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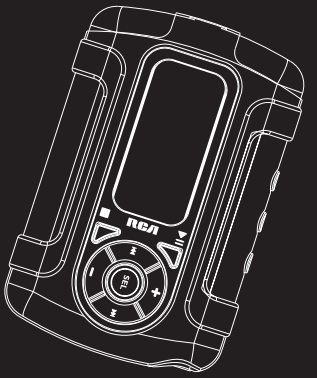

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- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Technical Specification

Product: Digital Audio Player
Brand: RCA
Model: S1000, S1001, S1010, S1031, SC1000, SC1001, SC1002

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Before You Begin

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"Dear RCA Customer,
Thank you for purchasing the RCA Digital Audio Player. This product will play open mp3 and Windows Media™ audio (WMA) content as well as content purchased from most online music download services.
After purchasing and downloading music to your PC, you are now ready to move content to your player. To transfer the music, you must use Windows Media Player or the application recommended by the online music download service.
(Note: Services and applications must be Windows Media audio-compliant and support Digital Rights Management.)"

Unpacking your unit

When you unpack your new player, be sure you have removed all the accessories and documentation. The items below should have been packed in the box with your player.

- RCA player
- Music Management CD
- USB connection cable
- Clip Earphones
- Neck Strap
- Armband
- Carrying case
- Belt clip

What's so special about this mp3 player?

This player is meant to play mp3 and Windows Media™ audio files.
To do so, you need the use of a Windows computer with a USB port , USB extension cable (included) and a music management software.

Computer system requirements

- Pentium III 500MHz or higher recommended
  Macintosh iMac G3 or higher
- Windows ®98SE, Me, 2000 (SP3 or higher), or XP
  Mac OS X Version 10.1.5 or higher
- Internet Explorer 4.0 or higher
- Internet access
- 100MB free hard disk space for the software
- 64MB RAM (128 MB recommended)
- CD-ROM drive capable of digital audio extraction
- USB port (2.0 recommended)
- Sound card

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Warning:

Use of this product is for your personal use only. Unauthorized recording or duplication of copyrighted material may infringe upon the rights of third parties and may be contrary to copyright laws.

Precautions for the Unit

- Do not use the unit immediately after transportation from a cold place to a warm place; condensation problem may result.
- Avoid shock to the unit.
- Do not store the unit near fire, places with high temperature or in direct sunlight.
- Do not operate or store unit in places with frequent static electricity or electrical noise (e.g. speaker, TV set).
- Clean the unit with a soft cloth or a damp chamois leather. Never use solvents.
- The unit must only be opened by qualified personnel.

Caution

- Keep product out of direct sunlight. Exposure to direct sunlight or extreme heat (such as inside a parked car) may cause damage or malfunction.
- Do not expose to rain or moisture.

Caution while Driving

Use of headphones while operating an automobile or moving vehicle is not recommended and is unlawful in some states and areas. Be careful and attentive on the road. Stop operation of the unit if you find it disruptive or distracting while driving.

Headset Safety

Have a Blast- Just Not in Your Eardrums

Make sure you turn down the volume on the unit before you put on headphones. Increase the volume to the desired level only after headphones are in place.

- Do not play your headset at a high volume. Hearing experts warn against extended high-volume play.
- If you experience a ringing in your ears, reduce volume or discontinue use.
- You should use extreme caution or temporarily discontinue use in potentially hazardous situations. Even if your headset is an open-air type designed to let you hear outside sounds, don't turn up the volume so high that you are unable to hear what is around you.

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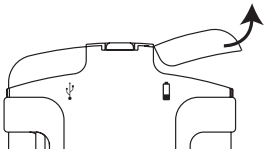
Inserting Battery into the Player

Slide the battery compartment door to the side and lift up to open. Insert a AAA-size battery with polarities corresponding to the indications on the compartment. Close the door after the battery is inserted.



Important Battery Information

- When storing the unit , be sure to remove the battery because they may leak and damage the unit.
- Battery may leak electrolyte if inserted incorrectly, if disposed of in fire, or if an attempt is made to charge a battery not intended to be recharged.
- Discard leaky battery immediately. Leaking battery may cause skin burns or other personal injury.
- Dispose of battery, according to federal, state and local regulations.

