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RCA Information

This device generates and uses radio frequency (RF) energy, and if not installed and used properly, this equipment may cause interference to radio and television reception.

This product complies with DHHS Rules 21 CFR Subchapter J. Applicable at the date of manufacture. This equipment has been type tested and found to comply with the specifications in Subpart J of Part 15 of FCC Rules. These rules are designed to provide reasonable protection against radio and television interference in a residential installation. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in particular installations.

If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception (which you can determine by turning the equipment off and on), try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient the receiving antenna (that is, the antenna for the radio or television that is "receiving" the interference).
- Move the unit away from the equipment that is receiving interference.
- Plug the unit into a different wall outlet so that the unit and the equipment receiving interference are on different branch circuits.

If these measures do not eliminate the interference, please consult your dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions.

Also, the Federal Communications Commission has prepared a helpful booklet, "How To Identify and Resolve Radio TV Interference Problems." This booklet is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. Please specify stock number 004-000-00345-4 when ordering copies.

For Your Safety

The AC power plug is polarized (one blade is wider than the other) and only fits into AC power outlets one way. If the plug won't go into the outlet completely,



CAUTION: TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK, MATCH WIDE BLADE OF PLUG TO WIDE SLOT, FULLY INSERT.

For Your Records

In the event that service should be required, you may need both the model number and the serial number. In the space below, record the date and place of purchase, and the serial number:

Model No. Remote Control No. Date of Purchase Place of Purchase Serial No.

Service Information

This product should be serviced only by those specially trained in appropriate servicing techniques. For instructions on how to obtain service, refer to the warranty included in this Guide.

Have a Blast- Just Not in Your Eardrums Make sure you turn down the volume on the unit before you put on headphones. Increase the volume to the desired level only after headphone are in place.



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WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OR ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS PRODUCT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

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<u>Display</u>



Showing the Demonstration

Not operational in CD mode. Press **DEMO/DIMMER** to turn on/off demonstration mode. The demonstration scrolls through all display operations.

DISPLAY ALARM/CLOCK Setting the Time

 Press CLOCK until the time flashes on the display (12-hour clock for RCA, 24-hour clock for Thomson).
 Rotate MULTI JOG to set the hour and then press SKIP FORWARD to shift to minute digits.
 Rotate MULTI JOG to set the minute.

4. Press **SET** to save settings and **STOP** to quit setting.

Note: When system is ON, you can press **CLOCK** to display the current time for about 2 seconds.

Setting the Timer

1. Press **TIMER** until the **ON** and clock time flash on the display (**ON** - timer on time) (12-hour clock for RCA, 24-hour clock for Thomson).

2. For setting time, rotate **MULTI JOG** to set the hour and then press **SKIP FORWARD** to shift to minute digits.

3. Rotate MULTI JOG to set the minute.

4. Press **SKIP FORWARD** to change to **OF** (timer off time) with clock time flashes. Repeat steps 2 & 3 for timer off time setting.

5. Press **SET** to save settings and **STOP** to quit setting.

Activating the Timer

Press and release **TIMER** to turn on/off the alarm. The alarm is active when the clock icon indicator is lit.

Adjusting the Display Brightness

1. Press and hold **DEMO/DIMMER** for more than 2 seconds.

2. While the dimmer is displayed, rotate **MULTI JOG** to select the desired level (**DIMM 0 - 3**).



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Sleep Mode

You can select the time interval in minute before the unit turn off automatically. Press **SLEEP** on the remote to select among 5, 15, 30, 45, 60, 90 & 120 minutes.



Sound Features



mode.

2. While "CUSTOM" is displayed, rotate MULTI JOG to cycle among displayed bass-, mid-, and treble range levels.

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3. While BAS, MID, or TRE is displayed, adjust VOLUME to set the associated gain between -10





Loading Discs

- 1. Press SOURCE repeatedly to select CD mode.
- 2. Press OPEN/CLOSE to open the drawer.

3. Insert up to five discs with label face up. (Press DISC SKIP to rotate the disc carrier.)

4. Press OPEN/CLOSE to close the drawer. Loaded disc position icon lights.

Playing Discs

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Press PLAY/PAUSE to begin or pause play, and STOP to stop play.

Select a specific disc by pressing DISC 1 - DISC 5. Press SKIP FORWARD/ BACKWARD to select a specific track.

Play and load simultaneously by:

1. Press OPEN/CLOSE to open the tray while a

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Boosting the Bass

Press BASS BOOST to turn on/off boosting the bass frequency.

