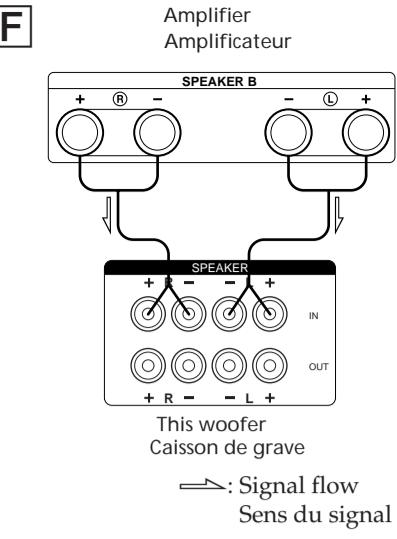
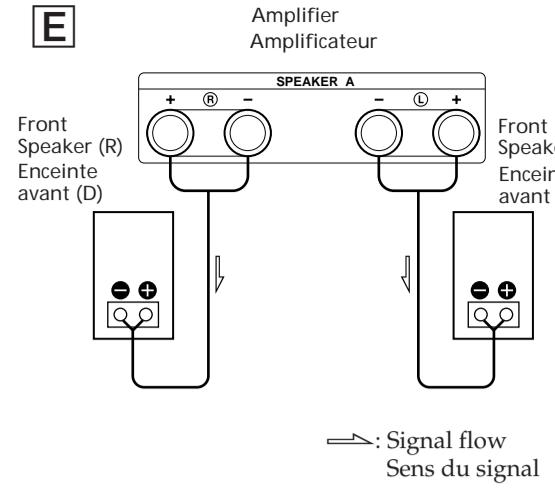
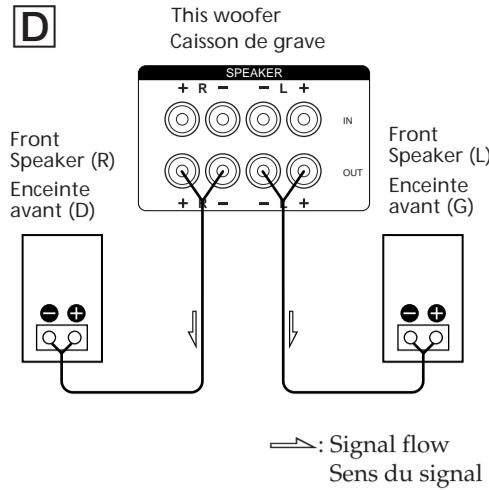
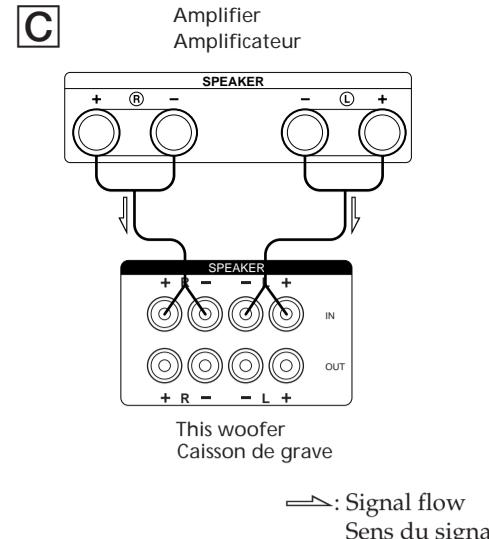
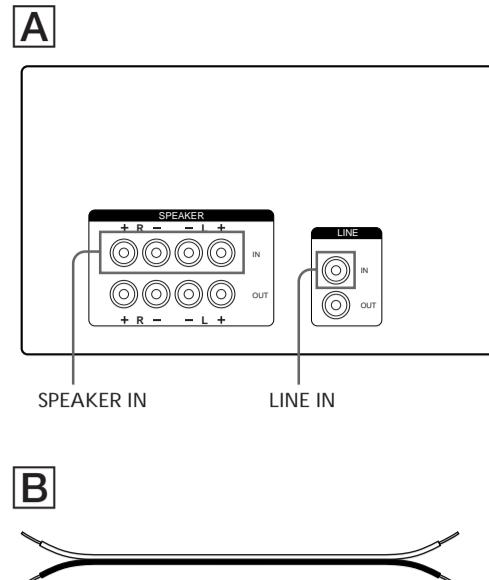


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Active Subwoofer

SA-WX900

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English

Owner's Record

The model number and serial numbers are located on the rear of the unit. Record the serial number in the space provided below. Refer to them whenever you call upon your Sony dealer regarding this product.

