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## **ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY**

This device complies with part I S of the FCC Rules and the Product Specifications noted on the Declaration of Conformity. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

· this device may not cause harmful interference, and

• this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Operation of this unit within significant electromagnetic fields should be avoided.

· use only shielded interconnecting cables.



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# Warning

## For your protection, please read the following:

Important Safety Instructions

- 1. Read these instructions.
- 2. Keep these instructions.
- 3. Heed all warnings.
- 4. Do not use this apparatus near water.
- 5. Clean only with dry cloth.
- 6. Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- 7. Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- 8. Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
- 9. Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
- 10. No user serviceable parts inside. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.
- 11. **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture.
- 12. Refer to labels on the unit, including bottom cover, or other markings and pertinent information.

## **DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

Manufacturer's Name: DigiTech

Manufacturer's Address: 59 Hwagok-ro 61gil, Gangseo-gu Seoul 07590, Republic of Korea

declares that the product: **Product name:** Whammy DT

Product option: all (requires Class II power adapter that conforms to the requirements of EN60065, EN60742, or

equivalent.)

conforms to the following Product Specifications:

Safety: IEC 60065 -01 +Amd 1

EMC: EN 55022:2006 EN 55024:1998 FCC Part 15

# **Supplementary Information:**

The product herewith complies with the requirements of the: Low Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC EMC Directive 2004/108/EC. RoH5 Directive 2002/95/EC WEEE Directive 2002/96/EC EC Regulation 278/2009

With regard to Directive 2005/32/EC and EC Regulation 1275/2008 of 17 December 2008, this product is designed, produced, and classified as Professional Audio Equipment and thus is exempt from this Directive.

# Warranty

We at **DigiTech®** are very proud of our products and back-up each one we sell with the following warranty:

- 1. Please register online at www.digitech.com within ten days of purchase to validate this warranty. This warranty is valid only in the United States.
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## Introduction

Congratulations on the purchase of your new Whammy™ DT Pedal. When DigiTech invented the Whammy pedal, it was the most revolutionary and innovative pedal to hit the guitar since the wah wah. We have now taken the Whammy innovation even further with the introduction of the Whammy DT. The Whammy DT offers the same great Whammy effects as the original Whammy, but takes your sound to a whole new level by adding the following:

- · Additional Whammy effects
- Drop Tune and Raised Tuning effects for instant polyphonic re-tuning of your bass or guitar
- · Momentary switch for hammer-on/pull-off effects
- Switchable True Bypass and DSP Bypass modes
- Footswitch Input Jack for hands free operation using the optional FS3X Footswitch

Although the Whammy DT has an extremely intuitive user interface, this owner's manual will help you understand the Whammy DT functions and allow you to get the most out of your purchase for years to come.

#### Included Items

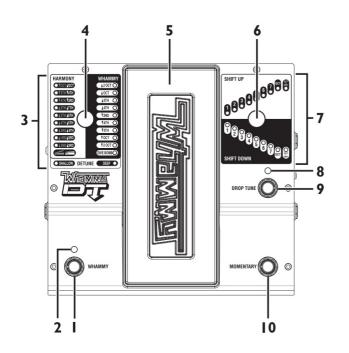
The utmost care was taken while your Whammy DT was being manufactured. Everything should be included and in perfect working order. Before you get started, please make sure that the following items have been included:

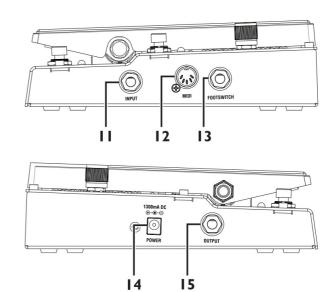
- · Whammy DT Pedal
- Power Supply
- Owner's Manual
- Warranty Registration Information Card

If anything is missing, contact the factory at once. Please take a moment to complete your warranty card. It is your safeguard should a problem arise with your Whammy.

#### **Guided Tour**

#### **Detailed Description**





## 1. Whammy Effect Switch

This switch turns the Whammy, Harmony or Detune effect on or off.

