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## Compact Disc Stereo System

### XS-G3

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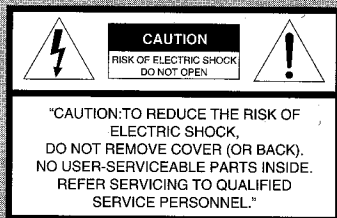
# PRECAUTIONS

Read these Operating Instructions carefully and completely before operating the unit. All precautions on this booklet and on the unit should be strictly followed. Keep the Operating Instructions for future reference.

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## WARNING

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



### Explanation of Graphical Symbols:



The lightning flash with arrowhead symbol, within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.



The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

## Installation

**1 Water and moisture** — Do not use this unit near water, such as near a bathtub, washbowl, swimming pool, or the like.

**2 Heat** — Do not use this unit near sources of heat, including heating vents, stoves, or other appliances that generate heat. It also should not be placed in temperatures less than 5°C (41°F) or greater than 35°C (95°F).

**3 Mounting surface** — Place the unit on a flat, even surface.

**4 Ventilation** — The unit should be situated with adequate space around it so that proper heat ventilation is assured. Allow 10 cm (4 in.) clearance from the rear and the top of the unit, and 5 cm (2 in.) from each side.

- Do not place the unit on a bed, rug, or similar surface that may block the ventilation openings.  
- Do not install the unit in a bookcase, cabinet, or airtight rack where ventilation may be impeded.

**5 Objects and liquid entry** — Take care that objects or liquids do not get inside the unit through the ventilation openings.

**6 Carts and stands** — When placed or mounted on a stand or cart, the unit should be moved with care. Quick stops, excessive force, and uneven surfaces may cause the unit or cart to overturn or fall.



**7 Condensation** — Moisture may form on the CD pickup lens when:

- The unit is moved from a cold spot to a warm spot
- The heating system has just been turned on
- The unit is used in a very humid room
- The unit is cooled by an air conditioner

When this unit has condensation inside, it may not function normally. Should this occur, leave the unit for a few hours, then try to operate again.

**8 Wall or ceiling mounting** — The unit should not be mounted on a wall or ceiling, unless specified in the Operating Instructions.

## Electric Power

**1 Power sources** — Connect this unit only to power sources specified in the Operating Instructions, and as marked on the unit.

**2 Polarization** — As a safety feature, some units are equipped with polarized AC power plugs which can only be inserted one way into a power outlet. If it is difficult or impossible to insert the AC power plug into an outlet, turn the plug over and try again. If it still does not easily insert into the outlet, please call a qualified service technician to service or replace the outlet. To avoid defeating the safety feature of the polarized plug, do not force it into a power outlet.

### 3 AC power cord

- When disconnecting the AC power cord, pull it out by the AC power plug. Do not pull the cord itself.
- Never handle the AC power plug with wet hands, as this could result in fire or shock.
- Power cords should be firmly secured to avoid being severely bent, pinched, or walked upon. Pay particular attention to the cord from the unit to the power outlet.
- Avoid overloading AC outlets and extension cords beyond their capacity, as this could result in fire or shock.

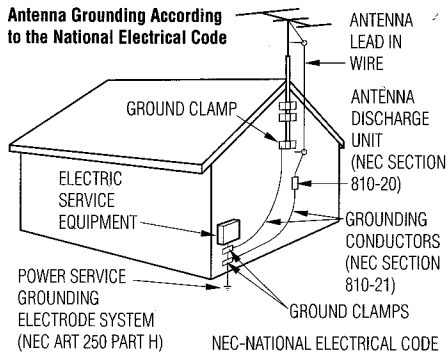
**4 Extension cord** — To help prevent electric shock, do not use a polarized AC power plug with an extension cord, receptacle, or other outlet unless the polarized plug can be completely inserted to prevent exposure of the blades of the plug.

**5 When not in use** — Unplug the AC power cord from the power outlet if the unit will not be used for several months or more. When the cord is plugged in, a small amount of current continues to flow to the unit, even when the power is turned off.

## Outdoor Antenna

- 1 Power lines** — When connecting an outdoor antenna, make sure it is located away from power lines.
- 2 Outdoor antenna grounding** — Be sure the antenna system is properly grounded to provide protection against unexpected voltage surges or static electricity build-up. Article 810 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70, provides information on proper grounding of the mast, supporting structure, and the lead-in wire to the antenna discharge unit, as well as the size of the grounding unit, connection to grounding terminals, and requirements for grounding terminals themselves.

### Antenna Grounding According to the National Electrical Code



## Maintenance

Clean the unit only as recommended in the Operating Instructions.

## Damage Requiring Service

Have the units serviced by a qualified service technician if:

- The AC power cord or plug has been damaged
  - Foreign objects or liquid have gotten inside the unit
  - The unit has been exposed to rain or water
  - The unit does not seem to operate normally
  - The unit exhibits a marked change in performance
  - The unit has been dropped, or the cabinet has been damaged
- DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SERVICE THE UNIT YOURSELF.**

### OWNER'S RECORD

Record the model number and serial number of your set (found at the rear of your set) below. Refer to them when contacting your Aiwa dealer.

Model No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

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## System and accessories

XS-G3

CX-G3 Compact disc stereo cassette receiver

SX-G3 Front speakers

Remote control

FM antenna

AM antenna



As an ENERGY STAR® Partner, AIWA has determined that this product meets the ENERGY STAR® guidelines for energy efficiency.



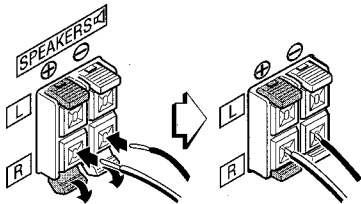
# PREPARATIONS

## Connection

Plug in the AC power cord to the AC power outlet after all other connections are made.

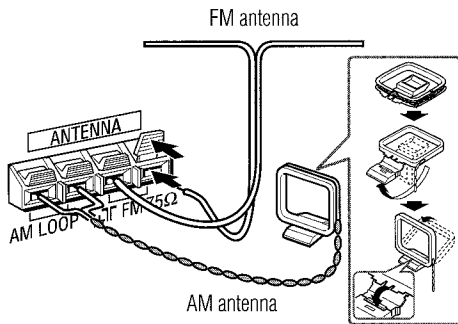
### 1 Connect the front speakers.

Connect the right front speaker to the SPEAKERS R terminals and the left to the SPEAKERS L terminals. The speaker cords with the white stripes go to the ⊕ terminals.