Caution

- The battery used in this device may present a risk of fire, explosion, or chemical burn if mistreated. Do not separately recharge, disassemble, heat above 100ºC (212ºF), or incinerate.
- Do not place the battery under direct sunlight or in excessively hot places over 45ºC (113ºF) such as the dashboard of car.
- Dispose of used battery promptly. Keep away from children. Do not disassemble and do not dispose of in fire.

General Controls

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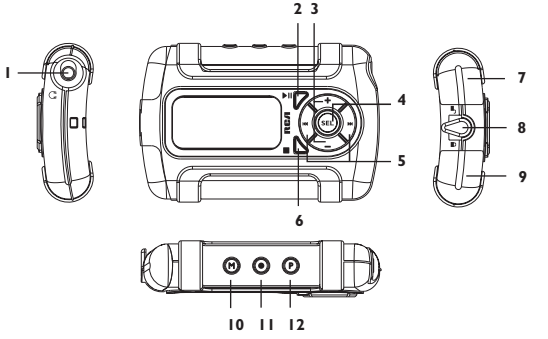


1. 🎧 - headphone jack.
2. ⏯ - switches on the player; during playback, pauses and resumes playback; when listening to radio, switched between preset and manual mode; when in Stopwatch mode, starts and stops the stopwatch.
3. **+/–** - adjust volume. During menu navigation, press **+** or **–** to move along menu items at the same level.
4. **SEL** - press to: select music as My Selections; confirm selections; select options in menu setting.
5. ⏮ / ⏭ - skip backward or forward a file; search through a file. During menu navigation, press ⏮ or ⏭ to go back or in one leve.
6. ■ - stops playback; press and hold to switch off the player.
7. - USB connector - Lift the cover up to open.
8. Lock switch - slide to the locked icon to prevent accidental key activation. The lock icon shows on the display when keys are locked.
9. - Battery compartment - slide the cover to the side and lift it up to open. Insert one AAA-size battery to power the player. The battery icon shows on the display to indicate battery level. Replace battery when the icon is empty.
10. **M** - accesses the player's menu.
11. ● - starts and pauses radio recording.
12. **P** - accesses the pedometer's menu.

Transferring Files to Player

You should refer to the software manual for details in software installation, connecting your player with the computer and transferring files to the player.

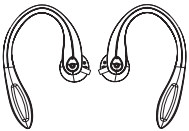
Attention
Do not disconnect the USB connection during music download. Doing so may corrupt system files or the files being downloaded.

Using the Accessories

Using Clip Earphones

The right ear clip phone is labeled R while the left ear clip phone is labeled L.

1. Slide the ear hook behind the ear with the ear pad on the front of the ear.



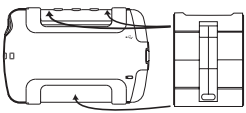
2. For best sound quality, make sure the earpad fits closely with your ear.

Using Armband

Insert the player into the carrying case and secure with the case button. Slide the armband through the case's ring. The unit will seem to have a lot of movement within the armband, but once it is on the arm the slack and movement will be less. Adjust the length of the armband if necessary.

Using Belt Clip

Snap the belt clip to the back of the unit. Recommend inserting the bottom of the clip in first and then snapping the top into place.



It is recommended to use the belt clip while using the pedometer. The belt clip should be fixed at waist level (e.g. on the belt) for more accurate measurement.

The belt clip cannot be used at the same time with the carrying case. You should remove the player from the carrying case before using the belt clip.

Quick Start

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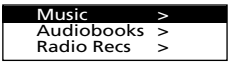
How Files are Organized?

The files transferred to the player will be sorted automatically so that you can easily find and play them. They are sorted as below:

- Music
- Audiobooks
- Radio Recs
- My Selections
- Folders



Note: Radio Recs are recorded files from the radio (see "Radio Recording"); My Selections are your preferred files (see "My Selections") and all mp3, wma and audible files are listed in the Folders menu.

Music files are further sorted as below:

- Artists
- Albums
- Titles
- Genres
- Years

The navigation menu is displayed when playback is stopped or when **M** is pressed during playback.

