

# Personal Audio Docking System

Reference Guide **US**

## DREAM MACHINE

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### AUTO TIME SET

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ICF-CS15IP

## English

### Owner's Record

The model number and the serial number are located on the bottom.

Record the serial number in the space provided below. Refer to the steps to activate the function.

Model No. ICF-CS15IP

Serial No.

### For customers in the USA

Please register this product on line at <http://www.sony.com/productregistration>. Proper registration will enable us to send you periodic mailings about new products, services, and other important announcements. Registering your remote will also allow us to contact you in the unlikely event that the product needs adjustment or modification. Thank you.

## WARNING

**To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture.**

To reduce the risk of fire, do not cover the ventilation of the apparatus with newspapers, tablecloths, curtains, etc. And do not place lighted candles on the apparatus.

To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to dripping or splashing, and do not place objects filled with liquids, such as vases, on the apparatus.

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

Do not expose the batteries (battery pack or batteries installed) to excessive heat such as sunshine, fire or the like for a long time.

As the main plug is used to disconnect the unit from the mains, connect the unit to an easily accessible AC outlet. Should you notice an abnormality in the unit, disconnect the main plug from the AC outlet immediately.

The unit is not disconnected from the AC power source (mains) as long as it is connected to the wall outlet, even if the unit itself has been turned off.

The nameplate and important information concerning safety are located on the bottom exterior.

You are cautioned that any changes or modifications not expressly approved by this manual could void your authority to operate this equipment.

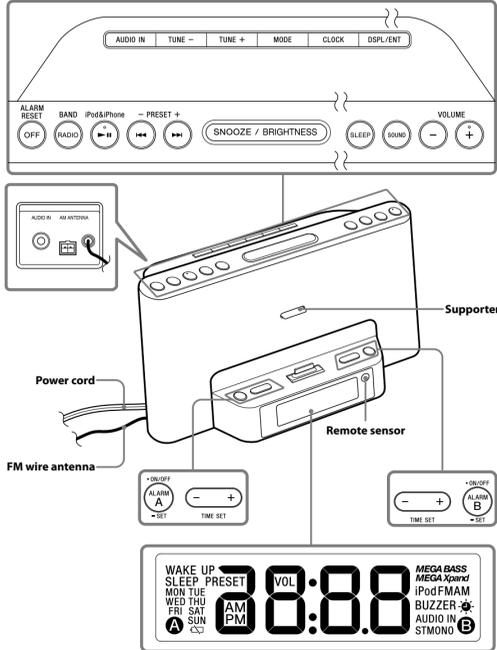
**CAUTION**  
Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same type.

### 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.

### WARNING

- Replace the battery for the clock backup with a Sony CR2032 lithium battery, and the battery for the remote commander with a Sony CR2025 lithium battery. Use of another battery may present a risk of fire or explosion.
- Battery may explode if mistreated. Do not recharge, disassemble or dispose of in fire.
- Dispose of used battery promptly. Keep away from children.



The VOLUME + and **▶||** buttons have a tactile dot.

## Operations

### Power source

#### No Power No Problem system

This unit contains a CR2032 battery as a backup power source to keep the clock and the alarm operating during a power interruption.

#### When to replace the battery

When the battery becomes weak, "CS" appears in the display. If a power interruption occurs while the battery is weak, the current time and alarm will be erased. Replace the battery with a Sony CR2032 lithium battery. Use of another battery may cause a fire or explosion.

#### Note

- If "AM 12:00" flashes in the display when the unit is connected to an AC outlet for the first time, the battery may be weak. In this case, consult your nearest Sony dealer.

### To replace the battery

- Keep the AC plug connected to the AC outlet, remove the screw of the battery compartment at the bottom of the unit, and open the lid (see Fig. ①).
- Remove the old battery and insert a new one in the battery compartment with the **+** side facing up (see Fig. ②).
- Replace the battery compartment lid and tighten the screw.
- Press **▶||**, **RADIO BAND**, **AUDIO IN** or **SNOOZE/BRIGHTNESS** on the unit to turn "CS" off in the display.

#### Note

- When you replace the battery, do not disconnect the plug from the AC outlet. Otherwise, the current date, current time, alarm and station presets will be erased.

