### TP-7

fie**l**d recorder user guide

TP-7	introduction	field system	care
	TP–7 is an ultra-portable digital tape recorder, and the fourth release in our field system, with more features than meets the eye, it's a most diverse audio device and your new everyday companion. this guide is written to take you on a tour of TP–7 to discover its functionality, note that updates are constantly made for this product and an up-to-date manual can be found online.  - have a pleasant field trip!	field system began as an idea to create a series of products that function as part of a whole. with aluminium casings and nylon bag accessories; every item is designed with portability, compatibility and durability in mind. as usual, we aim to pack in as much technology into as little space as possible, getting the most out of every device. more than just an engineering challenge, field system is driven by a desire to rethink the way we approach music making.	before getting started, make sure to carefully read these instructions, see the section at the end on warnings and warranty for more information. TP-7 is a highly technical and delicate product. make sure to learn how to properly operate, care for and store your device, take your time to register your unit here: teenage engineering/register the latest version of this guide: teenage.engineering/guides/tp-7

### hardware

TP-7 field recorder is made in durable aluminum, with pu

synthethic leather backing and custom-made controls for all your

portable recording applications, the main control and navigation centers around the mechanical tape reel, the

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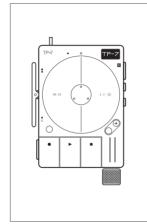
memo button, as well as the play. stop and record buttons, all functions are displayed on the compact oled screen, this quide takes you through the layout, connectivity, various

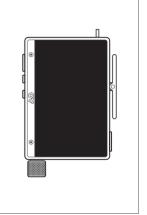
applications and general functions of

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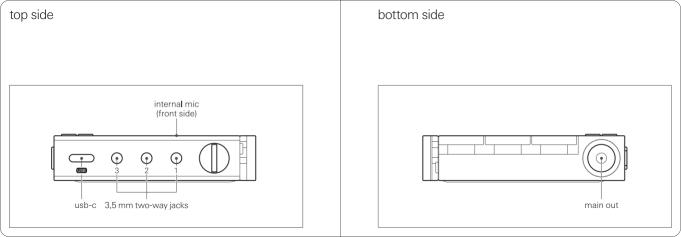
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- ultra-portable pro recorder
- 3 trrs two-way mini jacks 1 main / headphones output
- usb-c audio class 1
- midi over usb-c and bluetooth le • 7 hour rechargeable battery
- side buttons for one-handed control.
- side rocker for audio scrubbing motorized tape reel
- quick memo function
- · audio library for file storage
- companion transcription app





two-way jacks / main out usb-c the three 3.5 mm mini jack sockets the TP-7 main output is located on on the top side of TP-7 are two-way the bottom front side of the unit, it is jacks, which can be configured as used for the main stereo audio either stereo inputs or outputs, or for output signal, and holds an included, headset use, you can connect removable 6.35 mm jack to 3.5 mm equipment such as headphones, mini jack adapter. studio monitors, microphones, or any other audio equipment, such as TX-6 and OP-1 field. TP-7 the usb type c port can be used as a multi channel audio interface, as well as for midi control, firmware updates and charging.



### right side memo the memo recording button and the user buttons are located on the right side of the unit. buttons memo is for making voice memo recordings. • the user buttons, up and down. are used for setting input gain and for displaying file information.

# left side

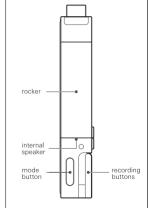
the rocker, the internal speaker and mode button are located on the left.

• the rocker lets you fastforward and rewind the tape.

• the internal speaker plays your audio automatically when nothing else is connected to your TP-7.

• the mode button lets you access

and toggle mode and menus in different contexts.



