D4
Digital Wireless System

DIGITAL 4 CHANNEL RECEIVER

D4R

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D4T 4-CH. DIGITAL TRANSMITTER

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Introduction

The D4 digital 4-channel wireless system was designed as a special purpose system for location production in film and television.

A typical application for this system is in television production as part of what is commonly called a "bag system." A portable mixer and several wireless microphone receivers are carried in an over-shoulder carrying case. The D4T transmitter is connected to the outputs of the mixer to transmit up to four audio channels to one or more D4R receivers mounted on video cameras.

The system is designed for line level analog audio signals and AES/EBU digital audio signals and can be set up as a 2-channel or 4-channel system with options that provide:

- Digital in/Digital out
- Digital in/Analog out
- Analog in/Digital out
- Analog in/Analog out

In the 4-channel mode, the D4 system operates on one of four 4 MHz channels in the 902 to 928 MHz band. Each channel carries four separate audio signals, digitally multiplexed on a common carrier. D4 systems can be run simultaneously on all four channels across the 902 to 928 MHz band to provide a total of 16 channels.

902 to 928 MHz Band			
907.776	912.384	916.992	923.904

Center frequencies of the RF channels

The audio quality is suitable for any professional application in film, television and live sound. 48 kHz/24-bit audio, ruler-flat 20-20000 Hz frequency response, ultra-low distortion and high dynamic range assure excellent audio reproduction.

The LCD interface makes setup simple and straightforward. Any external power source in the 9 to 16 Volt range may be used.

Housings and panels are machined aluminum with electrostatic powder coated and anodized finishes and laser etched marking for durability.

General Technical Description

D4T Transmitter

The transmitter can accept up to four inputs from digital or analog sources. The inputs can be configured as follows:

- Four balanced analog inputs using all four jacks
- Two digital channels using jack 1 and two balanced analog inputs using jacks 3 and 4
- Four digital channels using jacks 1 and 2

The input connectors are TA3 "mini XLR" types with the same pin numbering and configuration as standard XLR connectors for AES-EBU and balanced line level analog signals.

Input preamp circuits use a special balanced amplifier with very high common mode rejection to minimize hum and noise.
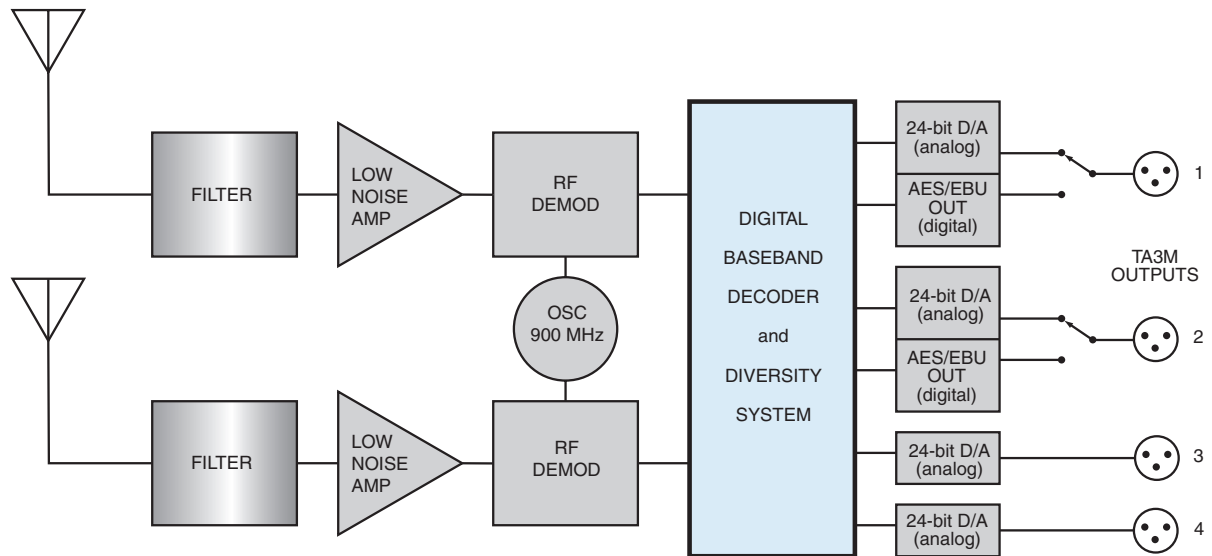
Either analog or AES/EBU digital input signals are converted to an internal 24-bit digital format which is then encoded, organized into packets, and passed to an RF modulator using spread spectrum techniques and error correction for robust reception. The modulated RF signal is filtered before and after amplification to suppress out-of-band noise and spurious signals, and a circulator/isolator guards against intermodulation interference (IM).