Muting Audio

Press MUTE on the remote to cut the sound.

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X-Surround

Press X- SURROUND to enjoy enriched sound quality. This feature gives you:

1. Better width and depth for vocal and instrumental sound.

2. More powerful presence for studio recording.

3. Enhanced surround effects with greater flexibility in positioning speakers.

CD is playing

2. Load/change discs for available trays by pressing DISC SKIP.

3. Press OPEN/CLOSE to close the tray.

Shuffling the Play Order

Press SHUFFLE to turn on/off the playing of tracks in random order. (PTY/MIX for Thomson models.)

Sampling Tracks

Press INTRO to play the first 10 seconds of each track on the current disc, all discs in the tray, or turn INTRO mode off.

(Note: You may also press REPEAT to select 1 disc or all discs before activating INTRO & SHUFFLE functions)

Repeating the Play Order

Press REPEAT to repeat the current track, current disc, all discs, or turn REPEAT mode off.



Tip: While playing a CD, press and hold SKIP-FORWARD or BACKWARD for more than 2 secands to search through the CD.





Setting Up a CD Program

You can program the CD player to play up to any 32 tracks on the CDs in the tray.

1. While the CD player is stopped, press **SET** to enter program mode. The system displays the next available program number: "-- P:01," with "--" flashing, prompts you for the first track in the program list. 2. Rotate **MULTI JOG** to select a track (press **DISC**

SKIP or DISK 1 - DISK 5

to select a track from a different disc). 3. Immediately press **SET** to assign the selected



track to the program number. After 3 seconds, you are prompted for the next track in the program list. (In CD program mode, **PROG** icon will be lit.)

Playing a Program List

While in PROGRAM mode, press PLAY.

Displaying the Program List

1. While the CD player is stopped, press **SET** to enter **PROGRAM** mode.

2. Press **SET** repeatedly to list each track assignment in the program list.

Deleting a Track from a Program List

While in **PROGRAM** mode, display the programmed track to be deleted (press **SET** if

necessary to cycle through the list) and immediately press **STOP**. To clear the whole programmed list, press and hold **STOP** for 5 seconds. The system displays the message **CLEAR**.

Automatically Skipping Tracks (ATS)

Creating an ATS Program

1. Press STOP.

2. Press ATS to display "- - P:01"

3. Press DISC SKIP or DISC (1-5) to specify a disc.

4. Rotate the jog to specify the first track to skip, and press **SET**.

5. Repeat the previous step to add more tracks to the **ATS** program.

6. Press PLAY to play the ATS program.

Editing an ATS Program

1. Press STOP.

2. Press ATS.

3. Press **SET** repeatedly until the display shows the track you want to change.

4. Press DISC SKIP or DISC (1-5) to specify a disc.

5. Rotate the jog to specify the replacement track to

be skipped, and press **SET**. 6. Repeat the previous step to change other previous-

ly programmed tracks.

7. Press PLAY to play the program.

Note: During ATS mode, ATS icon will be lit.

Skipping a Disk

Press DISC SKIP.

Searching Through a CD

Press and hold **SKIP FORWARD/ BACKWARD** to search through a CD as it is playing.

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Tip: You can create a program of up to 32 tracks Caution: Do not push to force closing of the tray during CD playback or tray opening.

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1. Press **SOURCE** to select **TUNER**.

2. Press **BAND** to select the next radio band. Choices are:

AM/FM (RCA models)

FM/MW/LW (Thomson models)

The tuner can be either TUNE or PRESET mode. When in PRESET mode, the PROG light is on.

Tip: Your audio system has 32 preset stations.

Tuning to a Station

Press SKIP FORWARD/ BACKWARD to select frequencies.



Using Presets

Rotate **MULTI JOG** to access the previous or next preset station. The display first shows the preset program number and after a few seconds, the frequency and then the preset program number again. (FMPR:01 is FM preset 1)

Auto Preset Programming (for FM only)

Press and hold **BAND** button for 2 second to scan stations in the selected band. The stations will then be stored as preset



channels. Maximum 32 stations can be stored. Beware of your preset channels being erased accidentally because the scanning and storing process is automatic upon pressing the button.

You can stop the automatic scan by pressing any button, but the erased stations cannot be recovered.

Setting Presets

1. Press SKIP FORWARD/ BACKWARD to access the

desired frequency.

