

Compact Two User Commentary Unit With Dante® / AES67 Network Audio Interface







Express MINI
Compact Commentary With Dante® Interface

Highlights

Two Talkback Circuits COMPACT
2 User Commentary
Unit

Dante®/ AES67 Network Audio

Four Monitoring Inputs

Multifunction Talkback Buttons

Powered by PoE

Overview

This device uses Audinate's Ultimo Chipset, which can receive 4 incoming audio channels, each at 48kHz. However, this chipset can only receive these 4 audio channels from a maximum of 2 network locations (2 different devices). This is common with any manufacturer that uses this chipset.



The Express^{ip} Mini is a compact simple to operate, 2 user network audio commentary box, that is ideal for both the occasional & the daily provider of commentary facilities.



Its low cost keeps the accountant happy, its simple facilities makes it easy to setup for the engineer and the familiar Glensound control surface keeps the commentators satisfied.



Having been involved in designing and manufacturing commentary boxes for over 40 years the Express^{ip} Mini is a culmination of all our years of experience and has been designed to provide just enough of the basic facilities required for everyday commentary in a very robust & easy to use package.

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Features



Headphone Monitoring

There are 4 inputs into the headphone mixer. Each commentator has individual pots to set their preferred mix of these sources. There is a 5th pot for adjusting the level of the commentators own voice (sidetone) and a 6th pot for adjusting the level of the other commentator's voice in their headphones.

The front panel has 2 x 6.35mm jack sockets for connecting the commentators' headphones.

Mic Inputs

Both mic inputs are on front panel 3 pin XLR connections. The input is switchable to add 48V phantom power via a top panel switch

Two Four Wire Circuits

The Express^{ip} Mini has two talkback circuits. Each commentator has their own talkback buttons. The push buttons for each circuit feature Config + and as such are configurable and can operate in different modes:

- Latching on/off
- Momentary push to talk (PTT)
- Intelligent mode where a short tap is latching, but a longer hold becomes momentary
- Always on and mutes when pressed (cough mode)

Pressing a talkback button removes the mic from the main output and directs it to the talkback output.









Each commentator has a mic on/off button that can also be configured to be always on, muting the input when held down (cough button).

Mic Gains

Two front panel rotary controls can be used for adjusting the microphone amplifiers input gain by +10/-20 dB. The lineup gain of the microphone amplifier automatically reduces by 10dB when the phantom power switch is turned on.

Compressor Limiter Circuits

Each microphone input has its own compressor/ limiter circuit to prevent audio overload by an excited commentator.

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MIN

The new Express^{ip} MINI is SMALL! Here it can be seen compared to the original Express^{ip}

Network Audio Link

The Express^{ip} MINI is Dante®/ AES67 network audio compatible. The network connection is via a single EtherCON RJ45. This link carries:

- 4 audio inputs *PLEASE SEE SPECIFICATIONS
- 4 audio outputs
- Power over Ethernet (PoE)

The four audio outputs that go into the Dante network are:

- Talkback 1
- Talkback 2
- Mic 1
- Mic 2 or Mix

The 4th output 'Mic 2 or Mix', can be selected via a rear panel switch to be the direct B mic, or a mix of both the A and B mics.

PPM Meter

There is a seven segment PPM meter that shows the mix output level as both dBu and BBC PPM 1 - 7 scale.

Power

The Express^{ip} MINI is powered by Power over Ethernet PoE and can be connected to a PoE enabled switches and midspan power sources.









EXPRESSIP MINI

Small Network Commentators Unit Designed For Sport News & Events

Specification

AUDIO

Dynamic Mic Line Up

60dB

Mic + Phantom Power Line Up

35dB

Input Gain

+10/-20dB

Input Impedance

1k2

Phantom Power

+48V @ 6mA

Equivalent Input Noise

125dBu (Dynamic Mic 22-22kHz RMS terminated 300 Ohms)

Maximum Input Level

Dynamic Mic: -13 dB Mic + 48V PH: +12dB

Band Pass Filter

-3dB points are 30Hz and 22kHz

Frequency Response

-1dB 40Hz to 15.2kHz

POWER

PoE

48v PoE

Power On LED

Bright Blue

Consumption

<4 Watts

INCLUDED ITEMS

Handbook

Physical A4 (download also available)

Rj45 Cable

2 metre network cable

Digital Line Up

0dBFs = +18dBu

THD + NOISE

<0.011% @ 10kHz ref +8dBu

Headphone Volume Pot Range

+10dB to Off (+10dB to -30dB factory fit option)

Headphone Impedance

35 - 1000 Ohms

Maximum Headphone Output

+15dBu into 600 Ohms

Headphone Frequency Response

<= -2dB 50Hz to 24kHz

PHYSICAL

Size

157 x 183 x 74mm (WxDxH)

Weight

0.74Kg (1.6lb)

Mechanics

All aluminium construction, anodized and laser etched, powder coated sides

Shipping Carton

Rugged export quality cardboard carton 610 x 420 x 170mm LxDxH

Shipping Weight

3Kg

ENVIRONMENTAL

Operating Temperature

 $0 \text{ to } +50 \,^{\circ}\text{C} (32 \text{ to } 122 \,^{\circ}\text{F})$

Storage Temperature

-20 to +70 °C (-4 to 158 °F)

Relative Humidity

0 to 95% non-condensing

*Network audio inputs

The Express^{ip} uses the Ultimo chipset from Audinate, although a 4 channel chipset it can only receive audio from 2 different network streams





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