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CQ-12T

Technical Datasheet

The CQ-12T is an ultra-compact digital audio mixer designed to be operated locally using its touchscreen and physical controls or through connection to a wired or wireless network.



Features

- 13x Inputs to Mix (10x Mono/Linkable, 3x Stereo)
- Stereo MainLR Output
- 6x Aux Outputs
 (Linkable up to 3x Stereo)
- 5x XLR Mic/Line Input Sockets
- 5x XLR/Jack 'Combi' Mic/Line Input Sockets
- Stereo Line Input (2x TRS)
- 2x XLR Output Sockets (MainLR)
- 6x TRS Output Sockets
- Stereo Headphone Output
- Dedicated Stereo USB Input to Mix
- Dedicated Stereo Bluetooth Input
- 96kHz Input/Output Processing
- 2x Multi-FX Engines
- RJ45 Network Socket (CQ as Client)

- USB-A For Stereo Audio Record/Playback and Data
- USB-B For Multichannel Audio Record/Playback
- SD Card Slot for Multichannel Audio Record/Playback
- 7" Capacitive Touchscreen with 5x Screen Keys
- 3x Configurable SoftKeys
- Configurable Single/Dual Footswitch Connection
- 4x Mute Groups
- 4x DCAs
- Rack Mountable (Optional Kit Available)
- Control Via Free Apps –
 Windows/MacOS/iOS/Android

A&E Specification

The mixer shall be a compact digital mixer with 96kHz processing, 10 mono input channels and 3 stereo channels mixing to LR and 6 aux outputs.

Local analogue inputs shall use balanced XLR sockets and a minimum of 5 combi (TRS/XLR) sockets and connect to fully recallable digitally controlled preamplifiers. These shall be able to provide industry standard 48V phantom power.

Local analogue outputs shall be provided on XLR sockets and balanced TRS 1/4 inch jack sockets with a nominal line output of +4dBu and a maximum output of +22dBu.

All input and output processing, routing options and system configuration shall be accessed and adjusted via a 7-inch colour touchscreen and associated dedicated rotary control.

3 user-assignable keys with variable colour LED illumination shall be provided for quick access to functions including Input/Mix mutes, tap tempo, scene controls.

A footswitch connection shall be provided to allow assignable control from an optional single or dual footswitch.

All input channels shall contain the following processing as a minimum: Polarity, High Pass Filter, Gate, Parametric EQ, Compressor, Pan. All output mix channels shall contain the following processing: selectable Graphic / Parametric EQ, Compressor, Delay.

Channel processing shall also include simplified, source-optimised channel presets to speed up setup and improve for inexperienced operators.

The mixer shall be capable of automatically detecting input level and adjusting preamp gain across multiple channels, as well as monitoring input level during use and reducing preamp gain to prevent clipping.

A feedback detector shall be provided to analyse one, multiple or all mixes, identify problem frequencies and apply notch filters appropriately to suppress feedback during setup or live performance.

2 effect engines shall be provided with a library of factory preset FX. The FX engines shall be individually configurable as send / return or inserted into input or output channels. An Automatic Mic Mixer shall be provided for automatic and dynamic adjustment of input levels across all mono input channels for spoken word applications.

There shall be a USB Type-A connector on the surface for stereo recording/playback direct to USB drives, data-transfer, archiving, and firmware updates.

There shall be a USB-B connection following the USB 2.0 standard for stereo or multi-channel, bidirectional audio streaming between the mixer and a computer.

There shall be an SDHC card slot for multitrack recording/playback at either 48kHz or 96kHz.

The mixer shall provide an Ethernet port for Cat5 cable connection to a wireless router / access point, existing network or directly to a device for control of mixer parameters.

Control software shall be provided for control from a tablet, phone, or computer. In addition to a full control app for the mixer, a mobile app for personal monitoring shall be available and compatible with iOS and Android phones.

The mixer shall be capable of Bluetooth connectivity with simple pairing to third party devices for high quality stereo playback of music to a dedicated stereo channel.

The mixer shall provide the facility to save scenes of the settings of the mixing system and these scenes shall be nameable. The mixer shall also periodically record all current settings and return the mixer to that state after reboot following a power-cycle.

The mixer shall have a 12V DC power inlet with a switch and shall be supplied with an external worldwide PSU.

Recommended operating temperature for the mixer shall be 5 to 40 degrees Celsius.

An optional kit for mounting the mixer in a standard 19" rack shall be made available.

