

Fotodiox 10DISH-22-ELC-kit

Fotodiox Pro 22-inch Beauty Dish Kit Instruction Manual

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides instructions for the Fotodiox Pro 22-inch Beauty Dish Kit, designed to enhance photographic lighting. The beauty dish is a specialized light modifier that produces a unique quality of light, ideal for portraiture and fashion photography. It offers a distinct blend of softness and contrast, creating dramatic and flattering illumination.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

2.1. Key Features

- 80-degree reflector dish constructed from heavy-duty aluminum.
- Durable white-coated interior for soft, even light distribution.
- Includes a white diffusion cover for further light softening.
- Includes a detachable 50-degree honeycomb grid for light control.
- Compatible with Elinchrom Monolights, Prolinca, and other strobe lights via interchangeable speedring inserts.

2.2. What's in the Box

- Fotodiox Pro 22-inch Beauty Dish
- White Diffusion Cover (Sock)
- 50-degree Honeycomb Grid
- Speedring Insert for Elinchrom Monolights

2.3. Product Components



The Fotodiox Pro 22-inch Beauty Dish, shown here with its detachable honeycomb grid, is designed to provide a unique light quality for portrait photography.



The interior of the beauty dish features a durable white coating and a central deflector, designed to eliminate harsh hotspots and produce soft, even illumination.



The speedring attachment point, illustrating how the beauty dish connects to various studio strobes.

3. SETUP

3.1. Attaching the Speedring

1. Identify the correct speedring insert for your strobe light (Elinchrom in this kit).
2. Align the speedring insert with the mounting holes on the back of the beauty dish.
3. Secure the speedring insert using the provided screws or locking mechanism. Ensure it is firmly attached to prevent movement.

3.2. Mounting to a Strobe Light

1. With the speedring attached to the beauty dish, align the speedring with the mounting interface on your compatible strobe light.
2. Push the beauty dish onto the strobe mount and rotate until it locks securely into place. Refer to your strobe's manual for specific mounting instructions if needed.
3. Ensure the beauty dish is stable and properly balanced on the light stand.

3.3. Attaching a Flash (Optional)

For users wishing to attach a smaller flash unit, an optional L-bracket (sold separately) can be used to mount the flash directly to the speedring. This allows for versatile use with various lighting setups.

3.4. Setup Demonstration Video

Official product video demonstrating the features, setup, and light quality of the Fotodiox Pro Beauty Dish, including the use of the diffusion sock and honeycomb grid.

4. OPERATION

4.1. Using the Diffusion Cover

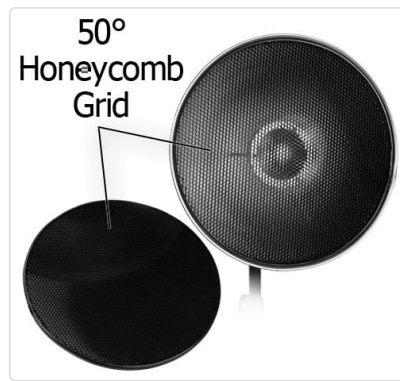
1. The included white diffusion cover (sock) can be slipped over the front edge of the beauty dish.
2. This accessory further softens the light, reducing contrast and creating a more diffused, even spread of light.



The beauty dish with the included white diffusion sock, which softens the light output for a more diffused effect.

4.2. Using the Honeycomb Grid

1. The 50-degree honeycomb grid snaps onto the front rim of the beauty dish.
2. This grid restricts the light beam, preventing spill and directing the light into a more focused, tubular pattern. It is useful for creating a more dramatic, contrasted look with defined shadows.



A detailed view of the 50-degree honeycomb grid, used to control light spill and create a more focused beam.

4.3. Light Characteristics

The Fotodiox Pro Beauty Dish produces a unique light quality characterized by:

- **High Output:** Efficiently directs light for strong illumination.
- **Moderate Feathering:** Shadows are less soft than a softbox but softer than a standard reflector.
- **Dramatic Effect:** Creates a wrapped, contrasted look, adding depth to portraits.
- **Round Catch Lights:** Produces distinctive round reflections in the subject's eyes.

5. MAINTENANCE

5.1. Cleaning

- To clean the exterior and interior of the beauty dish, use a soft, dry, lint-free cloth.
- For stubborn marks, a slightly damp cloth with mild soap can be used, followed by thorough drying. Avoid abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- The diffusion sock can be hand-washed with mild detergent and air-dried.
- The honeycomb grid can be gently wiped clean with a damp cloth.

5.2. Storage

Store the beauty dish and its accessories in a dry, dust-free environment. When not in use, it is recommended to store the beauty dish in its original packaging or a protective case to prevent dents or scratches.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

6.1. General Issues

- **Unstable Mounting:** Ensure the speedring is correctly installed and all screws are tightened. Verify that the beauty dish is fully seated and locked onto the strobe's mount. Check for any missing or improperly installed washers if applicable.
- **Uneven Light:** Confirm the central deflector is properly positioned. Ensure the strobe's flash tube is centered within the beauty dish.
- **Light Spill:** If light is spilling where it shouldn't, ensure the honeycomb grid is correctly attached to the front of the beauty dish.

If you encounter persistent issues, please refer to the Warranty and Support section for contact information.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Detail
Product Dimensions	1 x 1 x 1 inches (Note: This appears to be a placeholder, actual dimensions are 22-inch diameter)
Item Weight	1 pounds
Model Number	10DISH-22-ELC-kit
Brand	Fotodiox
Color	Black (Exterior), White (Interior)
Style	Elinchrom with Honeycomb Grid
Material	Aluminum
Included Components	Reflector (Beauty Dish), Softbox (Diffusion Cover)

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

8.1. Manufacturer's Warranty

The Fotodiox Pro 22-inch Beauty Dish Kit comes with a 24-month (2-year) manufacturer's warranty, covering defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.

8.2. Customer Service and Technical Support

Fotodiox provides in-country customer service and technical support to assist with any product-related inquiries or issues. For support, please visit the official Fotodiox website or contact their customer service department directly.

8.3. Return Policy

Fotodiox offers a comprehensive return policy. Please refer to the terms and conditions on the official Fotodiox website or your retailer's policy for details regarding returns and exchanges.