A USB port is provided for firmware updates.
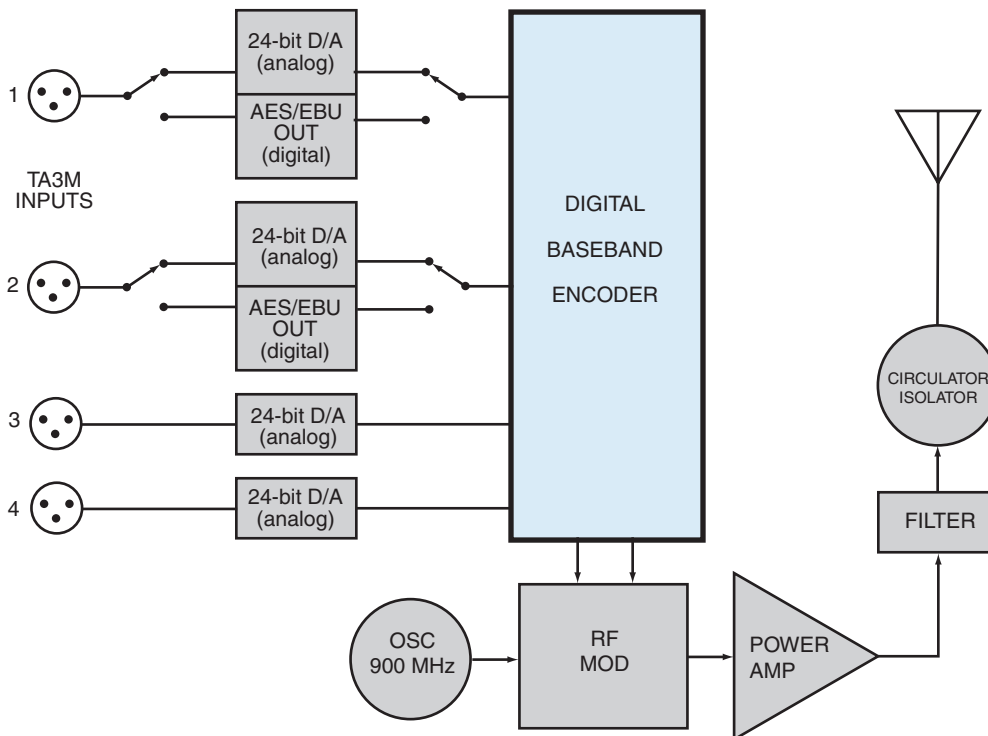
D4R Receiver

The receiver employs two complete RF sections for true diversity reception. The signals from both antennas are independently decoded and error-corrected, and the diversity system uses all digital data and timing reference information from both antennas in order to reconstruct the original audio signals. Audio outputs may be configured for analog balanced or AES/EBU digital signals.

FILTER	LOW NOISE AMP	RF DEMOD

OSC 900 MHz

DIGITAL
BASEBAND
DECODER
and
DIVERSITY
SYSTEM

24-bit D/A (analog)
AES/EBU OUT (digital)
1

TA3M OUTPUTS

24-bit D/A (analog)
AES/EBU OUT (digital)
2

24-bit D/A (analog)
3

24-bit D/A (analog)
4

FILTER — LOW NOISE AMP — RF DEMOD

Front and Rear Panels

On both the D4T and the D4R, the front panel interface contains a power switch, an LCD display and eight pushbuttons. The D4T has one antenna jack and the D4R has two. The D4R front panel also contains a jack for headphones.

When the units are powered on, after an initial intro-ductory splash screen, the Main Window is displayed, and it remains on the LCD, except during setup. The Main Window shows four audio level meters, one for each channel. (In two channel mode, only two meters are shown.) Each audio meter bargraph grows slightly wider at the very top to warn of possible clipping. The D4R's Main Window also includes an RF level meter, a headphone volume control, and a headphone channel selector.

Button functions are context-sensitive, but as shown in the illustrations, the FUNC and BACK buttons may be used to enter and leave various menus and setup screens. No other buttons are active in the D4T's Main Window -- they are only used for setting up the D4T. In the D4R's Main Window, the UP and DOWN arrow keys adjust the headphone volume. A fader icon next to the buttons shows the current position of the control.

The channel select buttons choose a channel for headphone monitoring, or buttons 1 and 2, or 3 and 4 may be pressed simultaneously to monitor a stereo pair. Headphone icons above the buttons indicate the current headphone monitoring selection.

The rear panels provide the audio inputs and outputs, power receptacle and USB port. Channels 1 and 2 provide balanced analog signals and AES-EBU digital signals as selected from the LCD setup screens. Channels 3 and 4 are balanced analog audio only. The connectors are standard TA3M type.

On the rear panel are the four audio jacks, the power receptacle and the USB port (for firmware updates). Jacks 1 and 2 may be used for either analog or AES/EBU digital signals. Jacks 3 and 4 are for analog signals only. Please see the Transmitter Input Modes section (later in this manual) for more information on various audio jack configurations.