2. Press the SET button once.

3. The most recently accessed program location will be displayed.

4. If a different program location is preferred, rotate **MULTI JOG** to move to the desired preset number (1-32).

5. Press **SET** to store the selected frequency at that preset.

Suppressing Stereo Signal

Press **FM ST/SCAN** to toggle between FM mono and stereo for stereo FM stations.



Tip: Press FM ST/ SCAN for more than 1 second to automatically tune up/down the band for the next station. When a station is detected, it will stop for 5 seconds to let you save the station. After 5 seconds (if no keys is pressed), it will continue to search for rest station.

Thomson models



Tuning to an RDS Station



 Rotate MULTI JOG to preset station or press SKIP FORWARD/ BACKWARD to desired frequency.
 If RDS station found, RDS lights on display with station name shown.



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Displaying RDS Station Information

Toggle **REPEAT/ RDS** to display the frequency, station name (PS), station type (PTY), clock time (CT), or radio text (RT). In CT mode, press **CT/INTRO** key to replace the displayed time by RDS station time. If clock time is not yet set, this information will be shown as clock time automatically.

Searching by Program Type (PTY)

- 1. Press PTY/MIX to enter PTY selection
- 2. Toggle PTY/MIX or rotate the jog to select a PTY

Playing a Tape

Tip: You can play a tape from either deck.

- 1. Press SOURCE repeatedly to select TAPE.
- 2. Press STOP/EJECT to open the cassette door.
- 3. Insert a tape into the door and push the door closed.

4. Press **REWIND/FAST FORWARD** to position the tape to the desired starting position. 5. Press **PLAY**.

Continuous Play

Insert a tape into deck 2 and start playback.
 Insert a tape into deck 1 and press **PLAY** and **PAUSE** together.

3. When the tape in deck 2 finishes playback, PAUSE at deck 1 will be released automatically and start playback.

Recording From Tuner

1. Insert a tape into deck 1.

2. Press SOURCE repeatedly to select TUNER and to

mode.

3. Within 5 seconds, press **PRESET SKIP FORWARD**/ **BACKWARD** to search for a station broadcasting the selected type of program. Tip: You can search for stations using one of the following program types: RDSNEWS (news),

AFFAIR (news and documentaries), INFO (weather, medical), SPORT (sports), EDUCAT (education), DRAMA (series and plays), CULTUR (miscellaneous), SCIENC (science and technology), VARIED (miscellaneous), POP M (pop music), ROCK M (rock music), MOR M (middle-of-the road music), LIGHTM (light music), CLASSI (classical music), OTHERM (unclassified music), ALARM (alam).

access the desired radio band.

- 3. Tune to the station to be recorded.
- 4. Press RECORD to begin recording.
- 5. Press STOP to end recording.

From CD

- 1. Insert a tape into deck 1.
- 2. Press SOURCE repeatedly to select CD.
- 3. Insert the disc(s) to be recorded.
- 4. Select the track, CD, or program to be recorded.
- 5. Press RECORD to begin recording.
- 6. CD begins to play.
- 7. Press STOP to end recording.

Tape to Tape

- 1. Insert the destination tape in deck 1.
- 2. Insert the source tape into deck 2.
- 3. Press PAUSE and then RECORD on deck 1.

4. Press **PLAY** on deck 2. The playback and recording start simultaneously.

From an Auxiliary Input

1. Insert the cassette in deck 1.

2. Check that the auxiliary device has been connected correctly to the **AUX** connector on the back of the audio system.

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3. Start playback on the auxiliary device.

- 4. Press RECORD on deck 1 to begin recording.
- 5.. Press STOP to end recording.

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Maintenance

Disconnect the audio system from the power source before performing any maintenance.

Cleaning

Clean the exterior of the system using a soft dust cloth.

CD Player

CAUTION! This system operates with a laser. It must be opened by only a qualified technician.

Tape Player

To prevent deterioration of sound quality, periodically open the door of each deck and clean the magnetic heads, pinch roller, and capstan with a cotton bud dipped in alcohol. Also, demagnetize the head by playing a demagnetizing cassette (available through an audio equipment store).

To protect recordings one or both sides of a tape, remove the corresponding tab. If you later want to record on the



tape, affix a piece of adhesive tape over the hole.

Quit Slacking - A little bit of slack in your tapes can cause scratches on the tape, or worse yet, the tape could break. If you notice some slack in the tape, use a pencil to tighten it up before you insert it.



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More Information

Safety Precautions

• Never open the cabinet under any circumstances. Any repairs or internal adjustments should be made only by a trained technician.

Never operate this product with the cabinet removed.
Do not touch the player with wet hands. If any liquid enters the player cabinet, take the player to a trained

technician for inspection.

