



## **TA-168BT**

CD Player/ USB Control/ Bluetooth A2DP/ AUX In PLAYER FM/AM TUNER

Operating Instructions







## **Safety Information**

Thank you for purchasing this product. Please read through these operating instructions so you will know how to operate your model properly. After you have finished reading the instructions, keep this manual in a safe place for future reference.

#### **PRECAUTIONS**

- Use only in a 12-volt DC negative-ground electrical system.
- Disconnect the vehicle's negative battery terminal while mounting and connecting the unit.
- When replacing the fuse, be sure to use one with an identical amperage rating.
   Using a fuse with a higher amperage rating may cause serious damage to the unit.
- DO NOT attempt to disassemble the unit.
   Laser beams from the optical pickup are dangerous to the eyes.
- Make sure those pins or other objects do not get inside the unit, they may cause malfunctions, or create safety hazards such as electrical shock or laser beam exposure.
- If you have parked the car for a long time in hot or cold weather, wait until the temperature in the car become normal before operating the unit.
- Keep the volume at a level at which you can hear outside warning sounds (horns sirens, etc.).
- Stop the car before performing any complicated operation.

#### **CD NOTES**

- Playing a defective or dusty CD can cause dropouts in sound.
- Handle the disc by holding its inner and outer edges. Do not touch the surface of the unlabeled side of the disc.
- · Do not touch the unlabeled side.
- Do not attach any seal, label or data protection sheet to either side of a disc.
- Do not expose a CD to direct sunlight or excessive heat.
- Wipe a dirty CD from the center outward with a cleaning cloth.
- Never use solvents such as benzine or alcohol.
- This unit can not play 3-inch (8cm) CDs.
   Never insert a 3-inch CD contained in the adapter or an irregularly shaped CD. The unit may not be able to eject it, resulting in a malfunction.
- ★In addition to ordinary CDs, this unit can play back a CD-R/CD-RW/MP3/UDF/CD-TEXT.

#### **CAUTION**

Please power off this unit at once and send it back to the after-sales service center or the dealer /distributor you purchased from if one of the following symptoms is found:

- (1) Water or other obstacle enters the unit;
- (2) Smoking;
- (3) Peculiar smell.

### **Contents**

To provide a clear demonstration and an alternative for easy understanding of the operation of this unit, graphic illustration was used. However, this illustration is not necessary printed as the actual image found on the unit.

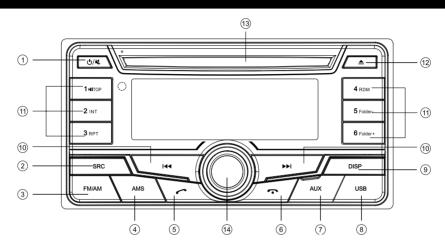








## **Panel Controls**





- Mute
- Power off (Press & Hold)

#### 2. **SRC**

- Disc (When disc is in)
- USB (When USB connected)
- AUX In
- A2DP (When Bluetooth connected)
- 3. Band Select
- Radio mode, scan preset stations,
   Press & Hold to search and store strongest
   stations in the memory automatically.
  - MP3 search
- Accept Call & Redial recent contact (Press & Hold)

- Decline Call/End Call/Disconnect (Press & hold)
- 7. AUX in 3.5mm Jack
- 8. USB A-type port
- 9. Display switch
- 10. Auto Seek/Manual Seek (Press & Hold)

#### 11. Disc playback

Button 1: - Play/pause

- Press & Hold to play the first track of the source audio files.

Button 2: - Play intro 10 seconds

Button 3: - Repeat track

Button 4: - Random track

Button 5: - Folder down search

- MP3 track -10 down

Button 6: - Folder up search

- MP3 track +10 up

Button 1-6 Preset:

- Press to tune in a preset station
- Press & Hold to store station.
- 12. Eject Disc button
- 13. Disc Slot
- 14. Rotate to adjust volume
  - Push to select EQ/BALANCE/FADER/ LOUD

Rotate the knob to adjust level.

