

## VTech VG231-5

# VTech VG231-5 Cordless Phone System User Manual

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## INTRODUCTION

This user manual provides comprehensive instructions for the VTech VG231-5 DECT 6.0 5-Handset Cordless Phone System. Designed for busy households, this system offers advanced features such as a full-duplex handset speakerphone, large backlit LCD screen for Caller ID, and private, interference-free DECT 6.0 transmission. Please read this manual thoroughly to ensure proper setup and operation of your new phone system.



Image: The VTech VG231-5 cordless phone system, showing the main base unit and five cordless handsets with their individual charging cradles.

## What's Included

Verify that your package contains the following items:

- 1 x Base Unit
- 5 x Cordless Handsets
- 4 x Handset Chargers
- 5 x AC Adapters
- 5 x Battery Packs
- 1 x Telephone Line Cord
- 1 x Quick Start Guide

## Setup

## 1. Connecting the Base Unit

1. Plug one end of the telephone line cord into the TEL LINE jack on the back of the base unit.
2. Plug the other end of the telephone line cord into a telephone wall jack.
3. Plug the large end of the AC adapter into a power outlet.
4. Plug the small end of the AC adapter into the POWER jack on the back of the base unit.
5. Ensure all cords are securely connected.

## 2. Installing Handset Batteries

1. Open the battery compartment cover on the back of each cordless handset.
2. Connect the battery pack plug securely into the jack inside the compartment.
3. Place the battery pack with the label UP and tuck the wires inside the battery compartment.
4. Close the battery compartment cover.

## 3. Charging Handsets

Place each handset in its respective charging cradle or the main base unit. The CHARGE light on the handset will illuminate, indicating proper charging. For optimal battery performance, charge each handset for at least 16 hours before initial use.



Image: Diagram illustrating DECT 6.0 Digital Technology, full-duplex speakerphone, Caller ID/Call Waiting, 50 number phonebook, and backlit keypad and display features.

The DECT 6.0 digital technology provides superior sound quality and security, ensuring private and interference-free conversations. The cordless design allows for extended range, with reliable signal reception up to 1000 feet from the base unit, even in a backyard setting.

## Full Duplex Handset Speakerphone



Image: A woman using the full duplex speakerphone feature on a VTech cordless handset while chopping vegetables, demonstrating hands-free communication.

The base unit and chargers are designed for versatile placement, supporting both tabletop and wall-mountable configurations to suit your space requirements.



# ECO Mode Power-Conserving Technology



Image: Two views of a VTech cordless phone base unit, one mounted on a wall and the other placed on a tabletop, highlighting its flexible installation options.

## OPERATING YOUR PHONE

### Making and Receiving Calls

To make a call, press the **TALK/FLASH** button and dial the number. To answer an incoming call, simply press the **TALK/FLASH** button or pick up the handset from the cradle.

### Caller ID/Call Waiting

The phone displays the name, number, time, and date of incoming calls on its large, backlit LCD screen. The system stores up to 50 Caller ID entries, allowing you to review missed calls and prioritize important conversations.

# Caller ID/Call Waiting— Stores 50 Calls



Image: A close-up of a VTech cordless phone handset displaying a Caller ID entry with contact name, phone number, and call time, along with an icon indicating 50 call storage capacity.

## Full Duplex Speakerphone

Engage the full duplex speakerphone feature for hands-free conversations. This allows both parties to speak and be heard simultaneously, providing a more natural call experience.

## Backlit Keypad and Display

The handset features a premium 2-inch white backlit display and an illuminated keypad. This ensures clear visibility of numbers and information, even in low-light conditions.

# Lighted Keypad



Image: A close-up of a VTech cordless phone handset highlighting its 2-inch white backlit display, showing clear text and icons.

# 2" White Backlit Display



Image: A close-up of a VTech cordless phone handset showcasing its lighted keypad with large, easy-to-read numbers and symbols.

## Quiet Mode

Activate Quiet Mode to temporarily silence the ringer on both the handset and base unit. This feature is ideal for periods when you do not wish to be disturbed.



