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Braun BNC007-DCF

Braun Radio Controlled Alarm Clock BNC007-DCF User Manual

Model: BNC007-DCF

1. Introduction

Thank you for choosing the Braun Radio Controlled Alarm Clock BNC007-DCF. This classic quartz alarm clock is designed for precision and reliability, automatically synchronizing its time with the DCF time signal broadcast from Frankfurt, Germany. This manual provides essential instructions for setting up, operating, and maintaining your alarm clock to ensure optimal performance.

2. Safety Information

- Keep the device away from water and moisture.
- Do not expose the clock to extreme temperatures or direct sunlight.
- Use only the specified battery type (1 x AA). Ensure correct polarity when inserting batteries.
- Remove batteries if the clock will not be used for an extended period to prevent leakage.
- Do not attempt to open or repair the clock yourself. Refer all servicing to qualified personnel.

3. Package Contents

Please check that all items are present in your package:

- Braun Radio Controlled Alarm Clock BNC007-DCF
- 1 x AA Battery
- User Manual (this document)

4. Product Overview

Familiarize yourself with the components and controls of your Braun alarm clock.



Figure 4.1: Front View. This image displays the front of the Braun BNC007-DCF alarm clock. It features a matte black dial with clear white hour and minute markers, and prominent white hour and minute hands. The Braun logo is visible at the top, with "radio control" text below it, indicating its radio-controlled functionality. A small green indicator is present at the 6 o'clock position, likely for the alarm or radio signal status.



Figure 4.2: Angled View with Controls. This image provides an angled perspective of the alarm clock, highlighting both the classic black dial and the side profile. On the side, several control elements are visible, including a green slide switch at the top, likely for alarm activation or snooze, and possibly a time setting knob or button. The overall design emphasizes a compact and functional form factor.



Figure 4.3: Side View with Detailed Controls. This side view offers a clear look at the operational controls of the alarm clock. A prominent knob for setting the alarm time is visible, along with a green slide switch that likely functions as the alarm on/off control or snooze button. The compact and ergonomic design of the clock is evident, with easy access to its functions.

Key Components:

- **Time Display:** Analog dial with hour, minute, and second hands.
- **Alarm Hand:** A dedicated hand or marker for setting the alarm time.
- **Alarm ON/OFF Switch:** (Refer to Figure 4.3) Typically a slide switch on the side or back.
- **Alarm Setting Knob:** (Refer to Figure 4.3) A rotating knob to adjust the alarm time.
- **Snooze/Light Button:** (Refer to Figure 4.2, green slide switch on top) Activates snooze and/or backlight.
- **Battery Compartment:** Located on the back or bottom of the clock.

5. Setup

5.1 Battery Installation

1. Locate the battery compartment cover on the back or bottom of the alarm clock.

2. Remove the cover by sliding or gently prying it open.
3. Insert one (1) AA battery, ensuring the positive (+) and negative (-) terminals match the indicators inside the compartment.
4. Replace the battery compartment cover securely.

5.2 Initial Time Synchronization (Radio Control)

Your Braun BNC007-DCF alarm clock is radio-controlled and will automatically set its time by receiving the DCF time signal.

1. After inserting the battery, the clock hands will typically move to 12:00 and then begin searching for the DCF signal.
2. Place the clock near a window or in an open area to facilitate better signal reception. Avoid placing it near electronic devices that may cause interference.
3. The initial synchronization process can take several minutes, or up to 24 hours in areas with weak signals. Once the signal is received, the clock will automatically adjust to the correct time (Central European Time, MGZ+1).
4. **Note:** The DCF signal is broadcast from Frankfurt, Germany. This clock is designed for use in regions that receive this signal (primarily Central Europe). In other regions, the radio control function may not work, and the clock will operate as a standard quartz clock, requiring manual time adjustment if available (though this model primarily relies on DCF).

6. Operating the Alarm Clock

6.1 Setting the Alarm Time

1. Locate the **Alarm Setting Knob** (refer to Figure 4.3) on the side or back of the clock.
2. Rotate this knob to move the alarm hand to your desired wake-up time.

6.2 Activating/Deactivating the Alarm

1. Locate the **Alarm ON/OFF Switch** (refer to Figure 4.3, often a green slide switch).
2. To activate the alarm, slide the switch to the "ON" position (usually indicated by a visible green color).
3. To deactivate the alarm, slide the switch to the "OFF" position.

6.3 Snooze and Backlight Function

When the alarm sounds:

- Press the **Snooze/Light Button** (the green slide switch on top, refer to Figure 4.2) to temporarily silence the alarm. The alarm will sound again after a few minutes (typically 5-10 minutes).
- Pressing this button also activates the backlight for a few seconds, allowing you to read the time in the dark.
- To turn off the alarm completely, slide the **Alarm ON/OFF Switch** to the "OFF" position.

7. Maintenance

7.1 Cleaning

- Wipe the clock with a soft, dry cloth.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, solvents, or chemical sprays, as these can damage the casing and dial.

7.2 Battery Replacement

When the clock's display dims, the alarm weakens, or the timekeeping becomes inaccurate, it is time to replace the battery.

1. Follow the steps in Section 5.1 "Battery Installation" to replace the old AA battery with a new one.
2. Dispose of used batteries responsibly according to local regulations.

8. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Clock does not display correct time or hands do not move.	◦ Battery is dead or incorrectly inserted. ◦ Weak or no DCF radio signal.	◦ Check and replace the battery, ensuring correct polarity. ◦ Move the clock to a location with better signal reception (e.g., near a window, away from electronics). Allow up to 24 hours for synchronization.
Alarm does not sound.	◦ Alarm is not activated. ◦ Alarm time is incorrectly set. ◦ Battery is low.	◦ Ensure the Alarm ON/OFF switch is in the "ON" position. ◦ Verify the alarm hand is set to the desired time. ◦ Replace the battery.
Backlight or snooze function not working.	◦ Battery is low. ◦ Button malfunction.	◦ Replace the battery. ◦ If the issue persists after battery replacement, contact customer support.

9. Specifications

- **Model:** BNC007-DCF
- **Movement:** Quartz, Radio Controlled (DCF signal)
- **Display Type:** Analog
- **Color:** Matte Black
- **Power Source:** 1 x AA Battery (included)
- **Dimensions (L x W x H):** 8 x 8 x 5.8 cm
- **Weight:** 81.65 g
- **Special Features:** Alarm, Snooze, Backlight, Automatic Time Synchronization

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