

# FM/AM Radio-Controlled Clock Radio

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Gebruiksaanwijzing (achterzijde)

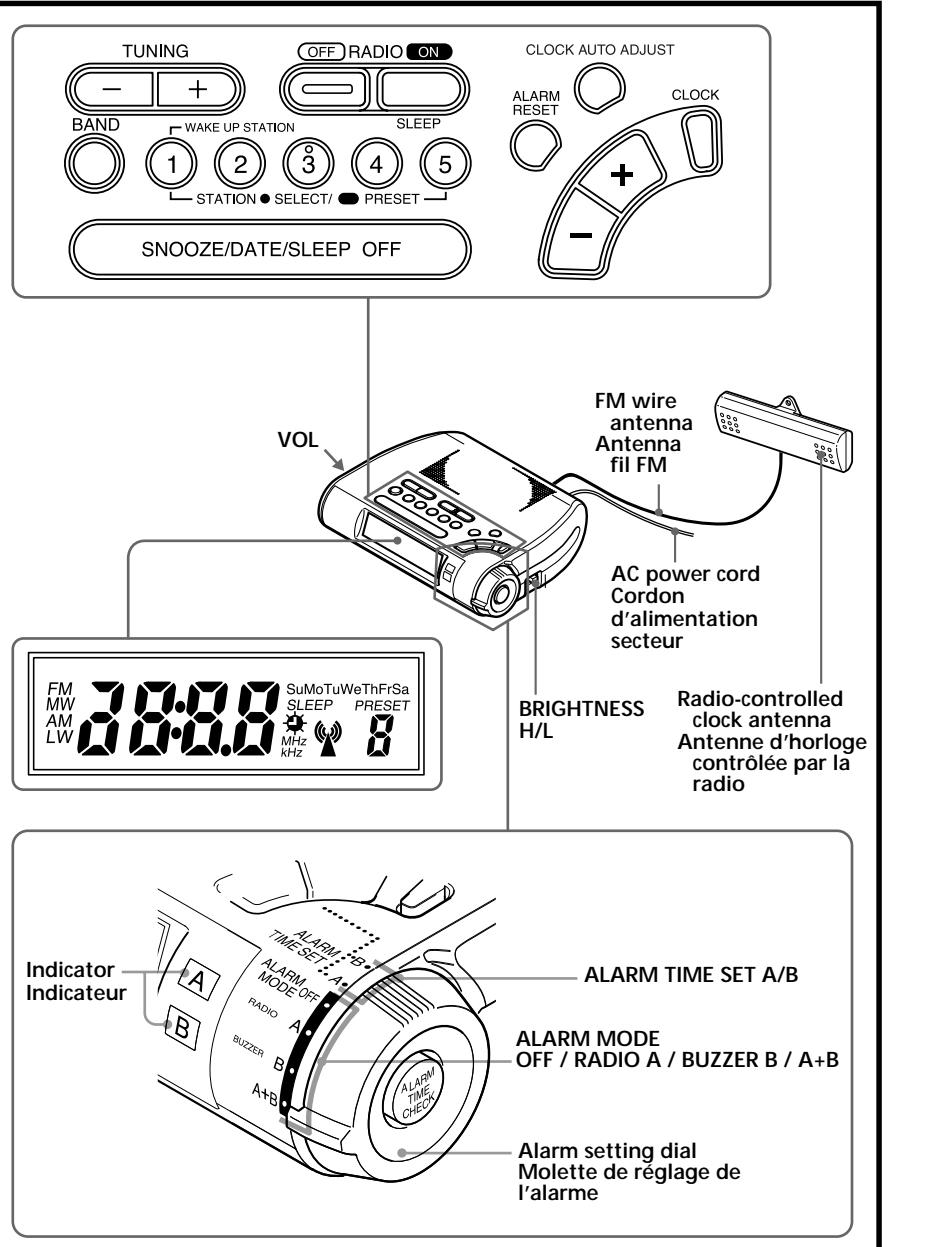
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#### WARNING

To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose the unit to rain or moisture.

