

SL-SX430 SL-SX431C

Portable CD Player Operating Instructions

The model number and serial number of this product can be found on either the back or the bottom of the unit.

Please note them in the space provided below and keep for future reference.

MODEL NUMBER _ SERIAL NUMBER _

Dear Customer

Thank you for purchasing this product. Before connecting, operating or adjusting this product, please read these instructions completely. Please keep this manual for future reference.

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Troubleshooting guide

Before requesting service, make the following checks. If you are in doubt about some of the check points, or if the remedies indicated in the chart do not solve the problem, see "Product information" on page 3 for assistance.

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No play.	 The HOLD function is on. Release HOLD (r⊅page 5). The batteries may have run empty (r⊅page 5). (If play is extremely short even after fully recharging the batteries, the batteries may have exceeded their life. Rechargeable batteries can be recharged approximately 300 times.) The disc isn't correctly set. The disc is scratched or dirty. (Tracks skipped.) There is moisture on the lens. Wait for about an hour and then try again. The lens is dirty: clean it with a blower (recommended product: SZZP1038C). If the lens gets marked with fingerprints, gently wipe them off with a cotton swab. The unit may not read MP3 correctly if it is shaken while it is reading the files. Play of a multi-session disc may not be possible if there is a blank data segment between sessions. If there is large JPEG data etc. within a MP3 file, sound may become muted and play may not be possible. If you try playing a CD that contains CD-ROM format data and normal audio data (CD-DA), output from one of the above may become silent, and play may not be possible. 	
No sound or there is a lot of noise.	Ensure the plugs are inserted firmly. Wipe the plugs clean with a clean cloth. Noise may occur when playing MP3 if recording quality is poor. The elapsed playing time disappears and sound is interrupted if bumps continue repeatedly. Separate this unit from mobile telephones.	
Play doesn't resume from the last point stopped.		
Play doesn't start from the first track.	Random play modes may be on (⇔page 6). Play resumes from the last point stopped.	
The unit stops working.	Disconnect then reconnect all power sources (batteries and AC adaptor).	
Cannot search through tracks.	You cannot search through MP3 files.	
Cannot skip albums.	You cannot skip between the first and last albums during play.	
Cannot change the Digital Re-master mode.	If [◄◄] or [▶►I] is pressed before [MEMO] you cannot change the Digital Re-master mode.	

Cannot specify the AB segment.	You may not be able to specify segment A or B at the end of disc.	
Digital Re-master does not work.	Depending on the type of MP3 disc recording, the effect may not appear.	
The unit malfunctions when connected to other equipment.	Be sure to connect other equipment through the remote control. Speakers connected directly to the unit should have an impedance of 1 k Ω or less.	
Cannot hear the remote control's operation tone.	The operation tone may be off (r⇒page 6).	
The remote control does not work properly.	Use only the included remote control to operate this unit.	
Cannot recharge.	 You aren't using the special rechargeable batteries (r⇒page 5). You must insert two batteries before you can recharge them. The unit must be off before you can recharge. 	
The AC adaptor becomes warm during recharging.	This is normal.	
The batteries are taking a long time to recharge.	The batteries may take a maximum of 4 hours to recharge under some conditions.	
Play time is short after recharging.	This may occur after the first time you recharge the batteries or haven't used them for a long time. Play time should be restored after a few recharges. The batteries can go flat if you leave the AC adaptor connected after recharging is complete.	
The battery indicator fails to appear or is incorrect.	•The indicator does not appear when the AC adaptor is connected. •The indicator does not appear correctly under some conditions.	
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Display				
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no d 15E	You haven't inserted a disc or it isn't inserted correctly. You have inserted a disc this unit cannot play.			
OP EN	The disc lid is open.			
F	The program already contains 20 tracks.			

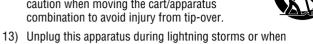
Reading MP3 files

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Read these operating instructions carefully before using the unit. Follow the safety instructions on the unit and the applicable safety instructions listed below. Keep these operating instructions handy for future reference.

- Read these instructions. 1)
- 2) Keep these instructions.
- Heed all warnings. 3)
- Follow all instructions.
- 5) Do not use this apparatus near water.
- Clean only with dry cloth.
- Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized or grounding-type plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. A grounding-type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
- 10) Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
- 11) Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.

12) Use only with the cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table specified by the manufacturer, or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over.



- unused for long periods of time.
- 14) Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.

Caution

• Discontinue use if you experience discomfort with the earphones or any other parts that directly contact your skin. Continued use may cause rashes or other allergic reactions.