Model No. SA-WX900

Serial No. _____

WARNING

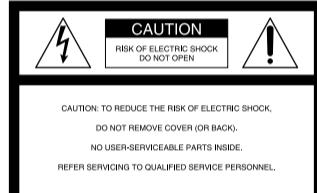
To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose the unit to rain or moisture.

To prevent fire, do not cover the ventilation of the apparatus with news papers, table-cloths, curtains, etc. And don't place lighted candles on the apparatus.

To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not place objects filled with liquids, such as vases, on the apparatus.

To avoid electrical shock, do not open the cabinet. Refer servicing to qualified personnel only.

NOTICE FOR THE CUSTOMERS IN THE U.S.A



This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.

This symbol is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

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

CAUTION

You are cautioned that any changes or modification not expressly approved in this manual could void your authority to operate this equipment.

The shielded interface cable recommended in this manual must be used with this equipment in order to comply with the limits for a digital device pursuant to Subpart B of Part 15 of FCC Rules.

Note to CATV system installer:
This reminder is provided to call CATV system installer's attention to Article 820-40 of the NEC that provides guidelines for proper grounding and, in particular, specifies that the cable ground shall be connected to the grounding system of the building, as close to the point of cable entry as practical.

CAUTION

Use of this appliance with some systems may present a shock or fire hazard. Do not use with any units which have the following marking located near output.

WARNING: HAZARDOUS ENERGY!

For the customers in Canada

CAUTION:

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

Except for European model



ENERGY STAR® is a U.S. registered mark. As an ENERGY STAR® Partner, Sony Corporation has determined that this product meets the ENERGY STAR® guidelines for energy efficiency.

Precautions

On safety

- Before operating the woofer, be sure that the operating voltage of your woofer is identical with that of your local power supply.
- Unplug the woofer from the wall outlet if it is not to be used for an extended period of time. To disconnect the cord, pull the cord by grasping the plug. Never pull the cord itself.
- Should any liquid or solid object fall into the woofer, unplug the woofer and have the woofer checked by qualified personnel before operating it any further.
- AC power cord must be changed only at the qualified service shop.

When turning on or off an amplifier or other equipment

Lower the volume of the amplifier to minimum.

To avoid damaging the woofer

- Be careful in setting the volume control of the amplifier to avoid an excessive input power.
- Do not attempt to open the enclosure or remodel speaker units and networks.

In case color irregularity is observed on the nearby TV screen

With the magnetically shielded type of the speaker system, the speakers can be installed near a TV set. However, color irregularity may still be observed on the TV screen depending on the type of your TV set.

If color irregularity is observed...

- Turn off the TV set once, then turn it on after 15 to 30 minutes.

If color irregularity is observed again...

- Place the speakers further apart from the TV set.

When howling occurs

Relocate the speaker or turn down the volume of the amplifier.

On installation

- Do not install the woofer near heat sources such as radiators or air ducts, or in a place subject to direct sunlight, excessive dust, mechanical vibration or shock.
- Good ventilation is essential to prevent internal heat build-up in the woofer. Place the woofer in a location with adequate air circulation. Do not place the woofer on a soft surface or too close to a wall as this may obstruct the ventilation hole on the back.
- Use caution when placing the speaker on a specially treated (waxed, oiled, polished, etc.) floor, as staining or discoloration may result.
- Take care to avoid any possible injury on the corners of the woofer.



- Do not let the connecting cords of the AV equipment, e.g., TV, etc., become entangled or bundled behind the unit. It may cause noisy picture images.

On cleaning the cabinet

Clean the cabinet with a soft cloth lightly moistened with water. Do not use any type of abrasive pad, scouring powder or solvent such as alcohol or benzine.

If you have any questions or problems concerning your woofer that is not covered in this manual, please consult your nearest Sony dealer.

Installation

Since the human ear cannot detect the direction and position where the bass sound being reproduced by a woofer (below 200 Hz) comes from, you can install the woofer wherever you like in your room. To obtain a better bass reproduction, we recommend you to install the woofer on a solid floor where the resonance is unlikely to occur. You can obtain a sufficient heavy bass reproduction from a single woofer. However if you use a couple of the woofers, you can obtain an even more effective heavy bass reproduction.

