



DJ Lase 400-B Blue DMX showlaser

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1 General information

This manual contains important instructions for the safe operation of the unit. Read and follow the safety instructions and all other instructions. Keep the manual for future reference. Make sure that it is available to all those using the device. If you sell the unit please make sure that the buyer also receives this manual.

Our products are subject to a process of continuous development. Thus, they are subject to change.

1.1 Further information

On our website (www.thomann.de) you will find lots of further information and details on the following points:

Download	This manual is also available as PDF file for you to download.
Keyword search	Use the search function in the electronic version to find the topics of interest for you quickly.
Online guides	Our online guides provide detailed information on technical basics and terms.
Personal consultation	For personal consultation please contact our technical hotline.
Service	If you have any problems with the device the customer service will gladly assist you.

1.2 Notational conventions

This manual uses the following notational conventions:

Letterings

The letterings for connectors and controls are marked by square brackets and italics.

Examples: *[VOLUME]* control, *[Mono]* button.

Displays

Texts and values displayed on the device are marked by quotation marks and italics.

Examples: *'24ch'*, *'OFF'*.

Instructions

The individual steps of an instruction are numbered consecutively. The result of a step is indented and highlighted by an arrow.

Example:

1. ▶ Switch on the device.
2. ▶ Press *[Auto]*.
 - ⇒ Automatic operation is started.
3. ▶ Switch off the device.

Cross-references





References to other locations in this manual are identified by an arrow and the specified page number. In the electronic version of the manual, you can click the cross-reference to jump to the specified location.

Example: See ↗ *'Cross-references'* on page 8.

1.3 Symbols and signal words

In this section you will find an overview of the meaning of symbols and signal words that are used in this manual.

Signal word	Meaning
DANGER!	This combination of symbol and signal word indicates an immediate dangerous situation that will result in death or serious injury if it is not avoided.
WARNING!	This combination of symbol and signal word indicates a possible dangerous situation that can result in death or serious injury if it is not avoided.
NOTICE!	This combination of symbol and signal word indicates a possible dangerous situation that can result in material and environmental damage if it is not avoided.

Warning signs	Type of danger
	Warning – high-voltage.
	Warning – laser radiation.
	Warning – suspended load.
	Warning – danger zone.

2 Safety instructions

Intended use

This device is intended to be used for the projection of laser light effects. It has been designed exclusively for show applications. Use the device only as described in this user manual. Any other use or use under other operating conditions is considered to be improper and may result in personal injury or property damage. No liability will be assumed for damages resulting from improper use.

This device may be used only by persons with sufficient physical, sensorial, and intellectual abilities and having corresponding knowledge and experience. Other persons may use this device only if they are supervised or instructed by a person who is responsible for their safety.

Laser safety basics

Laser safety requirements are based on DIN EN 60825-1:2015. The corresponding accident prevention regulation of the Accident Prevention and Insurance Association in Germany is BGV-B2.

This device contains a class-3B laser. It comes equipped with a safety key and a jack for connecting an external safety switch. Always remove the key when the device is not attended by a trained operator.

As an operator you are responsible for the safety of all persons present. Familiarize yourself with the laser safety regulations that apply in your country. To ensure safe operation, it is important to pay attention to the following instructions.

Prior to commissioning, the company/operator must appoint a qualified person as laser protection officer in writing and notify the operation of the laser equipment to the Accident Prevention and Insurance Association and to the authority responsible for occupational safety. In the event of public use, the complete laser equipment must be approved by an expert prior to commissioning.

Safety**DANGER!****Danger for children**

Ensure that plastic bags, packaging, etc. are disposed of properly and are not within reach of babies and young children. Choking hazard!

Ensure that children do not detach any small parts (e.g. knobs or the like) from the unit. They could swallow the pieces and choke!

Never let children unattended use electrical devices.

**DANGER!****Electric shock caused by high voltages inside**

Within the device there are areas where high voltages may be present. Never remove any covers.

