Sony PRS-505

Sony PRS-505 Portable Digital e-Reader System User Manual

Introduction

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the setup, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Sony PRS-505 Portable Digital e-Reader System. Please read this manual thoroughly to ensure proper use and to maximize your reading experience.

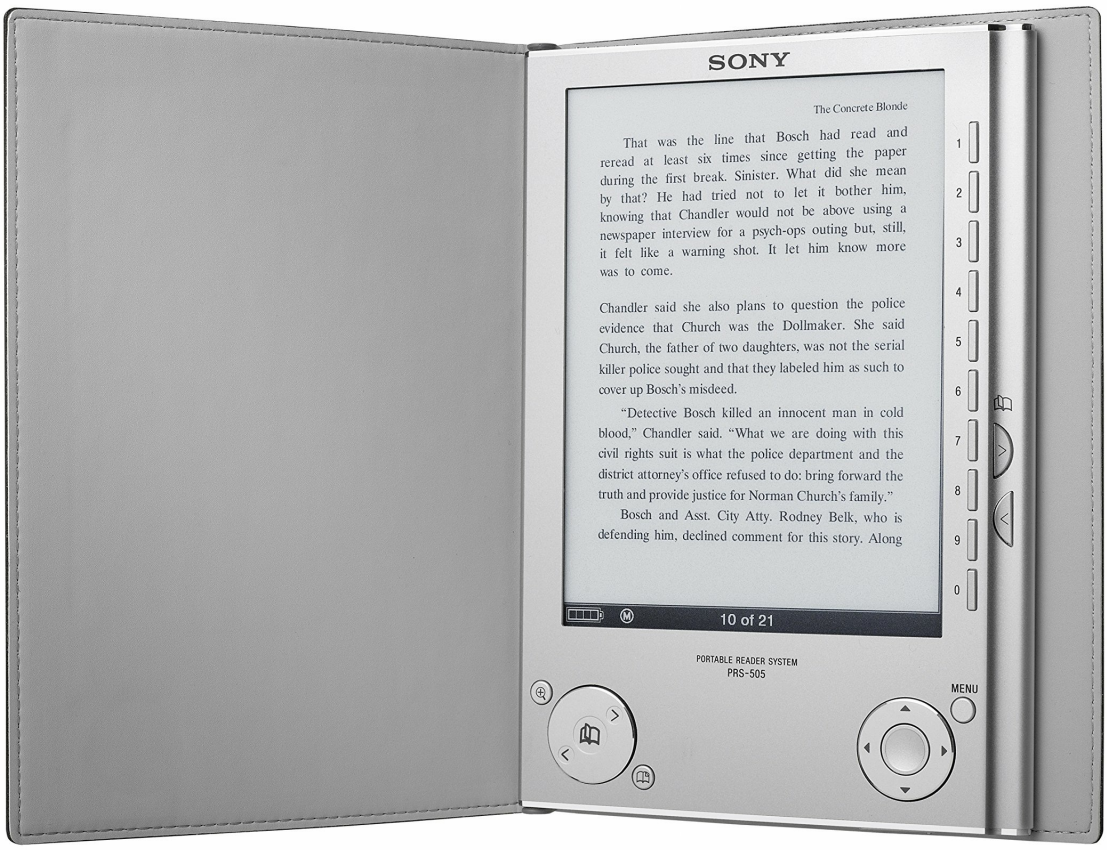
Product Overview

The Sony PRS-505 is a portable digital book reader designed for an optimal reading experience. It features an E-Ink display that mimics the appearance of real paper, reducing eye strain during extended reading sessions. The device supports various file formats and offers expandable memory options.

Key Features

- Displays eBooks purchased from the CONNECT eBook online store.
- Supports Adobe PDFs, TXT, RTF, BMP, JPEG, GIF, PNG, and Microsoft Word files.
- Plays MP3 and AAC audio files (protected files not supported).
- Internal 192MB memory for storing content.
- Memory slot for SD Memory Cards (up to 2GB capacity) and Memory Stick Duo media (up to 8GB capacity).
- Long battery life, lasting up to 7,500 continuous page turns.

Device Components



This image shows the Sony PRS-505 Portable Digital e-Reader System. The device features a 6-inch e-ink display, physical page-turn buttons on the side, and a sleek silver casing. The main screen is visible, along with the control buttons typically located below or beside the display.

The PRS-505 features a 6-inch E-Ink display, providing a clear and glare-free reading surface. It includes physical buttons for page navigation, menu access, and other functions. On the sides or bottom, you will find slots for memory expansion and a USB port for connectivity and charging.

