

CASSETTE-BECEIVER

KRC-640 KRC-540

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

KENWOOD CORPORATION

Take the time to read through this instruction manual.

Familiarity with installation and operation procedures will help you obtain the best performance from your new cassette - receiver.

For your records

Record the serial number, found on the back of the unit, in the spaces designated on the warranty card, and in the space provided below. Refer to the model and serial numbers whenever you call upon your KENWOOD dealer for information or service on the product.

Model KRC - 640/540 Serial number _______

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

AWARNING

Observe the following instructions to prevent fires and personal injury.

- Press in the unit until it is locked in position in the detachable case. This prevents it from being dislodged in the event of an accident, which can lead to further personal injury.
- When the power supply lead, memory backup lead or the ground lead are extended, use a 0.75mm² (AWG 18) or larger automotive grade cable which will withstand friction and heat to safe guard against fires occurring as a result of short-circuiting.
- Make sure that metal objects, particularly. needles or coins do not get into the unit to prevent shortcircuiting and fires.
- If smoke comes out of the unit or a strange smell is present, disconnect the unit immediately and consult your KENWOOD dealer. Continued use under these circumstances could cause a fire, as well as damage the unit permanently.

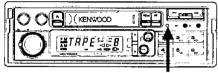
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Heed the following instructions to keep the unit in proper working order.

- The unit should be connected to a 12 VDC power supply with a minus ground connection.
- Do not open enclosures, such as the front panel, top or bottom covers.
- Do not place the unit, where it will be exposed to direct sunlight or near heating devices..
- · Do not expose the unit to water.
- Do not place the unit in areas of excessive dust, high humidity or on unstable surfaces.

NOTE

- If you have difficultly in installing the set in your car, please contact your KENWOOD dealer.
- If your set malfunctions or operates abnormally, first press the Reset button. If the malfunction persists, leave the set as it is and please call your KENWOOD dealer.



Reset Button

Notes on handling tape

- Before loading a cassette, check the tape for slack. If there is slack tape, remove it using a pencil to turn one of the spools in the cassette shell.
 Playing a slack tape in the deck can cause the tape to become wound around the pinch roller. This is just one of many problems that can result.
- Do not expose a cassette tape to direct sunlight. Leaving a cassette tape in a place where the temperature and humidity are high can deform the cassette shell and the tape itself. Do not use such tapes in your unit as it may not be possible to eject them.
- A120 minute tape is very thin, and its use should be avoided as it can easily become twisted around the pinch roller.

FCC WARNING

This equipment may generate or use radio frequency energy. Changes or modifications to this equipment may cause harmful interference unless the modifications are expressly approved in the instruction manual. The user can lose the authority to operate this equipment if an unauthorized changes or modification are made.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

CLEANING

- 1. Turn the power off the unit before cleaning the unit.
- Wipe the front panel and other exterior surfaces of the unit with a soft dry cloth or a soft cloth lightly moistened with a neutral detergent.

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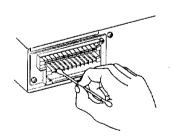
 Do not use abrasive pads, thinner or benzene (or other volatile solvents) to clean the unit as this may remove indicator characters.

Head cleaning

Magnetic particles from the tape adhere to the head surface after a long period of use, resulting in noise and poor quality sound. Clean the head with a cleaning tape available at your KENWOOD dealer, following the direction in the head cleaner.

Rear connector cleaning

The connection at the rear sometimes will require cleaning. Periodically wipe the connector with a cloth moistened with alcohol as shown below.



Memory backup battery

This unit has a built-in backup battery to store the memory contents. The backup battery service life is about 7 years in normal use. (But it will be shorter than 7 years according to the operating condition.)

If the backup battery run down, please contact your KENWOOD dealer or authorized service center. If the guarantee period is over, we replace it with charge.

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SPECIAL FEATURES

■ Tuper section

- Seek tuning (P.7)
 Automatically locates and receives stations.
- Preset station tuning (P.11)
 Registers the frequency of your favorite stations in memory to allow one-touch tuning.
- Auto memory (P.12)
 Automatically stores the frequency of a station that provides the best reception quality in memory.
 Once a station is stored, it can be accessed through preset station tuning.
- Priority radio preset (P.13) A station can be stored in the priority memory for instant recall through a one-touch function regardless of the operating mode the tuner is in. This allows quick and easy access to stations that you often listen to (e.g. news, traffic information stations, etc.).