The units are powered with an external source of 9 to 16 VDC, with power consumption of 500 mA at 10 volts for the transmitter and 250 mA at 10 volts for the receiver.
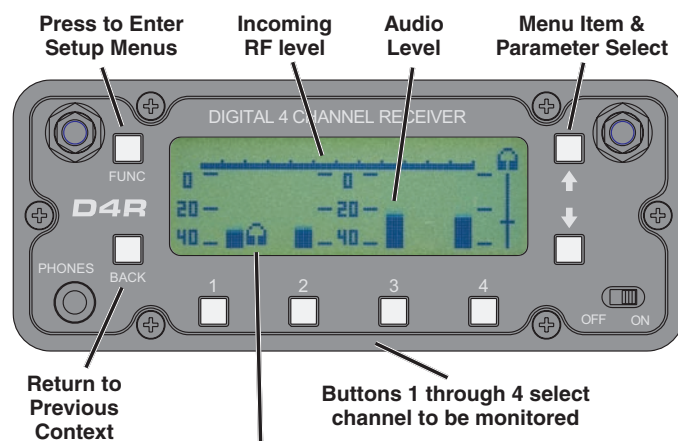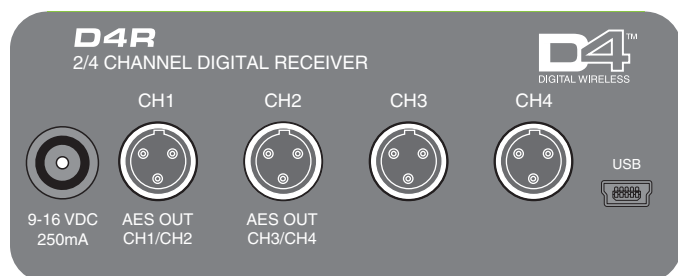
D4T Transmitter
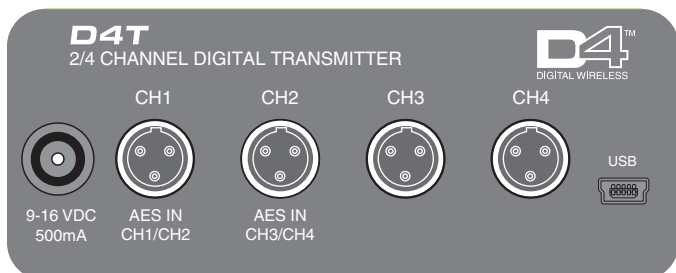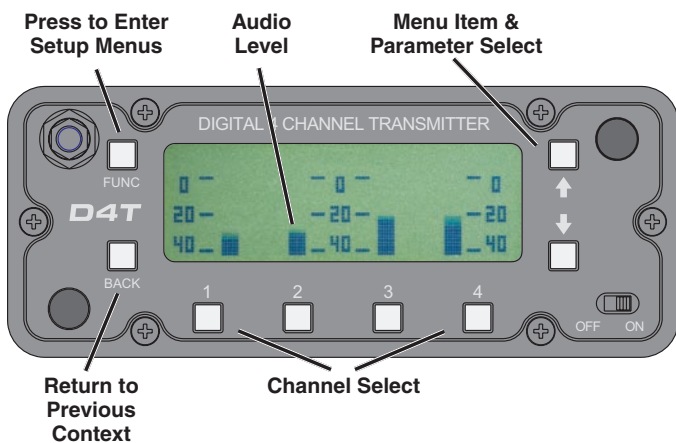
D4R Receiver

Navigating the LCD

Navigation through setup screens is the same on the transmitter and receiver. The Main Window will display audio levels for all active channels while the system is operating.
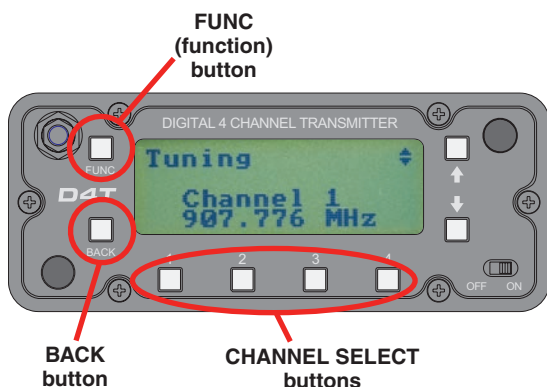
Press the FUNC button to enter the setup menu.
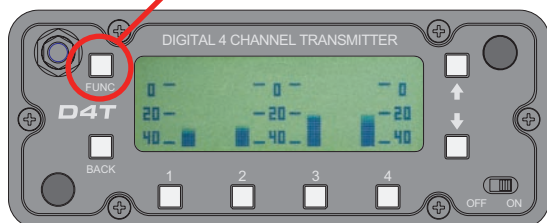
Then press the UP and DOWN arrow buttons to select a menu item.

Press the FUNC button to enter the setup screen for the selected item. Then use the UP and DOWN arrow buttons to select a value or mode.

Press BACK once to return to the Menu or twice to return to the Main Window.

Note: In setup screens where individual channel selections are made, press the CHANNEL SELECT button under the desired channel, then use the UP and DOWN arrows to adjust the setting or value.