### 2 Connect the supplied antennas.

Connect the FM antenna to the FM 75 Ω terminals and the AM antenna to the AM LOOP terminals.



### 3 Connect the AC power cord to an AC outlet.

When the AC power cord is connected to an AC outlet for the first time, DEMO appears on the display.

To deactivate the DEMO, press DEMO/ECO.

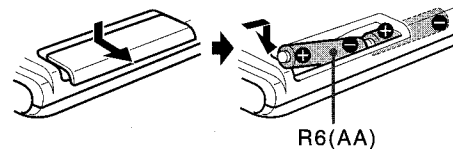
- Do not short-circuit the ⊕ and ⊖ speaker cord leads.
- Do not leave objects generating magnetism or objects affected by magnetism near the speakers.

#### Note on positioning

Allow 10 cm (4 in.) clearance from the top of the unit for the Window movement when you position the unit.

## Remote control

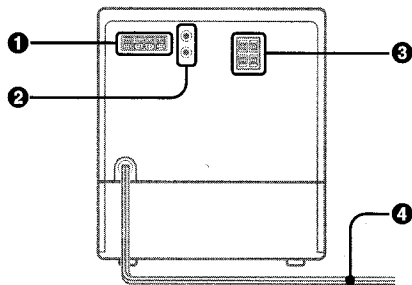
Detach the battery compartment lid at the rear of the remote control and insert two R6 (size AA) batteries with correct polarity.



- Replace the batteries with new ones when the operational distance between the remote control and main unit becomes shorter.
- Remove the batteries if the unit is not going to be used for an extended period of time.
- The remote control may not operate if it is used under intense sunlight, etc., or if its line of sight is obstructed.

# PARTS AND CONTROLS

## Main unit: rear



### ❶ AM LOOP, FM 75 $\Omega$ terminals

Plug in the supplied AM and FM antennas here.

### ❷ VIDEO/AUX jacks

Accepts analog sound signals from external equipment. Connect using an optional connecting cable with RCA phono plugs (red plug to R jack, white plug to L jack). Refer also to the operating instructions of your equipment. To switch function to external input, press VIDEO/AUX to select the VIDEO (AUX/TV) function.

#### *Tip:*

To change the displayed name for this function, turn the unit on, then hold down VIDEO/AUX and press POWER. Repeat the procedure to select one of "VIDEO", "AUX" or "TV".

### ❸ SPEAKERS terminals

Connect the speaker cord of the supplied front speakers here.

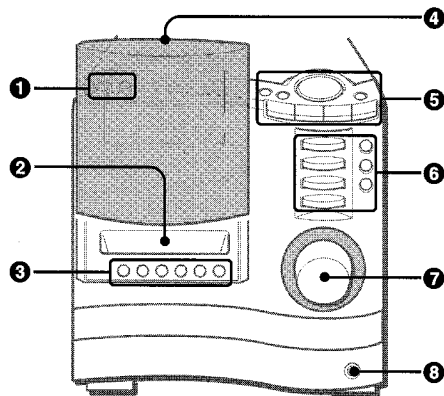
### ❹ AC power cord

## Dynamic Integrated Neo Amplifier

is a brand-new amplifier system where clear mid-to-high range frequency sound, as well as rich low frequency sound, can be reproduced and listeners can enjoy the close-to-original sound with less distortion at either high or low volume levels.

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## Main unit: front



### 1 POWER $\odot$ STANDBY/ON

Switches the unit on and off (standby).

### DEMO/ECO

When the unit is turned off: switches DEMO on and off.  
When the unit is turned on: enters ECO setting mode.

### 2 Cassette compartment

Place a tape here.

### 3 $\blacktriangleleft$ PRESET

CD and Tape: starts playback.  
Radio: tunes into a preset station.

### ■ CLEAR

CD and Tape: stops playback.  
Radio: clears a station preset.

### ■ SET

CD and Tape: pauses playback.  
Radio: stores the received station to preset.

### $\blacktriangleleft$ /I $\blacktriangleleft$ DOWN, $\blacktriangleright$ /I $\blacktriangleright$ UP TUNING

CD: skips to a previous or a succeeding track when pressed, searches a track in fast forward or fast reverse playback when held down.

Tape: fast forwards or rewinds the tape.

Radio: manually tunes down or up within the band.

### ● REC/REC MUTE

Starts recording.

### 4 Motorized Slide Window

Moves up and down.

Referred to as "Window" in these Operating Instructions.

### 5 SOUND MODE

Selects T-BASS, BBE or GEQ mode.

### FUNCTION MODE

Selects DISPLAY color, REVMODE (for Tape), TIMER or WINDOW (AUTO or MANUAL for the WINDOW up/down) mode.

### MULTI JOG

CD: skips to a previous or succeeding track.

Radio: selects a preset number.

Clock and time: sets the time.

SOUND MODE, FUNCTION MODE and ECO: selects the mode.

### ENTER

Determines the mode and the time (FUNCTION MODE, ECO, clock and timer)

### DISC DIRECT PLAY 1-3

Selects a CD tray.

### DISC CHANGE

Rotates the CD trays.

### 6 TAPE

Selects Tape function.

### TUNER/BAND

Selects Radio function and the radio band.

### VIDEO/AUX

Selects the function of external equipment connected to VIDEO/AUX jacks.

### CD

Selects CD function.

### $\blacktriangle$ CD OPEN/CLOSE

Opens or closes the disc compartment.

### WINDOW UP/ $\blacktriangle$ TAPE EJECT

Moves the Window up.

### WINDOW DOWN

Moves the Window down.

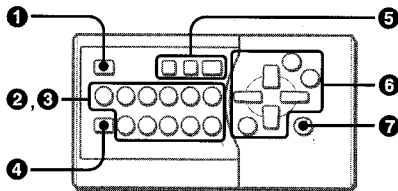
### 7 VOLUME

Adjusts the volume.

### 8 PHONES jack

Plug in here an optional headphones set with a standard stereo plug ( $\varnothing$ 6.3 mm). Speaker output is canceled.

## Remote control



*Buttons with same or similar names with the main unit basically have the same function.*

### 1 CD DIRECT

Selects a CD tray when the numbered button (1-3) is pressed within 3 seconds.

### 2 0-9, +10

CD: selects a CD track of the specified number.  
Radio: tunes in to the station with the specified preset number.

- 3 *The numbered buttons take on these functions when pressed together with SHIFT held down:*

#### CD EDIT/CHECK

Displays the remaining playback time of a CD when pressed during playback.  
Enters AI Edit Recording or Programmed Edit Recording mode when pressed during stop.