To avoid electrical shock, do not open the cabinet. Refer servicing to qualified personnel only.

Do not install the appliance in a confined space, such as a bookcase or built-in cabinet.

To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not place objects filled with liquids, such as vases, on the apparatus.

#### Before You Begin

Thank you for choosing the Sony Dream Machine. The Dream Machine will give you many hours of reliable service and listening pleasure.

Before operating your unit, please read these instructions thoroughly and retain them for future reference.

#### Features

- Radio-Controlled Clock Auto Adjust System.
- Dual buzzer dual alarms.
- 5 station presets for easy one button tuning.
- LCD with backlight, and brightness adjustment for the backlight.
- Alarm setting dial—easy to set alarm time and tones.
- Date button to display the year, month and day.
- Extendable snooze—snooze time can be extended from 8 to 60 minutes in maximum every time you use.

#### Setting the Clock and Date

When the unit is plugged in, "0:00," "Sa," and "W" will flash in the display.

**Note**  
When unable to see the display, set BRIGHTNESS for the display to H (high) or L (low) according to your preference.

#### To Set the Clock and Date Automatically

The unit is supplied with a radio-controlled clock auto-adjust system.

The clock auto-adjust receives standard time data (year, month, day, hour, minute, second, and D.S.T.) on a prescribed frequency, and uses that automatically to reset the clock.

**Automatic updating of time data**  
The Dream Machine is equipped with the Clock Auto Adjust system that automatically receives time signals during the nighttime, the time when reception is best. Reception begins at 8 p.m. and continues until 4 a.m. During automatic operation, "W" does not flash on and off. If the Clock Auto Adjust system is unable to receive the time signals for 24 hours, "W" will go off. For improved reception, press CLOCK AUTO ADJUST to initiate Clock Auto Adjust manually and change the position of direction of the radio-controlled clock antenna.

**Notes**  
• The Clock Auto Adjust system will not work when the radio is operated. If the radio is operated while the clock auto-adjust is running, the auto-adjust will be canceled. • Automatic updating cannot be manually canceled.

**On daylight Saving Time adjustment**  
The Clock Auto Adjust system automatically switches the clock indication to Daylight Saving Time (winter time), and back, at the necessary time of the year.

"W" will be displayed when the clock is in Daylight Saving Time.

**Note**  
According to reception conditions, the actual adjustment to or from Daylight Saving Time by the Clock Auto Adjust system may be done later than the exact moment of transition in the yearly calendar.

**To Set the Clock and Date Manually**

1 Set the alarm setting dial to ALARM MODE OFF and then plug in the unit.

The Clock Auto Adjust function activates automatically after you change the location or direction of the radio-controlled clock antenna, wait a while and see if you get better reception at a later time.

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**To Set the Clock and Date Manually**

1 Set the alarm setting dial to ALARM MODE OFF.

2 Plug in the clock radio.

The display will flash "0:00".

3 Press CLOCK for a few seconds.

You will hear a beep and the year will start to flash in the display.

4 Press CLOCK + or - until the correct year appears in the display.

5 Press CLOCK once.

6 Repeat steps 4 and 5 to set the month, day, hour, and minute.

After setting the minute, press CLOCK to start the counting of the seconds, and you will hear two short beeps.

7 Set the alarm setting dial to ALARM MODE BUZZER B.

Indicator [A] lights up.

When the alarm comes on at the preset time, indicator [A] flashes and the radio station that is preset with the preset 1 button comes on.

The unit switches off automatically after about 60 minutes.

**To Use the Buzzer (B) Alarm**

1 Set the alarm setting dial to ALARM TIME SET B.

After one beep, indicator [B] flashes.

2 Press CLOCK + or - to select the desired time.

When CLOCK + or - is held down, the displayed time initially changes in one-minute steps, then after a few seconds switches to ten-minute steps.