Menu Navigation

To navigate through the menu, press ⏭ to go into a menu level, press + or – to move along menu items at the same level. Press ⏮ to go back up a menu level.

If the selected item is a music, audible or recorded file, press ⏯ or ⏭ will start playback.

Basic Operation

Refer to the following for basic operations. For detailed operations and advanced features, please refer to the relevant sections.

Switching On and Off Player

- Press ⏯ to turn on the unit.
- To turn off the player completely, press and hold ■ .

Playing / Pausing

- Press ⏯ to begin playback.
- Press ⏯ to pause playback, press again to resume playback.

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Skipping Files

- To skip to the next file, press and release ⏭ .
- To go to the previous file, press and release ⏮ within the beginning 4 seconds of the current file. Otherwise, press and release ⏮ twice.

Note: for sectioned audible files, press ⏯ once to pause playback and then perform the steps above to go to the previous or next audible files. Otherwise, the previous or next section will be skipped to without pressing ⏯ .

Scanning Files

- To scan backward, press and hold ⏮ .
- To scan forward, press and hold ⏭ .

Listening to Radio

1. While the display shows the navigation screen for file selection, press **M** to access the player's menu. (If the display shows the playback screen, press **M** twice to access the player's menu.)
2. While "Go to" is highlighted in the menu, press ⏭ to enter into the submenu.

Go to	>
Shuffle	Off
Repeat	Off

3. While "Radio" is highlighted, press **SEL** to switch on the radio.

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4. Press ⏮ or ⏭ to select frequency. Press and hold for about 2 seconds to start automatic search for the previous or next station.

Operation in Sports Mode

- For accurate use of the pedometer, remember to enter your personal information. (Refer to the paragraph "Personal Information" on page 12)
- To measure your stride length, measure the distance traveled by walking 20 steps and divide distance by 20.

20 steps (Distance traveled)

$$\text{Stride length} = \frac{\text{Distance traveled}}{20}$$

MP3 and WMA Playback

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Basic Playback

Refer to "Quick Start".

Random Playback

While the display shows the navigation screen for file selection, press **M** to access the player's menu. (If the display shows the playback screen, press **M** twice to access the player's menu.) Press **–** to highlight "Shuffle". Press **SEL** repeatedly to select between turning on or off shuffle mode. The shuffle icon lights on the display.

Repeat Playback

While the display shows the navigation screen for file selection, press **M** to access the player's menu. (If the display shows the playback screen, press **M** twice to access the player's menu.) Press **–** to highlight "Repeat". Press **SEL** repeatedly to select a repeat mode (Repeat One , Repeat All and Repeat Off).
The corresponding icon lights on the display.

Tips:
Shuffle on + Repeat one = a file is selected randomly and played repeatedly.
Shuffle on + Repeat All = Files are played in random order repeatedly.

My Selections

My Selections is a playlist of your preferred files.

1. Select your preferred files in one of the following ways:
- Press and hold **SEL** while you are listening to a preferred file until "Added to MySel" shows on the display.
- Press and hold **SEL** while you are browsing files in the navigation menu until "Added to MySel" shows on the display. (for more detail on how the navigation menu is laid out, see "Quick Start - How Files are Organized and Menu Navigation).

You may select a file as My Selections as many times as you want, even if it has already been selected. If your selected item is an artist, an album etc., all files within will be selected as My Selections.

2. Select "My Selections" folder from the navigation menu (see "Quick Start - How Files are Organized and Menu Navigation" for details).
3. Press ⏯ to begin playback.

- To clear My Selections, while the display shows the navigation screen for file selection, press **M** to access the player's menu. (If the display shows the playback screen, press **M** twice to access the player's menu.) Press **–** to highlight "Clear MySel". Press **SEL** to confirm clearing.

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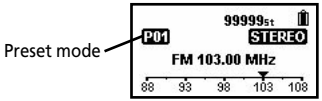
Basic Operations

Refer to "Quick Start" for basic operations.

Manual and Preset Modes

Press ⏯ repeatedly to select between the two modes while listening to the radio.
Manual mode – tuning to stations manually,
Preset mode – selecting stations saved in preset memory



Manual Tuning

Press ⏮ or ⏭ to select frequency. Press and hold for about 2 seconds to start automatic channel search to the next or previous FM station.