### input and output examples

inputs, they can be individually mix of any audio recorded, or played, configured as stereo, mono, or balanced mono, in any combination. when using them as headset inputs you can connect three separate

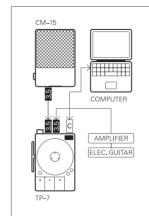
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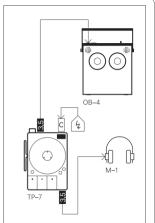
external speakers, headphones or

anything with a line-in connector.

through the unit, use the included jack to mini jack adapter if needed. the usb-c can be used as a class compliant multi channel audio interface, depending on what it is headsets, such as the M-1 personal monitor headsets. connected to, you can get up to six stereo channel audio, in and out. as outputs, you can connect to

the main output gives you a stereo





#### power to power on TP-7, turn the power knob clockwise, until you feel and hear a click, the display will briefly show the TP-7 power up title screen before arriving at the playback screen. TP-7 keep turning the knob to adjust the master volume, always make sure to be careful with your ears. to power off TP-7, turn the knob 3 @ 96/24 counterclockwise, past the click.

the unit is charged through the usb-c port. battery level is indicated on the connect the unit via usb to a comp-

firmware

update

screen when charging, in mtp mode and through the system menu. if the battery is low, the top led turns red, and flashes red on critically low battery level. when charging, and the battery is fully charged, the top

led turns white, to keep the battery

healthy, the unit should be charged

at least every 6 months.

charging

you can also update by downloading a firmware file. the latest file and instructions can be found here:

teenage.engineering/downloads/tp-7

# start

main TP-7 interface.

and scroll menus

screen.

let's start by getting familiar with the

the motorized tape reel is the heart of

the recorder, it can be rotated in both

directions to scrub recordings

the mode button can be used to

access the system menu, toggle

modes and to return to the playback

mode

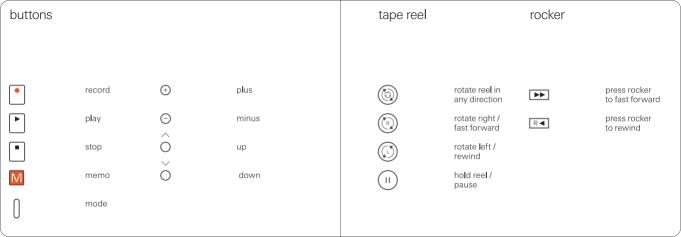
tape reel

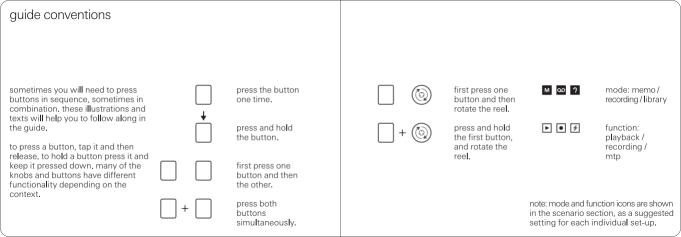
the tape reel can be rotated to scrub through recordings, scroll menus, pause audio and to di.

press the button on the left side to change mode. hold it to access the system menu and contextual settings.

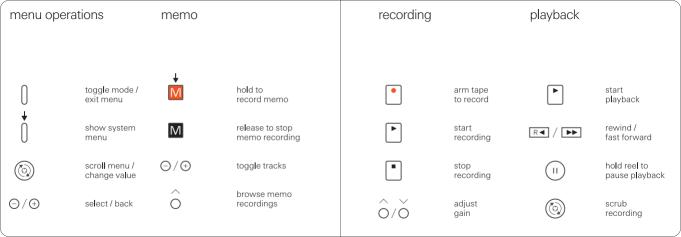
fast forward ▶▶ rewind the rocker on the left side lets you scrub through your audio by pressing down either side, this will spin the reel clockwise for fast forwarding, and counterclockwise for rewinding.

rocker





#### modes recordina library memo your TP-7 field tape recorder has tap the mode button on the left side to three main playback modes: togale between these modes. ററ • memo: used to access all your quick and simple voice memos. recorded through the memo memo is where the recording library mode is function vou capture and mode is where vour high playback voice resolution audio you get access recordings: for all other recordings to the multitrack file music player. memo made on the device. transfer your recordings, it's recording the fastest way functionality. files from a • library: a high resolution audio to record, memo computer and playback mode, where external uses the internal play them back content is loaded to the device for microphone to on TP-7 playback. capture audio.



### screen

playback screen displays the last file you had open, if any functionality is activated or the reel is turned, that will be reflected on the display before going back to the previous screen.

when turning on the device, the



start-up / title

screen



screen / current

recording.