Notes

- Always install the woofer vertically, keeping a few centimeters from away the wall.
- Do not place an object on the woofer or sit on it.
- If the woofer is installed in the center of a room, the bass could be extremely weakened. This is due to the influence of the standing wave of the room. If this happened, move the woofer away from the center of a room or eliminate the cause of the standing wave, by installing a bookshelf on the wall, etc.

Hooking Up the System(A)

Overview

Use the LINE IN jacks or the SPEAKER IN terminals of the woofer when you connect the amplifier.

- If your amplifier has one of the following types of output jacks, connect the LINE IN jack and the amplifier's jack using the supplied audio connecting cord.
- MONO OUT jack
- MIX OUT jack
- SUBWOOFER output jack(s)
- SUPER WOOFER output jack(s)

- If your amplifier does not have the above mentioned output jacks, connect the speaker terminals of the amplifier to the SPEAKER IN terminals instead.

Before you get started

- Turn off the power of the amplifier and the woofer before making any connection.
- Use the audio connecting cords that are supplied to the respective equipment. If there are not enough audio connecting cords to make the necessary connections, you need to purchase some optional audio connecting cords.
- Be sure to make connections firmly to avoid noise.
- Connect the AC power cord from the woofer to a wall outlet.
- You cannot connect the CENTER output jack for use with Dolby Pro Logic function to the woofer. Bass sound is not output with some Dolby Pro Logic modes.

Connecting to an amplifier with a single set of speaker terminals

Connect the woofer to the amplifier, and then connect the front speakers to the woofer using the supplied speaker cords (1 for each speaker). (B)

Twist the stripped ends of the cord about 15 mm (5/8 in.).

Be sure to match the speaker cord to the appropriate terminal on the components: + to + and - to -. If the cords are reversed, the sound will be distorted and will lack bass. It is useful to decide that the speaker cord marked with a line is always the negative (-) and should be connected to the negative (-) terminal to avoid any improper connections.

1 Connect the woofer to the amplifier. (C)

Connect the SPEAKER IN terminals of the woofer to the amplifier's speaker terminals with the speaker cords. Be sure to connect both L and R channels.

2 Connect the front speakers to the woofer. (D)

Connect the speakers to the speaker terminals of the woofer.

Connecting to an amplifier with double (A + B) sets of speaker terminals

If your amplifier has double (A + B) sets of speaker terminals, connect both the woofer and the front speakers to the amplifier using the supplied speaker cords (1 for each speaker). (B)

Twist the stripped ends of the cord about 15 mm (5/8 in.).

1 Connect the front speakers to the amplifier. (E)

Connect the speakers to your amplifier's speaker terminals (A).

2 Connect the woofer to the amplifier. (F)

Connect the SPEAKER IN terminals of the woofer to the amplifier's speaker terminals (B) using speaker cords (supplied).

When using the double (A + B) sets of speakers, make sure that you select the "A + B" position with your amplifier.

Note

When you are using speaker terminal (A) only (front speaker only) or when the power of the amplifier is turned off, turn down the volume or turn off the power of the woofer otherwise, hum noise may be heard.

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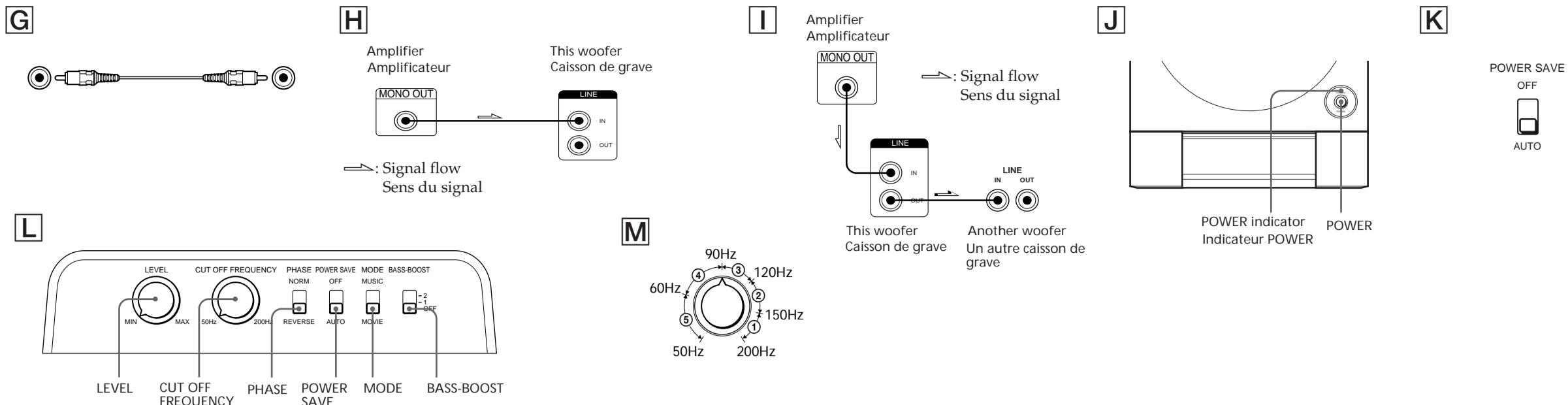
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Active Subwoofer