There are no user-serviceable parts inside.

Do not use the device if covers, protectors or optical components are missing or damaged.



DANGER!

Electric shock caused by short-circuit

Always use proper ready-made insulated mains cabling (power cord) with a protective contact plug. Do not modify the mains cable or the plug. Failure to do so could result in electric shock/death or fire. If in doubt, seek advice from a registered electrician.



DANGER!

Laser radiation – avoid exposure to beam

The device contains a class-3B laser, classified according to EN 60825-1:2015. Do not look into the laser beam. The laser beam can injure your eyes when you directly look into it. Do not expose yourself to the laser beam. The laser beam can cause skin burns.

In this context take extreme care when using converging optical instruments.



WARNING!

Eye damage caused by high light intensity

Never look directly into the light source.



WARNING!

Risk of epileptic shock

Strobe lighting can trigger seizures in photosensitive epilepsy. Sensitive persons should avoid looking at strobe lights.



NOTICE!

Laser radiation – risk of fire

Keep the area exposed to laser radiation free from flammable substances.



NOTICE!

Risk of fire

Do not block areas of ventilation. Do not install the device near any direct heat source. Keep the device away from naked flames.



NOTICE!

Operating conditions

This device has been designed for indoor use only. To prevent damage, never expose the device to any liquid or moisture. Avoid direct sunlight, heavy dirt, and strong vibrations.



NOTICE!

Power supply

Before connecting the device, ensure that the input voltage (AC outlet) matches the voltage rating of the device and that the AC outlet is protected by a residual current circuit breaker. Failure to do so could result in damage to the device and possibly injure the user.

Unplug the device before electrical storms occur and when it is unused for long periods of time to reduce the risk of electric shock or fire.



NOTICE!

Possible staining

The plasticiser contained in the rubber feet of this product may possibly react with the coating of your parquet, linoleum, laminate or PVC floor and after some time cause permanent dark stains.

In case of doubt, do not put the rubber feet directly on the floor, but use felt-pad floor protectors or a carpet.

3 Features

This showlaser is specially suited for discos, clubs, bars, small stages, etc. and can be easily integrated into the light show.

Special features of this device:

- Control via DMX (8 channels), via infrared remote control and via buttons and display on the unit
- Built-in automatic show programmes
- Sound control
- Master / slave mode
- 32 different patterns
- Blue laser diode (400 mW)

4 Installation

Unpack and carefully check that there is no transportation damage before using the unit. Keep the equipment packaging. To fully protect the device against vibration, dust and moisture during transportation or storage use the original packaging or your own packaging material suitable for transport or storage, respectively.

You can install the device standing or hanging. When in use, the device must be mounted at a solid surface or clamped to an approved truss.

Work from a stable platform whenever you install or move the device or when you perform any kind of maintenance. Block access under the work area.

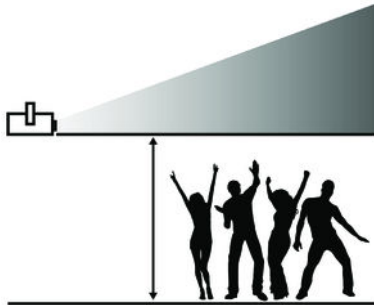
Safety switch (emergency stop)



Connect the external safety switch (not included in scope of delivery) to the connection socket provided on the unit. If you press the switch, the laser beam will be switched off immediately.

Follow the switch manufacturer's safety instructions and the guidelines for intended use.

Minimum height



When installing the unit, observe the specified minimum height to prevent the risk of injury to persons, and observe the limits for maximum exposure of eyes or skin to a laser.

These limits are set depending on the specific ambient conditions in each case and must be determined on site by the laser safety authorised personnel in charge, based on the applicable standard, DIN EN 60825-1.



WARNING!

Risk of injury caused by falling objects

Make sure that the installation complies with the standards and rules that apply in your country. Always secure the device with a secondary safety attachment, such as a safety cable or a safety chain.