- Press & Hold to enter mode menu

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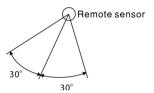


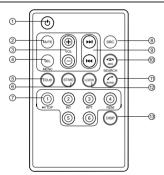
### **Remote Controls**

#### Operating range

Point the remote control unit to the remote sensor when you operate with it.

The remote control can operate within a distance of 3~5m.





- 1. Power on/off
- 2. Mute
- 3. Volume
- Press to select VOLUME/BASS/ TREBLE/BALANCE/FADER, use volume button to adjust level.
- Press for more than 2 seconds to menu function.

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- 6. FM stereo/mono
- 7. CD playback

Button 1: Press briefly for Play/Pause function. Press for more than 2 seconds if you want to start playback from the beginning of the first track of your disc.

Button 2: Intro play (10 sec.)

Button 3: Track repeat play

Button 4: Track random play

Button 5: - Previous folder

- MP3 track -10 down (long press)

Button 6: - Next folder

- MP3 track +10 up (long press)

- 1-6 Button: Radio preset
   Press to listen to a preset station.
   Hold more than 2 seconds to store station.
- 8. Radio
  - Disc play (when disc inserted)
  - USB (when USB inserted)
  - AUX-in
- 9. Radio tune
  - To fast search within a track/skip to next or previous track
- 10.- AMS

Radio auto preset/Radio preset scan

- MP3 track/file/character search
- BT mode Reject / Terminate call
- 11.- Band switch:

FM1->FM2->FM3->AM1->AM2

- BT mode Redial / Receive / Transfer call
- 12.- Radio local/distant
- 13.- Display switch

## Replacing the lithium battery of remote control unit.

When the operation range of the card remote control becomes short or no properly, replace the lithium battery with a new one. Make sure the battery polarity replacement is correct.

- Pull out the battery holder while pressing the stopper.
- Insert the button-type lithium battery with the(+) mark facing upward. Insert the battery holder into the remote control.



#### WARNING:

- Store the battery where children cannot reach. If a child accidentally swallows the battery, consult a doctor immediately.
- Do not recharge, short, disassemble or heat the battery or dispose it in a fire. Otherwise, the battery may start to give off heat, crack or catch fire.
- Do not leave the battery with other metallic materials. Otherwise, the battery may start to give off heat, crack or catch fire.
- When throwing away or saving the battery, wrap it in tape and insulate.
   Otherwise, the battery may start to give off heat, crack or catch fire.











## **General Operation**

#### Power On/Off Button

Press the ヴ/ダ button to turn the unit on when the vehicle ignition switch is on. Press and hold the button to turn the unit off.

#### **Mode Button (SRC)**

Press the SRC button to change between Radio, Disc (disc inserted), USB (plug in), BT A2DP (when paired), and AUX IN.

#### **Adjust Volume level**

Rotate the knob to adjust volume level. Rotate it clockwise to increase and counter clockwise to decrease the volume.

#### **Audio Mute**

Press the ひ/ダ button to mute the volume from the system. "MUTE" will appear on the display panel and the volume will be muted. Press the ひ/ダ button again, or rotate to return the volume level to the setting in use before the Mute function was activated.

#### **Auto Brightness Control**

To avoid the display being too bright at night time, if the headlight cable is connected to ILLUMI, turning on the headlight will dim the backlight of the LCD and vice versa.

#### **Auxiliary Input**

To access an auxiliary device:

- Connect the portable audio player to the AUX interface on the front panel of the unit.
- Press the SRC button to select Aux-In mode.

Press SRC again to cancel Aux-In mode and go to the next mode.

#### **Display Selector (DISP)**

Press the DISP to display clock within 5 seconds. Press & Hold the DISP button to edit the time. First appear to set is hour mode, rotate the volume knob to select and push button to save and go to next time setting. Press again the volume knob to save set time.

## **Sound Setting**

Press the [VOL] knob to enter sound effect setting mode. First press shows current EQ. Rotate the knob to changes BEAT EQ in this order:

EQ OFF <-> POP -> CLASSIC -> ROCK -> JAZZ -> USER

On the user mode press the knob to select it including: BAS-G -> MID-G -> TRE-G , rotate the knob to select a value.

