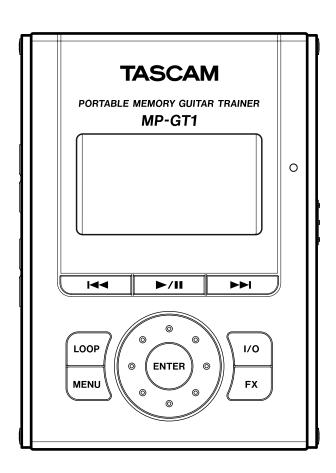


# MP-GT1

## **Portable Memory Guitar Trainer**

## **OWNER'S MANUAL**



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## 1 - Introduction

Thank you very much for purchasing the TASCAM MP-GT1 Portable Memory Guitar Trainer. Please read this Owner's Manual carefully before using the unit in order to maximize your use of all its features. We hope that you will enjoy using this trainer for many years to come.

The MP-GT1 is a flash memory (1 GB) music player that has been optimized for practicing guitar. If you run into a phrase on a recording that is too difficult for you to learn by ear at ordinary speed, you can play

and loop the music at a slower speed to study the part. Furthermore, the dedicated guitar input allows you to use the unit's built-in effects as you play along with the music. Using a computer, you can also transfer music as MP3s easily from audio CDs and other sources to the MP-GT1.

## **Supplied accessories**

In addition to this manual, the following accessories are supplied.

Please contact the store where you purchased this unit if any of these accessories are missing or have been damaged during transportation.

### NOTE

We recommend that you keep the original box and packing materials for transportation of this unit.

## Manual conventions

In this manual, we use the following conventions:

- Controls and keys on the MP-GT1 are written like this: **MENU**.
- Messages shown on the display are written like this: Are you sure?
- If a fixed onscreen indicator (i.e. one which cannot change) is shown, it is written like this: **VSA**.
- We use the term "key" to describe the push-button controls on the MP-GT1.

## Precautions for placement and use

The MP-GT1 may be used in most areas, but to maintain top performance, and prolong operating life, observe the following notes, precautions and environmental conditions:

- Avoid exposing it to extremes of temperature and humidity and avoid mechanical shocks and vibration.
- Keep the unit away from strong magnetic fields (TV sets, computer monitors, large electric motors, etc.).
- The nominal temperature should be between 0°C and 40°C (32°F and 104°F).
- Relative humidity should be 30 to 80 percent.

- As the unit may become hot during operation, always leave sufficient space above the unit for ventilation.
   Do not install this unit in a confined space such as a bookcase, and do not put anything on top of the unit.
- Avoid installing this unit on top of any heat-generating electrical device such as a power amplifier.
- Make sure that the unit is mounted in a level position for correct operation.
- The voltage supplied to the unit should match the voltage as printed on the rear panel. If you are in any doubt regarding this matter, consult an electrician.

## **Beware of condensation**

If the unit is moved from a cold to a warm place, or used after a sudden temperature change, there is a danger of condensation; vapor in the air could condense on the internal mechanism, making correct operation impossible. To prevent this, or if this occurs, let the player sit for one or two hours at the new room temperature before using.

## 1 - Introduction

## About the power supply

The MP-GT1 uses a built-in lithium ion battery that can be recharged by connecting the unit to a computer with the included USB cable. You can also use an AC adapter (sold separately) to power the unit and recharge the battery.

When new, the battery charge lasts about 8 hours.

## NOTE

When you purchase the MP-GT1, the battery is not fully charged. Please charge it before use or use it with an AC adapter (sold separately).

## Recharging the battery

### Recharging with a computer

To charge the battery using a computer, connect the unit to the computer using the included USB cable and turn the computer on if it is off and not transmitting power to the unit.

Connect the MP-GT1 directly to the computer. Recharging cannot be guaranteed if a USB hub is used between the computer and the MP-GT1.

Recharging takes about 6 hours (when the MP-GT1 power is OFF).

If the MP-GT1's power is turned ON when it is being recharged from a computer, it is automatically treated by the computer as a connected USB drive. (See "Connecting to a computer" on page 11.)

## Recharging with a PS-P520 AC adapter (sold separately)

Connect the AC adapter to the MP-GT1's DC IN 5V jack and plug the adapter into a working power outlet.

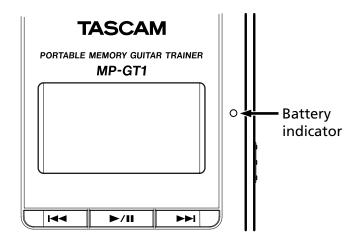
Recharging takes about 3 hours.

You can use the MP-GT1 when it is connected to an AC adapter and recharging.

Furthermore, the recharging time is the same whether the MP-GT1 power is ON or OFF.

### NOTE

The indicator at the right side of the display shows the battery's charging status. It lights orange while charging and goes out when charging is complete.



## Turning the power on and off

#### To turn the MP-GT1 power on

Slide the **POWER** switch in the direction of the arrow and hold it until "TASCAM" appears on the screen. Release the switch.

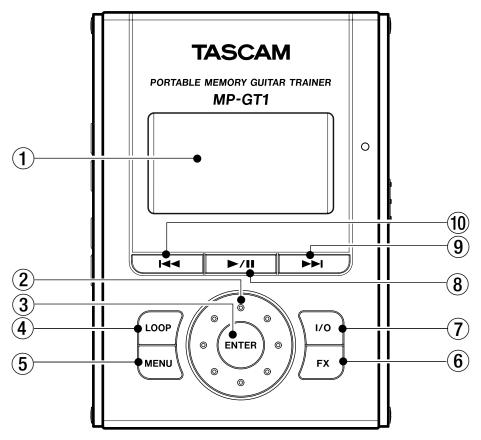
The MP-GT1 starts and the home screen appears.



#### To turn the MP-GT1 power off

Slide the **POWER** switch in the direction of the arrow and hold it until "Trainer series" appears on the screen. Release the switch. The MP-GT1 then shuts down.

## **Top Panel**



### 1 Display (LCD)

The display shows the Home screen and the menus related to using the metronome and making operation and effect settings. (See "Home screen" on page 8.)

## 2 Wheel

Use to select items and change values when using menus and the effect section.

## 3 ENTER key

Press this key to confirm a selection when using menus and the effect section and to advance to the next screen.

### 4 LOOP key

Press this key to start loop playback mode and automatically repeat playback of a section of a song that you select. The \*\*indicator appears on the display. (See "Repeat playback of a selected loop" on page 19.)

Press this key again to exit loop playback mode.

#### (5) MENU key

When the home screen is open, press this key to open the **MENU** screen.

During use of menus or the effect settings screen, press this key to return to the previous screen. Repeated presses eventually returns to the home screen.

### 6 FX key

Press this key to open the **EFFECT** screen. When the **EFFECT** screen is open, press this key to return to the home screen.

#### (7) I/O key

Use this key to set the IN and OUT points to set a section for loop playback.

