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# FOREWORD

All the way through this manual, the " $\bullet$ " shown on the LCD display indicates that the value represented could be different to the one you actually read due to different settings which may already be stored in the dimmer. This should not, we hope, unduly disturb the comprehension of the operation of the Bytesize.

Please read this manual thoroughly before attempting to program the Bytesize.

# 1. FRONT PANEL CONTROL

# \* Bytesize # 1

The display will be illuminated every time one of the keys below is pressed and will stay on for two minutes before automatically switching off if no further keys are pressed.



# 2. HOW TO ENTER INTO THE BYTESIZE PROGRAM

### Power on the Bytesize

The display indicates for two seconds



### Or if the STATUS Led flashes



To enter the Fault Detection Menu (see relevant chapter for more information).

# **3 - ORDER OF THE MENUS**



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Note 1: This menu will not be displayed if the DMUX reading had been disabled in the "Byte Tools"

# 4 - VIEW OUTDUT LEVEL, LEVEL SOURCE AND OVERRIDE MODE

## 4.1 -Information displayed in this mode:



This key will increase the output number if the cursor is in the Output field. At Output 12, it will roll back to Output 1.

In the Level field, it will increase the intensity in 5% steps, starting from 00%. The letter on the right of the display will change to "O" (see above for the meaning of all the letters). An output in "O" (Override) mode is maintained at the level indicated as long as it is not unlocked.

There are two ways to unlock Outputs that are in "Override":

1 - Increase the Output level until it exceeds "F". The intensity is returned to the level of the source that controls it at the time. The letter on the right will change to indicate the source of the intensity. (See above for the meaning of all the letters).

2 - Press on the RESET button.



- The Mode key will take you to the next menu at any time. (See section Rack Number)

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**4.2.1 - Tip:** When you set a level for an output in the Override mode, the numerically following output selected will be set first at the level of the numerically preceeding channel. The reason for this is to allow you to radiply set several Outputs in succession at the same level.

### 4.2.2 - Example:

Set Output 1 through 4 to 15 %



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#### 4.3 - Note 1

The letter "e" will appear in the error field if a softpatch error is detected.

Assuming that the Bytesize is controlled by a lighting console producing 240 channels, if one softpatches any output to channels 241 or above, this error flag will appear.

# 5 - SELECT THE RACK NUMBER

5.1 - Information displayed in this mode:





This key will increase the selected field. If the value for the Units field passes 9, the Tens field is automatically incremented by 1. The maximum value selectable is 99 for a rack No. or 512 for DMX No.



This key will store the new rack number in memory and exit to the following menu. (See Section on Channel Patch)

**Note: Rack Number** allows the user to assign a particular ID to the dimmer, (see command link). It does NOT alter the patch!

**DMX** allows the user to set a base channel number for that dimmer.

# 6. CHANNEL PATCH

The Patch Menu enables the user to assign outputs to channels that are not in default sequence set via the DMX command.

# 7. VIEW AND EDIT PATCH NUMBERS

## 7.1 -Information displayed in this mode:



The SET key or wheel will increase the selected field. If the value for the Units field passes 9, the Tens field is automatically incremented by 1. If the value for the Tens field passes 9, the Hundreds field is automatically incremented by 1. The maximum channel value cannot exceed 512. See Note (1).



Pressing mode will take you to the Proportional Patch Menu

# 8. **PROPORTIONAL PATCH**

# 8.1 - Information displayed in this mode:



# 8.2- Operation



Moves the cursor from the Output field to the Proportion level Field.

Returns the cursor from the Proportion level Field to the Output Field.

- This key will increase the output number if the cursor is the Output field. At Output 12, it will roll back to Output 1.

- In the Proportion Field Level, it will increase the intensity in 10% steps, starting from the last Proportion level set.

Use the SET key to alter the proportion level in 10% steps, or the wheel in 1% steps.

*8.1.1- WARNING:* This very powerful feature allows the limitation of Output. If you want to increase a proportion, you should always check the type of luminaries connected to this output. We recommend that you label the relevant output to clearly indicate the chosen setting.



SET

Pressing mode will take you to the Faults Menu

# 9. FAULTS DETECTION

# 9.1 - Information displayed in this mode:



# 9.2 - Operation

A: If the STATUS LED is flashing



Example: For a C/B Trip on output 1



Selects the Output and displays the fault for this Output

If there are further faults pressing SELECT will step through the list

Faults? (Sel) SELECT

Indicates that there are no faults and loops around until faults occur.

No Faults

**9.2.1 - Note:** The Fault Detection Menu can be accessed directly after unlocking the Bytesize by pressing the Select key.

See Section on How to Unlock the Display

## 9.3 - Example List of the Fault Messages

OUTPUT 1 LOAD	The Output 1 has no load connected to its Output or the load is open circuit. Oniy displayed if the Output is at 0%.
OUTPUT 8 C/B	The Circuit Breaker for Output 8 is tripped
OUTPUT 3 SCR	The SCR or Opto coupling device for Output 3 is damaged
PHASE 5 FAIL	The Phase for outputs 5-8 is not supplying power

**9.3.1 - Note:** All the messages listed above can be transmitted to Bytecraft's Computer "Fault Master". If this system is situated next to your lighting console, you will then be able to monitor the complete dimming system whilst simultaneously running the show.