### For the state of California USA only

Perchlorate Material –special handling may apply, see [www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate)  
Perchlorate Material: Lithium battery contains perchlorate

## Precautions

- To disconnect AC power, grasp the plug itself, not the cord.
- Since a strong magnet is used for the speaker, keep credit cards using magnetic coding or spring-wound watches, CRT-based TVs, or projectors, etc., away from the unit to prevent possible damage from the magnet.
- Do not leave the unit in a location near a heat source such as a radiator or air duct, or in a place subject to direct sunlight, excessive dust, mechanical vibration, or shock.
- Allow adequate air circulation to prevent internal heat build-up. Do not place the unit on a surface (a rug, a blanket, etc.) or near materials (a curtain) which might block the ventilation holes.
- Should any solid object or liquid fall into the unit, unplug the unit and have it checked by qualified personnel before operating it any further.
- During a thunderstorm, do not touch the antenna (aerial) and plug.
- Do not touch the unit with wet hands.
- Do not place the unit anywhere near water.

### NOTES ON LITHIUM BATTERY

- Wipe the battery with a dry cloth to assure a good contact.
  - Be sure to observe the correct polarity when installing the battery.
  - Do not hold the battery with metallic tweezers, otherwise a short-circuit may occur.
- Note**
- In the Reference Guide, "Pod" is used as a general reference to functions on an iPod or iPhone, unless otherwise specified by the text or illustrations.

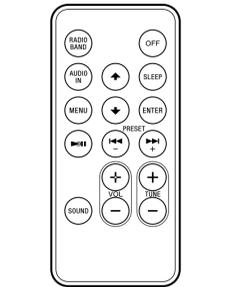
### Setting the clock

#### To set the clock for the first time

- Plug in the unit. The current EST (Eastern Standard Time) appears in the display.
- Press and hold **MODE** for at least 2 seconds. Area number "2" flashes in the display.

## Remote commander

Before using the supplied remote for the first time, remove the insulation film. Aim the remote at the **□** (Remote sensor) of the unit.



The VOL + and **▶||** buttons have a tactile dot.

#### OFF

- Terminate the current function and stop playback.
- Stop a currently sounding alarm/snooze timer.

#### ▶|| (Play/Pause)

- Start playing the iPod. Press again to pause/ resume playback.
- Press and hold to turn off the iPod.

#### ▶|| (Forward)

- Go to the next track.
- Press and hold while listening to the sound to locate a desired point.
- Press and hold in pause while observing the display on iPod to locate a desired point.

#### ◀◀ (Backward)

- Go back to the previous track. During playback, this operation returns to the beginning of the current track. To go back to the previous track, press twice.
- Press and hold while listening to the sound to locate a desired point.
- Press and hold in pause while observing the display on iPod to locate a desired point.

#### ▶ (Up)/▲ (Down)

- Select a menu item or track for playback.

#### MENU

- Go back to the previous menu.
- Press and hold to go back to the main menu.

#### ENTER

- Execute the selected menu item or begin playback.

#### SOUND

- Select the desired sound effect(s). (For details, see "To enjoy the bass or expansion sound effect.")

#### VOL +/- (Volume plus/minus)

- Adjust the volume.

#### RADIO BAND

- Activate the radio and select a band.

#### PRESET +/-

- Select the preset number or preset station. (For details, see "Playing the radio.")

#### TUNE +/-

- Tune into a station when the radio is on.
- Press and hold to scan AM or FM stations.

#### AUDIO IN

- Activate the AUDIO IN function when an optional component is connected. (For details, see "Connecting optional components.")

#### SLEEP

- Set the sleep timer. (For details, see "Setting the sleep timer.")

#### Note

- Some operations may differ or may not be available on certain models of iPod.

### When to replace the battery

The Auto DST/summer time adjustment can be canceled. Press and hold **CLOCK** and **SNOOZE/BRIGHTNESS** on the unit at the same time for at least 2 seconds while the clock is displayed. "✳" and "OFF" appear in the display to show that Auto DST/summer time adjustment has been canceled. The display returns to the clock.