DANGER!

Follow the instructions in the chapter titled "Safety Instructions" in the user manual.

To avoid laser emission, remove the safety key before you start to install the device.



WARNING!

Stray laser radiation

Inadequately secured additional components may cause stray laser radiation.

Make sure that all additional components are adequately secured.



NOTICE!

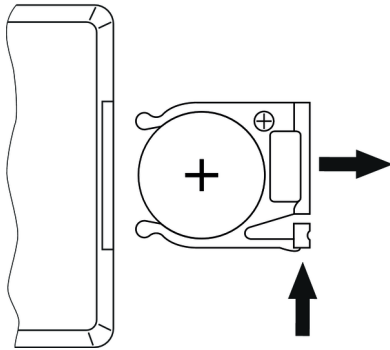
Risk of overheating

The distance between the light output and the illuminated surface must be more than 2.0 m (78.7 in).

Always ensure sufficient ventilation.

The ambient temperature must always be below 40 °C (104 °F).

Inserting the battery into the remote control



Press the lock of the battery holder to the centre of the housing and pull out the battery holder like a drawer. Insert the battery. The battery is correct if the positive pole points to the housing base of the remote control. Slide the battery holder back into the remote until it clicks into place.

When shipping, the battery is already installed in the remote and protected against discharge by a transparent plastic foil. Remove the plastic foil prior to first use.



NOTICE!

Possible damage by leaking batteries

Leaking batteries can cause permanent damage to the device.

Take batteries out of the device if it is not going to be used for a longer period.



NOTICE!

Risk of fire due to incorrect polarity

Incorrectly inserted batteries may destroy the device or the batteries.

Ensure that proper polarity is observed when inserting batteries.

5 Starting up

Create all connections while the device is off. Use the shortest possible high-quality cables for all connections. Take care when running the cables to prevent tripping hazards.



DANGER!

Laser radiation

Follow the instructions in the chapter titled "Safety Instructions" in this manual.



NOTICE!

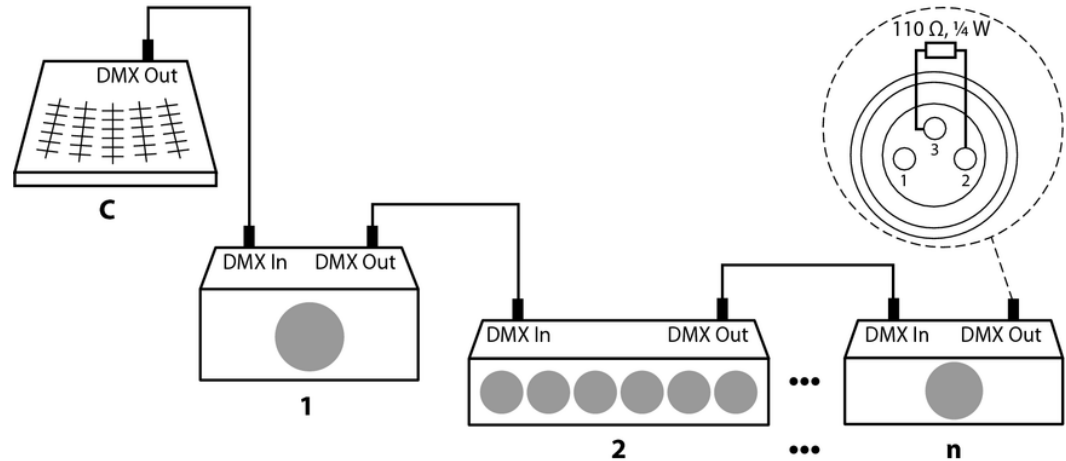
Possible data transmission errors

For error-free operation make use of dedicated DMX cables and do not use ordinary microphone cables.

Never connect the DMX input or output to audio devices such as mixers or amplifiers.