Transmitter
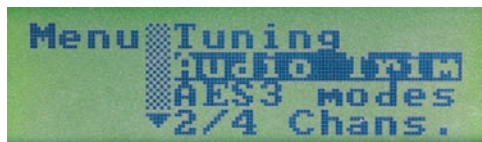# General Settings

Tuning Menu

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select channel, then press FUNC to return to menu

Audio Trim

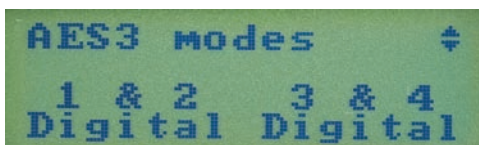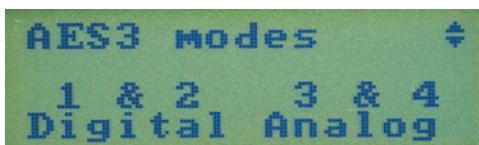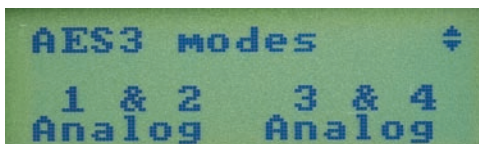Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

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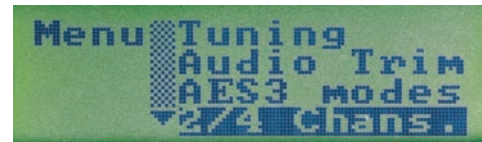
AES3 Modes

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

Use UP/DOWN buttons to select desired mode

2/4 Channel Modes

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

Use UP/DOWN buttons to select desired mode

Locked/Unlocked Modes

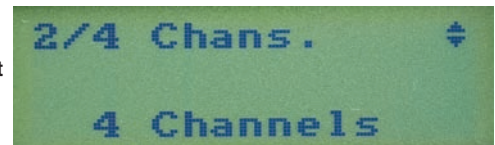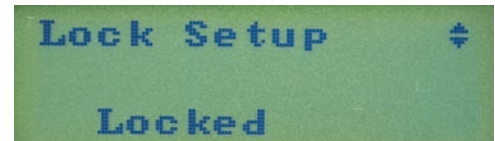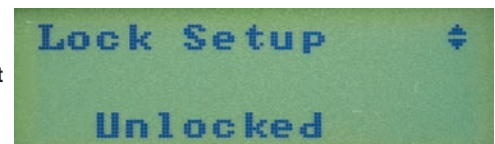The front panel controls can be locked to prevent inadvertent changes in the selected settings. When the panel is *locked*, settings can be viewed but not changed.

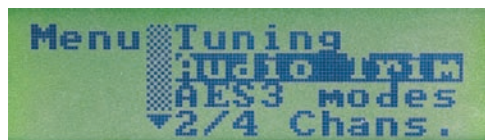Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

Use UP/DOWN buttons to select desired mode

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Transmitter
Audio Trim Setup

From the Main Window, press FUNC and then select the menu item "Audio Trim" and press FUNC again. The setup screen will vary slightly depending upon which AES3 mode has been selected and whether the 2-channel or 4-channel mode is selected. In the 2-channel mode, channels 3 and 4 will be blank.
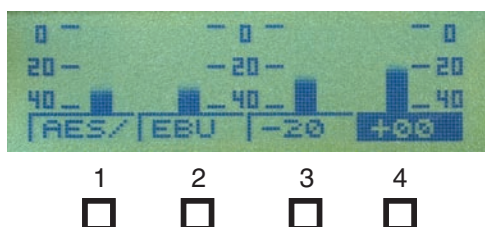
Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

The bar graph will indicate possible clipping
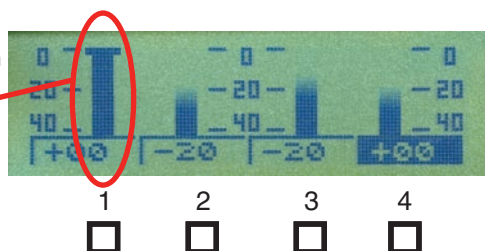
In this example, the transmitter is configured for four analog channels. Select each channel with the button below it and use the UP and DOWN arrow buttons to set the desired level.

When the transmitter is configured for two digital and two analog inputs, press the button under the analog channel to be adjusted and then use the UP and DOWN buttons to set the desired level.

The audio trim adjustment only applies to analog inputs. When the transmitter is configured for four digital channels using the two AES/EBU inputs, no trim adjustment is needed.

The analog inputs are designed for line level signals. There is no gain stage in the input section. Attenuation up to 20 dB can be applied to the input signal to reduce very high level signals to the optimal range.

When the audio trim control is set to +0, input clip level is +0dBu. When the audio trim control is set to -20, 20 dB of attenuation will be applied, thus moving the input clip level to +20dBu. These are the extremes, and levels in between follow the same logic.

