

sound field system



user guide
PE 915SR speaker
PE 916T body-worn transmitter
PE 917T handheld transmitter
PE 918C charging stand

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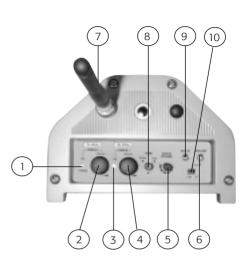
column speaker: PE 915SR

- 1) power, low battery, and reception status indicator (for Channel A)
- 2 power switch and volume control for channel A
- 3 reception status indicator for channel B
- 4 power switch and volume control for channel B
- (5) aux input volume control
- 6) aux output jack (3.5mm, mono)
- (7) antenna
- 8 tone control
- 9) aux input jack (3.5mm, mono)
- (10) aux output level

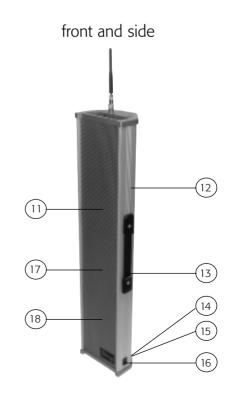
Low = EASY LISTENER transmitters and SPRITE 72 & 173MHz

High = SPRITE 216MHz and SOLARIS transmitters

- (11) speaker grille
- (12) outer casing
- (13) handle
- (14) power and charging indicator
- (15) power jack
- (16) on/off switch
- (17) internal rechargeable battery
- (18) two built-in speakers



top



body-worn transmitter: PE 916T

- microphone input
- 3 position power switch

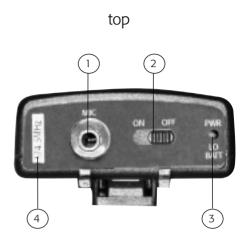


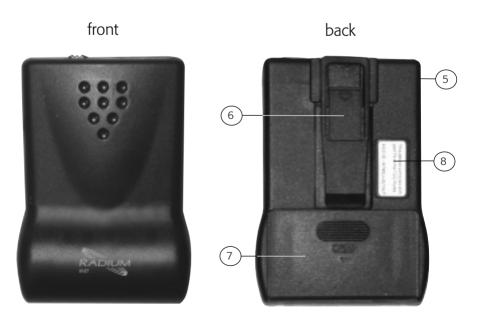




on

- power and low battery
- (3)indicator light
- frequency label
- audio gain control
- (6) belt clip
- battery compartment
- bar code and serial number label





handheld microphone: PE 917T

- 1 LED indicator light
- 2 3 position power switch







on

standby

3 battery compartment



boom microphone: AT0655R

1) flexible boom mic

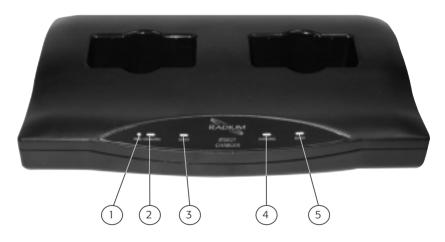


charging stand: PE 918C

- 1 power indicator
- 2 pocket 1 charging indicator
- 3 pocket 1 full charge indicator

- 4 pocket 2 charging indicator
- 5 pocket 2 full charge indicator
- (6) power switch
- 7 DC power socket

front



back



column speaker setup and operation

1 attach antenna



Attach antenna to top of speaker

2 turn on master power



if using wall outlet

- Plug transformer into power/charging socket
- Plug transformer into wall socket
- 3 Turn speaker on

if using battery

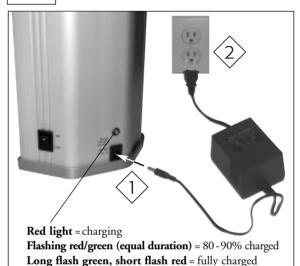
3 Turn speaker on

NOTE: Battery operating time is 5-8 hours depending on volume control settings.

column speaker setup and operation (cont'd)

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charge battery



charge after every use



Plug transformer into power/charging socket



Plug transformer into wall socket

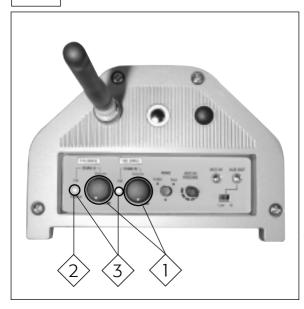
Recharging time is 4-8 hours

NOTE: Battery operating time is 5-8 hours depending on volume control settings.