When both IN and OUT points are set, pressing this key again will clear these points. (See "Repeat playback of a selected loop" on page 19.)

#### (8) ►/II kev

Press this key to start playback or to pause playback at the current position.

When the **METRONOME** screen is open, press this to start and stop the metronome.

### 9 ▶►I key

Press this key to skip to the next track.

Press and hold to search forward.

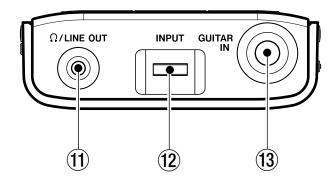
#### (10) I**⊲⊲** key

Press this key to return to the beginning of a track that is playing or paused.

When at the beginning of a track, press to skip to the previous track.

Press and hold to search backward.

## **Front Panel**



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Connect headphones to this jack to hear the playing tracks and the sound of a connected guitar.

This jack can also be used as a line output jack.

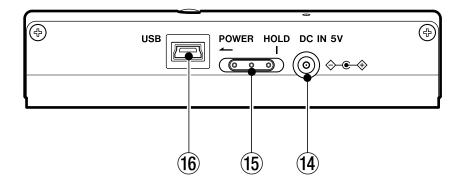
#### 12 INPUT volume

Use to adjust the input level of the GUITAR IN jack.

### 13 GUITAR IN jack

Connect a guitar with a standard guitar cable here.

## **Right Side Panel**



### 14 DC IN 5V jack

Connect an AC adapter (TASCAM PS-P520, sold separately).

#### 15) POWER switch

Slide and hold this switch in the direction of the arrow (to the left) to turn the power ON and OFF.

Slide it to the right to engage the **HOLD** function. When set to **HOLD**, all keys are disabled.

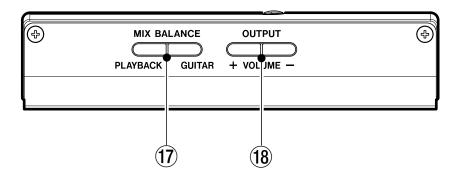
### 16 USB port

Connect the included USB cable to this port and your computer.

### NOTE

Trouble-free use of a USB hub cannot be guaranteed. If you experience trouble using a USB hub, connect the unit directly with the computer.

## **Left Side Panel**



## 17 MIX BALANCE (GUITAR, PLAYBACK) keys

Use these keys to adjust the balance between the volume of the guitar connected to the GUITAR IN jack and the playing track. During adjustment, the balance status is shown at the bottom of the display.

Press the **GUITAR** key to increase the relative level of the guitar, and the PLAYBACK key to increase the relative level of the playing track.

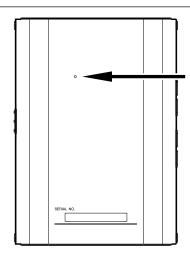
During metronome playback, these keys adjust the guitar and metronome balance with the PLAYBACK key increasing the metronome volume relatively.

## 18 OUTPUT VOLUME (+, -) keys

Use to adjust the overall signal level sent from the ∩/LINE OUT jack.

During adjustment, the output volume is shown at the bottom of the display.

## **Back Panel**



### Reset hole

If the MP-GT1 starts to operate incorrectly, insert the end of a paper clip or similar object into this hole to press the System Reset Button inside. Pressing this button turns the power OFF.

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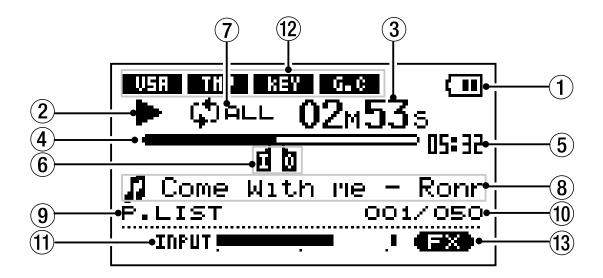
Do not press the System Reset Button if the unit is operating normally.

## Home screen

During normal operation the Home screen appears on the display. The following explanation is for the Home screen.

### NOTE

When using menus or the built-in effects dedicated screens are opened. See other sections for explanation of menu and effect screens.



### 1 Power

The battery indicator appears when the built-in lithium ion battery is used. Three bars show a full battery. This indicator blinks when the battery needs to be recharged.

### 2 Player operation indicators

These indicators show what the player is doing.

- ► Track is playing
- II Track is paused
- Track stopped at beginning
- **▶▶** Fast forwarding
- **◄** Fast rewinding
- ▶► Skipping to next track
- Id Skipping to previous track

#### 3 Elapsed time (00m00s)

The elapsed time (minutes: seconds) appears during track playback.

## 4 Playback position bar

This bar shows the current playback position. The dark bar extends from the left as playback proceeds.

#### 5 Remaining time

The remaining time (minutes: seconds) appears during track playback.

### 6 Loop IN point and OUT point markers

Shows the loop playback IN and OUT points.

When the IN point is set, "I" appears below the playback position bar at the position relative to the time of the IN point.

When the OUT point is set, "**0**" appears below the playback position bar at the position relative to the time of the OUT point.

#### 7 Loop/repeat setting status indicators

The following indicators appear according to the playback settings.

Current track plays and then playback stops

Current track plays repeatedly

All tracks in the play area play repeatedly

Playback loops between IN and OUT points

### (8) Track information

Tag information or file name appears during playback.

If there is ID3 tag information, the Title information will be shown, but if not, the file name will be shown.

## 9 Play area

The currently selected play area appears.

All files in the MUSIC folder

**FOLDER** Files in a subfolder of the **MUSIC** folder

**P.LIST** Files added to the playlist

Playback track number/total number of tracks

The current track number and the total number of tracks in the selected play area appears.

#### 10 Track number

Shows the current track number/number of tracks in the selected play area.

#### (1) INPUT level meter

Level of the guitar signal entering the **GUITAR IN** jack appears.

## ② Status of playback control functions

The status of each playback control function (VSA, tempo, key, guitar cancel) is shown.

When a function is ON, its indicator appears with light colored letters on a dark background.

## (13) Effect setting status

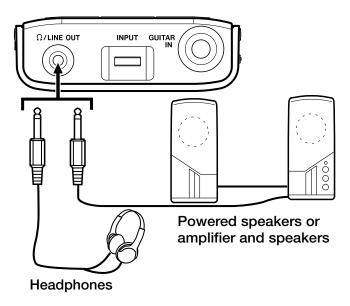
Shows whether the effects are ON or OFF. When the effect function is ON, its indicator appears with light colored letters on a dark background.

## 3 - Connections & MP3 Transfer

## **Making connections**

## Connecting headphones or speakers

You can connect headphones or a monitoring system (powered speakers, amplifier/speaker system, etc.) to the MP-GT1  $\Omega$ /LINE OUT jack.