Pressing mode will take you to Viewing Incoming DMX Data

# **10. VIEW INCOMING DMX DATA**

# 10.1 - Information displayed in this mode



## 10.1.1 - U.S.I.T.T. DMX Digital Transmission Display

D 5 1	2 A	001	= 00%
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## **10.2 Operation**

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D 5 1 2 A 0 0 
$$1 = 6\%$$



Moves the cursor from the units field to the tens field.

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$$D 5 1 2 A 0 0 1 = \bullet \%$$
 SELECT

Moves the cursor from the tens field to the hundreds field.

 $D 5 1 2 A 0 0 1 = \bullet \%$  SELECT

Returns the cursor from the hundreds field to the unit field.



The SET key or wheel will increase or decrease the selected field.

If the value for the Units field passes 9, the Tens field is automatically incremented by 1. If the value for the Tens field passes 9, the Hundreds field is automatically incremented by 1.

The Value shown next to the selected channel is the intensity sent from the control desk at that time.



This key will quit the mode and take you to the following menu. See Section on Curves.

#### 10.2.1 Note 1: The maximum channel value cannot exceed 512.

10.2.2 Note 2: If DMX is turned off in the Byte Tools menu, the DMX data displays will not be available.

# **11. CURVES MENU**

11.1 - Information displayed in this mode:





The Mode key will take you to the next menu at any time. See Section Preset Main Menu Selection.

## 11.3 - List of the Curves



# **12. PRESETS MENU**

This is the main menu for the recording of Presets inside the Bytesize. In this chapter we will deal only with the displays of the SubMenus pertaining to this mode. Each SubMenu will be detailed later in this manual.

Note: If you do not need to program the Presets (which is often the case in "straight live theatre" applications), do not press on the (SEL) key. It will save you reading the relevant chapters.

All the facilities related to the programming of the Bytesize are greatly eased by using Bytecraft's proprietary "Felix" remote programming tool. (Please read the relevant manual for further explanations).

12.1 - Operation



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This key will allow you to enter the displayed SubMenu.



When this key is depressed you will be returned to the "Byte Tools" menu.

#### 12.1.1 - A word of advice

The Presets recording feature of the Bytesize is extremely powerful and like everything powerful it should be understood before attempting to use it. We suggest that, when you require to program a Bytesize, you thoroughly preplan. At the end of this manual are attached some suggested cuesheets which should be filled in before entering the "Presets" SubMenus. It will save you both **time and frustration**.

# **13. BYTE TOOLS SELECTIONS**

This menu is situated at the end of the loop of menus because it is used very rarely. **Nevertheless**, it is the first menu that you should enter to verify the way in which the Bytesize is configured.

## 13.1 - Operation





SET
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This key will toggle between the ON mode and the OFF mode for the selected option. When no ON or OFF modes are given as options then please read the notes below for further explanation.



The Mode key will take you to the first menu at any time.

#### 13.1.1 - Note1:

This selection is related to the "Presets" menu. It allows for the provision of a 5 Volts reference to pin 3 of the DB25. This voltage is intended to generate an internal reference to trigger the remote triggering function of the Bytesize.

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Before this selection can be made available, the "C Link" Tools menu must be set to OFF otherwise the following message is displayed:

# Driver in USE

Once the "C Link" is set to OFF, the following options are possible:

Driver on (Set)

Driver off (Set)

SET

SET

Line 3 of the DB25 socket now transmits 5 Volts.

Line 3 of the DB25 socket does not transmit 5 Volts. An external voltage reference must be provided to trigger presets.

### 13.1.2 -Note 2:

The **Backup Preset** is a lighting state which is only used when the Bytesize is switched on and no external Control data is present. In this case, the levels previously stored as a **Backup Preset** are now output and will remain valid until an external control is applied to the Bytesize.

New Backup (Set)	SET	Record Backup Preset Selection
Backup Done		The levels which were present in the Bytesize have been recorded in the <b>Backup Preset</b> .

13.1.3.1— Tip: One of the uses of the Backup Preset is:

You record a lighting state in the dimmers which allows you to have some service light. When you arrive in the theatre, you switch on the Mains to the dimmers and your service lights appears on Stage. As soon as you walk into the control room, and switch on the control desk, all the service lights will switch off and return control to the DMX input as the Bytesize is now receiving input directly from the desk.

#### 13.1.4 — Note 3*:*

# Defaults? (Set)

SET

Will set the Defaults in the Bytesize. See Note (4.1)

Defaults? Done

Defaults accepted

When the Defaults are done, the following parameters are set:

The Rack number is returned to Rack 1. (Refer to Section Rack Number)

The Patch for the Outputs becomes 1:1 starting at channel 1 (Refer to Section **Channel Softpatch**)

**WARNING:** Proportion for all the Outputs returns to FULL. (Refer to Section, Proportional Patch)

The Curves are reset to "Lite 3". (Refer to Section Curves)

The "Backup" Preset is recorded at 00%. (Refer to Section "Byte Tools")

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13.1.4.1 — Note 3.1:
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**Defaults?** Denied

This message will appear if you try to set Defaults whilst the "Command Link" is connected.

Either send the "Defaults" via the "Command Link" (please refer to the Fault Master, Dim Master, Event Master Operator's Manual for further information on this procedure) or disconnect the "Command Link" cable before repeating this operation.

