

MIC MECHANIC 2

Ultra-Simple Battery-Powered Vocal Effects Stompbox with Echo, Reverb and Pitch Correction

User Manual





Important Safety Instructions





Terminals marked with this symbol carry electrical current of sufficient magnitude to constitute risk of electric shock.

Use only high-quality professional speaker cables with 1/4" TS or twist-locking plugs pre-installed. All other installation or modification should be performed only by qualified personnel.



This symbol, wherever it appears, alerts you to the presence of uninsulated dangerous voltage inside the

enclosure - voltage that may be sufficient to constitute a risk of shock.



This symbol, wherever it appears, alerts you to important operating and maintenance instructions in the

accompanying literature. Please read the manual.

Caution

To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not remove the top cover (or the rear section).

No user serviceable parts inside. Refer servicing to qualified personnel.

Caution

To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock. do not expose this appliance to rain and moisture. The apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing liquids and no objects filled with liquids, such as vases, shall be placed on the apparatus.

Caution These service instructions are for use by qualified service personnel only. To reduce the risk of electric shock do not perform any servicing other than that contained in the operation instructions. Repairs have to be performed by qualified service personnel.

- Read these instructions.
- Keep these instructions. 2.
- 3. Heed all warnings.
- 4. Follow all instructions.
- 5. Do not use this apparatus near water.
- Clean only with dry cloth. 6.
- Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in 7. 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.

- **9.** 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.** Use only 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

iniury from tip-over.

- 13. Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when 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.
- 15. The apparatus shall be connected to a MAINS socket outlet with a protective earthing connection.
- **16.** Where the MAINS plug or an appliance coupler is used as the disconnect device, the disconnect device shall remain readily operable.



17. Correct disposal of this product: This symbol indicates that this product must not be disposed of with household waste, according to the WEEE Directive (2012/19/EU) and your national law. This product

should be taken to a collection center licensed for the recycling of waste electrical and electronic equipment (EEE). The mishandling of this type of waste could have a possible negative impact on the environment and human health due to potentially hazardous substances that are generally associated with EEE. At the same time, your cooperation in the correct disposal of this product will contribute to the efficient use of natural resources. For more information about where you can take your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local city office, or your household waste collection service.

- **18.** Do not install in a confined space, such as a book case or similar unit.
- 19. Do not place naked flame sources, such as lighted candles, on the apparatus.

- **20.** Please keep the environmental aspects of battery disposal in mind. Batteries must be disposed-of at a battery collection point.
- **21.** Use this apparatus in tropical and/or moderate climates.

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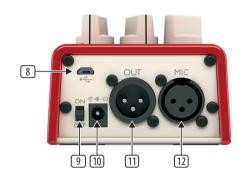
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1. Controls





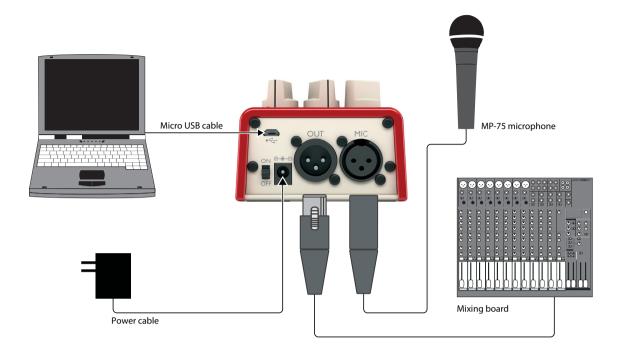
- ECHO knob selects the type and amount of echo effect on your voice.