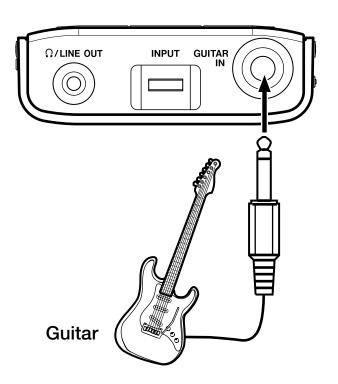
## **Connecting a guitar**

Using the MP-GT1's guitar input jack and built-in guitar effects, you can create a variety of electric guitar tones with just the MP-GT1. You can also play guitar along with an MP3 track on the unit. (See the "Practice Functions" chapter on page 18 and the "Using Effects" chapter on page 20.)

The **INPUT** level meter appears at the bottom of the home screen. Use this to confirm input and adjust the level of the guitar signal. If the input level is too high, the dot at the far right end of the bar will stay lit briefly. If the input level is low, then the meter bar will extend only a short distance from the left when you play the guitar.

Watch this meter as you adjust the **INPUT** volume input level to set the input level so that it is neither too high or too low.

The guitar sound is output through the  $\Omega$ /LINE OUT jack.



## 3 - Connections & MP3 Transfer

## Connecting to a computer

By connecting the MP-GT1 to a computer, you can copy music files (in MP3 format) from the computer to the MP-GT1, erase files on the MP-GT1 and edit folders.

To transfer music files stored on a computer to the MP-GT1, use the included USB cable to connect the USB port on the unit to a computer USB port.

"connected... USB" appears on the MP-GT1 screen. On the computer, you should find the unit shown as an external drive named "MP-GT1."



## NOTE

When shipped from the factory, a copy of this Owner's Manual is stored in the MP-GT1 drive in PDF format in the MANUAL folder. If you erase it, please make a backup copy for future reference.

## Disconnecting from a computer

When disconnecting the MP-GT1 from a computer, follow the procedures for your computer operating system to dismount an external drive, and then disconnect the USB cable.

The MP-GT1 automatically restarts.



## Moving MP3 files to the the MP-GT1

## Copying tracks from a computer

The MP-GT1 can play back MP3 (MPEG1 Audio Layer III) format files. (See "File information page" on page 24.)

MP3 files are transferred from a computer by the USB cable.

#### NOTE

RIFF format MP3 files with .wav extensions are not supported. 44.1 kHz is the only supported sampling frequency. MP3 files with other frequencies, including 48 kHz and 32 kHz, are not supported.

## Preparing MP3 files on a computer

Use a software application to convert tracks from a CD or other source into MP3 files on the computer.

#### NOTE

Most music importing software (e.g. iTunes) can convert tracks from other formats to MP3s. However, this software can probably also convert and import into other formats. Please confirm that your software is set to import tracks in MP3 format.

Procedures to copy tracks from a computer

- Connect the MP-GT1 and the computer. (See "Connecting to a computer" above.)
- 2 Click on the "MP-GT1" drive icon on the computer to open it. There are two folders inside: UTILITY and MUSIC.
- 3 Drag and drop MP3 files from the computer into the MUSIC folder. The MP3 files appear in the MUSIC folder when copying to the MP-GT1's memory is complete.

4 When finished copying files, from the computer, follow the procedures for your computer operating system to disconnect the MP-GT1, and then disconnect the USB cable. The MP-GT1 automatically restarts.

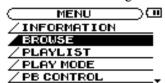
#### TIP

- You can create subfolders inside the MUSIC folder. Two levels of subfolders can be used. By setting the unit to play tracks only in a selected folder, you can categorize tracks or create folders for different users, for example. (See "Setting the play area" on page 15.)
- Give names to the sub folders and tracks as you wish them to appear on the MP-GT1 screen. (MP3s with ID3 tags will have Title information shown instead of file names.)
- Subfolders and tracks 3 or more levels below will not appear on the MP-GT1 and cannot be used with the unit.

## 4 – Menus & Settings

## Menu items

Press the MENU key to open the menu and access most of the MP-GT1 functions and settings.



## NOTE

The effect settings screen is accessed by using the FX key rather than the MENU key.

## Menu overview

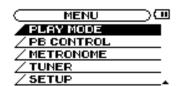
The MP-GT1 Menu has the following items.

Menu item	Function
INFORMATION	Show summaries of current file information, memory usage and system settings
BROWSE	Show music files/folders inside the <b>MUSIC</b> folder and allows tracks to be selected for direct playback and adding to the playlist
PLAYLIST	Show and edit the playlist (move and erase playlist tracks)
PLAY MODE	Set the playback area and repeat mode
PB CONTROL	Set tempo, key, and guitar cancel settings
METRONOME	Set and use the metronome
TUNER	Set and use the guitar tuner and the oscillator
SETUP	Make various global settings and initialize and format the unit

## **Using the Menus**

Use the MENU and ENTER keys and the wheel for most menu operations. (See "Top Panel" on page 5.)

The currently selected item appears as light letters on a dark background.



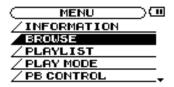
You can use the menus and effects while a track is playing.

## 4 - Menus & Settings

### **Operation example**

In this example, we change the fast forward and reverse speed by using the **SETUP** menu **CUE/REV SPEED** item.

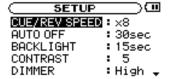
1 With the Home screen open, press the MENU key. The MENU screen with the list of menus appears.



## NOTE

As shown above, the  $\nabla$  at the bottom right of the screen indicates that there are items not shown that can be accessed by scrolling down. If the ▲ appears in the same area, there are items not shown that can be accessed by scrolling up.

2 Turn the wheel to select the SETUP screen and press the ENTER key to open the SETUP screen.



- 3 Turn the wheel to select CUE/REV SPEED and press the ENTER key. The current setting is highlighted.
- 4 Turn the wheel to choose the desired value.

## NOTE

**▲** and **▼** appear to the right of the setting value and indicate whether the value can be raised or lowered.

For example, in the case of **CUE/REV**, there are five possible settings: X2, X4, X6, X8 and X10.

If the lowest value (in this example, X2) is set, then the  $\triangle$ appears, showing that the value can be raised.

If the highest value (in this example, X10) is set, then the  $\blacksquare$ appears, showing that the value can be lowered.

If set at any other value, both ▲ and ▼ appear showing that the value can be raised or lowered.

5. Press the MENU key repeatedly to return to the Home screen. Each time you press this key, you will return to the previous level of operation.

## NOTE

Using the **EFFECT** screen works in the same way as the other Menus. (See the "Using Effects" chapter on page 20.)

## **Basic track playback functions**

Use the ►/II, I◄ and ►►I keys to operate the MP-GT1 in the same way that you would use an ordinary CD player or other music device.

## Playing a track

Press the ►/II key to start playback of a track that is stopped.

### Pausing a track

Press the \[ /II \] key to pause a track that is playing at the position where you press the key.

### Selecting a track

Press the skip (I◀◀ and ▶►I) keys to select a track. This is possible during playback or when paused.

Pressing the  $\bowtie$  key during playback or when a track is paused returns the playback position to the beginning of that track.