Connections in DMX mode

Connect the DMX input of the device to the DMX output of a DMX controller or another DMX device. Connect the output of the first DMX device to the input of the second one, and so on to form a daisy chain. Always ensure that the output of the last DMX device in the daisy chain is terminated with a resistor ($110\ \Omega$, $\frac{1}{4}\text{ W}$).

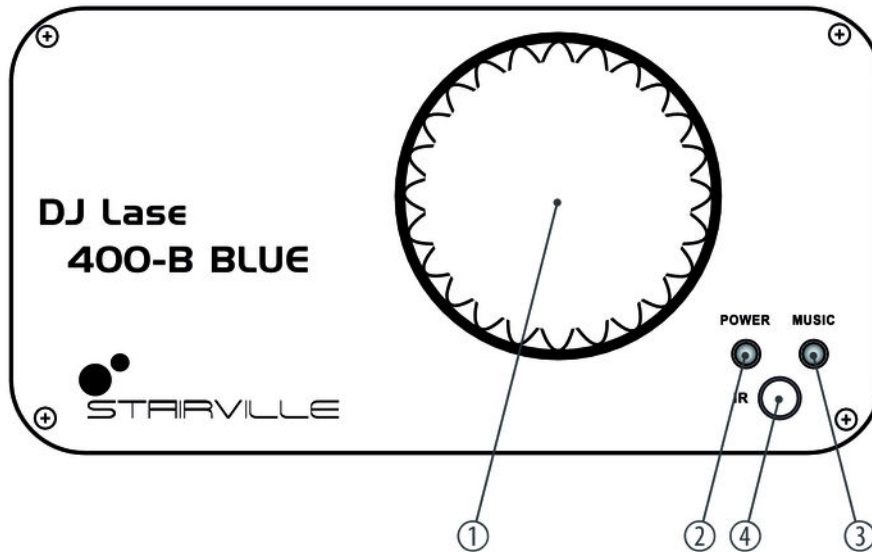


Connections in master/slave mode

When you configure a group of devices in master/slave mode, the first unit will control the other units for an automatic, sound-activated, synchronized show. This function is ideal when you want to start a show immediately. Connect the DMX output of the master device to the DMX input of the first slave device. Then connect the DMX output of the first slave device to the DMX input of the second slave device and so on.

6 Connections and controls

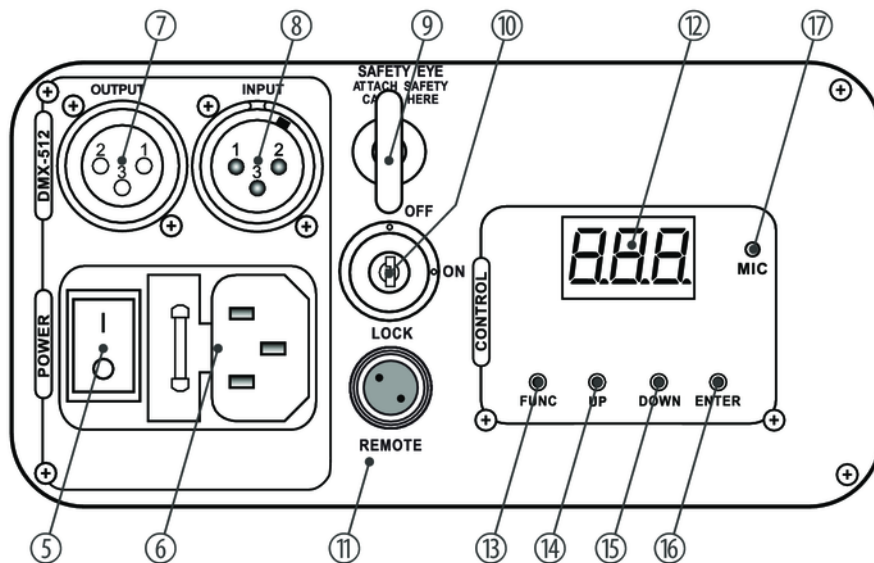
Front panel



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1	Laser aperture
2	POWER Shows that the device is turned on
3	MUSIC Shows that a sound or music signal is being detected. Indicates that a sound signal is received. Lights up briefly on incoming infrared signals from the remote.
4	IR Receiver for the infrared signal of the remote control.

