**Introduction**

**Before applying power**

⚠️ Caution: Read this section carefully to ensure safe operation.

Units are designed for operation as follows.

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**AC voltage selection**

The AC voltage selector switch on the rear panel is set to the voltage that prevails in the area to which the unit is shipped. Before connecting the power cord to your AC outlet, make sure that the setting position of this switch matches your line voltage. If not, it must be set to your voltage in accordance with the following direction.

Note:
Our warranty does not cover damage caused by excessive line voltage due to improper setting of the AC voltage selector switch.

**For the United Kingdom**

Factory fitted moulded mains plug

1. The mains plug contains a fuse. For replacement, use only a 13-Amp ASTA-approved (BS1362) fuse.
2. The fuse cover must be refitted when replacing the fuse in the moulded plug.
3. Do not cut off the mains plug from this equipment. If the plug fitted is not suitable for the power points in your home or the cable is too short to reach a power point, then obtain an appropriate safety approved extension lead or adapter, or consult your dealer. If nonetheless the mains plug is cut off, remove the fuse and dispose of the plug immediately, to avoid a possible shock hazard by inadvertent connection to the mains supply.

**IMPORTANT:**
The wires in the mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:
- Blue : Neutral
- Brown : Live

Do not connect those leads to the earth terminal of a three-pin plug.

**Safety precautions**

⚠️ Caution: Read this section carefully to ensure safe operation.

**WARNING:** TO PREVENT FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS APPLIANCE TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

![Warning symbols]

**CAUTION**

- THE LIGHTNING FLASH WITH ARROWHEAD SYMBOL, WITHIN AN EQUILATERAL TRIANGLE, IS INTENDED TO ALERT THE USER TO THE PRESENCE OF UNSULATED "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.

**The marking of products using lasers (Except for some areas)**

CLASS 1 LASER PRODUCT

The marking is located on the rear panel and says that the component uses laser beams that have been classified as Class 1. It means that the unit is utilizing laser beams that are of a weaker class. There is no danger of hazardous radiation outside the unit.

**Requirement by Nederland Gazette**

Batteries are supplied with this product. When they empty, you should not throw away. Instead, hand them in as small chemical waste.
This unit is audio equipment based on the Mini Disc format. The Mini Disc (MD) is an application of the optical and magneto-optical technology and has the capability to record signals on discs. The operability of the MD is equivalent to the Compact Disc (CD). The MD uses optional non-contact system so the recordings are not degraded by external factors and the discs are never scratched or damaged in playback.

**Special features**

The contents of the disc recorded by yourself can be edited as you need.

- **Reordering tracks**: The order of tracks can be changed by moving them as desired.
- **Dividing a track**: A single track can be split into two by inserting an additional track number.
- **Combining two tracks**: Two tracks can be merged into a single track by deleting a track number.
- **Erasing tracks**: Music tracks or an entire disc you do not want to listen to can be erased, or all titles are erased.

**Convenient title search**

After recording of music tracks on a Mini Disc, their title can be registered additionally. Once the titles have been registered, the desired music tracks on the Mini Disc can be played by referring to the display, not the record jacket, etc.

**High-quality playback/recording**

This unit incorporates a high-performance, 1-bit DAC for playback with a high sound quality. Digital recording with a high sound quality is also possible thanks to the optical input jack.

**Convenient editing features**
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Caution: Read the pages marked ⚠️ carefully to ensure safe operation.
Unpacking

Unpack the unit carefully and make sure that all accessories are put aside so they will not be lost. Examine the unit for any possibility of shipping damage. If your unit is damaged or fails to operate, notify your dealer immediately. If your unit was shipped to you directly, notify the shipping company without delay. Only the consignee (the person or company receiving the unit) can file a claim against the carrier for shipping damage.

We recommend that you retain the original carton and packing materials for use should you transport or ship the unit in the future.

Keep this manual handy for future reference.

Accessories

Check that the following accessories are present.

Audio cord (2)
System control cord (1)
Optical fiber cable (1)
Remote control unit (1)
Batteries (2)
AC plug adaptor (1)

Use to adapt the plug on the power cord to the shape of the wall outlet.
(Accessory only for regions where use is necessary.)

For the U.S.A.

CAUTION:
Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

In compliance with Federal Regulations, following are reproductions of labels on, or inside the product relating to laser product safety.

For the U.S.A.

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 could lose the authority to operate this equipment if an unauthorized change or modification is made.

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 may cause harmful interference to radio communications, if it is not installed and used in accordance with the instructions. 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.
System connections

Make connection as shown below. When connecting the related system components, refer also to the instruction manuals of the related components. Caution: Do not plug in the power lead until all connections are completed.

**Malfunction of microprocessor**

If operation is not possible or erroneous display appears even though all connections have been made properly, reset the microprocessor referring to "In case of difficulty".

**Notes**

- For CD recording, the CD-TEXT function, and for positive system operation, connect the CD player to "DIGITAL IN OPTICAL 1".
- Commercial digital equipment (BS tuner, DAT, etc.) can be connected to "OPTICAL 2".
- The above illustration is simply an example. The actual connected equipment may vary depending on the sales region.

**Connection to the TAPE 1/MD jacks**

The following setup allows to combine this unit with the Series 21 system and control it as a part of a single system.

1. Connect a system control cord to this unit and to one of the system components connected using other system control cords (AV Control Center, CD player or cassette deck).
2. Connect an audio cord to the TAPE 1/MD jacks of the AV Control Center or receiver.
3. Set the input function of the AV Control Center or receiver to "MD".

To control the system using the GRC-151, GRC-102 or GRC-101 (optional), select "System Control" in the Setup MD menu.

**Connection to the TAPE 2 MONITOR jacks**

The system control is not available when the audio cord is connected to the TAPE 2/MONITOR jacks. In this case, do not connect a system control cord to this unit; otherwise malfunction will result.

To control this unit using the GRC-151, GRC-102 or GRC-101 (optional), select "IR" in the Setup MD menu.

1. Connect all cords firmly. If connections are loose, there could be loss of sound or noise produced.
2. When plugging and unplugging connection cords, be sure to first remove the power cord from the AC outlet. Plugging/unplugging connection cords without removal of the power cord can cause malfunctions or damage to the unit.
**Note on connection of optical-fiber cable**

The optical-fiber cable is designed for use in the connection of the CD player. The digital signal transmission makes it possible to record the high-quality sound of CDs without degradation.

- Insert the optical-fiber cable straight into the connector until it clicks.
- Be sure to attach the protection cap when the connector is not used.
- Never bend or bundle the optical-fiber cable.

**SYSTEM CONTROL CONNECTIONS**

After hooking this unit up with the KENWOOD System “SERIES 21,” connect the system control cords for convenient system control operations between the connected devices.

When hooking this unit up with the System “SERIES 21,” read the instruction manuals supplied with the AV CONTROL CENTER (sold separately) or the receiver (sold separately).

**Notes**

1. Do not connect system control cords to any components other than those specified by KENWOOD. It may cause a malfunction and damage your equipment.
2. Be sure the system control plugs are inserted all the way in to the system control terminals.

**SYSTEM CONTROL OPERATIONS**

**Remote Control**

Lets you operate this unit with the system remote control unit (GRC-151, GRC-102 or GRC-101).

**Automatic Operation**

Automatically switches the input selector on the AV CONTROL CENTER or receiver when you start playback from this unit.