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activate receivers

NOTE: Light is not illuminated during normal battery operation



- Turn receiver on by turning Channel A and/or Channel B volume control knob(s) to the right
- 2 Check power indicator light:

 Flash red once =
 adequate power

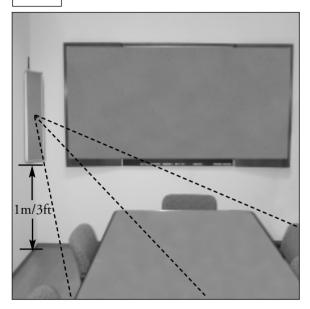
Continuous red = low battery **No light** = battery does not have power and requires recharging or transformer is not connected properly

Turn on a 916T or 917T transmitter (pages 9-12) and check FM indicator light(s):

Green = receiving FM signal

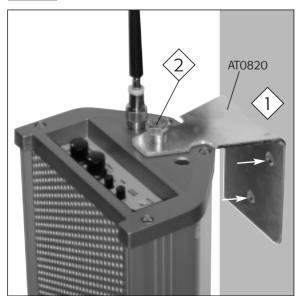
mounting speaker

speaker positioning



Place speaker in a corner of the room facing listeners. Mount speaker on wall using brackets or place speaker on a surface using a speaker stand. The bottom of the speaker should be about 1 meter/3 feet from the floor.

2 wall mounting



- 1 Attach brackets to wall
 - Screw mounting brackets to top and bottom of speaker



mounting speaker (cont'd)

3

mounting on stand





Screw speaker stand into hole on bottom of speaker.

Turn clockwise to tighten

Turn counter-clockwise to loosen



AT0824 floor stand is also available

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seal wall mounting hole if using table stand





Place plastic plug into mounting bracket hole on top of speaker to keep out dust

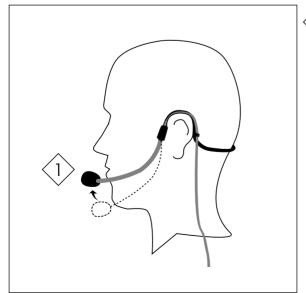
body-worn transmitter setup and operation

plug mic in



Plug boom mic cord into top of body-worn transmitter

put on AT0655R mic and adjust



Bend headband and/or boom to customize fit

body-worn transmitter setup and operation (cont'd)

turn power on





Switch power on



Check indicator light:

Red flash = adequate power

> Continuous red = low battery



Activate standby mode to eliminate white noise when not speaking

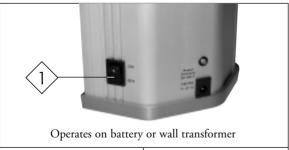
battery life

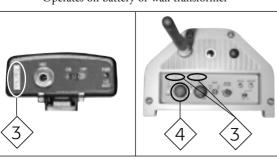
NiMH rechargeable AA = 20 hours, typical

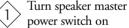
Alkaline disposable AA = 23 hours, typical

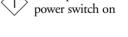
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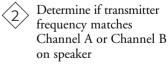
adjust speaker volume

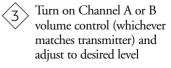












NOTE: Decrease speaker volume if feedback occurs

body-worn transmitter setup and operation (cont'd)

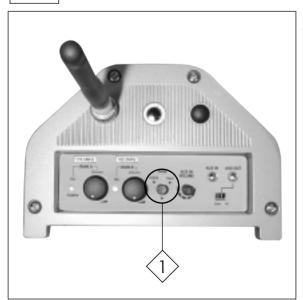
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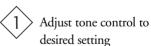
adjust transmitter volume



- Increase transmitter volume for greater mic sensitivity and sound clarity
- Reduce transmitter volume if feedback occurs

6 adjust tone control





NOTE: Decrease tone if feedback occurs

handheld microphone operation

1 turn power on



Turn power on by pushing power switch up

2 check indicator light



1 Check indicator light:

Flash red once = adequate power

Continuous red = low battery

battery life

NiMH rechargeable AA = 23 hours, typical

Alkaline disposable AA = 27 hours, typical

WARNING: Never recharge alkaline batteries!