13.1.5 — Note 4:



Indicates that the "Driver" in the "Byte Tools" Menu is ON. Switch it to OFF in order to access the "C Link" selection.

#### 13.1.6 — Note 5:

The Bytesize is a purely digital dimmer. It calculates at the time it is switched on, the proper phase rotation when this menu is set to AUTO. In case of poor mains conditions, this automatic selection can be overridden as indicated below.



After this selection is made, it is necessary to RESET the dimmer.

#### 13.1.7 - Note 6:

The Bytesize 483 is equipped with a fan which pumps air through the cooling fins to maintain the SCR at a normal operating temperature. The air is filtered before entering the dimmer. The filter has to be changed regularly to guarantee the maximum flow of air.

A counter indicates the percentage of life left for this filter.

When the time arrives to change the filter this is indicated on the display and the procedure indicated below shows how to reset the counter.



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Once the filter is changed, it is necessary to indicate to the Bytesize program that the counter has to restart at 100%:



# **14 - PROGRAMMING THE BYTESIZE**

The Bytesize can be internally programmed to operate as a stand alone unit. All the lighting cues are stored in the Bytesize and can alternatively be run in an automatic mode, or triggered by various external stimuli such as time switches, tape recorders, etc.

The Bytesize is supplied with Battery RAM: The Bytesize can store up to fifty Presets.

## 14.1 — Before starting:

This programming feature of the Bytesize means that this dimmer is potentially very powerful. So, like every powerful program, a minimum of preplarining is necessary. To guide you in this task, you will find attached at the end of this manual some examples of cuesheets which will facilitate the easier planning of your task.

As you will notice, the first page of these Cuesheets is a reflection as to how the TOOLS menu should be organised. **This should be done first.** If you follow this procedure you will save yourself both time and frustration.

Even though the TOOLS menu is set at the end of the PRESETS Menu, (because it is usually used once per programming session), we suggest that you enter it first to configure the Bytesize for your specific application.

## 14.2 — In a nutshell:

The Bytesize can store up to 50 Presets. Each of these presets can be given a fade time (from 0.1 second to 60 seconds). Each of these presets can be linked in sequences and played in succession or looped through. The playback feature allows either local start and automatic run and/or remote starts via the **Analog Inputs** of the dimmer.

Once the Bytesize is programmed, power can be switched off without the risk of losing any information in the unit. The Bytesize will resume its operation upon power up in exactly the same place it was before it was turned off.

# **15. PRESET RECORD MENU**

This menu allows the recording of light levels in the Bytesize internal Presets.

The recording of light levels in the Presets menu of the Bytesize is greatly eased by the use of Bytecraft's proprietary "Felix" remote controller, (for further explanation on this device, please consult the "Felix" User's Manual).

In order to record a Preset, you must bring up some lighting levels on the Bytesize. A Preset will store the actual lighting levels at the time you record it. The source of the levels is irrelevant. This means that you can build up your lighting levels with a DMUX console, an Analog desk, the "Override Mode" (See the chapter on "Override Mode") and the "Felix" remote controller. All these sources of data can be operated concurrently.

Once your lighting levels have been set you can start recording the Presets. It is possible to remain in this "Record Menu" and change the levels again to record further new Presets.

# Enter the Record Preset Record (Sel/Set) SET SubMenu. PR 1 (Sel/Set) SELECT Press Select to choose the Preset number to Record. PR 2 (Sel/Set) SET Press Set again to record Record (Set) a new Preset. SET Overwrite (Set) Press Set again to re-record the old Preset. This message will be Preset 2 Done displayed for two seconds to confirm the Record action.

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The next Preset will then be displayed ready to be recorded.

**15.1.1 - Tip:** If you have to record a Preset which is of a numerical order smaller than the one currently displayed, then it is faster to exit to the top menu and then re-enter instead of rolling through all the Preset numbers

**15.1.2 - Example:** If Preset 2 has just been recorded and you now want to record Preset 1, follow this procedure:



# 16. TIME RECORD MENU

This menu allows for the recording of Times into the Bytesize internal Presets.

The recording of Times in the Presets of the Bytesize is greatly eased by the use of the Bytecraft's proprietary "Felix" remote controller (for further explanation on the device, please consult the "Felix" User's Manual).

From the front panel of the Bytesize, the recording of Times are limited to the fixed values indicated below. However, using the "Felix" remote controller, any value in the range of 0.1 second to 60 seconds is allowed.

The recording of Time in a Preset does not modify it's lighting levels, thus consequently changing of Times can be done as often as necessary.



# 16.1 - Operation

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**16.1.1 - Note 1:** If an Analog Input line has previously been configured as a Time Master, this selection also becomes available in the Time choices. When a Time Master is recorded to a Preset, the velocity of the Presets will depend on the position of the fader connected to this Time Master controller line. If the fader is at 00% then the velocity of the fade is instant, if the fader is at 100%, the velocity for the fade is at the Time set for this Time Master. (see the "Analog Input Configuration" Menu for further details).

**16.1.2 - Tip:** Whenever a Lighting Designer is undecided about the desired speed of fades or chases, program the Presets to a Time Master and remote the speed control to the panel where the triggering of the fades takes place. The operator will then be able to modify the velocity of the fades "live".