**Synchronized Recording**

Lets you synchronize recording with the start of playback when recording from CD. See the operating instructions supplied with your CD player or VIDEO-CD LD player for details.
Names and functions of parts

Display/Main unit

1. ON/STANDBY (I / O) key
   Press to turn the unit on or off (standby).

2. POWER key (For U.S.A. and Canada)
   Press to turn the unit on or off.

3. Standby indicator

4. TIME DISPLAY key
   Insert a minidisc.

5. Eject (E) key
   Press to unload the Mini Disc.

6. SHUTTLE (<<, >>) knob
   Use to skip disc tracks during playback.
   During editing, this knob is used to select track numbers, title and characters.

7. REC LEVEL keys
   This key is used to adjust the recording level.

8. REC INPUT key
   This key is used to switch the recording input source.

9. REC ( ) key
   Press when starting recording.

10. Fast forward and fast backward (<<, >>)
    During playback, this key is used to move the played position forward or backward.
    At the time of editing, the cursor movement and the selected title can be confirmed.

11. Pause (II) key
    Press to temporary stop the disc operation.

12. Stop ( ) key
    Press to stop the disc operation.

13. Play ( ) key
    Press to start playback.

14. About the STANDBY mode

While the STANDBY indicator is lit on the display, a small amount of power is supplied to the system to back up the memory. This is called the standby mode. Under that condition, the system can be turned ON by the remote control unit.
Remote control unit

1 TIME DISPLAY key
   : Press to switch the time display mode.

2 Applied operation keys
   RAMDOM key
   : Used at the time of random playback.
   REPEAT key
   : Press to play tracks repeatedly.

3 Numeric keys
   : Press to specify the desired track number.
   : Used at the time of title input for selection of characters and symbols.

4 Edit operation keys
   EDIT key
   : This key is used to switch the editing mode.
   SET key
   : Press to set the editing result or input title definitely in memory.
   ENTER key
   : Press to execute editing or title input operation.
   TITLE INPUT key
   : This key is used to switch the title input mode.
   TITLE SEARCH key
   : This key is used to switch the title search mode.
   EDIT CANCEL key
   : Used to cancel editing.

5 POWER (I/II) key
   : Press to turn the unit on or off (standby).

6 Program operation keys
   P.MODE (Play mode)/CHARACTER key
   : This key is used in program playback. During title input, it is used to select the character group.
   CHECK/SPACE key
   : This key is used to check the program contents. During title input, it is used to insert a blank space character.
   CLEAR/DELETE key
   : This key is used to clear the program. During title input, it is used to delete a character.

7 REC INPUT (Recording input) key
   : This key is used to switch the recording input source.

8 MONITOR key
   : The sound of the unit connected to “DIGITAL 2” is heard.

9 Basic operation keys
   : Fast forward and fast backward keys. (Same function as the keys on the main unit.)
   : Skip keys. (Same function as the knob on the main unit.)
   : Record key
   : Pause key
   : Stop key
   : Play key

AUTO/MANU. key
   : This is used for selection of automatic (AUTO) or manual (MANU.) track number assignment at the time of recording.
Operation of remote control unit

Loading batteries

1. Remove the cover.
2. Insert batteries.
3. Close the cover.

- Insert two R6 ("AA"-size) batteries following the polarity indications.

Operation

The unit can be turned on by plugging the power cord into a power outlet and pressing the POWER (I / O) key of the remote control unit. After the unit has been turned on, press the desired operation key.

- When pressing more than one remote control keys successively, press the keys securely by leaving an interval of 1 second or more between pressing of keys.

Notes

- Remote sensor
- Reference operating range
- 6 m
- 30°

1. The provided batteries are intended for use in operation checking, and their service life may be short.
2. When the remote controllable distance becomes short, replace both of the batteries with new ones.
3. If direct sunlight or the light of a high-frequency fluorescent lamp (inverter type, etc.) is incident to the remote sensor, malfunction may occur. In such a case, change the installation position to avoid malfunction.
Graphical Remote Control Unit (GRC)

A graphical remote control (GRC-151, GRC-102 or GRC-101) is sold separately. To enable remote control operation, simply connect this unit, cassette deck (sold separately), and other accessories to the AV CONTROL CENTER with the system control cords.

**Model**
GRC-151, GRC-102 or GRC-101

**Infrared ray system**

1. **Segment screen**
   - This screen is used for selecting the icons for the main equipment.

2. **Menu screen**
   - This screen is used for selecting the icons for the operating modes.

   **MD recorder operation panel**
   - Play icon (►)
   - Pause icon (■)
   - Stop icon (■)
   - Search icons (◄◄, ►►)
     - These icons send the track forward or backward.
   - Mode icon
     - This icon is used to select the playback mode.
   - Skip icons (◄◄, ►►)
     - When selected, the next track in the icon direction is played.
   - 10key Pad icon
     - This icon switches to the Numeric Icon menu screen.
   - Power icon
     - This icon is used to turn the unit on or off. You can use this icon only when you select “IR” in the setup menu.
   - Rec icon (●)
     - This icon is used for recording.
   - PGM icon
     - This icon is used for program playback.
   - Edit icon
     - This icon is used to select the editing mode.
   - Title Search icon
     - This icon is used to switch the title search mode.

3. **Icons**
   - Icons for the equipment used and operating mode are displayed.

4. **Joystick**
   - The joystick is used when selecting the icons.
     - (Lightly press the edge of 6.)

5. **ENTER key**
   - Press this button to input the selected icon (operation mode, and so on).

6. **I / (ON/STANDBY) key**
   - This key turns ON/STANDBY this unit or the equipment connected with the system control cords.

**If your GRC unit is the GRC-100 or GRC-150**

If the GRC unit provided with your AV CONTROL CENTER (optional) or receiver (optional) is the “GRC-100” or “GRC-150”, the DM-S500 unit should be controlled using the remote control unit provided with this unit.
Preparation

- Turn the system devices ON.

You may skip Step 1 if the settings for the AV CONTROL CENTER have already been made.

Once the settings have been made in Steps 1 to 4, you do not need to repeat these steps until you replace the batteries.

The GRC operation beginning on page 14 are written assuming that the basic operations below have been completed.

Setting up the GRC for MD

1 At the initial screen, select the Model Type to be used.

   Select
   Model 4

   Press the ENTER key to set the entry.

   The arrow (>) shows the direction that the cursor moves when selecting icons.

2 Select MD at the Setup menu screen.

   Select
   MD

   Press the ENTER key to set the entry.

3 Select the control mode at the Setup MD menu screen.

   Select
   System Control
   IR

   Press the ENTER key to set the entry.

   The selected text moves to the bottom right of the screen.

4 Select MD at the Segment screen.

   Select
   MD

   Press the ENTER key to set the entry.

"System Control": To be selected when this unit is connected to the Series 21 system through a control cord. With this selection, point the remote control unit to the remote sensor of the AV Control Center or receiver.

"IR": To be selected when the system control cord connection is not used. With this selection, point the remote control unit to the remote sensor of this unit.
Notes on the remote control operating instructions in this text

This instruction manual for this model also covers the systems in the KENWOOD System “SERIES 21” lineup. Since the features vary depending on the combined systems, the remote control operation illustrations (icons) are shown for two types of remote control units.

To avoid a confusing and difficult-to-follow explanation of the graphical remote control unit, a simplified explanation is provided using the operating instructions for a supplied remote control unit. Please reread the operating instructions while referring to the main differences below.

Operations with the supplied remote control unit are indicated by [RC operation].
Operations with the graphical remote control unit (Separately sold: GRC-151, GRC-102 or GRC-101) are indicated by [GRC operation].

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<td>Press the P.MODE key.</td>
<td>![P.MODE CHARACTER]</td>
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*1: Icons without shading send you to another menu screen (level) for the next operation. At the new menu screen, you can select the desired icon.

