency has been set, the data is stored in memory, meaning that the frequency is set until it is changed by performing the "ACT" function again, even after powering off.

#### ACT Set-Up

- Ensure a receiver channel is set up and transmitter batteries are fresh, installed correctly and powered-on.
- Press the ACT button on the receiver to activate the ACT syncing function. Once activated, the RF meter cursor and working frequency start blinking.
- Bring ACT handheld or bodypack transmitter within 30cm (12") of the IR port on the receiver. The IR port is located between the <u>ACT</u> and <u>▼</u> buttons and indicated by a round-shaped red color spot. The frequency will sync automatically.
- When the frequencies are synchronized successfully between the receiver and transmitter, the RF meter cursor and working frequency stop blinking and the indicators in the RF meter are lit.



# PART NAMES AND FUNCTIONS

# **Front Panel**

#### ACT-51B /ACT-51



# ACT-52B / ACT-52



- **Antenna "A" Front Mount:** Allows an optional FBC-71 rear-to-front antenna cable for front antenna placement.
- 2 Receiver Display: Color VFD.
- **3** Power On/Off Button: Press and hold button to power on and power off.
- Antenna "B" Front Mount: Allows an optional FBC-71 rear-to-front antenna cable for front antenna placement.

# Rear Panel



- **6 Rear Antenna "B" Input Connector:** The "B" antenna can be installed directly to this antenna connector which also provides power to an optional antenna booster.
- **Balanced Audio Output Jack:** XLR type connector provides balanced audio output signal from this jack to the mixer, and output level selectable from among 3 levels:

"-6dB", "0dB" and "+16dB".

- **Level Switch:** "0dB" selection is for "Microphone-level" output. "+10dB" selection is for "AUX level" output. "-6dB" selection is for half of cable microphone volume.
- **Unbalanced Audio Output Jack:** 6.3mm (1/4") PHONE PLUG type connector provides unbalanced audio output signal from this jack to the mixer. Output level is selectable from among 3 levels: "-6dB", "0dB" and "+10dB".
- Balanced and Unbalanced Output Switch : Switch to "MIXED" mode, audio from both channels will be mixed out from BALANCED OUTPUT B (3) and UNBALANCED OUTPUT B (3). Switching to "SEPARATE" mode (available in ACT-52B/ACT-52 only) and each channel has individual output.
- DC Input Jack: For 12 volt DC supply.
- Rear Antenna "A" Input Connector: The "A" antenna can be installed directly to this antenna connector which also provides power to an optional antenna booster.
- **B Rack-Mount Brackets:** To install the receiver into a standard 19-inch rack case.
- Auto Power On/Off Switch:

**ON position:** The receiver turns on automatically when plugged-in during "ON" position.

**OFF position:** The receiver needs to be powered-on & off manually by pressing and holding the Power On/Off Button (3) during "OFF" position. **Note:** Default = "OFF" position.

**GND Connector:** For grounding protection and stabilization.



- 1. Antenna Installation: Install 2 separate antennas on the antenna sockets (5), (2) on the rear panel. Illustrated in Figure 1.
- 2. **Connecting the power supply:** Connect the AC/DC adapter cable to the 12V DC Input Jack ( illustrated in Figure 1. Next plug the adapter unit into an appropriate AC outlet with caution to the correct voltage and rating, as shown in Figure 1.
- 3. Audio Output Connection:
  - Level Switch ♥, ① Setting Position: When connecting from receiver's balanced output to the "LINE-IN" jack of a mixer or amplifier or "Electric Guitar", switch the Level Switch ♥, ① to "+10dB" position. Low sensitivity may occur if switch to the wrong level position. When connecting from receiver's balanced output to the "MIC-IN" jack of a mixer or amplifier; switch the Level Switch ♥, ① to "OdB" position. Overload distortion may occur if switch to the wrong level position. Overload distortion may occur if switch to the wrong level position. When using electric guitar, don't use "OdB" or "-6dB" position as it may have generated insufficient level. There are lots of amplifiers for Karaoke machine in today's market; however, gain of amplifier's "MIC IN" is not unified. Therefore, if distortion is encountered, please switch the Level Switch ♥, ① to "-6dB" position.
  - Unbalanced Output: Using audio output cable attached with "PHONE PLUG" type, connect one end from the unbalanced output jack (3, 12) of the receiver, and the other end to the "LINE-IN" input jack of the amplifier, as shown in Figure 1.
  - **Balanced Output:** Using audio output cables with "XLR" or "Cannon" type connectors, connect one end to the balanced output jacks (), () of the receiver, and the other end to the "MIC IN" input jack of the mixer or amplifier, as shown in Figure 1. (The configuration of the 3-pin connector is as shown in Figure 2.)



