SOUNDFREAQ®

Sound Kick 2

SFQ-11

Bluetooth®

User Manual

Safety Information

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read these instructions.

2. Keep these Instructions.

3. Heed all Warnings.

4. Follow all instructions.

5. Do not use this apparatus near water.

6. Clean only with dry cloth.

7. Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

8. Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.

9. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized or grounding - type plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.

10. Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.

11. Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.

12. Use only with the cart, stand, tripod, bracket or table specified by the manufacturer, or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over.

PORTABLE CART WARNING
(Symbol provided by RETAC)

13. Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.

14. 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.

15. Apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing and no objects filled with liquids, such as vase,shall not be placed on the apparatus.

16. The mains plug is used as disconnect device and it shall remain readily operable during intended use. In order to disconnect the mains plug from the mains completely, the mains plug should be disconnected from the mains socket outlet completely.

17. The batteries (battery pack & batteries installed) shall not be exposed to excessive heat such as sunshine, fire or the like.

18. Do not place any naked flame sources, such as lighted candles, on the apparatus.
19. The battery used in this product must be properly recycled or disposed of. Please contact your local recycling center for proper battery handling and disposal instructions.

FCC Information:

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Canada IC statements

This device complies with Industry Canada's licence-exempt RSSs. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:
(1) This device may not cause interference; and
(2) This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

CAN ICES-3 (B)/NMB-3 (B)

Warning: Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules.
These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:
• Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
• Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
• Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
• Consult the dealer or an experienced radio TV technician for help.

Warnings: The device meets the exemption from the routine evaluation limits in section 2.5 of RSS 102 and users can obtain Canadian information on RF exposure and compliance from the Canadian Representative Burnport Holdings Ltd. 72MT Belcher Pls, East, Calgary, Alberta, T2Z 2G1, CANADA. Tel: 403-257-4961

FCC&IC Radiation Exposure Statement

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment and meets the exemption from the routine evaluation limits in section 2.5 of RSS 102.

For compatibility between the system and another device with Bluetooth technology, consult the device's documentation and dealer. In some countries, there may be restrictions on using Bluetooth devices. Check with your local authorities.

Bluetooth is a registered trademark of Bluetooth SIG, Inc

Please read rating label at the bottom of system for power input and other safety information.

CAUTION - Proper Installation

- Install the system in a place which is level, dry and neither too hot nor too cold. The appropriate temperature is between 5°C and 35°C.
- Install the system in a location with adequate ventilation to prevent internal heat from building up inside the unit.
- Leave sufficient distance between the system and TV.
- Keep the system away from TV to avoid interference with TV.

CAUTION - Proper Ventilation

To avoid risk of electric shock and fire, and to prevent damage, locate the apparatus as follows:

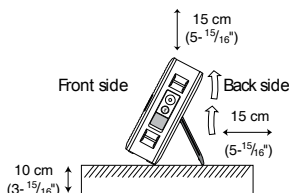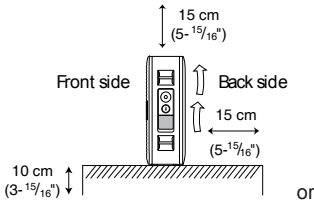**Front**: No obstructions and open spacing.
Sides / Top / Back: No obstructions should be placed in the areas shown by the dimensions below.
Bottom: Place on the level surface. Maintain an adequate air path for ventilation by placing on a stand with a height of 10cm (3-15/16") or more.

Front View:
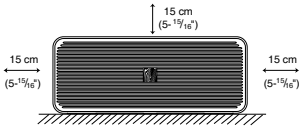
Side View:

Information for Users on Disposal of Old Equipment

[European Union]
This symbol indicates that the electrical and electronic equipment should not be disposed as general household waste at its end-of-life. Instead, the product should be handed over to the applicable collection point for the recycling in accordance with your national legislation.

Attention:
This symbol is only valid in the European Union.