The digital inputs can accept any standard AES/EBU signal without the need for level adjustment. Digital audio levels are accepted and transmitted without alteration.
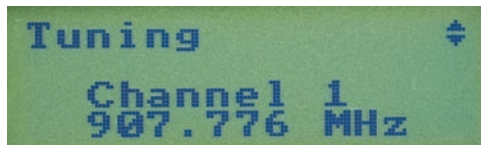
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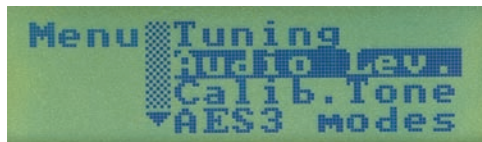
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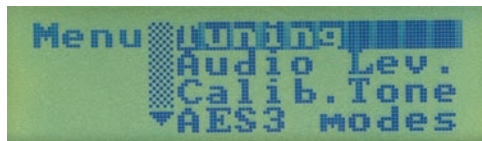
Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select channel, then press FUNC to return to menu

Audio Level

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

NOTE: The setup screens for audio level will be different depending upon the AES3 Mode selected. See the next page for details.

Calibration Tone

A steady tone at the maximum level before clipping can be turned on at each analog output to allow accurate input level adjustment of the attached mixer, recorder or other connected equipment.

The level of the tone is adjustable from -20 to +8 dBu in 1 dB steps. The audio level and calibration tone levels track each other. When a level is selected on one, it will also be applied to the other.

The *Calib. Tone* menu item accesses a setup screen which looks and operates the same way as the audio level setup screen. The difference is that a 1 kHz tone is produced at the output for the currently selected (highlighted) channel only, at the level shown.

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup
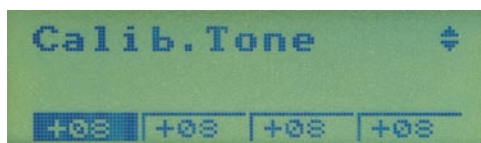
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Press the button under the analog channel to be adjusted and then use the UP and DOWN buttons to set the desired level.

AES3 Modes
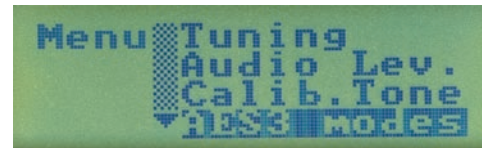
Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

Use UP/DOWN buttons to select desired mode
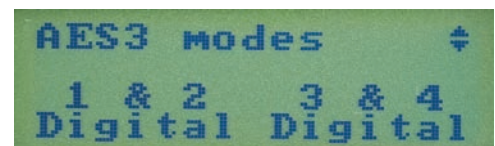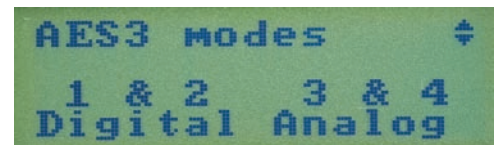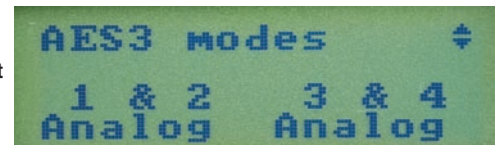
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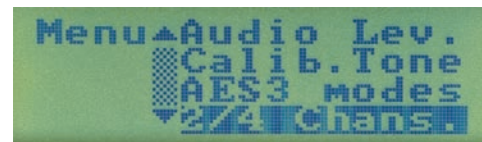
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Use UP/DOWN buttons to select desired mode
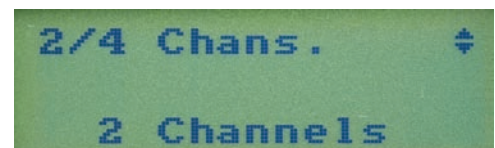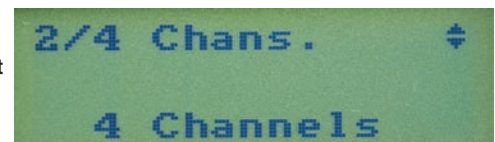
Locked/Unlocked Modes

The front panel controls can be locked to prevent inadvertent changes in the selected settings. When the panel is *Locked*, settings can be viewed but not changed, with the exception of headphone selection and monitoring level controls.

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup

Use UP/DOWN buttons to select desired mode
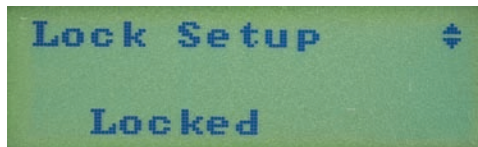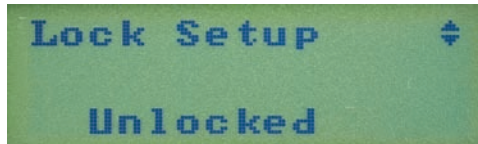
Receiver
Audio Level Setup

From the Main Window, press FUNC and then select the menu item *Audio Lev.* and press FUNC again. The setup screen will vary slightly depending upon which AES3 mode has been selected and whether the 2-channel or 4-channel mode is selected. In the 2-channel mode, channels 3 and 4 will be blank.