#### Notes

- Changes to Auto DST/summer time adjustment by the unit (see above) are subject to circumstances and laws in each country/region. Should this interfere with desired adjustment, cancel the Auto DST/summer time adjustment and set the DST display manually as necessary. Customers living in a country/region that does not use daylight saving time (summer time) must cancel Auto DST/summer time adjustment before using the unit.
- To activate Auto DST/summer time adjustment again, press and hold **CLOCK** and **SNOOZE/BRIGHTNESS** on the unit at the same time for at least 2 seconds.
- "✳" and "On" appear in the display to show that Auto DST/summer time adjustment has been activated. The display returns to the clock.

## Playing an iPod

### Compatible iPod/iPhone models

The compatible iPod/iPhone models are as follows. Update software of your iPod/iPhone to the latest version before using it with this unit.

- iPod touch (4th generation)
- iPod touch (3rd generation)
- iPod touch (2nd generation)
- iPod nano (6th generation)\*
- iPod nano (5th generation)
- iPod nano (4th generation)
- iPod nano (3rd generation)
- iPod classic
- iPhone 4
- iPhone 3GS
- iPhone 3G

\* The iPod nano 6th generation cannot be controlled by the remote when the command of "MENU", "✳", and "ENTER" is pressed.

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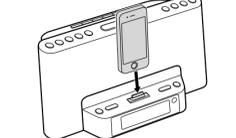
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#### Note

- This unit is not specified for use with an iPad®, and malfunction may result if used as such.

## To play back

- Set your iPod on the dock connector. The dock connector can be tilted slightly.



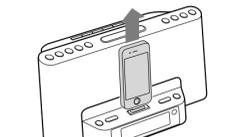
#### 2 Press **▶||**.

The iPod begins to play back. You can operate the connected iPod via this unit or the iPod itself.

- Adjust the volume using **VOLUME +** or **-** (**VOL +** or **-** on the remote).

#### To remove an iPod

When placing or removing the iPod, hold it at the same angle as the dock connector on the unit. Do not pull the iPod forward too far.



#### Notes

- An iPod in a case or cover can be set in this unit. However, if the case or cover interferes with connection, remove the case or cover before setting the iPod on the dock connector.
- When placing or removing the iPod, hold the iPod at the same angle as that of the connector on this unit, and do not twist or bend the iPod as it may result in connector damage.
- Remove the iPod when transporting it, otherwise a malfunction may result.
- When placing or removing the iPod, hold the unit securely.
- If the battery of your iPod is extremely low, charge it for a while before operation.
- If your iPod cannot reach the supporter located in front of the unit, attach the supplied cushion below the supporter.
- If the iPod is already playing when set onto the unit, the sound from the iPod will be output from the unit speakers, even if the unit was playing sound from another function.
- Sony cannot accept responsibility in the event that data recorded to an iPod is lost or damaged when using an iPod connected to this unit.
- For details of environmental conditions for operating your iPod, check the website of Apple Inc.

## Playing the radio

### To connect the AM loop antenna

The shape and length of the antenna is designed to receive AM signals. Do not dismantle or roll up the antenna.

- Remove only the loop part from the plastic stand.
- Set up the AM loop antenna. (Refer to the Startup Guide bundled with this Reference Guide.)

- Insert the AM antenna terminal in the **AM ANTENNA** jack on the rear of the unit.

#### To adjust the AM loop antenna

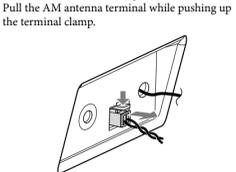
Find a place and an orientation that provide good reception.

#### Tip

- Adjust the direction of the AM loop antenna for the best AM broadcast sound.

#### To remove the AM loop antenna

Pull the AM antenna terminal while pushing up the terminal clamp.



### –Manual tuning

- Press **RADIO BAND** to turn on the radio.
- Press **RADIO BAND** repeatedly to select the desired band.

Each time you press the button, the radio band toggles between AM and FM as follows:



#### 3 Press **TUNE +** or **-** repeatedly to tune to the desired station.

- Adjust the volume using **VOLUME +** or **-** (**VOL +** or **-** on the remote).

#### 4 Adjust the volume using **VOLUME +** or **-** (**VOL +** or **-** on the remote).

#### 5 Press **OFF/ALARM RESET** (**OFF** on the remote).

### –Scan tuning

The unit automatically scans for AM or FM stations.

- Follow steps **1** to **2** in "Manual tuning" and select the AM or FM band.