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also set the time

the system menu.



the first time you start your unit, or if you have emptied your memo / recordina / library files this screen will be

shown on the

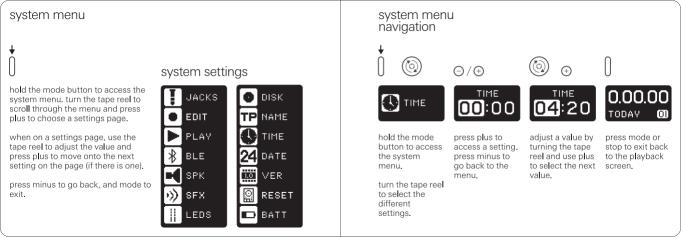
playback screen.

cycle through the three modes: memo, recordina and library, by pressing the mode button.

time and date is updated automatically when connected

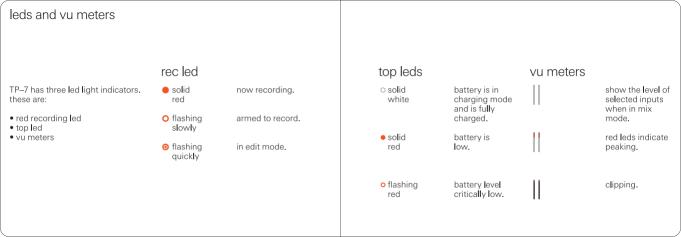
the battery level is shown when connected via usb-c and TP-7 is switched off. it can also be

accessed through the system menu.



#### system settings iacks edit play bluetooth (le) speaker sfx leds memo JACKS **■** SPK ») SFX M MEMO EDIT ► PLAY ∦ BLE LEDS configure your set the edit configure TP-7 bluetooth menu choose whether to hear user choose to record adjust the led two-way jacks as mode to replace to automatically for pairing and the internal interface sound vour memos in brightness to either line-in playback the your liking, low or mix track. accepting speaker is effects through high or low inputs, headset next file after incoming always on or the speaker, quality for or high intensity. mic inputs, or dependent on enable sfx. listening to the bluetooth extended outputs. current file. connections. main iack recording time. detection.

#### system settings disk space date fw version factory reset battery time name note: keep your TP NAME (I) TIME **24** DATE ₩ VER RESET O DISK unit up to date BATT with the latest firmware, new features in the TP-7 has 128 GB rename your set the time set the date firmware version reset your device the battery level system settings internal storage. TP-7 manually from manually from information is to factory is shown when menu might be disk shows how displayed here. added over time. the system the system default, rotate connected via much disk space the tape reel to usb-c and TP-7 menu. menu. is switched off. is used. confirm. it can also be note: all of your accessed recorded content through the will remain. system menu.



# iacks

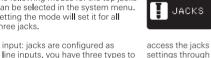
the following modes for the top jacks can be selected in the system menu. setting the mode will set it for all three jacks. • input: jacks are configured as

choose from: mono, balanced

headset with a microphone. multitrack player: jacks are configured as line outputs.

headset: jacks are configured for a

mono or stereo.



the system

menu.

INPUT JACKS  $\infty$ access the jacks stereo.

stereo

to stereo.

all three jacks set

mono. all three jacks set

mono

INPUT

to mono.

INPUT (B) (B)

balanced

HEADSET 🕠

OUTPUT

line output

line output.

configured as line outputs.

balanced mono. headset mic. two jacks set to all three jacks all iacks are balanced mono. used for headset and the third set with microphone to stereo. mic.

headset

### memo

this function can be accessed even

when the unit is off, just press and

hold the memo button to wake the

device and start recording.

memo is designed to capture and playback voice memo recordings, using the internal microphone.

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record memo

release to stop memo recordina

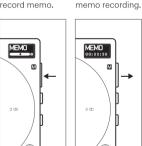
togale memo recordings

> hold to show file info

hold to

memo recording

while TP-7 is turned on, press and hold the memo button to access this function, keep holding to record a voice memo or any kind of recording, using the internal microphone. release the button to stop recording.



press and hold to

record memo



release to stop

#### memo browsing memo recording $\bigcirc$ / $\bigcirc$ MEMO MEMO JAN, I JAN, I 48 0 Μ JAN, I JAN, I 00:30 00:00:30 0.00.00 OI 0.00.01 01 0.00.08 M press and hold keep holding the your memo will to go back to your voice hold down to press play and use the tape reel show the file info the memo memo button then appear on vour memo memos will stop to control and rocker to while recording. the playback scrub though. button to load recordings later, show up by date for the current playback. and start and release it to togale mode and number in selected memo screen. recording. stop recording. button to go to memo mode. recording. togale them memo. using minus / plus.