BAS-G : (-7)- (+7) MID-G: (-7)- (+7) TRE-G: (-7)- (+7)

Press the **[VOL]** knob to select preset including:

BALANCE -> FADER -> LOUD, rotate the knob to select a value.

BALANCE:LEFT 1-7->CENTER->RIGHT 1-7
FADER:FRONT 1-7->CENTER->REAR 1-7
LOUD: ON / OFF







## **Tuner Operation**

#### FM/AM Band

During radio play, press the FM/AM button to choose between three FM and two AM bands. The indication "AM" or "FM" appears on the display panel according to your selection.

#### **Up Tuning**

Long press [>>|] button to turn on "MANU ON", then press the seek up [>>|] button to tune stations upward step-by-step. Press and hold the seek up [>>|] button to scan the next frequency fast.

If there no seek operation within 5 seconds, it will auto turn to "MANU OFF", then press [>>|] button is go to search next stations automatically.

#### **Down Tuning**

Long press [|<<] button to turn on "MANU ON", then press the seek down [|<<] button to tune stations downward step-by-step. Press and hold the seek down [|<<] button to scan the previous frequency fast.

If there no seek operation within 5 seconds, it will auto turn to "MANU OFF", then press [[<<] button is go to search previous stations automatically.

#### **Auto Memory Store**

Press the AMS button to scan preset stations 1-6. Hold it to automatically select six strong stations and store them in the current band. The new stations replace stations already stored in that band.







## **CD Player Operation**

#### **Inserting a Disc**

With the label surface facing up, fully insert a compact disc into the disc slot until the mechanism engages and pulls the disc in. Play will automatically begin from the first track on the disc.

NOTE: The unit is designed for play of standard 5" (12 cm.) compact discs only. Do not attempt to use 3" (8 cm.) CD singles in this unit, either with or without an adaptor, as damage to the player and/or the disc may occur.

#### **Disc Eject Button**

Press the eject button to stop disc play and eject the disc. The unit will revert to radio operation. Discs may be ejected with the vehicle ignition switch on. If an ejected disc is not removed from the disc slot within 16 seconds of being ejected, the disc will be reinserted automatically.

NOTE: To prevent a disc from accidentally being damaged, always remove the disc from the unit when disc play is finished.

#### **CD Play/Pause Selector**

Press the 1 / | | button to freeze disc playback.

Press 1 / | again to resume disc playback.

#### Seek Up/Next Track

Press the next track >>| button during disc play to select the beginning of the next track.

#### **Seek Down/Previous Track**

Press the previous track |<< button during disc play to select the beginning of the current track.

#### Fast Rewind / Fast Forward

High-speed audible search to any section of the disc can be made by the Cue and Review functions. Press and hold the next track >>| button to advance rapidly in the forward direction or the previous track |<< button to advance rapidly in the backward direction.

#### Scan Play Selector

During disc play, press the **2/INT** button to select "INT ON" and play the first 10 seconds of each track. When a desired track is reached, press the **2/INT** button to select "INT OFF" and play the current track.

#### **Track Repeat Play Select**

During disc play, press the **3/RPT** button to select "RPT ON" and repeatedly play the selected track. Press RPT again to select "RPT FOLD" and repeatedly play all tracks in the

current folder. Repeat play will continue until RPT is pressed to select "RPT OFF".

### **Random Play Select**

During disc play, press the **4/RDM** button to select "RDM ON" and play all tracks on the disc in random, shuffled order. Press RDM again to select "RDM OFF" and cancel Random Play mode.







## **Playing MP3/WMA Files**

#### **Display Information**

During playback, ID3 tag information display scrolling on the screen: FOLDER, FILE, ALBUM, TITLE, ARTIST and Track Number/ Elapsed Time.

#### Folder Up/Down

Press the 5/Folder- button to go to the previous folder. Press the 6/Folder+ button to go to the next folder.

