# Engineered Sound

ESW-T212 UHF Plug-on Transmitter

Installation and Operation



# Notice to individuals <u>with implanted cardiac</u> pacemakers or AICD devices:

Any source of RF (radio frequency) energy *may* interfere with normal functioning of the implanted device. All wireless microphones have low-power transmitters (less than 0.05 watts output) which are unlikely to cause difficulty, especially if they are at least a few inches away. Note also that *any medical-device disruption will cease when the RF transmitting source is turned off.* Please contact your physician or medical-device provider if you have any questions, or experience any problems with the use of this or any other RF equipment.

**CAUTION!** The circuits inside the receiver and transmitter have been precisely adjusted for optimum performance and compliance with federal regulations. Do not attempt to open the receiver or transmitter. To do so will void the warranty, and may cause improper operation.

#### Introduction

Audio-Technica Engineered Sound® wireless systems are offered as separate receiver and transmitter units, rather than in predetermined combinations, for greatest system flexibility. Operating details for Engineered Sound receivers and overall system operation are included with each receiver.

Engineered Sound receivers feature a sophisticated Tone Lock™ tone squelch system that opens only when an Engineered Sound transmitter is detected, reducing the possibility of interference. As a result, Engineered Sound transmitters and receivers must be used together and should not be used with components from other Audio-Technica wireless systems, or with those of other manufacturers.

Please note that in multiple-system applications there must be a transmitter-receiver pair set to a separate frequency for each input desired (only one transmitter at a time for each receiver). Because the wireless frequencies are on UHF TV frequencies, only certain wireless frequencies may be useable in a particular geographic area. Also, only certain of the available operating frequencies may be used together. (Suggestions for multiple-system frequency grouping will be found on pages 6-7.)

# Transmitter Setup

### **Battery Selection and Installation**

Always use a fresh alkaline 9V battery. Turn the Power switch "Off" before inserting a battery.

Open the hinged battery door. Insert the battery, observing correct polarity as marked inside the battery compartment. Close the battery door. *Do not force the door closed.* 

#### **Battery Condition Indicator**

After the battery is installed, turn the power on. The battery condition indicator LED (Fig. C, page 4) should flash momentarily. If it does not, the battery is installed incorrectly or it is dead.

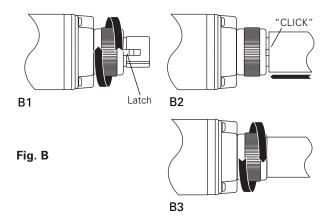
If the indicator LED stays on (does not flash), the battery voltage is low and the battery should be replaced. If this happens during use, replace the battery immediately to ensure continued operation.

#### **Transmitter Input Connection**

The ESW-T212 transmitter has a 3-pin XLRF-type input connector with a locking collar. Use a dynamic microphone, or a condenser mic with an internal battery. To attach the microphone, rotate the threaded locking collar *fully* clockwise ("down") until it reaches the transmitter housing (Fig. B1). Then rotate the collar back "up" one or two turns to expose the microphone latch.

Press the microphone and transmitter together (Fig. B2), making certain that the latch "clicks" into the base of the mic. Pull on the mic to make certain it is latched on the connector.

Continue to rotate the threaded collar "up" until it is *firmly* against the end of the mic (Fig. B3). Make certain the mic is securely attached before use. To detach the microphone, reverse the steps above. *Always* loosen the threaded collar *fully* before attempting to disconnect the mic.



The ESW-T212 provides a bias voltage of +5V on Pins 2 and 3 which will power some "battery/phantom" mics designed to work at this low voltage. However, the ESW-T212 will not power a "phantom powered" mic which requires the more-typical 12 to 48 volts. Use of the bias voltage will reduce battery life slightly. Presence of the bias voltage will not affect dynamic microphones.

Pin 1 Case Ground

Pin 2 Audio "+" and 5V DC bias Pin 3 Audio "-" and 5V DC bias

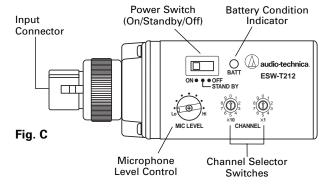
#### **Transmitting Antenna**

The ESW-T212's plug-on transmitter's antenna is housed in a non-metallic section between the metal transmitter case and the mic connector. For best operation, hold the body of the microphone itself and do not cover or obstruct the antenna area.

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#### **Transmitter Controls**

POWER SWITCH: The Power switch controls the entire transmitter. There is about a half-second delay after the transmitter is switched to the "On" position before the receiver's Tone Lock squelch un-mutes.



