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## Roland JUNO-DS61

# Roland JUNO-DS 61-Key Lightweight Synth-Action Keyboard User Manual

Model: JUNO-DS61 | Brand: Roland

## INTRODUCTION

The Roland JUNO-DS61 is a versatile, intuitive, and highly mobile 61-key synthesizer designed for performance and music production. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your JUNO-DS61 to ensure optimal performance and longevity.

## 1. SETUP

### 1.1 Unpacking and Initial Inspection

Carefully remove the JUNO-DS61 from its packaging. Inspect the unit for any signs of damage that may have occurred during transit. Ensure all accessories listed in the packing materials are present.

### 1.2 Power Connection

The JUNO-DS61 can be powered by either the included AC adapter or eight AA batteries. For stable operation, especially during performances or recording, using the AC adapter is recommended.

- **AC Adapter:** Connect the supplied AC adapter to the DC IN jack on the rear panel of the JUNO-DS61 and then to a standard AC outlet.
- **Batteries:** Open the battery compartment on the underside of the unit and insert eight AA-size batteries, ensuring correct polarity.



Figure 1.1: Battery compartment on the underside of the JUNO-DS61.

### 1.3 Audio Connections

Connect the JUNO-DS61 to an audio system, amplifier, or headphones using the appropriate output jacks on the rear panel.

- **Output Jacks (L/MONO, R):** Use standard 1/4-inch phone cables to connect to your mixer, amplifier, or audio interface.
- **Headphones Jack:** Connect stereo headphones to the PHONES jack for private monitoring.
- **Input Jacks (MIC IN, EXT INPUT):** Connect a microphone or external audio player for vocal processing or playing along with backing tracks.



Figure 1.2: Rear panel connections of the JUNO-DS61.

## 1.4 USB and MIDI Connections

The JUNO-DS61 features USB Audio/MIDI functionality for seamless integration with your computer and Digital Audio Workstation (DAW).

- **USB COMPUTER Port:** Connect a USB cable from this port to your computer for MIDI and audio data transfer.
- **USB MEMORY Port:** Use this port to connect a USB flash drive for saving/loading data, importing samples, and updating the system.
- **MIDI IN/OUT Ports:** Connect to external MIDI devices using standard MIDI cables.

## 2. OPERATING THE JUNO-DS61

The JUNO-DS61 is designed for intuitive operation, allowing quick access to its vast sound library and performance features.



Figure 2.1: Overview of the JUNO-DS61 control panel.

### 2.1 Sound Selection and Navigation

The JUNO-DS61 includes all sounds from the popular JUNO-Di, plus newly updated acoustic and electric pianos, additional organs, and other stage essentials. Use the category buttons and data dial to browse and select sounds.



Figure 2.2: Detailed view of the JUNO-DS61 control section.

## 2.2 Wave Expansion and Sample Import

Expand your sound palette with the wave expansion slot, allowing you to download new sound waveforms for free from Roland's Axial website. The sample import function enables playing user WAV files directly on the JUNO-DS61's keyboard.

## 2.3 Pattern Sequencer

Utilize the intuitive eight-track pattern sequencer with non-stop recording for quickly developing song ideas and arrangements.

## 2.4 DAW Control

The JUNO-DS61 offers USB audio/MIDI and DAW Control modes, allowing it to function as a central controller for your music production software.

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Video 2.1: Official Roland JUNO-DS61 61-key Synthesizer overview, demonstrating its features and use in a studio and live setting.

## 3. MAINTENANCE

Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your JUNO-DS61.

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe the surface of the instrument. For stubborn dirt, use a slightly damp cloth and then wipe dry. Avoid abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **Battery Care:** If using batteries, remove them if the unit will not be used for an extended period to prevent leakage.
- **Software Updates:** Periodically check the Roland website (specifically the Axial site) for firmware updates to ensure your JUNO-DS61 has the latest features and bug fixes.

## 4. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your JUNO-DS61, refer to the following basic troubleshooting steps. For more detailed solutions, consult the comprehensive User Manual PDF.

- **No Power:** Ensure the AC adapter is securely connected to both the instrument and a working power outlet. If using batteries, check their charge level and correct insertion.
- **No Sound:** Verify that the volume knob is turned up. Check all audio cable connections to your amplifier, mixer, or headphones. Ensure the correct sound is selected and not muted.
- **MIDI/USB Issues:** Confirm that the correct drivers are installed on your computer. Check USB cable connections and MIDI settings on both the JUNO-DS61 and your computer/DAW.

For advanced troubleshooting or persistent issues, please refer to the official [Roland JUNO-DS User Manual \(PDF\)](#).

## 5. SPECIFICATIONS

Specification	Detail
Model Name	JUNO-DS61
Number of Keys	61

Item Weight	16.96 pounds (7.71 Kilograms)
Product Dimensions	47.6 x 15.51 x 7.09 inches
Connectivity Technology	USB
Power Source	Battery Powered, Corded Electric
Instrument Type	Synthesizer
Manufacturer	Roland

## 6. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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### 6.1 Product Warranty

The Roland JUNO-DS61 is covered by a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Roland website for detailed warranty terms and conditions specific to your region.

### 6.2 Customer Support

For further assistance, technical support, or service inquiries, please contact Roland customer support through their official website or the contact information provided in your product documentation.

Official Roland Website: [www.roland.com](http://www.roland.com)