Pressing the ◄ key when stopped at the beginning of a track skips to the beginning of the previous track.

Pressing the ▶▶ key always skips to the beginning of the next track.

### NOTE

The ■ indicator appears on the display when playback is stopped at the beginning of a track. The II indicator appears when playback is paused at any other point in a track

### Searching a track

Press and hold the ◄◄ and ▶▶ keys to search backward and forward through a track (rewind and fast forward).

### Adjusting the volume

Use the OUTPUT VOLUME keys (+, -) to adjust the playback volume. During adjustment, the current volume level appears at the bottom of the display. Since the OUTPUT VOLUME keys adjust the volume level of all MP-GT1 sound output, they also affect the volume level of a connected guitar.



## Selecting a track to play

There are two ways to choose the track that you want to play. You can use the ◄ and ► keys when the Home screen is open or you can use the BROWSE screen (see below).

## Using the Browse screen to select tracks

On the **BROWSE** screen, you can see the contents of the **MUSIC** folder. You can immediately start playback of a track by selecting a music file on this screen and pressing the **\/II** key.

## NOTE

You can also add tracks to the playlist on the BROWSE screen. Use a computer to erase or move files and folders in the MUSIC folder. You cannot do this using the BROWSE screen.

To open the **BROWSE** screen, press the **MENU** key to open the **MENU** screen, then select the **BROWSE** item and press the **ENTER** key.



The **BROWSE** screen shows the folders and music files by their levels. Open a folder to see the music files in it. To open a folder, select it and press the **ENTER** key.

#### **MUSIC**

The MUSIC folder is the top level folder shown in the BROWSE screen.



This indicator appears next to the names of music files.

Select a music file and press the ►/II key to start playing that track and return to the Home screen immediately.

Select a music file and press the ENTER key to open a popup window that allows you to add that track to the playlist. (See "Using the playlist" on page 16.)

### NOTE

Files with extensions other than MP3 do not appear.

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This indicator appears next to folders that contain subfolders.

This indicator appears next to folders that do not contain subfolders.

The following **BROWSE** screen shows what happens after the folder named "Favorite" has been opened.





The contents of this folder (in this example, Favorite) are shown on the screen.



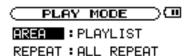
Select this indicator and press the ENTER key to close the open folder and return to the screen showing the contents of the folder that holds it.

## Setting the play area

You can set the MP-GT1 to play only a specific group of tracks from the Home screen by setting the play area. This makes track selection easier when you have numerous tracks on the unit.

Use the **PLAY MODE** menu to set the play area.

1 Press the MENU key to open the MENU screen, and select and open the PLAY MODE screen.



- 2 Select the AREA item and press the ENTER key.
- 3 Choose one of the following play area options.

#### ALL

Allows Home screen playback of all accessible files that have been transferred to the MP-GT1's MUSIC folder from a computer.

Allows Home screen playback of all accessible files in the same folder as the currently selected track.

To change the current folder, go to the BROWSE screen and select any track inside the desired folder. (See "Using the Browse screen to select tracks" on page 14.)

## NOTE

Only files in the currently selected folder are available for Home screen playback. Files inside subfolders within the selected folder are not available.

#### **PLAYLIST**

Allows Home screen playback of all files added to the playlist. (See "Using the playlist" on page 16.)

If no files have been added to the playlist, then "No **PLAYLIST**" appears. Add files to the playlist or make a different selection.

#### NOTE

The current play area setting appears at the bottom left of the Home screen.



## Using the playlist

You can create a list of tracks (playlist) for playback. Select "PLAYLIST" for the AREA item on the PLAY MODE screen. Tracks that can be selected and played from the Home screen are then limited to those added to the playlist.

## Adding tracks to the playlist

- 1 Press the MENU key to open the MENU screen. Then, select and open the BROWSE screen.
- 2 Select a track (music file) that you want to add to the playlist and press the ENTER key.

A popup window for adding tracks to the playlist appears.



3 Select ADD LIST and press the ENTER key.

The track is added to the playlist and the popup window closes.

### NOTE

If you select **CANCEL** and press the **ENTER** key, the track is not added and the popup window closes.

4 Repeat steps 2 and 3 as necessary to add more tracks to the playlist. The tracks are numbered in the order that they are added.

## **Editing the playlist**

You can view and edit the playlist on the **PLAYLIST** screen.

1 Press the MENU key to open the MENU screen. Select PLAYLIST and press ENTER to open the PLAYLIST screen.



2 Select the track that you want to edit and press the ENTER key to open a popup window.



The remaining procedures differ according to which of the three items that you choose to edit.

#### NOTE

Select **CANCEL** in the popup window and press the ENTER key to quit the procedure without making any change.

#### ALL CLR: Remove all tracks from the playlist

Select this to remove all tracks from the playlist. (In this case, it does not matter which track you select in step 2.) This removes tracks from the playlist, but it does not erase them from the MP-GT1.

3 Select ALL CLR from the popup window and press the ENTER key.

A confirmation message appears.

4 Press the ENTER key to remove all the tracks from the playlist.

Press the MENU key to cancel this action.

### **DELETE: Remove one track from the playlist**

Select this to remove a track from the playlist. This removes the track from the playlist, but it does not erase it from the MP-GT1.

3 Select DELETE from the popup window and press the ENTER key.

The track is removed from the playlist.

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### **MOVE: Change the order of tracks**

Select this to change the order of tracks in the playlist.

3 Select MOVE from the popup window and press the ENTER key.





The track's number is highlighted.

Use the wheel to move the track to a different position in the playlist.



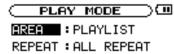
In the example shown above, the 4th track in the list is being moved to the 3rd track position.

5 Press the ENTER key to complete track reordering and return to the ordinary PLAYLIST screen.

## Repeat and single-track playback (PLAY MODE)

Repeat playback of the current track or all tracks in the selected play area is possible. Playing a single track just once is also possible.

1 Press the MENU key to open the MENU, and select and open the PLAY MODE screen.



2 Select the REPEAT item to set one of the following modes.

All tracks in the current play area play once in order.

#### **SINGLE**

The current track plays once without repeating and the (Single indicator) appears on the Home screen.

#### 1 REPEAT

The current track plays repeatedly and the (1track repeat indicator) appears on the Home screen.

#### **ALL REPEAT**

All tracks in the current play area play repeatedly and the (all track repeat indicator) appears on the Home screen.

## NOTE

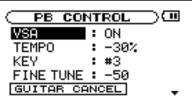
Loop playback automatically turns OFF any active PLAY MODE repeat mode.

## 6 - Practice Functions

## Changing playback pitch and tempo

Not only can you use the MP-GT1 to change the tempo of track playback, you can do this without changing the pitch. You can also change the playback pitch of a track without changing the tempo.

These changes can be made on the **PB CONTROL** screen. When the Home screen is open, press the **ENTER** key to open the **PB CONTROL** screen.



### NOTE

You can also access this menu from the MENU screen by selecting and opening PB CONTROL.