# 17. THE PLAY MODE

This menu allows for the playing of a Preset or Sequence of Presets, in either manual, automatic or remote modes.

A Sequence is made up of all the Presets which have been stored, and is played in numerical order. Unused Preset numbers are skipped. The mode of operation of the Sequence may vary greatly depending on setting of the parameters stored in the "Preset Tools" menu. (Refer to the "Preset Tools" section for further details).

The programming of the Sequence and the Playback of the Bytesize is greatly eased by the use of the Bytecraft's proprietary "Felix" remote controller (for further explanation on this device, please consult the "Felix" User's Manual).

# 17.1 — Operation



Message indicating the completion of the fade is now displayed.

The display now restores to waiting for the same Preset to be replayed.

**17.1.1 - Tip:** If you have to play a Preset which is of a numerical value lower than the one currently displayed, it is quicker to exit to the top menu and re-enter it instead of rolling through all the Preset numbers

**17.1.2 - Example:** If Preset 2 has just been played and you now want to play Preset 1, follow this procedure:



## 17.2 - The Autoplay Mode

PLAY (Sel/Set)SETEnter the Play Preset<br/>SubMenu.A/PLAYOff (Set)SETAutomatic Play Menu. Press<br/>SET to enable this mode.A/PLAYOn (Set)Automatic Play is now<br/>enabled. Pressing SET<br/>again would disable it.

It is possible to see the progression of the sequence parameters on the LCD display whilst the Sequence is running.



## 17.3— The External Play Mode



The External Play Mode enables the Bytesize to monitor the Analog Input lines and perform the tasks for which they have been configured. (Refer to the "Analog Input Configuration" Menu for further explanations).

Important Note: If you want the Bvtesize to maintain a lighting state to its Outputs after leaving the "Play Preset" Menu, the "External Play" Mode must be enabled otherwise the Outputs will be returned to the levels of the DMUX source.

## 17.4 — Note 1:

If you attempt to play Presets whilst the sequence is empty, you will be faced with the following message.



Go to the "Record Preset" Menu to create some Presets before proceeding with the "Play Preset" Menu.

# 18. PRESET TOOLS MENU

This menu allows for the setting of the operational mode parameters of the Bytesize. First the list of each mode in the menu is given. Each mode is then explained more fully in order of appearance.

# 18.1 - Operation



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Sequence link Configuration Menu. See Section below.

CLEAR (Sel/Set)

Returns to the Clear Menu. See Section below.

If this key is pressed at anytime during the operations listed above, you will be returned to the "TOOLS" menu.

SELECT

SET
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Pressing this key will enter the menu indicated on the display.

Once a menu has been entered, pressing the MODE key will return you to the title of this menu.

## 18.2 - The Clear Menu



**WARNING !!**: Before operating this menu, think twice, it will erase **all** the contents of **all** the Presets. However, it does not affect any other parts of the dimmer.

The "Backup Preset" is also not affected.



For the rest of this section we will assume that you have Cleared all the Presets.

## 18.3- The Default Time Menu

# D/Time (Sel/Set)

This menu allows you to set a Default time which will be recorded with each Preset. It is intended to save you additional finger work for the more simple jobs. Let us say for example, that you wish to record 10 presets which should all fade in 5 seconds, you set this time of 5 seconds in this menu, and then every time you record a new preset, it will be given this Default Time.





Once you have found the Time from any of the above, it can be recorded as a Default Time, thus.



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## **18.4-** The External Inputs Configuration Menu

The Bytesize is delivered equipped with twelve external input lines which are usually used to fade up and down twelve Outputs. When the rack is used in the Preset Mode, these twelve lines can be used differently.

Each input line can be configured in any one of the three following modes:

**1 : Master mode**. A line is now dedicated to a Preset. If a fader is connected to this line, the complete Preset can be faded up or down. The time for this fade will depend on the time recorded to this Preset.

**2: Trigger mode.** A line is now dedicated to a Preset. If for example a push-button is connected to this line, the complete Preset can be triggered when **FULL INTENSITY** is applied. (For the setting of the Control Voltage refer to the Technical Manual). This Preset will fade up. Once it has reached its maximum intensity, the Bytesize will check the Sequence Configuration to know how then to proceed (See the Sequence Section for further details).

**3 : Time Fader Mode.** In this case, a Time is allocated to a line. A fader should now be connected to this line. If the Presets are recorded using this fader, they will monitor this line to know "in how much time" they should fade. Let's assume that the Time allocated is three seconds, if the Time Fader is at 100%, the Preset will fade in 3 seconds, if it is at 50%, the Preset will fade in 1.5 seconds, if it is a 0%, the Preset will snap on.

Prior to being able to use this menu, you must have enabled the external Input inside the "Byte Tools", otherwise you will be faced with the following message:

# Config not aval

Assuming everything is set properly we should be at:

Config (Sel/Set)

SET

Press SET to enter the Menu

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The display is divided into three fields. The SELECT key will move the cursor from Field to Field.



## 18.4.1 - The External Input Field



#### 18.4.2 - The Configuration Field

Three different Configurations are available.



Press SELECT when satisfied with the choice.

