



Giga Bar Pix 8 UV

LED bar

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1 General information

This user manual contains important information on the safe operation of the device. Read and follow all safety notes and all instructions. Save this manual for future reference. Make sure that it is available to all persons using this device. If you sell the device to another user, be sure that they also receive this manual.

Our products and user manuals are subject to a process of continuous development. We therefore reserve the right to make changes without notice. Please refer to the latest version of the user manual which is ready for download under www.thomann.de.

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'*.

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 – dangerous optical radiation.

Warning signs	Type of danger
 A yellow triangular warning sign with a black border. Inside the triangle, there is a black silhouette of a person standing next to a large, rectangular object that is being lifted or suspended by a crane or hoist.	Warning – suspended load.
 A yellow triangular warning sign with a black border. Inside the triangle, there is a large black exclamation mark.	Warning – danger zone.

2 Safety instructions

Intended use

This device is intended for use as an electronic lighting effect by means of LED technology. The device is designed for professional use only and is not suitable for use in households. 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.



Extend the operating life of the device by regular breaks and by avoiding frequent switching on and off. The device is not suitable for continuous operation.

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.



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!****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. Only operate the device within the ambient conditions specified in the chapter 'Technical specifications' of this user manual. Avoid heavy temperature fluctuations and do not switch the device on immediately after it was exposed to temperature fluctuations (for example after transport at low outside temperatures). Dust and dirt inside can damage the unit. When operated in harmful ambient conditions (dust, smoke, nicotine, fog, etc.), the unit should be maintained by qualified service personnel at regular intervals to prevent overheating and other malfunction.

**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!

Fire hazard due to exceedance of the maximum current

The device can power other devices of identical construction. The current consumption of all other devices connected in series must not exceed the values indicated in the technical specifications. Otherwise you risk injuries and irreparable damages to the device. Only connect so many identical devices that the maximum current consumption is not exceeded. Ensure the sufficient dimensioning (wire cross section) of the power cables used for all devices connected in series.



NOTICE!

Possible damage due to installation of a wrong fuse

The use of different types of fuses can cause serious damage to the unit. Fire hazard! Only fuses of the same type may be used.

3 Features

The LED bar is particularly suitable for professional lighting tasks. It's characterized by low power consumption and long service life.

Special features of the device:

- Ideal as decorative lighting and for special effects
- 144 × LEDs in eight individually controllable segments
- Pure UV light with low blue share
- Flicker-free light thanks to high PWM
- Control via DMX (3 different modes) and via buttons and display on the unit
- Built-in automatic show programmes
- Sound control with adjustable sensitivity
- Master / Slave mode
- Robust metal housing
- Optional mounting bracket (item no. 468331)

For technological reasons, the light output of LEDs decreases over their lifetime. This effect increases with higher operating temperature. You can extend the service life of the illuminants by providing adequate ventilation and operating the LEDs with the lowest possible brightness.

4 Installation

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

Mounting options

You can install the unit in hanging or standing position. When in use, the device must always be attached to a solid surface or an approved truss. Use the openings of the brackets for fixing.

Always work from a stable platform whenever installing, moving or servicing the unit. In doing so, the area underneath the unit must be cordoned off.

The safety rope must be attached to both brackets.



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.



NOTICE!

Risk of overheating

The distance between light output and the illuminated surface must be more than 1.5 m (19.7in).

Provide sufficient ventilation.

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



NOTICE!

Use of stands

When mounting the device onto a stand, ensure that the stand is in a safe and stable position and that the weight of the device does not exceed the maximum permissible load capacity of the stand.



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.