Saving Preset Stations

1. Tune to a station to be saved as a preset station (refer to manual tuning).
2. Press **SEL**.
3. Press ⏮ or ⏭ to select a preset number.
4. Press **SEL** to save station to selected preset number.

Selecting Preset Stations

1. Make sure you are in preset mode
2. Press ⏮ or ⏭ to select a preset number.

Clearing Presets

1. In preset mode, press ⏮ or ⏭ to select an unwanted preset number.
2. Press **M** to view the radio sub-menu.
3. Press **–** to highlight "Clear Preset".
4. Press **SEL** to confirm clearing.

Suppressing Stereo Signal

If FM stereo reception is weak, select mono sound to reduce the noise.
1. While listening to the radio, press **M** to view the radio sub-menu.
2. Press **–** to highlight "Mode".
3. Press **SEL** to select between stereo or mono sound.

Stop Listening to the Radio

- Press and hold ■ to turn off the player. OR
- Press **M** while listening to the radio. Select "Go to" and then "Library" by pressing ⏭ twice. The player will return to file navigation for music, audible etc. listening.

Radio Recording

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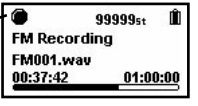
Recording Radio

Radio programs can be recorded as mp3 files. They can be treated in the same way as other mp3 music files.

1. Tune to the station to be recorded.
2. Press ● to start recording. Press again to pause recording. Press again to resume.
3. Press ■ to stop recording.

Recording in progress



Selecting Recording Duration

1. While listening to the radio, press **M** to view the radio sub-menu.
2. Press **–** to highlight "RecDur" (recording duration).
3. Press **SEL** to select among max, 60min, 30 min and 5 min.

Listening to Radio Recordings

1. In music mode (refer to "Stop Listening to the Radio" on the previous page), press **M** to view the main menu.
2. Press **–** to highlight "Radio Recs".
3. Press **SEL** or ⏭ to view radio recordings. Press **+** or **–** to highlight a desired recording.
4. Press ⏭ or ⏯ to play the selected recording.

Note: Radio recordings can also be found in FM directory under folders option.

Deleting Radio Recordings

1 In music mode, press **M** to view the main menu.
2 Press **–** to highlight "Radio Recs".
3 Press **SEL** or ⏭ to view radio recordings. Press **+** or **–** to highlight an unwanted recording.
4 Press **M** and then **–** to highlight "Delete File".
5 Press **SEL** to confirm deletion.

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Sound Feature

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DSP

DSP feature consists of a number of sound effects.
While playback is stopped, press **M** to access player's menu. Press **–** to highlight "DSP". Press **SEL** repeatedly to highlight an effect mode (Flat, Bass, Pop, Rock and Jazz).

Sports Mode

Personal Information

For accurate use of the pedometer, you should have entered your personal information first.

1. Press **M** to view the main menu
2. Press **–** to highlight "Settings" and press **SEL** or ⏭ to enter its sub-menu.
3. Press **–** to highlight "Personal Info" and press **SEL** or ⏭ to enter its sub-menu.
4. Press **+** or **–** to highlight among sex, age, weight, height and stride. Press ⏯ and then ⏮ or ⏭ to adjust values.
5. Press **SEL** to confirm when finished.

Using Pedometer

Press **P** repeatedly to select among Number of Steps, Distance Traveled, Calorie Burned and display off. To reset the pedometer, press and hold **P**.
When the pedometer indicator is off, the pedometer counter is paused. The pedometer counter is resumed when the pedometer indicator is either Number of Steps, Distance Traveled, or Calorie Burnt. If the pedometer information was not reset, then pressing **P** will just resume the count were the pedometer information last ended.

Body Mass Index (BMI)

BMI is a measure which takes into account a person's weight and height to estimate total body fat in adults. It may vary depending on your body type and composition. BMI is calculated by the following formula:

$$BMI = \frac{\text{Body weight (kg)}}{[\text{ Body height (m) }]^2}$$

You should have entered your personal information before checking this index (refer to Personal Information).

Note:
The pedometer is more accurate when the player is in an upright position and fixed at waist level (e.g. on the belt) using the clip belt.