SA-WX900



English

Connecting to an amplifier with a special jack for a woofer

If your amplifier has a special jack for a subwoofer (like a MONO OUT jack, MIX OUT jack, SUBWOOFER jack or SUPER WOOFER jack), connect the LINE IN jack of the woofer to one of those jacks using the supplied audio connecting cord. (G)

Connect the MONO OUT jack of your amplifier to the LINE IN jack of the woofer with the supplied audio connecting cord. (H)

Note

If the output level of your amplifier is not large enough, the sound may not be loud enough. In this case, connect the speaker terminals of the amplifier directly to the SPEAKER IN terminals of the woofer.

When using two or more subwoofers (I)

Connecting the AC power cord

- Connect the AC power cord from the woofer and from your amplifier to a wall outlet.
- Make sure that power to the woofer is turned off before you plug in or unplug any power cord.

Listening to the Sound (J)

- 1 Turn on the amplifier and select the program source.

- 2 Press POWER.

The woofer turns on and the POWER indicator lights up in green.

- 3 Play the program source.

Adjust the VOLUME so that sound from the front speakers is not distorted. If it is distorted, the sound from the woofer will also be distorted.

To turn on and off the power automatically — Auto power on/off function (K)

When the woofer is on (i.e. the POWER indicator lights up green) and there is no signal input for about seven minutes, the POWER indicator changes to red and the woofer enters power saving mode. While in this mode a signal is input to the woofer, the woofer automatically turns on (auto power on/off function).

To turn this feature off, slide the POWER SAVE switch on the rear panel to OFF.

Notes

- Never set the amplifier's tone control (BASS, TREBLE, etc.) or the equalizer output to a high level or input sine curves of 20 Hz to 50 Hz recorded on a commercially-available test disc or special sound (base sound of electronic musical instrument, pop noise of analog disc turntable, sound with abnormally enhanced bass, etc.) in a high level to this unit. These actions may cause damage to the speakers. When a special disc containing abnormally enhanced bass is played, noise may be output in addition to the original sound. In such a case, decrease the sound level.
- The woofer output signal (DOLBY digital signal) of the digital surround processor sold singularly is set 10 dB higher by Dolby Laboratories Licensing Corporation. In the case of using normally, adjust the woofer level.
- If you turn down the volume level of the woofer too low, the auto power on/off function may activate, causing the woofer to enter power saving mode.

Adjusting the Sound (L)

You can adjust the sound of the woofer to suit the sound of your front speakers. Reinforcing the bass sound gives you a greater sense of atmosphere.

- 1 Set BASS-BOOST to OFF.

- 2 Set MODE to MOVIE or MUSIC. Select the mode according to the material to be played.

- 3 Adjust the cut-off frequency. (M)

Turn the CUT OFF FREQUENCY control, depending on the reproduction frequencies of your front speakers.

Refer to the following when adjusting.

- ① Typical very small sized speakers: 4–5 cm (1 5/8–2 in.) dia.
- ② Typical small sized speakers: 6–8 cm (2 3/8–3 1/8 in.) dia.
- ③ Typical medium sized speakers: 9–15 cm (3 5/8–5 7/8 in.) dia.
- ④ Typical large sized speakers: 16–24 cm (6 3/8–9 1/2 in.) dia.
- ⑤ Typical very large sized speakers: more than 25 cm (9 7/8 in.) dia.

