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Model: AV157

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The ZVOX AV157 AccuVoice TV Soundbar is designed to enhance dialogue clarity and provide a rich audio experience for your television. Featuring patented AccuVoice hearing aid technology and PhaseCue virtual surround sound, it ensures every word is clear and understandable, even at low volumes.



Image: Front view of the ZVOX AV157 AccuVoice TV Soundbar, highlighting its compact design.

2. WHAT'S IN THE BOX

- ZVOX AV157 Soundbar
- Remote Control (2x AAA batteries included)
- Power Adapter
- Mini-to-Mini Cable
- Mini-to-RCA Cable
- Toslink Optical Cable

EASY TO OPERATE

A behind-the-grille display illuminates when you make adjustments to sound settings.



A Large text remote makes it easy-to-use for the whole family

Image: All components included in the ZVOX AV157 packaging, neatly arranged.

3. SETUP

3.1 Placement

The AV157 TV Speaker is designed for flexible placement. It can be placed on furniture in front of your TV or wall-mounted. Its compact dimensions (17"w x 3 3/8"d x 2 7/8"h) allow it to fit seamlessly into most spaces.

3.2 Connecting to Your TV

The AV157 is compatible with TVs featuring Toslink optical or analog outputs (3.5mm or RCA). All necessary cables are included for a straightforward setup.

1. Connect the power adapter to the soundbar and plug it into a wall outlet.
2. Choose one of the following audio connection methods:
 - **Optical Digital Input (Recommended):** Connect the Toslink optical cable from your TV's optical output to the soundbar's optical input.
 - **Minijack Analog Input:** Connect the 3.5mm audio cable (Mini-to-Mini or Mini-to-RCA) from your TV's headphone or audio output to the soundbar's analog input.
3. Ensure your TV's internal speakers are turned off or muted to avoid echo.

HEAR EVERY WORD WITH ACCUVOICE®

Boost dialogue up to 12 levels, so voices are crystal clear—even at low volumes.



Image: Visual representation of the optical digital input (Toslink) and minijack analog input (3.5mm) on the ZVOX AV157.

3.3 TV Compatibility Note

The AV157 is not compatible with TVs that lack audio outputs. Some Samsung and Glass smart TVs with only HDMI ARC/eARC ports require an HDMI ARC Audio Extractor (sold separately) to convert the HDMI signal to Toslink optical (recommended) or analog.

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Video: An official ZVOX Audio video demonstrating the unboxing and basic setup of the AV157 AccuVoice Speaker.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Power On/Off

Press the **POWER** button on the remote control to turn the soundbar on or off. The soundbar is designed to turn off automatically when the TV is turned off (this setting can be changed).

4.2 AccuVoice Dialogue Clarity

The AccuVoice feature provides 12 levels of voice boost, making dialogue clearer and easier to understand. Use the **ACCUVOICE** button on the remote to cycle through the levels. The soundbar's display will show the current AccuVoice level (AC 1-6, then SUP 1-6 for SuperVoice).

Clarify Voices
on your TV



AV157 DIALOGUE CLARIFYING SOUNDBAR

Image: A visual demonstrating how AccuVoice technology clarifies voices on a TV screen, boosting dialogue up to 12 levels.

4.3 SuperVoice Mode

SuperVoice mode further reduces background noise, allowing voices to stand out for focused, clear dialogue. This is activated by continuing to press the **ACCUVOICE** button past level 6, displaying SUP 1-6.

4.4 PhaseCue Virtual Surround Sound

PhaseCue virtual surround technology creates an immersive 3D audio experience from a single compact speaker. Use the **SURROUND** button on the remote to adjust the surround sound levels.

ROOM-ENVELOPING SOUND WITH PHASECUE®

Rich and immersive 3D sound that Sound & Vision magazine calls “remarkably ingenious”.



Image: A visual representation of PhaseCue virtual surround sound creating a room-enveloping audio experience from the soundbar.

4.5 Volume Control

Use the **VOLUME UP** and **VOLUME DOWN** buttons on the remote to adjust the overall sound level. The soundbar features an output leveling function that balances overall volume, preventing sudden loud changes from commercials.

4.6 Input Selection

Press the **INPUT** button on the remote to cycle through available audio inputs (Optical, Analog).

4.7 Remote Control

The included remote control features large, easy-to-read buttons for simple adjustments. A bright on-unit display shows current settings.

TWO EASY WAYS TO CONNECT

This product features optical and analog inputs. It does not include a HDMI connection. It cannot be used as a center speaker. **Check your TV for compatibility.**



**OPTICAL
DIGITAL INPUT**
(Toslink)



**MINIJACK
ANALOG INPUT**
(3.5mm)



No HDMI

Image: The ZVOX AV157 soundbar with its user-friendly remote control, highlighting the clear display and large buttons.

5. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Name	AV157
Speaker Type	Soundbar
Special Feature	AccuVoice, SuperVoice, PhaseCue, Output Leveling
Recommended Uses	For Televisions
Compatible Devices	Television
Speaker Maximum Output Power	24 Watts
Connectivity Technology	Optical, Analog (3.5mm/RCA)
Audio Output Mode	Surround
Mounting Type	Bar Mount

Color	Titanium
Item Weight	4.71 pounds
Package Dimensions	19.13 x 7.72 x 3.94 inches

6. MAINTENANCE

To ensure optimal performance and longevity of your ZVOX AV157 soundbar, follow these simple maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the exterior of the soundbar. Avoid using liquid cleaners or abrasive materials, as they may damage the finish.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure the soundbar has adequate ventilation. Do not block any vents or place the unit in an enclosed space that could restrict airflow.
- **Power Cord:** Regularly inspect the power cord for any signs of damage. If damaged, discontinue use and contact customer support for a replacement.
- **Remote Control:** Replace the AAA batteries in the remote control when its functionality diminishes.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter any issues with your ZVOX AV157 soundbar, please refer to the following common troubleshooting steps:

- **No Sound:**
 - Ensure the soundbar is powered on and the volume is turned up.
 - Verify that the correct input source is selected on the soundbar (Optical or Analog).
 - Check all cable connections between the TV and the soundbar to ensure they are secure.
 - Confirm that your TV's audio output is enabled and not muted.
- **Distorted Sound:**
 - Lower the volume on both the TV and the soundbar.
 - Check the audio source for quality issues.
 - Ensure TV speakers are off to prevent echo or interference.
- **Remote Control Not Working:**
 - Check and replace the batteries in the remote control.
 - Ensure there are no obstructions between the remote and the soundbar.
 - Point the remote directly at the soundbar's front panel.

For further assistance, please contact ZVOX customer support.

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The ZVOX AV157 Soundbar comes with a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging for specific terms and conditions.

For technical support, product registration, or warranty claims, please visit the official ZVOX website or contact their customer service department. Contact information can typically be found in the setup and operation guide included with your product.