# 2. Whammy Effect Status LED

This LED lights to indicate the Whammy, Harmony or Detune effect is on. When the Whammy effect is bypassed, this LED will be off.

# 3. Whammy LEDs

One of these LEDs will light when a Harmony, Whammy or Detune effect is selected. Harmony effects have dry signal added to the effect signal. Whammy and Detune effects do not have dry signal added to the effect signal.

# 4. Whammy Effect Selector Knob

This knob is used to select the Whammy (bend), Harmony intervals, or Detune range controlled by the expression pedal.

## 5. Expression Pedal

This pedal is used to control the pitch bending amount of the selected Harmony, Whammy, or Detune effect. Rocking it forward (toe down) increases the amount of pitch bending while rocking it back (toe up) decreases the amount of pitch bending.

## 6. **Drop Tune Effect Selector**

This knob selects the shift interval for the Drop Tune effect.

# 7. Drop Tune LEDs

One of these LEDs will light when a Drop Tune effect is selected.

## 8. Drop Tune Effect Status LED

This LED lights to indicate the Drop Tune effect is on. When the Drop Tune effect is bypassed, this LED will be off.

# 9. Drop Tune Effect Switch

This switch turns the Drop Tune effect on and off.

## 10. Momentary Switch

This switch momentarily turns the Drop Tune effect on or off to create hammer-on and pull-off style shifting effects.

#### 11. Instrument Input

Connect your instrument to this jack.

#### 12. MIDI Input

Connect any external MIDI device to this jack for the purpose of controlling the Whammy remotely.

#### 13. Footswitch Input

An optional FS3X Footswitch can be plugged in here for hands free effect selection (see page 18 for more information).

# 14. Power Input

Connect the provided power supply to this jack. Do not use any power supply other than the supplied power supply.

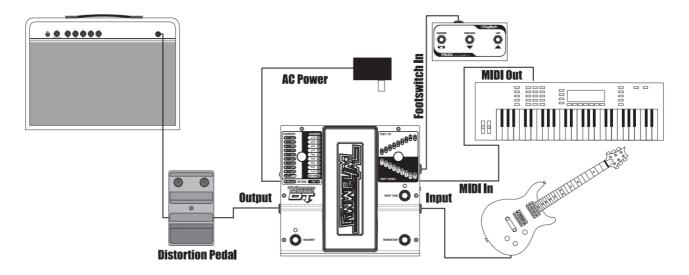
#### 15. Output Jack

This jack contains a mix of your dry guitar signal and the pitch shifted signal produced by the Whammy.

# **Making Connections**

The Whammy DT pedal is extremely easy to set up and use. Follow these steps to get up and running.

- 1. Connect your instrument to the instrument Input Jack.
- 2. Connect from the Whammy's Output Jack to your favorite distortion pedal or to your amplifier.
- If using an external MIDI device for control, connect from the MIDI out of the MIDI device to the Whammy's MIDI Input.
- 4. Connect the included power supply to an AC outlet and the other end to the Whammy's Power Input.
- 5. Turn on your amp and adjust the volume to the desired level.
- 6. Use the WHAMMY and DROP TUNE Footswitches to enable the desired effects, then rotate the WHAMMY and DROP TUNE Knobs to select the desired effects.



#### **Effect**

The Whammy DT is a powerful pitch shifting pedal that offers both Drop and Raised re-tuning of your instrument and classic Whammy pitch bending effects simultaneously. The left side of the pedal allows you to select from one of the traditional Whammy effects: Whammy, Harmony and Detune; the Expression Pedal will then control the bend of the selected Whammy effect. The right side of the pedal interface controls the Drop Tuning (Shift Down) and Raised Tuning (Shift Up) options.

