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# **User Instructions**

# Micro Star

# **General Introduction**

**Unpacking:** Thank you for purchasing the Micro Star by American DJ<sub>®</sub>. Every Micro Star has been thoroughly tested and has been shipped in perfect operating condition. Carefully check the shipping carton for damage that may have occurred during shipping. If the carton appears to be damaged, carefully inspect your fixture for any damage and be sure all equipment necessary to operate the unit has arrived intact. In the event damage has been found or parts are missing, please contact our toll free customer support number for further instructions. Please do not return this unit to your dealer without contacting customer support first.

**Introduction:** The Micro Star is an simple, small, bright, green and red laser fixture. The Micro Star produces more than 200 beams with star patterns that may be projected on a wall, ceiling, or dance floor. The Micro Star is a stand alone fixture with 2 operating modes; sound active and auto. The Micro Star's compact, light weight case design make it ideal for mobile entertainers, bands, night clubs and bar. *For best results use fog or special effects smoke to enhance the beams projections.* 

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**Warning!** To prevent or reduce the risk of electrical shock or fire, do not expose this unit to rain or moisture.

*Caution!* There are no user serviceable parts inside this unit. Do not attempt any repairs yourself, doing so will void your manufactures warranty. In the unlikely event your unit may require service please contact American DJ customer support.

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### **General Instructions**

Please carefully read and understand the instructions in this manual thoroughly before attempting to operate this unit. These instructions contain important safety information regarding the use and maintenance of this unit. Please keep this manual with the unit, for future reference.

CAUTION IMPORTANT! When installing this projector, make sure that it is mounted in a manner that prevents the audience from looking directly into the beam, and the beam from striking the audience.

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### Features

- 30mW Green Laser
- 80mW Red Laser
- 2 Operating Modes Sound Active Mode & Auto Mode
- RF Wireless Remote Control (Included)
- Dual Hanging Bracket

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# Warranty Registration

The Micro Star carries a 90 day limited warranty. Please fill out the enclosed warranty card to validate your purchase. All returned service items whether under warranty or not, must be freight pre-paid and accompany a return authorization (R.A.) number. If the unit is under warranty you must provide a copy of your proof of purchase invoice. Please contact American  $DJ_{\odot}$  customer support for a R.A. number.

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# **Safety Precautions**



- To reduce the risk of electrical shock or fire, do not expose this unit rain or moisture.
- Do not spill water or other liquids into or on to your unit.
- Do not attempt to remove or break off the ground prong from the electrical cord. This prong is used to reduce the risk of electrical shock and fire in case of an internal short. Do not attempt to operate this unit if the power cord has been frayed or broken.
- Disconnect from main power before making any type of connection.
- Do not remove the cover under any conditions. There are no user serviceable parts inside.
- Always be sure to mount this unit in an area that will allow proper ventilation. Allow about 6" (15cm) between this device and a wall.
- Do not attempt to operate this unit, if it becomes damaged.
- This unit is intended for indoor use only, use of this product outdoors voids all warranties.
- During long periods of non-use, disconnect the unit's main power.
- Always mount this unit in safe and stable matter.
- Power cords should be routed so they are not likely to be walked on, pinched by items placed upon or against them.
- Cleaning -The fixture should be cleaned only as recommended by the manufacturer. See page 9 for cleaning details.
- Heat -The appliance should be situated away from heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other appliances (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- The fixture should be serviced by qualified service personnel when:
  - A. The power-supply cord or the plug has been damaged.
  - B. Objects have fallen, or liquid has been spilled into the unit.
  - C. The unit has been exposed to rain or water.
  - D. The unit does not appear to operate normally or exhibits a marked change in performance.

## Laser Warnings and Safety

# NON-INTERLOCKED HOUSING WARNING

The Micro Star contains high power laser devices internally. **Do not** open the laser housing, due to the potential exposure to unsafe levels of laser radiation. The laser power levels, if the unit is opened, can cause instant blindness, skin burns and fires.

# STOP AND READ ALL LASER SAFETY DATA OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS AND LASER SAFETY

The light source emitted from this product can potentially cause eye injury if not set up and used properly. The light source emitted from a laser is very different from any other light sources with which you may be aware of. Laser light is thousands of times more concentrated than any light from any other kind of light source. This concentration of light can cause instant eye injuries, primarily by burning the retina (the back of your eyeball contatining cells that are sensitive to light). Even if you cannot feel "heat" from a laser beam, it can still potentially injure or blind you or your audience. Even very small amounts of laser beam light are potentially hazardous even at long distances. Laser eye injuries can be sustained faster than you can blink.