By disposing of this product correctly, you will help to conserve natural resources and will help prevent potential negative effects on the environment and human health that could otherwise be caused by inappropriate waste handling of this product. For more information about collection point and recycling of this product, please contact your local municipal office, your household waste disposal service or the shop where you purchased the product. Penalties may be applicable for incorrect disposal of this waste, in accordance with national legislation.

[Other Countries outside the European Union]
If you wish to dispose of this product, please do so in accordance with applicable national legislation or other rules in your country for the treatment of old electrical and electronic equipment.
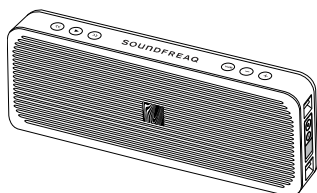
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Contents

Getting Started

Package Contents

Examine whether the following package contents are all included:
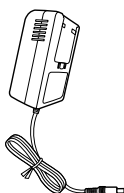
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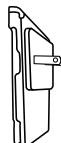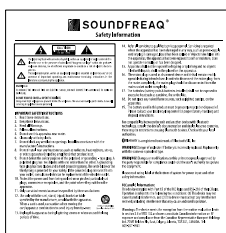
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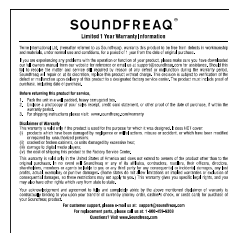
Placing Sound Kick 2

You can place the system directly onto a flat surface (such as a desk, a table, etc.) or stand the system up on a desk or table using the stand on the back.
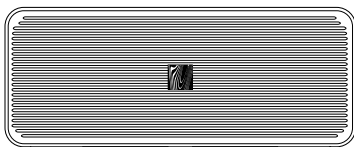
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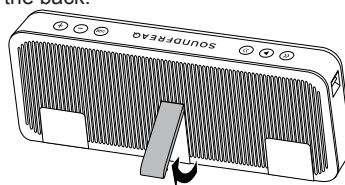
When the system is used outdoor and in the rain, please ensure the two rubber covers are closed securely, and the water won't flow into system.
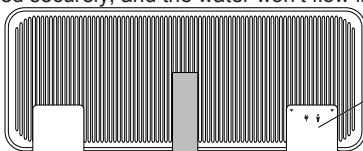
Rubber Covers
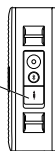
Connecting to the AC Power Adapter

WARNING! For optimal performance, use only the supplied AC power adapter.
Ensure that power supply outlet matches with the unit AC's input 100V~240V, 50/60Hz before connection.

1. Install the adapter plug to the AC power adapter.
2. Connect one end of the AC power adapter to DC IN jack, and the other end to an electrical outlet only after all other connections are completed.

Power outlet

Adapter plug

DC IN jack
(Under the rubber cover)
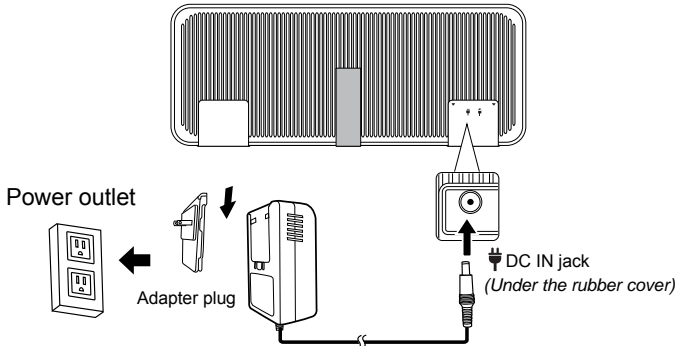
Charging the Built-in Battery

Plug the AC power adapter to start charge the built-in battery.
During charging, the charging LED indicator combination with **POWER** button will indicate the charging status as follows:

| System Mode	During Charging	Charging Complete
Standby	Blinks in green at a slow rate.	Off
Power on but in idle mode	Blinks in green.	Blinks in white.
Bluetooth mode or AUX IN mode	Remains on in green.	Remains on in white.

