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iHome iBT230

iHome iBT230 Bluetooth Bedside Dual Alarm Clock Radio User Manual

Model: iBT230

Introduction

The iHome iBT230 is a Bluetooth-enabled bedside dual alarm clock radio designed to provide wireless audio streaming, FM radio, and convenient alarm functions. It features a built-in speakerphone for hands-free calls and a USB port for charging mobile devices. This manual provides detailed instructions for setup, operation, and maintenance of your iBT230 unit.



Image: The iHome iBT230 clock radio, black in color, displaying the time 10:09 PM and 6:00 AM alarm. A white smartphone is connected to its side via a USB cable, indicating charging.

Package Contents

- iHome iBT230 Bluetooth Bedside Dual Alarm Clock Radio with Speakerphone (Black)
- AC Power Adapter
- Audio Line-in Cable

Controls and Indicators

Familiarize yourself with the buttons and display elements of your iBT230 unit.



Image: A top-down view of the iHome iBT230, highlighting the control panel with buttons for power, mode, presets, sleep, volume, play/pause, call answer/end, and the snooze/dimmer bar.

Front Display

- **Time Display:** Shows current time.
- **PM Indicator:** Illuminates when time is PM.
- **Alarm 1/2 Indicators:** Show active alarms.
- **Bluetooth Indicator:** Illuminates when Bluetooth is connected.
- **FM Frequency Display:** Shows current FM radio station.

Top Panel Controls

- **Power / Alarm Reset Button:** Turns unit on/off, resets active alarm.
- **Mode Button:** Cycles through audio sources (Bluetooth, FM, Line-in).
- **Presets Button:** Accesses and saves FM radio presets.
- **Sleep Button:** Activates sleep timer.
- **Volume Up/Down Buttons:** Adjusts audio volume.
- **Play/Pause Button:** Controls Bluetooth audio playback.
- **Answer/End Call Buttons:** Manages speakerphone calls.

- **Snooze / Dimmer Bar:** Snoozes alarm, adjusts display brightness.

Setup

1. Power Connection

1. Connect the included AC power adapter to the DC jack on the back of the iBT230 unit.
2. Plug the other end of the adapter into a working wall outlet.

2. Battery Backup Installation

The iBT230 requires 2 AA batteries (not included) for battery backup. This feature maintains clock and alarm settings during a power outage.

1. Open the battery compartment cover on the bottom of the unit.
2. Insert 2 AA batteries, ensuring correct polarity (+/-).
3. Close the battery compartment cover securely.

Operating Instructions

1. Setting the Clock

1. Press and hold the 'Time Set' button (refer to controls diagram) until the time display flashes.
2. Use the 'Volume Up/Down' buttons to adjust the hour. Press 'Time Set' again to confirm.
3. Use the 'Volume Up/Down' buttons to adjust the minutes. Press 'Time Set' again to confirm and exit clock setting mode.

2. Setting Alarms (Dual Alarms)

The iBT230 features two independent alarms.

1. Press and hold the 'Alarm 1' or 'Alarm 2' button until the alarm time display flashes.
2. Use the 'Volume Up/Down' buttons to adjust the alarm hour. Press the respective 'Alarm' button to confirm.
3. Use the 'Volume Up/Down' buttons to adjust the alarm minutes. Press the respective 'Alarm' button to confirm.
4. Use the 'Volume Up/Down' buttons to select the alarm source (FM radio, Bluetooth device, or buzzer). Press the respective 'Alarm' button to confirm and activate the alarm.
5. To turn off an active alarm, press the 'Power/Alarm Reset' button. To disable an alarm completely, press the 'Alarm 1' or 'Alarm 2' button repeatedly until the alarm indicator disappears from the display.

3. Bluetooth Pairing and Playback

1. Press the 'Mode' button until the Bluetooth indicator flashes on the display. The unit is now in pairing mode.
2. On your Bluetooth-enabled device (e.g., smartphone, tablet), enable Bluetooth and search for available devices.
3. Select 'iHome iBT230' from the list of devices. If prompted for a passcode, enter '0000'.
4. Once paired, the Bluetooth indicator on the iBT230 will glow solid. You can now stream audio wirelessly from your device.
5. Use the 'Play/Pause' button on the iBT230 or your device to control playback. Adjust volume using the 'Volume Up/Down' buttons.