Hints on Using the GRC

All of the procedures for the GRC operations start from the basic operation screen. Although the explanation for going back to this screen is omitted on each page, you can easily go to the basic operation screen if you remember the following procedure.

1. Use the joystick to select the MD icon.
2. Press the ENTER key to set the entry.

MD menu structure
Use the following procedure to play a MD in the original order of tracks from track No. 1.

**Preparation**

- **GRC operation**
  - Complete the procedure in “Setting up the GRC for MD”.

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### Playing tracks in order from track No. 1

1. **Turn the unit ON.**

   - For U.S.A. and Canada
     - **POWER**
     - **ON/STANDBY**
   - For other countries
     - **1/6**
     - **ON/STANDBY**

   ![Main unit](image1)

   In a few seconds, playback starts from track No. 1.

   - **SINGLE**
   - **001**
   - **0:12**

   ![Main unit](image2)

   **NO DISC**

   In case no disc is loaded:

   - Insert the minidisc correctly into the slot of this unit.
   - “READING” blinks while the unit checks the contents of the disc.
   - If a title has been assigned to the disc, that title will be displayed.

2. **Load a Mini Disc.**

   ![Main unit](image3)

   In the direction of the arrow.

3. **Start playback.**

   ![Main unit](image4)

   - In a few seconds, playback starts from track No. 1.
Playback from desired track

1 Let the “PGM” indicator go off.

Operate in stopped condition.

- RC operation
- GRC operation

2 Select the desired track number.

Operate in stopped condition.

- RC operation
- GRC operation

"PGM" goes off

If the "PGM" indicator is lit, press the P.MODE/CHARACTER key of the remote control unit to turn it off.

Listening in random order (RANDOM playback)

As the title each time will be selected at random, you can listen for a long time without getting bored.

Operate in stopped condition.

- RC operation
- GRC operation

To select a different title during listening:

- RC operation
  - Press the ▶▶ key.
- GRC operation
  - Return the previous menu and select the ▶▶ icon.

Disc recorded in monaural mode

This unit is capable of playing a disc recorded in the monaural mode. As the amount of data required to record information in the monaural mode is half the amount required in the stereo mode, the play (record) time of a disc recorded in the monaural mode is twice (max. 148 minutes) as that of a disc recorded in the stereo mode.
**Skipping tracks**

- The track in the direction of the pressed button is skipped, and the selected track will be played from the beginning.
- When the key is pressed once during playback, the track being played will be played from the beginning. (If it is pressed within 2 seconds from the start of a track, the previous track to the current track will be played from the beginning.)

**Searching in a track**

- Playback restarts from the position with which the key is released.
- If forward or reverse search is started during play-pause, the disc can be searched at a high speed but sound is not output.
- When the reverse search is started during the program mode and the beginning of the current track is attained, it will be played from the beginning.

**To pause playback**

- Each press pauses and plays the MD alternately.

**To stop playback**

**Ejecting the disc**

- Mini Disc has been ejected.
Searching a desired track by its title (TITLE SEARCH)

1 Press the TITLE SEARCH key.

To abort operation, press the TITLE SEARCH key again.

2 Select the desired title.

To smaller track No.

To larger track No.

3 Start playback.

Characters flow toward the left.

Characters flow toward the left.

Preparation

Let the “PGM” indicator go off.

With a track to which no title has been assigned, the track number and “••••••” are displayed.

“PGM” goes off

With a track to which no title has been assigned, the track number and “••••••” are displayed.
Use the following procedure to program desired tracks in a desired order. (up to 32 tracks)

**Preparation**
- Load a disc.
- Enter stop mode.

**Programming tracks in a desired order**

1. Let the “PGM” indicator light.

2. Select track numbers in the order you want to play them.

3. Start playback.

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**Press numeric keys in the following order.**
To select track No. 12: Press in order of +10, 2, then the P.MODE/CHARACTER key.

- Up to 32 tracks can be programmed. More than 32 tracks cannot be selected.
- If you made a mistake, press the CLEAR/DELETE key and enter the track No. again.
- An extremely short track cannot be programmed.
- “– ** : * * ” is displayed when the total programmed period has attained 256 minutes or more.

- The input operation is aborted if the P.MODE/CHARACTER key is not pressed while the track number indicator is blinking.

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- When the ◀ or ◁ key is pressed during playback, tracks will be skipped in the direction of the pressed key.
To add a track to the program

When a track No. is selected, the track will be added to the end of the existing program.

The input operation is aborted if the P.MODE/CHARACTER key is not pressed while the indicator is blinking.

Checking the order of tracks

Each press displays the next track in the program.

To clear tracks from the program (Operate in stopped condition.)

Selected tracks can be also completely cleared just by operating the eject key.

The entire program is cleared.
**Repeated playback**

**To repeat only the programmed tracks**

1. Program the tracks to be repeated.
   - Perform the procedure in "Programming tracks in a desired order" till step 2 to program the desired MD tracks.
2. Let the "REPEAT" indicator light.
3. Start playback.

**To stop repeated playback**

Press the REPEAT key again.

**To repeat the entire disc**

1. Let the PGM indicator go off.
2. Let the "REPEAT" indicator light.
3. Start playback.

**To stop repeated playback**

Press the REPEAT key again.

**Preparation**

- Enter stop mode.
**TIME DISPLAY key**

This key allows to switch the mode of time display.

Each press switches the time display modes.

1. **SINGLE(+)**: Elapsed time of a track.
2. **SINGLE(–)**: Remaining play time of a track.
3. **TOTAL(+)**: Total elapsed time of the MD.
4. **TOTAL(–)**: Total remaining time of the MD.
5. **REMAIN**: Remaining recording time of disc.
6. **TITLE**: Disc title indication (at the time of stop)/Track title indication (at the time of playback).

In record mode

1. **SINGLE(+)**: Elapsed recording time of the track being recorded.
2. **TOTAL(+)**: Total elapsed time at the time of recording.
3. **REMAIN**: Remaining recording time of disc.

One will light.

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001 1:23
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Indication of the remaining time

- "BLANK DISC" is displayed if the disc does not contain any recording.
- "NO TRACKS" is displayed if the disc has a title.
The input jacks connected with audio cords accept analog signals. This unit records the analog signal from the REC IN jacks by converting it into digital signal. (This recording is simply referred to as analog recording.)

**Preparation**
- Open the write protect tab of the Mini Disc to make it recordable.
- Load the Mini Disc.
- Check the remaining recording time.

**Analog recording**

1. **Set the amplifier’s input selector to the source to be recorded.**

2. **Select “ANALOG” or “MONO”**.

3. **Select “AUTO” or “MANUAL”**.

4. **Adjust the recording level**.

**Recording Preparation**
- Open the write protect tab of the Mini Disc to make it recordable.
- Load the Mini Disc.
- Check the remaining recording time.

**Keys and control used in the operations described on this page.**
- GRC operation
- RC operation

**When “MONO” is selected, the sound of the input source is recorded with mixing of left and right channel. Recording is possible for about twice the time of a stereo recording.**

**Adjust so that the 0 dB segments of the level meter light occasionally.**
- Decrease the level if the red segments of the peak level meter light.
- The recording level can be adjusted with the keys of the remote control unit.
5 Start recording.

Pressing the pause (II) key also allows to cancel record-pause mode and start recording.

2 Play the input source to be recorded.

Recording is not possible if the following characters are displayed.

“DISC FULL” : Disc is full
Erase undesired tracks.

“PROTECTED” : The accidental erasure protect tab is open.
Close it.

“PLAY ONLY” : A playback-only Mini Disc is loaded.
Load a recordable Mini Disc.

6 After recording, eject the Mini Disc.
(Main unit only)

While “WRITING” is displayed, do not impact or move the unit because information about recording and editing is being written to the Mini Disc.

