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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the KEF Q11 Meta Floorstanding Speaker. This manual provides essential information for the safe and optimal use of your speaker. Please read it thoroughly before installation and operation, and retain it for future reference.





Image: The KEF Q11 Meta Floorstanding Speaker in its white finish, showcasing its sleek design. The KEF Q11 Meta is a high-fidelity floorstanding speaker designed to deliver immersive audio performance. It features KEF's advanced Meta material technology and the 12th generation Uni-Q driver array, ensuring clear, detailed, and powerful sound reproduction for both music and home theater systems.

SAFETY INFORMATION

Please observe the following safety precautions to prevent damage to the speaker and ensure user safety:

- Do not expose the speaker to excessive heat, direct sunlight, or moisture.
- Ensure proper ventilation around the speaker to prevent overheating.
- Use only the recommended power source and speaker wire connections.
- Avoid placing heavy objects on the speaker.
- Keep the speaker away from strong magnetic fields.
- Do not attempt to disassemble or modify the speaker. Refer all servicing to qualified personnel.
- Position the speaker on a stable, level surface to prevent tipping.

SETUP

1. Unboxing

Carefully remove the speaker from its packaging. Retain all packaging materials for future transport or storage. Inspect the speaker for any signs of damage during transit. If damage is found, contact your dealer immediately.

2. Placement

Optimal speaker placement is crucial for sound quality. Consider the following guidelines:

- **Stereo Setup:** Place the speakers equidistant from your primary listening position, forming an equilateral triangle.
- **Distance from Walls:** Experiment with distance from walls to control bass response. Generally, a few feet from the rear and side walls is a good starting point.
- **Room Acoustics:** Room furnishings and materials can affect sound. Adjust placement to minimize reflections and optimize soundstage.
- **Stability:** Ensure the speaker is placed on a stable, level surface. The Q11 Meta is designed for indoor usage.



Image: A KEF Q11 Meta Floorstanding Speaker integrated into a modern living room setup, demonstrating typical placement.

3. Connections

Connect the Q11 Meta speakers to your amplifier or receiver using high-quality speaker wire. Ensure correct polarity (+ to + and - to -) for optimal sound performance.

- **Speaker Wire:** Use appropriate gauge speaker wire for the length of your run.
- **Binding Posts:** The Q11 Meta features robust binding posts. Unscrew the terminal caps, insert the stripped wire ends, and tighten securely.
- **Impedance:** The speaker has an impedance of 4 Ohms. Ensure your amplifier is compatible with this load.
- **Audio Output Mode:** The speaker supports surround sound configurations, typically 2.0 for stereo or as part of a larger home cinema system.