## recording

press play to start recording, the

recorded time, press stop to stop recording and save the file.

you can record from three different

sources: using the internal mic. using the analog inputs, or digitally

display shows a counter with

start to flash.

using usb-c.

press record to ready a new recording, the recording light will

arm tape to record



start recording



stop recording

### recording

the internal microphone will be

placed to the left of the top led.

connected to TP-7.

used by default, if nothing else is

you'll find the internal mic discreetly

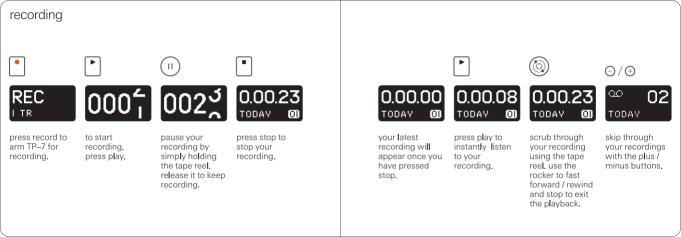
if you've connected either an analog or digital input, those will be used

along with the internal microphone.

#### internal microphone

TP-7 98 / 24

adjust gain



### recording: analog

mode.

with all jacks configured as line

devices with tape in multitrack

use three analog inputs in any

'headset' from the system menu.

variation or set your jacks to

inputs, you can record analog signal DRUM MACHINE AMPLIFIER ELEC. GUITAR CM-15

analog / digital

when connected to TX-6 in 2-

the three tracks you prefer.

channel mode, you can combine it

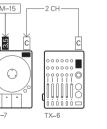
this setup is great when combining multiple analog sources with a

with any analog input, set it to any of

recording:

digital source

CM-15 TP-7



recording: digital 1 track 3 tracks 6 tracks the usb-c port can be used to record in various example scenarios: ---- 12 CH ----• 1 track: CM-15 • 3 tracks: computer • 6 tracks: TX-6 (12 channel mode) 000000 COMPUTER 0000000 TP-7 CM-15 TP-7 TP-7 TX-6

#### recording configuration

in rec armed mode and in edit mode. you can configure the number of tracks and what input sources you different input alternatives:

want to set them to, there are four nothing (silence)

 internal mic analog digital when selecting a track, adjust the

input gain by pressing the up and down user buttons.



connected your

TP-7.



track 2.

silence.

press mode to togale the input SOURCE alternatives.

track 2.

usb-c / digital.



pressing plus

to delete a track. hold minus.

again.

track 3.

line in / analog.

alternatives.

again to toggle the input source

press mode

# edit recording





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access the scroll to select press plus to either 'mix' or system settings confirm and to set the edit 'replace'. minus to exit. mode. selecting 'mix' selecting will mix the 'replace' will recordina replace the

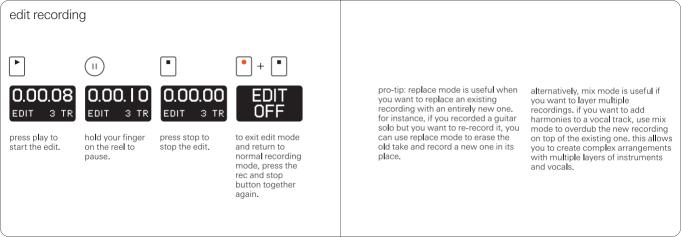
together with

vour new edit.

recorded track

with your new edit.