■Batteries

- Do not peel off the covering on the batteries and do not use if the covering has been peeled off.
- Align the poles + and correctly when inserting the batteries.
- Do not mix different types of batteries or old and new batteries.
- Remove the batteries if you do not intend to use the unit for a long time.
- Do not throw into a fire, short-circuit, disassemble, or subject to excessive heat.
- Do not attempt to recharge dry cell batteries.
- When carrying batteries in a pocket or bag, ensure no metal objects such as necklaces are placed together with them. Contact with metal may cause short-circuiting which can cause a fire.

- Do not use irregularly shaped CDs.
- Do not use non-specification discs.
- Do not use CDs printed with label printers available on the market.
- Do not use CDs with labels and stickers that are coming off or with adhesive exuding from under labels and stickers.

■Listening





Do not play your headphones or earphones at a high volume. Hearing experts advise against continuous extended play.

If you experience a ringing in your ears, reduce volume or discontinue use

Do not use while operating a motorized vehicle. It may create a traffic hazard and is illegal in many areas.

You should use extreme caution or temporarily discontinue use in potentially hazardous situations.

Even if your headphones or earphones are the open-air type designed to let you hear outside sounds, don't turn up the volume so high that you can't hear what's around you.

Sound can be deceiving. Over time your hearing "comfort level" adapts to higher volumes of sound. So what sounds "normal" can actually be loud and harmful to your hearing.

Guard against this by setting your equipment at a safe level BEFORE your hearing adapts.

To establish a safe level:

- Start your volume control at a low setting.
- Slowly increase the sound until you can hear it comfortably and clearly, and without distortion.

Once you have established a comfortable sound level:

· Leave it there.

WARNING:

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, ELECTRIC SHOCK OR PRODUCT DAMAGE, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS APPARATUS TO RAIN, MOISTURE, DRIPPING OR SPLASHING AND THAT NO OBJECTS FILLED WITH LIQUIDS, SUCH AS VASES, SHALL BE PLACED ON THE APPARATÚS.

CAUTION!

THIS PRODUCT UTILIZES A LASER.

USE OF CONTROLS OR ADJUSTMENTS OR PERFORMANCE OF PROCEDURES OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED HEREIN MAY RESULT IN HAZARDOUS RADIATION EXPOSURE.

DO NOT OPEN COVERS AND DO NOT REPAIR YOURSELF. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED PERSONNEL.

CAUTION: (SL-SX430)

Use only car adaptor, Model: SH-CDC9

manufactured by Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.

Marking sign is located on bottom of the unit

THE FOLLOWING APPLIES ONLY IN THE U.S.A.

CAUTION:

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 a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Any unauthorized changes or modifications to this equipment would void the user's authority to operate this device.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Product Service

- 1. Damage requiring service—The unit should be serviced by qualified service personnel if:
 - The AC power supply cord or AC adaptor has been damaged; or
 - Objects or liquids have gotten into the unit; or
 - The unit has been exposed to rain; or (c)
 - The unit does not operate normally or exhibits a marked change in performance: or
 - The unit has been dropped or the cabinet damaged.
- 2. Servicing—Do not attempt to service the unit beyond that described in these operating instructions. Refer all other servicing to authorized servicing personnel.
- 3. Replacement parts—When parts need replacing ensure the servicer uses parts specified by the manufacturer or parts that have the same characteristics as the original parts. Unauthorized substitutes may result in fire, electric shock, or other hazards.
- 4. Safety check—After repairs or service, ask the servicer to perform safety checks to confirm that the unit is in proper working condition.

Product information

For product information or assistance with product operation:

In the U.S.A., contact the Panasonic Customer Call Center at 1-800-211-7262, or the website http://www.panasonic.com/contactinfo, or the website (http://www.panasonic.com/support).

In Canada, contact the Panasonic Canada Inc. Customer Care Centre at 905-624-5505, or visit the website (www.panasonic.ca), or an authorized Servicentre closest to you.

User memo:

DATE OF PURCHASE DEALER NAME **DEALER ADDRESS** TELEPHONE NUMBER

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Panasonic Audio Products Limited Warranty

Limited Warranty Coverage
If your product listed below does not work properly because of a defect in materials or workmanship,
Panasonic Consumer Electronics Company or Panasonic Sales Company (collectively referred to as "the
warrantor") will, for the length of the period indicated on the chart below, which starts with date of original
purchase ("warranty period"), at its option either (a) repair your product with new or refurbished parts, or (b)
replace it with a new or a refurbished product. The decision to repair or replace will be made by the warrantor.