## Changing the tempo (TEMPO)

Use the **TEMPO** item to change the track tempo, including reducing it up to 50%.

Playback speed is altered according to the tempo value setting. The number shown is a percentage change.

On the Home screen the **TMP** indicator appears as light letters on a dark background.

The available tempo change values depend on whether the **VSA** function is ON or OFF.

## **VSA: ON** Choose one of the following values (%): -50, -32, -16, -12, -8, -4, 0, +4, +8, +12, +16

**VSA: OFF** Choose any value between -50 and +16 (%)

## NOTE

If you set the tempo adjustment value when **VSA** is OFF and then turn **VSA** ON, the nearest tempo value is selected automatically

## Change tempo without changing pitch (VSA)

Turn the Variable Speed Audition (VSA) function ON to keep the pitch the same when changing the tempo. Use the VSA item to turn the VSA function ON and OFF.

When ON, the **VSA** indicator appears on the Home screen as light letters on a dark background.

## NOTE

During use of pitch control functions, playback may sometimes sound uneven. This is the result of special processing and is not a malfunction.

## Change key without changing tempo (KEY)

Use the **KEY** item to change the pitch in semitones without changing the tempo.

Use the **KEY** item to adjust the pitch up or down by 1-6 semitones ( $\#6-\$ b6).

When **KEY** is ON (changed from 0), the **KEY** indicator appears as light letters on a dark background on the Home screen.

By adjusting the **RANGE** and **PART** items, you may be

Use the **FINE** item to adjust the pitch in cents (100 cents = 1 semitone).

## **Canceling guitar sounds (GUITAR CANCEL)**

Use the guitar cancel function to cancel the sounds of guitars in playing tracks. Use the three **GUITAR CANCEL** items to set the guitar cancel function.

#### **CANCEL**

Set the **CANCEL** item to **ON** to turn the guitar cancel function ON. On the Home screen, the **G.C** indicator appears as light letters on a dark background.

## RANGE

Use the **RANGE** item to set the frequency range in the stereo position set with the **PART** item to be cancelled to either mid-range frequencies (MID), which covers most guitar sounds, or the full range of frequencies (ALL).

achieve even more thorough guitar cancellation. Please

listen as you adjust these settings to find the best setting.

#### NOTE

The effectiveness of this function varies between tracks and it cannot completely eliminate all guitar sounds. If turning this function ON does not reduce guitar sounds as you want, or it cancels different instrument parts, try adjusting the following parameters for better results.

#### PAR1

Use the **PART** item to determine the position in the stereo spectrum (**L10**—**R10**) for cancellation.

For example, if the part you want to cancel is panned to the left, try setting **PART** to **L10** and adjust it toward the center (**L9**, **L8**, etc.) until you achieve best cancellation.

## 6 - Practice Functions

## Repeat playback of a selected loop

Follow these procedures to repeat playback of a selected part of a track (loop playback).

- 1 Press the I/O key when a track is playing or paused at the point where you want to set the IN point (loop starting point).
- 2 Press the I/O key again at the point when you want to set the OUT point and start loop playback between the IN and OUT points.

## NOTE

Loop playback automatically turns OFF any active **PLAY MODE** repeat mode.

Below the playback position bar on the Home screen, the "I" indicator appears at the IN point, and the "O" indicator appears at the OUT point. During loop playback, I++O appears on the LCD.

- To stop loop playback press either the LOOP key or the I/O key.
- If you press the LOOP key, the loop IN and OUT points are kept, so you can play the same loop if you press the LOOP key again.
- If you press the I/O key, the loop IN and OUT points are cleared.

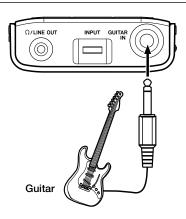
## Connecting a guitar to practice

You can connect a guitar and mix your guitar playing with the track you are playing back.

You can also use the built-in guitar effects to craft your guitar tone for even more effective practice and performance.

- 1 Connect a guitar to the GUITAR IN jack.
- 2 Adjust the guitar volume with the INPUT dial.

The guitar sound is output through the  $\Omega$ /LINE OUT jack. (See "Connecting a Guitar" on page 10 for more information.)



## Practicing with tracks as they play

If you play guitar while a track is playing back, you can hear the combined signals of the guitar and the track output through the  $\Omega$ /LINE OUT jack.

Use the MIX BALANCE keys to adjust the volume level balance between the track being played back (PLAYBACK) and the guitar (GUITAR) signals.

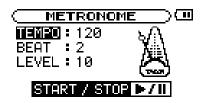
As you adjust the balance, a status bar appears at the bottom of the display.



## Using the metronome (METRONOME)

Use the MP-GT1's built-in metronome during practice to improve your timing.

To use the metronome, press the **MENU** key to open the **MENU** screen and select and open the **METRONOME** item.



#### **TEMPO**

Use to set the tempo between 20 and 250.

#### DEAT

Set the accent between  $\bf 0$  and  $\bf 9$ . There is no accent when set to  $\bf 0$ .

#### LEVEL

Use to set the metronome volume.

#### Turning the metronome ON and OFF

Press the ►/II key to start and stop the metronome.

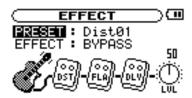
#### NOTE

When the metronome is ON, you can use other settings, but instead of returning to the usual Home screen, you return to the METRONOME screen. Stop the metronome if you want to return to the Home screen.

## 7 - Using Effects

The MP-GT1 has built-in guitar effects.

Press the **FX** key to open the **EFFECT** screen.



As with other screens, use the wheel to select items and adjust setting values and press the ENTER key to confirm selections. Use the **MENU** key to return to previous items or screens.

As the figure above shows, on the **EFFECT** screen, in addition to **PRESET** and **EFFECT** items, there is a guitar, up to 3 effect modules, and a knob labeled LVL. The guitar is there just to show you where the signal starts, but you can adjust all the other items. Turn the wheel when the **EFFECT** screen is open to select the effect modules and the **LVL** knob. These items appear darker when selected just like menu items.

### NOTE

Each preset has a different set of effect modules. See the Effect presets list on page 25 for which modules are included with each preset.

#### **PRESET**

Choose from 73 presets, including 18 distortion, 18 overdrive, 18 compressor presets and 18 other effects. (See the "Effect presets list" on page 25 for details.)

#### **EFFECT**

Turn the effect **ON** or set it to **BYPASS**. When ON, the **FX** indicator appears as light letters on a dark background at the bottom right of the Home screen.

#### **Effect modules**

Select a module and press the **ENTER** key to open its settings window. Each module has two parameters that vary according to the effect type. See the "Effect module parameters list" on page 26 for details.



#### LVL knob

Use this to adjust the effect output level. Select it and press the **ENTER** key. When the number above the knob appears light on a dark background, you can adjust it using the wheel to a value between 0 (no sound from the effect) and 100.

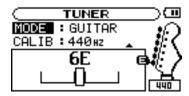
Press the FX key again to close the EFFECT screen and return to the Home screen.

