

Acctim 71897 Cole

Acctim 71897 Cole Radio-Controlled Alarm Clock User Manual

Model: 71897 Cole

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Acctim 71897 Cole Radio-Controlled Alarm Clock. This manual provides important information on how to set up, operate, and maintain your new clock. Please read these instructions carefully before use and keep them for future reference.

Your Acctim radio-controlled clock is designed for convenience, featuring automatic time setting and adjustment for seasonal changes, ensuring atomic precision. The Superbrite backlight enhances visibility, especially in low-light conditions.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Acctim 71897 Cole is a compact, radio-controlled digital alarm clock with a multi-functional LCD display. It shows time, calendar, and indoor temperature. Its key features include:

- Radio-controlled time (UK and Ireland only) for automatic setting and daylight saving adjustments.
- Multi-functional LCD display showing time, calendar, and indoor temperature.
- Acctim Superbrite white backlight for easy night-time viewing.
- Alarm with snooze function.
- Compact dimensions: 6 x 7.2 x 4 cm (H x W x L).



Figure 1: Front view of the Acctim 71897 Cole Radio-Controlled Alarm Clock. The display shows the time, date, and temperature.

SETUP

1. Unpacking

Carefully remove the clock from its packaging. Ensure all components are present and undamaged. Retain packaging for future transport or storage.

2. Battery Installation

1. Locate the battery compartment cover on the back of the clock.
2. Slide or unclip the cover to open.
3. Insert **2x AAA batteries** (not included) according to the polarity indicators (+ and -) inside the compartment.
4. Replace the battery compartment cover securely.

Note: Always use fresh batteries. Do not mix old and new batteries, or different types of batteries.

3. Initial Time Setting (Radio Control)

Upon battery installation, the clock will automatically begin searching for the radio signal from the UK Atomic Clock transmitter. This process may take several minutes to an hour, depending on your location and signal strength. During this time, the display may show a signal icon flashing.

- Place the clock near a window for optimal signal reception.
- Avoid placing it near electronic devices that may cause interference.
- Once the signal is received, the clock will automatically set the correct time, date, and adjust for daylight saving time changes. A solid signal icon will appear on the display.

***Important:** This radio-controlled feature is primarily designed for use within the UK and Ireland.*

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Time and Display

The LCD display continuously shows the current time, date (day, month, year), and indoor temperature.

2. Superbrite Backlight

To activate the Superbrite white backlight for enhanced visibility in dark conditions:

- Press the large snooze/light button located on the top of the clock.
- The backlight will illuminate for a few seconds and then automatically turn off.

3. Setting the Alarm

Refer to the specific buttons on your clock (usually labeled "ALARM", "SET", or similar) for detailed alarm setting instructions. Generally, the steps involve:

1. Press the ALARM button to enter alarm setting mode.
2. Use the UP/DOWN or +/- buttons to adjust the hour.
3. Press ALARM again to confirm the hour and move to minute adjustment.
4. Use the UP/DOWN or +/- buttons to adjust the minute.
5. Press ALARM or SET to confirm and exit alarm setting mode.
6. Ensure the alarm is activated (an alarm icon will typically appear on the display).

4. Snooze Function

When the alarm sounds:

- Press the large snooze/light button on the top of the clock to temporarily silence the alarm.
- The alarm will sound again after a few minutes (typical snooze duration is 5-10 minutes).
- To turn off the alarm completely, press any other button (e.g., ALARM OFF, SET, MODE) or allow it to sound for its full duration.

MAINTENANCE

1. Cleaning

To clean the clock, use a soft, dry cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners, solvents, or chemical sprays,

as these may damage the casing or display.

2. Battery Replacement

When the display becomes dim or the clock stops functioning correctly, it is time to replace the batteries. Follow the battery installation steps in the "Setup" section. Dispose of used batteries responsibly according to local regulations.

3. Storage

If the clock will not be used for an extended period, remove the batteries to prevent leakage and potential damage.

TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Clock not setting time automatically:**

Ensure batteries are correctly installed and fresh. Place the clock near a window and away from potential interference sources (e.g., TVs, computers, mobile phones). The radio signal is strongest overnight. Allow sufficient time (up to 24 hours) for the clock to receive the signal.

This feature is optimized for UK and Ireland.

- **Display is dim or blank:**

Replace the batteries with new AAA batteries. Check battery polarity.

- **Alarm not sounding:**

Verify that the alarm is set and activated (check for an alarm icon on the display). Ensure the volume is not set to minimum if applicable (though this model typically has a fixed alarm sound).

- **Incorrect temperature reading:**

Ensure the clock is not placed in direct sunlight or near heat sources/vents, which can affect temperature accuracy.

SPECIFICATIONS

Brand	Acctim
Model	71897 Cole
Color	Grey
Special Feature	Alarm, Radio-Controlled, Backlight, Temperature Display
Power Source	Battery Powered
Battery Type	2 x AAA batteries (not included)
Mounting Type	Tabletop
Dimensions (H x W x L)	6 x 7.2 x 4 cm
Operation Mode	Electrical

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Warranty information for your Acctim 71897 Cole Radio-Controlled Alarm Clock is typically provided with your purchase documentation or can be found on the official Acctim website. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

For technical support or further assistance, please visit the official Acctim website or contact their customer service department. Contact details are usually available on the manufacturer's website or product packaging.