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# WARNING



#### CAUTION! Keep this device away from rain and moisture! Unplug mains lead before opening the housing!



#### FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY, PLEASE READ THIS USER MANUAL CAREFULLY BEFORE YOUR INITIAL START-UP!

# **SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

Every person involved with the installation, operation and maintenance of this device has to:

- be qualified
- follow the instructions of this manual



CAUTION! Be careful with your operations. With a dangerous voltage you can suffer a dangerous electric shock when touching the wires!



Before your initial start-up, please make sure that there is no damage caused by transportation. Should there be any, consult your dealer and do not use the device.

To maintain perfect condition and to ensure a safe operation, it is absolutely necessary for the user to follow the safety instructions and warning notes written in this manual.

Please consider that damages caused by manual modifications to the device are not subject to warranty.

This device contains no user-serviceable parts. Refer servicing to qualified technicians only.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

The manufacturer will not accept liability for any resulting damages caused by the nonobservance of this manual or any unauthorized modification to the device.

- Never let the power-cord come into contact with other cables! Handle the power-cord and all connections with the mains with particular caution!
- Never remove warning or informative labels from the unit.
- Never use anything to cover the ground contact.
- Never run the device without lamp!
- Never ignite the lamp if the objective-lens or any housing-cover is open, as discharge lamps may expose and emit a high ultraviolet radiation, which may cause burns.
- Never look directly into the light source.
- Never leave any cables lying around.
- Never modify, bend, mechanically strain, put pressure on, pull or heat up the power cord.
- Never strain the cable insert or the female part in the device. There must always be sufficient cable going to the device. Otherwise, the cable will be damaged, which can cause serious damage.
- Never operate the stroboscope without protective shield! When the shield is cracked, replace it before using the device again.
- Do not insert objects into air vents.
- Do not connect this device to a dimmerpack.
- Do not switch the device on and off in short intervals, as this would reduce the lamp's life.
- Do not touch the device's housing bare-handed during its operation (housing becomes very hot).
- Do not shake the device. Avoid brute force when installing or operating the device.
- Only use device indoor, avoid contact with water or other liquids.
- Only operate the fixture after having checked that the housing is firmly closed and all screws are tightly fastened.
- Only operate the device after having familiarized with its functions.

- Avoid flames and do not put close to flammable liquids or gases.
- Always replace the lamp, when it is damaged or deformed due to the heat.
- Always keep case closed while operating.
- Always allow free air space of at least 50 cm around the unit for ventilation.
- Always disconnect power from the mains, when device is not used, before cleaning or when replacing lamp! Only handle the power-cord by the plug. Never pull out the plug by tugging the power-cord.
- Make sure that the device is not exposed to extreme heat, moisture or dust.
- Make sure that the available voltage is not higher than stated on the rear panel.
- Make sure that the power-cord is never crimped or damaged. Check the device and the power-cord from time to time.
- Make sure that the core diameter of extension cords and power cords is sufficient for the required power consumption of the device.
- If device is dropped or struck, disconnect main power supply immediately. Have a qualified engineer inspect for safety before operating.
- If the device has been exposed to drastic temperature fluctuation (e.g. after transportation), do not switch it on immediately. The arising condensation water might damage your device. Leave the device switched off until it has reached room temperature.
- If your Showtec device fails to work properly, discontinue use immediately. Pack the unit securely (preferably in the original packing material), and return it to your Showtec dealer for service.
- For adult use only. Lighteffect must be installed out of the reach of children. Never leave the unit running unattended.
- For replacement use lamps of same type and rating only.
- Allow time to cool down, before replacing lamp.
- Keep away from direct insulation.
- This device is only allowed for an installation via the mounting bracket.
- The user is responsible for correct positioning and operating of the Titan Strobe. The manufacturer will not accept liability for damages caused by the misuse or incorrect installation of this device.
- This device falls under protection class I. Therefore it is essential to connect the yellow/green conductor to earth.
- The relative humidity must not exceed 50 % with an ambient temperature of 45° C.
- During the initial start-up some smoke or smell may arise. This is a normal process and does not necessarily mean that the device is defective.
- Repairs, servicing and electric connection must be carried out by a qualified technician.
- WARRANTY: Till one year after date of purchase.



CAUTION ! EYEDAMAGES !. Avoid looking directly into the light source. (meant especially for epileptics) !



## **OPERATING DETERMINATIONS**

This device is not designed for permanent operation. Consistent operation breaks will ensure that the device will serve you for a long time without defects.

The minimum distance between light-output and the illuminated surface must be more than 0.8 meter.

