

# User Manual

## rfbaseCUE

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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1. Overview .....

rfbaseCUE is a smart device that links RF wireless control panels to CUEwire (RS-485). The transceiver uses two fixed antennas and is supplied with rack mount brackets for installation in a 19" rack.

Main functions are

- Receives data from wireless RF control panels and transfers them via CUEwire (RS-485) to the control units (Assistant or Assistant-S).
- Receives data from CUEwire (RS-485) and transfers them via RF to wireless RF control panels.
- Stores data when the wireless RF control panels are not active or out of range and transfers them when the connection is newly established.

## 1.2. Models .....

Model	Product code	Description
rfbaseCUE	CS0171-4	RF base unit, 433.92 MHz
rfbaseCUE	CS0171-8	RF base unit, 869.85 MHz
rfbaseCUE	CS0171-9	RF base unit, 914.5 MHz

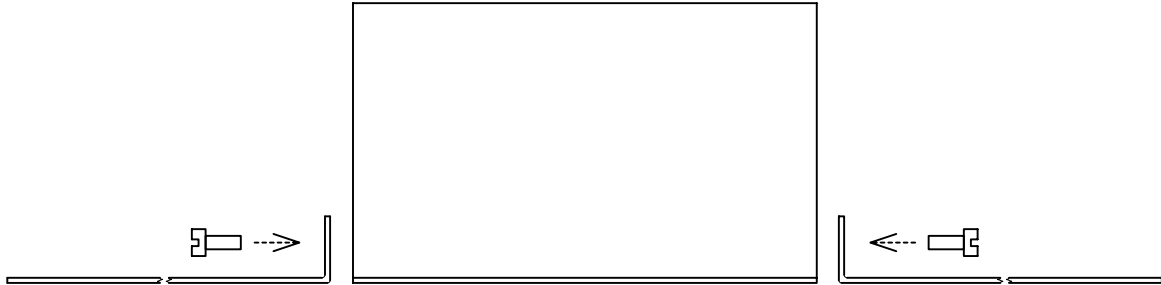
## 1.3. Features .....

The main features of the base unit are

- PC host connector for service and programming
- CUEwire (RS-485) connection for communication with central unit of control system
- Two ¼ wave whip antennas
- Power supply 24 VDC (+/-20%), 2 W
- RF frequency 433.92 MHz or 869.85 MHz or 914.5 MHz
- RF power max. 10 mW (for 433.92 MHz) or max. 1 mW (for 869.85 MHz and 914.5 MHz)

## 2. Mounting

To fix the rfbaseCUE in a 19" rack use rack mount interface kit 19" fastened on to both sides of the rfbaseCUE using screws.