handheld microphone operation (cont'd)

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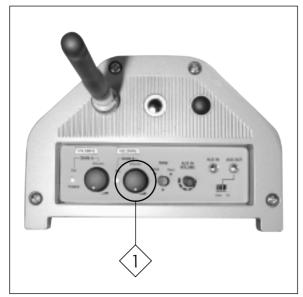
standby mode



Activate standby mode to eliminate white noise when not speaking

4

adjust speaker volume





Adjust volume control for handheld mic

NOTE: Decrease speaker volume if feedback occurs

adding secondary sound sources (optional)

1

connecting speaker to VCR



Connect VCR cable to AUX IN port on top of speaker

2 connecting to Solaris, Easy Listener, or Sprite transmitter

AT0529 AT0532-05

Ant jack Aux In

PE 571T OR PE 300T OR PE 300TS

for rebroadcast of audio to students with hearing impairment

Connect AT0532-05(ft) or AT0532-15 (15ft) cord to Aux input jack of either SOLARIS, EASY LISTENER, or SPRITE transmitter.
Connect other end of cable to AUX OUT port on top

Connect antenna AT0529A-26 (26in) or AT0529A-05 (5in) to Mic/Ant jack on transmitter

of speaker.

Set level switch to:

Low = EASY LISTENER,

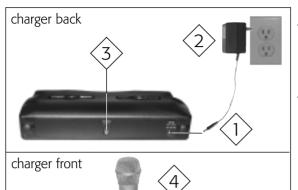
SPRITE 72 or 173MHZ

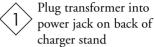
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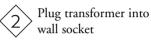
charging stand setup and operation

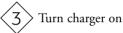
1 place unit

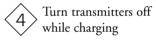
place units in charger











WARNING: Never recharge alkaline batteries!

wait until full charge indicators light (4-5 hours)



PWR:
Red light = charger is
turned on

CHARGING:
Amber light = units are being charged

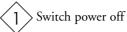
READY:
Green light = units are fully charged

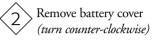
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replacing batteries

handheld mic

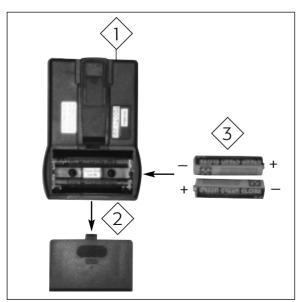


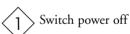


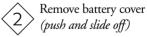


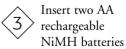
Insert two AA rechargeable NiMH batteries

body-worn transmitter









warranty

time period of warranty

This warranty will go into effect upon the date of purchase and will stay in effect as long as the instrument remains the property of the original owner. ONWAVE™ has a 3-year warranty; VOCALIGHT™ has a 2 year warranty. All other products have a 1 year warranty.

what is covered by this warranty

Any electronic component, which because of workmanship, manufacturing or design defects, fails to function properly under normal use during the life of this warranty will be replaced or repaired at no charge for parts or labor, when returned to the factory service center. Transportation in and out is paid by the customer. If it is determined that repair is not feasible, the entire unit may be replaced with an equivalent unit upon mutual agreement of the manufacturer and customer.

what is not covered by this warranty

This limited warranty does not apply to:

- **1.** Malfunctions resulting from abuse, neglect or accident
- 2. Instruments connected, installed, used or adjusted in any manner contrary to instructions provided by the manufacturer
- 5. Consequential damages and damages resulting from delay or loss of this instrument. The exclusive remedy under this warranty is strictly limited to repair or replacement as herein provided
- 4. Products damaged in transit unless investigated by the shipper and returned to the warrantor with the investigation report
- 5. Peripheral accessories as itemized within the product specification sheet as applicable, when such items are returned within 90 days from original purchase
- **6.** Batteries if applicable

Phonic Ear Inc. reserves the right to make changes in the design or construction of any of its instruments at any time without incurring any obligation to make any changes whatsoever on units previously purchased.