■ Tape deck section

Tape advance (P.14/KRC-640 only)

Allows you to go to the beginning of the track you are listening to or to search the next track.

Tuner call (P.9/KRC - 640 only)
 Allows you to listen to the tuner during tape rewind or fast forward.

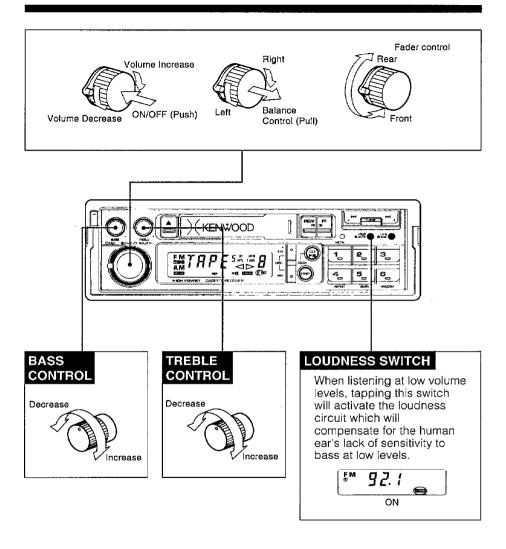
CD auto changer control section

- CD auto changer control (P.15–19)
 This device allows you to control the CD auto changer.
- Random play (P.17)
 Allows you to listen to the tracks of a compact disk in random order.
- Track repeat (P.18)
 Repeats playback of a CD track.
- Track scan (P.19)
 Plays back short snatches of each track on a CD starting from the beginning. This is a convenient feature when searching for a track you would like to listen to.

■ Useful features

- Theft prevention chassis (P.20)
 When you leave the car, you can
 easily take the unit with you. This
 helps you to prevent theft.
- Channel space selection (P.21)
 Allows you to switch the channel space between FM: 200 kHz/AM:
 10 kHz and FM: 50 kHz/AM: 9 kHz.

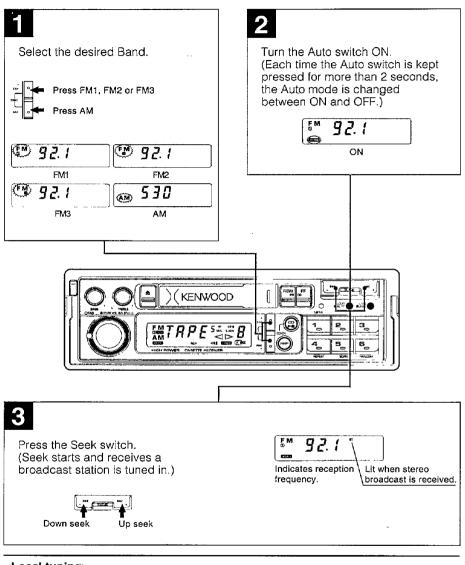
POWER, VOLUME AND TONE



NOTE

- Turning the power ON automatically turns this unit to the same mode before turning OFF the power.
- · Perform the following operation with the power ON.

SEEK TUNING

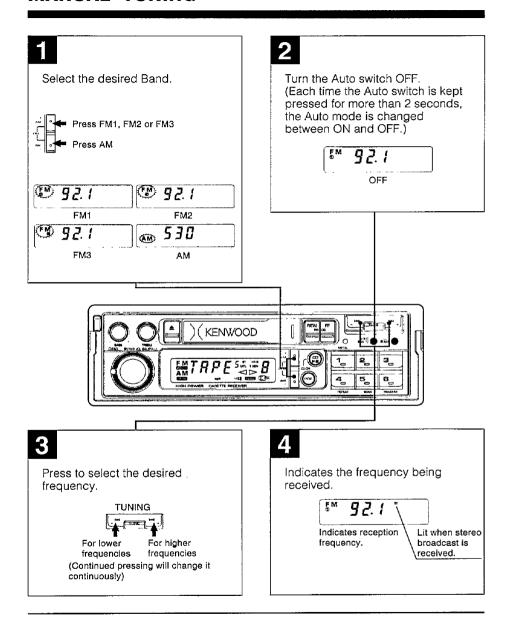






 If the Local switch is turned ON during SEEK TUNING and AUTO MEMORY, it will stop at stations only with satisfactory reception conditions.