## 3. Connecting

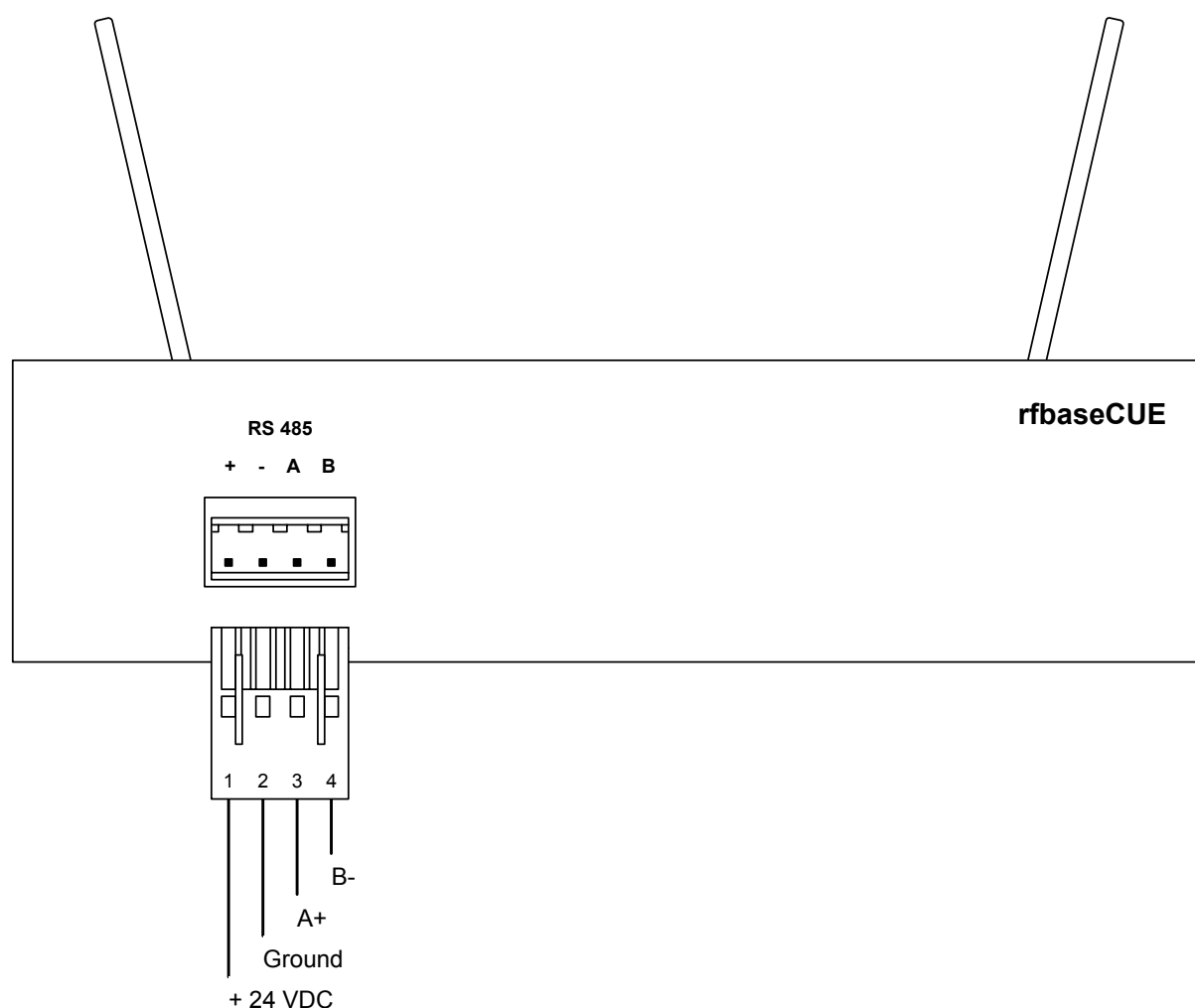
### 3.1. CUEwire .....

The rfbaseCUE needs to be connected to CUEwire (RS-485 and power supply 24 VDC) in the same way as other control panels.

#### Important note

There can be only one rfbaseCUE in one control system.

The rear panel is equipped with 4-pin type connector for CUEwire (RS-485 and power supply) connection. The unit is supplied by **24 VDC (+/-20%), 2 W**.