Product or Part Name	Parts	Labor
Radio, Clock Radio, Radio with Tape Player or Recorder, Portable CD Player, Headphone Stereo, Tape Recorder, Speaker	One (1) Year	One (1) Year
Rechargeable batteries (in exchange for defective item)	Ten (10) Days	Not Applicable
SD Memory Card (in exchange for defective item)	Ninety (90) Days	Not Applicable

During the "Labor" warranty period there will be no charge for labor. During the "Parts" warranty period, there will be no charge for parts. You must mail-in your product during the warranty period. This Limited Warranty excludes both parts and labor for batteries, antennas, and cosmetic parts (cabinet). This warranty only applies to products purchased and serviced in the United States or Puerto Rico. This warranty is extended only to the original purchaser of a new product which was not sold "as is". A purchase receipt or other proof of the original purchase date is required for warranty service.

To obtain service in the USA please contact:

Panasonic Services Company, Panasonic Plus Department 20421 84th Avenue South Kent. WA 98032

Tel: 1-800-833-9626 Fax: 1-800-237-9080

For assistance in Puerto Rico call Panasonic Sales Company (787)-750-4300 or fax (787)-768-2910.

When shipping the unit carefully pack and send it prepaid, adequately insured and preferably in the original carton. Include a letter detailing the complaint and provide a day time phone number where you can be reached.

Customer Services Directory

Obtain Product Information and Operating Assistance; locate your nearest Dealer or Servicenter; purchase Parts and Accessories; or make Customer Service and Literature requests by visiting our Web Site at:

http://www.panasonic.com/support

or, contact us via the web at:

http://www.panasonic.com/contactinfo You may also contact us directly at: 1-800-211-PANA (7262),

Monday-Friday 9 am-9 pm; Saturday-Sunday 10 am-7 pm, EST.

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This warranty ONLY COVERS failures due to defects in materials or workmanship, and DOES NOT COVER normal wear and tear or cosmetic damage. The warranty ALSO DOES NOT COVER damages which occurred in shipment, or failures which are caused by products not supplied by the warrantor, or failures which result from accidents, misuse, abuse, neglect, mishandling, misapplication, alteration, faulty installation, set-up adjustments, misadjustment of consumer controls, improper maintenance, power line surge, lightning damage, modification, introduction of sand, humidity or liquids, commercial use such as hotel, office, restaurant, or other business or rental use of the product, or service by anyone other than a Factory Servicenter or other Authorized Servicer, or damage that is attributable to acts of God.

THERE ARE NO EXPRESS WARRANTIES EXCEPT AS LISTED UNDER "LIMITED WARRANTY COVERAGE".
THE WARRANTOR IS NOT LIABLE FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE
USE OF THIS PRODUCT, OR ARISING OUT OF ANY BREACH OF THIS WARRANTY. (As examples, this
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ALL EXPRESS AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING THE WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, ARE LIMITED TO THE PERIOD OF THE LIMITED WARRANTY.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, or limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the exclusions may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. If a problem with this product develops during or after the warranty period, you may contact your dealer or Servicenter. If the problem is not handled to your satisfaction, then write to the warrantor's Consumer Affairs Department at the addresses listed for the warrantor.

PARTS AND SERVICE, WHICH ARE NOT COVERED BY THIS LIMITED WARRANTY, ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.

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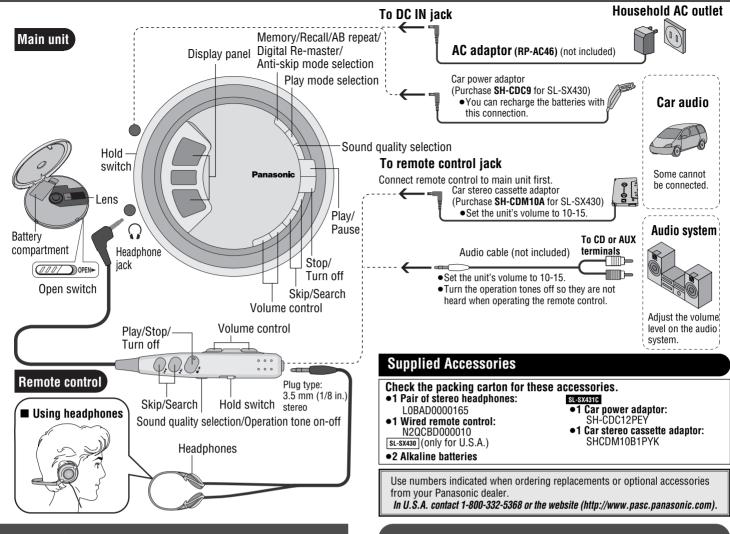
For hearing or speech impaired TTY users, TTY: 1-866-605-1277

Service in Puerto Rico

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Location of controls/Connection to other equipment Turn off this unit and the other equipment before connection.



