

AEROTM AE-1 Wireless Controller

USER MANUAL

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CONGRATULATIONS!

You are now the owner of an AERO AE-1 wireless controller!



The AERO lets you control the parameters and presets of existing and future Aalberg Audio effects pedals. Like the EK-1 EKKOTM Delay Pedal, RO-1 ROMTM Reverb Pedal or the TR-1 TRYMTM Tremolo Pedal (effects pedals purchased separately).

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Included in this package:

- AERO AE-1 Wireless Controller
- Quick start guide
- USB charging cable
- Velcro pads - 1 black, 1 transparent
- Surface cleaner sachet
- Mounting clip

1. GETTING STARTED

You can attach the AERO to your guitar strap or belt using the included clip with Velcro. Alternatively, you can mount the AERO directly to your guitar by using the included Velcro pads (1 black, 1 transparent).

NB! Remember to clean properly with the attached Surface cleaner sachet before applying it to the surface of your guitar. General instructions on mounting: clean properly and let dry, apply the Velcro. After 24 hours in room temperature, the bonding strength is 90 %. For more detailed information about this, please go to:

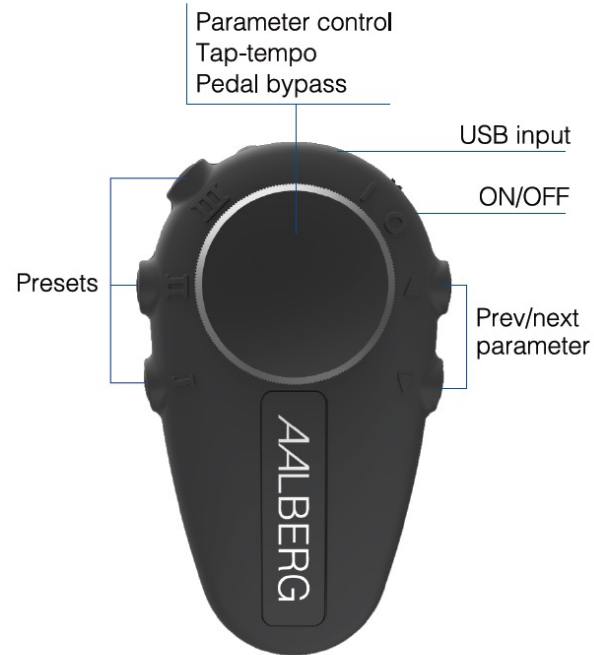
Surface_Preparation_for_VHB_Tape_Applications at www.aalbergaudio.com/support

2. CONTROLS

<i>ON/OFF</i>	Turn the power on/off
<i>PRESETS</i>	<p>Store/recall your favorite settings including: parameter levels, bypass status for pedal (on/off), active parameter for wireless control (FX-SELECT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - STORE: Press and hold one of the three preset buttons ('I', 'II' or 'III') for 2 seconds (Pedal will light up for one second to indicate that the preset has been stored) - RECALL: Press one of the preset buttons to recall the previously stored preset
<i>PREV/NEXT</i>	Toggles between the different parameters of the effects pedals to choose which parameter to be active for wireless control from the AERO rotary knob. Active parameter name is lit up on the pedal.
<i>ROTARY KNOB</i>	Increase/decrease the value of the chosen effect parameter
<i>ROTARY KNOB PUSHBUTTON</i>	<p>The rotary knob button has two main functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TAP tempo for time-based effect parameters (eg. Delay Time): click the button two times to set the timing (eg. Spacing between echoes for delay effect) - BYPASS toggle for active* effects pedal: Press and hold button for 2 seconds to toggle between bypass ON and OFF

	(*The pedal with an active parameter lit)
<i>USB INPUT</i>	Use the attached USB-cable to charge your AERO's rechargeable battery using a standard 5V cell phone charger or one of the USB ports on your computer

3. OVERVIEW



4. SPECIFICATIONS

Power	5V rechargeable Lithium-ion polymer battery, 200 mAh (typical)
Battery life	Up to 30 hours
Battery charging time	Approx. 2 hours
Range (wireless transmission)	Up to 30 meters (98 feet)
Connector	USB input (micro USB) for battery charging
Controls	Presets (I, II, and III), prev/next parameter, power ON/OFF, rotary knob, rotary know pushbutton
Led Indicator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pairing mode status - Software update status - Battery charging status (see more details in the following pages)
Dimensions (W x H x D) (H: incl knob and Velcro)	44 x 36 x 74 mm / 1.73 x 1.42 x 2.91 inches
Weight (excl. clip and packaging)	0.040 kg / 1.41 oz
Weight (incl. accessories and packaging)	0.141 kg / 5.0 oz

5. BATTERY

The AERO uses a 5V rechargeable Lithium-ion polymer battery.

We recommend that you charge the battery fully before first time use. The charging time is approx. 2 hours.

You can charge it through the USB-input found on the back of the AERO using a standard micro-USB cable (included in the AERO package). Connect the AERO to a 5V cellphone charger or one of the USB-ports of your computer.

The LED on the back of the AERO indicates the status of the charging:

- Green LED – charging in progress (unit must be turned on; slide switch set to “I” position)
- After a while the LED turns off, which means the battery is fully charged.