- Press and hold **TUNE +** or **-**:
  - scans upward through the frequency bands. – : scans downwards through the frequency bands.

Scanning starts from the currently-tuned frequency. When a station is received, scanning stops.

- Adjust the volume using **VOLUME +** or **-** (**VOL +** or **-** on the remote).

### –Preset tuning

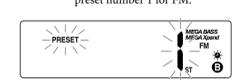
You can preset up to 20 FM stations and 10 AM stations.

#### To preset a station

- Follow steps **1** to **4** in "Manual tuning" and manually tune into the station you wish to preset.
- Press and hold **MODE** on the unit for at least 2 seconds.

- Press **TUNE +/-** to select the preset number, then press **DSPL/ENT** on the unit.

**Example:** The following displays appear when you preset FM 89.8 MHz to preset number 1 for FM.



#### [B] To set the radio alarm

- Perform steps **1** to **8** in "To set the alarm."
- Press **= ALARM SET A** or **B** to select radio band ("FM" or "AM"). Preset number flashes in the display.
- Press **TIME SET +** or **-** to select the desired preset number corresponding the bands or "– – –" "– –" is the last station received.

- Press **= ALARM SET A** or **B**. The volume level flashes in the display.

- Press **TIME SET +** or **-** to adjust the volume.

- Press **= ALARM SET A** or **B**. The setting is entered.

- If "A" or "B" does not appear in the display, press **= ALARM SET A** or **B** again. The radio will turn on at the set time.

#### [C] To set the buzzer alarm

- Perform steps **1** to **8** in "To set the alarm."
- Press **= ALARM SET A** or **B** to select "BUZZER" alarm mode. The setting is entered.

- If "A" or "B" does not appear in the display, press **= ALARM SET A** or **B** again. The buzzer will sound at the set time.

#### Note

- To preset another station, repeat these steps.
- To cancel the preset number setting, press **MODE** again.
- If you store another station with the same preset number, the previously stored station will be replaced.

#### To tune in to a preset station

- Follow steps **1** to **2** in "Manual tuning" and select the AM or FM band.
- Press **PRESET +** or **-** to select the desired preset number.
- Adjust the volume using **VOLUME +** or **-** (**VOL +** or **-** on the remote).

### –Auto preset tuning

- Follow steps **1** to **2** in "Manual tuning" and select the AM or FM band.

- Press and hold **RADIO BAND** until "AP" flashes in the display.

- Press **DSPL/ENT** on the unit. The unit automatically presets the available channels in order.

#### Tip

- To stop auto preset tuning, press **RADIO BAND**.

#### To display the preset number and frequency of the current station

Press **DSPL/ENT** on the unit once for the preset number, and press it again for the frequency. If you press **DSPL/ENT** on the unit once only, the display shows the preset number for about 2 seconds, then changes to the frequency. After a few moments, the display returns to the current time.

#### To improve reception

**FM:** Extend the FM wire antenna fully to increase reception sensitivity.

**AM:** Connect the supplied AM loop antenna to the unit. Rotate the antenna horizontally for optimum reception.

#### Notes on radio reception

- Do not place the AM loop antenna near the power supply unit, the unit or other AV equipment during use, as noise may result.
- Keep digital music players or mobile phones away from the AM loop antenna or the FM antenna, as this may lead to reception interference.
- When you are listening to the radio with an iPhone connected to the unit, interference with radio reception may occur.
- When you are listening to the radio while charging an iPod, interference with radio reception may occur.

#### Tip

- If the FM broadcast is noisy, press **MODE** on the unit until "MONO" appears in the display, the radio will play in monoaural and the sound will become clearer.

## Setting the alarm

This unit is equipped with 3 alarm modes—iPod, radio and buzzer. Before setting the alarm, make sure to set the clock by this unit (see "To set the clock for the first time").

#### To set the alarm as iPod

- Press and hold **= ALARM SET A** or **B**. "WAKE UP" appears and the hour flashes in the display.
- Press **TIME SET +** or **-** repeatedly until the desired hour appears. To cycle the hour rapidly, press and hold **TIME SET +** or **-**.
- Press **= ALARM SET A** or **B**. The minute flashes.

- Repeat step **2** to set the minutes.
- Press **= ALARM SET A** or **B**. The days of the week flash.

- Repeat step <