**AT4049 OMNIDIRECTIONAL CAPACITOR MICROPHONE**

**Description**

The AT4049 is a transformerless externally-polarized capacitor studio microphone. A precision omnidirectional transducer, it has been specially engineered to meet the most critical acoustic requirements of professional recording and broadcast.

The AT4049 features a smooth, flat frequency response over its extended 20-20,000 Hz range. The omnidirectional head capsule may be easily removed, stored and replaced with an optional cardioid or hypercardioid capsule to meet the needs of the widest range of mixing applications.

The balanced output is direct-coupled, resulting in a clean signal even under high-output conditions. The microphone is totally free of the distortion associated with conventional transformer-coupled outputs. Its fast response to transients contributes to the open, transparent reproduction of even the most troublesome of instruments and sound effects.

The AT4049 combines the benefits of exceptionally low self-noise with very high output. Equally important, it handles very high sound pressure levels with ease—up to 142 dB SPL while producing no greater than 1% T.H.D. The AT4049 may be used with confidence in a wide variety of mixing applications even under the stringent demands of modern digital recording systems.

An integral 80 Hz hi-pass filter provides easy switching from a flat frequency response to a low-end roll-off. The hi-pass switch is recessed to prevent accidental activation. The hi-pass position reduces the microphone's sensitivity to "popping" in close vocal use and to handling noise. It also attenuates unwanted low-frequency ambient noise (i.e. traffic, air-handling systems, etc.) and room reverberation. Use of the supplied foam windshield helps reduce wind and "popping" noise.

A rugged microphone, the AT4049 housing is constructed of turned brass, rather than thin-wall aluminum. Its surface is plated in black chrome for durability and low reflectivity.

The AT4049 will operate in conjunction with any remote "phantom" or "simplex" power source supplying 48 volts DC, such as the AC-powered Audio-Technica CP6506 that can accommodate up to four microphones. The phantom voltage not only powers the microphone's impedance converter, but is stepped-up to a higher voltage internally to polarize the capacitor element.

**Modular Expansion Capability**

The AT4049 consists of two modular subassemblies which are threaded together: the AT4900-48 handle containing the microphone's electronics, and the AT4049-ELE capacitor head capsule.

The versatility of the AT4049 may be increased through the addition of optional accessory head capsules. The AT4051-ELE capsule provides the advantages of a smooth, wide-response cardioid pattern. The AT4053-ELE hypercardioid element offers excellent side rejection for increased working distance, and a highly uniform polar pattern that virtually eliminates off-axis coloration.

A compartmentalized protective carrying case accommodates the microphone, stand adapter, windscreen, and two optional head capsules.

**Architects and Engineers Specifications**

The microphone shall have a frequency response of 20 to 20,000 Hz. Its capacitor element shall be of a DC bias design and shall obtain its polarizing voltage and impedance-converter power from an external 48V DC (±12V) phantom power source. The microphone shall have an omnidirectional polar pattern. The element shall be interchangeable with optional capsules offering cardioid or hypercardioid polar patterns.

Nominal open-circuit output voltage shall be 19.9 mV at 1 kHz, 1 Pascal. The microphone shall have an output impedance of 250 ohms and output shall be transformerless balanced. The microphone shall accept a 142 dB SPL at 1 kHz while producing no greater than 1% T.H.D.

The microphone shall have a length of 6.10" (155.0 mm), a diameter of 0.83" (21.0 mm), and a weight of 4.4 oz (125 g). The microphone housing shall be turned brass with a low-reflectance black chrome finish.

The Audio-Technica AT4049 is specified.
## Specifications

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<td>OPEN CIRCUIT SENSITIVITY (1 kHz)</td>
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<td>HI-PASS FILTER (LOW-END ROLL-OFF)</td>
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<td>48V DC phantom, (±12V)</td>
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<td>CURRENT CONSUMPTION, TYPICAL</td>
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**ACCESSORIES FURNISHED**
AT8405 snap-in clamp for standard 5/8"-27 threaded stands; protective carrying case; reticulated, open-cell foam windscreen.

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### Frequency Response

![Frequency Response Graph](image)

**LEGEND**
- Flat
- Hi-pass position

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### Polar Pattern

![Polar Pattern Graph](image)

### Dimensions

- **6.10"** (155.0 mm)
- **0.83"** (21.0 mm)

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**Optional Accessories:**
- AT4051-ELE cardiology microphone capsule.
- AT4053-ELE hypercardiology microphone capsule.
- AT8106 metal-frame pop filter.
- AT8114 foam windscreen for AT8106 pop filter.
- AT8314 2-conductor, shielded, vinyl-jacketed, broadcast-type cable with XLRF-type connector at microphone end, XLRM-type connector at equipment end. Available in 10', 20', 25', 30', 50' & 100' lengths.
- AT8407 universal "clothes-pin" stand clamp fits both tapered and cylindrical microphones.
- AT8410A shock mount for boom or stand operation. Universal "clothes-pin" clamp fits tapered and cylindrical microphones.
- AT8415 shock mount for boom or stand operation.
- CP8506 4-channel 48V phantom power supply (AC powered).

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**One-Year Limited Warranty**

Audio-Technica microphones and accessories purchased in the U.S.A. are warranted for one year from date of purchase by Audio-Technica U.S.A., Inc. (ATU.S.) to be free of defects in material and workmanship. In event of such defect, product will be repaired or, at our option, replaced with a new product of equal or superior value if delivered to ATU.S. or an Authorized Service Center, prepaid, together with the sales slip or other proof of purchase data. Prior approval from ATU.S. is required for returns. This warranty excludes defects due to normal wear, abuse, shipping damage, or failure to use product in accordance with instructions. This warranty is void in the event of unauthorized repair or modification, or removal or defacing of the product labeling.

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