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Panasonic DVD-S53K

Panasonic DVD-S53K Up-Converting 1080p DVD Player Instruction Manual

Model: DVD-S53K

Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation of your Panasonic DVD-S53K Up-Converting 1080p DVD Player. This player is designed to enhance your viewing experience by up-converting standard definition DVDs to a higher resolution, compatible with modern high-definition televisions.
Key features include 1080p up-conversion via HDMI, support for DVD Audio (5.1), Dolby Digital and DTS decoders, and playback of various media formats including DVD-R, CD-R, CD-RW, MP3, WMA, JPEG, and MPEG4.



Figure 1: Front view of the Panasonic DVD-S53K DVD Player. This image displays the sleek black design of the unit, featuring the disc tray, power button, and basic playback controls on the front panel.

Setup

1. Unpacking and Placement

- Carefully remove the DVD player and all accessories from the packaging.
- Place the unit on a stable, level surface, ensuring adequate ventilation around the player. Avoid placing it near heat sources or in direct sunlight.

2. Connecting to a Television

For optimal picture quality, connect the DVD player to your television using an HDMI cable. The Panasonic DVD-S53K

supports 1080p video output via HDMI.

- Connect one end of an HDMI cable (not supplied) to the HDMI OUT port on the rear of the DVD player.
- Connect the other end of the HDMI cable to an HDMI input port on your television.
- If your television does not have an HDMI input, use component video cables (red, green, blue) for video and analog audio cables (red, white) for audio.

3. Connecting to Audio System (Optional)

To enjoy surround sound, connect the DVD player to an audio receiver or amplifier.

- For digital audio, use an optical or coaxial digital audio cable to connect the player's DIGITAL AUDIO OUT port to your receiver.
- For analog audio, use RCA audio cables to connect the player's AUDIO OUT ports to your receiver.

4. Power Connection

- Plug the power cord into the AC IN socket on the rear of the DVD player.
- Plug the other end of the power cord into a wall outlet.

Operating Instructions

1. Basic Disc Playback

1. Press the **POWER** button on the unit or remote control to turn on the player.
2. Press the **OPEN/CLOSE** button to open the disc tray.
3. Place a DVD or CD disc onto the disc tray with the label side facing up.
4. Press the **OPEN/CLOSE** button again to close the disc tray.
5. Playback will usually start automatically. If not, select the desired title/track using the remote control and press **PLAY**.

2. Supported Media and Formats

The DVD-S53K supports a variety of media and file formats:

- **Media Types:** DVD-Video, DVD-R, CD-Audio, CD-R, CD-RW.
- **File Formats:** MP3, WMA (audio), JPEG (images), MPEG4 (video).

When playing MP3, WMA, JPEG, or MPEG4 files, an on-screen navigator will assist in browsing content.

3. Using the Remote Control

The supplied remote control provides full functionality for the DVD player. Ensure batteries are correctly inserted. Key functions include:

- **POWER:** Turns the unit on/off.
- **PLAY/PAUSE/STOP:** Standard playback controls.
- **SKIP/SEARCH:** Navigate through tracks or chapters.
- **MENU/SETUP:** Access disc menus and system settings.
- **DIRECTIONAL BUTTONS (Up/Down/Left/Right) & ENTER:** Navigate on-screen menus.

Maintenance

1. Cleaning the Unit

- Wipe the exterior of the player with a soft, dry cloth. For stubborn stains, use a slightly damp cloth and then dry thoroughly.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, waxes, or solvents as they can damage the finish.
- Ensure the ventilation openings are not blocked by dust.

2. Disc Care

- Handle discs by their edges to avoid fingerprints on the playing surface.
- Clean discs with a soft, lint-free cloth, wiping gently from the center outwards.
- Store discs in their cases to protect them from dust and scratches.
- Do not use solvents or abrasive cleaners on discs.

Troubleshooting

Before contacting customer support, please refer to the following common issues and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause / Solution
No power	Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into the unit and a working wall outlet.
No picture	• Check HDMI or video cable connections to both the player and TV. • Ensure the correct input source is selected on your television. • Verify the TV is powered on.
No sound	• Check audio cable connections (HDMI, optical, coaxial, or RCA). • Ensure the TV or audio receiver volume is not muted or too low. • Confirm the correct audio input is selected on your audio system.
Disc does not play	• Ensure the disc is clean and free of scratches. • Verify the disc is inserted correctly with the label side up. • Check if the disc format is supported by the player (e.g., not a Blu-ray disc). • The region code of the DVD may not match the player's region code.

Specifications

Brand	Panasonic
Model Name	DVD-S53K
Media Type	CD, DVD
Video Output Resolution	1080p
Resolution	1920x1080
Connector Type	HDMI
Connectivity Technology	HDMI
Item Weight	4.4 Pounds

Audio Output Mode	Surround
Supported Audio Format	Dolby Digital, DTS
Surround Sound Channel Configuration	5.1
Total Number of HDMI Ports	1
Video Encoding	MPEG-2
Compatible Devices	Television, Projector
File Format	JPEG, MP3, WMA
UPC	037988254903

Warranty and Support

1. Warranty Information

This Panasonic DVD-S53K DVD Player comes with a**1 year parts and labor** warranty from the date of purchase. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims. The warranty covers manufacturing defects under normal use conditions.
For full warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Panasonic website.

2. Customer Support

For further assistance, technical support, or service inquiries, please visit the official Panasonic support website or contact their customer service department. Contact information can typically be found on the Panasonic official website or in the documentation provided with your product.
Please have your model number (DVD-S53K) and serial number ready when contacting support.

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