CHANNEL SWITCHES: The left channel selector switch corresponds to the receiver's left-column channel display number (tens); the right switch corresponds to the receiver's right-column channel display number (units). Always turn the transmitter off when changing frequencies.

MICROPHONE LEVEL CONTROL: This control permits the ESW-T212 to accommodate a wide range of mics with typical sensitivity ratings of 1.5 mV (-56 dB) to 15 mV (-36 dB) at 1 Pascal/94 dB SPL, while providing excellent signal-to-noise ratios and maximum acoustic-input levels.

# System Operation

Turn down the mixer/amplifier level before starting up the wireless system.

Switch on the receiver. Do *not* switch on the transmitter yet.

#### Receiver On...

The Channel Designator Display will light. If any of the RF LEDs light up at this point, there may be RF interference in the area. If this occurs, select another frequency using the front-panel channel selectors. While holding in the "Set" button, press the "Up" or "Down" button to access the desired frequency; then release the Set button to select the channel.

#### Transmitter On...

Before turning on the transmitter, use the provided screwdriver to set the transmitter channel selector switches (Fig. C) to the same numbers as those displayed on the receiver. Always turn the transmitter off when changing frequencies. When the transmitter is switched on and in normal operation, the receiver's RF signal level indicators will light up from left to right. For optimum performance at least four, and preferably five, of the signal strength indicators should light up when the transmitter is switched on. One of the Tuner LEDs (A or B) also will light up when the transmitter is on, indicating that its signal has been received and the receiver's Tone Lock squelch circuit has opened.

#### **Setting Levels**

Although Engineered Sound receivers require no level adjustment, correct adjustment of transmitter audio input and mixer/amplifier input and output levels is important for optimum system performance.

#### **Setting Mic Level**

CAUTION! Adjust the Mic Level control *carefully*. Unlike the Channel Selector switches, it will *not* rotate continuously!

- 1. Plug in the microphone and power up the system.
- 2. Set the Mic Level control to the full clockwise (Hi) position. Speak/sing into the microphone at typically-loud levels while watching the AF Level indicators on the receiver. Maximum audio input to the mic should light about three or four green LEDs. Audio modulation from the transmitter level should not be allowed to light the red LED doing so will cause the system to overload and distort.

#### **RF Interference**

Please note that wireless frequencies are shared with other radio services. According to Federal Communications Commission regulations, "Wireless microphone operations are unprotected from interference from other licensed operations in the band. If any interference is received by any Government or non-Government operation, the wireless microphone must cease operation..."

If you need assistance with operation or frequency selection, please contact your dealer or the Audio-Technica professional division. Extensive wireless information also is available on the Audio-Technica Web site at www.audio-technica.com.

OVERALL SYSTEM	
Operating Frequency	UHF band, 728.125 to 740.500 MHz
Number of Channels	100 total
Frequency Stability	±0.005%, Phase Lock Loop frequency control
Modulation Mode	FM
Normal Deviation	±5 kHz
Tone Squelch Frequency	32.768 kHz
Operating Range	300' typical
Operating Temperature Range	41° F (5° C) to 113° F (45° C)
Frequency Response	100 Hz to 15 kHz

ESW-T212 PLUG-ON TRANSMITTER					
RF Power Output	10 mW typical				
Spurious Emissions	Under federal regulations				
Input Connectors	3-pin XLRF-type				
Battery	9V (NEDA type 1604) alkaline, not included				
Current Consumption	60 mA typical				
Battery Life	Approximately 7-9 hours (depending on battery type and use pattern)				
Dimensions	1.58" (40.0 mm) W x 4.32" (109.8 mm) H x 1.58" (40.0 mm) D				
Net Weight (without battery)	6.2 oz (177 grams)				

† In the interest of standards development, A.T.U.S. offers full details on its test methods to other industry professionals on request.