Do not think that because this laser splits the laser beam into hundreds of beams and that the laser beam is scanned out in high speed, that an individual laser beam is safe for eye exposure. This laser uses dozens of milliwatts of laser power (Class 3B levels internally) before it splits into multiple beams (Class 3R levels). Many of the individual beams are potentially hazardous to the eyes.

Do not that because the laser light is moving, it is safe. This is not true. Nor, do the laser beams always move. Since eye injuries can occur instantly, it is critical to prevent even the smallest possibility of any direct eye exposure. In the laser safety regulation, it is not legal to aim Class 3R lasers in areas which people can get exposed. This is true even if it is aimed below people's faces, such as on a dance floor.

# Do not operate the laser without first reading and understanding all safety and technical data in this manual.

Always set up and install all laser effects so that all laser light is at least 3 meters (9.8 feet) above the floor on which people can stand.

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# Laser Warnings and Safety

After setting up, and before public use, test laser to ensure proper function. Do not use if any defect is detected. Do not use if laser emits only one or two laser beams rather than dozens/hundreds, as this could indicate damage to the diffraction grating optic, and could allow emission of higher laser levels above Class 3R.

**Do not** point lasers at people or animals. Never look into the laser aperture or laser beams.

**Do not** point lasers in areas in which people can potentially get exposed, such as uncontrolled balconies, etc.

**Do not** point lasers at highly reflective surfaces, such as windows, mirrors and shiny metal. Even laser reflections can be hazardous.

*Never* point a laser at aircraft, this is a federal offense.

*Never* point un-terminated laser beams into the sky.

**Do not** expose the output optic (aperture) to cleaning chemicals.

**Do not** use laser if the laser appears to be emitting only one or two beams.

**Do not** use the laser if the housing is damaged, the housing is open, or if the optics appear damaged in any way.

*Never* open the laser housing. The high laser power levels inside of the protective housing can start fires, burn skin and will cause instant eye injury.

Never leave this device running unattended.

The operation of a class 3R laser show is only allowed if the show is controlled by a skilled and well- trained operator, familiar with the data included in this manual.

The legal requirements for using laser entertainment products vary from country to country. The user is responsible for the legal requirements at the location/country of use.

Always use proper lighting safety cables when hanging lights and effects overhead.

# Laser Warning Labels

CAUTION IMPORTANT! When installing this projector, make sure that it is mounted in a manner that prevents the audience from looking directly into the beam, and the beam from striking the audience.

**Operating Modes:** The Micro Star has 2 operating modes; sound active mode and auto mode.

• Sound Active mode -

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The fixture will react to sound, chasing through the built-in programs. • *Auto Play -*

This function run automatically run through all of units patterns.

**Sound Active Mode:** This mode allows the unit to run to the beat of the music.

1. Press the Auto/Sound button. You are in sound active mode if the red LED on the front of the unit flashes and every movement.

Auto Play: This mode allows the unit to run Auto Play.

- 1. Press the Auto/Sound button till the red LED on the front of the unit stays on. You are now in Auto Play.
- 2. Use the speed knob underneath the button to control the speed of the program.

**Remote Control:** Use the included remote to control various functions. Please see below for button control.

*Note:* This remote control has a set code that is set for this laser and this laser only. The remote will not control any other Micro Star, only the unit the remote came with. If this code happens to get erased the remote will not work with the unit. Please call American DJ support (see page 2) and they will help you reset the code.

**A Button -** Use this button to switch between Auto Play and Sound Active.

**B Button -** Use this button to Blackout the unit.

**C Button -** Use this button to select colors. Either red, green, or red & green.

**D Button -** Use this button to select your desired rotation.



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# Cleaning

**Fixture Cleaning:** Due to fog residue, smoke, and dust cleaning the internal and external lenses should be carried out periodically to optimize light output.

- 1. Use normal glass cleaner and a soft cloth to wipe down the outside casing.
- 2. Clean the external optics with glass cleaner and a soft cloth every 20 days.
- 3. Always be sure to dry all parts completely before plugging the unit back in.