## NOTE

You can also return to the Home screen by pressing the MENU key.

## 8 - Using the Tuner

The MP-GT1 has a built-in guitar tuner and an oscillator that can output any pitch between C4 and B6 To use the tuner functions, press the MENU key to open the MENU screen, and select and open the TUNER item.



#### MODE

Select from the following tuner modes.

Guitar tuning mode

**AUTO** Chromatic tuning mode

OSC. Oscillator mode

#### **CALIB**

You can adjust the frequency of A between 435 and 445 Hz. The value of this setting also appears at the bottom right of the screen. This setting affects all tuner modes.

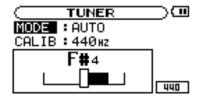
The following sections explain how to use each of the three tuner modes

## **Chromatic tuner mode (AUTO)**

This is the default mode. In this mode, there is no need to change settings as you tune each string.

- 1 With the guitar connected to the GUITAR IN jack, play the string that you want to tune. The note name closest to the current string pitch appears.
- 2 Tune the string approximately until the note that you want to tune to appears on the screen.
- 3 When the center of the meter lights, the string is in tune.

A bar appears on the left side of the meter if the pitch is too low, and on the right side if the pitch is too high. The longer the bar is, the more out of tune the string is.



### **Guitar tuner mode (GUITAR)**

In this mode, you must manually set the note for each string to be tuned.

- 1 Use the NOTE item to select the string that you want to tune (1E, 2B, 3G, 4D, 5A or 6E).
- 2 When the center of the meter lights, the string is in tune.

A bar appears on the left side of the meter if the pitch is too low, and on the right side if the pitch is too high. The longer the bar is, the more out of tune the string is.

### Oscillator mode (OSC.)

Use the built-in oscillator to output a sine wave through the  $\Omega$ /LINE OUT jack. You can set this wave to any note in a 3-octave range between C4 and B6.

Use this to set the pitch of the note to be output between C4 and B6.

Use this to turn the oscillator output ON and OFF. When ON, the onscreen tuning fork provides visual feedback.



### LEVEL

Use this to set the output level (0-100) of the oscillator.

## 9 - Setup Menu Options

On the **SETUP** screen, you can make various MP-GT1 settings, as well as initialize or format the unit. Press the MENU key to open the MENU screen, and then select and open the **SETUP** item.

The following settings related to how the MP-GT1 operates and its display behaves can be made on the **SETUP** screen.

SETUP CUE/REV SPEED: ×8 :30sec AUTO OFF BACKLIGHT :15sec CONTRAST DIMMER :High 🕌

## Cue and review speed

Use **CUE/REV SPEED** to determine how fast search occurs when the ▶▶ and I◀ keys are pushed and held.

Setting choices: x2, x4, x8 (factory setting), x10

## **Automatic power off**

Use AUTO OFF to set how long until the unit automatically turns OFF when powered by the internal battery. This setting is the amount of time from when track playback has stopped and the unit has last been used.

Setting choices: **OFF** (factory setting, the power must be turned off manually), 3 min, 5 min, 10 min, 30 min

## Automatically turning off the backlight

Use **BACKLIGHT** to set the time since the last operation until the backlight automatically turns OFF when powered by the internal battery.

Setting choices: **OFF** (backlight always on), **5 sec** (factory setting), 10 sec, 15 sec, 30 sec

## **Display contrast**

Use **CONTRAST** to adjust the display contrast.

Setting choices: 1–20 (factory setting: 12)

## **Backlight brightness**

Use **DIMMER** to adjust the backlight brightness.

Setting choices: HIGH (factory setting), LOW, OFF (no backlight)

## Initializing the unit

Use INITIALIZE to restore the MP-GT1 to its factory settings.

- 1 Select INITIALIZE and press the ENTER key to highlight Exec.
- 2 Press the ENTER key again to open a confirmation popup window.
- 3 Press the ENTER key again to initialize the unit.

Press the MENU key to cancel initialization.

## 9 - Setup Menu Options

## Formatting the unit quickly

Use **QUICK FORMAT** to format the MP-GT1's flash memory quickly. Formatting the unit erases all files on the unit, but the MUSIC and UTILITY folders and the mp-gtl. sys files are automatically regenerated.

- 1 Select QUICK FORMAT and press the ENTER key to highlight Exec.
- 2 Press the ENTER key again to open a confirmation popup window.
- 3 Press the ENTER key again to format the unit quickly.

Press the MENU key to cancel formatting.

## Formatting the unit completely

Use **FULL FORMAT** to format the MP-GT1's flash memory completely. Unlike QUICK FORMAT, FULL FORMAT also checks the memory for errors. For this reason, it takes much more time. Formatting the unit erases all files on the unit, but the MUSIC and UTILITY folders and the mp-gtl.sys files are automatically regenerated.

- 1 Select FULL FORMAT and press the ENTER key to highlight Exec.
- 2 Press the ENTER key again to open a confirmation popup window.
- 3 Press the ENTER key again to format the unit fully.

Press the MENU key to cancel formatting.

#### CAUTION

When using QUICK FORMAT or FULL FORMAT, use the AC adapter (sold separately) or confirm that the battery is sufficiently charged. If the power fails during formatting, the formatting may not occur correctly.

### WARNING

Using QUICK FORMAT or FULL FORMAT erases the MANUAL folder and the pdf Owner's Manual in it. Please make a copy of this file before formatting the unit.

## 10 - Using the Information Pages

Use the **INFORMATION** screen to view various information about files, memory usage and MP-GT1 system settings.

Press the MENU key to open the MENU screen and select and open INFORMATION.

Use the wheel to switch between the three **INFORMATION** pages.

FILE Currently active MP3 file data

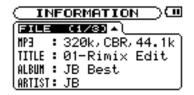
MEMORY Built-in flash memory use

SYSTEM MP-GT1 system settings and firmware

version

## File information page (FILE)

Shows information about the currently selected file.



MP3 File bit rate (kbps), CBR or VBR (constant

bit rate, variable bit rate), and sampling

frequency (kHz)

**TITLE** ID3 tag title information when available;

otherwise shows file name

ALBUM Shows ID3 tag album information when

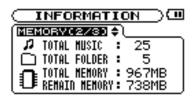
available; otherwise blank

**ARTIST** Shows ID3 tag artist information when

available; otherwise blank

### Memory information page (MEMORY)

Shows status of built-in flash memory usage.



**TOTAL MUSIC** Total number of playable files in the

MUSIC folder

**TOTAL FOLDER** Total number of subfolders in the

MUSIC folder

**TOTAL MEMORY** Total capacity of the built-in flash

memory

**REMAIN MEMORY** Total amount of unused built-in flash

memory

## NOTE

The MP-GT1 can recognize a maximum combined total of 550 files and folders. If there are more than 550, files and folders in excess of this number will not appear on the unit

### System information page (SYSTEM)

Shows MP-GT1 system settings information and firmware version.