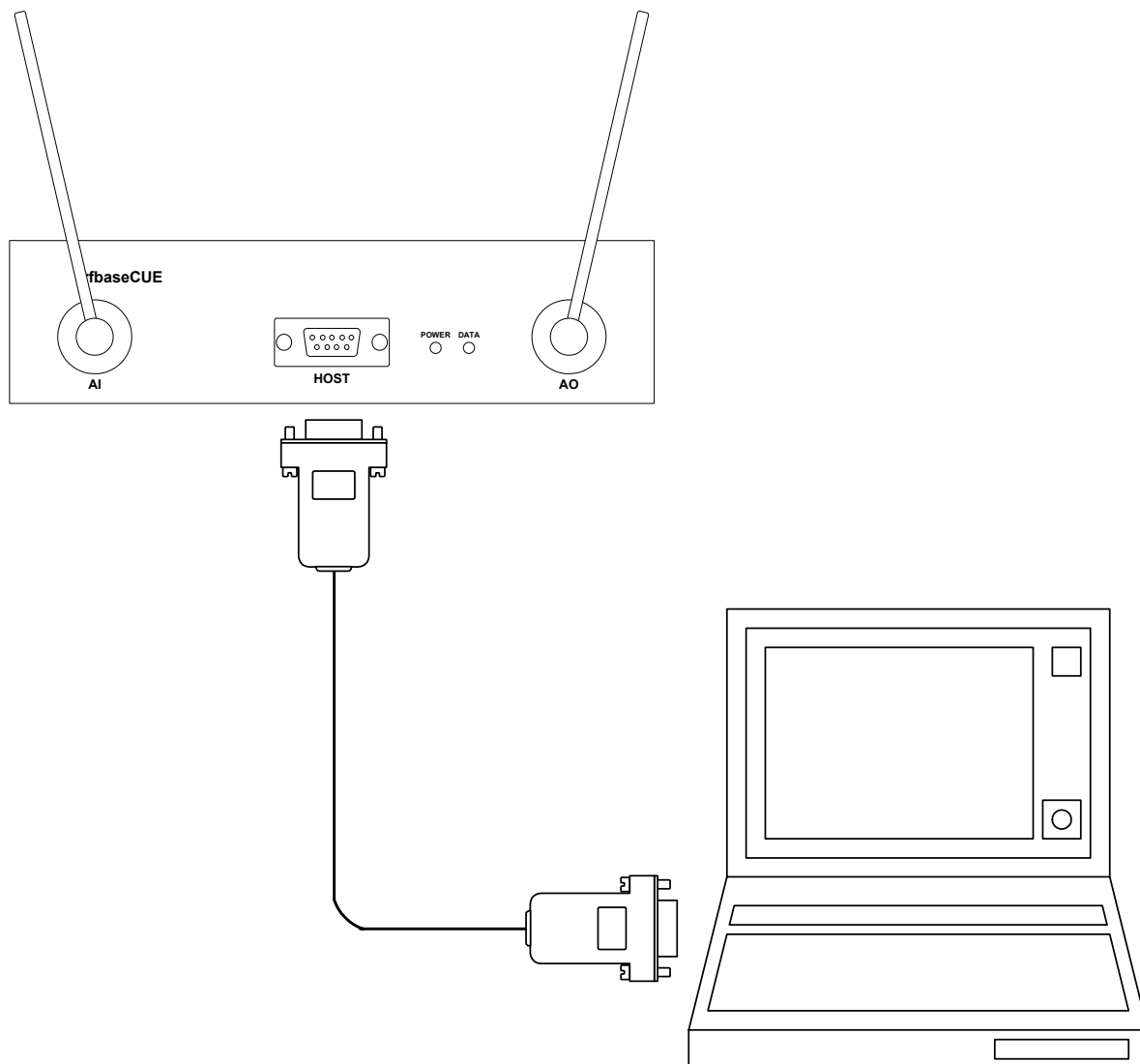


The following table describes all CUEwire signals.

Code	Pin nr.	Meaning	Description	Note
IN	1	+24 V	Power input 24 VDC	
	2	Ground		
RS-485	3	Input/output A+	RS-485	RS-485 connection
	4	Input/output B-		

## 3.2. Host Computer .....

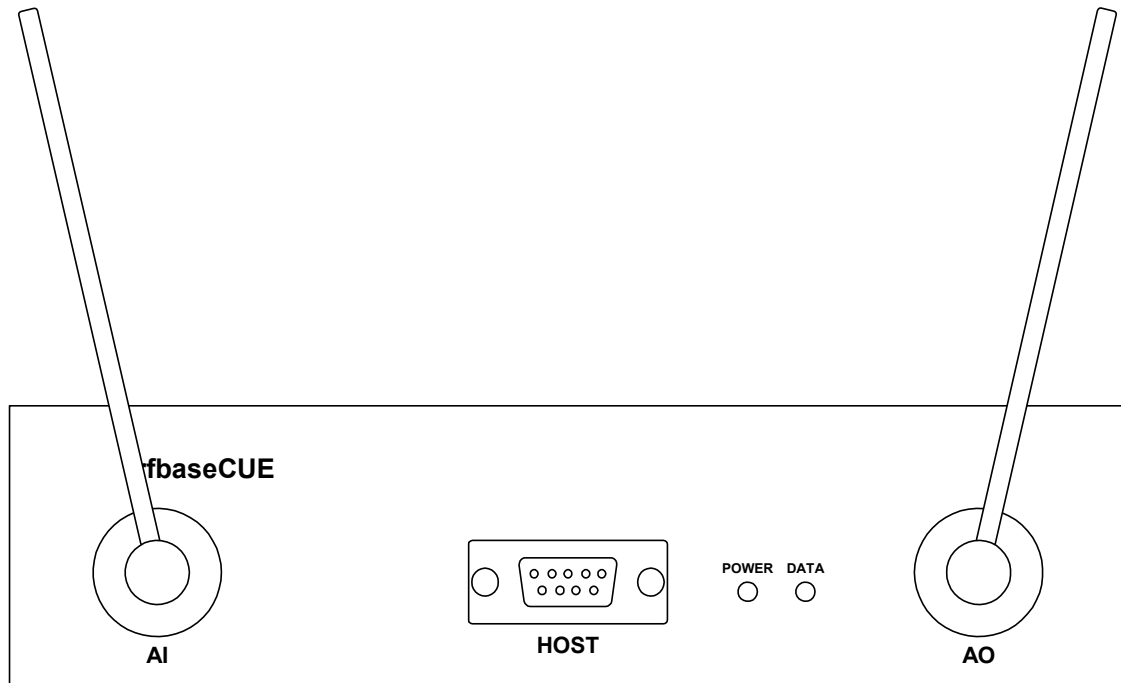
The **HOST** connector on the front side serves for firmware upgrading and service functions. A standard cable Sub-D, 9-pin, female to male, pin to pin is used for connection to a PC.



