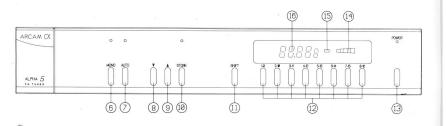


# ALPHA 5 FM TUNER HANDBOOK





# **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION**

## ALPHA 5 FM TUNER

FM tuning range Tuning system Frequency step

Presets

Sensitivity (IHF)

Alternate channel selectivity AM suppression ratio

Capture ratio

Signal Strength meter sensitivity

Frequency response

87.5 to 108.0MHz Phase-locked-loop

50kHz 16

> typically  $1.4\mu V$ better than 60 dB

better than 50dB typically 1.5dB 5 segment LED

typically 2µV to 2mV 20Hz - 12kHz +/- 0.5dB

typically -2dB at 15kHz

Ultimate S/N ratio (CCIR) Mono

Stereo

better than 75dB better than 72dB

Total harmonic distortion 96MHz reference, 22.5kHz deviation at 1kHz

Mono

better than 0.10%

Stereo

better than 0.30% (using MPX filter)

Channel separation (1kHz)

Pilot tone suppression Output impedance

Minimum recommended load

Output level
Power consumption
Size W/D/H mm.

Weight

better than 40dB better than 50dB

2kohm 20kohm

850mV at 75kHz deviation

6∀A

430 x 230 x 84 2.2kg nett.

3.2kg packed.

Supplied accessories

FM dipole aerial phono-phono cable co-ax plug adaptor

mains lead

#### INSTALLATION

- ① Check that your mains supply voltage agrees with the voltage setting on the rear panel of the unit.
- If your mains supply voltage is different, consult your Arcam dealer.

### MAINS SAFETY

- This product is normally supplied with a moulded mains plug already fitted to the lead. If for any reason the plug needs to be removed, it must be disposed of immediately and securely, as it is a potential shock hazard when inserted into a mains socket.
- If the plug is removed then the remaining lead must be rewired as follows:
- The blue wire must be connected to the terminal which is coloured blue or marked with the letter N.
- The brown wire must be connected to the terminal which is coloured brown or marked with the letter L.
- The green and yellow wire must be connected to the terminal which is coloured green and yellow, or marked with the letter E or the safety earth symbol.
- When replacing the fuse in the supplied moulded mains plug, the integral fuse holder/cover must always be refitted.
- Warning, this apparatus must be earthed

# MAINS SUPPLY CONNECTIC

② Insert the IEC line socket of lead fully into the power in rear panel. Connect the otl your mains supply.

# AUDIO CONNECTIONS

③,④ AUDIO OUTPUTS - Boare identical. Connect one your amplifier's TUNER in a suitable interconnect ca other can be connected VCR's audio input for simultaneous broadcasts (sin to a cassette deck for direct Insert the red phono plug sockets labelled 'R' and phono plugs into the socke 'L'.

## AERIAL CONNECTIONS

S AERIAL SOCKET - Cor aerial downlead using the adaptor if necessary.

## OPERATION

- MONO Selects mono output. The led (light emitt will glow red when mono i If a weak station is received the background hiss can b (and in most cases elimi selecting mono.
- AUTO Selects automatic tuning. The led will gle when AUTO is selected. I not lit manual tuning is sele

- ¬ Δ Press to tune up or down through the FM frequency band. In AUTO tuning mode the frequency display will stop automatically at a station with a suitably strong signal. In manual tuning mode press and hold ∇ or Δ until the desired frequency is displayed.
  - STORE For storing up to 16 FM stations into the preset memory. To preset stations press STORE and while the led glows red, press the desired preset button.
- SHIFT When storing preset stations 9-16, press STORE, press and hold SHIFT, then press the desired preset button.
  - PRESET BUTTONS Once all the stations have been preset into the memory, simply press the relevant button to select the desired stations.

    Use SHIFT when selecting preset stations 9-16.
  - POWER Switches the unit on and off.

- SIGNAL STRENGTH METER Indicates signal strength of the selected station. As several radio stations are available on more than one frequency, use the signal strength meter to help you locate the best position for each station.
  - As a guide, two red leds will give good mono reception. Two red leds and two green leds will give adequate stereo reception. All five leds will give the best stereo reception with the least possible background noise. In most cases, you will need to use a roof mounted aerial connected to the tuner with a good quality low loss 750hm co-axial cable to achieve the best results. The simple wire dipole aerial provided is only suitable for reception of strong local stations.
- STEREO LED Indicates stereo reception. When tuning through the FM frequency band in stereo (auto or manual) inter-station noise and very weak signals are automatically muted. To cancel muting, select mono output (see ® MONO).
- FM FREQUENCY DISPLAY -Indicates the frequency of the selected FM station.
- PRESET MEMORY BACK-UP -The preset memory will be retained while the tuner is connected to the mains. If the mains supply is disconnected, the memory will be retained for approximately one week.

### RADIO INTERFERENCE

- The Alpha 5 tuner is a digital audio device which has been designed to very high standards of electromagnetic compatibility.
- EC COUNTRIES: This product has been designed to comply with directive 89/336/EEC.

## SAFETY STANDARD

 This product has been designed to meet the IEC 65 international electrical safety standard.

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The BBC publishes a booklet entitled "Radio Transmitting Stations" which contains details of all BBC transmitters in the UK together with other useful hints and tips.

This booklet can be obtained on request by sending a large stamped addressed envelope to:-

BBC Engineering Information, White City, 201 Wood Lane, London, W12 7TS.

Telephone: 0345 010313 (local call rate)

The Radio Authority publishes a booklet which contains details of all independent radio stations. This booklet can be obtained on request by sending a large stamped addressed envelope to:-

Radio Authority, Holbrook House, 14 Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5DG.

Telephone: 071 430 2724