#### PRGM

Enters programmed CD playback mode.

#### RANDOM/REPEAT

Enters random or repeat CD playback mode.

#### GEQ

Selects a sound equalization curve.

#### T-BASS

Emphasizes low frequency sound.

#### TIMER

Enters timer setting mode.

#### SLEEP

Enters sleep-timer setting mode.

#### CLOCK

Enters clock adjustment mode.

#### MONO TUNER

Switches between stereo and monaural FM reception.

#### BAND

Switches the radio band.

### 4 SHIFT

Hold down when pressing a numbered button to change its function to that printed above the number.

*e.g.)*

"Press **SHIFT+SLEEP** on the remote control" indicates "Hold down SHIFT and press '8' (SLEEP)", so that you can use 'Sleep timer' function.

### 5 WINDOW DOWN

#### WINDOW UP

#### FUNCTION

Switches the active function among TAPE, TUNER/BAND, VIDEO/AUX and CD.

### 6 IISET

▶/◀◀ PRESET

◀◀/◀◀ DOWN, ▶▶/▶▶ UP TUNING

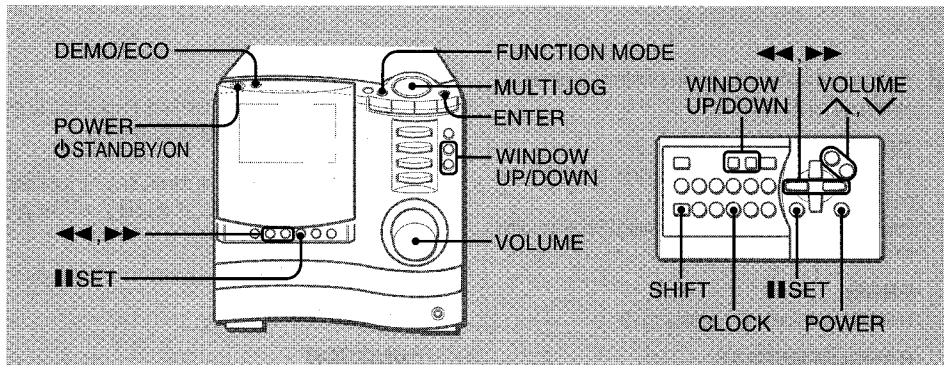
■ CLEAR

VOLUME(∧, ∨)

### 7 POWER

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# ADJUSTMENTS BEFORE OPERATIONS



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## Power

### Turning the unit on

Press POWER  $\odot$  STANDBY/ON (POWER on the remote control).  
Or press TAPE, TUNER/BAND, VIDEO/AUX or CD, the playback will start automatically if a disc or tape is inserted.

### Turning the unit off

Press POWER  $\odot$  STANDBY/ON again.  
The unit goes into standby.

## Volume

Turn VOLUME (Press VOLUME  $\wedge, \vee$  on the remote control).  
Adjust from 0 (minimum) to 30 and MAX (maximum).

### Tip:

Volume level setting is retained during power-off standby. If the unit is turned off with the volume set to 17 or more, it is automatically turned down to 16 the next time the unit is turned on.

## DEMO

*If the clock has not been set, a DEMO appears on the display when the unit is turned off.*

### To deactivate and activate the DEMO

Press DEMO/ECO.

## Motorized Slide Window

*Reveals and covers the operation buttons and the cassette compartment.*

### To move the Window up/down

Press Window UP or WINDOW DOWN.

### Tip:

The Window usually moves up and down in two steps, however, it moves up all the way in one step if TAPE function is selected and no tape is loaded.

### To select AUTO or MANUAL mode

- 1 Press FUNCTION MODE repeatedly until "WINDOW" is displayed.
- 2 Turn MULTI JOG to select "AUTO" or "MANUAL" and then press ENTER.  
If there is no MULTI JOG operation within 4 seconds, the setting is canceled.

### AUTO mode

- The Window moves up and down automatically.  
e.g.) It moves up when CD function is selected (CD is pressed).

### MANUAL mode

- The Window moves up and down as you operate with WINDOW UP or WINDOW DOWN.

### To display the current mode

Press FUNCTION MODE repeatedly until "WINDOW" is displayed and then press ENTER within 4 seconds. The mode will be displayed for 4 seconds.

### Note on WINDOW

Do not place anything on the top of the Window (on the top of the unit).



## ECO mode

*Reduces power consumption with the following operations, etc.*

### ECO ON mode

- The unit blacks out when the unit is turned off. Only the red indicator lights up. (Only when the clock is set.)
- When the unit turns on with the timer recording, the volume is set to minimum.

### ECO AUTO mode

- In addition to the operations of ECO ON mode, the unit automatically turns itself off if you do not operate the unit and the sound source is mute for 10 minutes.

- 1 Press DEMO/ECO once when the unit is turned on.
- 2 Turn MULTI JOG to select one of the ECO modes and then press ENTER.  
If there is no MULTI JOG or button operation within 4 seconds, the setting is canceled.

### To cancel the ECO mode

Repeat the above and select "ECO OFF".

## Display color

*The display color can be changed.*

- 1 Press FUNCTION MODE once so that "DISPLAY" is displayed.
- 2 Turn MULTI JOG to select a color and then press ENTER.  
If there is no MULTI JOG operation within 4 seconds, the setting is canceled.

## Setting the clock

- 1 Press SHIFT+CLOCK on the remote control.
- 2 Press ◀ or ▶ to set the time.  
Each press changes the time in 1-minute steps. Holding it down changes the time in 10-minute steps.  
If ◀ or ▶ is not pressed within 4 seconds, setting is canceled.
  - MULTI JOG is also available in place of ◀ or ▶.
- 3 Press ENTER or ■SET.  
The time display stops flashing and the clock starts from 00 seconds.

### To display the time

Press SHIFT+CLOCK on the remote control.  
The time will be displayed for 4 seconds, but it cannot be displayed during recording.

### To switch to the 24-hour standard

Display the time and press ■ within 4 seconds.  
With each press, the clock alternates between the 12-hour standard and the 24-hour standard.