Cleaning frequency depends on the environment in which the fixture operates (I.e. smoke, fog residue, dust, dew). In heavy use we recommend cleaning on a monthly basis. Periodic cleaning will ensure longevity, and crisp beam output.

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# **Trouble Shooting**

*Trouble Shooting:* Listed below are a few common problems that you may encounter, with solutions.

# No laser output from the unit;

- 1. Be sure you have connected your unit into a standard wall outlet.
- 2. Be sure that the unit is not in blackout mode.
- 3. In cold temperature situations it might take the laser a little longer to produce output. It can take up to 3-5 minutes for the laser to produce a beam. This is due to the laser diode which is very sensitive.

# Unit does not respond to sound;

1. Low frequencies (bass) should cause the unit to react to sound. Tapping on the microphone, quiet or high pitched sounds may not activate the unit.

# MANUFACTURER'S LIMITED WARRANTY

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A. American DJ, Inc. hereby warrants, to the original purchaser, American DJ and American Audio products to be free of manufacturing defects in material and workmanship for a prescribed period from the date of purchase (see specific warranty period on reverse). This warranty shall be valid only if the product is purchased within the United States of America, including possessions and territories. It is the owner's responsibility to establish the date and place of purchase by acceptable evidence, at the time service is sought.

B. For warranty service you must obtain a Return Authorization number (RA#) before sending back the product. Contact American DJ, Inc. Service Department at 800-322-6337. Send the product only to the American DJ, Inc. factory. All shipping charges must be pre-paid. If the requested repairs or service (including parts replacement) are within the terms of this warranty, American DJ, Inc. will pay return shipping charges only to a designated point within the United States. If the entire instrument is sent, it must be shipped in it's original package. No accessories should be shipped with the product. If any accessories are shipped with the product, American DJ, Inc. shall have no liability whatsoever for loss of or damage to any such accessories, nor for the safe return thereof.

C. This warranty is void if the serial number has been altered or removed; if the product is modified in any manner which American DJ, Inc. concludes, after inspection, affects the reliability of the product; if the product has been repaired or serviced by anyone other than the American DJ, Inc. factory unless prior written authorization was issued to purchaser by American DJ, Inc.; if the product is damaged because not properly maintained as set forth in the instruction manual.

D. This is not a service contract, and this warranty does not include maintenance, cleaning or periodic check-up. During the period specified above, American DJ, Inc. will replace defective parts at its expense with new or refurbished parts, and will absorb all expenses for warranty service and repair labor by reason of defects in material or workmanship. The sole responsibility of American DJ, Inc. under this warranty shall be limited to the repair of the product, or replacement thereof, including parts, at the sole discretion of American DJ. All products covered by this warranty were manufactured after January 1, 1990, and bear identifying marks to that effect.

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This warranty is the only written warranty applicable to American DJ and American Audio Products and supersedes all prior warranties and written descriptions of warranty terms and conditions heretofore published.

MANUFACTURER'S LIMITED WARRANTY PERIODS:

• All American Audio Products = 1-year (365 day) Limited Warranty (except V-Plus Series Amplifiers)

• All American Audio V-Plus Series Amplifiers = 3-year (1095 day) Limited Warranty

- American DJ Lighting and American DJ Branded Products = 1-year (365 day) Limited Warranty (Such as: Special Effect Lighting, Intelligent Lighting, UV lighting, Strobes, Fog Machines, Bubble Machines, Mirror Balls, Par Cans, Trussing, Lighting Stands etc. excluding Laser Products, lamps, and Star Tec Series)
- American DJ Laser Products and Star Tec Products = 90-Day Limited Warranty
- American DJ L.E.D. Products = 3-year (1095 day) Limited Warranty (excluding motors which have a 1-year (365 day Limited Warranty)

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Model: Micro Star	
Voltage:	100~240V, 50/60Hz
Power Consumption:	9W
Lasers:	30mW Green Diode
	80mW Red Diode
Dimensions:	2"(L) x 4.75"(W) x 3.5"(H)
	50mm x 120mm x 90mm
Colors:	Red & Green
Weight:	2 Lbs. / .6 kgs.
Duty Cycle:	None
Sound Active:	Yes
Working Position:	Any Safe, Secure Position
Warranty:	90 Days

**Auto Sensing Voltage:** This fixture contains a electronic ballast, which will auto sense the voltage when it is plugged into the power source.

**Please Note:** Specifications and improvements in the design of this unit and this manual are subject to change without any prior written notice.

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