Specifications

Audio (CD-DA)

Sampling frequency: 44.1 kHz No. of channels:

2 (left and right, stereo) Headphone output level:

RMS max. 6 mW+6 mW/ 16 Ω (adjustable)

Frequency response:

20 Hz to 20,000 Hz (+0.5 dB to -7 dB)

Pickup

Light source:

Semiconductor laser 780 nm

Wavelength: MP3

Supported bit-rates:

32 kbps to 320 kbps (128 kbps is recommended) Supported sampling frequency

48 kHz/44.1 kHz/32 kHz Maximum number of items

(total no. of albums and tracks): 999 Maximum album levels: 100

General

Power supply:

DC input (AC adaptor, not included): DC 4.5 V

Operational temperature range:

0 °C-40 °C (32 °F-104 °F)

Rechargeable temperature range: 5 °C-40 °C

(41 °F-104 °F)

Play time:

Using on a flat stable surface at 25 °C (77 °F), EQ is off, Hold is on, Anti-skip is on POS 1 (CD-DA), recommended bit rate (MP3:128 kbps), and the Digital Re-master is off (MP3). Play times are in hours and approximate.

Batteries used	MP3 disc	CD-DA disc
2 alkaline batteries	85	50
2 optional rechargeable batteries	40	23

3 to 4 hours Recharging time:

- •The play time may be less depending on the operating conditions.
- •Play time will be considerably reduced when playing CD-RW. Dimensions ($W \times H \times D$):

135×24.3×135 mm $(5^5/16'' \times 3^1/32'' \times 5^5/16'')$ 224 g (7.9 oz.) Mass: (with batteries) 180 g (6.4 oz.)

(without batteries)

Note:

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

Mass and dimensions are approximate.

Playing MP3

This unit can play MP3 files you have recorded to discs. MPEG Layer-3 audio decoding technology licensed from Fraunhofer IIS and Thomson multimedia.

HOLD

This function causes the unit to ignore accidental button presses.

Set to HOLD so the unit doesn't power on accidentally or play is interrupted.

•The unit and remote control each have independent HOLD switches.

Note on CD-R and CD-RW

This unit can play CD-R and CD-RW recorded with CD-DA or MP3. Use an audio recording disc for CD-DA and finalize* it when you finish recording. The unit may not be able to play some discs due to the condition of the recording.

*A process performed after recording that enables CD-R/CD-RW players to play audio CD-R and CD-RW.

Resume function

Play begins from the last point stopped. Replacing the disc cancels the function.

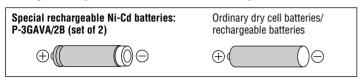
Auto off function

If the unit is left in stop mode for approximately 10 minutes, the unit turns itself off automatically.

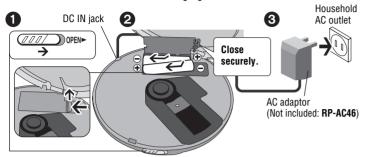
Power Supply

Rechargeable batteries (not included) Recharge before initial use.

As a safety precaution this unit is constructed so it is impossible to recharge ordinary batteries. For details, check with your dealer.



Make sure the unit is off when recharging.



- The battery indicator () scrolls while recharging and disappears when finished (3 to 4 hours).
- You can recharge the batteries before they are fully discharged.
- Fit the battery lid so it is secure and flush with the battery compartment. If it comes loose, it may scratch your discs.

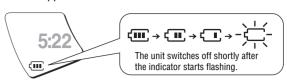
Dry cell batteries

After disconnecting the AC adaptor, insert two "LR6, AA, UM-3" alkaline batteries.

Insert the same way as the rechargeable batteries.

The battery indicator

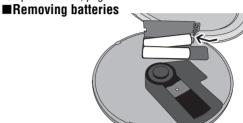
This indicator appears when the unit is on.



• Before playing starts the battery indicator may flash although the batteries are not drained. It appears correctly once you start play.