3 Set the alarm setting dial to ALARM MODE BUZZER B.

Indicator [B] lights up.

When the alarm comes on at the preset time, indicator [B] flashes and the beeps sound.

The beeping becomes more rapid after every few seconds in five progressive stages. The unit switches off automatically after about 60 minutes.

**To Use the Radio (A) Alarm**

1 Set both alarm times for ALARM TIME SET A/B (see above).

2 Set the alarm setting dial to ALARM MODE A+B.

Indicators [A] and [B] light up.

If the same alarm time is set for both (A) and (B), (A) takes priority.

**Operating the Radio**

**Manual Tuning**

1 Press RADIO ON to turn on the radio.

The display shows the band and frequency for a few seconds and then changes back to the current time.

2 Press BAND repeatedly to select the desired band.

3 Use TUNING + or - to tune in to the desired station.

The FM channel step is set to 0.05 MHz and the AM (MW)/LW channel step is set to 9 kHz.

\* The FM frequency display is raised or lowered by a step of 0.1 MHz. For example, frequency 88.00 and 88.05 MHz is displayed as "88.00" and "88.05".

Two short beeps sound when the minimum frequency of each band is received during tuning.

**reception conditions**

**Display**

Changes regularly between "A" and "B" at one second intervals.

"A" or "B" stays on, or intervals between changes are irregular

Good

Defective

**Frequency range**

FM 87.5-108 MHz 0.05 MHz

AM(MW) 531-1 602 kHz 9 kHz

LW 153-279 kHz 9 kHz

**Speaker**

Approx. 6.6 cm (2 5/8 in.) dia., 8 Ω

**Power output**

200 mW (at 10% harmonic distortion)

**Power requirements**

220-230 V AC, 50 Hz

**Dimensions**

Approx. 180.5 × 55 × 140 mm (w/h/d)

(7 1/8 × 2 1/8 × 5 1/2 in.)

incl. projecting parts and controls

**Mass**

Approx. 730 g (1 lb. 10 oz.)

**Design and specifications are subject to change without notice.**

**To Check the Alarm Time**

Press ALARM TIME CHECK.

The display shows the alarm time for a few seconds and then returns to show the current time. When the alarm setting dial is set to either ALARM MODE OFF or A + B, the time in RADIO A and then BUZZER B appears in the display.

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**To set the brightness of the backlight and Buzzer (B) Alarm**

Set BRIGHTNESS for the display to H (high) or L (low) according to your preference.

**Specifications**

**Time display**

24-hour system

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**To Doze for a Few More Minutes**

Press SNOOZE/DATE/SLEEP OFF.

The radio or timer will continue to play but will automatically stop again after about 8 minutes. Every time you press SNOOZE/DATE/SLEEP OFF, the snooze time changes as follows:

8 → 16 → 24 → 32

→ 40 → 48 → 56 → 60

The display shows the snooze time for a few seconds and returns to show the current time. When you press SNOOZE/DATE/SLEEP OFF after the current time appeared, the snooze time starts from 8 minutes again.

\* The maximum length of the snooze time is 60 minutes.

**To Stop the Alarm**

Press ALARM RESET to turn off the alarm.

The alarm will come on again at the same time the next day.

**To Deactivate the Alarm**

Set the alarm setting dial to ALARM MODE OFF.

**Caractéristiques**

\* Système d'autoréglage d'horloge contrôlé par la radio.

\* Double alarme radio et sonnerie.

\* 5 présélections aléatoires de stations pour un accord rapide avec une seule touche.

\* Ecran LCD à retroéclairage et réglage du contraste.

\* Méthode de réglage de l'heure—heure et mode d'économie d'énergie.

\* Touche de date pour l'indication de l'année, du mois et du jour.

\* Alarme répétée extensible—le temps peut être prolongé de 8 à 60 minutes au maximum à chaque emploi.