#### **Direct Song/File Access**

- Press the AMS button once and press the knob to enable direct track searching.
- Rotate the knob to select a digit at the units position.
- Press the knob to confirm entry and the tens digit will flash.
- 4. Rotate the knob to select the tens digit, long press the knob to play the selected song/file.
- Repeat above steps to enter the hundreds and thousands digit, if necessary.
   NOTE: The unit will only allow the selection of digits that correspond with the number of files on the media you are searching.
- Once the track number appears on the screen, press the knob to play the selected song/file.

#### Searching Folders/Files

 Press the AMS button twice and press the knob to access the "FILE SCH" option.

- Rotate the knob to select the desired directory/song.
- 3. Press the knob to view the files inside the selected directory.
- 4. Rotate the knob to select the song/file. Press the knob to play the selected song/file.

#### MP3 Overview

- MP3 is short for MPEG Audio Layer 3 and refers to an audio compression technology standard.
- This product allows playback of MP3 files on CD-R or CD-RW discs.
- The unit can read MP3 files written in the format compliant with ISO 9660. However it does not support the MP3 data written by the method of packet write.
- The unit can not read an MP3 file that has a file extension other than ".mp3".
- If you play a non-MP3 file that has the ".mp3" extension, you may hear some noise.
- In this manual, we refer to what are called "MP3 file" and "folder" in PC terminology as "Track" and "Album", respectively.
- Maximum number of directory level is 8, including the root directory. Maximum number of files and folders per disc is 256.
- The unit may not play tracks in the order of track numbers.
- The unit plays only the audio tracks if a disc contains both audio tracks and MP3 files.
- When playing a disc of 8kbps or VBR\*, the elapsed playing time in the display window will not be correct and also the scan play may

not function properly.
\*VBR: Variable Bit Bate.

# Note on creating your own CD-Rs or CD-RWs containing MP3 files

- To enjoy high quality sound, we recommend converting to MP3 files with a sampling frequency of 44.1 kHz and a fixed bit rate of 128 kbps.
- DO NOT store more than 256 MP3 files per disc.
- For ISO 9660-compliant format, the maximum allowable depth of nested folders is 8, including the root directory(folder).
- When CD-R disc is used, playback is possible only for discs which have been finalized.
- Make sure that when MP3 CD-R is burned that it is formatted as a data disc and NOT as an audio disc.
- You should not write non-MP3 files or unneeded folders along with MP3 files on the CD-R otherwise it takes a long time until the unit starts to play MP3 files.
- With some CD-R media, data may not be properly written depending on their manufacturing quality. In this case, data may not be reproduced correctly. High quality CD-R disc is recommended.
- Up to 16 characters are displayed for the name of an Album or a Track. ID3 TAG version 1.x is required.
- Note that the unit may not play tracks in the order that you wrote them to the disc.







## **System Menu**

Press and hold the knob more than 2 seconds to enter menu mode, then each press changes the mode as follows:

#### 12/24 HOUR

Rotate the knob to select 12 or 24 HOUR time format.

#### **AUTO CON (BT mode)**

Rotate the knob to choose autoconnect ON or OFF.

\* The factory default setting is "ON".

#### DX/LO (RADIO mode)

Rotate the knob to choose radio local or distant at RADIO mode.

- LO: Only stations with strong signal can be received.
- DX: Stations with strong and weak signals can be received.

#### **VOL LAST ON/OFF**

VOL LAST ON: Turn on the unit, VOL is the last time setting.

VOL LAST OFF: Turn on the unit, VOL is the default setting.

#### **SCROLL ON/OFF**

Rotate the knob to choose SCROLL ON or OFF. When SCROLL is ON, the LCD will display ID3

TAG information cyclely.

When SCROLL is OFF, the LCD just display the track number and play time.

#### **BEEP ON/OFF**

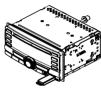
Rotate the knob to choose button beep sound ON or OFF.

#### ST/MONO (RADIO mode)

Rotate the knob to choose FM Stereo or Mono.