Use UP/DOWN arrows to select menu item and press FUNC to enter setup
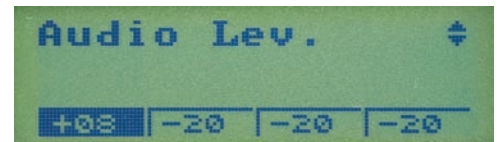
When the receiver is configured for four analog outputs, press the button under the channel to be adjusted and then use the UP and DOWN buttons to set the desired level.

NOTE: The value shown in the setup screen is the analog output level in dBu at the maximum level before clipping.
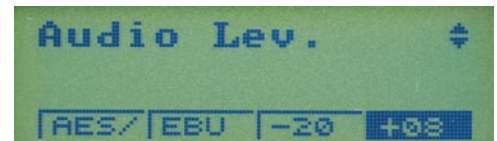
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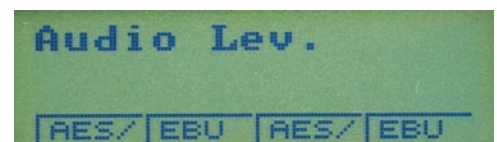
*The audio level adjustment only applies to analog outputs. When the receiver is configured for four digital channels using the two AES/EBU outputs, no level adjustment is needed.*

Transmitter Input Modes

The transmitter can be set up in three different configurations with the AES3 modes menu for 4-channel operation:

ANALOG → CH 1	DIGITAL DIGITAL → CH 1	DIGITAL DIGITAL → CH 1
ANALOG → CH 2	NOT USED CH 2	DIGITAL DIGITAL → CH 2
ANALOG → CH 3	ANALOG → CH 3	NOT USED CH 3
ANALOG → CH 4	ANALOG → CH 4	NOT USED CH 4

Two different configurations are available for 2-channel operation:

ANALOG → CH 1	DIGITAL DIGITAL → CH 1
ANALOG → CH 2	NOT USED CH 2
NOT USED CH 3	NOT USED CH 3
NOT USED CH 4	NOT USED CH 4

Receiver Output Modes

The receiver audio outputs can be configured in the same manner as the transmitter for 4-channel operation:

CH 1 ANALOG →	CH 1 DIGITAL DIGITAL →	CH 1 DIGITAL DIGITAL →
CH 2 ANALOG →	CH 2 NOT USED	CH 2 DIGITAL DIGITAL →
CH 3 ANALOG →	CH 3 ANALOG →	CH 3 NOT USED
CH 4 ANALOG →	CH 4 ANALOG →	CH 4 NOT USED

Two different configurations are available for 2-channel operation:

CH 1 DIGITAL DIGITAL →	CH 1 ANALOG →
CH 2 NOT USED	CH 2 ANALOG →
CH 3 NOT USED	CH 3 NOT USED
CH 4 NOT USED	CH 4 NOT USED

Mixed Modes

The selected AES3 modes on the transmitter and receiver do not have to be identical. For example, analog signals can be fed into the transmitter from a mixer or wireless mic receivers, transmitted to the D4R receiver, which can be configured for four digital outputs to feed a digital recorder.

The sampling rate of the audio at the receiver digital outputs will always be 48 kHz, regardless of the sampling rate of the signal fed into the transmitter.

NOTE: Transmitter and receiver must both be set to either the 2-channel or 4-channel mode.

Antenna Placement and Orientation

The supplied antenna is a center fed half-wave type with a right angle elbow and rotating mount. For most applications, the whip antennas should be vertically oriented to provide a circular coverage pattern. In other orientations, the transmitter antenna should be parallel with and not directly above or below the receiver antennas.