MANUAL TUNING



TAPE PLAYBACK

TAPE PLAYBACK

Insert a cassette tape with the exposed tape facing to the right. (Playback starts.)



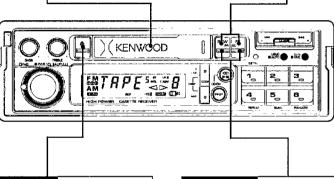
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(During playback, > will be indicated.)

FAST FORWARD/REWIND

Operation	Press
Fast forward	FF
Rewind	REW

To release, softly press the reverse switch



STOP PLAYBACK

Press the Eject switch. (The cassette tape will come out.)

PROGRAM

When you wish to listen to the reverse side, press these at the same time.

(The reverse side will be played back.)

<Playback side>

When inserted with the side A up.

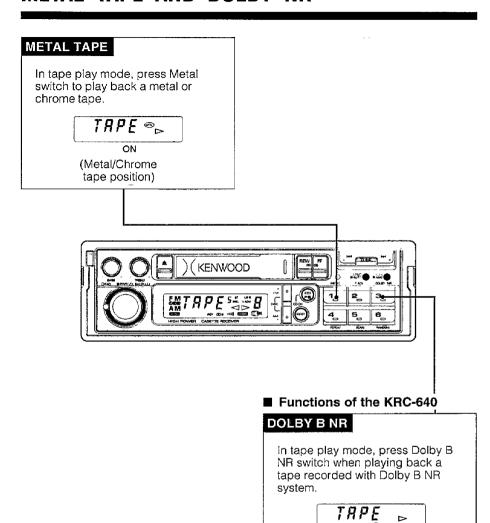
Indicator	Playback side
\triangleright	Side A
	Side B

This will be reversed when inserted with the side B up.

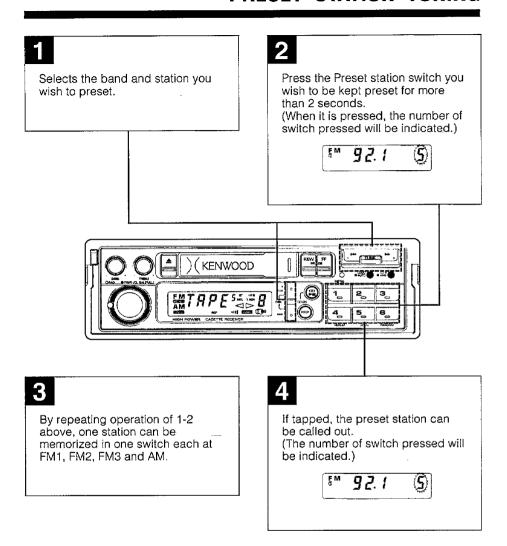
■ Function of the KRC - 640 <Tuner Call>

During fast forward or rewind operation, the tuner can be heard. (In the TAPE ADVANCE function mode, the tuner cannot be heard.)

METAL TAPE AND DOLBY NR



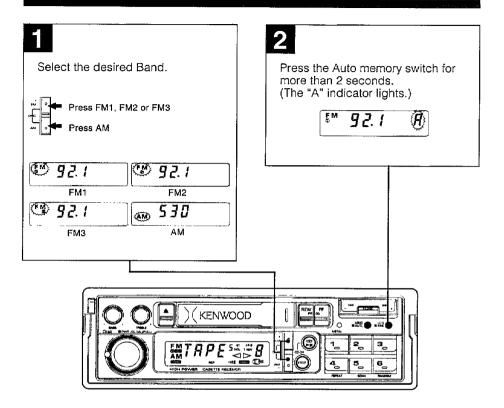
PRESET STATION TUNING



NOTE

 If preset is to be made anew on the switch already preset, what was preset before will be replaced with what is to be preset.