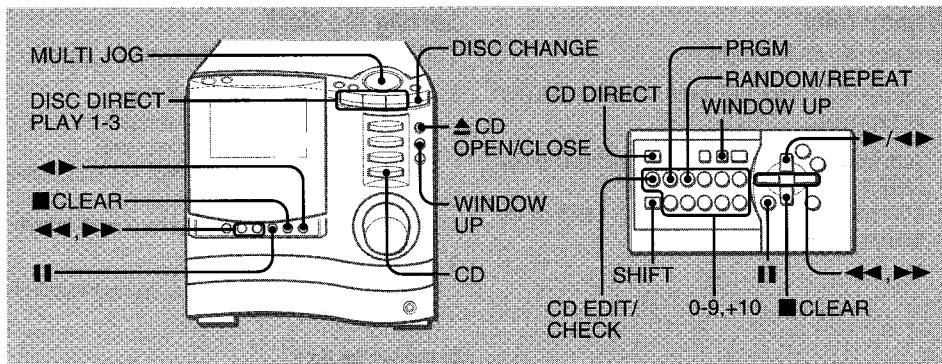
### Tip:

In the 12-hour standard, "AM 12:00" indicates midnight and "PM 12:00" noon.

### If the clock display flashes when the unit is turned off

There has been a power interruption. Re-set the clock.

# CD OPERATIONS



This unit plays back finalized CD-R/RW discs as well as audio CDs.

\* Move the Window up to reveal the operation buttons with WINDOW UP if needed.

## Playback

### 1 Press CD and load disc(s)

Press  $\blacktriangle$  CD OPEN/CLOSE to open the disc compartment and place one or two disc(s) with the labeled side up.

To place three discs, press DISC CHANGE so that the trays rotate, then place the third one. Lastly, close the compartment with  $\blacktriangle$  CD OPEN/CLOSE.

- When loading an 8-cm (3-inch) disc, place it on the inner circle of the tray.

### 2 To play all discs, press $\blacktriangleleft\blacktriangleright$ .

To play one desired disc, press DISC DIRECT PLAY 1-3.

### To stop playback

Press  $\blacksquare$ .

### To pause playback

Press  $\parallel$ . Press again to resume playback.

### To skip to the beginning of the current/preceding/succeeding track

Press  $\blacktriangleleft$  or  $\blacktriangleright$  repeatedly or turn MULTI JOG.

### To search (playback in fast forward or fast reverse)

Hold down  $\blacktriangleleft$  or  $\blacktriangleright$ . Release at the desired point.

### To select a disc and a track with the remote control

1 Press CD DIRECT, and then press the numbered button (1-3) within 3 seconds to select a disc.

2 Press the numbered buttons to select a track.

- To select track 25, press +10, +10 and 5.
- To select track 10, press +10 and 0.

### To display the remaining playback time of the CD

Press SHIFT+CD EDIT/CHECK on the remote control. Press again to return to the elapsed time display.

- Remaining playback time cannot be displayed during random playback or programmed playback.

### To replace disc(s) during playback without interruption

While one disc is being played back, press DISC CHANGE so that the compartment opens, replace disc(s) with other one(s), and press DISC CHANGE to close the compartment.

## Random/Repeat playback

Random playback plays all the tracks on one desired disc or all the discs in random order. Repeat playback plays all the tracks repeatedly on one desired track or all the discs.

1 Press SHIFT+RANDOM/REPEAT repeatedly on the remote control to select one of the following modes:

- Random playback: "RANDOM" lights up.
- Repeat playback:  $\blacktriangleleft$  lights up.
- Random and repeat playback: "RANDOM" and  $\blacktriangleleft$  lights up.

2 To play one desired disc, press DISC DIRECT PLAY 1-3.

To play all discs, press  $\blacktriangleleft\blacktriangleright$ .

### To cancel random/repeat playback

Press SHIFT+RANDOM/REPEAT repeatedly on the remote control so that both "RANDOM" and  $\blacktriangleleft$  disappear on the display.

### To repeat a selected set of tracks

Select the tracks with programmed playback, then press SHIFT+RANDOM/REPEAT on the remote control to select repeat playback.

- It is impossible to play a selected set of tracks in random order.

## Programmed playback

*Plays back up to 30 selected tracks in programmed order.*

- 1 Press SHIFT+PRGM on the remote control during stop.  
"PRGM" lights up on the display.
- 2 Press DISC DIRECT PLAY 1-3 to select a disc.  
Go to the next step when the tray stops rotating.
- 3 Press the numbered buttons on the remote control to program a track.  
The selected track number lights up on the display.  
-To select the 25th track, press +10, +10 and 5.  
-To select the 10th track, press +10 and 0.
- 4 Repeat step 2 and 3 to program other tracks.
- 5 Press ◀▶.

- During programmed playback, you cannot select a disc or a track with the numbered buttons. "CAN'T USE" is displayed when you try to select a track.
- If the total playback time of the program exceeds 99:59 minutes, or if a track with a track number exceeding 30 is programmed, the playing time is displayed as "- :- -".
- You cannot program more than 30 tracks. "FULL" is displayed.

### To check the program

Press ◀◀ or ▶▶ repeatedly during stop. The disc number flashes, and the track number and program number are displayed in succession.

### To clear the program

Press ■ CLEAR during stop. "PRGM" disappears on the display.

### To add tracks to the program

Repeat step 2 and 3 before starting playback. The tracks are added to the end of the program.

### To change the programmed tracks

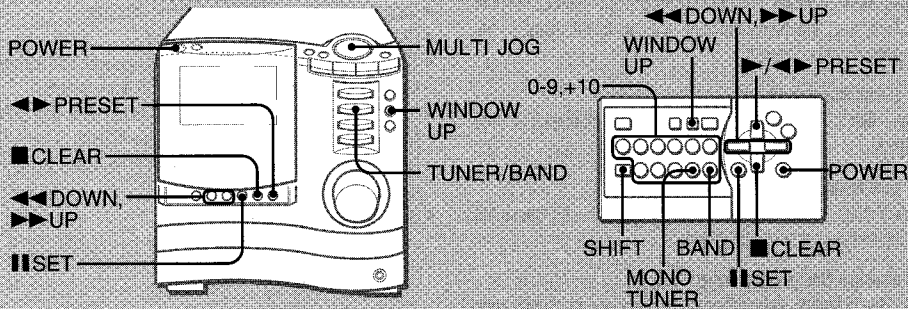
Clear the program and reselect the tracks in your desired order.

### Notes on CDs

- Do not place more than one disc on one tray.
- Do not tilt the unit with discs loaded.
- The unit may not play a CD-R/RW disc recorded on personal computers or certain kinds of CD-R/RW recorders.
- Do not attach adhesive label, etc. to either side of a CD-R/RW disc, as doing so may cause malfunction.
- Do not load an unrecorded CD-R/RW disc. The disc may be damaged.
- Do not use irregular-shaped CDs.

