INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF WIRELESS MICROPHONE

1. Connect antenna (27' black wire) to red screw terminal on back of receiver. Extend wire so that it has no loops in it.

2. Take transmitter away from receiver and turn to on position. Make sure battery is in transmitter and make sure battery is not dead.

3. Turn on receiver.

4. Turn AFC switch on front of receiver to off position.

5. Tune receiver to transmitter frequency which will be determined when "Eye" of receiver closes (33 to 34 mc.).

6. If "Eye" on receiver does not close, check battery in transmitter.

7. Turn AFC switch to on position. This will lock the receiver on frequency.

8. Volume control on front of receiver controls only the monitor speaker in the receiver.

9. Hush Control: The Hush control is a "squelch" and will be preset at the factory. This should not be touched unless absolutely necessary.

10. Level control: This control determines the output of the receiver to the house amplifier system. This is also preset at the factory but may require some adjustment depending upon the output level required by the existing sound system of the house.

11. Patch cords and connecting diagram will be included on a separate sheet.

12. The volume of the wireless microphone will be controlled by the microphone dial on the house amplifier, the same as a regular microphone.

13. A 13½ foot whip antenna will in most cases give additional range.

14. In areas of high interference a piece of coax should be used to connect the antenna to the receiver. A short antenna such as 1/8th wave should be placed as near as possible to the position where the transmitter is to be used.

15. Fluorescent lights which are blinking or which have bad starters can cause considerable interference. In such cases the tuning eye will show the interference over the entire dial. If the hush circuit is tuned to minimum the transmitter will usually override the interference.
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1. Lower base of antenna through hole in top of receiver and screw firmly into socket.

2. Make certain that black wire from antenna socket is connected to red terminal at rear of the receiver.

3. Check that battery is in the transmitter, and that it is inserted in the proper direction. Turn transmitter ON.

4. Turn receiver volume control one half turn clockwise.

5. Move AFC switch on front of receiver to OFF position.

6. Tune receiver to transmitter frequency, which will be indicated by the closing of the eye on the face of the receiver.

7. If the eye does not close, check battery in transmitter.

8. Move AFC switch to ON position. This locks the receiver on frequency until receiver is retuned.

9. Volume control on front of receiver controls only the monitor speaker in the receiver.

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11. The LEVEL control determines the high impedance output to the house amplifier system. This is also preset at the factory but may require some adjustment depending upon the output level required by the existing sound system. Do not turn the level control completely counter clockwise.

12. Connecting cords and diagram are illustrated on a separate sheet.

13. If the receiver is connected to a house amplifier system, output will be regulated by the controls on the house amplifier.

14. If maximum operating range is desired, the 13 foot antenna should be extended to maximum length. The antenna may be installed at a location different from the receiver, in which case it should be connected to the antenna terminal of the receiver by no more than 50 feet of RG59U cable.

15. Fluorescent lights which are intermittent or which have bad starters can cause considerable interference, as can some vacuum sweepers, fans, and electric drills if used too near the receiver. In such cases the tuning eye will show the interference over the entire dial. If the hush control is tuned to minimum, the transmitter will usually override the interference.
OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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Do not remove front screw or screen

13356 Lavalier Assembly
686A microphone inserted in spring clip

Do not loosen or remove knurled cable clamp ring

13322 "Tie clip" for lavalier use

XLR-3-12C cannon plug on microphone cable

Pin No. 1 — Ground (shield)
Pin No. 2 — Common (black)
Pin No. 3 — 30/50 ohms (white)
150/250 ohms (red)

Microphone is shipped with all connections made for 150/250 ohms operation. To select other available impedances perform the following in the XLR-3-12C plug.

(1) Loosen two cable clamp screws "A" and side plug housing along cable.

(3) For 150/250 ohms red lead is connected to Pin No. 3 and protective sleeve is on white lead.

(a) To select 30/50 ohms, remove red lead from Pin No. 3 and connect white lead to Pin No. 3. Place protective sleeve on red lead to guard against shorts and grounds.

Microphone is shipped with all connections made for 150/250 ohms operation.

Note: No connection changes should be attempted inside the microphone.

Note: For unbalanced systems connect black lead (common) Pin No. 2 and shield (ground) together on Pin No. 1.

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IMPEDANCE SELECTIONS

Before placing the microphone in service determine the impedance requirements of the input system into which the microphone will connect, then following the procedure outlined in the following illustration, Fig. 1, select the proper connections.

MICROPHONE POSITIONING IMPORTANT:

Model 686A is a "lavalier" type unit and is designed for use with the "neck cord" No. 13356 and "tie clip" No. 13322 as furnished.

Should your microphone, through accidental damage, become inoperative it may be replaced by your ALTEC Distributor under an exchange plan or may be returned, transportation charges prepaid, for exchange.
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Lavalier Assembly with 686A microphone inserted in spring clip

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Plug Assy. Screw "B"

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Pin No. 1 — Ground (shield)
Pin No. 2 — Common (black)
Pin No. 3 — 30/50 or 150/250 ohms (white)
Microphone is shipped with all connections made for 150/250 ohms operation. To select other available impedances perform the following in the XLR-3-12C plug:
1. Loosen two cable clamp screws "A"
2. Remove Plug Assembly Screw "B"

(3) For 150/250 ohms red lead is connected to Pin No. 3 and protective sleeving is on white lead.
(a) To select 30/50 ohms, remove red lead from Pin No. 3 and connect white lead to Pin No. 3. Place protective sleeving on red lead to guard against shorts and grounds.

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1515 South Manchester Avenue
Anaheim, California
ATTENTION

If apparent dead spots appear within the area you wish to work the wireless microphone, or if there is not a satisfactory range of operation, first try reorienting the antenna supplied with the receiver. If this does not solve the problem try a long whip antenna using RG 59/U lead in wire. Whip antenna may then be located up to several hundred feet from the receiver. (Minatronics Corporation will furnish army surplus 13-foot collapsable whip antennas - see price sheet.)

If the antenna on the transmitter is held tight against the bare skin of the wearer no physical harm will come to him or her, but quite a bit of the signal strength will be absorbed with resultant shorter range of operation. Likewise rolling the antenna up in a ball, or wrapping antenna around transmitter, will decrease efficiency.