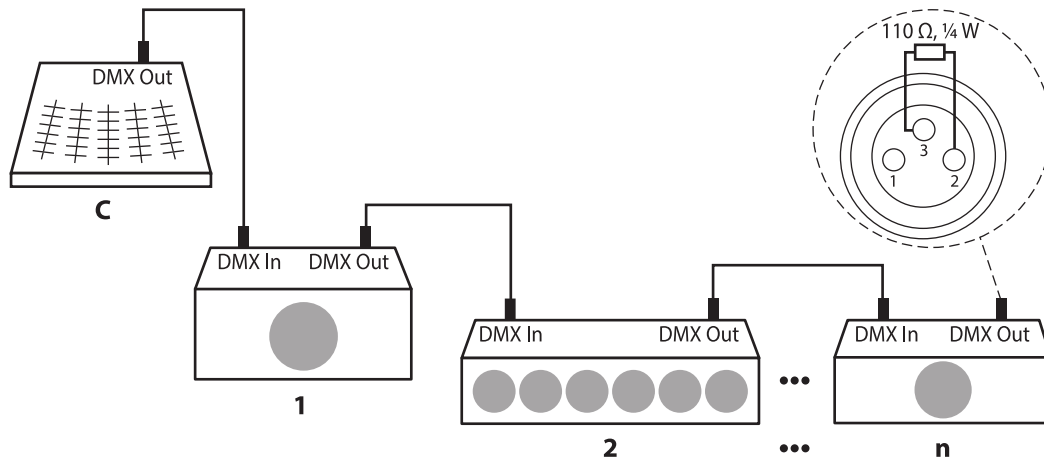
Please note that this device must not be connected to a dimmer.

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.

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 ($110\ \Omega$, $\frac{1}{4}\text{ W}$).



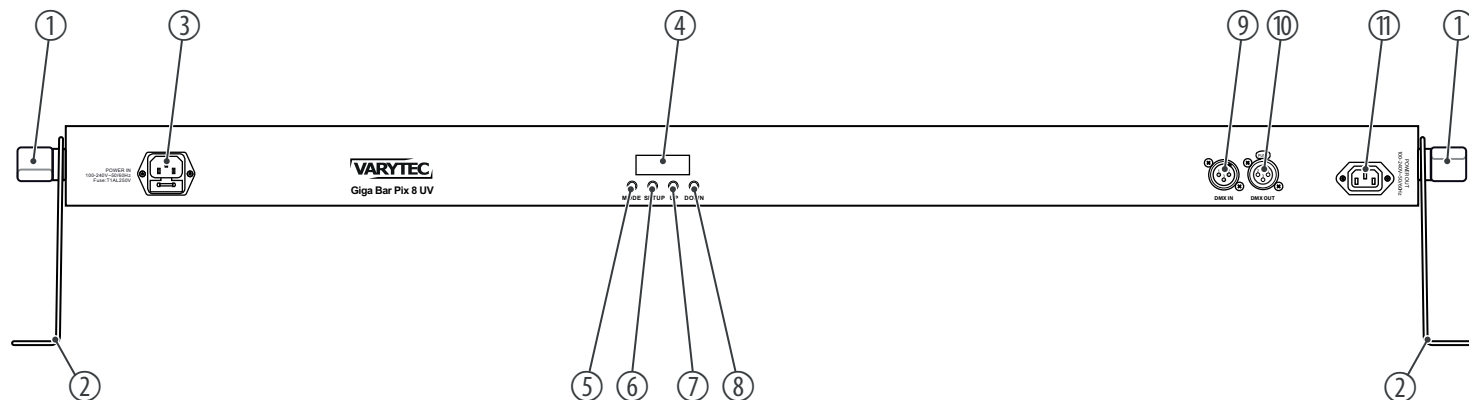
DMX indicator

If the indicator is flashing in the DMX mode, no DMX signal is received. Maybe the DMX controller is not switched on or there is a cabling error. If the indicator lights permanently, the device receives a valid DMX signal.

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



1	Locking screws for the mounting bracket
2	Mounting bracket
3	<i>[POWER IN]</i> IEC chassis plug for operating voltage supply with fuse holder
4	Display
5	<i>[MODE]</i> Activates the main menu and toggles between menu items.
6	<i>[SETUP]</i> Selects an option of the respective operating mode.
7	<i>[UP]</i> Navigates upwards in a menu list. Increases the displayed value by one.
8	<i>[DOWN]</i> Navigates downwards in a menu list. Decreases the displayed value by one.

9	<i>[DMX IN]</i> DMX input
10	<i>[DMX OUT]</i> DMX output
11	<i>[POWER OUT]</i> IEC chassis socket for the power supply cable to the next unit.

7 Operating

7.1 Starting the device

Connect the device to the power supply to start operation. After a few seconds, the display indicates that a reset is in progress. The device is then ready for use.

7.2 Main menu

Press *[MODE]* to activate the main menu and select an operating mode. Use *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* to change the respectively indicated value. When the display shows the desired value press *[MODE]*.

