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Model: BT-1

## INTRODUCTION

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The Roland BT-1 Bar Trigger Pad is a compact and versatile electronic trigger designed to expand the capabilities of any drum kit, whether electronic or acoustic. Its curved design allows for convenient mounting and access without altering your existing setup. This pad can be used to trigger sounds from a V-Drums module or SPD-series percussion pad, and also to control various functions such as starting/stopping backing tracks, phrase loops, effects, and kit selection.



Figure 1: Front view of the Roland BT-1 Bar Trigger Pad, showing its curved shape and the Roland BT-1 branding.

## SETUP

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Proper setup of your BT-1 ensures optimal performance and integration with your drum kit.

### 1. Unpacking and Component Check

Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Ensure you have the BT-1 unit, mounting bracket, and two attachment screws.



Figure 2: Included mounting bracket and screws for the BT-1.

## 2. Mounting the BT-1

The BT-1 is designed for quick and easy mounting using a drum tension rod. It can be attached to the side of a V-Drums V-Pad or an acoustic drum.

1. Identify a suitable tension rod on your drum where you wish to mount the BT-1. The curved shape is intended to sit alongside the drum rim.
2. Attach the mounting bracket to the BT-1 unit using the provided screws.
3. Slide the mounting bracket onto the tension rod. Ensure it is securely fastened but not overtightened, allowing for minor adjustments.
4. Position the BT-1 for comfortable playing access without interfering with other drums or cymbals.



Figure 3: The BT-1 mounted on the side of a V-Drum snare drum, demonstrating its ergonomic placement.



Figure 4: The BT-1 mounted on the side of an acoustic snare drum, showing its adaptability.

### 3. Connecting to a Module

Connect the BT-1 to your V-Drums module or SPD-series percussion pad using a standard 1/4-inch TRS (stereo) or TS (mono) instrument cable. The BT-1 features a single output jack.



Figure 5: Rear view of the BT-1, highlighting the 1/4-inch output jack for connection to a drum module.

## OPERATING THE BT-1

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Once connected, the BT-1 can be used to trigger sounds and control various functions on your electronic drum module.

### 1. Module Settings

It is crucial to configure your drum module to recognize the BT-1 correctly. Refer to your module's instruction manual for specific steps on setting up external triggers. Ensure the input connected to the BT-1 is configured as a single-zone pad or trigger. Incorrect settings (e.g., setting it as a two-zone cymbal pad) can lead to inconsistent or no triggering.

### 2. Triggering Sounds

Strike the pad surface with a drumstick to trigger sounds assigned to its input on your module. The BT-1 is designed for reliable triggering across its surface.

### 3. Controlling Functions

Beyond triggering sounds, the BT-1 can be assigned to control various functions within your module, including:

- Start/Stop of backing songs and phrase loops
- Effects on/off toggling
- Kit selection
- Tap tempo
- And other assignable functions as supported by your module.

Consult your module's manual for detailed instructions on assigning functions to external triggers.

## MAINTENANCE

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To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Roland BT-1, follow these simple maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Wipe the pad surface and body with a soft, dry cloth. For stubborn dirt, a slightly damp cloth can be used, followed by a dry cloth. Avoid abrasive cleaners, solvents, or waxes.
- **Storage:** Store the BT-1 in a clean, dry environment away from extreme temperatures, direct sunlight, and high humidity.
- **Handling:** Avoid dropping the unit or subjecting it to strong impacts. While durable, excessive force can damage internal components.
- **Connections:** Periodically check the cable connections for wear and tear. Ensure cables are not kinked or strained.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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If you encounter issues with your Roland BT-1, refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

- **No Sound or Inconsistent Triggering:**
  - **Check Cable Connection:** Ensure the cable is securely connected to both the BT-1 and the input jack on your drum module. Try a different cable to rule out a faulty cable.
  - **Module Input Settings:** Verify that the input on your drum module to which the BT-1 is connected is correctly configured for a single-zone pad or trigger. Incorrect settings (e.g., a two-zone cymbal setting) can prevent proper operation. Refer to your module's manual.
  - **Module Volume/Sensitivity:** Check the volume and sensitivity settings for the assigned input on your module. Increase sensitivity if light hits are not registering.
- **False Triggering (Unwanted Sounds):**
  - **Mounting Stability:** Ensure the BT-1 is securely mounted and not vibrating excessively from other drum hits. While designed to minimize false triggers, a loose mount can contribute to this.
  - **Module Crosstalk Settings:** Your drum module may have settings to adjust crosstalk (unwanted triggering from other pads). Consult your module's manual to adjust these parameters.
  - **Placement:** Experiment with slightly different mounting positions on your drum to find a spot that minimizes sympathetic vibrations.
- **Pad Feels Unresponsive:**
  - **Sensitivity Settings:** Adjust the sensitivity setting on your drum module for the BT-1's input.
  - **Pad Condition:** Inspect the pad surface for any visible damage or wear that might affect its responsiveness.

If problems persist after trying these steps, contact Roland customer support or your authorized dealer for further assistance.

## SPECIFICATIONS

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<b>Model Name</b>	BT-1
<b>Brand</b>	Roland
<b>Item Model Number</b>	BT-1
<b>UPC</b>	761294501887
<b>Product Dimensions (L x W x H)</b>	2.13 x 6.75 x 2.38 inches (5.41 x 17.15 x 6.05 cm)
<b>Item Weight</b>	1 pound (454 grams)

<b>Body Material</b>	Metal
<b>Color</b>	Black
<b>Included Components</b>	BT-1 Trigger Pad, Mounting Bracket, Attachment Screws

## SUPPORT AND WARRANTY

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For detailed warranty information and technical support, please refer to the official Roland website or contact your local Roland distributor. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

**Online Resources:** [www.roland.com](http://www.roland.com)