Setup

1. Initial Charging

Before first use, fully charge your PRS-505. Connect the device to a computer using the supplied USB cable. The charging indicator will illuminate. A full charge typically takes several hours. The device cannot be used while charging via USB.

2. Connecting to a Computer

1. Connect the PRS-505 to your computer using the USB cable.
2. Your computer should recognize the device as a removable storage drive.

3. For managing your eBook library and transferring files, you may use the Sony Library software or third-party applications like Calibre. Ensure you safely disconnect the hardware from your computer to prevent data corruption.

3. Loading Content

You can load eBooks, documents, and audio files onto your PRS-505 by dragging and dropping them directly into the device's storage folders when connected to a computer, or by using the dedicated library software.

Operating Instructions

Power On/Off

- To power on, slide and hold the power switch until the screen activates.
- To power off, slide and hold the power switch until the device shuts down.

Basic Navigation

- Use the page-turn buttons located on the side of the device to move forward or backward through pages.
- The navigation pad allows you to select menu items and browse your library.
- Press the 'Menu' button to access device settings and options.

Adjusting Text Size

For supported text formats (e.g., TXT), you can adjust the font size to small, medium, or large via the reading options menu. This feature enhances readability for different preferences and lighting conditions.

Audio Playback

The PRS-505 supports MP3 and AAC audio files. Connect headphones to the audio jack to listen to music while reading or independently. Protected audio files are not supported.

File Management

Supported File Types

The device supports a variety of file formats including Adobe PDFs, TXT, RTF, BMP, JPEG, GIF, PNG, and Microsoft Word files. For optimal viewing, converting some formats (like complex PDFs) to simpler text formats may be beneficial.

Internal and Expandable Memory

- **Internal Memory:** The PRS-505 has 192MB of internal memory, capable of storing approximately 160 eBooks.
- **Expandable Memory:** Utilize the memory card slots for additional storage. The device supports SD Memory Cards up to 2GB and Memory Stick Duo media up to 8GB.

Transferring and Organizing Files

Files can be transferred by connecting the device to a computer and dragging them into the appropriate folders. For better organization, especially with a large library, consider using library management software which allows for creating collections and easier browsing.

Note that deleting or renaming files directly on the device is not supported; these operations must be performed via a

connected computer.

Maintenance

Cleaning the Device

- Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the exterior of the device.
- For the screen, use a specialized screen cleaning cloth. Avoid abrasive materials or harsh chemicals.

Battery Care

- To prolong battery life, avoid exposing the device to extreme temperatures.
- Charge the device regularly, but avoid leaving it fully discharged for extended periods.

Storage

When not in use for extended periods, store the PRS-505 in a cool, dry place, ideally with a partial charge.

Troubleshooting

Device Not Connecting to Computer

- Ensure the USB cable is securely connected to both the device and the computer.
- Try a different USB port on your computer.
- Always use the "Safely Remove Hardware" option before disconnecting the device to prevent potential USB issues. If issues persist, third-party software like Calibre may offer more robust connectivity.

Slow Page Turns

The E-Ink display technology inherently has a slight delay during page refreshes. This is normal operation for the device and not an indication of a fault.

PDF Files Display Incorrectly or Font Too Small

- The PRS-505 supports PDF files, but complex layouts or small fonts in PDFs may not display optimally.
- Consider converting PDF files to RTF or TXT format using external software for better readability and font size adjustment on the device.

Device Not Responding

If the device becomes unresponsive, try performing a soft reset by sliding and holding the power switch for a longer duration (e.g., 10-15 seconds) or by locating a small reset pinhole (if available on your model) and gently pressing it with a paperclip.

Specifications

Model Name	PRS-505
ASIN	B000WPXQ2M
Item Model Number	PRS505SC
Display Technology	Electronic Ink
Screen Size	6 Inches
Internal Memory	192 MB
Expandable Memory	SD Card (up to 2GB), Memory Stick Duo (up to 8GB)
Connectivity Technology	USB
Product Dimensions	4.8 x 6.9 x 0.3 inches (12.19 x 17.53 x 0.76 cm)
Item Weight	9 ounces (255 grams)
Color	Silver

Warranty and Support

For information regarding warranty coverage and technical support for your Sony PRS-505, please refer to the documentation included with your purchase or visit the official Sony support website. Support resources typically include FAQs, troubleshooting guides, and contact information for customer service.

Please note that product support and available services may vary depending on your region and the product's age.

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