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Model: Sinister-SDX6

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

This manual provides essential information for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Wet Sounds Sinister-SDX6 Marine Amplifier. The Sinister-SDX6 is a high-performance 6-channel marine amplifier designed for robust audio delivery in demanding marine environments.



Image 1.1: Front view of the Wet Sounds Sinister-SDX6 Marine Amplifier, showcasing its sleek black casing and Wet Sounds logo.

## Key Features:

- **Powerful Performance:** Delivers robust audio with 6 channels and a maximum power output of 600 watts.
- **Versatile Configuration:** Supports configurable operation for 6, 5, 4, 3, or 2 channels to suit various audio setups.
- **Premium Components:** Constructed with high-quality components for reliable sound and durability in marine conditions.
- **Advanced Cooling:** Features an advanced cooling system to maintain optimal performance and reliability during extended use.
- **Easy Installation:** Compact design with user-friendly wiring connections simplifies integration into marine audio systems.

## 2. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Proper installation is crucial for the performance and longevity of your amplifier. It is recommended that installation be

performed by a qualified marine audio technician.

## 2.1 Mounting Location

- Choose a dry, well-ventilated location away from direct sunlight and heat sources.
- Ensure adequate airflow around the amplifier for effective cooling.
- Mount the amplifier securely to prevent movement due to boat vibrations. The mounting type is surface mount.

## 2.2 Wiring Connections

Refer to the diagram below for typical wiring connections. Always ensure power is disconnected before making any connections.



Image 2.1: Rear view of the Sinister-SDX6 amplifier showing power, ground, remote, RCA inputs, and speaker output terminals.

1. **Power Connection:** Connect the main power cable (typically 4-gauge or larger) to the amplifier's +12V terminal and to the positive terminal of the boat's battery. Include an appropriate fuse within 18 inches of the battery.
2. **Ground Connection:** Connect a ground cable of the same gauge as the power cable to the amplifier's GND terminal.

terminal and to a clean, solid metal point on the boat's chassis or directly to the battery's negative terminal.

- Remote Turn-On:** Connect a remote turn-on wire from your head unit or switch to the amplifier's REM terminal. This wire signals the amplifier to turn on and off with your audio system.
- RCA Inputs:** Connect RCA cables from your head unit's pre-amp outputs to the amplifier's RCA input jacks (CH1/2, CH3/4, CH5/6).
- Speaker Outputs:** Connect your marine speakers to the amplifier's speaker output terminals, ensuring correct polarity (+ to + and - to -). The amplifier supports various channel configurations.

Ensure all connections are secure and insulated to prevent short circuits and corrosion.

## 3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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Once properly installed, the Sinister-SDX6 amplifier operates in conjunction with your marine audio head unit.

### 3.1 Initial Power-Up

- After all wiring is complete and checked, reconnect the boat's battery.
- Turn on your marine head unit. The amplifier should power on automatically via the remote turn-on wire.
- Start with the amplifier's gain controls set to minimum.
- Play audio at a moderate volume from your head unit.
- Slowly increase the amplifier's gain controls until the desired volume and clarity are achieved without distortion.

### 3.2 Adjusting Settings

The Sinister-SDX6 features adjustable crossovers and input levels to fine-tune your audio system. Consult a professional for optimal sound tuning.

- Gain Control:** Matches the output voltage of your head unit to the amplifier's input sensitivity. Adjust carefully to prevent distortion.
- Crossover Settings:** Use the built-in crossovers (High-Pass, Low-Pass, Full-Range) to direct specific frequency ranges to your speakers, optimizing sound quality and protecting speakers.

## 4. MAINTENANCE

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To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your marine amplifier, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- Regular Cleaning:** Periodically clean the exterior of the amplifier with a soft, damp cloth. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners.
- Connection Checks:** Annually inspect all wiring connections for corrosion, looseness, or damage. Tighten any loose connections and clean any corrosion.
- Ventilation:** Ensure that the amplifier's cooling fins are free from obstructions to allow proper heat dissipation.
- Environmental Protection:** While designed for marine environments, avoid direct exposure to excessive moisture or saltwater spray whenever possible.

## 5. TROUBLESHOOTING

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If you encounter issues with your Sinister-SDX6 amplifier, refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No Power/Amplifier Not Turning On	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blown fuse</li> <li>Loose power or ground connection</li> <li>No remote turn-on signal</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check and replace fuse if necessary.</li> <li>Verify all power and ground connections are secure.</li> <li>Ensure remote wire is connected and receiving +12V from head unit.</li> </ul>
No Sound Output	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Loose RCA or speaker connections</li> <li>Incorrect gain settings</li> <li>Head unit volume too low</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check all RCA and speaker wire connections.</li> <li>Adjust gain settings carefully.</li> <li>Increase head unit volume.</li> </ul>
Distorted Sound	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gain set too high</li> <li>Damaged speakers</li> <li>Improper crossover settings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce amplifier gain.</li> <li>Inspect speakers for damage.</li> <li>Review and adjust crossover settings.</li> </ul>
Amplifier Overheating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insufficient ventilation</li> <li>Improper speaker impedance</li> <li>Extended high-volume operation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure adequate airflow around the amplifier.</li> <li>Verify speaker impedance matches amplifier specifications.</li> <li>Reduce volume or allow amplifier to cool down.</li> </ul>

If problems persist after attempting these steps, contact Wet Sounds customer support or a certified technician.

## 6. SPECIFICATIONS

Detailed technical specifications for the Wet Sounds Sinister-SDX6 Marine Amplifier:

- Model Number:** Sinister-SDX6
- Number of Channels:** 6
- Power Output:** 185W x 6 (specific RMS not provided, using title info)
- Voltage:** 14.4 Volts
- Mounting Type:** Surface Mount
- Package Dimensions:** 19.5 x 13.2 x 4.1 inches
- Weight:** 14 Pounds
- Manufacturer:** Wet Sounds
- Date First Available:** November 10, 2017

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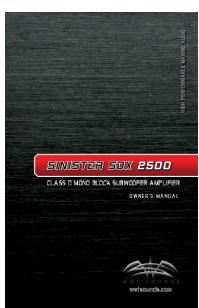
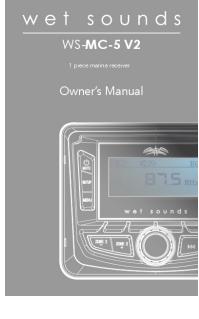
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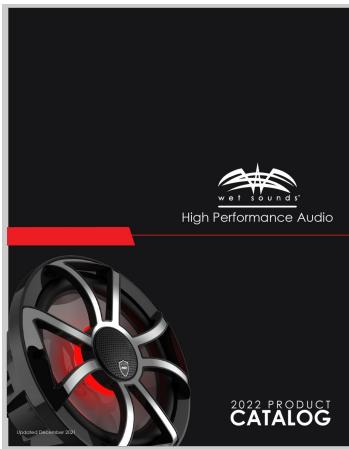
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