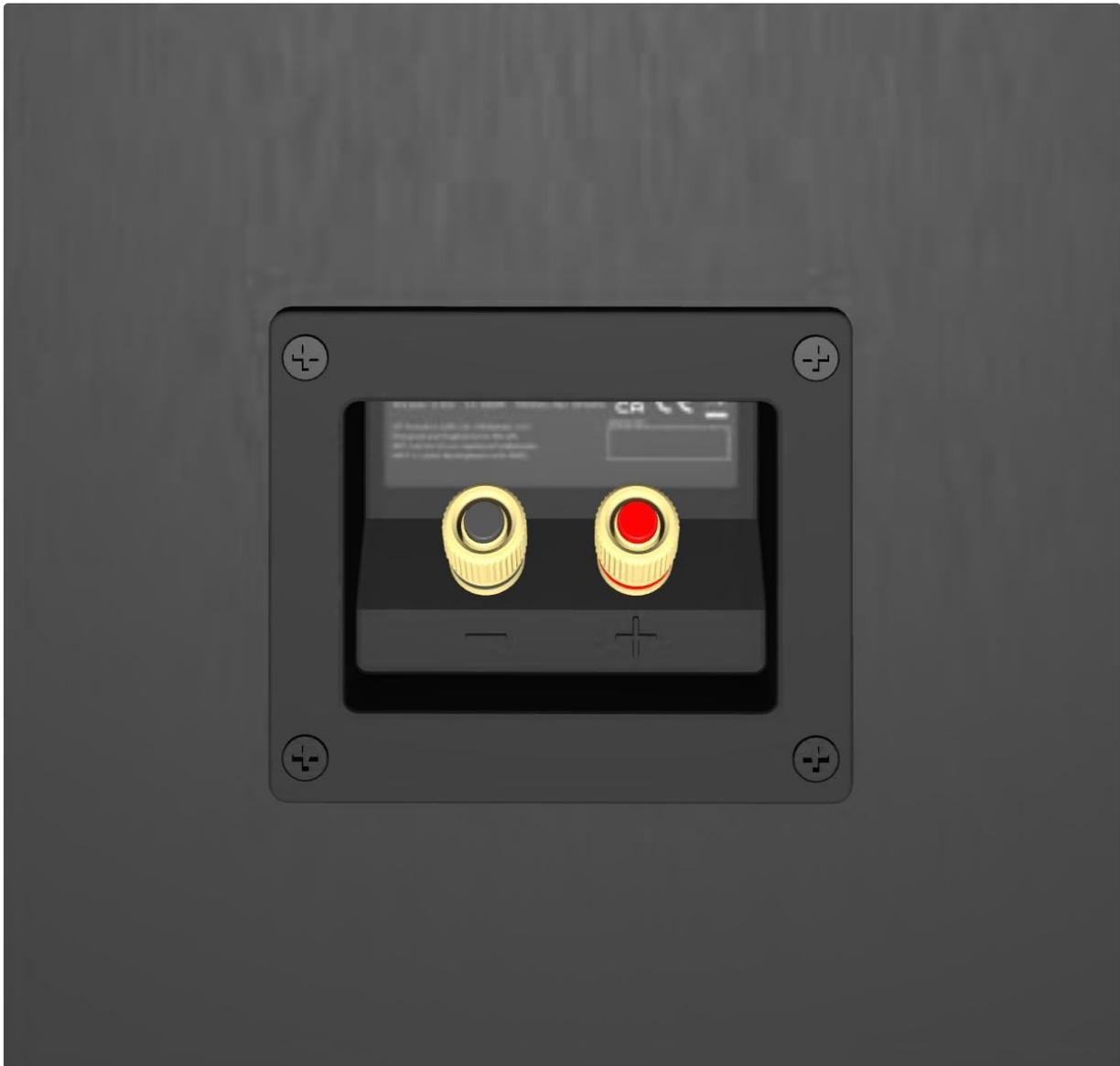


Image: The rear panel of the KEF Q11 Meta speaker, highlighting the gold-plated binding posts for speaker wire connection.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Powering On/Off

The KEF Q11 Meta speakers are passive and do not have a separate power switch. They receive power directly from your connected amplifier. Ensure your amplifier is powered on and off according to its own manual.

2. Audio Playback

Once connected to an amplifier and an audio source (e.g., music player, home theater system, game console, television), you can begin playing audio. Adjust the volume and other audio settings on your amplifier or source device. The Q11 Meta is compatible with various devices including desktop systems, home theaters, and MP3 players.

The Q11 Meta features advanced technologies for superior sound:

- **Meta Material Technology:** Absorbs 99% of unwanted sound from the rear of the driver, resulting in purer, more natural sound.
- **Uni-Q Driver Array:** Acts as a single point source, dispersing sound evenly for an immersive and cohesive soundstage.
- **Hybrid Bass Driver Design:** Provides stiffness for piston-like movement, delivering precise and agile bass.



Image: A detailed view of the Meta Material Technology, designed to absorb unwanted sound.



Image: A close-up of the KEF Uni-Q Driver Array, showing the tweeter positioned at the acoustic center of the midrange cone.



Image: An exploded view illustrating the components of KEF's Hybrid Bass Driver, designed for powerful and precise low-frequency reproduction.

MAINTENANCE

Cleaning

To maintain the appearance and performance of your KEF Q11 Meta speakers:

- Wipe the cabinet with a soft, dry, lint-free cloth.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners, solvents, or strong detergents, as these can damage the finish.
- For stubborn marks, lightly dampen the cloth with water, then dry immediately.
- Avoid touching the driver cones directly.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you experience issues with your KEF Q11 Meta speakers, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

- **No Sound:**
 - Check all speaker wire connections at both the speaker and amplifier ends for secure contact and correct polarity.
 - Ensure the amplifier is powered on and the correct input source is selected.
 - Verify that the volume on your amplifier is not set to minimum or muted.
- **Distorted Sound:**
 - Reduce the volume level on your amplifier.
 - Check speaker wire connections for any loose strands that might be shorting.
 - Ensure the amplifier is not being overdriven.
- **Uneven Sound (one speaker louder/softer):**
 - Check individual speaker wire connections for looseness or incorrect polarity.
 - Verify balance settings on your amplifier.
 - Ensure speakers are placed symmetrically in the room.

If the problem persists after trying these steps, please contact KEF customer support or your authorized dealer.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Name	Q11 Meta
Mounting Type	Floor Standing
Speaker Type	Tower
Material	Aluminum
Color	White
Product Dimensions (D x W x H)	15"D x 8.3"W x 41.8"H
Item Weight	49.5 pounds (22.5 Kilograms)
Impedance	4 Ohms

Feature	Detail
Speaker Maximum Output Power	225 Watts
Frequency Response	20 KHz (Upper limit, actual range depends on design)
Connectivity Technology	Speaker Wire
Audio Output Mode	Surround
Audio Driver Type	Hybrid Driver
Number Of Circuits	3
Power Source	Corded Electric (via amplifier)
Recommended Uses	For Game Consoles, Gaming Consoles, Home Cinema Systems, Music Players, Televisions
Compatible Devices	Desktop, Home Theater, MP3 Player
Indoor/Outdoor Usage	Indoor
UPC	637203219009

WARRANTY INFORMATION

The KEF Q11 Meta Floorstanding Speaker comes with a limited warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging for specific terms, conditions, and duration of coverage. Retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

SUPPORT

For further assistance, technical support, or service inquiries, please visit the official KEF website or contact your authorized KEF dealer.

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