There are cases where you wish to modify a Preset number which is less than the one already selected. To save you rolling all the Presets up to the top, please follow this example:

SELECT

E - 03 MAS PR - 02

#### 18.4.3.1 - Example

Assume you are reading the following display and you want to reset the Input Master 3 to Preset 1.



That's it. done.

#### 18.4.4- The Timer Field

This field appears only when the Configuration Field is at "TIM"



Press Select at any time to confirm your choice for any of these values.

## **18.6 - The Memory Configuration Menu**

This Menu indicates how many presets are enabled.

## 18.7 The Fade Type Menu

When running a sequence in the Bytesize, the Presets can either fade or snap from one to the other.

The "Fade" mode is used to operate slow changes without the user noticing the lighting changes. (Mood lighting, etc). The Time recorded with each Preset is the length of the crossfade between Presets.

The "Wait" mode is used to achieve noticeable changes between Presets, to attract attention from the user. (Sign lighting, etc). The Time Recorded with each Preset is the Time this lighting state will stay on before "snapping" to the next one.



## **18.8 - The Sequence Type Mode**

The sequence can be established in one of two ways, **automatic** or **recorded**. The recorded sequence can only be built via the Bytecraft proprietary "Felix" remote control. (Refer to the "Felix User's Manual for further information).

When operating from the front panel the sequence is built **automatically** by the recording of the Presets. Each time you record a new Preset, it is added to the sequence in numerical order of Preset. For example: If you record Presets 1, 2, 8, 9, 12, the sequence will play exactly that, it will not play any empty Preset in between. Now, if you come back and record Preset 6, it will be added in the sequence which will then become 1, 2, 6, 8, 9, 12.

When the Bytesize reaches a stop in the sequence, it can either repeat the sequence from the beginning if the menu has been set to "Seq Repeat", or stop if the menu is set to "Seq End".

A stop in the Sequence can either be that the sequence is finished OR the Sequence reaches an "END PRESET". An "END PRESET" is a Preset recorded with a zero (00.0) time.

18.8.1 - Note - An "END PRESET" is never played, the sequence stops on the Preset immediately preceding it.

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**18.8.1 - Note**: Although an "END PRESET" is never played, it must have been recorded with a lighting state in order to be valid. Otherwise it would be skipped and so consequently the stop action would not be performed.



## 18.9 The Sequence Link Menu

The Sequence can be operated in one of two modes, the "Run Sequence" Mode or the "Jog Seguence" Mode. In the first case, once the first Preset has been triggered by either External or Local Trigger, the Sequence will continue with the remaining Presets in the Sequence until it reaches a "STOP". *(See "Sequence Type" Mode for further explanation on "STOP")*. In the "Jog Sequence Mode", the Bytesize will complete the fade for the Preset triggered and wait for another trigger before proceeding to the next Preset and so on until it reaches a "STOP". Then the condition explained in the "Sequence Type" mode will apply.



# **19. EXAMPLE OF PROGRAMMING CUE SHEETS**

Over the following two pages is printed an example of a Cue Sheet. It will, we hope, greatly assist you in the programming of the Bytesize.

Before starting to enter any cues in the dimmer, it may be prudent if you fill in these forms. Go through the first page and set all the parameters in the "Byte Tools" Menu to suit your needs, then proceed to the "Preset Tools" Menu.

Once this is done, write down on paper all the lighting states that you expect to use. If the intensities can only be guessed at do not worry to much about their accuracy as they can always be changed later on. *What counts is the structure of the show.* 

When everything is to your satisfaction and clear on paper, start the programming using either the Bytecraft's proprietary "Felix" remote controller (for further explanation on the device, please consult the "Felix" User's Manual) or the front panel of the Bytesize.

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Dmux Cmd Link ANALOG AUTOPLAY SEQUENCE FADE	: [ON : [ON : [ON : [ON : [RE : [ON	/OFF] /OFF] /OFF] /OFF] P/ENC /OFF]	)]		Felix LoadFa Soft E/PLAY SEQUE DRIVER	☐ : ON iI : [OI : [OI : [OI NCE : JO	I/OFF] N/OFF] N/OFF] N/OFF] G/RUN] N/OFF]	
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EXTERN	AL INPUT	1	EXTERN	AL INPUT	2	EXTERNA	AL INPUT	3
MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET	
TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET	
TIMER	TIME		TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	ТІМЕ	
EXTERN	AL INPUT	4	EXTERN	AL INPUT	5	EXTERNA	AL INPUT	6
MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET	
TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET	
TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	TIME		TIMER	ТІМЕ	
EXTERN	AL INPUT	7	EXTERN	AL INPUT	8	EXTERNA	AL INPUT	9
MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET	
TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET	
TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	TIME		TIMER	тіме	
EXTERNA		10	EXTERNA		11	EXTERNA	L INPUT	12
MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET	
TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET	

TIMER

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RACK #	CHANNE	L PATCH														COMMENTS
PRESET #	ELAPS	TIME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	МО	EFFECTS
001																
002																
003																
004																
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# 20. SOME EXAMPLES OF THE UTILISATION OF THE BYTESIZE

In this chapter, we will give some examples of challenges you may encounter, along with a way of solving them. The Bytesize allows such a flexibility in programming that we do not pretend to give you, in these pages, the best possible solution, but these examples will certainly help you as a tutorial in developing your skills and finding new ways of operating a real "Stand Alone" dimmer.