The eject key is not accepted during recording.

AUTO/MANU. key

This key is used to select whether track numbers are to be marked automatically during recording or they are to be marked manually during or after recording. The track numbers can be used to locate the beginning of a track during playback or programming tracks.

AUTO
If a no-sound input has lasted for 2 seconds during recording, the track number will be incremented automatically by “1”. Usually, use this position for recording. Use this mode when recording all of the tracks in a CD. When recording music containing a continuous section with a very low level, for example when recording classic music, the track number may be incremented by “1” after such a section. In this case, cancel the track number later. It is recommended to use the MANUAL mode when recording such a kind of music.

At the time of digital recording, the track number automatically is incremented by one on the basis of the information of the digital signal. There is no detection of unrecorded parts. A track without sound can be produced by stopping the CD on the playback side.

MANUAL
The signal is recorded without automatic incrementation of track numbers. A track number can be assigned during recording (press the EDIT key) or after recording (operate the TRACK DIVIDE function). This position is convenient when recording live sound or classic music containing long pianissimo sections onto disc.

Extinguished in “AUTO” mode, lit in “MANUAL” mode.
When this unit and CD player are connected with an optical fiber cable, the digital signal input through the DIGITAL IN (OPTICAL) jack can be recorded in a digital form (this recording is hereinafter referred to as digital recording). Enjoy high sound quality of digital recording.

Preparation
- Load a CD in the CD player.
- Load the Mini Disc.
- Check the remaining recording time.
- Select the CD input on the AV CONTROL CENTER or receiver.

Digital recording

1. Select the “DIGITAL 1 (or 2)”.

Each press switches the mode.
① ANALOG
② DIGITAL 1 : Digital mode (when the system is connected)
③ DIGITAL 2 : (Digital mode spare)
④ MONO
“DIGITAL 1 (or 2)” lights up

2. Select “AUTO” or “MANUAL”.

Each press switches the mode.
① goes off (AUTO) : Track numbers are added automatically.
② MANUAL : Track numbers are added manually.

Extinguished in “AUTO” mode, lit in “MANUAL” mode.

3. Start recording.

Recording is not possible if the following characters are displayed.
“UNLOCK” : The sampling frequency is not 32 kHz, 44.1 kHz, 48kHz.
- Use analog recording.
“SCMS ON” : Digital recording is prohibited by SCMS.
- Use analog recording.
“Not Audio” : The input digital signal is not an audio signal.
Also, “DISC FULL”, “PROTECTED”, “PLAY ONLY”.
- When the EDIT key is pressed during recording, a track number is inserted in that position.
4 **Play the CD player.**

- To record music with a margin from the beginning, it is recommended to start the CD playback after the time display of the MD recorded has started the count.

5 **After recording, eject the Mini Disc.** (Main unit only)

- Press the key again to resume recording. At this time, the track number is incremented by “1”.
- Recording can also be started by pressing the key.

**To pause recording**

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**To stop recording**

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### In regard to the MONITOR key

The sound of commercial digital equipment (BS tuner, DAT, etc.) connected to DIGITAL 2 can be monitored. However, when this unit is used as a general single component, the input source (sound) selected by REC INPUT can be heard.

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- **“MONITOR”** Lights

  - When the sampling frequency of the digital input signal is not 48 kHz, 44.1 kHz, or 32 kHz, “UNLOCK” will be displayed and no sound will be heard.

- **During CD recording, the track number is sometimes incremented by 1 when the CD starts to be played. This is caused by a signal contained in the digital signal components recorded on the CD. Unnecessary track numbers can be deleted by referring to “Erasing several tracks at a time (QUICK ERASE)” or “Erasing a single track during playback (TRACK ERASE)”**.

- **While “WRITING” is displayed, do not apply shock or vibration to the unit because information is being written on the Mini Disc.**
**Preparation**
- Connect the CD player to “OPTICAL 1”.
- Select the CD input on the AV control center or receiver.
- Open the write protect tab of the Mini Disc to make it recordable.
- Load the Mini Disc.

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**Synchro recording with CD player**

By connecting a KENWOOD CD player equipped with a system control jack to this unit via a system control cord and starting recording with the following procedure, the recording (MD) and playback (CD) can be started simultaneously so that there is no sound interruption.

1. **Select the CD input on the AV CONTROL CENTER or receiver.**

2. **Put the CD player in pause mode.**

3. **Select the desired CD track with the ← or → key.**

4. **Put the MD recorder in record-pause mode.**

   - **RC operation**
   - **GRC operation**

5. **Start playback of the CD player.**

   - When the ■ key is pressed, the recording automatically is paused.
   - Press the ■ key to stop recording in the middle.
After recording of a commercially-available recordable Mini Disc, the recording can be edited in various ways. Note that it is impossible to edit a playback-only Mini Disc. (Editing is not possible when “PGM” is lit.)

**Function Limitations because of the MD Standard**

Some of the functions are limited because of the MD standard. Please check “Symptoms related to MD standard” before assuming a malfunction.

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**Selecting the editing function type**

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**Reordering tracks by moving them**

Changing tracks during playback  
(TRACK MOVE)  
Moving several tracks at a time (QUICK MOVE)  

![Diagram of track movement]

**Erasing track(s)**

Erasing a single track during playback  
(TRACK ERASE)  
Erasing several tracks at a time  
(QUICK ERASE)  
Erasing all tracks on a disc (ALL ERASE)

![Diagram of track erasing]

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**Scrolling the display**

There may be cases in which the amount of information is too large to be displayed at a time during the title input operation, etc. In such a case, pressing and holding the or key allows to move the displayed characters to the left (or right) so that other information which has been hidden can be displayed. This leftward or rightward movement of the display characters is referred to as “scrolling.”

**Example of scrolling**

Displayed area (All cannot be displayed.)

`ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ`

![Diagram of scrolling]

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This procedure shows you how to play and move (insert) a track to the track number you desire. The surrounding tracks are renumbered automatically. Repeating this procedure lets you arrange the tracks in the order you desire.

**Preparation**
- Play the track to be moved.

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**Changing tracks during playback (TRACK MOVE)**

1. **Select “MOVE”.**

   - **RC operation**
     - Press the EDIT key.
     - Select “MOVE”.
   
   - **GRC operation**
     - Edit
     - Set

2. **Select the moving destination track.**

   - **RC operation**
     - Select the track number.
     - Set it.
   
   - **GRC operation**
     - Select the track number.
     - To increase track No.
     - To decrease track No.
   
     - Set it.

   - Editing is aborted if no operation has been performed for 8 seconds.

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Each press of the keys switches the operation.

1. DIVIDE?
2. COMBINE?
3. ERASE?
4. MOVE?

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Destination track No.

Track to be moved
3 Execute the track reordering operation.

Display after execution:
- "EDIT NOW!": Editing
- "COMPLETE!": When editing is completed successfully
- "CAN'T EDIT": When editing is impossible

Note: When this operation has been performed unintentionally, return to the status before editing can be made by "EDIT CANCEL" operation.

4 Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)

To delete the edited contents (EDIT CANCEL)

When the following key operation is performed before the minidisc is removed, return is possible to the same condition as when the disc was inserted. After cancellation, again perform the individual editing operations.

Operate in stopped condition.

Image of track moving

- When moved to a position before current position
- Inserted immediately after destination track
- Inserted immediately before destination track
Use the following procedure to change the current order of tracks by selecting a desired order and moving the tracks together. (up to 255 tracks)

**Preparation**
- Enter the stop mode.

### Moving several tracks at a time (QUICK MOVE)

1. **Select the “Q.MOVE”**.