D4T Transmitter
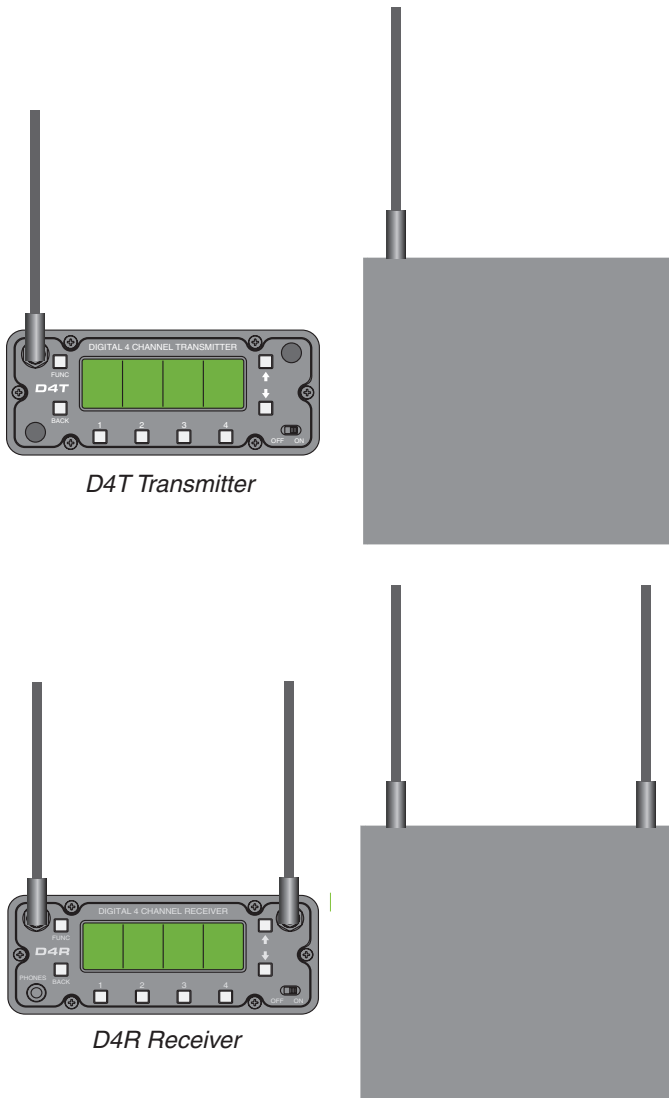
D4R Receiver

Frequency Selection

It is best to check for interference before selecting a channel. Turn the receiver on and leave the transmitter off. Observe the RF level indicator in the Main Window to see if signal is present.

Weak RF level

Strong RF level

If a signal is indicated, navigate to the tuning setup screen and select a different frequency. Then return to the Main Window and check for the presence of an RF signal again. Proceed in this manner to find a frequency where no RF signal is present, or to the frequency indicating the weakest signal present.

With multiple systems operating in the same location, select a different frequency for each system.

Walk test each system through the area where it will be operating and listen for dropouts while observing the RF level indicator on the receiver LCD. It is best to have all equipment in the location turned on and connected to check for interference that might be generated by other devices.

If the RF level on the receiver LCD indicates a weak overall level, try re-positioning the antennas. Re-orienting the antennas or moving them even a few inches away from nearby surfaces can also make a difference.

If dropouts are experienced during the walk test, but the RF level at the receiver remains strong, there could be interference on that frequency band. Switch the system to another frequency and walk test the system again to check for adequate operating range.

Parts and Accessories

Transmitter Power Supples

- Lectrosonics DCR15/1A6U
  Switching power supply with 60320 universal socket on housing and locking plug; 90-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz input; 15 VDC, 1.6 A max. output (regulated), 18 W. (Includes 21499 AC power cord)

- Lectrosonics PS70
  Switching power supply with 60320 universal socket on housing and non-locking plug; 100-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 1.6 A (max) input; 13.8 VDC, 2.8A, 40 W (max) output. (Includes 21499 AC power cord)

Receiver Power Supplies

- Lectrosonics CH20
  Transformer power supply with a locking power output plug and 2-pin AC input plug; 115 VAC input, 12V DC regulated output; 500 mA max.

  Not for use with D4T transmitter

- Lectrosonics DCR15/1A6U
  Switching power supply with 60320 universal socket on housing,; 90-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz input; 15 VDC, 1.6 A max. output (regulated), 18 W. (Includes 21499 AC power cord)

- Lectrosonics PS70
  Switching power supply with 60320 universal socket on housing, 100-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 1.6 A (max) input; 13.8 VDC, 2.8A, 40 W (max) output. (Includes 21499 AC power cord)

AC Power Cord

- Lectrosonics 21499 Power Cord. NEMA 5-15 plug (USA); for use with PS70 and DCR15/1A6U

Power Adapter Cables

- Lectrosonics 21747 right angle, locking plug with 6 ft. cable to stripped and tinned leads. Supplied with the transmitter and receiver.

Supplied with the transmitter and receiver

- 21746 right angle, locking plug with 12 inch cable to stripped and tinned leads.

- Lectrosonics 21586 straight, locking plug with 6 ft. cable to stripped and tinned leads.

- Lectrosonics 21425 straight, non-locking plug with 6 ft. cable to stripped and tinned leads.

- Lectrosonics 21472 right angle, non-locking plug with 6 ft. cable to stripped and tinned leads.

Antenna

- Lectrosonics 21422 center fed, half wave antenna. Supplied with transmitter and receiver.