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To check your BMI, press **M** to view the main menu. While "Go to" is highlighted in the menu, press ⏭ to enter the submenu. Press **–** to highlight BMI.

Different BMI ranges correspond to different health condition.

Health Condition	Males	Females
Underweight	Less than 20 (<20)	Less than 18 (<18)
Ideal	greater than or equal to 20 but less than 25 (>=20 but <25)	greater than or equal to 18 but less than 25 (>=18 but <25)
Overweight	greater than or equal to 25 but less than 30 (>=25 but <30)	greater than or equal to 25 but less than 30 (>=25 but <30)
Obese	greater than or equal to 30 (>=30)	greater than or equal to 30 (>=30)

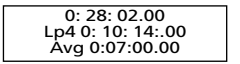
Note: BMI is a general indicator of your health. The information above if a rough estimation only. To have a full understanding of your health condition, consult with your doctor.

Stopwatch

1. To access stopwatch, press **M** to view the main menu
2. While "Go to" is highlighted in the menu, press ⏭ to enter the submenu.
3. Press **–** to highlight "Stopwatch" and press **SEL**.
4. Press ⏯ to start timer. Press ⏯ again to stop and again to resume the timer.
5. While timer is stopped, press ■ to reset time.

Multiple Lap Timing

1. In stopwatch mode, when the timer is running, press **SEL** to start multiple lap timing function.
2. Press **SEL** to mark the second lap time, the unit will display the lap difference and then the average lap time on the display briefly. Repeat this step to mark more laps (maximum 9 laps).



3. Press ⏯ to stop the timer when all laps are finished.
4. Press ■ and then **+** or **–** to review all the lap times.
5. Press ■ to clear all lap times and reset the timer.

Setting the Player

Settings

While the display shows the navigation screen for file selection, press **M** to access the player's menu. (If the display shows the playback screen, press **M** twice to access the player's menu.) Press **–** to highlight "Settings". Press ⏭ to enter the setting menu. The following items are available:

- Contrast (adjusts the display contrast, 7 levels available)
- Backlight (adjusts the duration of display backlight, 4 options available)
- Power Save (adjusts the duration of when unit will shut down automatically, 5 options available)
- Sensitivity (adjusts the pedometer sensitivity, 3 levels available)
- FreqStep (Frequency Step) (selects between US or Europe frequency mode)
- Language (selects the display language, 10 languages available)
- Unit (selects the unit between English or metric system)
- Personal Info (inputs personal details for Sports mode, refer to Sports Mode - Personal Information)
- Advanced (Protocol - switches between MSC or MTP mode, refer to More Information for details)
- Flip Display (selects the display orientation)
- Restore Defaults (restore all settings to default value by pressing **SEL**)

Unless otherwise indicated, select available options within each item by pressing **SEL** repeatedly. To exit the setting menu, press **M** or ⏭ .

System Info

While the display shows the navigation screen for file selection, press **M** to access the player's menu. (If the display shows the playback screen, press **M** twice to access the player's menu.) Press **–** to highlight "System Info". Press **SEL** to check memory usage and software version.

More Information

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Troubleshooting Tips

The player does not turn on when the PLAY button is pressed?

- Battery may be empty.
- Battery may be inserted incorrectly.

Skipping tracks or bad sound quality?

- Repeat, random or program function may be activated.
- There may be strong magnetic fields (e.g. too close to TV) near the unit.
- Low Battery level.

Cannot perform playback?

- LOCK function may be activated.
- There may be no mp3/WMA tracks in the internal memory.

USB display does not appear when connected to computer?

- Check connection between your unit and the computer. (Refer to the software instruction manual)
- Check if the USB drivers are properly installed if you are using Windows 98SE.
- You may have to re-associate the drive letter that was assigned to the device. Please check your help on Windows for details on assigning a different drive letter.

Cannot playback tracks on the player.