## **USB MP3 Playback**

- Loading USB device Insert the USB to the unit, USB source will show up in the screen and the songs will automatically play.
- Removing the USB device
   Press the SRC button to switch to other
   source and quit the USB mode. Remove the
   USB, then push the cap back.



#### **USB Notes**

USB functions (flash memory type) MP3 music play

- (1) USB flash memory 2 in 1 support
- (2) Fat 12 / fat 16 / fat 32 is possible
- (3) File name: 32 byte / dir name: 32 byte / tag name: 32 byte
- (4) Tag (ID3 tag ver 2.0)
  - title / artist / album : 32 byte support
- (5) USB 1.1 supportUSB 2.0 support (It can not support USB 2.0 speed. Just, get be same speed with USB1.1)
- (6) Not all kinds of USB devices are compatible with the unit.
- (7) This unit can read USB storage device up to 16GB. it also support 32GB and 64GB, depends on the compatibility of USB to the unit.











## **Bluetooth Operation**

#### Note:

For your safety, avoid talking on the phone as much as possible while driving.

Bluetooth is a wireless transmission way for short distance. The built-in Bluetooth can connect with the mobile phones having Bluetooth function.

After connecting, you can control your mobile phone through the unit.

#### **Pairing**

Use this function to establish a connection between the unit and your mobile Bluetooth enabled device.

- 1. Turn on the unit.
- Turn on Bluetooth function of your mobile Bluetooth enabled phone, keep phone within 3 meters to the unit and start to search for Bluetooth devices.
- A name "Domain" will appear on a list of Bluetooth search device. Choose the device "Domain" and confirmed the passkey that will automatically appear on your device. Bluetooth pairing will process automatically. Some mobile phones may instruct you to select connect or disconnect, please select connecting.

#### **Exit Pair**

After pair successfully, if you want to disconnect, press and hold [-] button to disconnect Bluetooth connection.

#### Redial

- Press SRC button to select BT MUSIC mode.
- Press [ ] button to redial last time you call number.
- 3. Press [ ] button to hang up.

#### Receive

- After pair successfully, if there is a call incoming, the unit switch to BT mode automatically.
- 2. Press [ ] button to receive.
- 3. Press [ ] button to hang up.

#### **Call Transfer**

During talking, press [ ] button to transfer audio from the unit to your mobile phone. Long press [ ] button to disconnect the BT link.

### Note:

Some mobile phones will transfer audio from the unit to themselves once the incoming call is answered.

#### **BT Audio**

To listen to audio from a bluetooth device and control playback with the unit.

- Press SRC button repeatedly to select BT MUSIC mode.
- 2. To play or pause, press 1 / ►II TOP.

# Music Mode

A2DP is short for Advanced Audio Distribution Profile. The mobile phones supporting this function can transmit stereo audio, whereas the ones not supporting this function can transmit mono audio only.

#### **General Notes for Bluetooth**

 For some types of mobile phones, during our test, after the mobile phones appear connection successful, the unit still appear waiting for pairing. At this time you must find the unit's Bluetooth module name "Domain" on the pairing list on your mobile phone and select connecting in the submenu, then the unit will appear CONNECT. Otherwise, there is no voice coming out when communicating, though the mobile phone has already displayed CONNECT. Some mobile phones, when







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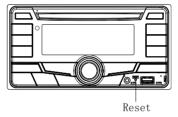
it play back A2DP, you must find the unit name in the phone's menu and reconnect (check your mobile phone whether has the A2DP & AVRCP functions).

- When pairing, some types of mobile phone hint that how to operate, for example, when you make a phone call by the unit, if the mobile phone voice dosn't be transferred to the unit, no voice comes out.
- 3. Depending on the mobile phone, if private mode is selected, when you make a phone call by the unit, or receive, the voice would be transferred to the mobile phone. But sometime the Bluetooth maybe disconnect till the communication ends, then connects your mobile phone to the unit automtically. Some mobile phones maybe need pair again.
- For mobile phone, the Bluetooth device name must be primary symbols or numbers.
   Otherwise, some unpredictable issues may occur during the Bluetooth devices connecting and making phone call.
- After CONNECT, if no sound produced, please check whether the Bluetooth stereo audio on the phone switched ON.