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# RADIO OPERATIONS



\* Move the Window up to reveal the operation buttons with WINDOW UP if needed.

## Manual tuning

- 1 Press TUNER/BAND (SHIFT+BAND on the remote control) repeatedly to select a band. The unit switches to the radio from any other function and alternates between FM and AM.
- 2 Press ◀◀DOWN or ▶▶UP to tune in to a station. "TUNE" is displayed when a station is tuned in. "((Ⓜ))" lights up for FM stereo reception.

### To search for a station automatically (Auto Search)

Hold down ◀◀DOWN or ▶▶UP.

The unit searches for a station up or down the band and stops at reception.

To stop the search manually, press ◀◀DOWN or ▶▶UP.

- Auto Search may not stop at stations with weak signals.

## Preset tuning

*Preset your favorite stations and tune them in directly.*

### Presetting stations

- 1 Press TUNER/BAND to select the band.
- 2 Press ◀◀DOWN or ▶▶UP to tune in to the desired station.
- 3 Press ■■SET to store the station. The preset number, beginning from "1", appears on the display.
- 4 Repeat step 1 to 3 to preset other stations.

- You cannot store more than a total of 32 preset stations. "FULL" is displayed.

## Tuning in to preset stations

### On the unit

- 1 Press TUNER/BAND to select the band.
- 2 Press ◀◀PRESET repeatedly or turn MULTI JOG. With each press, the station with the succeeding preset number is tuned in.

### On the remote control

- 1 Press SHIFT+BAND to select the band.
- 2 Press the numbered buttons for the preset number of your desired station.
  - To select preset number 20, press +10, +10 and 0.
  - To select preset number 15, press +10 and 5.


### To clear a preset station

- 1 Tune in to the station by preset tuning.
- 2 Press ■ CLEAR, then press ■■SET within 4 seconds. Preset numbers of preset stations in the band with higher numbers decrease by one.

## Adjustments

### Antennas

Keep antennas away from metallic objects, electrical equipment and cords.

**FM antenna:** Extend fully in a T-shape. If receiving condition is poor, connect optional outdoor antenna to FM 75  $\Omega$  terminal. Be sure to connect the shield braid of the antenna to the  terminal.

**AM antenna:** Rotate to find best reception.

### To switch to monaural FM reception

Press SHIFT+MONO TUNER on the remote control. With each press, "MONO" and "STEREO" are displayed alternately on the display.

#### **Tip:**

When FM stereo reception is poor, switching to monaural reduces noise.

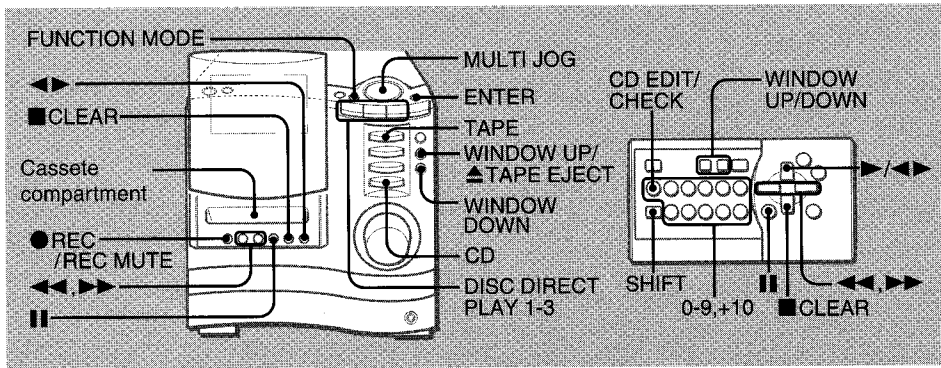
### To switch the AM tuning interval

Hold down TUNER/BAND and press POWER. With each press, the AM tuning interval alternates between 9 kHz/step and 10 kHz/step.

#### **Tip:**

The default is 10 kHz/step. Change it only when using the unit in a 9 kHz/step area. Switching AM tuning interval clears all the preset stations.

# TAPE OPERATIONS



## To fast forward or rewind

Press ◀◀ or ▶▶.

## To eject the tape

Press WINDOW UP/▲TAPE EJECT once or twice to reveal the tape compartment in stop mode.

- It is impossible to eject the tape with WINDOW UP/▲TAPE EJECT while playing, pausing, recording, fast forwarding or rewinding a tape.

## To reset the tape counter

Press ■ CLEAR in stop mode, and the tape counter on the display is reset to "0000".

Ejecting the tape will also reset the tape counter.

## To play back type II (High position) tapes

Turn MULTI JOG until "SOFT" is displayed while playing a type II tape.

Then, the unit provides the optimum playback sound for type II tapes.

### Notes on cassettes

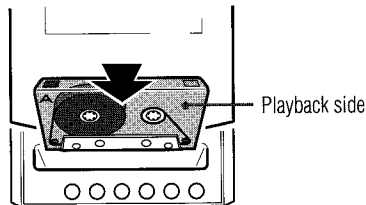
- Use of 120-minute or longer tapes is not recommended since they are extremely thin and easily deformed or damaged.
- Take up any slack in the tape with a pencil or similar tool before use. Slack tape may jam in the mechanism.
- "SOFT" sound for type II tapes described above is canceled when the graphic equalizer is turned on, the function is changed, or the unit is turned off.

## Playback

Use only type I (normal) tapes.

- 1 Press TAPE and press WINDOW UP once or twice to reveal the cassette compartment. Then, place a tape in it.

Place with the exposed side facing forward and playback side facing downward. Do not force the tape.



- 2 Press WINDOW DOWN once to move the Window down.  
The tape is loaded inside the unit.

- 3 Press ◀▶.

"▶" (forward) or "◀" (reverse) on the display indicates the playback side.

## To select a reverse mode

- 1 Press FUNCTION MODE repeatedly until "REVMODE" is displayed.

- 2 Turn MULTI JOG to select one of the three modes below and then press ENTER.

- ⏮: Only one side plays
- ⏪: Front side to reverse side plays (only once)
- ⏩: Both side plays (repeatedly)

If there is no MULTI JOG operation within 4 seconds, the setting is canceled.

## To change the playback side

Press ◀▶ in play or pause mode.

## To stop playback

Press ■.

## To pause playback

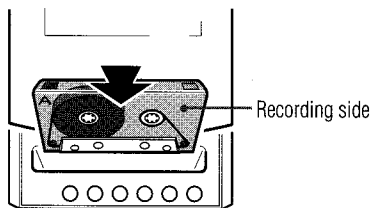
Press |||. Press again to resume.