The maximum ambient temperature  $t_a$  must never be exceeded.

If this device is operated in any other way, than the one described in this manual, the product may suffer damages and the warranty becomes void.

Any other operation may lead to dangers like short-circuit, burns, electric shock, lamp explosion, crash etc.

You endanger your own safety and the safety of others!

# Rigging

Please follow the European and national guidelines concerning rigging, trussing and all other safety issues.

Do not attempt the installation yourself ! Always let the installation be carried out by an authorized dealer !

#### Procedure:

- If the strobe is lowered from the ceiling or high joists, professional trussing systems have to be used.
- Use a clamp to mount the strobe, with the mounting-bracket, to the trussing system.
- The strobe must never be fixed swinging freely in the room.
- The installation must always be secured with a safety attachment, e.g. an appropriate safety net or safety-cable.
- When rigging, derigging or servicing the strobe, always make sure, that the area below the installation place is blocked and staying in the area is forbidden.

Improper installation can cause serious damage to people and property !

#### Connection with the mains

Connect the device to the mains with the power-plug. Always pay attention, that the right color cable is connected to the right place.

International	EU Cable	UK Cable	US Cable	Pin
L	BROWN	RED	YELLOW/COPPER	FASE
Ν	BLUE	BLACK	SILVER	NUL
	YELLOW/GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	EARTH

Make sure that the device is always connected properly to the earth!

# Description of the device

#### Features

The Showtec Titan Strobe is a dimmable, DMX-controlled strobe light with a high output.

- 1500W flash
- DMX-control via standard DMX-controller
- 3 DMX channels
- Strobe-effect with adjustable speed (1 25 flashes/sec.)
- Lamp PX-1500W
- Fuse 20A / 250V

#### Overview





# Backside

Fig. 2

1) Power Indicator: Indicates when power is on.

2) DMX Indicator: Indicates when DMX signal is available.

3) Dip Switches

- 4) DMX signal connector (OUT): XLR female socket, to connect another unit.
- 5) DMX signal connector (IN): XLR male socket, to receive DMX signals.
- 6) Fuse: T20A 250V 6,3x32mm

# Installation

#### Installing the Lamp

The Showtec Titan Strobe uses the PX-1500 (ordercode 82690) lightbulb as manufactured by all popular manufacturers. Use only the appropriate lamp for your unit.

Note that, product versions that use other lamps, may be offered in the future. Check your product specification label for information.

Always disconnect from electric mains power supply before changing lamps.

The lamp has to be replaced when it is damaged or deformed due to the heat.

**Do not install lamps with a higher wattage**! Lamps with a higher wattage generate temperatures the device was not designed for.

#### Damages caused by non-observance are not subject to warranty.

# DANGEROUS: Leave the device disconnected for 15 min before opening. Otherwise you could be seriously injured due to a power shock !!!

#### Procedure :

- 1. Disconnect from main power supply, and leave for 15 minutes.
- 2. Remove the glass cover. With the left hand gently pull the lamp out the spring, while pushing the spring back with the right hand.
- 3. Remove the lamp. Read lamp instructions. Do not touch the lamp bulb glass. Oil on hands shortens the lamp life. (If you touch the bulb glass, wipe off the glass with a clean, lint-free towel and rubbing alcohol.) Hold the lamp with one hand and Insert the lamp into the spring. Put the glass cover back.

# Set Up and Operation

Follow the directions below, as they pertain to your preferred operation mode.

Before plugging the unit in, always make sure that the power supply matches the product specification voltage. Do not attempt to operate a 120V specification product on 230V power, or vice versa.

- 1. Plug the power cable into the wall.
- 2. Connect a DMX controller to the Titan Strobe, using a 3-pin XLR cable.
- **3.** Connect every unit with a 3-pin XLR cable. Every unit is set to the same DMX work mode and the received DMX addresses are the same. When a DMX signal is received, the devices function synchronously.
- 4. Please follow the dip switch setting and operating mode for the desired lighting effect (see page 7).

#### Self-test Mode

1. Set dip switch 10 to OFF, this unit is in self-test mode.



There are 2 self-test modes: MANUAL and AUTO.

#### Manual Self-test Mode

Set dip switch 9 to ON, it performs a MANUAL self-test.



Flash Speed Flash Dimmer Duration

Dip switch 1, 2, 3 are assigned to control Flash Speed. Dip switch 4, 5, 6 are assigned to control Flash Dimmer . Dip switch 7 and 8 are assigned to control the Flash duration.

#### Auto Self-test Mode

Set dip switch 9 to OFF, the strobe performs an AUTO self-test.