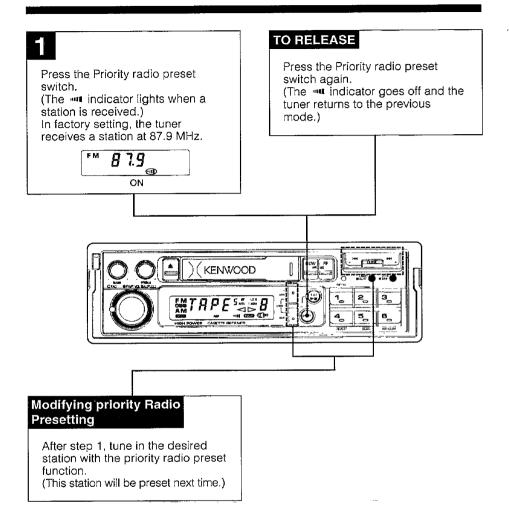
AUTO MEMORY



The selected band is automatically scanned and 6 stations are memorized. When 6 stations are memorized, the AUTO MEMORY function is automatically released.

The station last stored in memory is received.

PRIORITY RADIO PRESET

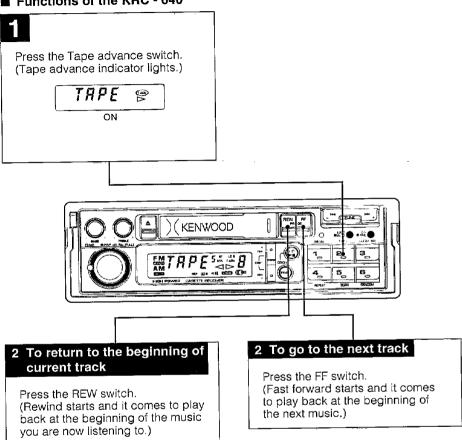


NOTE

- Both seek tuning and manual tuning can be used in priority radio preset mode.
- Tape play or CD play automatically releases the priority radio preset mode.

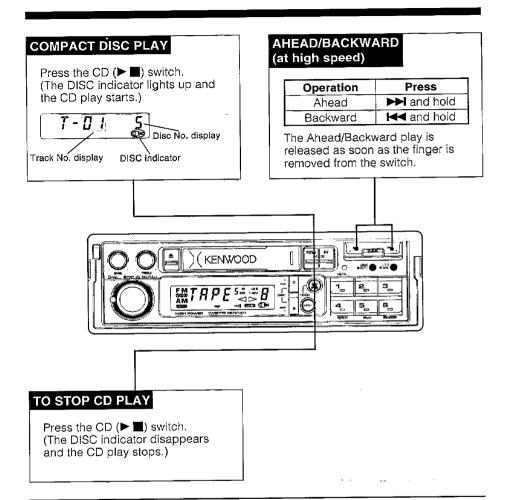
TAPE ADVANCE





NOTE

- Please note that in case of the following tapes, sometimes the TAPE ADVANCE does not function properly.
 - When an interval between the music is less than 5 seconds.
 - When a recorded portion of the low sound volume continues for more than 5 seconds.



NOTE

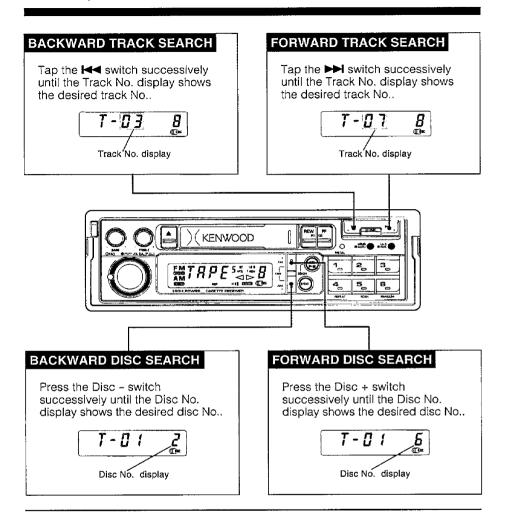
At the end of disc

 When disc reaches the end of the last selection of the next disc starts automatically. At the end of the last disc, the unit will go back to the beginning of the first disc, and the play will restart.

To playback a tape

 To playback a tape during CD play, first stop the CD play, then, put a tape into place.

TRACK/DISC SEARCH



NOTE

- If BACKWARD TRACK SEARCH is initiated while track No. 1 is being played, the play position always returns to the beginning of track No.1, and other tracks cannot be searched.
- If FORWARD TRACK SEARCH is initiated while the last track of a disc is being played, no operation takes place.
- The Disc No. display of No. 10 Disc is "0".