Notes:
- It takes about 3 hours to charge the battery from empty to full when the system is in standby mode. Time may vary depending on the temperature or conditions of use.
- The battery will give you portable power for up to 8 hours playback time. The playback time may vary depending on the temperature or conditions of use.
- Do not dispose of system in fire; battery may explode or leak.

Type: Li-Polymer Rechargeable Battery
Model No: FT496476P
Rated Voltage: 3.7V
Capacity: 2700mAh

WARNING !
There is a danger of explosion if the battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace it only with the same or equivalent type. Do not expose it to excessive heat such as sunshine, fire, etc., where it would be exposed to high temperatures above 60°C.

Checking Battery Power

When the system is on using the battery power and in idle mode, press and hold the **VOL+** and **VOL–** buttons simultaneously on the system to check the battery power by the LED indicator.

Status	Color	Battery Power
Fast blinking (4 times)	Green	66%-100%
Fast blinking (3 times)	Green	36%-65%
Fast blinking (2 times)	Green	15%-35%

Note:
- During operations in battery mode, if the LED indicator blinks alternately in white and green at a slow rate, it indicates the battery power is less than 15%; then you need to connect the AC power adapter to charge it in time.

System Overview

Top View


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1   2   3       4   5   6
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Side View


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Rear View


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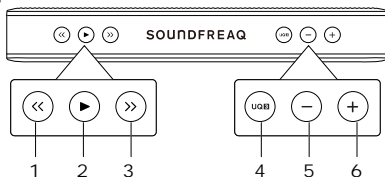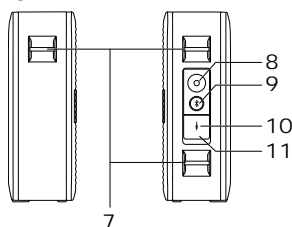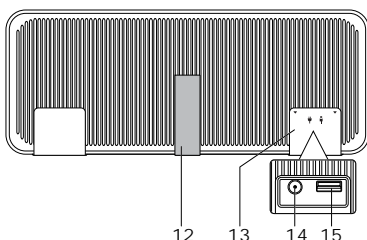
1. **<<** (Previous/Rewind) button

   In Bluetooth mode, press to skip to the start of the current track or skip to previous track. Hold to rewind a track fast.

2. ►(Play/Pause) button

   In Bluetooth mode, tap to play or pause a track.

3. **>>** (Next/fast forward) button

   In Bluetooth mode, tap to skip to next track. Hold to fast-forward a track.

4. UQ3 button

   Press to activate or deactivate the UQ3 (High Definition Wide Stereo) sound effect.

5. **VOL–** button

   Press to decrease the volume level.

6. **VOL+** button

   Press to increase the volume level.

7. Lanyard holes

8. **POWER** button / LED Indicator

   Press to switch between standby and power-on modes.

9. ∗ (pair) button

   Press to put the system into pairing mode.

10. Rubber cover

11. ◄━━ AUX IN jack *(Under the rubber cover)*

    Inputs audio signals from an external device using an audio cable (not supplied).

12. Stand

13. Rubber cover

14. ◄▮ **DC IN** jack *(Under the rubber cover)*

    Connect to AC power Adapter.

15. ◄▮▮ **POWER OUT** port *(Under the rubber cover)*

    Charges your external USB chargeable devices.

Basic Operation

Turning on/off the System
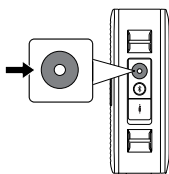
Press **POWER** button on the side to turn on the System.
Press **POWER** button again to turn off the System.

Adjusting the Volume

You can adjust the volume level when one of sound sources is selected by pressing the **VOL+/**– buttons.
Each time you press **VOL+** or **VOL–** button, the LED indicator will blink once. If the system is at minimum volume level (or at maximum volume level), then press **VOL–** button (or **VOL+** button), the LED indicator will keep its status as before without any action.