#### **Whammy Effects**

This group of effects will bend your incoming signal either up or down depending upon the effect setting you have chosen. As the Expression Pedal is rocked back and forth, the signal will bend from the original input pitch (toe up), to the pitch specified by the selected effect setting (toe down). This effect can be used in combination with the Drop Tune effect. Whammy effects include:

**2 OCT UP** – Bends your input note two octaves up.

**1 OCT UP** – Bends your input note one octave up.

**5TH UP** – Bends the input note 7 semitones (5th interval) up.

**4TH UP** – Bends the input note 5 semitones (4th interval) up.

**2ND DN** – Bends the input note 2 semitones (2nd interval) down.

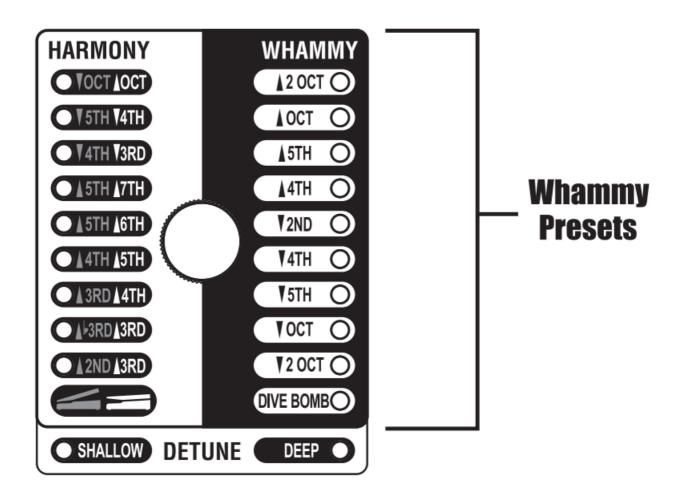
**4TH DN** – Bends the input note 5 semitones (4th interval) down.

**5TH DN** – Bends the input note 7 semitones (5th interval) down.

**1 OCT DN** – Bends your input note one octave down.

**2 OCT DN** – Bends your input note two octaves down.

**DIVE BOMB** – Bends your input note three octaves down.



## **Harmony Effects**

This group of effects add a harmony to your incoming signal. Both the harmony note and the input signal are mixed together as if two guitars were playing simultaneously. As you rock the pedal back and forth, the harmony note bends between two intervals specified by the selected effect setting, but the input signal remains unchanged. This effect can be used in combination with the Drop Tune effect. Harmony effects include:

OCT DN/OCT UP - Bends the harmony between one octave below (toe up) and one octave above (toe down) the

input note.

**5TH DN/4TH DN** – Bends the harmony between a fifth (toe up) and a fourth (toe down) below the input note.

**4TH DN/3RD DN** – Bends the harmony between a fourth (toe up) and a minor third (toe down) below the input note

**5TH UP/7TH UP** – Bends the harmony between a fifth (toe up) and a dominant seventh (toe down) above the input note.

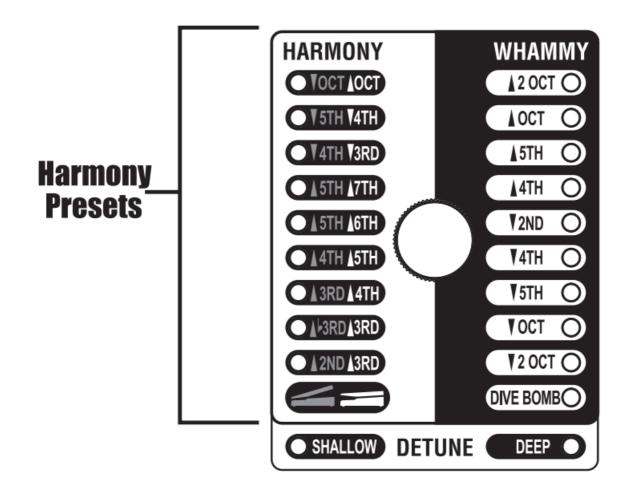
**5TH UP/6TH UP** – Bends the harmony between a fifth (toe up) and a sixth (toe down) above the input note.

**4TH UP/STH UP** – Bends the harmony between a fourth (toe up) and a fifth (toe down) above the input note.

**3RD UP/4TH UP** – Bends the harmony between a third (toe up) and a fourth (toe down) above the input note.

**MIN 3RD UP/3RD UP** – Bends the harmony between a minor third (toe up) and a major third (toe down) above the input note.