Rear panel

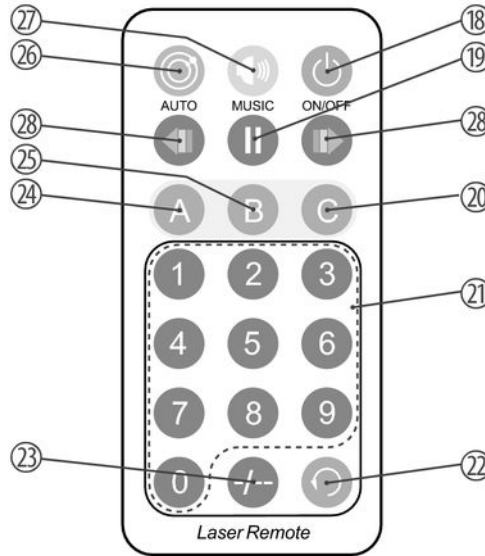


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5	<i>[POWER]</i> Power on/off switch. Switches the device on and off.
6	Plug for mains cable with fuse holder.
7	<i>[OUTPUT]</i> DMX output.
8	<i>[INPUT]</i> DMX input.
9	Safety eyelet.
10	<i>[LOCK]</i> Safety key switch: Turns the laser output on or off.
11	<i>[REMOTE]</i> Jack for connecting an external safety switch (e.g. E-stop button).
12	Display.

13	<i>[FUNC]</i> Opens the main menu.
14	<i>[UP]</i> Increases the displayed value by one.
15	<i>[DOWN]</i> Decreases the displayed value by one.
16	<i>[ENTER]</i> Selects an option of the respective operating mode.
17	<i>[MIC]</i> Microphone used for the sound mode.

Remote control



18	<p><i>[ON/OFF]</i></p> <p>When the device is in the Auto Show mode or is performing a self test, press the button for several seconds to enter the Remote control mode.</p> <p>When the device is already in the Remote control mode, this button switches the laser on or off.</p>
19	<p>Stops or restarts a running show.</p>
20	<p><i>[C]</i></p> <p>To change to the next pattern.</p>
21	<p>Numeric keypad for direct input of values (microphone sensitivity or pattern number). To enter two digit numbers, press the <i>[-/--]</i> key before entering the first and second digit.</p>
22	<p>Starts the automatic change between the last two selected patterns.</p>
23	<p>Press this button before entering two digit numbers.</p>
24	<p><i>[A]</i></p> <p>To change to the previous pattern.</p>

25	<i>[B]</i> To change the sensitivity and thus the response characteristic of the microphone. First, press the <i>[MUSIC]</i> button, then press <i>[B]</i> followed by a button <i>[0]</i> to <i>[9]</i> on the numeric keypad.
26	Starts an automatic show in random order.
27	<i>[MUSIC]</i> Starts a sound-controlled automatic show in random order.
28	No function.

7 Handling

7.1 Starting up the device

Perform the following steps to start the operation:

- 1.** ▶ Verify that all required laser safety precautions have been taken. Make sure that there is no one in the reach of the laser beam.
- 2.** ▶ Connect an external safety switch [*REMOTE*] (11) to the port (e.g. emergency stop) or any other installation using a protection function.
- 3.** ▶ Insert the safety key into the lock (10) and turn it into the 'OFF' position.
- 4.** ▶ If not already connected, connect the device to the mains (6).
- 5.** ▶ Using the main switch (5) turn the device on. After a few seconds, the fan and the motors start to work. The display shows the current operation mode. The device is now operational.
- 6.** ▶ Turn the safety key (9) to the "ON" position to turn the laser beam on.