Activating the Power Saving Mode
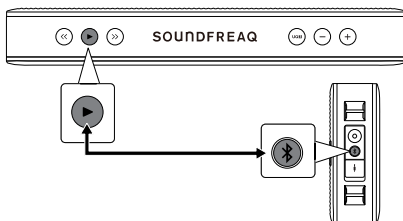
Press and hold the ✳ (pair) button and the ► button together to disable or enable the Power Saving mode:
• The LED indicator blinks twice in green to indicate Power Saving mode is off. The system will keep on all the time.
• The LED indicator blinks once in green to indicate the Power Saving mode is activated. The system will power off automatically when the system is in idle mode for 45 minutes.

Notes:
• Enable/disable the Power Saving mode during charging the battery, the LED indicator will blink in white.
• If you turn off the system manually, the system will activate the Power Saving mode automatically next time even if you disabled it before.

Selecting the Sound Source

This system enables you to access two sound sources – **AUX IN** and **Bluetooth**.

- If **AUX IN** jack has been inserted, the sound source will switch to **AUX IN** mode automatically. Remove the audio cable (not supplied) from the **AUX IN** jack, the sound source will switch to **Bluetooth** mode automatically.

- When a Bluetooth connection has been established and the system is in **Bluetooth** mode, once you insert audio cable, the system will suspend the Bluetooth playback and switch to **AUX IN** mode.
  To resume the Bluetooth playback, you need to remove the audio cable from the **AUX IN** jack, and press the ► button.

Playing back via Bluetooth

Establishing a Bluetooth Connection

Notes:
- If your mobile phone supports A2DP, AVRCP profiles, its music will play through the system.
- You can make a Bluetooth connection with a mobile phone, an iPhone/iPad/iPod touch or any other Bluetooth-enabled devices.

1. Press **POWER** button to turn on the system.

- The LED indicator illuminates and blinks in white.

2. Press the ✳ (pair) button to put the system in pairing mode.

- The indicator starts blinking at a fast rate.
- If you press and hold the ✳ (pair) button for more than 2 seconds during the process of pairing, the operation will be canceled.

3. During this period, you can operate the mobile phone, iPad or Bluetooth-enabled device to pair with the system within a 33 feet (10m) range.

- Please check the user manual of the iPad or Bluetooth-enabled device with which you are initiating pair to learn about Bluetooth connection with any other devices.

4. Once the system is detected and its name **Sound Kick 2** appears on the display of your Bluetooth-enabled device, then select the system on the display. Key in the default password **1234** if a prompt requests it.

- The LED indicator starts blinking quickly to indicate that the system and your device have entered into the connection mode.

- After a Bluetooth connection is established successfully, the LED indicator will remain on in white.

5. Select the desired music and press **Play** button on your device. The system automatically starts playing back the music.

- Before starting playback via Bluetooth, make sure the **AUX IN** jack is not inserted using audio cable.
- Try again above steps 2 to 4 if the LED indicator blinks slowly after blinking quickly for 3 minutes, the pair was unsuccessful.

Using Multiple Bluetooth Devices

Only one device can be used at a time, but you can switch between different Bluetooth devices.

Make sure each device you want to use has already been paired, to switch devices:

1. On Sound Kick 2, press and hold the ✳ (pair) button for 2 second.

2. On Bluetooth device, select the connection to Sound Kick 2.

This device is now the connected device to Sound Kick 2, (the previous connected device is now disconnected). Repeat those steps to switch the connected device again.

Notes:
- If the system has no sound output, please check if the volume level of your Bluetooth device connected to the system is set to the minimum, or the Bluetooth device is muted.
- Ensure that the audio cable has been removed from the **AUX IN** jack.

Playing back from Macbook or Macbook Pro

1. In the desktop screen, select the **Open Bluetooth Preference**.

2. If there are any old **Sound Kick 2** records, remove them. Click the **Continue** button to continue pairing process.