## 4. Front Panel

### 4.1. Indicators .....

LED indicators are located on the front panel of the rbaseCUE.



**DATA** \_\_\_\_\_ This indicator blinks when rbaseCUE receives or sends valid RF signals.

**POWER** \_\_\_\_\_ This indicator indicates the presence of feeding voltage.

### 4.2. Antennas.....

The integral antennas **AO** and **AI** are situated on the front panel of rbaseCUE interface. The whip antennas are  $\frac{1}{4}$  wave, rotary, non-detachable.

**The antennas are to be directed to open air and placed not close to metal pieces.**

### 4.3. Fuse .....

The unit is equipped with one resettable fuse rated 0.3 A. There are no serviceable parts inside the metal case. If the unit is connected to the power, the POWER LED on the front panel lights on.



## 5. Service Mode

### 5.1. Overview .....

The rfbaseCUE interface is provided with special service mode for servicing, testing and upgrading firmware functions. To operate it, connect the rfbaseCUE to a PC and run proper communication program - Windows Terminal or other similar general terminal program.

### 5.2. How to Check Firmware Version .....

Before starting, please check first if you have all the following items

1. Windows PC with one free serial port.
2. Windows 95/98/NT/2000 with installed Terminal program or HyperTerminal in Windows 95/98/NT/2000.
3. Communication cable between rfbaseCUE HOST connector and PC.

Connect your PC to the rfbaseCUE HOST connector. Start the terminal program on your PC and then set communication parameters to

Baud Rate.....19200  
Data Bits .....8  
Stop Bits .....1  
Parity.....None  
Flow Control .....Xon/Xoff  
Connector .....COM1 or COM2 (depending on which channel is used).

Switch off and on the power for the rfbaseCUE.

On your PC monitor you will see the type of version and the revision code. The message format is as follows.

```
RfbaseCUE V0.01 7.3.00
```

### 5.3. Starting Service Mode .....

Before starting, please check first if you have all the following items

1. Windows PC with one free serial port.
2. Windows 95/98/NT/2000 with installed Terminal program or HyperTerminal in Windows 95/98/NT/2000.
3. Communication cable between rfbaseCUE HOST connector and PC.

Disconnect RS-485 signals A and B on the rear panel of rfbaseCUE.

There are **two ways** how to start the rfbaseCUE to operate in service mode.

1. **Standard entry** of service mode

Connect your PC to the rfbaseCUE HOST connector and run program **SRVRFB.EXE**. It switches the rfbaseCUE into service mode.

2. **Low level entry** of service mode

If the rfbaseCUE does not respond to you or you do not have program SRVRFB.EXE, you must remove upper cover of the rfbaseCUE. This way you get the access to buttons **RESET** and **TEST** on the printed board. The TEST button is situated near receiving RF module while RESET button is situated near microprocessor.

Then do the following

- Press both buttons on rfbaseCUE interface: RESET and TEST.
- Release RESET button still holding TEST for several more sec. (approx. 5 sec. is enough).

This will cause the rfbaseCUE to start in service mode.

When the unit is in service mode, the **DATA** LED indicator starts to blink regularly.

Start the terminal program on your PC and then set communication parameters to

Baud Rate.....19200  
Data Bits .....8  
Stop Bits .....1  
Parity.....None  
Flow Control .....Xon/Xoff  
Connector .....COM1 or COM2 (depending on which channel is used).

By pressing **N** button in terminal program the following message appears.

```
CRAM not installed
rfbaseCUE V0.8 SERVICE mode:  H,L,G,J,X,C,R,N,F,Z,P,S,M
>
```

Now the rfbaseCUE is waiting for commands from PC keyboard. Selecting H you will see a brief description of each service mode commands on your monitor.