#### 20.1 - Example 1: A Parking Project.

In a blind corridor (where no natural light is available) of an underground car park, you have been asked to provide smart control of the lighting. When the delivery people arrive they need a reasonable amount of light to carry their goods, but in order to save power, the light must not stay on for an extended length of time. Since normal car park customers are also using this corridor and there is an almost permanent level of traffic it has been decided to maintain a lighting level at all times. Two lighting states have been requested:

One at 90% (very bright but still saving lamp life) and one very dim at 30% (but still bright enough to see). When initiated the bright state will fade up in three seconds, stay on for 60 seconds, then fade back down to the dim state over 10 seconds. Several control panels, each of which could be, for example, a simple push button, movement detector, or an infrared beam, must be positioned at different locations along this corridor.

#### 20.1.2 — Solution

We will have to provide control panels in several positions along the corridor. On each control panel we will install:

A "Normally Open" Push button labeled "LIGHTS ON".

The "LIGHTS ON" control must be connected to Analog Input 1.

We have chosen the following Dimming Output numbers:

Outputs 1 through 4 = Corridor lights

Every time one of the switches is depressed, the lights will fade up to their high intensity. If any of the switches are depressed during the bright period, the bright state will remain up for another minute, then fade back to the low level state.

Now, if you read the following two cue sheets and program the dimmer accordingly, you will see how this problem has been solved.

**Project: Parking Corridor** 

		BYTESIZE	CUE SHEET	]					
		RACK #: 1							
Dmux Cmd Link ANALOG AUTOPLAY SEQUENCE FADE	: [ /OFF] : [ /OFF] : [ON/ ] : [ON/ : [ /END : [ON/	       ]	Felix Load Soft E/PL/ SEQI DRIV	- : /OFF] I : [ON/ ] : [ON/ ] : [ON/ ] ICE : /RUN] : [ON/OFF]*					
	CONFIGURAT	ION OF THE E	XTERNAL A	NAL	OG INPUT	S			
EXTERNA	AL INPUT 1	EXTERNA	AL INPUT 2		EXTERNAL INPUT 3				
	PRESET	MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET			
TRIGGER	PRESET	TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET			
	ТІМЕ	TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	TIME			
EXTERNA	AL INPUT 4	EXTERNA	AL INPUT 5	] [	EXTERNAL INPUT 6				
MASTER	PRESET	MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET			
TRIGGER	PRESET	TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET			
TIMER	ТІМЕ	TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	TIME			
EXTERNA	AL INPUT 7	EXTERNA	AL INPUT 8	] [	EXTERNAL INPUT 9				
MASTER	PRESET	MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET			
TRIGGER	PRESET	TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET			
TIMER	ТІМЕ	TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	ТІМЕ			
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EXTERNA	L INPUT 10	EXTERNA	L INPUT 11		EXTERNA	L INPUT 12			
MASTER	PRESET	MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET			
TRIGGER	PRESET	TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET			
TIMER	ТІМЕ	TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	ТІМЕ			

\*This setting depends where the "Control Voltage" is sourced, (refer to the Technical Manual and "Driver paragraph in the "Byte Tools" menu for futher information)

## **Project: Parking Corridor**

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RACK #	CHANNE	L PATCH														COMMENTS
PRESET #	ELAPS	TIME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	МО	EFFECTS
001	00:00	03.0	90	90	90	90										Fade up
002	00:03	60.0	90	90	90	90										Bright Cue
003	01:03	20.0	30	30	30	30										Dim Cue
004	01:23	00.0	30	30	30	30										"Stop Cue"
005																
006																
007																
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011																
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## 20.2- Example 2: A Museum Exhibition

In a Museum, the Sculpture Gallery requires a lighting animation so as to enhance a new exhibit.

Five statues are displayed scattered in an exhibition room. This room receives a large quantity of natural light through large windows. Each statue has to be highlighted in turn for a period which could be changed remotely and ranging from 5 seconds to 40 seconds. The cycle must be constant during the opening hours of the Museum. The lighting animation starts in the morning and finishes late at night. When night comes, the lighting levels for the statues have to be decreased to take account of the lack of daylight (during the day the light levels have to be high to be noticed, at night they have to be reduced to avoid a blinding effect), at the same time a general lighting state has to be created for the safe movement of the visitors to the gallery.

The controls for the lighting animation must be operated from an office in the entrance of the Museum. The operator must be able to select:

- The Day animation,
- The Night animation,
- Switch off the animations,
- Control the speed of the animations.

#### 19.2.2 - Solution

A control panel will have to be manufactured on which are mounted the following:

- A "Normally open" Push button labeled "DAY".
- A "Normally open" Push button labeled "NIGHT".
- A "Normally open" Push button labeled "OFF".
- A Potentiometer labeled "SPEED".

The "DAY" control must be connected to Analog Input 1.

The "NIGHT" control must be connected to Analog Input 2.

The "OFF" control must be connected to Analog Input 3.

The "SPEED" control must be connected to Analog Input 4.

We have chosen the following Dimmer Output numbers:

Output	1 =	Statue	1
Output	2 =	Statue	2
Output	3 =	Statue	3
Output	4 =	Statue	4
Output	5 =	Statue	5

Outputs 6 through 10 are for general lighting.

