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Model: 71899

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Acctim 71899 Cole Radio Controlled Alarm Clock. This clock features radio-controlled time synchronization, automatic summer/winter time adjustment, a calendar display, and an indoor temperature display. It also includes an alarm with a snooze function and a Superbrite white backlight for easy viewing. Please read this manual carefully to ensure proper setup and operation of your new alarm clock.

SAFETY INFORMATION

- Do not expose the unit to extreme temperatures, direct sunlight, or high humidity.
- Avoid dropping the unit or subjecting it to strong impacts.
- Do not mix old and new batteries, or different types of batteries.
- Remove batteries if the unit will not be used for an extended period.
- Keep batteries out of reach of children.
- Dispose of used batteries responsibly according to local regulations.

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Please check that the following items are included in your package:

- Acctim 71899 Cole Radio Controlled Alarm Clock
- User Manual (this document)

Note: 2 x AAA batteries are required and are not included in the package.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Acctim 71899 Cole alarm clock features a clear LCD display and several control buttons. Below is a general overview of the clock's appearance and typical button layout.



Image: Front view of the Acctim 71899 Cole Radio Controlled Alarm Clock. The clock has a rectangular shape with a clear digital display showing time, date, and temperature. The casing is a dark color, and the display features a white backlight.

Typical Button Layout (Top/Rear)

- **SNOOZE/LIGHT Button:** Located on the top. Press to activate snooze during an alarm or to illuminate the display backlight.
- **MODE Button:** Typically on the rear or side. Used to cycle through display modes (e.g., time, date) and enter setting modes.
- **SET Button:** Often paired with MODE. Used to confirm settings or enter specific setting adjustments.
- **UP/DOWN Buttons (or +/-):** Used to adjust values during setting modes (e.g., time, alarm).
- **ALARM ON/OFF Switch:** A physical switch or button to enable or disable the alarm.
- **RESET Button:** A small recessed button (may require a pin) to reset the clock to factory defaults.
- **BATTERY COMPARTMENT:** Located on the rear, for AAA batteries.

SETUP

1. Battery Installation

1. Open the battery compartment cover on the back of the clock.
2. Insert 2 new AAA batteries, ensuring the correct polarity (+ and -).
3. Close the battery compartment cover securely.

The clock will power on and the display will activate. It will typically attempt to receive the radio control signal automatically.

2. Radio Control Signal Reception

Upon battery installation, the clock will automatically begin searching for the radio control time signal (DCF77 in Europe). This process can take several minutes to a few hours, depending on your location and environmental conditions. A signal icon (often a blinking antenna symbol) will appear on the display during this search.

- Place the clock near a window for better reception.
- Avoid placing it near electronic devices that may cause interference (e.g., TVs, computers, mobile phones).
- Once the signal is successfully received, the time and date will be set automatically, and the signal icon will become solid.

3. Manual Time Setting (If Radio Signal is Unavailable)

If the radio signal cannot be received, or if you prefer to set the time manually:

1. Press and hold the **MODE** button for a few seconds until the time display starts flashing.
2. Use the **UP** or **DOWN** buttons to adjust the hour.
3. Press the **MODE** button again to move to the minutes setting, then use **UP/DOWN** to adjust.
4. Continue pressing **MODE** to cycle through year, month, and day settings, adjusting each with the **UP/DOWN** buttons.
5. Press **MODE** one last time or wait for a few seconds for the settings to be saved and exit the setting mode.

4. Temperature Display

The clock automatically displays the indoor temperature. No specific setting is usually required for this function.

OPERATING

1. Setting the Alarm

1. Press the **MODE** button once to display the alarm time (usually indicated by an alarm icon).
2. Press and hold the **MODE** button again until the alarm time starts flashing.
3. Use the **UP** or **DOWN** buttons to set the desired alarm hour.
4. Press **MODE** to move to the minutes setting, then use **UP/DOWN** to adjust.
5. Press **MODE** again or wait for a few seconds to save the alarm time.

2. Activating/Deactivating the Alarm

Locate the **ALARM ON/OFF** switch or button. Slide the switch to the 'ON' position (or press the button) to

activate the alarm. An alarm icon will appear on the display. To deactivate, slide the switch to 'OFF' or press the button again.

3. Snooze Function

When the alarm sounds, press the large **SNOOZE/LIGHT** button on the top of the clock. The alarm will temporarily stop and sound again after a few minutes (typically 5-10 minutes). The snooze function can usually be repeated several times.

4. Stopping the Alarm

To stop the alarm completely after it sounds (without using snooze), press any button other than the **SNOOZE/LIGHT** button, or slide the **ALARM ON/OFF** switch to 'OFF'. The alarm will reset for the next day.

5. Backlight Operation

Press the **SNOOZE/LIGHT** button on the top of the clock to activate the Superbrite white backlight. The backlight will illuminate the display for a few seconds, making it easy to read in low light conditions.

6. Automatic Summer/Winter Time Adjustment

The radio-controlled function automatically adjusts for Daylight Saving Time (summer/winter time changes). No manual intervention is required for this feature once the radio signal is successfully received.

MAINTENANCE

Cleaning

Wipe the clock with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners, solvents, or spray directly onto the unit, as this may damage the casing or display.

Battery Replacement

When the display becomes dim or the clock stops functioning, it is time to replace the batteries. Follow the battery installation steps in the Setup section. Always replace both AAA batteries at the same time with new ones.

Storage

If you plan to store the clock for an extended period, remove the batteries to prevent leakage and damage to the unit.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Display is blank or dim.	Batteries are low or incorrectly inserted.	Replace with new AAA batteries, ensuring correct polarity.
Clock does not set time automatically.	Weak radio signal or interference.	Move the clock to a different location, preferably near a window and away from electronic devices. Allow several hours for signal reception. Manually set the time if necessary.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Alarm does not sound.	Alarm is not activated or set incorrectly.	Ensure the ALARM ON/OFF switch is in the 'ON' position. Verify the alarm time is set correctly.
Snooze function is not working.	Incorrect button pressed or unit malfunction.	Ensure you are pressing the SNOOZE/LIGHT button. If the issue persists, try resetting the clock.
Time is incorrect after automatic adjustment.	Temporary signal loss or interference during adjustment.	Allow the clock to re-synchronize overnight. If the problem persists, try moving the clock or manually setting the time.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Model:** Acctim 71899 Cole
- Type:** Radio Controlled Alarm Clock
- Display:** Digital LCD with Superbrite white backlight
- Functions:** Time, Date, Calendar, Indoor Temperature, Alarm, Snooze
- Time Synchronization:** Radio Controlled (DCF77)
- Automatic Adjustments:** Summer/Winter Time (DST)
- Power Source:** 2 x AAA batteries (not included)
- Dimensions:** Approximately 60 x 72 x 40 mm
- Weight:** Approximately 120 grams (without batteries)

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Acctim products are manufactured to high-quality standards. For warranty information or technical support, please refer to the documentation provided at the point of purchase or visit the official Acctim website. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.