 Adjusting the knob within your preferred echo style determines how loud the echoes will be. Turning the knob fully counterclockwise turns the echo effect off. There are 3 types of echo available:
- Tape simulates the warm sound of analog tape echo
- Digital creates a pristine, exact replication of the original signal
- Slap creates a single, quick echo effect
- REVERB knob selects the type and amount of reverb effect on your voice. The 3 types of reverb appear in order from the smallest space (Room) to the largest (Hall). Adjusting the knob within your preferred reverb space determines how pronounced the effect will be. Turning the knob fully counterclockwise turns the reverb off.
- CORRECTION knob adjusts the amount of pitch correction. With the knob at the center 12:00 position, the effect will provide subtle pitch support without noticeable or unnatural artifacts. Turn the knob all the way up for a more aggressive effect, or fully counterclockwise to turn the effect off.
- BATTERY LED indicates the battery level, with green showing full life, yellow being partial life, and red to alert that the batteries should be changed.
- TONE button engages a preset combination of adaptive EQ, de-essing, and noise gate. "Normal" and "Less Bright" settings can be toggled by holding the Tone button and pressing the footswitch.
- **ON/OFF LED** lights when the effect is engaged, and flashes in rhythm to the delay tempo when using the tap tempo function.
- **FOOTSWITCH** bypasses the Reverb, Echo and Correction effects, but does not affect the Tone status.

- USB input accepts a micro USB cable for connection to a computer.
 Use the VoiceSupport application to install firmware updates, and for other features depending on your product. Download VoiceSupport from tc-helicon.com/products/voicesupport/
- 9 **ON/OFF** switch powers the pedal on and off.
- 10 **POWER** input accepts a 9V power cable (not included).
- **OUT** jack accepts a balanced XLR cable for connection to a mixer or active speaker.
- MIC input jack accepts a balanced XLR cable to connect your microphone.



2. Operation



Connection

- Connect a microphone to the MIC jack
- Connect the OUT jack to a mixer, interface or active speaker
- Connect the power cable (optional)
- Connect a micro USB cable to a computer (optional)

Tap Tempo

The echo tempo can be manually adjusted to match the song you're performing. Simply hold the Footswitch down for about 2 seconds to enter Tap Mode. The on/off LED will flash in rhythm with the current tempo. Tap the footswitch a few times in rhythm with your desired tempo, and on the last tap, hold your foot on the switch for around 2 seconds to exit Tap Mode.

Note — the pedal will not "time out" of Tap Mode, so you can keep this mode active if you intend to leave the effect on throughout a song or set, allowing you easier access to this function.

Adjusting Echo Feedback

Feedback is the parameter that controls how many repeats are heard in the echo effect. By holding the Tone button and turning the Correction knob, you can adjust the feedback length. As soon as you release the Tone button, the Correction knob will resume its normal function.

Changing the Batteries

The Mic Mechanic 2 can operate on 4 AA batteries. Remove the single screw on the bottom of the pedal to open the battery door. Make sure to observe correct polarity when inserting the batteries.

Auto Gain

Mic Mechanic 2 will automatically adjust the gain setting for your microphone, eliminating the need for manual adjustments and ensuring that a good signal is passed to the mixer without any unwanted distortion.

24V Phantom Power

Phantom power is always active on the Mic Mechanic 2. This will power condenser microphones, but will not affect dynamic mics either.

Mic Control

Mic Control allows you to control the effect's on/off status via an MP-75 microphone. Press and hold the footswitch while powering up the unit to toggle Mic Control.

Note that when using a condenser microphone, Mic Control should be disabled to prevent unwanted on/off switching.

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3. Specifications

| Input Mic | | |
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| Input Connector: | XLR female, balanced | |
| Input Impedance: | 3k4/1k7 Ohm | |
| Input Clip Sensitivity: | -1 dBu | |
| SNR A Weighted: | >1#&dB | |
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| Output | | |
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| Output Connector: | XLR male, impedance balanced, pin 2 hot | |
| Output Impedance: | 200/100 0hm | |
| Output Full Scale Level: | +7.5 dBu | |
| Input to Output Freq Response: | +0/-0.3 dB, 20 Hz to 20 kHz | |
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| Power Supply (Optional): | 9 V / 670 mA |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Power Consumption: | 6 W |
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| equirements | |
| Operating Temperature: | 32°F to 122°F (0°C to 50°C) |
| Storage Temperature: | -22°F to 167°F (-30°C to 70°C) |
| Humidity Max.: | 90 % non-condensing |

Size & Weight

Dimensions: 5.4" x 3.5" x 2.3" (140 x 90 x 60 mm) Weight: 0.92 lb. (420 g)

Warranty

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