To make the most of the low level converter function

When playing back the sound of LFE signals, Dolby digital, or DTS, we recommend to set the CUT OFF FREQUENCY control to 200Hz (maximum) to obtain the best performance from the low level converter function.

- 4 Adjust the volume level of the woofer.

Turn the LEVEL control so that you can hear the bass sound a little more than before. To increase the volume, turn the control clockwise. To decrease the volume, turn the control counterclockwise.

Note

A wide variety of material is available, e.g., CD, SACD, DVD, and DVD-Audio, etc. Compatible systems are: 2.1ch, 5.1ch and 6.1ch, etc., and various satellites signals. Depending on the system, adjust the LEVEL to suit the sound so that subwoofer's output is optimal.

- 5 Play your favorite song and movie. Male vocal tunes and voice containing bass sounds are most suitable for adjustment. Turn the volume for front speakers to the same level as usual.

- 6 Select the phase polarity.

Use the PHASE selector to select the phase polarity. Select the polarity that produces the deepest male vocal or speech.

- 7 Repeat steps 3 to 6 to adjust for your preference.

Once you have adjusted the woofer to the settings you desire, use the VOLUME control on the amplifier to adjust the volume of the woofer with that of the other speakers. You don't need to adjust the woofer settings when you change the volume level of the amplifier.

- 8 Set BASS-BOOST to (1) or (2).

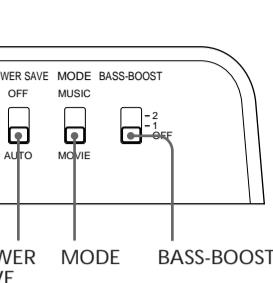
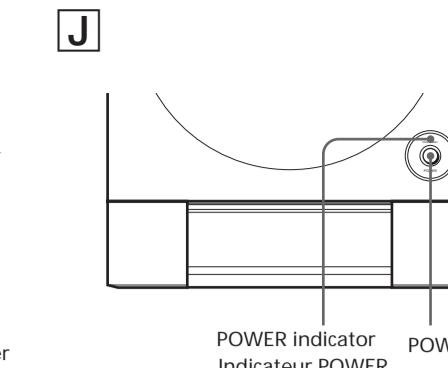
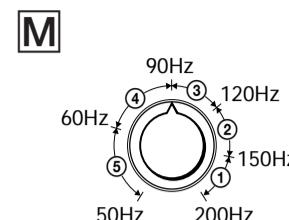
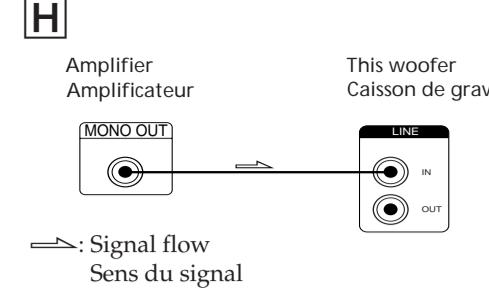
Select according to the bass output level that you prefer. Some material is recorded with strong emphasis on bass sounds, which may be excessive in some cases. If this happens, lower the level from (2) to (1), or (1) to OFF.

However, if irregular sound is heard again, turn the LEVEL knob counterclockwise.

The output level may differ depending on the mode (MOVIE or MUSIC).

Notes

- If the sound distorts when you turn on the bass reinforcement from your amplifier (such as, DBFB, GROOVE, the graphic equalizer, etc.), turn off the bass reinforcement and adjust the sound.
- Do not turn the LEVEL knob to maximum. Doing so may weaken the bass sound. Moreover, extraneous noise may be heard.
- Selecting NORMAL or REVERSE with the PHASE selector reverses the polarity and may provide better bass reproduction in certain listening environments (depending on the type of front speakers, the position of the woofer and the adjustment of the cut-off frequency). It may also change the expanse and tightness of sound, and effect the feeling of the sound field. Select the setting that provides the sound you prefer when listening in your normal listening position.



Troubleshooting

If you experience any of the following difficulties while using the woofer, use this troubleshooting guide to help you remedy the problem. Should any problem persist, consult your nearest Sony dealer.

There's no sound.

- Check that this woofer and components are connected correctly and securely.
- Turn LEVEL clockwise to turn the volume up.
- Reset the level.

The sound has suddenly stopped.

- The speaker cords may have short-circuited. Connect the cords properly.

The sound is distorted.