- Make sure audio tracks are encoded in the mp3 or Windows Media formats at supported bitrates. Bitrates supported by the player:
  mp3 – 32 to 320 kbps
  wma – 48 to 192 kbps
- WMA files may be DRM protected and you don't have the proper rights (license) to play the files.
- Check the website and/or application help system of the music download service provider from where the content was purchased for license acquisition details. For more information on how license acquisition works, go to www.microsoft.com/windowsmedia/drm.
- Play the original or downloaded song on your computer to ensure that there was nothing wrong with the encoding of the mp3 or WMA.
- The player's clock is inaccurate. This may cause DRM files to work incorrectly. To fix the problems, install batteries properly and connect the player to the computer using the USB cable. Then connect to the secure service where DRM encoded files came from. The clock should reset and DRM files should now work properly.

More Information

What are MTP and MSC modes?

- MTP (Media Transfer Protocol) mode is essential if you want to transfer DRM content to your player. In MTP mode your player will no longer show up as a drive letter. So programs that were designed to work with a device that shows up as a drive letter will not be able to work directly with the player. Device will be seen as MSC (Mass Storage Class) mode when connected to Windows 2000, 98ME and 98SE operating systems. This mode will show up as a drive letter on your PC. Your device behaves as a detachable drive for file transfer in one or both directions.

The player does not work after reformat.

- In case you need to reformat the player, it must be in FAT or FAT32 format. The player does not work in NTFS format.

What does the PlaysForSure logo mean?

- PlaysForSure is a new logo program from Microsoft®. Consumers can match the PlaysForSure logo on a large selection of devices and online music stores. If you see the logo, you'll know your digital media will play for sure. For more information on the Microsoft PlaysForSure program, visit www.PlaysForSure.com.

Check for Updates

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Frequently Asked Questions

You can get FAQ information at www.rca.com/digitalaudiofaq.

Note:
For better result, we recommend a constant encoded bit rate from 32 to 320kbps for mp3 and 48kbps to 192kbps for Windows Media Audio.
Nevertheless, your unit can play tracks encoded in variable bit rate (VBR).

Note:
This unit may temporarily cease to function if subjected to electrostatic disturbance. To resume normal operation, it may be necessary to cycle the power off and back on or to remove and reinstall the batteries.

U.S. Limited Warranty

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What your warranty covers:
• Defects in materials or workmanship.

For how long after your purchase:
• One year from date of purchase.
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What we will do:
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Dear RCA Customer,
Thank you for purchasing the RCA Digital Audio Player. Our products will play open mp3 and Windows Media™ audio (WMA) content and for certain models, content purchased from most online music download services.

After purchasing and downloading music to your PC, you are now ready to move content to your player. To transfer the music, you may use the applications recommended by the online music download service.

Computer System Requirements

- Pentium III 500MHz or higher recommended
- Windows® 98SE, Me, 2000, or XP
- Internet Explorer 4.0 or higher
- Internet access
- 100MB free hard disk space for the software
- 64MB RAM (128 MB recommended)
- CD-ROM drive capable of digital audio extraction
- USB port (2.0 recommended)
- Sound card

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Before You Begin

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What's so special about this mp3 player?

This player is meant to play mp3 and Windows Media™ audio files transferred in the built-in flash memory. To do so, you need the use of a Windows computer with USB port and a music management software (Yahoo! Music Engine or Window Media Player recommended).

The Music Management CD that comes with your Digital Audio Player contains all of the necessary software components you need to make your Digital Audio Player work properly.

These components do the following:

- to install USB driver (for Windows 98SE users only),
- to use a music management software to organize your music collection,
- to enable you to transfer files from your computer to your Digital Audio Player.

Getting Started

Inserting the Included CD-ROM into CD-ROM Drive

1. Turn on your computer and place the Music Management CD that comes with your digital audio player into your computer.

Note:
Don't connect the USB device to the PC or digital audio player before or during the CD-ROM installation.

If you're running Windows ME/ 2000/ XP, no additional drivers are required. If you're running Windows 98SE, you must install the USB drivers from the CD-ROM in order for the digital audio player to function properly.

2. If the setup screen does not appear, double click My Computer, double click your CD-ROM drive icon, and double click "Install" to run the installer.

Note: The Music Management CD may contain one or more music management software that can help transfer music content to your digital audio player. Please refer to the section on your installed software for basic transfer operations.

Connecting to the Computer

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Connecting the Player to the Computer

Connect the Digital Audio Player to your computer. If a USB connection cable is provided, connect it to the player first before the computer. The larger end of the cable should be connected to the computer while the smaller end to the player.