If you don't press any button for about 30 seconds, the current setting will be automatically applied and the display turns off. The set values are retained as long as the device is connected to the mains power supply.

Operating mode 'Automatic'

Automatic operation can only be activated when the unit is operating in stand alone mode or as master in a master / slave combination. This setting is only relevant if the device is not controlled via DMX.

Press *[MODE]* repeatedly until the display shows 'Auto'.

To adjust the speed of the automatic mode, press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'SPxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'SP01' (slow) and 'SP99' (fast) as well as 'SPFL' (flash effect).

To adjust the strobe frequency of the automatic mode, press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'FSxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'SPFS00' (slow) and 'FS99' (fast).

To adjust the fade speed of the automatic mode, press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'Fdxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'Fd00' (slow) and 'Fd99' (fast).

Wait about 30 seconds until the display turns dark. Then the settings have been applied. To return to the parent menu without making changes, press *[MODE]*.

DMX address

This setting is only relevant when the device is controlled via DMX.

Press *[MODE]* repeatedly until the display shows 'dxxx'.

Now you can set the number of the first DMX channel to be used by the device (DMX address). Use *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* to select a value between 1 and 512 (the display shows 'd001' ... 'd512').

Make sure that this number matches the configuration of your DMX controller. The following table shows the highest possible first DMX address for the various DMX modes.

Mode	Highest possible DMX address
2-channel	511
8-channel	505
10-channel	503

Wait about 30 seconds until the display turns dark. Then the settings have been applied. To return to the parent menu without making changes, press *[MODE]*.

DMX mode

This setting is only relevant when the device is controlled via DMX.

Press *[MODE]* repeatedly until the display shows 'dxxx'. Press *[SETUP]*. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select one of the following DMX operating modes:

- '2-ch' (two channels)
- '8-ch' (eight channels)
- '10-ch' (ten channels)

Wait about 30 seconds until the display turns dark. Then the settings have been applied. To return to the parent menu without making changes, press *[MODE]*.

Operating mode 'Slave'

This setting is only relevant if the device is serving as Slave in a Master / Slave configuration and is not controlled via DMX.

Press *[MODE]* repeatedly until the display shows 'SLAV'.

Wait about 30 seconds until the display turns dark. Then the settings have been applied. To return to the parent menu without making changes, press *[MODE]*.

Sound control and microphone sensitivity

A sound controlled automatic show can only be activated when the unit is operating in stand alone mode or as master in a master / slave combination. This setting is only relevant if the device is not controlled via DMX.

Press *[MODE]* repeatedly until the display shows 'SUxx'. This activates a sound controlled automatic show.

Now you can adjust the sensitivity of the built-in microphone for sound control. Use *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* to select a value between 0 (low sensitivity) and 31 (high sensitivity), the display shows 'SU00' ... 'SU31'.

Wait about 30 seconds until the display turns dark. Then the settings have been applied. To return to the parent menu without making changes, press *[MODE]*.

Dimmer

The dimmer can only be activated when the unit is operating in stand alone mode or as master in a master / slave combination. This setting is only relevant if the device is not controlled via DMX.

Press *[MODE]* repeatedly until the display shows 'DIMR'. This activates the dimmer.

To adjust the brightness, press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'Uxxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'U000' (dark) and 'U255' (bright).

Now you can set the flash rate of the dimmer. Press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'FSxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'SPFS00' (slow) and 'FS99' (fast).

Wait about 30 seconds until the display turns dark. Then the settings have been applied. To return to the parent menu without making changes, press *[MODE]*.

Operating mode 'Built-in automatic show'

A built-in automatic show can only be activated when the unit is operating in stand-alone mode or as master in a master / slave combination. This setting is only relevant if the device is not controlled via DMX.

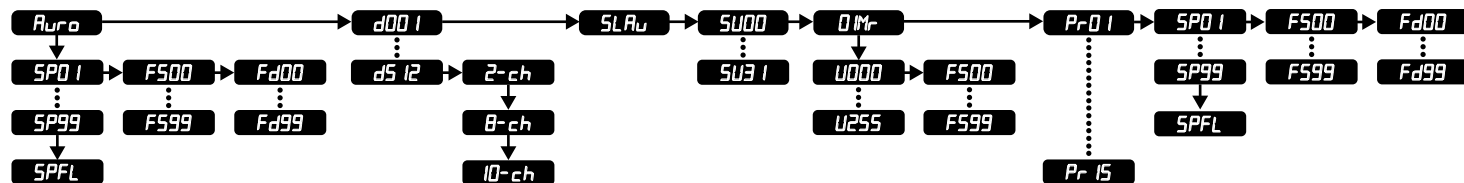
Press *[MODE]* repeatedly until the display shows 'Prxx'. Now you can select one of the preprogrammed automatic shows. Use *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* to select a value between 'Pr01' and 'Pr15'.