#### Reset

Press the RESET button with a pointed object to reset the unit to the original status.

Note: Press the RESET button will erase the clock setting and stored stations.



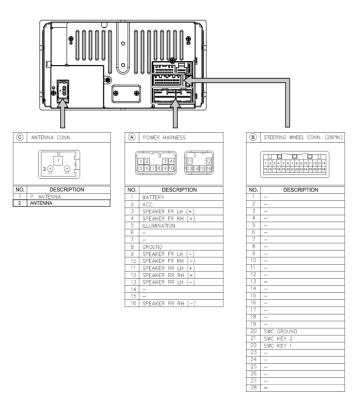






## **Electrical Connections**

## **Wiring Diagram**













## **Troubleshooting**

The following checklist can help you solve some problems which you may encounter when using the unit. Before consulting it, check the connections and follow the instructions in the user manual. Do not use the unit in abnormal condition, for example without sound, or with smoke or foul smell can cause fire or electric shock, immediately stop using it and call the store where you purchased it.

Problem	Possible cause	Solution		
General				
The unit will not switch on.	Car ignition is not on. Cable is not properly connected. Fuse is burnt.	Turn your car key in the ignition. Check cable connection. Replace fuse with a new fuse of the same capacity.		
No sound	Volume is set at minimum or the mute function is on.	Check the volume or switch the mute function off.		
The unit or screen does not work normally.	The unit system is unstable.	Press the RESET button.		
DISC mode				
The appliance will not play discs.	The disc is inserted incorrectly. The disc is dirty or damaged.	Disc must be inserted with the label side facing up. Clean the disc and check for damage. Try another disc.		
Sound skips due to vibration.	Mounting angle is over 30°. Mounting is unstable.	Adjust mounting angle to less than 30°.  Mount the unit securely with the supplied parts.		
TUNER mode				
Unable to receive stations.	The antenna is not connected properly.	Connect the antenna properly.		
Poor quality reception of radio station.	The antenna is not fully extended or it is broken.	Fully extend the antenna and if broken, replace it with a new one.		
Preset stations are lost.	The battery cable is not properly connected.	Connect the permanent live on the unit to the permanent live on the vehicle.		
USB mode				
Unable to insert USB device.	The USB device has been inserted the wrong way round.	Insert it the other way around.		
The USB device cannot be read.	NTFS format is not supported.	Check that the file system is in FAT or FAT32 format. Due to different formats, some models of storage devices or MP3 players may not be read.		











## Specification

General		
Bower aupply:	12V DC (11V-16V)	
Power supply:	Test voltage 14.4V, negative ground	
Maximum power output:	45Wx4 channels	
Continuous power output:	25Wx4 channels (4Ω,10% T.H.D.)	
Suitable speaker impedance:	4-8 ohm	
Pre-Amp output voltage:	2.0V (CD play mode: 1KHz, 0 dB, 10 K $\Omega$ load)	
Fuse:	15A	
Dimensions(WxHxD):	181x104x168mm	
Weight:	1.96kg	

Disc Player		
System:	Disc digital audio system	
Frequency response:	20Hz-20kHz	
Signal/noise ratio:	>80dB	
Total harmonic distortion:	Less than 0.20% (1kHz)	
Wow and flutter:	Below measurable limits	
Channel separation:	>55dB	

FM Stereo Radio		
Frequency range:	87.5-108.0MHz (Europe)	
Usable sensitivity:	8dBµ	
Quieting sensitivity(S/N=50dB):	12dBµ	
Frequency response:	30Hz-15kHz	
Stereo separation:	30dB (1kHz)	
Image response ratio:	50dB	
IF response ratio:	70dB	
Signal/noise ratio:	55dB	

MW(AM) Radio		
Frequency range:	522-1620KHz	
Usable sensitivity(S/N=20dB):	30dBμ	

Note: Specifications and the design are subject to change without notice due to improvements in technology.









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