6. SOFTWARE UPDATE

UPDATE APP ESTIMATED READY: AFTER SUMMER 2015

Performing software updates on your wireless Aalberg Audio product is easy:

1. To set your device in software update mode:
 - a. **For AERO:**
 - i. Turn off the AERO (slide switch set to '0')
 - ii. Press and hold rotary knob button and preset button 3 (marked: 'III') simultaneously, then turn the AERO on (slide switch set to 'I')
 - iii. The AERO LED will light up (red) to indicate that the AERO is in software update mode
 - b. **For Aalberg Effect Pedal:**
 - i. Unplug power jack
 - ii. Press and hold ON/OFF and FX-SELECT footswitches simultaneously then plug in power jack
 - iii. The LED at top right of the pedal will light up to indicate that the pedal is in update mode
2. Go to App Store and search for the *AALBERG UPDATER* app (Iphone 5 / Ipad 3 (incl. Ipad Mini) or later is required). *For Android users: the app is currently under development.*
3. Download the app on your mobile device and launch the app.

4. The Aalberg Audio device set to update mode will now show up in a list in the *AALBERG UPDATER*, and you can check the current revision of the software found on the device.
5. You can now choose if you want to update to the latest software available.
6. A status bar indicates the upload process and displays a confirmation when the new software has been successfully updated.

For more information, please visit: www.aalbergaudio.com/support

7. WIRELESS CONTROL – PAIRING

CURRENTLY: ONE AERO-ONE PEDAL COMMUNICATION ONLY!
ONE AERO – MULTIPLE PEDALS READY AFTER SUMMER 2015

In order to control your Aalberg effects pedal using the AERO wireless controller (optional) you need to pair the devices.

Below is a step-by-step guide:

2. Set your devices in pairing mode:

a. **AERO:**

- i. Turn off the AERO (slide switch set to '0')
- ii. Press and hold rotary knob button and left button* simultaneously, then turn the AERO on (slide switch set to '1')
- iii. The AERO LED starts blinking (red) to indicate that the AERO is in pairing mode

b. **Aalberg effect pedal:**

- i. Unplug power jack
- ii. Press and hold FX-SELECT then plug in power jack
- iii. Lowermost LED in mid row starts blinking to indicate that the pedal is in pairing mode



- iv. Next to lowermost LED in mid row lights up when AERO in pairing mode is detected
 - v. Repeat step i-iv for any additional Aalberg effects pedals
- 3. Confirm pairing:
 - a. When you have repeated the above steps for all of your Aalberg pedals, you need to press and hold the rotary knob button for 3 seconds, then release button.
 - b. To indicate that pairing is completed, AERO LED (red) and lowermost LEDs in mid row for all pedals will light for 2 seconds
- 4. You are now ready to control your Aalberg effects pedals wirelessly!

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8. DISCLAIMERS

All use of our products is undertaken at your own risk and expense and Aalberg Audio cannot be held liable for any direct or indirect losses or cost incurred through use, default or malfunction of our products. Repair or replacement of defective units under our warranty provisions serve as the sole remedy in the unlikely event that our products does not comply with product specifications.

Aalberg Audio accepts no liability for any damages made to persons or equipment when attaching or removing the industry velcro (AERO accessory).

9. WARRANTY

ONLY SEND PRODUCTS THAT:

- YOU HAVE TESTED YOURSELF
- ARE FOLLOWED BY A COPY OF THE RECEIPT
- ARE FOLLOWED BY AN EXPLANATION OF THE FAILURE

We offer a 2-year warranty on all our products. In the unlikely event of a malfunction, please contact us at support@aalbergaudio.com before sending us the product for repair. When the product has been returned to us at the cost of the sender, we will repair or replace your product

and send it back to you - free of charge and usually within 4 weeks (shipping not included). The product needs to be accompanied by a copy of your receipt, serial number, return address, phone number, e-mail address and a brief explanation of the problem. If the product is altered or repaired by someone unauthorized by Aalberg Audio the warranty is no longer valid. Stores and distributors must always check products before sending them to Aalberg Audio for repairs. Please note that we cannot replace a product before we have received it here in Trondheim, Norway.

10. HISTORY

The inspiration for the delay pedals with wireless controller came to guitar player and inventor Rune Aalberg Alstad back in 2009, when he was tired of having to run over to the pedals and bend down all the time to change the effect settings. In 2012 he met the engineer Torkild Indstøy and the entrepreneur Aleksander Torstensen, and five years later, after lots of testing and prototyping we are proud to introduce the world's first EKKO EK-1 Delay Pedal with the AERO AE-1 Wireless Controller. (Below you can see the different development stages (from left to right): "*The Coffee Filter*", 2010 – "*The Tank*", 2012 – "*Prototype 3*", 2013, "*Prototype 4*, 2014" - The final product, 2015)



11. IPR-RELATED

Design Protection pending in EU & USA

International Patent pending PCT/NO2014/050236

12. COMPLIANCE

Aalberg Audio accept and follow these regulations and directives.



13. ABOUT AALBERG AUDIO

Aalberg Audio AS is located in Trondheim, Norway. We produce wireless guitar effects with accompanying hardware and software. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or inquiries! Visit: www.aalbergaudio.com



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