   - **RC operation**
     - Press the EDIT key.
   - **GRC operation**
     - Press the EDIT key.
   - **Select the “Q.MOVE”**.
   - **Set it.**

2. **Select the track you want to move.**

   - **RC operation**
     - Select a track number.
     - Set it.
   - **GRC operation**
     - To increase track No.
     - To decrease track No.
   - **Repeat steps 1 and 2 above.**
   - **End the selection of the group to be moved.**

Each press of the \(<\) \(\) keys switches the operation.

- \(Q.MOVE\)
- \(Q.ERASE\)

- Editing is aborted if no operation has been performed for 8 seconds.

- Pressing the \(\text{CURSOR/CHECK}\) key allows to check the current order of tracks.
- Pressing the \(\text{CLEAR/DELETE}\) key allows to cancel the last selected track only. (To erase previously selected tracks, press the EDIT key and restart from the beginning.)
3 Execute the track reordering operation.

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Example for moving between tracks No. 4 and No. 5

![Example](example_operation.png)

Display after execution

- "EDIT NOW!": Editing
- "COMPLETE!": When editing is completed successfully
- "CAN'T EDIT": When editing is impossible

Note: When this operation has been performed unintentionally, return to the status before editing can be made by "EDIT CANCEL" operation.

4 Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)

![Image](eject_operation.png)

While "WRITING" is displayed, do not impact or move the unit because information about recording and editing is being written to the Mini Disc.

Image for moving several tracks together

![Image](image_operation.png)

Example for moving the selected group between tracks No. 4 and No. 5 (step 3)
Use the following procedure to divide a track into two by inserting a track number in its middle. For example, by inserting an additional track number before the passage you are specially fond of, it is easy to skip to there when you play the disc later. Note that the track numbers of the tracks located after the divided track are automatically incremented. The preview function can be used for fine adjustment while repeatedly listening to the track division point.

### Dividing a track during playback (TRACK DIVIDE)

1. **Play the track to be divided.**

2. **Press the EDIT key at the desired position.**

   - **RC operation**
     - Press the EDIT key.
     - Select “DIVIDE”.
     - Set it.

   - **GRC operation**
     - Press the EDIT key.
     - Select “DIVIDE”.
     - Set it.

   - If no preview is to be performed, press the ENTER key once and then go to step 3.

3. **When preview is to be performed.**

   - **RC operation**
     - Set to track divide mode.
     - Preview execution.
     - Perform fine adjustment of the division point.
     - Decide the division point.

   - **GRC operation**
     - Set to track divide mode.
     - Preview execution.
     - Perform fine adjustment of the division point.
     - Decide the division point.

   - Each press of the ▶▶ keys switches the operation.
     1. DIVIDE?
     2. COMBINE?
     3. ERASE?
     4. MOVE?

   - Editing is aborted if no operation has been performed for 8 seconds.

   - Repeated playback from the division point will be performed for about 3 sec.

   - Fine adjustment of the division point is possible from the point where the EDIT key has been pressed in 32 steps of 60 ms (6/100 sec) (a range of about 2 sec).
4 **Execute the track divide operation.**

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Up to 255 track numbers can be inserted additionally by repeating from 1 to 4 for each of them.

**Display after execution**
- "EDIT NOW!": Editing
- "COMPLETE!": When editing is completed successfully
- "CAN'T EDIT": When editing is impossible

- When this operation has been performed unintentionally, return to the status before editing can be made by "EDIT CANCEL" operation.
- There is no blank space left between the two tracks.
- Track division may sometimes be impossible due to the limitations of the MD standard.

5 **Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)**

Information is being written.

Mini Disc has been ejected.

While "WRITING" is displayed, do not impact or move the unit because information about recording and editing is being written to the Mini Disc.

**Image of track division**
Should be approx. 2 sec. or longer.

**Image of preview**
Place where the EDIT key has been pressed

Fine adjustment range: 32 steps
Use the following procedure to combine two tracks into one by deleting a track number. This operation allows to connect several tracks or a piece of music divided into several parts. After this operation, the track numbers of tracks located after the combined tracks are decreased automatically.

### Combining tracks during playback (TRACK COMBINE)

1. **Play the title to be combined.**

2. **Select “COMBINE”.**

   - **RC operation**
     - Press the EDIT key.
     - Select “COMBINE”.
     - Set it.

   - **GRC operation**
     - Press the EDIT key.
     - Set.

   - When the title being played is to be combined with the next title, press the ENTER key and then go to step 3.

3. **For combining with a different title.**

   - **RC operation**
     - Select the track number.
     - To increase track No.
     - To decrease track No.
     - Set it.

   - **GRC operation**
     - To increase track No.
     - To decrease track No.
     - Set.

   - Each press switches the operation.
     - ① DIVIDE?
     - ② COMBINE?
     - ③ ERASE?
     - ④ MOVE?

   - If the operation is started during playback, it pauses automatically.

   - Editing is aborted if no operation has been performed for 8 seconds.

   - Present title
   - Next title

Connecting tracks 2 and 5.
4 Execute the track combine operation.

- When this operation has been performed unintentionally, return to the status before editing can be made by "EDIT CANCEL" operation.
- Track combining may sometimes be impossible due to the limitations of the MD standard.

5 Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)

- While "WRITING" is displayed, do not impact or move the unit because information about recording and editing is being written to the Mini Disc.

Image of track combination

Should be approx. 2 sec. or longer.

- Track No. is adjusted.
- Track No. and title of the second track are cleared.
- Track No. and title of the first track are left.
The selected track or all tracks can be erased while the player is stop mode. Be very careful in using this function because the erased tracks cannot be recovered once the entire Mini Disc has been erased.

**Preparation**
- Enter the stop mode.

**Erasing several tracks at a time (QUICK ERASE)**

1. **Select “Q. ERASE”**.

   - **RC operation**
     - 1. Press the EDIT key.
     - 2. Select “Q.ERASE”.
     - 3. Set it.

   - **GRC operation**
     - 1. Press the EDIT key.
     - 2. Select “Q.ERASE”.
     - 3. Set it.

   Each press of the keys switches the operation.
   - 1. Q.ERASE?
   - 2. Q.MOVE?

   • Editing is aborted if no operation has been performed for 8 seconds.

**To delete all titles:**
- Press the SET key and the ENTER key in this order while “ALL?” is displayed.
  - All of the tracks are erased (together with the disc title).

The title to be erased will be displayed.

- Pressing the keys allow to check the current order of tracks.
- When the CLEAR/DELETE key is pressed, the title being displayed will be removed from the group of titles to be erased.
3 **Execute the track erasure operation.**

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Display after execution:
- **“EDIT NOW!”**: Editing.
- **“COMPLETE!”**: When editing is completed successfully.
- **“CAN’T EDIT”**: When editing is impossible.

- When this operation has been performed unintentionally, return to the status before editing can be made by “EDIT CANCEL” operation.

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4 **Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)**

While “WRITING” is displayed, do not impact or move the unit because information about recording and editing is being written to the Mini Disc.

**Image of erasing all tracks on a disc**

*(ALL ERASE)*

**Image of erasing several tracks at a time**

*(QUICK ERASE)*
Use the following procedure to erase a single track being played. Be careful in using this operation because a track cannot be recovered once it has been erased.

**Preparation**
- Play the title to be erased.

**Erasing a single track during playback (TRACK ERASE)**

1. **Select “ERASE”.**
   - Press the EDIT key.
   - Select “ERASE”.
   - Set it.

2. **Execute the track erasure operation.**
   - Confirmation of erasing.
   - Execute the track erasure operation.