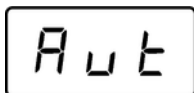
7.2 Main menu

Press *[FUNC]* to activate the main menu and select an operating mode.

When the display flashes, use the *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* buttons to change the displayed value. When the display shows the desired value, press *[ENTER]*. To return to the main menu without any changes, press *[FUNC]* or wait a minute.

All previous settings are retained even when you disconnect the device from the mains.

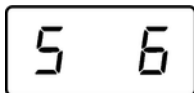
Auto show mode



Press *[FUNC]* until the display shows **Aut**. The device operates in stand-alone mode and displays a pre-programmed show that can optionally be controlled by the built-in microphone. Using the *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* buttons, you can now choose between the show types shown in the table below. Press *[ENTER]* to store the value and to start the operation in Auto-Show mode.

Display	Show
Aut	Automatic show in random order
Sou	Sound controlled automatic show in random order

Responsiveness



Press *[FUNC]* until the display shows **5 6** and starts flashing. In this menu you can adjust the sensitivity and thus the response characteristic of the microphone. Use the *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* buttons to select the settings S 0" (sensitivity = 0, sound-controlled mode off) or S 1 (low sensitivity) to S 9 (high sensitivity). Press *[ENTER]* to store the setting.

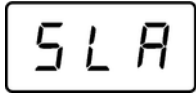
DMX mode



Press *[FUNC]* until the display shows **001**. You can now set the number of the first DMX channel used by the device (DMX address). Use the *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* buttons to select a value between 1 and 505. Press *[ENTER]* to store the value and to start the operation in DMX mode.

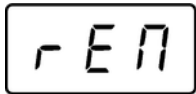
Make sure that this number matches the configuration of your DMX controller.

Master/slave mode



Press *[FUNC]* until the display shows **SLA**. In this mode, the device exactly follows the operation of the master it is connected to. Press *[ENTER]* to confirm and to start the Master/Slave mode.

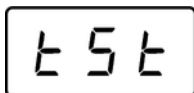
Remote control mode



Press *[FUNC]* until the display shows **REN**. Press *[ENTER]* to confirm and to start operation in 'Remote control' mode.

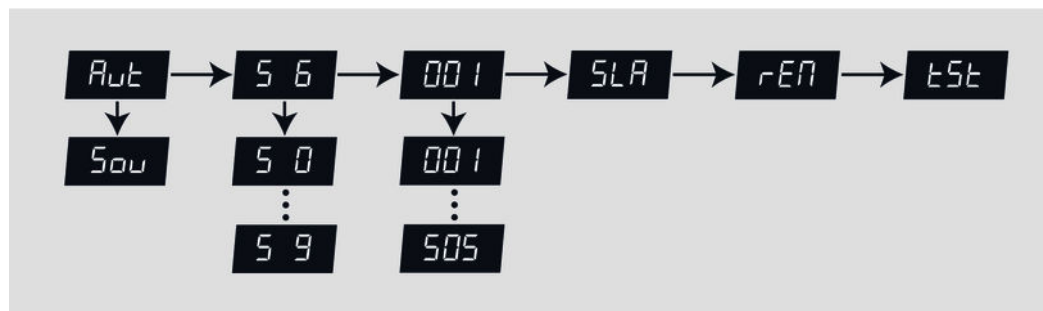
This mode allows you to operate the device conveniently with the infrared remote control. Make sure that the infrared receiver on the front panel of the device is not obstructed.

Selftest



Press **[FUNC]** until the display shows **tSt**. Press **[ENTER]** to start a self test. Press **[FUNC]** again and select another menu item to stop the selftest.