• **Electrical Guitar Output:** Using audio output cable attached with "PHONE PLUG" type, plug one end from the balanced output jack of a receiver, and the other end to the input jack of a guitar amplifier. Switch the Level Switch (2), (1) to "+10dB" position.

# **RACKMOUNT INSTALLATION FOR RECEIVERS**

#### Single half-rack receiver

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Install provided rack mount kit and fasten with screws on both sides. (Figure 3)



#### (Figure 3)

#### **Dual half-rack receivers**

- Unfasten the top and bottom screws for each receiver. Push the receivers next to each other.
- Place holding plates on top and bottom of the two receivers first, and following the directions, slide both plates into position over the screw holes. Then tighten screws (screws should be used in their original location; i.e., top screws for top holding plate and bottom screws for bottom holding plate).
- After both receivers are fixed together, fasten the rack mount kit on both sides of the joined receivers as shown in Figure 4.



# **RECEIVER OPERATING TIPS**

- Prior to powering on the receiver, ensure all transmitters are turned off and the mixer's volume control is set to a minimized setting.
- Normally, the RF meter level glows when a transmitter is powered on to indicate the receiver is ready for operation. Once an audio signal is received from the transmitter, the AF (audio) meter level glows based on signal strength. If the meter or indicator does not glow or there is no audio output, the system may not be set up properly. Re-check that the transmitter is turned on and the receiver and transmitter are on the same frequency (if not, the transmitter will need to be reset via the ACT function).
- The microphone output level needs to be adjusted at the amplifier or mixer. There is no need to adjust output levels at the receiver itself.
- The antenna inputs provide 8-volt DC biased and are designed to work with MIPRO antenna boosters. If the connecting cable is longer than 10 meters (approx. 30'), it is advisable to install an antenna booster to ensure optimal reception.
- Antenna dividers and receivers must be from the same frequency band.

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# **Receiver Rack-Mount Kits**



The rack mountable kits are pre-drilled with 4 opening holes to be fitted on an EIA standard 19-inch rack case. (Figure 5)



For ideal reception and performance, install the receiver at least 1 meter (3 feet) above the ground and away from EMI / RFI "noise" sources. In addition, place the transmitter microphone at least 1 meter (3 feet) away from the receiving antenna, as shown. (Figure 6)



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# **RECEIVER VFD INTERFACE**

**Displays all Parameters** 



# **Display Panel and Buttons**



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# **Receiver Parameters**

#### MENU button: To set receiver parameter values

3 parameters can be selected and programmed by the MENU button. See instructions below:

# GRP GROUP setting



## Instructions:

- 1. Press and release the <u>MENU</u> button once. The ----GRP---- cursor starts blinking to denote it is ready to accept parameter changes.
- 2. During blinking, press 💌 or 🔺 button to one of the 6 groups.
- 3. Press and release the MENU button once to confirm the change. The ----GRP---cursor stops blinking and the new group is now stored into memory.

## To exit GRP mode:

1. GRP mode deactivates automatically if 💌 or 🔺 button is not pressed within 5 seconds. The VFD panel dims automatically, too.



# CHANNEL setting



## To Set Channel via AutoScan:

- 1. Press and release the MENU button once. The RF meter cursor starts blinking to denote it is ready to accept parameter changes.
- 2. During blinking, press and release the release or button once will AutoScan and stop at one of 8 preset interference-free channels.
- 3. Press and release the MENU button once to confirm the change. The RF meter cursor stops blinking and the new channel is now stored into memory.

During blinking RF cursor: Press  $\triangledown$  or  $\blacktriangle$  button to start AutoScan



#### To exit AutoScan mode:

1. AutoScan mode deactivates automatically if robutton is not pressed within 5 seconds. The VFD panel dims automatically, too.

# To Set Channel Manually:

- 1. Press and release the MENU button once. The RF meter cursor starts blinking to denote it is ready to accept parameter changes.
- 2. During blinking, <u>press and hold</u> the  $\frown$  or  $\frown$  button. Pressing the  $\frown$  or  $\frown$ button will decrease or increase the channel setting by one.
- 3. Press and release the MENU button once to confirm the change. The RF meter cursor stops blinking and the new channel is now stored into memory.



## To exit Manual mode:

Manual model deactivates automatically if  $\frown$  or  $\frown$  button is not pressed within 5 seconds. The VFD panel dims automatically, too.



# SQ SQUELCH setting



# Instructions:

- 1. Press and release the MENU button once. The ----SQ---- cursor starts blinking to denote it is ready to accept parameter changes.
- 2. During blinking, press resolution to decrease or increase sensitivity level by 1 indicator.
- 3. Press and release the MENU button once to confirm the change. The ----SQ---cursor stops blinking and the new squelch level is now stored into memory.