3. **Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)**

**Image of track erasure**

- Track Nos. are adjusted.
The TRACK DIVIDE function can be used to turn the part you want to erase into a track, and that track can be erased with the TRACK ERASE function. Be careful in using this operation because a track cannot be recovered once it has been erased.

**Erasing a part of a track**

1. **Turn the part to be erased into one track.**
   
   Use the TRACK DIVIDE function and edit the track so that only the part you want to erase becomes a track.

2. **Erase the part to be erased.**
   
   Use the TRACK ERASE function to erase the “track” (part you want to erase) that you made in step 1.

3. **Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)**

   ![Eject Mini Disc](image)

   While “WRITING” is displayed, do not impact or move the unit because information about recording and editing is being written to the Mini Disc.

**TRACK DIVIDE**

- Should be approx. 2 sec. or longer.
- The part divided with TRACK DIVIDE becomes one “track”.

**TRACK ERASE**

- Should be approx. 2 sec. or longer.
- The space left after erasing is filled by subsequent tracks which move along.

- Execute TRACK DIVIDE twice.
- Execute TRACK ERASE once.

- Track No. is adjusted.

**Note**

Information is being written. Mini Disc has been ejected.

Should be approx. 2 sec. or longer.
When titles are assigned to a disc and its tracks, the titles cannot only be displayed during playback but title search (searching a track by the title) is also made possible. The assigned titles can be changed or deleted with the same procedure.

How to edit titles

1. **Activate the title input mode.**

   - **Press the TITLE INPUT key.**
   - **Select the title to be edited.**
   - **Set the selection.**

   To abort operation, press the TITLE INPUT key again.

   - With repeated operation while 2 or 3 is being displayed, the track No. or the preset title (PRE1 to 9) will be selected.

   - **RC operation**

     1. DISC (Disc title)
     2. 001 (Track title)
     3. PRE1 Pops (Preset title)
     4. ALL ERASE? (Complete erasure of disc and track titles)
     5. TEXT LOAD?

   Each press of the ◄► keys switches the operation.

In case of disc title:

- Select “DISC”

In case of track title:

- Select the desired track No.

In case of preset title:

- Select the desired preset No.

Total number of title characters

Up to 1792 characters can be input per disc and up to 80 characters can be input per track. (In case of alphanumeric and symbol characters)

A space (blank character) also required the same amount of data as alphanumeric characters. When deleting a title, it is not recommended to overwrite spaces on previous characters but use the (CLEAR/DELETE) function.

**Preset title list:** (Initial setting)

PRE1 Pops → PRE2 Rock → PRE3 Classic →
PRE4 Jazz → PRE5 Disco → PRE6 Best Hits →
PRE7 Air Check → PRE8 No. → PRE9 Vol.

Complete erasure of disc and track titles:
2 Input the title.

**RC operation**

1. Select a character group.

   - **P.MODE CHARACTER**
   - **ABC**

2. Select a character.

   - **To advance**
   - **To return**

3. Set the selected character.

4. Repeat steps 1 to 3 above.

Each press of the P.MODE/CHARACTER key switches under following the group.

- 1. A–Z, space (1 blank character)
- 2. a–z, space
- 3. 0–9, symbols, preset titles (9 types), and so on.

