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The perfect entertainment system for today's home

ZR-6 6 SOURCE, 6 ZONE AUDIO MULTIZONE RECEIVER WITH BUILT-IN AM/FM TUNER AND iPod® INTEGRATION

KEY FEATURES

- Six-Source, Six-Zone MultiZone Receiver The ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver independently distributes up to six audio sources to up to six zones to provide high-quality entertainment throughout the home.
- Plug-and-Play iPod® Integration With a simple connection, the music on your iPod can easily be enjoyed throughout your home.
- Metadata Displays The LCD display on the Solo®-6MD keypad (sold separately) provides the valuable song, track, and artist information (metadata) you need to operate today's menu-based digital sources.
- Built-In AM/FM Tuner A digital tuner with 20 preset stations is built right into the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver, so it can play music out of the box without additional components and wiring.
- One-Touch To EntertainmentTM A simple press of a button is all that's needed to fill your entire home with music.
- Expandable to 18 Zones Need more zones? Simply add one or two more ZR-6 MultiZone Receivers to create systems with twelve to eighteen zones.

- Quality—Inside and Out For over thirty years, the Niles brand has been synonymous with quality and performance.
- High-Performance Digital Amplifier Our advanced digital amplifier delivers 50 watts to each zone with excellent sound quality. It's a 4-ohm stable design, so up to four speakers can be installed in a single zone.
- Complete Wireless Control The included hand-held remote automates and controls the connected audio sources, plus a local TV and an additional source such as a cable box or satellite receiver.
- True System-Wide Audio Paging The ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver has circuitry that automatically mutes the audio and plays doorbell chimes and telephone pages through the system's loudspeakers (doorbell chimes require the Niles DBI-1 interface).
- Custom-Tailored Sound With separate bass, treble, and variable loudness adjustments on each keypad, each zone is easily calibrated for high quality sound and for balanced acoustics from room to room.



FEATURES

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6 Source, 6 Zone Audio MultiZone Receiver with Built-In AM/FM Tuner and iPod Integration

Includes rack mount ears, a R-8L hand-held learning remote control and an iPod connection cable.

Model	Stock Number
Standard	FG01433
Export	FG01434



Specifications

- Safety certifications: CSA-E65 listed, tested under UL6500 standards (pending)
- Dimensions: 17 1/4" W x 4" H x 15" D including connection terminals with no wires attached (43.8cm W x 10.2cm H x 38.1cm D)
- 2U rack height

Warranty: Two-year limited Shipping weight: 25 lbs. (11.3 Kg)



PECIFICATIONS SHEET

International CES Innovations 2008 Design & Engineering Award honoree in the Multi-Room Audio/Video product category

Features

- Distributes up to six sources to six zones to create a whole-house audio system
- Plug-and-play iPod integration provides simplified connection and operation, including metadata with the Solo®-6 MD keypad, of this popular music source
- Built-in AM/FM tuner with 20 preset stations for each band provides out-of-the-box radio operation and eliminates the need for an additional component, connections, and programming
- Five external audio inputs provide connections for both audio and sync
- Built-in 12-channel digital amplifier delivers 50 watts per zone (25 watts per channel) to each of the six zones
- Integrates easily with Niles VS-6 component video switcher to create a distributed audio/video system
- RS-232 and discrete IR control for each of the six zones provides seamless integration with external remote control systems
- IR storage includes two library pages for accessing secondary system commands such as lighting, drapery, including the commands for the VS-6 component video switcher
- System configuration via front panel controls and display for quick and intuitive system set up (programs five additional sources in under 15 minutes)
- Front panel RS-232 connection enables system programming restoration and backup via PC
- Preamplifier outputs for zones 4, 5, and 6 make it easy to add additional power with Niles Systems Integration Amplifiers[®]
- Six IR flasher outputs (one is global and 2 through 6 are source specific)
- A fifth audio input is available if an iPod is not connected
- Four 12V control outputs for voltage triggers (1 is global, and 4, 5, and 6 are zone specific)
- Paging input accommodates voice announcements from a telephone system and/or doorbell tones from the optional Niles DBI-1 interface
- Independent bass, treble, and variable loudness tone controls enable the customization of each zone to optimize performance
- Rugged, 2U aluminum front panel and included mounting ears make rack mounting secure while taking up minimal space
- System architecture expands to 18 zones via two additional ZR-6 MultiZone Receivers
- The ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver supports up to three keypads in each zone, ideal for large rooms (keypads sold separately; requires ZR-KE Keypad Expander)
- Zone linking enables the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver to permanently group up to six zones per chassis: turn-on, source selection, and turn-off all work in unison, yet each zone has independent volume, bass, treble, variable loudness control and paging
- Phantom home theater zone enables source sharing with independent home theater system via global IR input
- Gold-plated RCA audio jacks
- Removable speaker connectors accommodate up to 14-gauge wire
- 75 ohm FM antenna connection, 300 ohm AM antenna connection (AM and FM antennas included)
- RJ-45 keypad connections use T-568A CAT-5 termination
- Removable two-wire IEC power cord
- Field upgradeable firmware via RS-232 connection