General

- ■Play time
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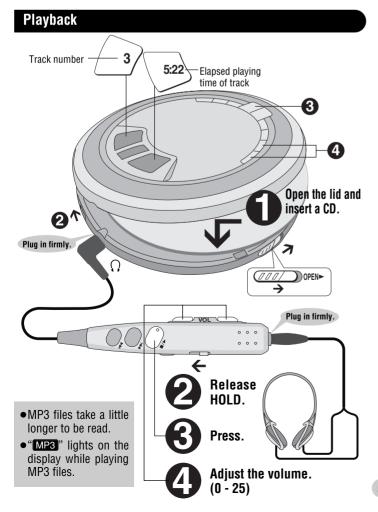


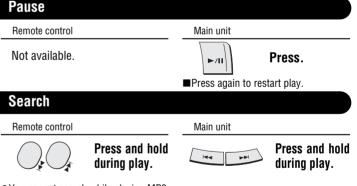
Car power adaptor

SL-SX431C includes a car power adaptor. (Refer to the separate installation instructions.)

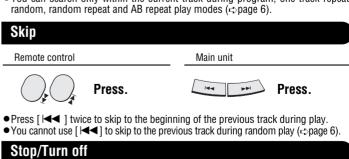
Purchase the SH-CDC9 car power adaptor (not included) for use with SL-SX430.

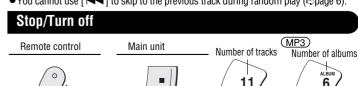
How to Use





- You cannot search while playing MP3.
- •You can search only within the current track during program, one track repeat,





■Press and hold to turn the unit off.

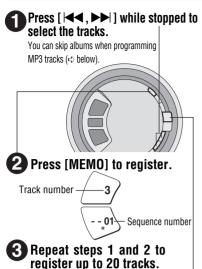
Press. ■Press again to turn the unit off.

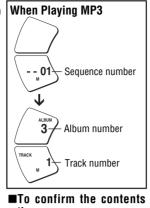
11 Total play time

6 Number of tracks

Other Play Methods

Program Play



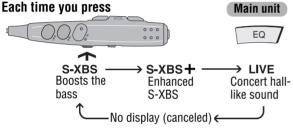


■To confirm the contents of the program

Press [MEMO] while the disc is playing.

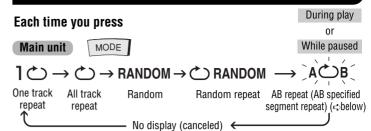
■To cancel program play Press [■].

Press [►/II] to start play. Changing the sound quality



• The effect may differ between different kinds of music.

Play modes



■Specifying the AB segment

Press [MEMO] at the start point (A) and once more at the end point (B).

 $A \bigcirc B \longrightarrow A \bigcirc B$

- If you do not specify point B and reach the end of disc, point B is set automatically and repeat begins. You can also specify point B again by pressing [MEMO].
- •You cannot select "RANDOM" and "A 🖎 B" while playing MP3.

Anti-Skip System

This system reduces the skipping caused by vibration to a minimum. You can change the anti-skip memory time for CD-DA to improve sound quality. While stopped, each time you press and hold

Main unit



POS 2 \longleftrightarrow POS 1

Sound enhanced mode, 10-second anti-skip memory

Anti-skip enhanced mode, 45-second anti-skip memory

 You cannot change the memory time for MP3. It is a maximum of 100 seconds for data recorded at 128 kbps.

Turning the operation tone off

Press and hold [EQ] until "bP oFF" appears.

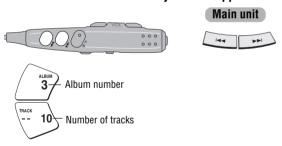


bP oFF ← → **bP on**Tone off Tone on

Playing MP3

Starting play from an album (Album skip)

Press and hold until the album you want appears.



Playing only the tracks in a selected album (Album mode)

Each time you press and hold

Main unit



- •You can select another album with album skip.
- You cannot turn album mode on during program play.

Enjoying even more natural sound (Digital Re-master)

You can regenerate signal frequency lost during compression, restoring to near pre-compression form.

While stopped, each time you press and hold

Main unit

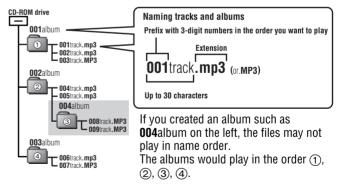


MP3

This unit can play MP3, a method of compressing audio without overtly hurting audio quality.

■When creating MP3 files to play on this unit

Disc formats: ISO9660 level 1 and level 2 (except for extended formats)



■Limitations on MP3

- This unit is compatible with multi-session but if there are a lot of sessions it takes more time for play to start. Keep the number of sessions to a minimum to avoid this.
- This unit cannot play files recorded using packet write.
- If a CD-ROM format CD contains MP3 and files other than MP3, only the MP3 files will be playable.
- Depending on how you create MP3 files, they may not play in the order you numbered them or may not play at all.