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## playback

with playback you can listen back to any track you have recorded and stored on your device, use the built-in speaker or connect and external speaker / headphones to listen.

use the mode button to choose to

memos, recordings, or from the

listen from your collection of

library.



playback pause recordina

start

scrub



recording





playback

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playback.

in any mode.

press play to







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hold the reel to

pause the

playback.

playback.

release it to

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rotate the reel in any direction to scrub the recording, you can also use the

rocker to fast

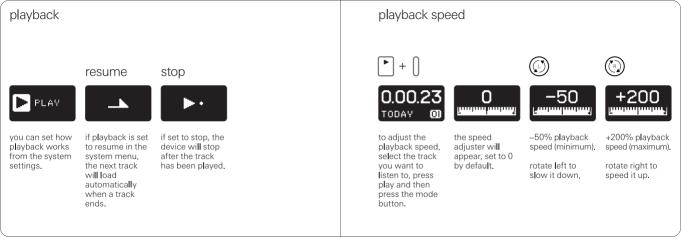
forward and

rewind.

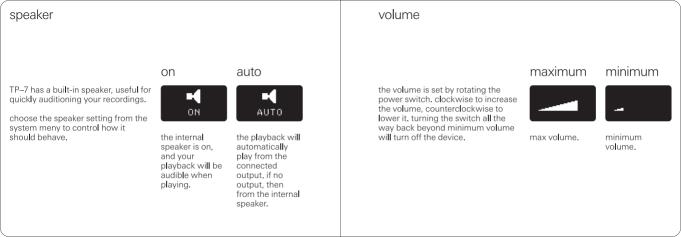
press stop to stop playback. press stop again to reset to the

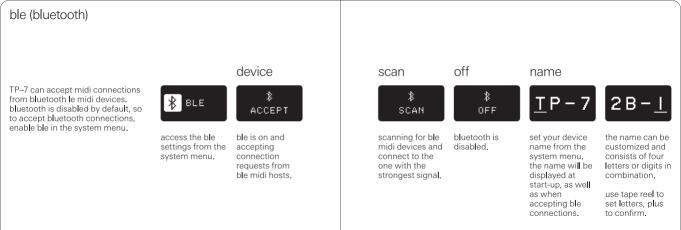
beginning of the

file.



#### browsing files (O) -/+recordings library memo 96 **ത** വാ 00:10 TODAY 0.00.00 ထြ TODAY M 0.00.00 TODAY 0.00.00 TODAY 2023 press mode memo tape library use plus / minus press up and use press and hold button to togale recordinas. recordings. files. to skip through the tape reel to down to show between the files. file info. browse your three playback files are files are files are recordings. displayed by modes: memo. displayed by displayed by recordings and date / year / date / year / A-7. press up again to library. time of select the time of recording. recording. recording file.





text to your email.

can be found.

companion app

TP-7 has a free companion app for transcribing your recordings and

your audio files via ble to your phone, then send the transcribed

download the TP-7 app to your smart phone from wherever apps

exporting them as text, you can send

BLE

MOBILE DEVICE

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back

access all of your

transcriptions.

files:

## deleting files file transfer to delete files, you can either delete when connected with usb to a × DEL? recordings through the mtp interface computer, the files are available or directly on the device. YES NO over the mtp interface. to delete files on TP-7, go to the the recommended way to access it selected file and hold stop, confirm deleting files. deleting files. on mac os is to downlad and use our field-kit app, the app will also set the by scrolling the reel and press plus. in any mode. use the reel to time and date in the device when hold stop to select ves / no. note: you can only delete recordings erase the current and plus to connected. and memos on your device, to delete file. confirm. your library files, use the mtp when the files are transferred. interface. disconnect the TP-7 from your computer device, and turn the unit back on, the files should show up right a way in the library browser.

mtp screen

MTP

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at start-up, hold mode to enter

the bootloader.

TP-7 UPGRADE

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## library

the library is where you can store and access external audio files from your computer, to use for playback, for overdubbing, creating your own unique tracks in TP-7, or for diing. selecting tracks and using the tape reel to scratch

TP-7 can also store other file types, and be used as an external storage device for your computer, these files can only be accessed from the computer and not from the menu.



access the library mode by togaling the mode button.



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MIX

'no file' will be displayed if no tracks are added.





choose tracks by pressing plus / minus.



AUDIO-001

hold down to show file info: track title, audio length, sample rate, mono / stereo.