**NOTE:** The higher the level indicators, the lower the sensitivity which shortens the transmission ranges. The lower the level indicators, the higher the sensitivity which increases the transmission ranges.

# To exit SQ mode:

1. SQ mode deactivates automatically if 💌 or 🔺 button is not pressed within 5 seconds. The VFD panel dims automatically, too.

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# SETTING ACT TRANSMITTER FREQUENCY

#### To Activate:

• Press and release Act button on the receiver to activate the ACT mode. Once activated, the RF meter cursor and working frequency on the receiver start blinking. Blinking will stop when IR signal is received by the handheld or boydpack transmitter or no IR signal is received within 5 seconds.

#### To Cancel:

- During blinking, press and release the Act button again on the receiver to cancel.
- During blinking, do not press any button. Blinking stops and cancels automatically after 10 seconds if no button is pressed.

#### Instructions:

- 1. Ensure a receiver channel is set up and transmitter batteries are fresh, installed correctly and powered-on.
- 2. Press the ACT button on the receiver to activate the ACT function. Once activated, the RF meter cursor and working frequency start blinking.
- 3. Bring ACT handheld or bodypack transmitter within 30cm (12") of the IR port on the receiver. The IR port is located between the Act and buttons and indicated by a round-shaped red color spot. The frequency will sync automatically.
- 4. When the frequencies are synchronized successfully the RF meter cursor and working frequency stop blinking and the indicators in the RF meter are lit.



# BAT: Transmitter Battery Meter (display in receiver)



## **Battery Status:**

The battery meter is lit when the transmitter is powered on. The battery meter gives a percentage (%) indication of remaining battery life, as shown above. Replace with new, fresh batteries when battery indicators fall to 10% (1 indicator remaining).

The **BAT** cursor starts blinking when transmitter is powered-on and signal is received. After  $3 \sim 5$  seconds, the cursor will stop blinking and accurate battery level will be displayed.

# AUTO POWER ON/OFF SWITCH

#### **OFF Position:**

- **Power-On Receiver:** Press and hold POWER button for 1~2 seconds. The panel will be turned-on (factory default position = OFF)
- **Power-Off Receiver:** Press and hold POWER button for 1~2 seconds. The panel will be turned-off.

**NOTE:** The receiver panel will dim automatically if no signals are received or any button is pressed within 5 seconds after powered-on.

- Lit Panel Continuously: After powered-on, press the POWER button twice within 1 second will force the panel to be lit continuously.
- **Cancel Lit Panel Continuously:** Press the POWER button twice within 1 second again will cancel it.

#### **ON Position:**

- **Power-On Receiver:** The receiver turns on automatically when plugged-in during "ON" position.
- **Power-Off Receiver:** Press and hold POWER button for 1~2 seconds. The panel will be turned-off.

**NOTE:** The receiver panel will dim automatically if no signals are received or any button is pressed within 5 seconds after powered-on.

# GENERAL TIPS FOR IMPROVING SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

- 1. Since the installation of the antenna influences the operating efficiency of the receiver, the most important rule is to minimize the distance and maintain a line-of-sight between the receiving antenna and the transmitter for optimal reception and performance.
- Use MIPRO supplied antennas to ensure proper receiver sensitivity. The external DC power supply should not fall under 12V, otherwise it would not work properly. If it is over 15V, some components of the receiver will be damaged.
- 3. A built-in worldwide approved switching power supply assures stable performance in the range of 100~240V AC power input.
- 4. The antenna socket provides an 8V DC biased output. Therefore, shorting on the antenna socket should be avoided. Temporary shorting on the antenna socket will not affect system performance; however, continuous shorting on the antenna socket will cause permanent system damage.
- 5. If extended reception distance is needed, installing a MIPRO AT-90, directional antenna kit, which includes internal boosters will increase the reception distance.
- 6. Proper antenna distribution is vital to achieving ideal performance from multiple wireless systems operating in the same environment. To greatly reduce antenna clutter in multi-system installations, a MIPRO AD-707, UHF antenna divider system is recommended. Each AD-707 supports up to four UHF diversity receivers to operate from a single pair of antennas. When combined with an AT-70A omnidirectional extension antenna and an AT-70B antenna booster or an AT-90 directional antenna, the AD-707 antenna divider provides optimal signal reception with minimal dropouts or interference.
- 7. MIPRO's factory preset Interference-free channels within the same channel group are recommended to ensure optimum performance from multiple wireless systems installed in the same venue. Use of preset Interference-free channels from different channel groups may cause interference, thus is not recommended.

#### Notes

- 1. Refer to actual product in the event of product description discrepancy.
- 2. Frequency range and maximum deviation comply with the regulations of different countries.

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