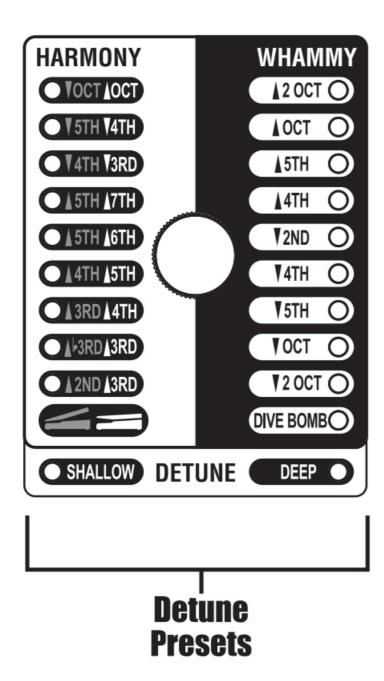
**2ND UP/3RD UP** – Bends the harmony between a second (toe up) and a third (toe down) above the input note.



### **Detune Effects**

This group of effects create a copy of your input signal, shifts the pitch of the copied signal and mixes it back with the original signal. As the Expression Pedal is rocked back and forth, the amount of this detuned signal is changed. With the pedal in the toe up position, only the original dry signal is heard. As the pedal is rocked forward, the detuned signal is mixed with the dry signal. This effect can be used in combination with the Drop Tune effect. The Detune effects include:

**SHALLOW** – The copied signal is slightly detuned from the original pitch. **DEEP** – The copied signal is substantially detuned from the original pitch.



#### **Drop Tune Effects**

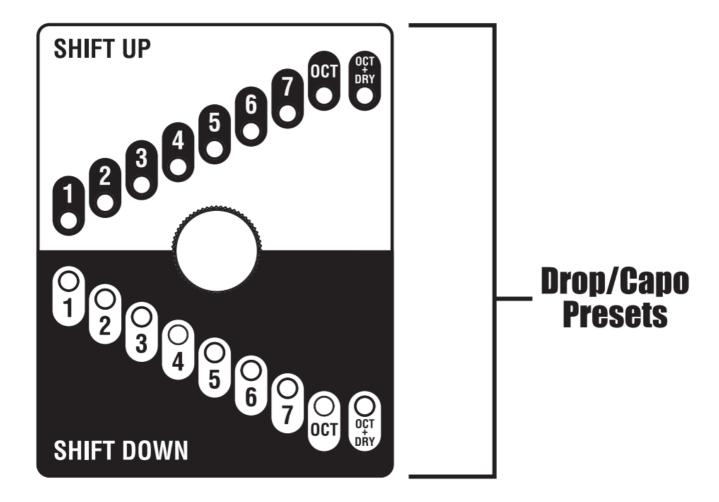
This group of effects allow you to transpose (shift) your instrument up or down – with a range of one octave in each direction – for instant drop tuning or raised tuning simulation. The Octave + Dry effects create a 12 string guitar simulation. This effect can be used in combination with the Whammy, Harmony or Detune effect. Drop Tune effects include:

# **SHIFT UP**

**OCT+ DRY** – Transposes guitar signal up 1 octave and adds dry signal.

**OCT** – Transposes guitar signal up 1 octave.

- 7 Transposes guitar signal up 7 semitones.
- **6** Transposes guitar signal up 6 semitones.
- **5** Transposes guitar signal up 5 semitones.
- 4 Transposes guitar signal up 4 semitones.
- 3 Transposes guitar signal up 3 semitones.
- 2 Transposes guitar signal up 2 semitones.
- 1 Transposes guitar signal up 1 semitone.