# Last 10 Number Redial



Image: A VTech cordless phone handset with the "REDIAL/PAUSE" button highlighted, set against a background of a person meditating, symbolizing the quiet mode feature.

## Last 10 Number Redial

Quickly redial any of the last 10 numbers called by pressing the **REDIAL/PAUSE** button. This feature saves time and effort for frequently called contacts.

# Last 10 Number Redial



Image: A hand pressing the redial button on a VTech cordless phone handset, with the display showing a previously dialed number, illustrating the last 10 number redial feature.

## Intercom Between Handsets

Use the intercom feature to communicate privately between handsets within your home. This is useful for quick announcements or conversations without using the landline.

# Quiet Mode



Image: Two VTech cordless handsets facing each other with arrows indicating communication flow, representing the intercom feature between handsets.

## Phonebook

Store up to 50 names and numbers in the phonebook for easy access. Entries are shared across all registered handsets.

# Intercom Between Handsets



Image: A VTech cordless phone handset next to a graphic illustrating the storage of 50 name and number phonebook contacts, with a small figure giving a thumbs-up.

## ECO Mode

The phone system features ECO Mode, which intelligently manages power consumption to conserve energy and extend battery life. This mode automatically adjusts the radio power based on the distance between the handset and the base unit.



# 50 Name and Number Phonebook Contacts



Image: A VTech cordless phone handset on a charging base with a green leaf icon, representing the ECO Mode power-conserving technology.

## MAINTENANCE

- **Cleaning:** Clean the phone and charger with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use cleaning sprays or harsh chemicals.
- **Battery Care:** To maintain optimal battery life, fully charge the handsets regularly. If the phone will not be used for an extended period, remove the batteries.
- **Environmental Conditions:** Avoid placing the phone in direct sunlight, near heat sources, or in areas with excessive moisture or dust.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

If you experience issues with your VTech VG231-5 phone system, try the following basic troubleshooting steps:

- **No Dial Tone:** Ensure the telephone line cord is securely connected to both the wall jack and the base unit. Check if the AC adapter is properly plugged into a power outlet.
- **No Power to Handset:** Verify that the handset battery pack is correctly installed and fully charged. Place the handset in its charger to confirm the CHARGE light illuminates.
- **Poor Sound Quality/Interference:** Move the handset closer to the base unit. Ensure there are no large metal objects or other electronic devices (like Wi-Fi routers, microwaves) nearby that could cause interference.
- **Handset Not Registering:** Follow the instructions in the Quick Start Guide to re-register the handset to the base unit.
- **Display Issues:** If the display is blank or unreadable, ensure the handset is charged. If the issue persists, try resetting the phone by unplugging the base unit's power adapter for a few minutes and then plugging it back in.

For more detailed troubleshooting, please refer to the comprehensive Quick Start Guide included with your product or visit the VTech support website.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	VG231-5
Telephone Type	Cordless (DECT 6.0)
Number of Handsets	5
Display	2-inch White Backlit LCD
Keypad	Backlit
Caller ID Memory	50 Calls
Phonebook Capacity	50 Names and Numbers
Speakerphone	Full Duplex Handset Speakerphone
Redial Memory	Last 10 Numbers
Power Source	Corded Electric (AC Adapters)
Batteries	5 Product Specific batteries (included)
Product Dimensions	4.72 x 3.37 x 7.22 inches
Item Weight	3.2 pounds
Color	Silver/Black
Manufacturer	VTech
Country of Origin	Malaysia

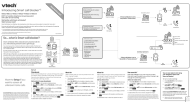
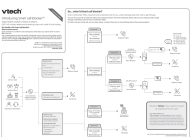



## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

VTech products are manufactured to high quality standards. For information regarding warranty coverage, technical support, or to purchase accessories, please visit the official VTech website or contact their customer service department. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for warranty claims.

For the most up-to-date support information, please refer to the VTech support page: [www.vtechphones.com/support](http://www.vtechphones.com/support)

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