This warranty is in lieu of all other expressed warranties. All expressed and implied warranties will terminate upon the expiration of this written warranty. No representative or person is authorized to represent or assume for us any liability in connection with the sale or use of our products other than as set forth above.

what to do if you have questions

If you have any questions about service, call the service department at **800.227.0735**, **then press 7**.

what to do if you need service

If you require service under the warranty terms, obtain a service order form either online at **www.phonicear**. **com/support.asp** or through our U.S. customer service department at **800.227.0735**, **then press 5** (or +1.707.769.1110 outside the U.S.). Fill the form out completely remembering to include:

- 1. Description of the problem
- 2. Your billing address
- **3.** Your shipping address (if different from billing address)
- 4. Contact name and phone number
- **5.** A P.O. number if the equipment is not under a warranty or service contract

Then, carefully package the equipment in the original shipping container to prevent damage and send it postpaid to the service center near you:

USA/International:

Phonic Ear Inc.

3880 Cypress Drive Petaluma, CA 94954-7600 USA

In Canada:

Phonic Ear Ltd.

10-7475 Kimbel Street Mississauga, Ontario L5S 1E7 Canada

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about your batteries

To ensure that your batteries are as fresh as possible upon arrival, we have intentionally not installed them in your equipment.

install your batteries in your equipment now, then charge overnight before initial use

(see user guide for charging procedure).

avoid battery corrosion

To avoid battery corrosion and damage to your equipment, **do not recharge disposable or rechargeable alkaline batteries.** Before charging any Phonic Ear equipment make sure only NiCad or NiMH rechargeable batteries are installed. As an added precaution, remove batteries if the equipment will not be used for several weeks.

troubleshooting (refer to previous pages for explanatory diagrams)

no FM reception (Channel A, Channel B indicator does not have green light)

- Verify the transmitter is turned on
- Verify the frequency number on the transmitter matches the frequency number on receiver (see page 10)
- · Verify transmitter batteries are charged
- · Verify speaker antenna is connected properly

weak sound from speaker

- Increase volume on the speaker
- Turn up transmitter volume (PE 916T only)
- Make sure AT655RM boom microphone is being worn correctly (see page 9)

speaker is receiving a signal but no sound is coming out

- Verify mute switch on boom microphone is turned off
- · Verify microphone is connected properly to transmitter and is working correctly

feedback from speaker

- Turn down the volume on the transmitter (PE 916T only)
- Turn down the volume on the speaker
- · Make sure the person wearing the transmitter is not too close to the speaker
- Make sure AT600RM boom microphone is being worn correctly
- Adjust tone control to reduce treble

speaker does not turn on (power indicator does not flash red)

- Verify master power switch on the bottom of the unit is turned on
- Verify Channel A and Channel B volume control knobs are turned on
- · Verify transformer is plugged securely into speaker and wall socket
- · Verify wall socket works

speaker battery does not charge

• Connect power transformer to speaker and charge for four hours. If speaker battery does not hold a charge, send the unit to Phonic Ear Service department for replacement (battery must be replaced after one year of continuous use).

poor sound when connecting Solaris, Sprite, or Easy Listener transmitters to the Aux Out

- Check Aux Out is set to the correct level (see page 14)
- Check transmitter antenna is plugged in; reposition antenna
- Turn up volume on auxiliary transmitter
- · Check connection cord

speaker is picking up FM interference or hum

- Check to make sure no other wireless systems are operating on similar frequencies
- Check to make sure the system is not placed too close to a computer
- Check to make sure metal objects are not placed too close to transmitter or speaker (i.e. jewelry, metal shelves)

product specifications

two channel column speaker: PE 915SR

| | • |
|---------------------------|---|
| output power | Max. 36W @ 4Ω x 2 |
| power requirements | 115V/230V AC adaptor 15V DC/2A External DC 12–16V |
| | Battery 12V/2.7A (Battery charger) |
| frequency response | 100 Hz – 12kHz |
| total harmonic distortion | Less than 1% (at rated output) |
| signal-to-noise ratio | >70 dB (at rated output) |
| inputs | AUX x 1, power & charge |
| output | AUX x 1 (Hi: 700 mV/Low: 100mV) |
| controls | Treble/Bass, Channel A, Channel B, Aux Volume, High/Low output, on/off |
| dimensions | 100(w) x 660(h) x 145(d)mm |
| weight | 5kg/11lbs |
| recharging time | 3 hours |
| battery operating time | 5-8 hours (continuous operation) |
| speaker stand | Optional table stand (AT0823), |
| | floor stand (AT0824) or |
| | wall brackets (AT0820) |
| frequencies | See chart in spec sheet |
| de-emphasis | 50µs |
| | |