## **SHIFT DOWN**

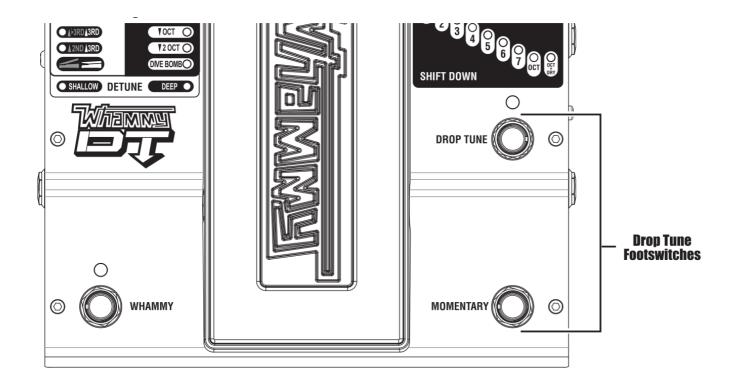
- 1 Transposes guitar signal down 1 semitone.
- 2 Transposes guitar signal down 2 semitones.
- 3 Transposes guitar signal down 3 semitones.
- 4 Transposes guitar signal down 4 semitones.
- **5** Transposes guitar signal down 5 semitones.
- **6** Transposes guitar signal down 6 semitones.
- **7** Transposes guitar signal down 7 semitones.

**OCT** – Trans poses guitar signal down 1 octave.

OCT+ DRY - Transposes guitar signal down 1 octave and adds dry signal.

# **Drop Tune Footswitches**

There are two footswitches below the Drop Tune effect section. The DROP TUNE footswitch is used to turn the Drop Tune effect on and off as indicated by the LED above this footswitch. The MOMENTARY footswitch is used to momentarily enable or bypass the effect when pressed. This is designed to create hammer-on and pull-off style effects with chords shifting from a transposed tuning to normal tuning.



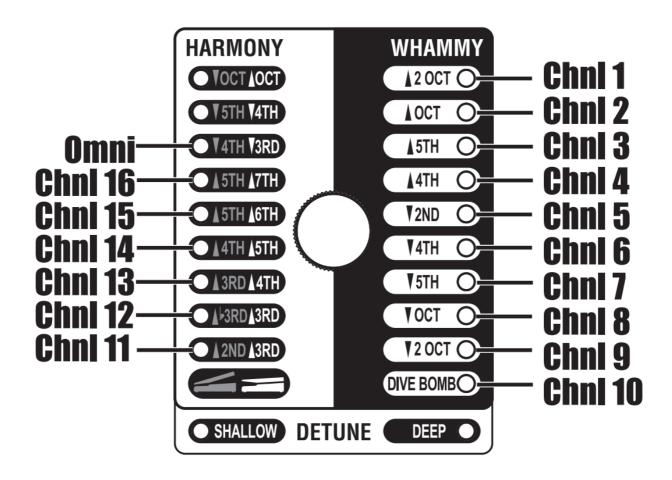
# **MIDI Functions**

The Whammy DT features a MIDI input for receiving incoming MIDI data. MIDI messages can select a Whammy or Drop Tune effect and set whether these effects are in an active or bypassed state. MIDI CC messages can then be used to control the Whammy Expression Pedal position.

## **MIDI Channel**

The Whammy DT can receive MIDI messages on any or all MIDI channels. The following steps outline the procedure for accessing or changing the MIDI channel:

- 1. Disconnect the power from the Whammy pedal.
- 2. Press and hold the WHAMMY Effect Footswitch while reconnecting the power. One of the WHAMMY Effect LEDs will begin to flash indicating the currently selected MIDI channel.
- 3. Using the reference chart below, rotate the WHAMMY Effect Knob to select the desired MIDI channel.
- 4. Press the WHAMMY Effect Footswitch again to exit the MIDI set up menu.