## Basic recording

Use only type I (normal) tapes.

- 1 Press WINDOW UP once or twice to reveal the cassette compartment and place the recording tape in it.

Place with the exposed side facing forward and recording side facing downward. Do not force the tape.



- 2 Press WINDOW DOWN once to move the Window down.  
Wind up the tape to the desired point if needed.
- 3 Select a reverse mode with FUNCTION MODE, MULTI JOG and ENTER.
- 4 Prepare the source.  
To record CD(s), select the CD function and load disc(s).  
To record a radio broadcast, tune in to the desired station.  
To record from connected external equipment, select the VIDEO (AUX/TV) function and prepare the equipment.
- 5 Press ●REC/REC MUTE to start recording.  
When recording a CD, CD playback starts automatically.  
When recording input from connected equipment, manually start playback of the source.

- Volume or tone adjustment does not affect recording.
- "CAN'T REC" is displayed if you attempt to record a tape with the tab broken off.

## To stop recording

Press ■.

## To pause recording (only for TUNER or VIDEO/AUX source)

Press ■■. Press again to resume.

## To record a selected set of tracks from a CD

Program the desired tracks (see "Programmed playback") and then press ●REC/REC MUTE.

## To record a 4-second blank space (only for TUNER or VIDEO/AUX source)

1 Press ●REC/REC MUTE during recording or in recording pause mode.

"REC" flashes on the display for 4 seconds (a blank space is made in the meantime) and then the unit enters recording pause mode.

To record less than a 4-second blank space, press ●REC/REC MUTE again while "REC" flashes.

To record more than a 4-second blank space, press ●REC/REC MUTE again after the unit enters recording pause mode. Each time the button is pressed, a 4-second blank space is added.

2 Press ■■ to resume recording.

## To erase a tape

1 Press TAPE.

2 Load the recording tape with WINDOW UP/DOWN.

Set the tape to the desired point if needed.

3 Select a reverse mode.

4 Press ●REC/REC MUTE.

## Edited CD recording

### AI Edit Recording

*When recording a whole CD, AI Edit Recording takes the length of your tape into account and rearranges the recording order of the tracks if necessary, so that no track is cut short at the end of the side. Prepare a tape long enough to record the CD.*

- 1 Load the recording tape with WINDOW UP/DOWN.
- 2 Press CD to select the CD function and load the disc.
- 3 Press SHIFT+CD EDIT/CHECK once on the remote control.  
The "EDIT" indicator lights up and "AI C-00" appears on the display.
- 4 Press DISC DIRECT PLAY 1-3 to select a disc.
- 5 Press the numbered buttons on the remote control to enter the length of the recording tape. 10 to 99 minutes can be specified.  
- For a 60-minute tape press 6 and 0.  
In a few seconds, the unit determines the tracks to be recorded for each side.  
The recording time left for side A appears on the display.  
• ◀◀, ▶▶ or MULTI JOG can also be used to specify tape length.
- 6 Press ●REC/REC MUTE to start recording on side A.  
The tape is rewound to the beginning of side A and recording starts.  
When recording on side A finishes, recording on side B starts.

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- All Edit Recording cannot be used with discs with more than 30 tracks. "TR OVER" is displayed.
- Recording cannot start from a point halfway in the tape.
- Recording is impossible if the plastic tab on either side of the tape is broken off.

### **Programmed Edit Recording**

As you program the CD tracks to record, Programmed Edit Recording displays the remaining recording time for each side of the tape, so you can easily select a set of desired tracks within the length of your tape.

- 1 Load the recording tape with WINDOW UP/DOWN.
- 2 Press CD to select the CD function and load the disc.
- 3 Press SHIFT+CD EDIT/CHECK twice on the remote control.  
The "PRGM" and "EDIT" indicators light up and "P C-00" appears on the display.
- 4 Press the numbered buttons on the remote control to enter the length of the recording tape. 10 to 99 minutes can be specified.
  - ◀◀, ▶▶ or MULTI JOG can also be used to specify tape length.
- 5 Press DISC DIRECT PLAY 1-3 to select a disc. Then, press the numbered buttons on the remote control to select the first track to be recorded on side A.
  - To select the 25th track, press +10, +10 and 5.
  - To select the 10th track, press +10 and 0.
- 6 Repeat step 5 to select the rest of the tracks for side A.  
The remaining recording time of side A is displayed. You cannot select a track with a longer playing time.

7 Press SHIFT+CD EDIT/CHECK on the remote control to switch to side B and select the tracks for the side.

8 Press ● REC/REC MUTE to start recording on side A.  
The tape is rewound to the beginning of side A and recording starts.  
When recording on side A finishes, recording on side B starts.

- You cannot program more than 30 tracks. "FULL" is displayed.
- You cannot program a track with a track number larger than 30.
- Recording cannot start from a point halfway in the tape.
- Recording is impossible if the plastic tab on either side of the tape is broken off.

#### **To stop recording**

Press ■. Recording and CD playback stop simultaneously.

#### **To check the program**

- 1 Before recording, press SHIFT+CD EDIT/CHECK on the remote control to select side A or B.
- 2 Press ◀◀ or ▶▶ repeatedly. The disc number flashes, and the track number and program number are displayed in succession.

#### **To change the program of each side**

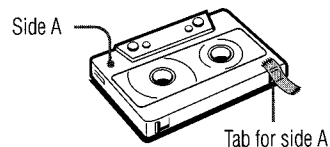
Press SHIFT+ CD EDIT/CHECK on the remote control to select side A or B, and press ■ CLEAR to clear the program for the selected side. Then, select tracks again.

#### **To clear the edit program**

Press ■ CLEAR twice so that "EDIT" disappears from the display.

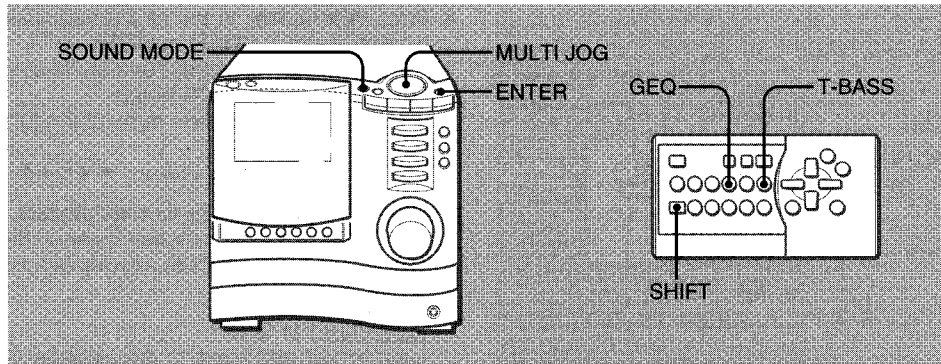
#### **To prevent accidental erasure**

Break off the plastic tab of the cassette tape with a screwdriver or other pointed tool. To record on the tape again, cover the detection slot with adhesive tape.