• This compact disc player uses a laser to read the music on the disc. The laser mechanism corresponds to the cartridge and stylus of a record player. Although this product incorporates a laser pick-up lens, it is completely safe when operated according to directions.

• Discs rotate at high speed inside the player. Do not use damaged, warped, or cracked discs.

Prevent damage to this product, set switch for proper voltage.

• Do not touch the pick-up lens which is located inside the disc compartment. Also, to keep dust from collecting on the pick-up lens and do not leave the compartment door open for an extended period of time. If the lens becomes dirty, clean it with a soft brush, or use an air blower brush designed for camera lenses.

Important Batteries Information

• Remove the batteries to avoid leakage if you do not use your remote control for more than one month. Discard leaky batteries immediately as leaking batteries may cause skin burns or other personal injuries. Dispose of batteries in the proper manner, according to provincial and local regulations. Any battery may leak electrolyte if mixed with a different battery type, if inserted incorrectly, if all batteries are not replaced at the same time, if disposed of in fire, or if an attempt is made to charge a battery not intended to be recharged.

Headset Safety

Do not play your headset at a high volume. Hearing experts are against continuous extended play.
If you experience a ringing in your ears, reduce volume or discontinue use it.

You should use be extreme caution or temporarily discontinue use it in potentially hazardous situations.
 Even if you headset is an open-air type designed to let you hear outside sounds, don't turn up the volume so high that you are unable to hear what is around you.

Handling CDs

 Do not touch the signal surfaces. Hold CDs by the edges, or by one edge and the hole. Do not affix labels or adhesive tapes to the label surfaces. Do not scratch or damage the label. CDs rotate at high speeds inside the player. Do not use damaged (cracked or warped) CDs

Cleaning CDs

• Dirty CDs can cause poor sound quality. Always keep CDs clean by wiping them gently with a soft cloth from the inner edge toward the outer perimeter.

 If a CD becomes dirty, wet a soft cloth in water, wring it out well, wipe the dirt away gently, and then remove any water drops with a dry cloth.

• Do not use record cleaning sprays or antistatic agents on CDs. Also, never clean CDs with benzene, thinner, or other volatile solvents which may cause damage to disc surface

Don't Infringe

This product should only be used for the purposes for which it is sold, that is, entertainment, violating no copyright law. Any attempts to use this product for which it is not intended is unlawful and therefore not condoned by Thomson Consumer Electronics.

Technical Specification

Power supply: 230V~50Hz for Thomson models, 120V~60Hz for RCA models. Dimensions (H x W x D mm): Unit size - 329 x 307 x 360 (For all) Speaker (for RS2520/ RS3520/ A3000/ A3005) - 329 x 250 x 232.5 Speaker (for RS2521/ A3200/ A3205) - 329 x 250 x 252.5 Speaker (for RS2550/ VTCD550) - 361/329 x 240 x 258 Speaker (for RS2522/ RS3522/ A3400) - 361 x 250 x 265 Tape deck: Response curve: 125Hz-8kHz (-5dB) CD player: Response curve (+/- 2dB): 20Hz to 20 kHz Rating Plate: Look for it at the back of the set.

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Thomson Consumer Electronics Canada, Inc. warrants to the purchaser or gift recipient that if any manufacturing defect becomes apparent in this product within 1 year from the original date of purchase, it will be replaced free of charge, including return transportation.

This warranty does not include damage to the product resulting from accidents, misuse or leaking batteries. Should your product not perform properly during the warranty period, either:

1. Return it to the selling dealer with proof of purchase for replacement,

OR

2. Remove the batteries (where applicable), and pack product complete with accessories in the original carton (or equivalent).

 Mail prepaid (with proof of purchase) and insured to: Thomson Consumer Electronics Canada, Inc.

Distribution Centre 7400 A Bramalea Road

Mississauga, Ontario L5S 1X1

The provisions of this written warranty are in addition to and not a modification of or subtraction from the statutory warranties and other rights and remedies contained in any applicable legislation, and to the extent that any such provisions purport to disclaim, exclude or limit any such statutory warranties and other rights and remedies, such provisions shall be deemed to be amended to the extent necessary to comply therewith. If you are unable to find a qualified servicer for out of warranty service, you may write to:

Thomson Consumer Electronics Canada, Inc.

P.O. Box 0944

Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S.A., 46206-0944

Attach your sales receipt to this booklet for future reference. This information is required if service is needed during the warranty period.

PURCHASE DATE

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