# **MIDI Program Changes**

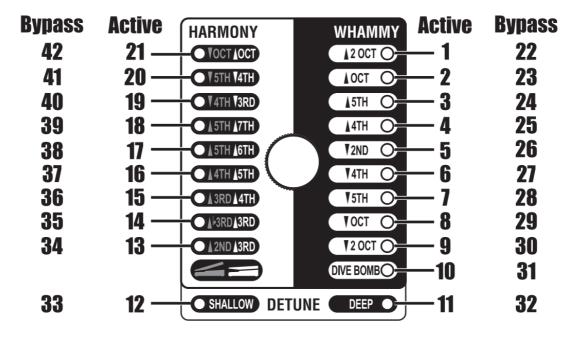
The Whammy DT uses MIDI Program Change commands for effect selection. Effects can be selected in either an active or bypassed state.

# **Whammy Effects MIDI Program Change Mapping**

The following list outlines the program change commands recognized by the Whammy DT and the corresponding Whammy effect setting and its status.

# MIDI Program Change #

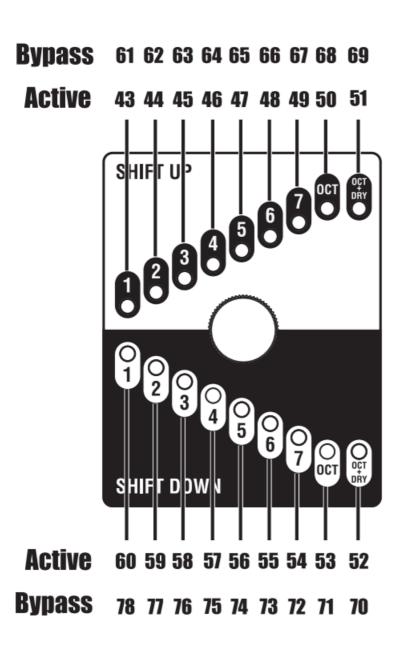
# MIDI Program Change #



## **Drop Tune Effects MIDI Program Change Mapping**

The following list outlines the program change commands recognized by the Whammy DT and the corresponding Drop Tune effect and state.

# **MIDI Program Change#**



## **MIDI Continuous Control**

Using MIDI continuous control commands, the Whammy's expression pedal position can be remotely controlled. MIDI CC11 adjusts the expression pedal position. A value of O on MIDI CC11 corresponds to a toe up position and a value of 127 corresponds to a toe down position.

# **Bypass Modes**

There are two selectable Bypass Modes available in the Whammy DT, they are:

- True Bypass
- DSP Bypass

# **True Bypass Mode**

From the factory, the Whammy DT is set to True Bypass Mode. In this mode, the circuitry in the Whammy DT is completely bypassed when both Whammy and Drop Tune effects are off. If you have switched to DSP Bypass Mode and would like to switch back to True Bypass Mode, follow these steps:

- 1. Start with the power supply disconnected from the Whammy DT.
- 2. Press and hold the MOMENTARY Footswitch and apply power.
- 3. When the DROP TUNE Effect LED flashes red two times, release the MOMENTARY Footswitch .

True bypass will now be re-enabled.

#### **DSP Bypass Mode**

The benefit of using DSP bypass is so the Drop Tune Momentary footswitch can smoothly transition between momentary on and off states since the true bypass relay is removed from the circuit.

To enable DSP Bypass Mode, follow these steps:

- 1. Start with the power supply disconnected from the Whammy DT.
- 2. Press and hold the MOMENTARY Footswitch and apply power.
- When the DROP TUNE Effect LED flashes green two times, release the MOMENTARY Footswitch.

DSP bypass is now enabled on the Whammy DT. The DROP TUNE Effect LED will now light green when it is enabled while DSP bypass is active. DSP bypass will remain active each time the Whammy DT is powered until True Bypass is enabled again.