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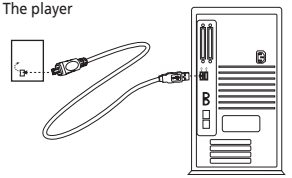

Some models can be directly connected to the USB port of the computer. If necessary, an optional USB extension cable can be used.

The digital audio player will appear as a removable disk drive.

Note

It might take several seconds for the device (the Digital Audio Player) to be detected, especially in Windows 2000/XP. Click Refresh in My Computer or Explorer to make sure the device has been detected.

Note

The Digital Audio Player is capable of transferring files at full-speed when a USB 2.0 connection is used. USB 2.0 is up to 40 times faster than USB 1.1. If a USB 2.0 port is available on your computer, use it to connect to your Digital Audio Player. The player is still backward compatible with the older USB 1.1 ports. However, you will not be able to take full advantage of the potential speed increase.

Transferring Music

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Transferring Files to a Digital Audio Player

Depending on the availability of software on your Music Management CD specific to your digital audio player, you can transfer files to your Digital Audio Player via 1) Yahoo! Music Engine (Windows XP only), 2) Windows Media Player or 3) Windows Explorer (requires no software installation).

If your Digital Audio Player isn't already connected to your computer, connect it to the computer using the provided USB cable as illustrated on the previous page.

- Transferring files via Yahoo! Music Engine (Windows XP only) - refer to page 6,
- Transferring files via Windows Media Player - refer to page 8,
- Transferring files via Windows Explorer (drag-and-drop) - refer to page 9.

Attention
Do not disconnect the USB connection during music download. Doing so may corrupt system files or the files being downloaded.

Note

• Secure music download files can be transferred to your player through Windows Media Player or Yahoo! Music Engine. (Note: Services and applications must be Windows Media audio-compliant and support Digital Rights Management. Windows XP with Service Pack 1 required.) (Apple iTunesTM music content is not supported).

For more information on Yahoo! Music Engine, visit
http://music.yahoo.com/musicengine

For more information on Windows Media Player, visit
http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia.

• Some wma files may be DRM protected. You must acquire licenses for DRM protected wma files before they can be played on the player. For more information, go to
www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/drm

Transferring Music

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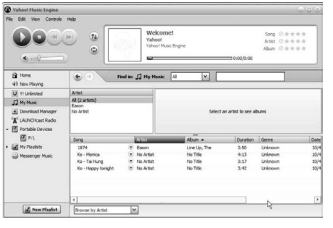
Transferring Files via Yahoo! Music Engine (Windows XP only)

Yahoo! Music Engine lets you manage your music easily and organize like a pro. Create your own playlists: music for work, the gym, or even dinner. You can also buy music and transfer to your digital audio player in seconds. Just drag and drop and you 're done. For more information on the installation and operations, please visit: http://music.yahoo.com/musicengine/



1. Launch the Yahoo! Music Engine.
2. Attach the digital audio player to your computer. You should see the Jukebox name appear in the left navigation pane.
3. In the Yahoo! Music Engine, click My Music or click on a playlist on the left navigation pane.
4. From a playlist (*My Playlists* in the left navigation pane): at the bottom of the Yahoo! Music Engine window, click the **Transfer to Device** button and select the drive letter to where the playlist is to be transferred. OR
5. From My Music: drag and drop files from My Music to the digital audio player. (You may also drag artists and albums from My Music).
6. The Yahoo! Music Engine will check to see if there is sufficient storage space on the device to copy the songs. If not, you will have to reduce the number of songs you are transferring.

Note: Yahoo! Music Engine only works on Windows XP. with Service Pack 1 or higher.

Attention
Make sure all data are transferred to the Digital Audio Player before unplugging the USB connection.

Transferring Music

Yahoo! Music Unlimited: Supercharge the Engine

Yahoo! Music Unlimited is a subscription service with access to over 1 million songs, plus much more. For a low monthly price, you can:

- add any of those million songs to your personal music library to listen,
- transfer to your digital audio player,
- share with others*,
- buy burnable downloads,
- listen to LAUNCHcast Plus, the commercial-free radio service.