Supplied with the transmitter and receiver

Specifications

Overall System

Operating Spectrum:	902 - 928 MHz
Center frequencies (MHz):	907.776, 912.387, 916.992, 923.904
	Four systems can operate simultaneously for a total of 16 audio channels.
Modulation Type:	Differential QPSK with Forward Error Correction, spread spectrum
Occupied Bandwidth:	4 MHz (4-channel mode), 2 MHz (2-channel mode)
Audio Sampling:	48 kHz, 24-bit
Latency (overall system):	
Digital In/Digital Out:	Less than 1 mS
Analog In/Analog Out:	2.2 mS
Selectable Audio Channels:	• 4 digital
	• 2 digital, 2 analog
	• 4 analog
Audio Performance (overall system):	
Frequency Response:	20 Hz - 20 kHz, +/− 0.5 dB
THD+N:	< 0.05% (1 kHz @ −10 dBFS)
Dynamic Range:	> 104 dB A-weighted
Adjacent Channel Isolation:	> 93 dB

D4T Transmitter

Power output:	200 mW
Audio Input:	Simulated transformer balanced inputs, clip level adjustable +0 to +20 dBu (or AES/EBU digital standard)
Power requirements:	9 - 16 VDC
Power consumption:	500 mA
Dime nsions:	4 x 4 x 1.5 inches
Weight:	339 grams; 12 ounces

D4R Receiver

D4R Receiver

Diversity Type:	Dual receivers with artifact-free digital combining
Audio Output:	Electronically balanced outputs, clip level adjustable –20 to +8 dBu (or AES/EBU digital standard)
Power requirements:	9 - 16 VDC
Power consumption:	250 mA
Dimensions:	4 x 4 x 1.5 inches
Weight:	346 grams; 12.2 ozs.

FCC Notice

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. The 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 which the receiver is connected
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help

Changes or modifications to this equipment not expressly approved by Lectrosonics, Inc. could void the user's authority to operate it.

Industry Canada Notices:

Operation of this device is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

This device has been designed to operate with the antenna listed below, and having a maximum gain of 6 dB. Antennas not included in this list or having a gain greater than 6 dB are strictly prohibited for use with this device. The required antenna impedance is 50 ohms.

Lectrosonics P/N 21422 center fed half wave antenna

Also available as:
Linx Technologies model: ANT-916-CW-HWR-RPS

To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) is not more than that permitted for successful communication

Service and Repair

If your system malfunctions, you should attempt to correct or isolate the trouble before concluding that the equipment needs repair. Make sure you have followed the setup procedure and operating instructions. Check the interconnecting cables and then go through the **Troubleshooting** section in this manual.

We strongly recommend that you **do not** try to repair the equipment yourself and **do not** have the local repair shop attempt anything other than the simplest repair. If the repair is more complicated than a broken wire or loose connection, send the unit to the factory for repair and service. Don't attempt to adjust any controls inside the units. Once set at the factory, the various controls and trimmers do not drift with age or vibration and never require readjustment. **There are no adjustments inside that will make a malfunctioning unit start working**.

Lectrosonics' Service Department is equipped and staffed to quickly repair your equipment. In warranty repairs are made at no charge in accordance with the terms of the warranty. Out-of-warranty repairs are charged at a modest flat rate plus parts and shipping. Since it takes almost as much time and effort to determine what is wrong as it does to make the repair, there is a charge for an exact quotation. We will be happy to quote approximate charges by phone for out-of-warranty repairs.

Returning Units for Repair

For timely service, please follow the steps below:

A. DO NOT return equipment to the factory for repair without first contacting us by email or by phone. We need to know the nature of the problem, the model number and the serial number of the equipment. We also need a phone number where you can be reached 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. (U.S. Mountain Standard Time).

B. After receiving your request, we will issue you a return authorization number (R.A.). This number will help speed your repair through our receiving and repair departments. The return authorization number must be clearly shown on the **outside** of the shipping container.

C. Pack the equipment carefully and ship to us, shipping costs prepaid. If necessary, we can provide you with the proper packing materials. UPS is usually the best way to ship the units. Heavy units should be "double-boxed" for safe transport.

D. We also strongly recommend that you insure the equipment, since we cannot be responsible for loss of or damage to equipment that you ship. Of course, we insure the equipment when we ship it back to you.

Lectrosonics USA:

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LIMITED ONE YEAR WARRANTY

The equipment is warranted for one year from date of purchase against defects in materials or workmanship provided it was purchased from an authorized dealer. This warranty does not cover equipment which has been abused or damaged by careless handling or shipping. This warranty does not apply to used or demonstrator equipment.

Should any defect develop, Lectrosonics, Inc. will, at our option, repair or replace any defective parts without charge for either parts or labor. If Lectrosonics, Inc. cannot correct the defect in your equipment, it will be replaced at no charge with a similar new item. Lectrosonics, Inc. will pay for the cost of returning your equipment to you.

This warranty applies only to items returned to Lectrosonics, Inc. or an authorized dealer, shipping costs prepaid, within one year from the date of purchase.

This Limited Warranty is governed by the laws of the State of New Mexico. It states the entire liablility of Lectrosonics Inc. and the entire remedy of the purchaser for any breach of warranty as outlined above. NEITHER LECTROSONICS, INC. NOR ANYONE INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION OR DELIVERY OF THE EQUIPMENT SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY INDIRECT, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THE USE OR INABILITY TO USE THIS EQUIPMENT EVEN IF LECTROSONICS, INC. HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE LIABILITY OF LECTROSONICS, INC. EXCEED THE PURCHASE PRICE OF ANY DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may have additional legal rights which vary from state to state.