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ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver



- 1) LED Zone ON/OFF Indicators Individually illuminate when the corresponding zone is active, turn off when the zone is off, and provide diagnostic information about the zone.
- 2) Main Power Switch Push-button, latching switch turns the main power to the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver ON and OFF.
- 3) Band, Set, -, and + Push Buttons Used to operate the AM/FM tuner, set favorite preset stations into memory, and perform system configuration operations.
- **4)** Backlit LCD Display Two-line, 16-character, LCD display shows current tuner preset, band, programming, diagnostics information and menus during configuration.
- 5) Programming Panel Behind a removable cover are the installer programming buttons and connections.
- 6) Rack Mount Ears Two metal rack-mount ears are included and can be attached for installing the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver into a professional rack.



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- 7) IR Receiver Receives the IR codes from hand-held remotes during programming.
- 8) Program Button Enters and exits ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver IR programming and editing mode.
- 9) Previous and Next Buttons Step forward and backward through each part of the programming process.
- 10) Test IR Button Transmits the last-learned IR code out of its respective IR output to verify correct operation.
- 11) Erase Button Erases various parts of the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver memory.
- 12) Sequence Insert (Library 1) Inserts the stored IR commands from Library 1 into sequences to control source devices.
- **13) Sequence Insert (VS-6/Library 2)** Inserts pre-loaded VS-6 High Definition Video Switcher IR commands and/or additional stored IR commands from Library 2 into sequences to control source devices.
- 14) Archive/Update Port Used to connect a computer for archiving and restoring previously saved ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver configurations and or updating the firmware of the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver and connected keypads.
- **15)** Programming Slide Switch Disables the rear RS-232 connection and activates the front RS-232 connection for archiving, setup, and firmware updates.
- 16) IR Status LED Indicates reception of IR codes by the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver.