Press the Random switch. (The displayed track No. vary one after another.)

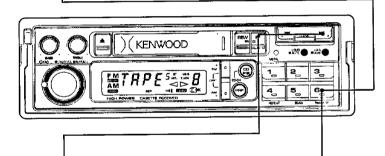
During Random Search

The tracks in the CD is played in a random order. When all of the tracks in that CD have been played, the next CD is played in a random order.

("-" of the track No. display blinks.)

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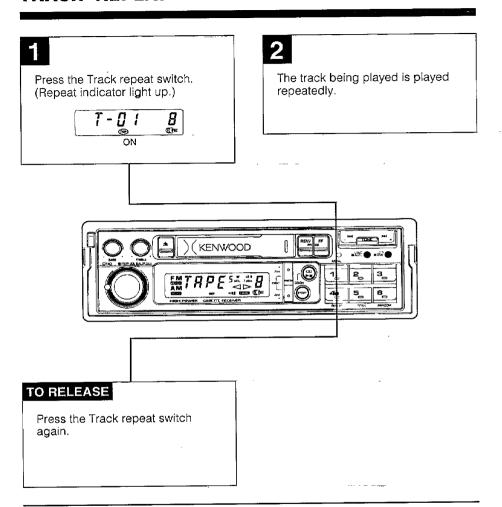
TO SELECT ANOTHER TRACK

Press the >> switch. (The next selection is played back.)

TO RELEASE

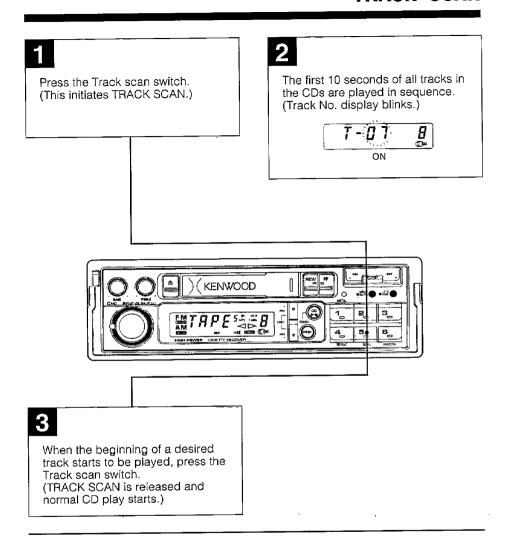
Press the Random switch again.

TRACK REPEAT



NOTE

Ahead/Backward CD Play (at high speed) cannot be initated during Track repeat.

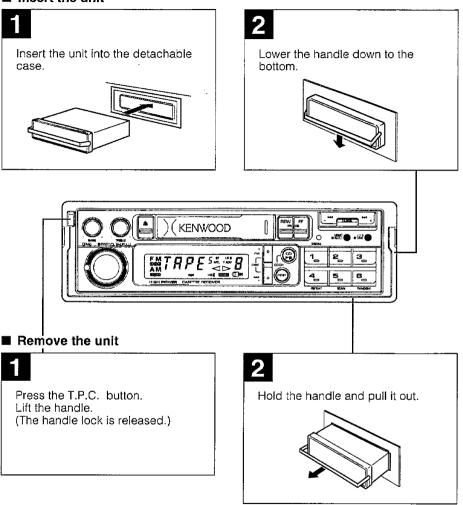


NOTE

Track scan plays the beginnings of all tracks in a disc repeatedly.

INSERTION/REMOVAL OF UNIT



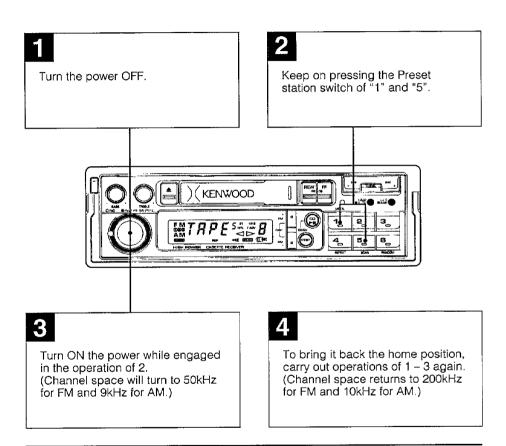


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• Be sure to eject the cassette tape before removing the unit.