## 5.4. Upgrading the Firmware .....

Before starting, please check first if you have all the following items

1. File **RFBxxx.ASX** for the rfbaseCUE containing desired firmware version on your hard disc or floppy disc. The latest firmware version is published regularly on the Cue's web site [www.cue.cz](http://www.cue.cz).
2. Windows PC with one free serial port.
3. Windows 95/98/NT/2000 with installed Terminal program or HyperTerminal in Windows 95/98/NT/2000.
4. Communication cable between rfbaseCUE HOST connector and PC.

Steps are

1. Enter the rfbaseCUE service mode as described above.
2. For upgrading the rfbaseCUE firmware select **D**.
3. On your PC monitor the following message appears.

```
>d
* * *  DOWNLOAD FLASH MEMORY  * * *
Do you really wish to reprogram flash memory ? (Yes/No)
```

4. If you have a new file **RFBxxx.ASX** for the rfbaseCUE and you want to continue select **Y**.
5. On your PC monitor the following message appears.

```
YES - Download start!
Send - file... mode: 19200,8,N,1,XON-XOFF
```

6. Now select "Transfers" in menu of HyperTerminal and then "Send Text File". Choose proper setting for **RFBxxx.ASX** file and transfer it to the rfbaseCUE.
7. The PC will start to send upgrading data to the rfbaseCUE. Each successful transfer of data packet is responded by character "." on your PC monitor.
8. At the end the following message appears on your PC monitor.

```
.....
Download flash memory end!
>
```

9. Finally you can disconnect PC. Switch the power for the rfbaseCUE off and on to start operation of new upgraded firmware version.

## 5.5. Modifying Address of Wireless Control Panel .....

Steps are

1. Enter the rfbaseCUE service mode.
2. Put the wireless control panel into RF communication range and set condition for MODIFY function (for rfCUE press and hold back-light button).
3. Select **M** on PC. The rfbaseCUE will send via RF message to wireless control panel to enter it's own Modify mode. It means for rfCUE
  - When the back-light button is pressed – its current address is displayed.
  - When the back-light button and some other button are pressed simultaneously – it will modify and display the address. For further details see rfCUE user manual.

## 6. Troubleshooting

### 6.1. The Power Indicator does not Lights.....

Check the power supply regarding to the right output voltage. If the POWER indicator still does not light contact the dealer.

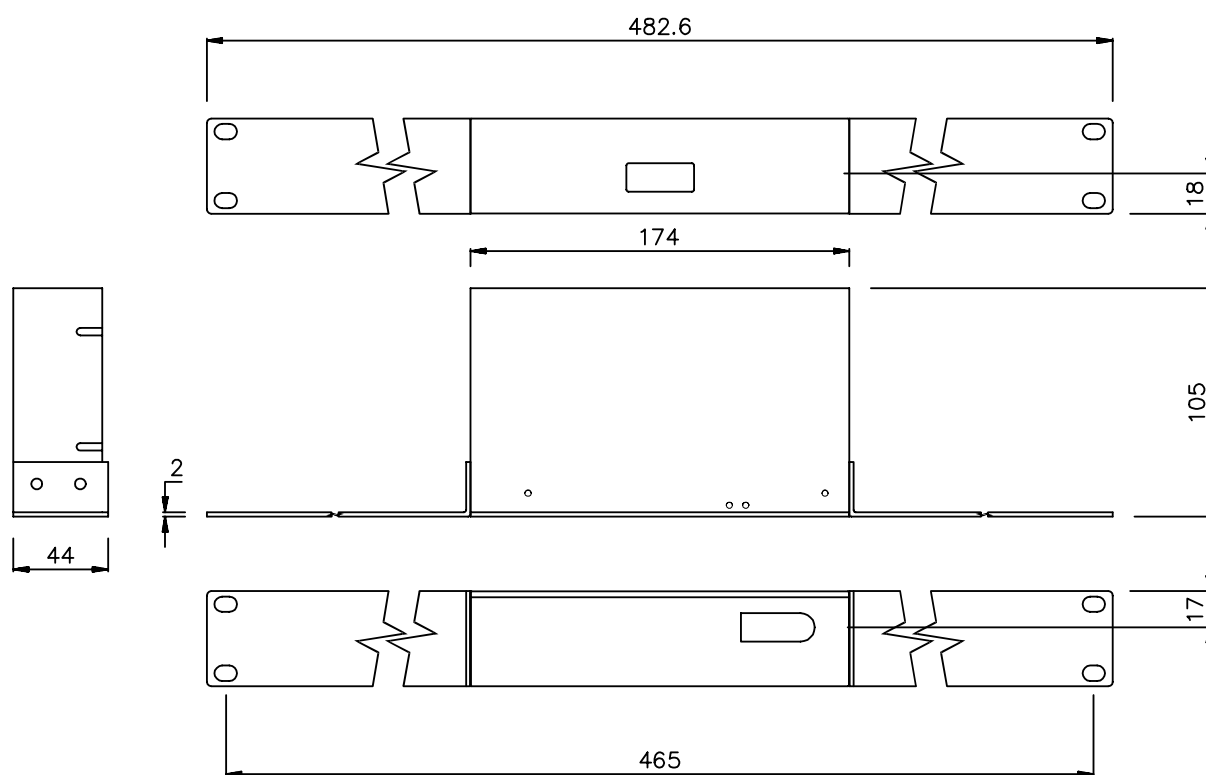
### 6.2. The Short Operating Range .....