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Rear View



- 17) AM/FM Antenna Connections For connecting the supplied AM and FM antennas.
- 18) Paging Input Connects to a compatible telephone system, intercom system and/or a doorbell.
- 19) Video Sync Inputs Determines on/off status of connected video device by detecting presence of a video signal.
- 20) RS-232 Port A 3.5 mm stereo mini-jack is used to provide RS-232 serial communication so the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver can be monitored and controlled by an external control system.
- 21) Voltage Sync Inputs Determine the on/off status of connected source devices by detecting the presence of a trigger voltage between 3V and 20V, AC or DC.
- 22) Keypad Ports Six zone-specific RJ-45 jacks are used to connect the keypads with CAT-5 cable.
- 23) Expansion Ports Two RI-45 jacks are used to connect the Master MultiZone Receiver to the Slave MultiZone Receivers using CAT-5 cable.
- 24) MicroFlasher[®] Outputs Five 3.5 mm stereo mini-jacks are used to connect the optional Niles MicroFlashers (FG01019) to control the source devices.
- 25) High Output Flasher A single 3.5 mm mini-jack is used to connect an optional Niles IRB1 High Output IR Flasher (FG01023) to control multiple devices from a single flasher.
- **26)** Global 12V Trigger Output A single 3.5 mm mini-jack is used to provide a 12V DC trigger to automate the power turn-on and turn-off of connected devices such as a Niles AC-3 Voltage-triggered AC Power Strip (FG00242).
- 27) Zone Four, Five, and Six 12V Trigger Outputs Three 3.5 mm mini-jacks are used to provide a 12V DC trigger to automate the power turn-on and turn-off of zone-specific connected devices such as Niles System Integration Amplifiers.
- **28)** Global IR Input A single 3.5 mm mini-jack is used to provide an input connection for IR commands from an external control system such as the Niles iC2[™] Home Theater Automation System (FG01342).
- **29) HT (Home Theater) Sync Input** A single 3.5 mm mini-jack is used to detect voltage from a connected home theater system to let the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver know when the home theater is on.
- **30)** Rack Mount Ears Two metal rack-mount ears are included and can be attached for installing the ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver into a professional rack.
- 31) IEC Power Cable Connector Two-pin connector for the removable power cord.
- 32) Loudspeaker Terminals A removable terminal is provided for each of the six zones. Accepts speaker wire up to 14 AWG.
- **33)** Zone Four, Five, and Six Preamplifier Outputs Three pairs of stereo RCA jacks are used to connect external power amplifiers. Can be switched between fixed or variable output.
- 34) Source Audio Inputs Four pairs of stereo RCA jacks are used to connect stereo audio to Sources 3-6.
- **35)** Source 2 Audio Input/iPod Cascade Audio Output A pair of stereo RCA jacks are used to provide an analog input for a Source 2 external device when an iPod is not being used with the system. With an iPod, these jacks become cascade audio outputs to route the iPod's audio signal to a Slave ZR-6 MultiZone Receiver.
- 36) iPod Connector A 30-pin connector is used to provide a connection for an iPod digital music player as Source 2.



PARTS GUIDE (continued)

Hand-Held Learning Remote Control

- 1) Power Button Turns the selected source device on or off.
- 2) Source Select Buttons Turn the zone on and play the selected source device.
- 3) Transport Buttons Used to skip backward, rewind, fast forward, skip forward, stop, pause, or play tracks from the selected source.
- 4) MENU Button Displays a menu for the selected source device.
- 5) Guide Button Displays the program guide for the selected source device.
- 6) Vol -/+ and MUTE Buttons Raise and lower the volume level or use the mute button to completely mute the sound.
- **7) Extended Function Buttons** Provide additional functionality for advanced features, menus, and guides.
- 8) Setup Button Used when configuring the R-8L remote.
- TV/AUX Button Provides control of a local television and an additional local source.
- **10) LIST Button** Displays information from source devices that support this function.
- INFO Button Displays the current channel and program information from source devices that support this function.
- 12) Menu Cursor Buttons Move the cursor in selected source device menu screens. Press OK to choose the highlighted menu option or to toggle between AM and FM tuner bands.
- **13) Channel Select and LAST Buttons** Select the next or previous channel and select the next or previous chapter on some DVD players. Press the Last button to recall the last-viewed channel.
- 14) Exit Button Exits the selected source device's menu, guide, or program without making a menu selection.
- **15) DVR Special Function Buttons** Special menu function buttons for use with DVRs.
- 16) Direct Access and ENTER Buttons Directly enter channels (for example: 09 or 31). Press the Enter button to send channel number entry on certain TV models.





System Wiring Diagrams

STAND-ALONE ZR-6 MULTIZONE RECEIVER



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System Wiring Diagrams

INCLUDING DISTRIBUTED VIDEO WITH A NILES VS-6 HIGH DEFINITION COMPONENT VIDEO SWITCHER



SPECIFICATIONS SHEET



ZR-6 MULTIZONE RECEIVER INTEGRATED WITH A HOME THEATER SYSTEM



WIRING LEGEND	
Audio	
HD Video	
12 Volt	
AC	