Flash Duration

Dip switch 1 – 8 are assigned to adjust the duration level.

#### DMX Dip Switch Setting

Set dip switch 10 to ON, this unit is in DMX Mode. Follow DMX address setting printed on the rear of the strobe for the desired flash speed and dimmer.

A. In DMX Mode, see the following figure for the desired Channel Setting:



DMX Address

Use dipswitches #1 - #9 to set the DMX address

Channel 1: Flash Speed Channel 2: Flash Dimmer Channel 3: Flash Duration

DMX products must have their own "address" to receive DMX signals. Addresses on the Showtec Titan Strobe are set by flipping the appropriate DMX dip switches.

You need to know that DMX address settings are the sum of the dip switch values.

#### Example

<b>Titan strobe</b> Unit 1	Address Value	DMX Dip Switches "ON" #1, #5
Switch #1	Value 1	
#5 Total sum	<u>16 +</u> 17	

Once address values are determined, add DMX dip switch values to obtain the appropriate address (DMX Dip Switches "ON") for each unit. Flip appropriate DMX dip switches on each unit.

# Maintenance

The Showtec Titan Strobe requires almost no maintenance. However, you should keep the unit clean. Otherwise, the fixture's light-output will be significantly reduced. Disconnect the mains power supply, and then wipe the cover with a damp cloth. Do not immerse in liquid. Wipe glass clean with glass cleaner and a soft cloth. Do not use alcohol or solvents.

The glass will require regular cleaning, as smoke-fluid tends to build up residues, reducing the light-output quickly.

Keep connections clean. Disconnect electric power, and then wipe the DMX and audio connections with a damp cloth. Make sure connections are thoroughly dry before linking equipment or supplying electric power.

The following points have to be considered during the inspection:

- 1. All screws used for installing the device or parts of the device have to be tightly connected and must not be corroded.
- 2. There may not be any deformations on housings, fixations and installation spots.
- 3. The electric power supply cables must not show any damages or material fatigue.

#### Changing the Lamp

- 1. Disconnect mains power supply.
- 2. Follow directions for installing a new lamp, page 6.

#### **Replacing a Fuse**

Power surges, short-circuit or inappropriate electrical power supply may cause a fuse to burn out. If the fuse burns out, the product will not function whatsoever. If this happens, follow the directions below to do so.

- 1. Unplug the unit from electric power source.
- **2.** Insert a screwdriver into the slot in the fuse cover. Turn the screwdriver to the left, at the same time gently push a bit (Turn and Push). The fuse will come out.
- 3. Remove the used fuse. If brown or unclear, it is burned out.
- 4. Insert the replacement fuse into the holder where the old fuse was. Reinsert the fuse cover. Be sure to use a fuse of the same type and specification. See the product specification label for details.

# Troubleshooting

#### No Light

This troubleshooting guide is meant to help solve simple problems. If a problem occurs, carry out the steps below in sequence until a solution is found. Once the unit operates properly, do not carry out following steps. If the light effect does not operate properly, refer servicing to a technician.

Response: Suspect three potential problem areas: the power supply, the lamp, the fuse.

- 1. Power supply. Check that the unit is plugged into an appropriate power supply.
- 2. The lamp. Replace the old lamp with a new one with the same specifications. See page 6 for replacing lamps.
- 3. The fuse. See page 9 for the fuse.

#### No Response to DMX

Response: Suspect the DMX cable or connectors, a controller malfunction, a light effect DMX card malfunction.

- 1. Check the DMX cable: Unplug the unit; change the DMX cable; then reconnect to electrical power. Try your DMX control again.
- 2. Determine whether the controller or light effect is at fault. Does the controller operate properly with other DMX products ? If not, take the controller in for repair. If so, take the DMX cable and the light effect to a qualified technician.

# **Product Specification**

Model: Showtec Titan Strobe Voltage: 240V-50Hz (CE) Fuse: T20A 250V 6,3x32mm Dimensions: 460x200x140mm (LxWxH) Weight: 5,6 kg

#### **Operation and Programming**

Signal pin OUT: pin 1 earth, pin 2 (-), pin 3 (+) DMX Channels 4 Signal input 3-pin XLR male Signal output 3-pin XLR female Strobe-effect with variable speed (1 flash -- 25 flashes/sec.) DMX-control via standard DMX-controller

#### Lamp

PX 1500W ordercode 82690

#### Minimum distance:

Minimum distance from flammable surfaces: 0.5m Minimum distance to lighted object: 0.8m

\*: Versions for other lamps may be produced. Please check the specification label on your product.

Design and product specifications are subject to change without prior notice.

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