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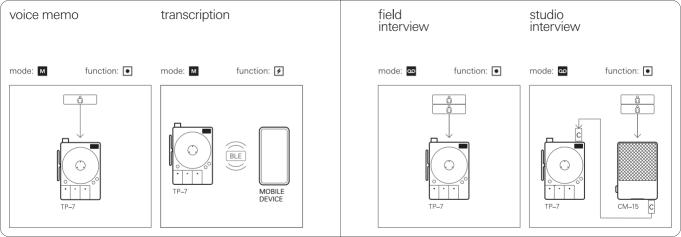
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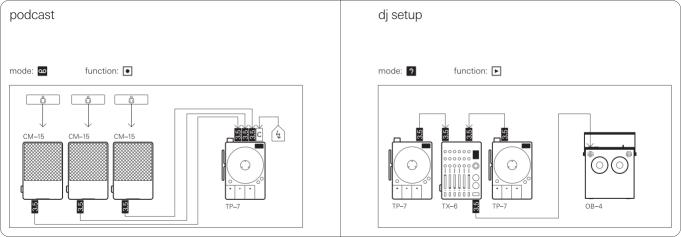


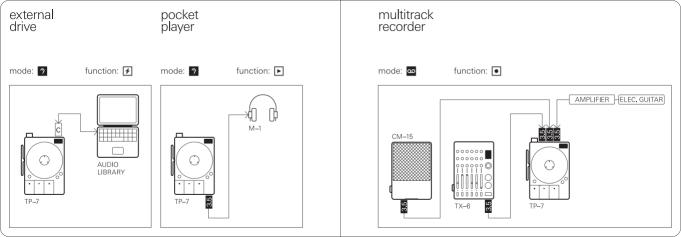


settings apply to the library pro-tip: connect two TP-7s to a playback. TX-6 for a super to listen to your portable di setup. library files, just press play.

## interview podcast field live live scenarios voice recordinas recordinas performing memos the TP-7 field recorder is a very versatile device, useful for journalists, doctors, podcasters, artists, di:s and creatives. as with all teenage engineering products. TP-7 has been developed with portability and compatibility in TP-7 is the since TP-7 is TP-7 can act as mind. it is great for TP-7's portability use it to track all makes it ideal for perfect tool for turntables and interviews, on small and can be instruments in the following pages illustrate a the field or in a podcasting, use documentation battery powered the studio, or TX-6 is the variety of ways in which TP-7 can be studio settina. the internal mic in your line of it's great in the record your live mixer. put to use. or your microwork, especially field. set when phone for higher when using performing. quality audio. transcription.







## audio routing

when in playback mode, the analog and usb inputs are not in use, the playback can be routed via the main output, the usb out and the internal speaker. depending on how you route the audio, different options are available.

the audio can be sent as:

headset mode

• 6 separate channels on usb

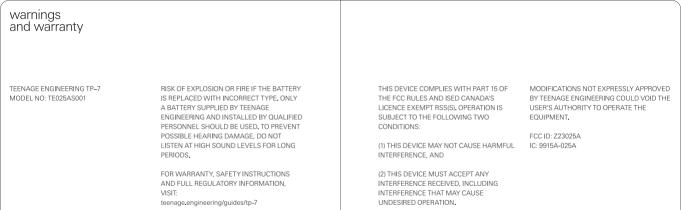
• 3 separate channels to line out if multichannel player mode • mixed to all headsets if in

mixed to main out in normal

mode and headset mode · mixed to speaker in normal mode if main out disconnected

internal 3x line in / 6x usb 6x tape microphone headset in inputs routing 3x line / 6x usb 6x tape internal main speaker headset out out outputs record

technical specifications	electrical characteristics	handling
3 trrs two-way mini jacks     1 stereo headphones connector     24-bit/96 kHz usb audio interface     bluetooth low energy radio interface     rechargeable battery     7 h battery life     64x32 pixel monochrome display     128 GB internal storage	two-way jacks: input: impedance 9.5 kOhm analog gain 0 - 42 dB max level 8 dBu, 2 Vrms SNR 105 dBA headset: max level 2 dBu, 1 Vrms SNR 110 dBA microphone SNR 98 dBA  headphone output: max level 8 dBu, 2 Vrms SNR 120 dBA	ambient working temperature: 0-50°C (32-122°F) ambient storage temperature: 0-30°C (32-86°F) clean the shell of the unit with a microfibre cloth, use pressurized air to remove dust from the device. to keep the battery healthy, the unit should be charged at least every 6 months. if not used for a long time, it may not charge again.