Now, if you read the following two cue sheets and program the dimmer accordingly, you will see how this problem may be solved.

**Project: Statue Exhibition in a Museum** 

		BYTESIZE	CUE SHEET			
		RACK #: 1			]	
Dmux Cmd Link ANALOG	: [ /OFF] : [ /OFF] : [ON/ ]		Felix Load Soft	Fai	: [   : [ON : [ON	/OFF]  / ]  / ]
AUTOPLAY SEQUENCE FADE	: [ON/ ] : [REP/ ] : [ON/ ]		E/PL/ SEQU DRIVI	AY Jen Er	: [ON NCE : : [ON	I/ ] /RUN] I/OFF]*
	CONFIGURAT	ON OF THE E	XTERNAL AN	IAI	OG INPUTS	6
EXTERNA	L INPUT 1	EXTERNA	L INPUT 2		EXTERNA	L INPUT 3
TRICCER	DDESET 4	TRIGGER	DDESET 7		TRICCER	DDECET 42
TRIGGER	PRESEIT	TRIGGER	FRESET /	┝	TRIGGER	FRESET IS
				L		
EXTERNA	L INPUT 4	EXTERNA	L INPUT 5		EXTERNA	L INPUT 6
		MASTER	PRESET		MASTER	PRESET
		TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET
TIMER	TIME 40.0	TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	TIME
EXTERNA	L INPUT 7	EXTERNA	L INPUT 8	Γ	EXTERNA	L INPUT 9
MASTER	PRESET	MASTER	PRESET	ŀ	MASTER	PRESET
TRIGGER	PRESET	TRIGGER	PRESET	f	TRIGGER	PRESET
TIMER	TIME	TIMER	ТІМЕ		TIMER	ТІМЕ
				- г		
EXTERNA	L INPUT 10	EXTERNA	L INPUT 11	╞	EXTERNA	L INPUT 12
MASTER	PRESET	MASTER	PRESET	ļ	MASTER	PRESET
TRIGGER	PRESET	TRIGGER	PRESET		TRIGGER	PRESET
TIMER	ТІМЕ	TIMER	TIME		TIMER	TIME

\*This setting depends on where the "Control Voltage" is sourced, (refer to the "Driver" Paragraph in the "Byte Tools" menu for further information)

#### **Project: Statue Exhibition in a Museum**

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RACK #	CHANNE	L PATCH														COMMENTS
PRESET #	ELAPS	TIME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	МО	EFFECTS
001		Timer4	90													Day Stat 1
002		Timer4		90												Day Stat 2
003		Timer4			90											Day Stat 3
004		Timer4				90										Day Stat 4
005		Timer4					90									Day Stat 5
006		00.0					90									"Stop"
007		Timer4	70					40	40	40	40	40				NIGHT 1
008		Timer4		70				40	40	40	40	40				NIGHT 2
009		Timer4			70			40	40	40	40	40				NIGHT 3
010		Timer4				70		40	40	40	40	40				NIGHT 4
011		Timer4					70	40	40	40	40	40				NIGHT 5
012		00.0					70	40	40	40	40	40				"Stop"
013 (*)		03.0	1													OFF STATE
014 (**)		00.0	1													"Stop"
015																
016																
017																
018																
019																
020																

\* To ensure that Preset 13 is a blackout, you must record one Output at 1%, otherwise this Preset would not be played.

\*\* Even though a "STOP PRESET" is never played, it must contain at least one level to operate properly.

## 20.3 Example 3: A Nursing Home Project

A building complex for intellectually impaired people consists of several pavilions. Each of these pavilions has 5 bedrooms and an attendant's office. The attendant's office is occupied only during working hours, from 8 AM to 10 PM. It has been decided that each occupant of a bedroom will have a control panel consisting of two push buttons next to their bed, so as to switch the lights in their respective rooms either ON of OFF. The attendant must also be able, from his office, to switch all the lights in all the bedrooms either ON or OFF at specific times, depending on the activity in the pavillion. Finally, he must have control of the intensity of the lights in the corridor which links his office to all of the bedrooms.

19.3.1 - Comments on this task.

We are facing the difficult task of controlling the lights in one area without disturbing any of the others. It is probably the trickiest work you can ask a lighting controller to operate.

In this case we will have to use the Bytecraft's proprietary "Felix" remote controller to program the "MOVE PRESETS".(Refer to the "Felix" User's Manual for further information)

#### 19.3.2 - Solution:

We will have to provide at the head of each bed a control panel with:

- A "Normally open" Push button labeled "LIGHTS OFF".
- A "Normally open" Push button labeled "LIGHTS ON".

A control panel will be manufactured for the office on which will be installed:

- A "Normally open" Push button labeled "BED ROOMS ON/OFF"
- A Potentiometer labeled "CORRIDOR".

The "LIGHTS ON" for Bedroom 1 will be connected to Analog Input 1.

The "LIGHTS OFF" for Bedroom 1 will be connected to Analog Input 2 and so on for all of the Bedrooms.

The "BEDROOMS ON/OFF" will be connected to Analog Input 11

The "CORRIDOR" control must be connected to Analog Input 12. We have chosen the following Dimming Output numbers:

Output 1 = Bedroom 1

Output 2 = Bedroom 2

Output 3 = Bedroom 3

Output 4 = Bedroom 4

Output 5 = Bedroom 5

Outputs 6 through 10 for the Corridor

Now, if you read both of the following two cue sheets and program the dimmer accordingly, you will see how this problem may be solved.

