

PCM-D50

Portable digital audio recorder



Overview

The latest addition to Sony's family of portable audio recorders, the PCM-D50 recorder adopts many of its features and style from the highly acclaimed PCM-D1 model, including rugged construction and cool design. It's the ideal choice for making live musical, wild tracks and field recordings.

The PCM-D50 is a 96kHz/24-bit recorder fitted with two-position (X-Y or Wide) stereo microphones, 4GB of internal fl ash memory and a Memory Stick Pro-HG Duo™ slot for additional storage. Operating on four AA alkaline batteries, it provides 14 hours of record operation at 44.1kHz 16-bit recording. Unique features such as a two-position stereo microphone, a pre-record buffer that records fi ve seconds of audio before hitting the record button, digital pitch control and A/B segment/repeat offer great portable possibilities for songwriters, musicians and journalists.

To complement the PCM-D50 recorder, new optional accessories include a remote control, tripod stand and microphone windscreen.

Features

Superb Recording Quality

The PCM-D50 is a 96kHz/24-bit linear recorder that records in standard .WAV file format and surpasses standard DAT sound quality. A low signal-to-noise ratio provides virtually noise-free recording quality.

Expandable Memory

With a 4GB built-in memory, the PCM-D50 records up to six hours when recording in 44.1kHz 16-bit CD quality mode. The Memory Stick Pro-HG Duo Slot provides up to 4GB memory expandability.

Built-in Microphones

The PCM-D50 recorder comes equipped with a high sensitivity, built-in, two-position electret condenser stereo microphone with flexible rotation for either X-Y or Wide stereo positions.

Versatile Recording Functions

The Dual Digital Limiter feature helps prevent distortion, a pre-record buffer records five seconds of audio before hitting the record button and Super Bit Mapping technology helps achieve wide, dynamic range.

Playback Functions

The PCM-D50 recorder provides MP3 playback, a special Digital Pitch Control feature that slows down playback without changing pitch and an A/B segment/repeat feature that allows you to mark and repeat segments.



PC/Macintosh Compatible

The PCM-D50 utilises a simple drag and drop file transfer via a high-speed USB connection.

Rugged Construction

Constructed of lightweight metal (aluminium), the PCM-D50 recorder is built to withstand the demands of professional applications.

Specifications

| Generic Specifications | |
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| Built in Microphones | Electret condenser microphones offering X-Y or Wide stereo positions. High sensitivity (-35.0dB /Pa 1 kHz) (Typical). Maximum input level 120dB SPL Noise level 20.0dB SPL(A) (Typical). |
| Recording Media | Built-in 4GB fl ash memory, Memory Stick Pro-HG Duo (optional), Memory Stick Pro Duo (High Speed) (optional), Stereo Recording |
| Sampling Rates | 22.05kHz, 44.1kHz, 48kHz and 96kHz |
| Quantisation | 16-bit linear, 24-bit linear |
| Recording Format | .WAV |
| Playback Format | .WAV / MP3 |
| Maximum Record Time using Internal 4GB Flash Memory | 22kHz 16-bit Recording Mode: 12 hours and 55 minutes 44.1kHz 16-bit Recording Mode: 6 hours and 25 minutes 44.1kHz 24-bit Recording Mode: 4 hours and 15 minutes 48kHz 16-bit Recording Mode: 5 hours and 55 minutes 48kHz 24-bit Recording Mode: 3 hours and 55 minutes 96kHz 16-bit Recording Mode: 2 hours and 55 minutes 96kHz 16-bit Recording Mode: 1 hour and 55 minutes |
| Signal-to-Noise Ratio (Line Input to Line Output) | 93dB or greater (1kHz IHF-A) when set to 24-bit |
| Total Harmonic Distortion (Line Input to Line Output) | 0.01% or below (1kHz, 22kHz LPF) |
| Wow and Flutter | Below measurable limit (less than +/-0.001%W.Peak) |
| Microphone Input (Stereo Mini Jack) | Input impedance: 22k ohm, Rated input level: 2.5 mV; Minimum input level: 0.7 mV. Supports external mic plug-in power. |
| Headphone Output (Stereo | Rated output level: 400 mV; Maximum output level: 25 mW + 25 mW or more; Load |



| Mini Jack) | impedance: 16 ohms |
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| Line Input (OPT) | Analogue input: Input impedance: 40K ohms; Rated input level: 2.0V; Minimum input level: 450 mV. Optical digital input: Input level -24.5dBm to -14.5dBm. Absorption wavelength: 630nm to 690nm |
| Line Output (OPT) | Analogue output: Output impedance: 220 ohms, Rated output level: 1.7V load impedance: 22k ohms. Optical digital output: Output level -21dBm to -15dBm. Emission wavelength: 630nm to 680nm. |
| USB Connection | High-speed USB, mass storage class |
| Memory Stick® Slot | Memory Stick Pro-HG Duo media, NOTE: Standard Memory Stick® media, not supported |
| Power Requirements | DC in 6V. Four AA size Alkaline batteries (supplied); Four AA NiMH Rechargable batteries (optional) |
| Power Consumption | 0.75W |
| Approx. Battery Life | 14 Hours @44.1/16 recording or 12 Hours @ 96/24 recording |
| Dimensions (W x H x D) | 73 mm x 155.6 mm x 33.4 mm not including projecting parts and controls |
| Weight | 365.14 g (including batteries) |
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| Supplied Accessories | |
| Sound Forge® Audio Studio LE Software CDROM | |
| AC Power Adapter (6V) model AC-ES608K | |
| USB Cable | |
| 4x Alkaline Batteries (AA size) | |
| Operating Instructions | |



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