avertissements et garantie

TEENAGE ENGINEERING TP-7

MODEL NO: TE025AS001

BATTERIE EST REMPLACÉE PAR UN TYPE DE BATTERIE INCORRECT, SEULE UNE BATTERIE FOURNIE PAR TEENAGE ENGINEERING ET INSTALLÉE PAR UN PERSONNEL QUALIFIÉ DOIT ÊTRE UTILISÉE. AFIN D'ÉVITER TOUT DOMMAGE LIÉS À VOTRE AUDITION. IL EST RECOMMANDÉ DE NE PAS ÉCOUTER VOTRE

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FONCTIONNEMENT.

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RF EXPOSURE COMPLIANCE	CONFORMITÉ D'EXPOSITION AUX RF
THIS EQUIPMENT COMPLIES WITH FCC//SED RADIATION EXPOSURE LIMITS SET FORTH FOR AN UNCONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT. END USER MUST FOLLOW THE SPECIFIC OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR SATISFYING RE EXPOSURE COMPLIANCE, THIS TRANSMITTER MUST NOT BE CO-LOCATED OR OPERATING IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANY OTHER ANTENNA OR TRANSMITTER.  THE PORTABLE DEVICE IS DESIGNED TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPOSURE TO RADIO WAVES ESTABLISHED BY FCC/ISED. THESE REQUIREMENTS SET A SAR LIMIT OF 1.6 W/KG AVERAGED OVER ONE	CES ÉXIGENCES ÉTABLISSENT UN SAR LIMITES D'EXPOSITION AUX RAYONNEMENTS FECI/SED ÉTABLIES POUR UN ENVIRONNEMENT NON CONTRÔLÉ. LUTILISATEUR FINAL DOIT SUIVRE LES INSTRUCTIONS SPÉCIFIQUES POUR SATISFAIRE LES NORMES. CET ÉMETTEUR NE DOIT PAS ÉTRE CO-IMPLANTÉ OU FONCTIONNER EN CONJONCTION AVEC TOUTE AUTRE ANTENNE OU TRANSMETTEUR.  L'APPAREIL PORTABLE EST CONÇU POUR RÉPONDRE AUX EXIGENCES D'EXPOSITION AUX ONDES RADIO ÉTABLIES PAR L'ISED.

CAUTION MADE FOR APPLE BADGE DO NOT TRY TO CHARGE OR USE A UNIT LEAVING A BATTERY IN AN EXTREMELY HIGH USE OF THE MADE FOR APPLE BADGE Made for WITH A SEEMINGLY DAMAGED BATTERY. TEMPERATURE SURROUNDING MEANS THAT AN ACCESSORY HAS BEEN ENVIRONMENT THAT CAN RESULT IN AN DESIGNED TO CONNECT SPECIFICALLY TO ONLY A BATTERY SUPPLIED BY TEENAGE EXPLOSION OR THE LEAKAGE OF THE APPLE PRODUCT(S) IDENTIFIED IN THE ENGINEERING INSTALLED BY QUALIFIED FLAMMABLE LIQUID OR GAS. BADGE AND HAS BEEN CERTIFIED BY THE PERSONNEL SHOULD BE USED. DEVELOPER TO MEET APPLE PERFORMANCE TO PREVENT POSSIBLE HEARING DAMAGE STANDARDS, APPLE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE DISPOSAL OF A BATTERY INTO FIRE OR A DO NOT LISTEN AT HIGH SOUND LEVELS FOR FOR THE OPERATION OF THIS DEVICE OR ITS HOT OVEN, OR MECHANICALLY CRUSHING LONG PERIODS. COMPLIANCE WITH SAFETY AND REGULA-OR CUTTING OF A BATTERY, THAT CAN TORY STANDARDS. RESULT IN AN EXPLOSION STORE SMALL PARTS OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN AND INFANTS, IF ACCIDENTALLY IPHONE® IS A TRADEMARK OF APPLE INC., SWALLOWED, CONTACT AN EMERGENCY REGISTERED IN THE U.S. AND OTHER COUN-MEDICINE DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY TRIES, THE TRADEMARK "IPHONE" IS USED IN JAPAN WITH A LICENSE FROM AIPHONE K.K.

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