**CUE/REV SPD** Cue and review speed

**AUTO OFF** Auto power OFF

**BACKLIGHT** Backlight auto OFF

System Ver. System firmware version

## 11 – Effect Lists

## Effect preset list

	Name	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3		Name	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3
1	Dist01	Distortion	Flanger	Reverb	37	Comp01	Compressor	Flanger	Reverb
2	Dist02	Distortion	Flanger	Delay	38	Comp02	Compressor	Flanger	Delay
3	Dist03	Distortion	Phaser	Reverb	39	Comp03	Compressor	Phaser	Reverb
4	Dist04	Distortion	Phaser	Delay	40	Comp04	Compressor	Phaser	Delay
5	Dist05	Distortion	Exciter	Reverb	41	Comp05	Compressor	Exciter	Reverb
6	Dist06	Distortion	Exciter	Delay	42	Comp06	Compressor	Exciter	Delay
7	Dist07	Distortion	Chorus	Reverb	43	Comp07	Compressor	Chorus	Reverb
8	Dist08	Distortion	Chorus	Delay	44	Comp08	Compressor	Chorus	Delay
9	Dist09	Distortion	Tremolo	Reverb	45	Comp09	Compressor	Tremolo	Reverb
10	Dist10	Distortion	Tremolo	Delay	46	Comp10	Compressor	Tremolo	Delay
11	Dist11	Distortion	Vibrato	Reverb	47	Comp11	Compressor	Vibrato	Reverb
12	Dist12	Distortion	Vibrato	Delay	48	Comp12	Compressor	Vibrato	Delay
13	Dist13	Distortion	AutoWah	Reverb	49	Comp13	Compressor	AutoWah	Reverb
14	Dist14	Distortion	AutoWah	Delay	50	Comp14	Compressor	AutoWah	Delay
15	Dist15	Distortion	Pitchshifter	Reverb	51	Comp15	Compressor	Pitchshifter	Reverb
16	Dist16	Distortion	Pitchshifter	Delay	52	Comp16	Compressor	Pitchshifter	Delay
17	Dist17	Distortion	Through	Reverb	53	Comp17	Compressor	Through	Reverb
18	Dist18	Distortion	Through	Delay	54	Comp18	Compressor	Through	Delay
19	OD01	Overdrive	Flanger	Reverb	55	Flanger01	Through	Flanger	Reverb
20	OD02	Overdrive	Flanger	Delay	56	Flanger02	Through	Flanger	Delay
21	OD03	Overdrive	Phaser	Reverb	57	Phaser01	Through	Phaser	Reverb
22	OD04	Overdrive	Phaser	Delay	58	Phaser02	Through	Phaser	Delay
23	OD05	Overdrive	Exciter	Reverb	59	Exciter01	Through	Exciter	Reverb
24	OD06	Overdrive	Exciter	Delay	60	Exciter02	Through	Exciter	Delay
25	OD07	Overdrive	Chorus	Reverb	61	Chorus01	Through	Chorus	Reverb
26	OD08	Overdrive	Chorus	Delay	62	Chorus02	Through	Chorus	Delay
27	OD09	Overdrive	Tremolo	Reverb	63	Tremolo01	Through	Tremolo	Reverb
28	OD10	Overdrive	Tremolo	Delay	64	Tremolo02	Through	Tremolo	Delay
29	OD11	Overdrive	Vibrato	Reverb	65	Vibrato01	Through	Vibrato	Reverb
30	OD12	Overdrive	Vibrato	Delay	66	Vibrato02	Through	Vibrato	Delay
31	OD13	Overdrive	AutoWah	Reverb	67	AutoWah01	Through	AutoWah	Reverb
32	OD14	Overdrive	AutoWah	Delay	68	AutoWah02	Through	AutoWah	Delay
33	OD15	Overdrive	Pitchshifter	Reverb	69	PitShift01	Through	Pitchshifter	Reverb
34	OD16	Overdrive	Pitchshifter	Delay	70	PitShift02	Through	Pitchshifter	Delay
35	OD17	Overdrive	Through	Reverb	71	Reverb	Through	Through	Reverb
36	OD18	Overdrive	Through	Delay	72	Delay	Through	Through	Delay
					73	Through	Through	Through	Through

## 11 - Effect Lists

## **Effect module parameters**

The chart below explains the features of the effect modules that make up the MP-GT1 effect presets. Most of the effect presets use two or three modules in combination to achieve sounds that are even more interesting. If you have a specific sound in mind, try different presets and adjust the module parameters to find effect settings that meet your needs.

Module	Effect	Parameter	Details	Value
Distortion	Heavily distorts the guitar sound, making it	DIST	Adjusts the amount of distortion	range 0–30
(DST)	stand out with thickness and sustain for a nice lead sound.		Adjusts the tone	0-12
Overdrive	Lightly distorts the guitar sound giving it the	DRIV	Adjusts the amount of overdrive	0-30
( <b>OD</b> )	sound of an overdriven amplifier—great for creating a warm classic rock sound.	TONE	Adjusts the tone	0-12
Compressor	Compresses the guitar sound, giving it clarity and sustain—good for creating appealing,	СОМР	Adjusts the amount of compression	0–30
(CMP)	clean sounds.	TONE	Adjusts the tone	0-12
Flanger	Gives the sound a moving modulation that can be compared to the sound of a jet engine.	SPD	Adjusts the speed of modulation	0-30
(FLA)	be compared to the sound of a jet engine.	MIX	Adjusts the amount of the effect	0-20
Phaser	Gives the sound a rough modulation useful for	SPD	Adjusts the speed of modulation	0-30
(PHA)	(creating 70s funk style sounds.		Adjusts the amount of the effect	0–20
Exciter	Adds high frequencies to the original sound to make rich, shimmering tones that stand out.	FREQ	Adjusts the high frequencies added to the sound	0–30
(EXC)		MIX	Adjusts the amount of the effect	0-20
Chorus	Adds a slightly detuned sound to create a wide, ensemble-like tone. This effect was popular in	DPTH	Adjusts the modulation depth	0-30
(CHO)	70s hard rock and fusion.	MIX	Adjusts the amount of the effect	0-20
Tremolo	Creates a cyclical variation in the volume. A	SPD	Adjusts the speed of the effect.	0-30
(TRM)	sound like a rotary speaker can be achieved by combining it with delay.		Adjusts the amount of the effect	0-20
Vibrato	Creates a cyclical variation in the frequency	SPD	Adjusts the speed of the effect.	0–30
(VIB)	(B) for a regular pitch variation.		Adjusts the amount of the effect	0–20
Autowah (WAH)	Creates a sound like a wah pedal that is great for funky sounds. Vary your picking force	SENS	Adjusts the sensitivity of the effect to picking force	0–30
	when using this effect.	MIX	Adjusts the amount of the effect	
Pitch Shifter	Changes the pitch of the input signal and can be used to create a doubled lead sound, for example. Set the <b>PIT</b> values between 6 and 17,	PIT	Adjusts pitch in semitones (±6–17) or in smaller intervals at values between –5 to +5.	-17 - +17
(PIT)	or –6 and –17, for semitone changes.	MIX	Adjusts the amount of the effect	
Reverb	Creates reflections, like the echoes in a stone church, to give the sound greater width. Surf	TIME	Adjusts the reverberation time	0–25
(REV)	rock uses this effect extensively.	MIX	Adjusts the amount of the effect	0–20
Delay	Adds echoes to the sound. Adjust the <b>TIME</b> and	TIME	Adjusts the delay time	0–99
(DLY)	(DLY) turn the MIX level up for a rockabilly sound.		Adjusts the amount of the effect	0-20

## 12 – Messages

The following is a list of the popup messages that may appear on the MP-GT1. Use this list if one of these popup messages appears and you want to check the meaning or confirm a proper response.