# SOUND ADJUSTMENTS



## Super T-BASS

*Emphasizes low frequencies for a powerful sound.*

- 1 Press SOUND MODE once so that "T-BASS" is displayed.
- 2 Turn MULTI JOG to select one of the three emphasis levels or the off position and then press ENTER.  
If there is no MULTI JOG operation within 4 seconds, the setting is canceled.

### To select with the remote control

Press SHIFT + T-BASS repeatedly to select one of the three levels or the off position.

- When the sound becomes distorted with the T-BASS effect, cancel it.

## BBE

*Enhances high frequency for sound clarity.*

- 1 Press SOUND MODE twice so that "BBE" is displayed.
- 2 Turn MULTI JOG to select one of the three enhancement levels or the off position and then press ENTER.  
If there is no MULTI JOG operation within 4 seconds, the setting is canceled.

- When the sound becomes distorted with the BBE effect, cancel it.

## Graphic equalizer

*Selects a sound equalization curve to match the music type.*

- 1 Press SOUND MODE three times so that "GEQ" is displayed.
  - 2 Turn MULTI JOG to select one of the five equalization curves and then press ENTER.  
If there is no MULTI JOG operation within 4 seconds, the setting is canceled.
- ROCK: Powerful sound emphasizing treble and bass
  - POP: More presence in the vocals and midrange
  - LATIN: Accented higher frequencies for Latin music.
  - CLASSIC: Enriched sound with heavy bass and fine treble
  - JAZZ: Accented lower frequencies for jazz-type music.

### To select with the remote control

Press SHIFT + GEQ repeatedly to select one of the five curves.

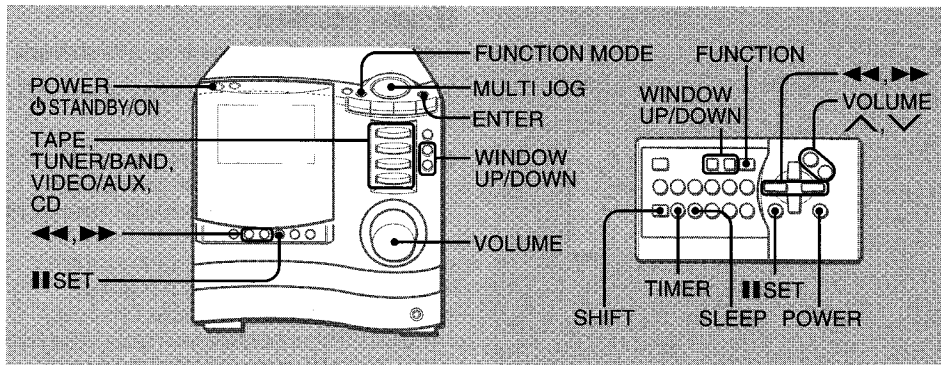
### To display the current GEQ mode

Press SHIFT+GEQ on the remote control once.  
The mode will be displayed for 4 seconds.

### To cancel equalization

Repeat step 1 and 2 above and select "GEQ OFF".  
On the remote control, press SHIFT + GEQ repeatedly until "GEQ OFF" is displayed.

# TIMER OPERATIONS



\* Move the Window up to reveal the operation buttons with WINDOW UP if needed.

## Sleep timer

Turns off the unit automatically after a specified time.

- 1 Press SHIFT+SLEEP on the remote control. "SLP" appears on the display.
- 2 Press ◀◀ or ▶▶ repeatedly to set the sleep timer duration. With each press, the timer duration changes in 5-minute steps between 5 to 240 minutes. If there is no button input for 4 seconds, the current setting is entered automatically. The unit turns off after the selected time.
  - MULTI JOG is also available in place of ◀◀ or ▶▶.

### To check the remaining time until the unit turns off

Press SHIFT+SLEEP on the remote control. The remaining time is displayed for 4 seconds.

### To cancel the sleep timer

Press SHIFT+SLEEP twice on the remote control so that "SLP OFF" is displayed.

## Timer playback

Turns on the unit at a specified time for the specified duration. Make sure the clock is set correctly.

- 1 Press one of the function buttons to select the desired playback source.
- 2 Press FUNCTION MODE repeatedly until "TIMER" is displayed, turn MULTI JOG to select "ⓈPLAY" within 4 seconds, and then press ENTER within 4 seconds. "Ⓢ" indicator lights up, and the timer-on time and the source name appear alternately on the display. On the remote control, press SHIFT + TIMER repeatedly until "ⓈPLAY" is displayed, and then go to the next step within 6 seconds.
- 3 Press ◀◀ or ▶▶ to set the timer-on time, then press ■■SET or ENTER.
  - MULTI JOG is also available in place of ◀◀ or ▶▶.

- 4 Press ◀◀ or ▶▶ to set the timer-activated duration, then press ■■SET or ENTER. With each press, the timer-activated duration changes in 5-minute steps between 5 to 240 minutes. If there is no button input for 4 seconds, the current setting is entered automatically.
  - MULTI JOG is also available in place of ◀◀ or ▶▶.
- 5 Adjust the volume and tone for timed playback. If the volume level is set to 17 or higher, it is automatically turned down to 16 when the unit is turned on by the timer.
- 6 Prepare the source.
  - To play CD(s), load disc(s).
  - To play the radio, select the band and tune in to the desired station.
  - To play a tape, load the tape.
  - To play external equipment connected to the VIDEO/AUX jacks, set an external timer for the equipment so that its playback begins at the same time.
- 7 Press POWER ⓈSTANDBY/ON to turn the unit off. "Ⓢ" remains on the display to indicate the timer standby mode. At timer-on time, the unit turns on and plays the selected source. After the specified timer-activated duration, the unit turns off again.
  - Timer playback will not begin unless the unit is turned off first.
  - Connected equipment cannot be turned on or off by the built-in timer of this unit. Use an external timer.
  - The timer source can be changed with the function buttons before completing step 3.

**To display the timer setting**

Press SHIFT + TIMER on the remote control repeatedly until "⊖PLAY" is displayed.