4. FM Radio Operation

1. Press the 'Mode' button until 'FM' appears on the display.
2. Use the 'Tune Up/Down' buttons (often integrated with Volume or Playback controls, refer to diagram) to manually tune to a station.
3. To auto-scan for the next available station, press and hold the 'Tune Up/Down' button.
4. **Setting Presets:** To save a station, tune to the desired station, then press and hold the 'Presets' button until the preset

number flashes. Use 'Tune Up/Down' to select a preset number (1-6), then press 'Presets' again to save.

5. **Recalling Presets:** Press the 'Presets' button repeatedly to cycle through saved stations.

5. Speakerphone Function

When your Bluetooth-paired phone receives a call:

1. Press the 'Answer Call' button (green phone icon) on the iBT230 to answer the call.
2. Speak into the built-in microphone on the unit.
3. Press the 'End Call' button (red phone icon) to end the call.

6. USB Charging

The iBT230 features a 1-amp USB port for charging compatible mobile devices.

1. Connect your device's USB charging cable (not included) to the USB port on the back of the iBT230.
2. Connect the other end of the cable to your mobile device.
3. Charging will begin automatically.

7. Audio Line-in

Connect external audio devices using the included 3.5mm audio cable.

1. Connect one end of the 3.5mm audio cable to the 'AUX In' jack on the back of the iBT230.
2. Connect the other end to the headphone jack or line-out port of your audio device.
3. Press the 'Mode' button until 'AUX' or 'Line-in' is displayed.
4. Play audio from your connected device. Adjust volume using the 'Volume Up/Down' buttons on the iBT230 or your device.

8. Display Dimmer and Snooze

- **Dimmer:** Press the 'Snooze/Dimmer' bar (located on the top panel) repeatedly to cycle through different display brightness levels (Lo, Med, Hi, Off).
- **Snooze:** When an alarm sounds, press the 'Snooze/Dimmer' bar to temporarily silence the alarm for a preset duration (typically 9 minutes). The alarm will sound again after the snooze period.

Maintenance

- Clean the unit with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use liquid cleaners or abrasive materials.
- Keep the unit away from direct sunlight, heat sources, and excessive dust or moisture.
- Ensure proper ventilation around the unit.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Solution
Unit does not power on.	Ensure the AC adapter is securely connected to both the unit and a working power outlet.
No sound from unit.	Check volume levels on both the iBT230 and the connected audio device. Ensure correct mode (Bluetooth, FM, AUX) is selected.
Bluetooth device will not pair.	Ensure the iBT230 is in Bluetooth pairing mode (flashing indicator). Make sure your device's Bluetooth is enabled and within range. Try unpairing and re-pairing.

Problem	Solution
FM radio reception is poor.	Adjust the position of the unit for better reception. Ensure the FM antenna (if external) is fully extended.
Alarm does not sound.	Verify that the alarm is set and activated (alarm indicator visible on display). Check alarm volume. Ensure battery backup batteries are fresh.

Specifications

- **Brand:** iHome
- **Model:** iBT230BBC
- **Connectivity:** Bluetooth, USB, 3.5mm Audio Line-in
- **Power Source:** AC Adapter, 2 AA batteries (for backup)
- **Display Type:** Digital LED
- **Features:** Dual Alarm, FM Radio, Speakerphone, USB Charging Port (1 Amp)
- **Dimensions:** 7.7 x 7.7 x 3.7 inches
- **Weight:** 1 pound
- **Color:** Black
- **Material:** Plastic

Safety Information

- Do not expose the unit to rain or moisture.
- Do not place objects filled with liquids, such as vases, on the unit.
- Use only the provided AC adapter.
- Do not open the unit casing; there are no user-serviceable parts inside.
- Dispose of batteries properly according to local regulations.

Warranty and Support

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