**Symbol list (ASCII codes):**

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! " # $ % & ' ( ) * + , - . / : ; < = > ` ? @ _ `^ 
```

**RC operation**

The character keys can be used for direct selection of characters. When the same key is pressed repeatedly, the characters will change.

(Example: When 2 is pressed, the characters will change in the order of A → B → C → A ...)

3 Execute title assignment.

**RC operation**

1. Enter the title in memory.

2. Complete the operation.

4 Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)

**RC operation**

Information is being written. Mini Disc has been ejected.
Changing or deleting a title

1. Perform step 1 of “Activate the title input mode.”.

2. Change or delete characters one by one.
   - 1. Move the character to the desired character (to be changed).
   - 2. Select a character group.
   - 3. Select overwrite or insert mode.
   - 4. Select a character.
   - 5. Set the selected character.

RC operation

- Move the character to the desired character (to be changed).
- Select a character group.
- Select overwrite or insert mode.
- Select a character.
- Set the selected character.

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- Move the character to the desired character (to be changed).
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- Select overwrite or insert mode.
- Select a character.
- Set the selected character.

- Each press of the P.MODE/CHARACTER key switches under following the group.
  1. A–Z, space (1 blank character)
  2. a–z, space
  3. 0–9, symbols, preset titles (9 types), and so on.

- Each press of the TITLE SEARCH key switches the operation.
  1. Overwrite mode : To replace characters
  2. Insert mode : To insert characters before the cursor

Cursor types

- Overwrite mode : The cursor “ ” becomes large.
- Insert mode : The cursor “ ” becomes small.

- The display can be scrolled so that any character (in a single group) can be selected.

It is possible to change all of the characters of a title by repeating steps 1 to 5.

Press the CLEAR/DELETE key to erase the title (delete the characters).
Execute title change or deletion.

1. Enter the title in memory.

2. Complete the operation.

Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only)

In regard to preset titles

When a preset title (PRE1 to 9) is used at the time of title character input, input with individual characters is not required and the efficiency is improved. Long titles or frequently used titles can be recorded to any preset title. (To return rewritten preset titles to the initial setting, refer to “Operation to reset”.

Example: Changing PRE4 (Jazz) to (artist name) and adding a title to track No. 2

Changing (rewriting) a preset title

1. Press the TITLE INPUT key. P40 step 1-1
2. Select “PRE4” (Jazz) with the << >> key and press the SET key. P40 step 1-2
3. Select the character group with the P. MODE/CHARACTER key. P42 step 2-2
4. Enter the artist name (first character) with the number keys (or the << >> key) and press the SET key. P42 step 2-4
5. Repeat step 4 to enter the artist name (from the second letter on) and press the ENTER key.

Preset title input

1. Press the TITLE INPUT key. P40 step 1-
2. Select track No. 2 with the << >> key and press the SET key. P40 step 1-2
3. Select a preset title (PRE display) in the character group 3, using the P.MODE/CHARACTER key. P41 step 2-3
4. Select “PRE4” with the << >> key and press the SET key. P41 step 2-4
5. Press the ENTER key and the TITLE INPUT key in this order. P41 step 3-1

Functions of the keys

TITLE SEARCH key:
At the time of title input, switching is possible between overwrite mode and insert mode.

CHECK/SPACE key:
Press to enter (insert) a space (one blank character) immediately before the character in the cursor position and move the characters after it by one character forward. Multiple spaces can also be entered by pressing the key successively (or holding it depressed). The spaces are mainly used to leave spaces for later addition of characters before adding characters to a title.
CD Text Editing

When a disc corresponding to CD-TEXT is inserted into a system-connected CD player, the recorded text information (data) and the tracks can be copied to the MD. This operation is not possible when the CD character information contains a copy prohibition code.

Preparation

1. Select the CD input on the AV CONTROL CENTER or receiver.
2. Switch off the CD PGM mode.
3. Stop the CD and the MD.
4. Use the REC INPUT key of the MD to select the input mode “DIGITAL 1”.

To copy the CD text

1 Load the CD text into the MD.

   RC operation
   1 Press the TITLE INPUT key.

   2 Select “TEXT LOAD?”.

   3 Press the key once so that “TEXT LOAD?” appears.

   4 Set it.

2 Record the track while copying the text.

   1 Set the MD to recording pause.

   2 Play the CD.

3 Eject the Mini Disc. (Main unit only).

Each press of the keys switches the operation.

1 DISC (Disc title)
2 001 (Track title)
3 PRE1 Pops (Preset title)
4 ALL ERASE?
5 TEXT LOAD?

Display after execution

COMPLETE! : Loading completed.
CAN'T LOAD : Loading not possible.

Display after execution

CAN'T COPY! : Copying is not possible.

While “WRITING” is displayed, do not impact or move the unit because information about recording and editing is being written to the Mini Disc.
Installation position
The MD recorder is very sensitive to vibrations. It should be installed in a position subject to as small vibration as possible.

Dust countermeasure
The shutter of the disc cartridge is permanently open while the disc is loaded in the set. Therefore, to prevent dust from penetrating inside the disc, take the disc out of the unit immediately after completion of recording or playback.

Memory backup
The memory storage is held for about a day after the power cord has been unplugged from the power outlet. In case the power supply has stopped or the power cord has been left unplugged for an extended period of time, the information related to recording and editing (recorded at the moment a Mini Disc is ejected) may be cleared or destroyed before it is recorded on the disc. The lost information cannot be recovered later. To ensure the recording of the recording and editing-related information on the Mini Disc, be sure to eject the Mini Disc after every recording or editing operation.

WARNING NOTICE:
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Caution on condensation
Condensation (of dew) may occur inside the unit when there is a great difference in temperature between this unit and the outside. This unit may not function properly if condensation occurs. In this case, leave the unit for a few hours with the power left ON, and restart the operation after the condensation has dried up.

Be specially cautious against condensation in a following circumstance:
When this unit is carried from a place to another across a large difference in temperature, when the humidity in the room where this unit is installed increases, etc.

What is CD-TEXT?
CD-TEXT is a standard for display of character information (disc name, track titles, artist names, etc.) recorded on a CD in addition to the music. When this unit and a CD player (corresponding to CD-TEXT) are connected by digital connection, the CD character information can be copied to the MD. However, as of 1997, some CDs contain a copy prohibition code, so that the character information can not be copied. In such a case, the character information will be displayed on the screen, but it can not be copied.

“CD text edition” operation becomes possible for CDs without copy prohibition code.
Handling of Mini Disc
As the Mini Disc is accommodated inside a cartridge, it can be handled without caring about dust or fingerprint. However, stained or soiled cartridge may cause malfunction. To enjoy beautiful sound for extended period of time, take care on the following points.

Do not touch the disc directly.
Do not touch the disc by opening the shutter with your hand. The cartridge will be damaged if it is forced open.

Storage position
Do not leave Mini Discs in place where the temperature and/or humidity are extremely high (for example, in a place subject to direct sunlight).

Care
Wipe periodically dust and dirt attached on the cartridge with a dry cloth.

Write protect tab
To protect recorded contents against accidental erasure, set the write protect tab of the disc open. Return the tab to the original position when you want to record signals on the disc.

Note related to transportation and movement
Before transporting or moving this unit, carry out the following operations.

1. With no disc loaded in the unit, press the ON/STANDBY key to on.
   - Check that no disc is present in the unit.

2. Wait a few seconds and verify that the display shown appears.

3. Press the ON/STANDBY key to off (standby).

Maintenance

Cleaning
Unplug this appliance from the wall outlet before cleaning. Do not use volatile solvents such as alcohol, paint thinner, gasoline, or benzine, etc. to clean the cabinet. Use a clean dry cloth.

Caution against contact revitalizer
Do not use contact cleaners because it could cause a malfunction. Be specially careful against contact cleaners containing oil, for they may deform the plastic componente.
The Mini Disc system has the features as summarized in the following.

1. Like CD (Compact Disc), playback can be started from any position. (Random access)
2. It uses a disc with a diameter of 64 mm that is accommodated in a cartridge.
3. Two types of discs can be used. (playback only discs, recordable / playable discs).
4. Up to 74 minutes of recording or playback is possible using high-efficiency coding technology.
5. Countermeasure against vibration is taken using semiconductor memory chip.

**Playback-only Mini Disc**

This type of MD can be used only for playback, and is used by the commercially-available music MD software packages. The playback-only MD is an optical disc like the Compact Disc (CD). The signals are recorded as the presence or absence of small pits and read out by an optical, non-contact pickup.

**Recordable Mini Disc**

This MD is a magneto-optical disc which can be recorded by magnetic field modulation. To record signals, laser light is irradiated from the bottom side of the magneto-optical disc and magnetic field is applied from the upper side of it.

**High-efficiency coding technology “ATRAC” (Adaptive TRansform Acoustic Coding)**

The Mini Disc has only a half the size of the Compact Disc but provides the same recording time. This is made possible by ATRAC*, a newly developed high-efficiency coding technology. The ATRAC compresses the music data to about 1/5 the amount of data which would be obtained with conventional technology, by cutting off the sound components which do not pose problem in audition even when they are not present. This has made it possible to record or play up to 74 minutes.

**Sound does not affect the sensitivity of ears**

Lowest and highest frequencies are not audible unless the sound has a certain level of volume.

**Small sound near large sound**

A small sound is not audible to human ears if it is produced at the same time as a large sound. (Masking effect)

**Sound-skip prevention memory**

During playback, this unit always stores signals in memory temporarily to prevent sound from being skipped in case of vibration. As a result, even when the data from the optical pickup is interrupted due to vibration, etc., the music will not be interrupted because the memory holds the data for several seconds.

**During normal playback**

The sound data for several seconds is always stored during playback.

**In case of vibration**

When the readout from disc is interrupted momentarily due to vibration or shock, the reproduced sound from the memory will not be interrupted.
**Digital recording and SCMS**

Digital recording on a Mini disc is not possible under the following conditions.