The timer-on time, the source and the timer-activated duration are displayed for 6 seconds.

**Tip:**

Timer setting can be displayed even while the unit is turned off, and at that time if you press ENTER or ■ within 6 seconds after SHIFT+TIMER on the remote control is pressed, you can enter the timer setting mode and change the setting.

**To change the timer setting**

Re-set the timer again.

**To cancel the timer**

Press FUNCTION MODE repeatedly until "TIMER" is displayed, turn MULTI JOG to select "⊖OFF" within 4 seconds, and then press ENTER within 4 seconds. "⊖" disappears from the display.

On the remote control, press SHIFT + TIMER repeatedly until "⊖OFF" is displayed.

**Tip:**

Your timer setting is retained even if the timer is canceled. Next time the timer is activated, you can change your previous setting, or simply use the same setting again.

**Timer recording**

*Timer recording is available only for TUNER and VIDEO/AUX (with an external timer) sources.*

- 1** Press either TUNER/BAND or VIDEO/AUX to select a source.
- 2** Press FUNCTION MODE repeatedly until "TIMER" is displayed, turn MULTI JOG to select "⊖REC" within 4 seconds, and then press ENTER within 4 seconds.  
"REC" indicator lights up.  
On the remote control, press SHIFT + TIMER repeatedly until "⊖REC" is displayed, and then go to the next step within 6 seconds.
- 3** Carry out step 3 to step 5 described in "Timer playback".
- 4** Prepare the source.  
To record the radio, select the band and tune in to the desired station.  
To record external equipment connected to the VIDEO/AUX jacks, set an external timer for the equipment so that its playback begins at the same time.
- 5** Load the recording tape with WINDOW UP/DOWN and then turn the unit off.

# REFERENCE

## Care and maintenance

*Occasional care and maintenance of the unit and the software are needed to optimize the performance of your unit.*

### To clean the cabinet

Use a soft and dry cloth. If the unit surfaces are extremely dirty, use a soft cloth lightly moistened with mild detergent solution. Do not use strong solvents such as alcohol, benzine or thinner.

### To clean the tape heads

Dirty tape heads cause sound deterioration. After every 10 hours of use, clean the tape heads with a head cleaning cassette. Refer to the instructions of the cleaning cassette.

### To demagnetize the tape heads

Use a demagnetizing cassette after every 20 to 30 hours of use. Refer to the instructions of the demagnetizing cassette.

### Care of CDs

When a CD becomes dirty, wipe it from the center out with a cleaning cloth. After playing a CD, store it in its case. Do not keep it in hot or humid places.

### Care of tapes

Store tapes in their cases after use. Do not leave tapes near magnets, motors, television sets, or any source of magnetism. Do not expose tapes to direct sunlight, or leave them in a car parked in direct sunlight.

## Troubleshooting

*If your unit fails to perform properly, check the following guide and the relevant sections of the Operating Instructions.*

### There is no sound.

- Are the speakers and AC power cord connected properly?

### The unit shut off suddenly.

- Possibly a short circuit in the speaker terminals. Disconnect the AC power cord from the AC power outlet and re-connect the speaker cords correctly.

### The unit blacks out when the unit is turned off.

- Is ECO mode set to on?

### Erroneous display.

- Reset the unit.

### Poor radio reception.

- Check antenna connection. Adjust the antenna to find the best reception.
- Move unit and antenna away from other electric appliances and cords.

### The tape does not run.

- Is the tape in pause?

### Poor tape sound.

- Check for dirty heads. Clean them if needed.
- Use type I (normal) tapes.

### Cannot record.

- Is the erasure prevention tab of the tape broken off? If so, cover the detection slot with adhesive tape.

### The CD player works poorly.

- Is the disc correctly loaded?
- Is the disc dirty?
- Is the lens affected by condensation? If so, wait approximately one hour and try again.

### Resetting the unit

If an unusual condition occurs in the display window, reset the unit as follows:

- 1 Press POWER to turn off the power.  
If the power cannot be turned off, disconnect the AC power cord, then plug it in again.
- 2 Hold down FUNCTION MODE and press POWER.  
Everything stored in memory after purchase is cleared.

## Specifications

### MAIN UNIT CX-G3

#### TUNER

FM tuning range	87.5 MHz to 108 MHz
FM usable sensitivity (1HF)	13.2 dBf
FM antenna terminals	75 ohms (unbalanced)
AM tuning range	530 kHz to 1710 kHz (10 kHz step) 531 kHz to 1602 kHz (9 kHz step)
AM usable sensitivity	350 $\mu$ V/m
AM antenna	Loop antenna

#### AMPLIFIER

Power output	60 W + 60 W (50 Hz - 20 kHz, THD less than 1 %, 6 ohms) 75 W + 75 W (1 kHz, THD less than 10 %, 6 ohms)
Total harmonic distortion	0.08 % (30 W, 1 kHz, 6 ohms, DIN AUDIO)
Input	VIDEO/AUX: 500 mV
Outputs	SPEAKERS: 6 ohms or more PHONES: 32 ohms or more

#### CASSETTE DECK

Track format	4 tracks, 2 channels stereo
Frequency response	50 Hz - 15 kHz
Recording system	AC bias
Heads	Recording/playback x 1, erase x 1

#### CD PLAYER

Laser	Semiconductor laser ( $\lambda = 780$ nm)
D/A converter	1 bit dual
Signal-to-noise ratio	85 dB (1 kHz, 0 dB)
Harmonic distortion	0.05 % (1 kHz, 0 dB)

#### GENERAL

Power requirements	120 V AC, 60 Hz
Power consumption	65 W
Power consumption in standby mode	With ECO mode on: 0.6 W With ECO mode off: 17 W
Dimensions (W $\times$ H $\times$ D)	260 $\times$ 271.5 $\times$ 355 mm (10 1/4 $\times$ 10 3/4 $\times$ 14 in.)
Weight	6.5 kg (14 lbs 5 oz)

#### FRONT SPEAKERS SX-G3

Speaker system	2 way, bass reflex (magnetic shielded)
Speaker units	Woofer: 140 mm (5 5/8 in.) cone Tweeter: 60 mm (2 3/8 in.) cone
Impedance	6 ohms
Dimensions (W $\times$ H $\times$ D)	165 $\times$ 328 $\times$ 225 mm (6 1/2 $\times$ 13 $\times$ 8 7/8 in.)
Weight	3.5 kg (7 lbs 11 oz)

Specifications and external appearance are subject to change without notice.

#### COPYRIGHT

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**NOTE**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

**CAUTION**

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