7.3 Menu overview






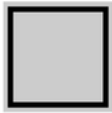

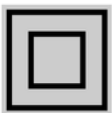










7.4 Functions in 'DMX' mode

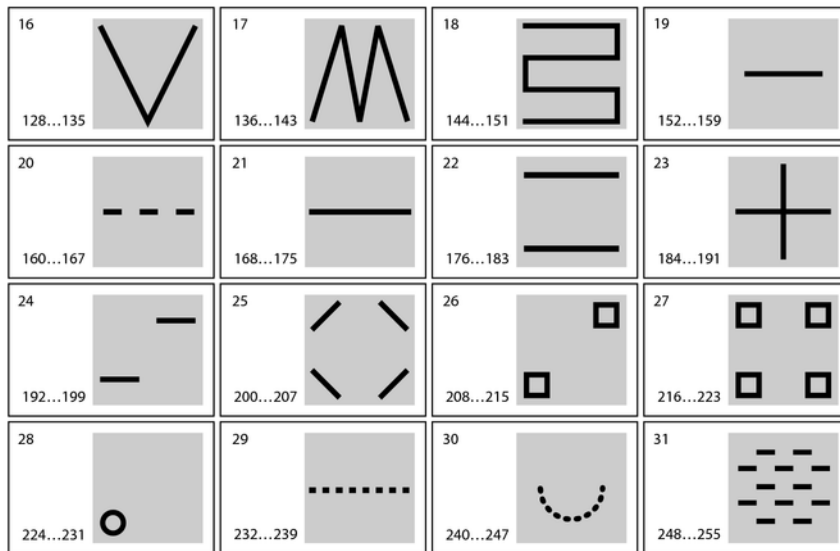
Channel	Value	Function
1	Operating mode selection	
	0...63	Laser off
	64...127	Automatic show in random order
	128...191	Sound controlled automatic Show in random order
	192...255	Operating mode 'DMX': this setting activates the function of the other DMX channels
2	0...255	Pattern selection (↪ Chapter 7.5 'Pattern list' on page 45)
3	Zoom	
	0...127	Fixed zoom
	128...169	Zoom-in effect, increasing speed
	170...209	Zoom-out effect, increasing speed

Channel	Value	Function
	210...255	Alternating zoom effect, increasing speed
4	Rotation around the Y-axis (rolling)	
	0...127	Fixed position of Y-axis (0...359°)
	128...191	Rotation effect clockwise, increasing speed
	192...255	Rotation effect anti-clockwise, increasing speed
5	Rotation around the X-axis (rolling)	
	0...127	Fixed position of X-axis (0...359°)
	128...191	Rotation effect clockwise, increasing speed
	192...255	Rotation effect anti-clockwise, increasing speed
6	Rotation around the Z-axis (rolling)	
	0...127	Fixed position of Z-axis (0...359°)
	128...191	Rotation effect anti-clockwise, increasing speed
	192...255	Rotation effect clockwise, increasing speed

Channel	Value	Function
7	X-axis movement	
	0...127	Fixed positions on X-axis
	128...191	Movement effect clockwise, increasing speed
	192...255	Movement effect anti-clockwise, increasing speed
8	Y-axis movement	
	0...127	Fixed positions on Y-axis
	128...191	Movement effect clockwise, increasing speed
	192...255	Movement effect anti-clockwise, increasing speed

7.5 Pattern list

0 0...7 	1 8...15 	2 16...23 	3 24...31 
4 32...39 	5 40...47 	6 48...55 	7 56...63 
8 64...71 	9 72...79 	10 80...87 	11 88...95 
12 96...103 	13 104...111 	14 112...119 	15 120...127 



7.6 Stop the device

- 1.** ▶ Turn the safety key (10) to the “OFF” position to turn the laser beam off and remove the key. Keep the safety key under control.
- 2.** ▶ Using the main switch (5) turn the device off.
- 3.** ▶ Optionally, disconnect the device from the mains (6).