Message	Meaning and response
File not found	Appears when the audio file cannot be found or the file is corrupted. Use a computer to check and reload the audio file.
Non-Supported	This appears when the audio file is not a supported encoding format. Use a computer to check the file format and reencode it and reload it if necessary.
Battery Empty	This warning appears when the battery is almost out of power. Use a USB connection or an AC adapter (sold separately) to recharge it.
I/O Too Short	This appears when using the I/O key to start loop playback if the IN and OUT points are too close together. Reset the IN and OUT points a little further apart and try again.
File Not Found	The file in the PLAYLIST cannot be found. Please confirm that the file is still in the
PLAYLIST	MUSIC folder.
No PLAYLIST	No files are in the PLAYLIST. This popup appears when the PLAY MODE is set to PLAYLIST, but no files have been added to the PLAYLIST. Add a file to the PLAYLIST. See "Adding tracks to the playlist" on page 16.
PLAYLIST FULL	This message appears if you try to add another track to the PLAYLIST when it already has 99 tracks. Erase an unneeded file from the PLAYLIST and then add a new file. See "Editing the playlist" on page 16.
Not Continued	If any of these errors occurs, turn the MP-GT1 power OFF and restart the unit. If the
File Error	error message continues to appear, contact a TEAC Repair Center.
FX Rx Failed	
FX Busy	
Can't Save Data	
Memory Error	
Player Error	
System Err 50	
System Error 1	
System Error 2	
System Error 3	
System Error 4	
System Error 5	
System Error 6	
System Error 7	
System Error 8	
System Error 9	

## 13 - Recycling the Battery

This unit uses a lithium ion battery. Lithium ion batteries are a valuable, recyclable resource. Before disposing of this unit, please remove and recycle its battery.



## WARNING

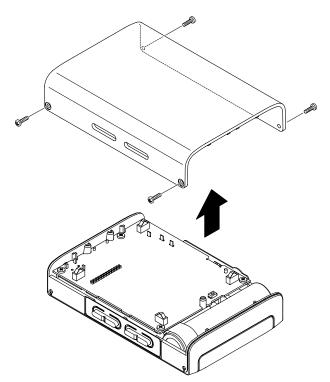
NEVER TAKE THE UNIT APART FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN TO REMOVE THE BATTERY BEFORE DISPOSAL!



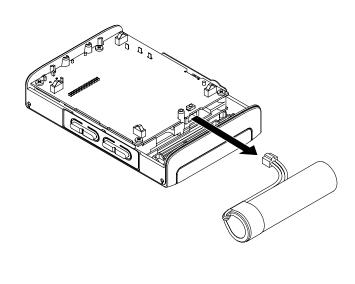
## How to remove the rechargeable battery

Before removing the battery, turn the unit power switch ON and drain the battery until it ceases to function. (Set the AUTO OFF function to OFF. See "Automatic power off" on page 22.)

1 Remove the four side screws and remove the upper case.



2 Remove the battery from the unit and detach the connector.



## 14 - Specifications

Rated audio input and output

Standard phone jack (mono, unbalanced) **Guitar Input** 

Input impedance  $1 M\Omega$ Maximum input level +10 dBV

Headroom 10 dB

Phones/Line Out 1/8" (3.5 mm) stereo jack

Maximum output 20 mW + 20 mW (with 32  $\Omega$  headphones connected)

**Audio performance** 

Frequency characteristics 20 - 20,000 Hz + 1/-3 dB (Guitar Input > Phones/Line Out)

Total Harmonic Distortion <0.05% (Guitar Input > Phones/Line Out)

S/N ratio (Line Out) >90 dB (0 dBV)

Other specifications

MP3 file support Bit rate 32-320 kbps

> 44.1 kHz Sampling frequency VBR files Supported ID3 tag display Up to Ver 2.4

Note that loop playback IN and OUT points may not always set correctly for VBR MP3 files.

Memory medium Built-in flash memory (1 GB)

> File system FAT16 (recognizes a maximum combined total of 550 files and folders)

Built-in lithium ion battery 3.7V DC

> Power consumption About 1.5 W (during MP3 playback)

78 x 110 x 25.5 mm (3.1 x 4.3 x 1 inches) excluding protrusions Dimensions (W x H x D)

Weight (including lithium ion battery) 220 g (7.8 ounces)

> Accessory (sold separately) AC adapter (PS-P520)

Minimum computer requirements

Windows PC Windows 2000, XP

300 MHz Pentium 128 MB memory

USB port with 500 mA bus power (USB 2.0 recommended)

Macintosh Mac OS 10.2 or later

266 MHz Power PC (including iMacs, G3 and G4 processors)

64 MB memory

USB port with 500 mA bus power (USB 2.0 recommended)

Recommended USB host controller, Intel chipset

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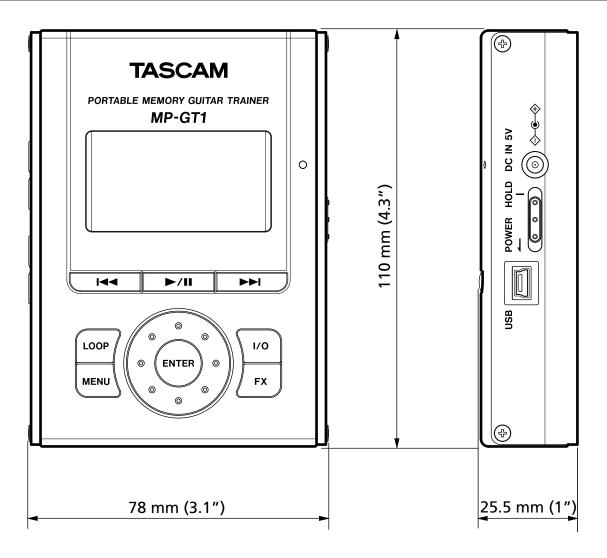
## **Stored settings**

The following settings are saved when the MP-GT1 power is turned OFF. They are the same when the power is turned ON again.

- EFFECT settings
- TUNER settings
- METRONOME settings
- PB CONTROL settings
- Loop playback ON/OFF status
- Loop IN and OUT point settings

- Playback mode
- Mix balance
- Auto power OFF setting
- Currently active track
- Output volume settings
- Backlight OFF Setting

## **Dimensions**



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