

Bose Companion 2 Series II (Model 40274)

Bose Companion 2 Series II Multimedia Speaker System User Manual

Model: 40274

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the setup, operation, and maintenance of your Bose Companion 2 Series II Multimedia Speaker System. Designed to enhance your computer audio experience, these speakers deliver clear, full-range sound for various media. Please read these instructions carefully before using your speaker system.

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items are present in your package:

- Powered speaker (right speaker with controls)
- Accessory speaker (left speaker)
- Audio input cable with mini-plug (3.5mm auxiliary cable)
- Speaker cable (to connect the two speakers)
- AC power pack

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps to set up your Bose Companion 2 Series II speaker system:

1. **Position the Speakers:** Place the right (powered) speaker and the left (accessory) speaker on either side of your computer monitor or desired listening area. Ensure they are positioned to create a spacious soundstage.



Image: Bose Companion 2 Series II speakers set up on a desk with a computer.

- 2. Connect the Speakers:** Use the provided speaker cable to connect the left accessory speaker to the right powered speaker. The connections are typically color-coded or clearly labeled on the back of each speaker.



Image: Rear view of the Bose Companion 2 Series II speakers, highlighting the connection ports.

3. **Connect to Audio Source:** Connect the audio input cable (3.5mm mini-plug) from the right powered speaker to the headphone jack or audio output port on your computer, MP3 player, or other audio source. The system features dual inputs, allowing connection to a second audio source simultaneously.
4. **Connect Power:** Plug the AC power pack into the power input on the right powered speaker, then plug the power pack into a wall outlet.
5. **Power On:** Turn the volume knob on the front of the right speaker clockwise to power on the system and adjust the volume.



Image: Front view of the right Bose Companion 2 Series II speaker, featuring the volume control and headphone jack.

Magnetic Shielding: The speakers are magnetically shielded to prevent interference with your monitor, ensuring clear visuals.

OPERATING YOUR SPEAKER SYSTEM

- **Volume Control:** The large knob on the front of the right speaker controls the system's volume. Turn clockwise to increase volume, counter-clockwise to decrease.
- **Headphone Jack:** A headphone jack is conveniently located on the front of the right speaker. Plugging in headphones will mute the speakers, allowing for private listening.
- **Dual Inputs:** The system supports two audio sources simultaneously. You can connect your computer to one input and a portable MP3 or CD player to the other. The system will automatically play audio from the active source.

Product Overview Video

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Video: A brief overview of the Bose Companion 2 Series II Multimedia Speaker System, showcasing its design and features.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the speaker surfaces. Do not use liquid cleaners or sprays directly on the speakers.
- **Placement:** Avoid placing speakers in direct sunlight, near heat sources, or in areas with high humidity. Ensure adequate ventilation around the speakers.
- **Cable Management:** Keep cables tidy and untangled to prevent damage and ensure optimal performance.

- **Storage:** If storing the speakers for an extended period, disconnect them from power and audio sources, and store them in a cool, dry place.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your speaker system, refer to the following common solutions:

- **No Sound:**
 - Ensure the power pack is securely plugged into both the speaker and a working wall outlet.
 - Check that the volume knob on the right speaker is turned up.
 - Verify that the audio input cable is firmly connected to both the speaker and your audio source.
 - Confirm that your audio source (computer, MP3 player) is playing audio and its volume is not muted or too low.
 - If headphones are plugged into the speaker's front jack, remove them.
- **Distorted Sound:**
 - Reduce the volume on both the speakers and your audio source.
 - Check for loose cable connections.
 - Test with a different audio source or cable to rule out external issues.
- **One Speaker Not Working:**
 - Ensure the speaker cable connecting the left and right speakers is securely attached at both ends.
 - Verify that the audio source is providing a stereo signal.
- **Interference/Humming:**
 - Move the speakers away from other electronic devices that might cause interference.
 - Ensure all cables are properly shielded and connected.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Bose
Model Name	Companion 2
Model Number	40274
Series Number	2
Speaker Type	Computer
Audio Output Mode	Stereo
Number of Audio Channels	2.1
Connectivity Technology	Wired
Connectivity Protocol	3.5mm auxiliary

Feature	Detail
Power Source	Corded Electric
Color	Grey
Enclosure Material	Metal, Plastic
Item Dimensions (D x W x H)	3.4"D x 6"W x 7.5"H
Item Weight	2 Pounds
Compatible Devices	Laptop, Desktop, MP3 Player
Additional Features	Portable, Magnetically Shielded

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Your Bose Companion 2 Series II Multimedia Speaker System comes with a **1-year limited warranty**. For warranty claims or technical support, please contact Bose customer service.

Manufacturer: Bose