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		BYTESIZE C	UE SHEET			
	R	ACK #: 1				
Dmux	: [ /OFF]		FELIX	:	ON/	]
Cmd Link	: [ /OFF]		LOADFAIL	:	[ON/	ī
ANALOG	: [ON/ ]		Soft	:	[ON/	j
AUTOPLAY	: [ON/ ]		E/PLAY	:	[ON/	]
SEQUENCE	: [REP ]		SEQUENC	E :	JOG/	]
FADE	: [ON/ ]		DRIVER	:	[ON/O	FF]*

EXTERNAL INPUT 1			EXTERNA	L INPUT 2	EXTERNA	L INPUT 3
TRIGGER	PRESET 1		TRIGGER	PRESET 2	TRIGGER	PRESET 3

EXTERNA	L INPUT 4	EXTERNA	L INPUT 5	<b>EXTERNAL INPUT 6</b>				
TRIGGER	PRESET 4	TRIGGER	PRESET 5	TRIGGER	PRESET 6			

EXTERNA	L INPUT 7	EXTERNA	L INPUT 8	EXTERNA	L INPUT 9		
TRIGGER	PRESET 7	TRIGGER	PRESET 8	TRIGGER	PRESET 9		

EXTERNA	L INPUT 10	EXTERNA	L INPUT 11	EXTERNA	L INPUT 12
				MASTER	PRESET 12
TRIGGER	PRESET 10	TRIGGER	PRESET 11		

\*This setting depends where the "Control Voltage" is sourced, (refer to the "Driver" Paragraph in the "Byte Tools" menu for further information)

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RACK #	CHANNE	L PATCH														COMMENTS
PRESET #	ELAPS	ТІМЕ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	мо	EFFECTS
001		00.5	90												*	ROOM 1 ON
002		00.5		90											*	ROOM 1 OFF
003		00.5			90										*	ROOM 2 ON
004		00.5				90									*	ROOM 2 OFF
005		00.5					90								*	ROOM 3 ON
006		00.5					90								*	ROOM 3 OFF
007		00.5	70					40	40	40	40	40			*	ROOM 4 ON
008		00.5		70				40	40	40	40	40			*	ROOM 4 OFF
009		00.5			70			40	40	40	40	40			*	ROOM 5 ON
010		00.5					1								*	ROOM 5 OFF
011		00.5	90	90	90	90	90									All ON
012		00.5	1	1	1	1	1									"All OFF"
013		00.0	1	1	1	1	1									"Stop"
014 (**)		01.0						90	90	90	90	90				Corridor
015																
016																
017																
018																
019																
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\* The "MOVE PRESETS" have to be programmed via the "Felix" remote controller for the channels indicated with a level.

# 21. DATA CONNECTIONS

#### **21.1 Data Connections**

In order to communicate to the external world, the Bytesize is fitted as standard with a D25 connector. Depending on the model, some other connectors might be fitted. Please inquire with your Bytecraft Agent if the connector you expect is not detailed below.

#### 21.1.1 Sub D25 Way Female

13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	• /
	0	0	ο	ο	ο	ο	0	0	ο	0	0	•/
2	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14
P	in		Sign	ıal			1	Pin			Sig	nal
	1	(	Grou	ind				14	Α	nalo	g C	h.1
	2	C	omn	nand	R	x+		15		"		· 2
	3				R	х-		16		"		• 3
	4				T	x+		17		"		• 4
	5				T	Х-		18		"		• 5
	6		Grou	ınd				19		"		6
	7			.,				20		"		• 7
	8	Γ	<b>M</b> U	XA	R	x+		21		"		. 8
	9				R	х-		22		"		. 9
1	0		Fel	ix	R	x+		23		"		-10
1	11				R	Х-		24		"		·11
1	12	(	Grou	ınd				25		"		-12
1	13		NO	2								

#### 21.1.2 - JAE Connectors

In order to communicate to the external world, the Bytesize can be fitted with a JAE connector.

Pin	Signal	
1	DMUXA	Rx+
2	DMUXA	Rx-
3	CMD	Rx-
4	Ground	
5		
6	CMD	Rx+
7	Ground	
8	Ground	
9		
10	CMD	Tx-
11	Ground	
12	Felix	Rx-
13	CMD	Tx+
14	Felix	Rx

### 21.1.3 XLR 5 pins

In order to communicate to the external world, the Bytesize can be fitted with XLR connectors. The wiring for these connectors respects the USITT standard. As a reminder these connections are given below:

Pin	Signal	
1	Ground	
2	DMUXA	Rx-
3	DMUXA	Rx+
4		
5		

#### 21.3 - USITT, RS-485 Standard

DMX 512 uses USITT RS-485 type differential line drivers and receivers. Typically in DMUX lighting control applications, one line transmitter in the control desk feeds several receivers in the dimmers.

The following points should be noted:

- Maximum cable length 1.5 Km,
- Termination resistor MUST be installed.
- Balanced twisted pair shielded cable must be used.
- Signal polarity must be observed ie Data+ to Data+, Data- to Data-.
- Maximum 32 devices on any one transmission line.