1. In case the source contains the copy prohibit code (SCMS – Serial Copy Management System).
   - “SCMS ON” is displayed and the unit enters the record-pause mode.
2. Locking to the reference clock is not possible. — “UNLOCK” is displayed and Pause status is engaged.

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**Sampling frequency**

Three types of digital signals are usually used according to the sampling frequencies. The sampling frequencies vary depending on the types of digital equipment as shown below.

- **32 kHz**: Standard and long-hour modes of DAT, A mode broadcasting of BS tuner, etc.
- **44.1 kHz**: Standard mode of DAT, CD, MD, etc.
- **48 kHz**: Standard mode of DAT, B mode broadcasting of BS tuner, etc.

(DAT : Digital Audio Tape deck)

In general, high-quality recording based on digital signal transmission is not possible unless the source and recorder components use the same sampling frequency. As this unit has a built-in sampling rate converter, digital signals with 32 kHz and 48 kHz can be recorded by conversion to the MD sampling frequency (44.1 kHz).

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**SCMS (Serial Copy Management System)**

Designed for copyright protection, the SCMS is a prescription that copying of digital signals as they are in the digital form between digital audio equipment is allowable only for one generation.
In case of difficulty

What appears to be a malfunction may not always be serious. If your unit should not perform as expected, consult the table below to see if the problem can be corrected before seeking help from your dealer or service representative.

Operation to reset

The microprocessor may fall into malfunction (impossibility to operate erroneous display, etc.) when the power cord is unplugged while power is ON or due to an external factor. In this case, execute the following procedure to reset the microprocessor and return it to normal condition.

Unplug the power cord from the power outlet then, while holding the eject (▲) key depressed, plug the power cord again.

- Please note that resetting the microprocessor clears the contents stored in, it returns the microprocessor to the condition when it left the factory.

Symptoms related to MD standard

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| **“DISC FULL” is displayed while the disc still has a remaining recordable time.** | - More than 255 tracks (track No. 256 or more) cannot be recorded. (There may be also cases in which recording is impossible while the track number is less than 256.)
  - In such a case, the REMAIN time display shows “0:00”.                   |
| The recordable time does not increase after a short track has been erased. | - The remaining time display becomes “0:00” when the actual total remaining time of the Mini Disc is less than 12 seconds. The recordable time display changes when the total time of the erased track exceeds 12 seconds.
  - When a Mini Disc has been subjected to repeated editing, the remaining time may not increase even after a short track has been erased. |
| Tracks cannot be combined.                                              | - A track created as a result of an editing operation may sometimes be impossible to be combined with another track.                     |
| The total of the recorded time and recordable time does not coincide with the total recording time of the MD (60 or 74 min.). | - As recording is performed on a minimum recording basis of 2 seconds, the displayed time may not coincide with the consumed disc capacity. |
| Sound is interrupted when a track created by editing is subjected to fast forward or fast backward operation. | - Sound interruption may occur due to a combination of various factors, and it is not a malfunction.                                  |
| Tracks are not numbered correctly.                                      | - A short track may be created depending on the contents of the recorded source (CD, for example).                                  |
| The period in which “READING” is displayed is abnormally long.          | - “READING” is displayed for a longer period than usual when a brand-new recordable Mini Disc (a virgin disc) is loaded.             |
| The displayed time is incorrect when a monaurally-recorded Mini Disc is played. | - This is because the monaural recording and stereo recording use different formats, and not a malfunction.                         |
| The total number of characters used in the titles is less than 1792 characters. | - As the title recording areas are used on a per-7-character basis, the total number of input characters may be less than 1792. |
## Displayed messages and actions to be taken against them

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| UNLOCK            | ● An attempt is made to record digital signal from a source using other sampling frequency than 38kHz, 44.1 kHz, 48 kHz.  
● The optical fiber cable is unplugged or loose. (The connector is not connected.) | ● Use analog recording.  
● Connect the optical fiber cable correctly. |
| SCMS ON           | ● An attempt is made to record digital signal from a source while its digital copy has been prohibited by SCMS. | ● Use analog recording. |
| DISC FULL         | ● There is no recordable area on the disc.  
● An attempt is made to record a 256th track. | ● Use another recordable disc.  
● More than 255 tracks cannot be recorded per disc. |
| TITLE FULL        | ● An attempt is made to assign a title with more characters than usable. | ● Refer to “Total number of title characters”. |
| BLANK DISC        | ● The disc does not contain any recordings. | ● When playback is required, use a recorded disc. |
| NO TRACKS         | ● The disc does not contain any tracks but has a disc title. | ● The disc can be used for recording without any problem. |
| READING           | ● The TOC\(^1\) data of the disc is being read. | ● This is a normal operation. |
| WRITING           | ● The data related to editing or recording is being written in the disc. | ● This is a normal operation. |
| DISC ERROR        | ● The contents of UTOC\(^2\) are abnormal. | ● Perform “QUICK ERASE” to delete all titles “++ALL?” . If this is not possible, use another disc. |
| CAN’T EDIT        | ● An attempt is made to perform editing beyond the restrictions, for example to erase a track which is too short. | ● Perform editing following the restrictions. |
| ? (blinking)      | ● This is a message for confirming if editing can really be executed. | ● Press the ENTER key to execute editing. |
| PROTECTED         | ● The Mini Disc is in the “WRITE PROTECT” condition. | ● Release the “WRITE PROTECT” condition. |
| PLAY ONLY         | ● A playback-only Mini Disc is loaded. | ● Load a recordable Mini Disc. |
| CAN’T LOAD        | ● A CD corresponding to CD-TEXT has not been inserted into the CD player.  
● The CD player is not connected via an optical fiber cable. | ● Set a CD corresponding to CD-TEXT into the CD player.  
● Connect the CD player with an optical fiber cable and match the REC INPUT of the MD recorder. |
| CAN’T COPY        | ● Title copying may not be possible, depending on the disc. | ● The titles of this disc can not be copied. (Replace the disc.) |
## Other symptoms

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<td>● The cords are connected erroneously.</td>
<td>● Connect the cords in accordance with &quot;System connections&quot;.</td>
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<td>● No disc has been loaded.</td>
<td>● Load a disc.</td>
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<td>● A non-recorded disc has been loaded.</td>
<td>● Load a prerecorded disc or playback-only disc.</td>
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<td>Recording is not possible.</td>
<td>● The disc is write-protected.</td>
<td>● Change the position of the write protect tab to the write position or use a recordable disc.</td>
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<td>● An attempt is made to record digital signal from a source while its digital copy has been prohibited by SCMS.</td>
<td>● Use analog recording.</td>
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<td>● The recording level is too low (in case of analog recording).</td>
<td>● Adjust the recording level again.</td>
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<td>● A playback-only disc has been loaded.</td>
<td>● Use a recordable disc.</td>
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<td>● The disc does not have a recordable area.</td>
<td>● Use another disc.</td>
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<td>● The REC INPUT key is not set to the actual input source.</td>
<td>● Set it according to the actual input source.</td>
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<td>● If the amplifier is connected to this unit through a system control cord, the amplifier’s input selector is set to the MD input.</td>
<td>● Set the amplifier’s input selector to other position than MD.</td>
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<td>Sound is distorted.</td>
<td>● The recording level has not been adjusted.</td>
<td>● Read “Adjust the recording level”.</td>
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<td>● A disc in which distorted sound has been recorded.</td>
<td>● Use another disc.</td>
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<td>Noise is noticeable.</td>
<td>● An external noise is induced.</td>
<td>● Install the unit at a position apart from an electric appliance or TV set.</td>
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### TOC*1

All minidiscs contain a Table of Contents (TOC) in addition to sound signals. The TOC is similar to the table of contents in a book and contains information, such as track numbers, track length, and character information, that cannot be rewritten.

### UTOC*2

In addition to the TOC, minidiscs also contain a special User’s Table of Contents (UTOC) that contains track number, track length, and character information, that can be rewritten.
## Specifications

### [Format]
- **System**: Minidisc digital audio system
- **Laser**: Semiconductor laser
- **Recording method**: Field modulation overwrite method
- **Audio compression**: ATRAC (Adaptive TRansform Acoustic Coding)
- **Playing rotation**: Approx. 400 rpm ~ 900 rpm (CLV)

### [D/A conversion]
- **D/A conversion**: 1 Bit
- **Oversampling**: 128 fs (5644.8 kHz)

### [A/D converter]
- **A/D conversion**: Sigma-delta method
- **Sampling frequency**: 44.1 kHz

### [Digital audio performance]
- **Frequency response (playback mode)**: 8 Hz ~ 20 kHz, ± 1 dB
- **Signal to noise ratio (playback mode)**: More than 92 dB
- **Dynamic range (playback mode)**: More than 90 dB
- **Total harmonic distortion (1 kHz, playback mode)**: Less than 0.007 %
- **Channel separation (1 kHz, playback mode)**: More than 86 dB
- **Wow & flutter**: Less than measurable limit
- **Analog input sensitivity / input impedance**: 300 mV / 70 kΩ
- **Analog output level / load impedance**: 1.2 V / 3.2 kΩ
- **Digital input**
  - **Optical (Wave length 660 nm)**: - 15 dBm ~ - 21 dBm

### [General]
- **Power consumption**: 14 W
- **Dimensions**:
  - **W**: 400 mm (15 - 3 / 4")
  - **H**: 100 mm (3 - 15 / 16")
  - **D**: 365 mm (14 - 3 / 8")
- **Weight (Net)**: 3.7 kg (8.2 lb)

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1. KENWOOD follows a policy of continuous advancements in development. For this reason specifications may be changed without notice.
2. The full performance may not be exhibited in an extremely cold location (under a water-freezing temperature).

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**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 dealer for information or service on this product.

Model:  
Serial Number:  

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