- The input signal is imperfect.
- The input signal level is too high.
- Set the CUT OFF FREQUENCY as high as possible when playing back the Dolby digital.

Severe hum or noise is heard.

- Connect the ground wire of the turntable properly.
- The contacts between the plugs of the connecting cords and the corresponding jacks have not been made properly. Connect the plugs firmly.
- The audio system is picking up some noise from a TV set. Move the audio system away from the TV set or turn the TV set off.

Specifications

AUDIO POWER SPECIFICATIONS For the U.S.A. model

POWER OUTPUT AND TOTAL HARMONIC DISTORTION:

With 4 ohm loads, from 20–200 Hz; rated 800 watts, minimum RMS power, with no more than 0.8% total harmonic distortion from 250 milliwatts to rated output.

System

Type
Active Subwoofer, magnetically shielded (closed cabinet)

Speaker units

Woofer : 30 cm dia. (12 in.), cone type × 2

Continuous RMS output

North American model (4 ohms/100Hz, 0.8%) : 1,000 W

European model (DIN 4 ohms/100Hz, 0.7%) : 1,000 W

RMS output

Other models (4 ohms/100Hz, 10%) : 1,200 W

Reproduction frequency range

20 Hz – 200 Hz

High frequency cut-off frequency

50 Hz – 200 Hz

Phase selector

NORMAL, REVERSE

Mode selector

MOVIE, MUSIC

BASS-BOOST OFF, 1, 2

Inputs

Input jacks

LINE IN: input pin jack

SPEAKER IN: input terminals

Output jacks

LINE OUT: output pin jack

SPEAKER OUT: output terminals

General

Power requirements

North American model : 120 V AC, 60 Hz

European model : 220 – 240 V AC, 50/60 Hz

Other models : 220 – 240 V AC, 50/60 Hz

Power consumption

220 W

less than 0.5 W (Standby mode)

Dimensions

Approx. 440 × 550 × 620 mm

(17 3/8 × 21 7/8 × 24 1/2 in.) (w/h/d)

Mass

48 kg (105lb 14oz)

Supplied accessories

Audio connecting cord

(1 phono plug – 1 phono plug) (1)

Speaker cords (2)

Design and specifications are subject to change without notice.

Français

Raccordement à un amplificateur doté d'une prise spéciale pour caisson de grave

Si votre amplificateur comporte une prise spéciale pour caisson de grave (comme une prise MONO OUT, MIX OUT, SUBWOOFER ou SUPER WOOFER), raccordez la prise LINE IN du caisson à l'une de ces prises à l'aide du câble de connexion audio fourni. (G)

Raccordez la prise MONO OUT de votre amplificateur à la prise LINE IN du haut-parleur à l'aide du câble de connexion audio fourni. (H)

Remarque

Si le niveau de sortie de l'amplificateur n'est pas suffisant, le son peut ne pas être assez puissant. Dans ce cas, reliez les bornes d'enceintes de l'amplificateur directement aux bornes SPEAKER IN du caisson.

Si vous utilisez deux haut-parleurs d'extrêmes-graves ou plus (I)

Raccordement du cordon d'alimentation secteur

- Branchez le cordon d'alimentation secteur du caisson de grave et de l'amplificateur sur une prise murale.
- Assurez-vous que le caisson de grave est hors tension avant de brancher ou de débrancher un câble d'alimentation.

Pour écouter le son (J)

- 1 Allumez l'amplificateur et sélectionnez la source de programme.

- 2 Appuyez sur POWER.

Le caisson est mis sous tension et l'indicateur POWER s'allume en vert.

- 3 Reproduisez la source de programme. Ajustez VOLUME pour que le son des enceintes soit sans distorsion.

Si le son des enceintes ayant présenté une distorsion, il en sera de même du son du caisson de grave.

Mise sous et hors tension automatique — Fonction de mise sous/hors tension automatique (K)

Si le caisson de grave est sous tension (quand l'indicateur POWER s'allume en vert) et si aucun signal n'est entré pendant environ sept minutes, l'indicateur POWER devient rouge et le caisson de grave passe en mode d'économie d'énergie. Si, dans ce mode, un signal est entré sur le haut-parleur, le haut-parleur se met automatiquement sous tension (fonction de mise sous/hors tension automatique). Pour désactiver cette fonction, ramenez le commutateur POWER SAVE du panneau arrière sur OFF.

Remarques