CHANNEL SPACE SELECTION

■ The KRC - 640/540 has a channel space select function. Two spacing frequencies are available for both FM and AM, 200kHz or 50kHz for FM, and 10kHz or 9kHz for AM.



NOTE

- When the channel space is changed, the memorized contents are erased
- The channel space selection is not used in United States or Canada.

ACCESSORIES AND PROCEDURES

■ ACCESSORIES

Part name	External View	Number of units
Detachable case		1
Metal mounting strap	6999999999999	1
Hex. bolt (M5×20)		1
Hex. nut (M5)		2

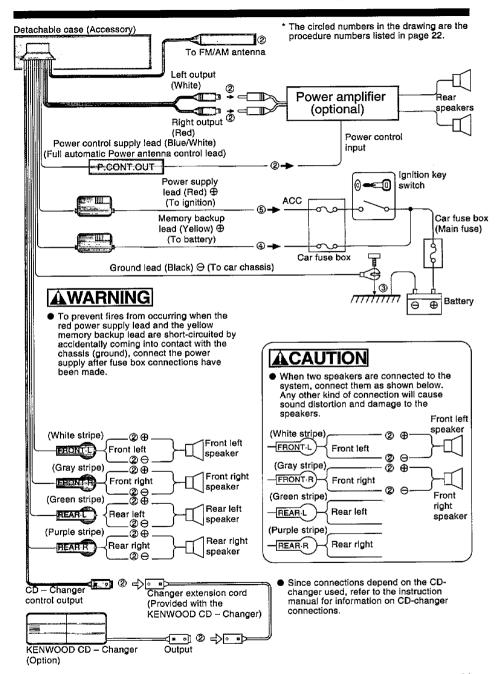
■ PROCEDURES

- igoplus Before installation and wiring, remove the igoplus terminal of the battery to prevent short circuiting.
- 2 Connect the input and output cords of the system. (P.23)
- 3 Connect the Ground lead (Black) to the metal chassis of the car. (P.23)
- (P.23) Tonnect the Memory backup lead (Yellow).
- (S) Connect the Power supply lead (Red). (P.23)
- (P.24)
- Tonnect the negative terminal of the disconnected battery.
- ® Place the unit in the detachable case.(P.20)
- After installation, surely press the Reset button.

ACAUTION

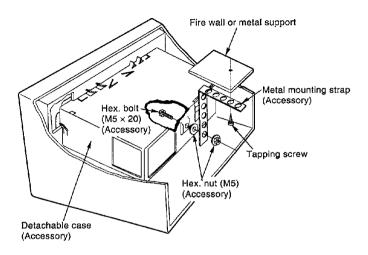
- A short-circuit may be the cause of a blown fuse. A short-circuit is a serious
 problem that can lead to a fire. Check the wiring and rewire if any wires are shortcircuited. After this (or if no short-circuits are found), replace the fuse with one
 having the same capacity (see indication in fuse box).
- Make sure that unconnected wires and connectors are not in contact with the live chassis (ground) of the car to prevent noise and current from entering the system which can cause it to malfunction or damage the unit. For the same reason, caps on connectors that are not used should not be removed.
- This product is equipped with a BTL (balanced transformer less) system to provide more power. In a BTL system, different speaker terminals must not be connected or shared as this will cause distortion or damage to the speakers. The output terminals of two or more speakers must under no circumstances be joined or connected to the chassis (ground) of the car.

CONNECTIONS

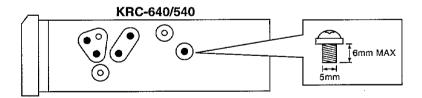


INSTALLATION

■ ⑥ Insert the Detachable case into the console and clamp with the claws. If the detachable case cannot be inserted, cut off the console with a file.



■ To install in the Japanese car, fit using the 2 of the holes indicated with ● with TP screw (M5).



NOTE

• If an "ELECTRONIC CHASSIS LOCK" (optional) is to be used with this unit, then, buy a "CK-50A".

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What often appears to be a malfunction is often due to user error in operation or connection. When trouble occurs with your unit, please check the following before calling for service.

