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Sony MEX-M72BT Marine CD Receiver User Manual

Model: MEX-M72BT

1. Product Overview

The Sony MEX-M72BT is a marine-grade CD receiver designed for enhanced audio and connectivity in marine environments. It features Dual Bluetooth for connecting two smartphones simultaneously, NFC technology for instant pairing, and compatibility with SiriusXM. The unit is built with a UV-resistant finish and anti-corrosive coating for durability in harsh conditions.



Figure 1: Front view of the Sony MEX-M72BT Marine CD Receiver.

2. Package Contents

Verify that all items are included in the package:

- Radio Unit
- Trim Ring (Collar): Black
- External Microphone
- Card Remote: RM-X232
- Warranty Card

- Instruction Manual

3. Key Features

- **Dual Bluetooth Connectivity:** Connect two smartphones simultaneously.
- **NFC Technology:** Instant Bluetooth pairing by tapping your NFC-enabled phone on the receiver's volume knob.
- **Voice Control:** Compatible with Siri Eyes Free and SongPal for hands-free operation.
- **High-Power Amplifier:** Delivers clear, natural-sounding audio with 55 Watt output (4 ohms, 1 kHz, 16 Volt).
- **Durability:** Features a UV-resistant finish and anti-corrosive coating, ideal for marine environments.
- **AOA 2.0-Compatible USB Port:** Connect music players and smartphones for audio playback and charging.
- **SiriusXM Ready:** Integrate with SiriusXM satellite radio (tuner and subscription sold separately).



Figure 2: Icons representing Dual Bluetooth, NFC, and High-Power Amplifier features.

4. Setup and Installation

4.1 General Installation

Professional installation is recommended for marine audio equipment to ensure proper wiring, waterproofing, and optimal performance. Refer to the detailed wiring diagram in the included instruction manual for specific connections.



Figure 3: Example wiring diagram for the marine receiver. Consult the full manual for detailed instructions.

4.2 Bluetooth Pairing with NFC

For quick and easy Bluetooth pairing with an NFC-enabled smartphone:

1. Ensure NFC is enabled on your smartphone.
2. Touch the back of your smartphone to the volume knob of the MEX-M72BT receiver.
3. Confirm the pairing request on your smartphone.
4. Accept any requests for contact or message access if desired.



Video 1: Tutorial on Bluetooth Pairing with NFC for Sony Car Audio Systems. This video demonstrates the NFC pairing process, which is applicable to the MEX-M72BT model.

5. Operating Instructions

5.1 Basic Controls

- **Power On/Off:** Press the **OFF/SRC** button to turn the unit on or off.
- **Source Selection:** Press the **SRC** button repeatedly to cycle through available sources (CD, USB, AUX, Bluetooth Audio, SiriusXM, Tuner).
- **Volume Control:** Rotate the large central knob to adjust the volume.
- **Call Button:** Press the **CALL** button to answer or end a phone call when connected via Bluetooth.
- **Menu/Settings:** Press the **MENU** button to access audio settings and system configurations.



Figure 4: The Sony MEX-M72BT receiver installed in a boat, demonstrating its use with a connected smartphone.

5.2 Source Switching and Audio Playback

The unit supports various audio sources. Use the **SRC** button to switch between them. For USB playback, connect a USB device to the front USB port. For Bluetooth audio, ensure your device is paired and select "BT AUDIO" as the source. SiriusXM requires an optional tuner and subscription.

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Video 2: Demonstration of the Sony MEX-M72BT Marine CD Receiver's features, including source switching and display visibility in various conditions.

6. Maintenance

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the unit's surface. For stubborn dirt, dampen the cloth with water. Avoid abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **USB Port Protection:** Always use the provided rubber plug to cover the USB port when not in use, especially in marine environments, to prevent water and dust ingress.
- **Connection Checks:** Periodically inspect all wiring connections for corrosion or damage, particularly in saltwater environments.
- **Firmware Updates:** Check the Sony support website for any available firmware updates to ensure optimal performance and compatibility.



Figure 5: The unit features a UV-resistant finish and anti-corrosive coating for enhanced durability.

7. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your MEX-M72BT receiver, refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

- **No Power:** Check the power connections and the vehicle's fuse box. Ensure the unit is properly installed and receiving power.
- **No Audio:** Verify speaker connections, volume level, and selected audio source. Check if the mute function is active.
- **Bluetooth Connection Issues:** Ensure Bluetooth is enabled on your phone and the receiver. Try unpairing and re-pairing the device. Move closer to the receiver to rule out range issues.
- **USB Playback Errors:** Ensure the USB device is formatted correctly and contains compatible audio files. Try a different USB device.
- **Remote Control Not Working:** Check the remote control battery. Ensure there are no obstructions between the remote and the receiver's IR sensor.

For more detailed troubleshooting, consult the full instruction manual or contact Sony customer support.

8. Specifications

Feature	Specification
Product Dimensions	7.01 x 6.93 x 1.97 inches
Item Weight	2.65 pounds
Item Model Number	MEX-M72BT
Wireless Communication Technologies	Bluetooth
Connectivity Technologies	Bluetooth, NFC, USB
Special Features	Built-In Bluetooth
Color	Black
Manufacturer	Sony

Feature	Specification
Connectivity Technology	Bluetooth, NFC, USB
Controller Type	Foot Control (refers to remote control capability)
Compatible Devices	Smartphone
Connector Type	USB
Audio Output Mode	Stereo
Surround Sound Channel Configuration	4.0
Output Power	55 Watt (4 ohms, 1 kHz, 16 Volt)

9. Warranty and Support

This Sony product comes with a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the included Warranty Card in your package for specific terms, conditions, and duration of coverage. For technical support, service, or additional product information, please visit the official Sony support website or contact their customer service department.
Online resources and contact information can typically be found at www.sony.com/electronics/support.

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