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# **Frequency and Channel Designator List**

Designator	Frequency (MHz)	TV Channel	Designator	Frequency (MHz)	TV Channel
00	728.125	57	50	734.375	58
01	728.250	57	51	734.500	58
02	728.375	57	52	734.625	58
03	728.500	57	53	734.750	58
04	728.625	57	54	734.875	58
05	728.750	57	55	735.000	58
06	728.875	57	56	735.125	58
07		57	57	735.250	58
07	729.000	57 57	58	735.250	58
	729.125				
09	729.250	57	59	735.500	58
10	729.375	57	60	735.625	58
11	729.500	57	61	735.750	58
12	729.625	57	62	735.875	58
13	729.750	57	63	736.000	58
14	729.875	57	64	736.125	58
15	730.000	57	65	736.250	58
16	730.125	57	66	736.375	58
17	730.250	57	67	736.500	58
18	730.375	57	68	736.625	58
19	730.500	57	69	736.750	58
20	730.625	57	70	736.875	58
21	730.750	57	71	737.000	58
			72	737.125	58
22	730.875	57 57	72 73		
23	731.000	57		737.250	58
24	731.125	57	74	737.375	58
25	731.250	57	75	737.500	58
26	731.375	57	76	737.625	58
27	731.500	57	77	737.750	58
28	731.625	57	78	737.875	58
29	731.750	57	79	738.000	58
30	731.875	57	80	738.125	58
31	732.000	57	81	738.250	58
32	732.125	57	82	738.375	58
33	732.250	57	83	738.500	58
34	732.375	57	84	738.625	58
35	732.500	57 57	85	738.750	58
36	732.625	57 57	86	738.875	58
37	732.750	57 53	87	739.000	58
38	732.875	57	88	739.125	58
39	733.000	57	89	739.250	58
40	733.125	57	90	739.375	58
41	733.250	57	91	739.500	58
42	733.375	57	92	739.625	58
43	733.500	57	93	739.750	58
44	733.625	57	94	739.875	58
45	733.750	57	95	740.000	
46	733.875	57		740.000 740.125	59 50
			96		59
47	734.000	58	97	740.250	59
48	734.125	58	98	740.375	59
49	734.250	58	99	740.500	59

# **Multi-channel Systems**

Following are groupings of frequencies suggested for multi-channel wireless systems.

Group A: Channels 00, 02, 08, 15, 46, 50, 60 (or 62), 71, 76, 80, 93, 99 -or-Group B: Channels 01, 03, 07, 25, 30, 41, 44, 56, 69, 76, 77, 86

For use where TV Channel 57 is operating: Channels 50, 60 (or 62), 71, 76, 80, 93, 99 (from Group A) -or-Channels 56, 69, 76, 77, 86 (from Group B) For use where TV Channel 58 is operating: Channels 00, 02, 08, 15, 46, 99 (from Group A) -or-Channels 01, 03, 07, 25, 30, 41, 44 (from Group B)

For use where TV Channel 59 is operating: Channels 00, 02, 08, 15, 46, 50, 60 (or 62), 71, 76, 80, 93 (from Group A) -or-Channels 01, 03, 07, 25, 30, 41, 44, 56, 69, 76, 77, 86 (All of Group B)

# Tips To Obtain The Best Results

- Use only fresh alkaline batteries. Do not use "general purpose" (carbon-zinc) batteries.
- The transmitter and the receiver should be as close together as conveniently possible, but no closer together than three feet. Maintain line-of-sight between them whenever possible.
- Each transmitter/receiver pair must be set to the same channel number.
- A single receiver cannot receive signals from two transmitters at the same time.
- You need to change channels 1) when a strong interference signal is received, 2) when the channel breaks down, or 3) during multiple-system operation in order to select an interference-free channel.
- Turn the transmitter off when not in use.
  Remove the battery if the transmitter is not to be used for a period of time.

For future reference, please record your system information here (the serial number appears inside the battery compartment):

Transmitter ESW-T212

Serial Number

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#### **One-Year Limited Warranty**

Audio-Technica professional wireless systems purchased in the U.S.A. are warranted for one year from date of purchase by Audio-Technica U.S., Inc. (A.T.U.S.) to be free of defects in materials and workmanship. In event of such defect, product will be repaired promptly without charge or, at our option, replaced with a new product of equal or superior value if delivered to A.T.U.S. or an Authorized Service Center, prepaid, together with the sales slip or other proof of purchase date. **Prior approval from A.T.U.S. is required for return.** This warranty excludes defects due to normal wear, abuse, shipping damage, or failure to use product in accordance with the instructions. This warranty is void in the event of unauthorized repair or modification, or removal or defacing of the product labeling.

For return approval and shipping information, contact the Service Dept., Audio-Technica U.S., Inc., 1221 Commerce Drive, Stow, Ohio 44224.

Except to the extent precluded by applicable state law, A.T.U.S. will have no liability for any consequential, incidental, or special damages; any warranty of merchantability or fitness for particular purpose expires when this warranty expires.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from state to state.

Outside the U.S.A., please contact your local dealer for warranty details.



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