Symptom	Cause	Remedy
No sound one channel.	The balance/fader control is extremely rotated to one side.	Adjust the balance/fader control.
Poor reception.	The antenna is not extended.	Extend the antenna.
Tonal quality is inferior.	Head is stained.	Carry out head cleaning.
Tape creaks.		

■ When the KENWOOD CD - changer is connected:

Symptom	Cause	Remedy
CD play does not start.	Power switch is not turned ON.	Turn the power switch ON, then press the CD switch.
The specified disc is not played and the next disc is played.	 The specified disc is too dirty. The disc placed upside down. Two discs are set in the same position. The specified disc is placed in a position with a different number. The disc is damaged or scratched seriously. 	 Clean the disc. Eject the magazine and reinsert the disc correctly. Eject the magazine and set each disc correctly. Eject the magazine to check the disc number and the position number, then specify again. Play other discs.
No sound is output while the changer indicator is shown.	1. Volume is set to the minimum level. 2. The incorporated microcomputer is not operating correctly. 3. System connections are mode imperfectly (power cord, connection of preout jacks, or speaker connections, etc.)	increase the volume level. Press the Reset button of this unit. Check the connections according to the instruction manual. If anything is wrong, reconnect it correctly.
Even when the required track is specified, the specified track is not played or the player does not function.	The player is set to random play.	Release random play.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Other than the previous, this unit displays various error indications to show the following messages.

E-00: CD - changer control output is not connected.

E-01: No disc magazine in the changer, or the magazine is not set completely.

E-02: No discs in the disc magazine.

E-04: Disc is too dirty.

Condensation has occurred on the disc or water drops are on the disc.

Disc is set upside down.

E-99: Operation incorrect due to something being defective.

Press the Reset button on the unit.

If the "E-99" indication does not disappear with this operation, consult your nearest KENWOOD Service Agent.

E-0d: • When the temperature exceeds 60 °C the protection circuit is engaged to stop any operation. At this time, this indication will appear.

 Open a window or turn on the air conditioner to lower the temperature. After a while, this indication will go out.

 This indication also appears for several seconds when making connections, or when the Reset button is pressed.

load: This indication appears while a disc is being changed inside the changer.

CAUTION: Random play, Track repeat or Track scan cannot be initiated while the load indication is displayed.

* When no indicator appears in this unit and only illumination appears, the cable connector may nearly be disconnected.

SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications subject to change without notice.

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FM Tuner Section Frequency Range (200 kHz space)
Usable Sensitivity 12.0 dBf (1.1 μ V/75 ohms) 50dB Quieting Sensitivity 15.2 dBf (1.6 μ V/75 ohms) Frequency Response (±3 dB) 30 Hz - 15 kHz Signal-to-Noise Ratio 73 dB Selectivity 100 dB Capture Ratio 1.5 dB Image Response Ratio 70 dB IF Response Ratio 120 dB Stereo Separation (1 kHz) 40 dB
AM Tuner Section Frequency Range (10 kHz space)530 kHz – 1700 kHz
(9 kHz space)
Cassette Desk Section Tape Speed 4.76 cm/sec. Wow & Flutter 0.12% (WRMS) Fast Winding Time (C – 60) 100 sec. Frequency Response (120 μ s) 30 Hz – 14 kHz (±3 dB) (70 μs) 30 Hz – 16 kHz (± 3dB) Stereo Separation (1 kHz) 43 dB Signal to Noise Ratio (Dolby NR OFF) 54 dB (Dolby – B NR ON) (KRC-640 only) .63 dB
Audio Section Maximum Output Power .25 Wx2 Output Power (10%THD, 1kHz, 4ohms) .20 Wx2 (1%THD, 30 Hz - 20 kHz, 4ohms) .15 Wx2 Tone Action .Bass: 100 Hz ± 10 dB Treble: 10 kHz ± 10 dB Preout level/ioad 1000 mV (MAX.)/10 kohms
General 14.4 V (11–16 V aliowable) Operating Voitage 14.4 V (11–16 V aliowable) Current Consumption 6 A at Rated Power Installation Size (WxHxD) 182×52×159 mm (7-3/16x2-1/16x6-1/4 in.) (7-3/16x2-1/16x6-1/4 in.) Weight 2.0 kg (4.4 lb)

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