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Technical specs

Inputs

Mic/Line Inputs	Balanced XLR, Balanced XLR/TRS Combi, fully recallable preamp
Phantom Power	+48V (+3V / -2V)
Input Sensitivity	-60 to +0dBu
Line Inputs (Combi Sockets)	-20dB Pad (Fixed)
Analogue Gain	0dB to +60dB, 1dB steps
Maximum Input Level	+17dBu (XLR), +30dBu (TRS)
Input Impedance	>1.5kΩ (XLR), >10kΩ (TRS)
THD+N, Unity gain 0dB	0.002% -92dBu (20Hz-20kHz, USB soundcard, @0dBu 1kHz)
THD+N, Mid gain +30dB	0.004% -88dBu (20Hz-20kHz, USB soundcard, @-30dBu 1kHz)
Stereo Line Input	
Stereo Line Input Connection	Balanced, 1/4" TRS Jack, Normalled (Left/Mono)
Input Sensitivity	Nominal +4dBu
Trim	+/-24dB
Maximum Input Level	+21dBu
Input Impedance	>10kΩ

Outputs

Main LR Outputs	Balanced, XLR	
Outputs 1-6	Balanced, 1/4" TRS Jack	
Output Impedance	<75Ω	
Nominal Output	+4dBu = 0dB meter reading	
Maximum Output Level	+22dBu	
Residual Output Noise	-88dBu (muted, 20Hz-20kHz)	

System

System	Measured balanced XLR in to XLR out, 0dB gain, 0dBu input
Dynamic Range	110 dB
Frequency Response	+0/-0.5dB 20Hz to 20kHz
Headroom	+ 18dB
Internal operating Level	0dBu
THD+N, Mic routed to Main L/R Out	+ 10dBu input, 0dB system gain, 0.003%, -92dB (Relative, 20-20kHz)
dBFS Alignment	+18dBu = 0dBFS (+22dBu at XLR output)
Meter Calibration	0dB meter = -18dBFS (+4dBu at XLR out)
Sampling Rate	96kHz
Bit Depth	Custom bit depth, up to 96-bit
Latency	<0.7mS, Local Mic Input to Main L/R, with all processing in or out
Operating Temperature Range	0° C to 40° C (32° F to 104° F)
Power	12V DC, 5A (100-240V AC, 50/60Hz input PSU supplied), 35W max

Record/Playback

USB-A	
Stereo Record	48/96 kHz, 24-bit WAV format. Patchable from Outputs, ST in, or FX Units
Stereo Playback	44.1/48/96 kHz, 16/24 bit, Mono/Stereo WAV files
USB-B	USB 2.0, Core Audio compliant, ASIO/WDM for Windows, 48/96 kHz, 24-bit
Send / Return	16 channels / 16 channels
SD Card	SDHC, 32 GB, UHS-I, Class 10 for maximum channels, 48/96 kHz, 24-bit
Multitrack Record	16 channels @ 96kHz or 48kHz
Multitrack Playback	16 channels @ 96kHz or 48kHz
Bluetooth	4.1 (high quality stereo playback)

Weights and Dimensions

As Used Packed in shipping box Width x Depth x Height, Weight 291 x 242 x 89 mm (11.4" x 9.5" x 3.5"), 2.4 kg (5.3 lbs) 370 x 305 x 190 mm (14.6" x 12" x 7.5"), 3.2 kg (7.05 lbs)

Input Processing

10 mono (stereo linkable), 3 stereo (ST, USB, Bluetooth)
Analogue or Digital (USB/SD) with automatic override (SD>USB)
20Hz to 2kHz
Self-keyed
-72dB to +18dB
0dB to 60dB
50µs to 300ms
10ms to 5s
10ms to 1s
Internal FX Unit
4-band fully parametric, with RTA option
Shelf, Bell or HPF/LPF
20Hz to 20kHz
1.5 to 1/9 Octave
+/-15dB
Self-keyed, RMS/Peak
Hard/Soft
-46dB to +18dB
1:1 to Inf:1
30µs to 300ms
50ms to 2s
0dB to +18dB

Output Processing

GEQ	20-band 1/2 oct, 31Hz-16kHz, $+/-12dB$ Gain, with RTA option
PEQ	As Input PEQ
Feedback Assistant	Automatic feedback suppression
Filters	16 total, maximum 12 Fixed, maximum 16 Live
Filter Cut	OdB to 18dB
Automatic Filter Width	18 to 116 Q
Manual Filter Width	6 to 640 Q
Live Recovery (+0.5dB)	Off to 1s
Compressor	As Input Compressor
Limiter	Fast/Slow
Threshold	-24dB to +18dB
Delay	Up to 682ms

FX Units

Number of FX Units	2
Турез	Easy Verb, Echo Verb, Space Verb, Echo, Tap Delay, Stereo Delay, Beat Delay, Double Tracker, Chorus, Flanger, Phaser
Dedicated Stereo FX channels	Fader, Pan, Mute, Sends to LR/Outputs/FX
AMM	
Channels	10 (Mono only)
Туре	D-Classic Gain Sharing
Priority	-15dB to +15dB per channel