# **Calibrating the Expression Pedal**

In the unlikely event that the expression pedal does not respond properly or that the note does not bend or return to the correct pitch, it may need to be re-calibrated. The following steps outline the procedure for expression pedal re-calibration:

- 1. Disconnect the power from the Whammy pedal.
- 2. Press and hold the WHAMMY Effect Footswitch while reconnecting the power. This enables MIDI and Calibration Setup. One of the WHAMMY Effect LEDs will begin to flash, indicating the currently selected MIDI channel.
- 3. Rock the Expression Pedal fully forward (toe down) and then press the DROP TUNE Footswitch. When you press the footswitch, the DROP TUNE Effect Status LED will first light red and then change to green, indicating Expression Pedal calibration is now enabled. If the DROP TUNE Effect Status LED stays red, make sure the Expression Pedal is rocked fully forward and press the DROP TUNE Footswitch until the LED lights green.
- 4. Rock the Expression Pedal fully back (toe up) and fully forward (toe down) at least two times. The SHIFT UP LEDs will light back and forth (from 1 to OCT+ DRY) as the pedal is rocked, indicating the pedal is calibrating.
- 5. When finished, press the WHAMMY Effect Footswitch again to exit the MIDI and Calibration set up and return to normal operation.

This completes the expression pedal calibration procedure.

#### **FS3X Functions**

The optional FS3X Footswitch gives you hands-free control over selecting which Whammy and Drop Tune effects are selected.

#### 1. Mode Switch

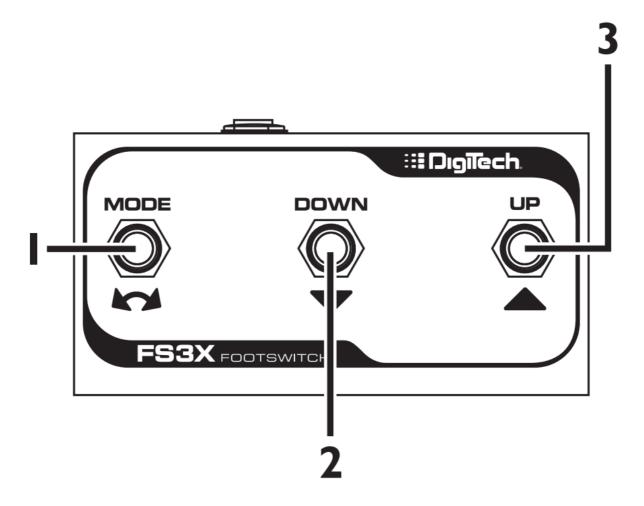
Selects which side of the Whammy DT the FS3X Down/Up footswitches remotely control. Press it once and the currently selected effect on either the Whammy side or Drop Tune side will flash 3 times. This indicates the Down/Up footswitches will change the effect for this side.

#### 2. Down Switch

Pressing this switch selects the next effect counter-clockwise in the Whammy or Drop Tune effect list.

## 3. Up Switch

Pressing this switch selects the next effect clockwise in the Whammy or Drop Tune effect list.



NOTE: The FS3X will select effects on either side regardless if the effect is on or off. Use only a 1 /4" TRS cable for proper operation.

# **Specifications**

Instrument Input Type: 1/4" Unbalanced TS

Max Input Level: +5 dBu Input Impedance: 1 M  $\Omega$  MIDI Input: 5-Pin Din

Footswitch Input: 1 /4" TR5 – for use with optional FS3X Footpedal

Output Type: 1/4" Unbalanced TS Max Output Level: +10 dBu Output Impedance:  $1 \text{ k } \Omega$  Sample Rate: 44.1 kHz

Frequency Response: 20 Hz to 20 kHz

Signal to Noise Ratio: > -105 dB (A weighted); ref= max level, 22 kHz bandwidth

**THD:** 0.004% @ 1 kHz; ref= 1 dBu w/ unity gain

A/D Conversion: 24 bit D/A Conversion: 24 bit

Pitch Bend Range: + 2/-3 Octaves Detune Range: -4 to -30 cents

**Drop Tune Range:** 1-7 Semitones, Octave, Octave + Dry **Power Consumption:** 2.6 Watts (< 288 mA @ 9 VDC)

Power Requirements: 9 VDC External Adapter

Power Adapter: PS0913DC-01 (US, JA, EU) PS0913DC-02 (AU, UK) PS0913DC-04 (US, JA, EU, AU, UK)

**Dimensions:** 8.2" (W) x 7.73" (D) x 2.36" (H)

Shipping Weight: 4.5 lbs.

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

# **Customer Support**

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