To adjust the speed of the selected automatic show, press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'SPxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'SP01' (slow) and 'SP99' (fast) or 'SPFL' (maximum).

To adjust the strobe frequency, press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'FSxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'SPFS00' (slow) and 'FS99' (fast).

To adjust the fade speed of the selected automatic show, press *[SETUP]* repeatedly until the display shows 'Fdxx'. With *[UP]* and *[DOWN]* you can now select a value between 'Fd00' (slow) and 'Fd99' (fast).

Wait about 30 seconds until the display turns dark. Then the settings have been applied. To return to the parent menu without making changes, press *[MODE]*.



7.4 Functions in 2-channel DMX mode

Channel	Value	Function
1	0...255	Dimmer (0 % to 100 %), for all LEDs
2	0...255	Strobe effect, increasing speed

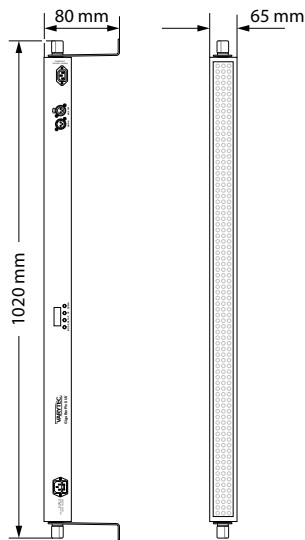
7.5 Functions in 8-channel DMX mode

Channel	Value	Function
1	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 1. Segment
2	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 2. Segment
3	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 3. Segment
4	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 4. Segment
5	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 5. Segment
6	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 6. Segment
7	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 7. Segment
8	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 8. Segment

7.6 Functions in 10-channel DMX mode

Channel	Value	Function
1	0...255	Dimmer (0 % to 100 %), for all LEDs
2	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 1. Segment
3	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 2. Segment
4	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 3. Segment
5	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 4. Segment
6	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 5. Segment
7	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 6. Segment
8	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 7. Segment
9	0...255	Dimmer (0 % bis 100 %) of the LEDs in the 8. Segment
10	0...255	Strobe effect, increasing speed

8 Technical specifications



Light source		144 × SMD-5050-UV-LED (18 LEDs in eight individually control- lable segments)
Light source properties	Wave length	395 nm
Optical properties	Beam angle	30°
Control		DMX, buttons and display on the unit
Number of DMX channels		2, 8 or 10
Input connections	Voltage supply	IEC chassis plug C14
	DMX control	XLR chassis plug, 3-pin
Output connections	Voltage supply	IEC chassis plug C14
	DMX control	XLR chassis socket, 3-pin
Power consumption		25 W

Operating supply voltage		100 - 240 V ~ 50/60 Hz
Fuse		5 mm × 20 mm, 1 A, 250 V, slow-blow
Protection class		IP20
Mounting options		hanging, standing
Dimensions (W × H × D)		1020 mm × 80 mm × 65 mm
Weight		1.5 kg
Ambient conditions	Temperature range	0 °C...40 °C
	Relative humidity	20 %...80 % (non-condensing)

Further information

Outdoor capable	No
Colour mixture	UV
LED type	SMD
Fanless	Yes
Remote control	Not possible
Wireless DMX	No
Housing colour	black
LEDs individually controllable	No

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



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.

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

Symptom	Remedy
The unit does not work, no light	Check the mains connection and the main fuse.
No response to the DMX controller	1. When the display flashes, e.g. 'd001', no valid DMX signal is received. Check whether the DMX controller is switched on. Check the DMX connectors and cables for proper connection. 2. If the display is not flashing but there is still no response, check the address settings and the 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 a DMX interface circuit.

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

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 collected for recycling. Please follow the notes and markings on the packaging.

Disposal of your old device



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

Dispose of 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.