1. Check batteries in the wireless RF control panels.
2. Check the presence of disturbing RF signals (frequencies of other RF operating equipment in the installation).
3. Change position of the rfbaseCUE or its antennas.

## 7. Specifications and Mechanical Drawings

Communication.....	Two-way, radio frequency 433 / 869 / 914 MHz
Antenna .....	(2) whip antennas
System connection .....	CUEwire (RS-485), 4-pin connector
Service port .....	RS-232 for host computer, DB-9-female connector
Power supply .....	24 VDC (+/- 20%), 2 W
Enclosure.....	Stainless steel
Dimensions (WxHxD) .....	175 mm (6.9") x 44 mm (1.7") x 105 mm (4.1")
Weight.....	0.9 kg / 2 lb
Supplied accessories.....	Rack mount kit 19"

All dimensions are in mm.



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### General Warranty Terms

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- b) Warranty repairs are free of charge. The customer will send the damaged device to CUE at his cost.
- c) All warranty repairs and after warranty services are made at CUE premises. It is strictly prohibited to repair CUE products or to change any accessory parts, except those parts with limited service life. CUE is not liable for consumables or parts with limited service life (lamps, batteries etc.)
- d) The warranty further does not apply to the following cases
  - Damages caused by operating the system not according to the conditions defined in user manual or instruction (wrong power supply voltage, operation outside deferred temperature range, operation in humid environment and mechanical damages).
  - Damages caused by faulty service, maintenance, connection, and use of other than original connection cable.
  - Damage caused by agencies i.e. incidental or unpredictable impacts (fire, earthquake, flood, thunder, strong electric induction, water, strong wind, theft, vandalism etc.)

### After Warranty Services

- a) All warranty repairs are normally on a 'back to base' basis, as defined in 3 c)
- b) All out warranty repair costs will be fully charged to the customer.
- c) In cases where our staff are called out to assist, cost of transport and time will be at customer cost

# 10. CE Declaration of Conformity



We, the producer

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acknowledge our sole responsibility, that the product incl. accessories

## Kind of equipment

Remote Control System

## Type designation

CS0197 touchCUE-L 99, CS0159 touchCUE 99, CS0157 touchCUE-S 99,  
CS0183 touchCUE-V, CS0198 touchCUE-L, CS0200 touchCUE-M, CS0176 touchCUE-MM, CS0122 touchCUE,  
CS0142 touchCUE-S,  
CS0178 touchCUE-V /t, CS0199 touchCUE-L /t, CS0204 touchCUE-M /t, CS0143 touchCUE-S /t,  
CS0158 touchCUE-S /w,  
CS0224 touchCUE-S /d,  
CS0205 touchCUE-M /r, CS0144 touchCUE-S /r  
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CS0165 PED202, CS0166 PEF200, CS0167 PER610, CS0163 PEC25, CS0225 PEA208, CS0164 PED108,  
CS0184 CUEadapter /10W, CS0226 CUEadapter /20W, CS0185 CUEadapter /50W, CS0186 CUEadapter /80W,  
CS0168 PES03, CS0016 powerAUX,  
PT0005 Cue Director, PT0004 Teach-In, PT0006 WinKit

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EN50081-1 EN55022 class B, DIN VDE 0839 part 81-1, EN55014, EN55011.

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## 11. FCC

### Caution

Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

### Note

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio / TV technician for help.

## Notes

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