8 Technical specifications

Laser medium	Blue: 450 nm (typical), LD GaAlAs
Laser power	400 mW
Laser classification acc. to EN 60825-1 2015	3B
Beam diameter at aperture	5 mm
Pulse data	All pulses <4 Hz (> 0.25 s)
Divergence (each beam)	< 2 mrad
Divergence (total light)	< 160°
Number of DMX channels	8
Battery (remote control)	Lithium button cell, CR 2025, 3 V
Power consumption	12 W
Operating supply voltage	100 – 240 V ~ 50/60 Hz
Fuse	5 mm × 20 mm, 1,0 A, 250 V, slow blow

Dimensions (W × D × H)	145 mm × 80 mm × 160 mm
Weight	1.3 kg

9 Plug and connection assignments

Introduction

This chapter will help you select the right cables and plugs to connect your valuable equipment so that a perfect light experience is guaranteed.

Please take our tips, because especially in 'Sound & Light' caution is indicated: Even if a plug fits into a socket, the result of an incorrect connection may be a destroyed DMX controller, a short circuit or 'just' a not working light show!

DMX connections

The unit offers a 3-pin XLR socket for DMX output and a 3-pin XLR plug for DMX input. Please refer to the drawing and table below for the pin assignment of a suitable XLR plug.



Pin	Configuration
1	Ground, shielding
2	Signal inverted (DMX-, 'cold signal')
3	Signal (DMX+, 'hot signal')

10 Troubleshooting

**DANGER!****Laser radiation inside**

Follow the instructions in the chapter titled "Safety Instructions" in this manual.

Only qualified personnel may carry out service work on the (open) device.

Suitable laser protection glasses are required for any activities at the device.

In the following we list a few common problems that may occur during operation. We give you some suggestions for easy troubleshooting:

Symptom	Remedy
Device not working, no light, fan not working.	1. Check the power connection and main fuse.
	2. Check the safety key switch.
	3. Check the external safety switch (e.g. emergency stop).
No response to the DMX controller	1. If the display shows a flashing number, for example "001", no DMX signal is being received. Check the DMX connectors and cables to see if they are properly linked.
	2. If the display does not flash and there is no response, check the address settings and DMX polarity.
	3. Try using another DMX controller.
	4. Check whether the DMX cables run near or parallel to high-voltage cables that may cause damage or interference to the DMX interface circuit.
No response to the remote control	1. Check to see that the unit is in operation mode 'Remote Control'. The display has to show r E n .

Symptom	Remedy
	<p>2. Try using the remote control at a different angle to the IR sensor on the front panel of the device. If the device receives a signal from the remote control the 'MUSIC' lights up briefly.</p> <p>3. Check the remote control battery.</p>

If the procedures recommended above do not succeed, please contact our Service Center. You can find the contact information at www.thomann.de.

11 Cleaning



DANGER!

Laser radiation

Follow the instructions in the chapter titled "Safety Instructions" in this manual.

To avoid laser emission, remove the safety key before you start to clean the device.

Optical lenses

Clean the optical lenses, that are accessible from the outside, regularly in order to optimize the light output. The frequency of cleaning depends on the operating environment: wet, smoky or particularly dirty surroundings can cause more accumulation of dirt on the optics of the device.

- Clean with a soft cloth using our lamp and lens cleaner (item no. 280122).
- Always dry the parts carefully.

12 Protecting the environment

Disposal of the packaging material



For the transport and protective packaging, environmentally friendly materials have been chosen that can be supplied to normal recycling.

Ensure that plastic bags, packaging, etc. are properly disposed of.

Do not just dispose of these materials with your normal household waste, but make sure that they are fed to a recovery. Please follow the notes and markings on the packaging.

Disposal of batteries



Batteries must not be disposed of as domestic waste or thrown into fire. Dispose of the batteries according to national or local regulations regarding hazardous waste. To protect the environment, dispose of empty batteries at your retail store or at appropriate collection sites.

Disposal of your old device



This product is subject to the European Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive (WEEE). Do not dispose with your normal household waste.

Dispose this device through an approved waste disposal firm or through your local waste facility. When discarding the device, comply with the rules and regulations that apply in your country. If in doubt, consult your local waste disposal facility.

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