body-worn transmitter: PE 916T

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|-------------------------|--|
| carrier frequency range | 174MHz to 202MHz (Channel A) |
| | 182MHz to 214MHz (Channel B) |
| emission modulation | FM (F3E) |
| T.H.D. | <0.5% |
| frequency stability | ± 0.005% (at 25° C) |
| operating temperature | -10°C to +50°C |
| maximum modulation | ± 25KHz, with level limiting |
| image rejection | Over 70dB |
| pre-emphasis | 50μs |
| frequency response | 50Hz to 15KHz |
| dynamic range | 100 dB |
| tone squelch | Tone key and noise lock dual squelch |
| operating range | 30-50m (open field) |
| controls | on/standby/off |
| battery life | NiMH rechargeable AA - 20 hrs typical Alkaline disposable AA - 23 hrs typical |

handheld transmitter: PE 917T

| mic | Dynamic microphone |
|--------------------|--|
| antenna | Built-in |
| RF output | 15mW |
| spurious emissions | 45 dBc |
| battery | NiMH rechargeable battery 2AA Alkaline disposable 1.2V x 2 AA |
| battery life | NiMH rechargeable: 23 hrs typical Alkaline disposable: 27 hrs typical |
| dimensions | 54mm (diameter) x 237mm (length) |
| weight | 230g/8.1oz |
| controls | on/standby/off |

charging stand: PE 918C

| power supply | AC adapter (DC 12V/0.5A) |
|----------------------------|--|
| battery | 1.2 V x 2AA type NiCD (700mAh) or NiMH (1300mAh) rechargeable battery |
| charging status indication | LED green battery = OK LED red = recharging |
| recharging time | NiCD (700mA) / 2 hr NiMH (1300mA) / 3-4 hr |
| dimensions | 135(w) x 47(h) x 230(d)mm |
| weight | 360g/12.7oz |
| controls | on/off switch |

AT0655R boom microphone

| microphone | Electret condenser noise cancelling type |
|-----------------|--|
| directionality | Uni-directional type |
| frequency range | 150-10,000 Hz |
| impedance | 2K ohm max. (RL=2.2K ohm) |
| sensitivity | -63dB ± 4dB at 1KHz (0dB=1V/ubar) |
| cord and plug | 2-way plug |
| accessory | windscreen (black) |
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FCC notes

The Radium sound field system is approved by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission). The use of the system may be governed by specific FCC rules and FCC licensing or notifications may be required. Consult your local FCC office for detailed information.

Measuring sound field success in the classroom

If you are interested in other studies on how classroom amplification has positively impacted classrooms you **make copies** and use it as a tool for gaining support and funding for the use of sound field in your school. This sheet contains two surveys – one for teachers and one for students. You may remove this survey, may look online at www.phonicear.com.

| | Agree completely | Agree somewhat | Disagree somewhat | Disagree completely |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Students' focus and attention span has improved | | | | |
| 2. Students stay on task longer with less ongoing direction | | | | |
| 3. Students follow directions with fewer questions | | | | |
| 4. Students are more involved in discussions and group activities | | | | |
| 5. Test scores overall seem to have improved | | | | |

| 6. Behavioral and LD referrals have declined | 7. I feel less fatigued at the end of the day | 8. I experience fewer vocal problems | 9. I would recommend this system to others | 10. I believe the sound field system has been beneficial for everyone | 11. Additional notes, comments, observations: | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|

Student Survey - Do you like your sound field system?

| | Agree completely | Agree somewhat | Disagree somewhat | Disagree completely |
|---|------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. I can hear the teacher better | | | | |
| 2. I can hear the teacher from anywhere in the room | | | | |
| 3. The teacher's instructions are more clear to me | | | | |
| 4. I like to use the microphone | | | | |
| 5. I am learning more | | | | |
| 6. Other students seem to pay more attention to the teacher | | | | |

| 7. Other students make less noise | | |
|---|--|--|
| 8. It's easier for me to pay attention to the teacher | | |
| 9. I am less tired at the end of the day | | |
| 10. My teacher doesn't have to yell anymore | | |
| 11. I would like to have sound field in my classroom next year | | |
| 12. Additional comments: | | |
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