To subscribe, click Y! Unlimited in the left navigation pane then click on the graphic offering you a 7-day free trial.

If you have a Yahoo! ID, you will be taken through the account setup process. If you do not have a Yahoo! ID, you will be prompted to sign up for a free Yahoo! account, then you will be taken through the Y! Music Unlimited setup process.

For more information, please visit: http://music.yahoo.com

* Yahoo! Music does not permit copying or transferring music files to other users.

Transferring Music

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Transferring Files via Windows Media Player

If you want to take your music collection with you, you can easily synchronize items in your library to your digital audio player. The Sync feature in the latest version of Windows Media Player and allows you to synchronize files in categories and playlists in your library to your digital audio player. For complete details, see the "Synchronizing media to your device" topic in the Windows Media Player help documentation.

1. Connect your player to the computer and open Windows Media Player, select Library from the menu bar, a screen will appear as below:

2. From the left column, select the songs, categories and/or playlist items you want to copy to the player.
3. Drag the selected items to the right column.
4. Select Sync from the menu bar, a screen will appear as below:

5. Select Start Sync, the selected items will now be automatically transferred to your player.

Attention

Make sure all data are transferred to the Digital Audio Player before unplugging the USB connection.

Transferring Music

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Transferring Files via Windows Explorer (Drag and Drop)

From Windows Explorer, highlight all the files/folders you want to transfer to your Digital Audio Player and drag them to the drive letter that is associated with it.

Attention
Make sure all data are transferred to the Digital Audio Player before unplugging the USB connection.

Attention
Some wma files may be DRM protected and they must be transferred to your player via music management software that supports Windows Media DRM such as Yahoo! Music Engine and Windows Media Player. You cannot listen to these protected files if transferred via Windows Explorer.
For more information, go to www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/drm

Profiling (Model Dependent)

Some models need to be profiled after file transfer. Profiling helps sort audio files on your player so that you can view in the navigation menus and play them properly.

Please check the player's user manual if this step is necessary on your player. Follow the instruction to profile your newly transferred files.

Disconnecting the Player

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Disconnecting Your Player from the Computer

For Windows XP, from the System Tray, double click the left mouse button on the icon and select *Safely Remove Hardware*. Select the drive corresponding to your player and click **STOP**.

The *Stop a Hardware device* screen appears. Select the device to be stopped again for confirmation and click **OK**.

You can also stop your player by left clicking on the icon from the system tray and selecting the drive corresponding to your player.

Before disconnecting the USB connection from the computer or the Digital Audio Player, be sure the "*Safe to Remove Hardware*" message is displayed.

Attention

If you want to go back to USB mode for file transfer at this stage, you need to unplug and connect the player to the PC again.

Attention

Make sure all data are transferred to the Digital Audio Player before unplugging the USB connection.

The description on this page is based on Windows XP. If you are running other operating systems, there may be some differences. See the Windows Help for details about safely removing hardware.

Troubleshooting Tips

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Problem	Checkpoints / Action
After connecting the player to computer, "USB connected" does not appear on the display.	• Make sure the device is powered on. Some players do not automatically come on when plugged into the computer. • Make sure that the USB connections to the computer and device are securely in.
Cannot access the player via Windows 2000 computer.	• Install the Service Pack 3 for Windows 2000. Visit www.windowsupdate.microsoft.com to check for the latest updates.
Cannot playback tracks on the player.	• Make sure audio tracks are encoded in the mp3 or Windows Media formats at supported bitrates. Please check the player's user manual for bitrates supported. • WMA files may be DRM protected and you don't have the proper rights (license) to play the files. Check the website and/or application help system of the music download service provider from where the content was purchased from for license acquisition details. For more information on how license acquisition works, go to www.microsoft.com/windowsmedia/drm
What does the PlaysForSure logo mean? (available on certain models)	PlaysForSure is a new logo program from Microsoft®. Consumers can match the PlaysForSure logo on a large selection of devices and online music stores. If you see the logo, you'll know your digital media will play for sure. For more information on the Microsoft PlaysForSure program, visit www.PlaysForSure.com. For more information on RCA PlaysForSure devices, visit www.rca.com.

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