3. Once completed, the pairing success screen will come out.

Note:
• Don't quit the page immediately. You may notice that the previous dialog screen still shows the device not connected. Just ignore it. It's confusing to the user. In fact, it's connected already.

4. Open iTune, play a song. Then use the mouse to click the Bluetooth icon at the top right hand corner of the desktop screen, select the **Sound Kick 2** option and then select the **Use as Audio Device (Stereo)**. After a while (a few seconds), the music will come out from the system. If not, select the **Use as Audio Device (Stereo)** once again. The Sound Quality should be good.

Playing back from PC/Notebook

1. Press the **Start** button to open the **Device and Printers** dialog box.

2. Turn on the system, then press the ✴ (pair) button to put into the pairing mode.

3. Select the **Add a device** in the **Device and Printer** dialog box. The **Sound Kick 2** icon will appear on the display.

4. Double click the **Sound Kick 2** icon and wait until the device has been added successfully.

5. Click the **Close** button to close the **Device and Printer** dialog box. A **Sound Kick 2** icon appears in the dialog box.

6. Double click the **Sound Kick 2** icon and the device connection screen will be shown.

7. Click the **Connect** button in the **Music and Audio** option.

8. Once connected, the LED indicator on the system will be solid on in white and the connection success screen will be shown.

Playing back from External Source

You can enjoy the sound from an optional component such as a digital music player through the speakers of this system. Be sure to turn off the power of each component before making any connections. For details, refer to the instruction manual of the component to be connected. Connect an external device to the ▬■▬ **AUX IN** jack of the system using a stereo audio cable (not supplied).

To audio output such as CD/MD/digital music player, etc.

AUX IN Jack
(Under the rubber cover)
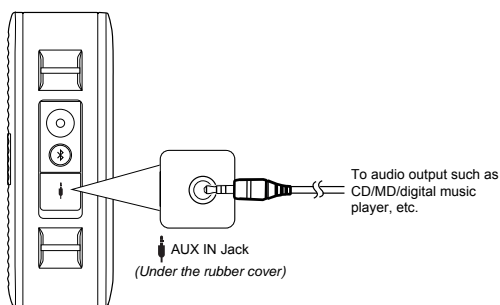
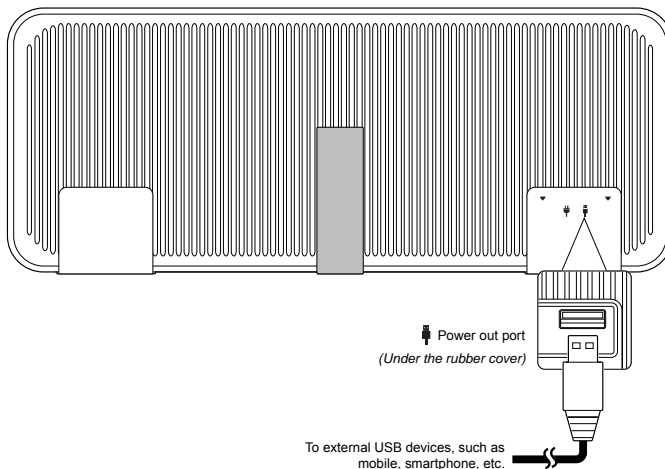**Notes:**
- When the audio cable is connected to the **AUX IN** jack, the system will switch to the **AUX IN** mode automatically.
- In order to save the energy, please unplug the AUX-IN cable when do not use.

1. Press **POWER** button to turn on the system.
2. Set the volume to the minimum position.
3. Start playback on the external device.
4. Adjust the volume to meet your listening requirement.

Charging an External Device

The **POWER OUT** jack can be used to charge most devices that allow for USB charging (including many mobile phones, smart phones and wireless headsets).
Connect one end of USB power cord (not supplied) to **POWER OUT** port of the system, and the other end to your USB device.

🔌 Power out port
(Under the rubber cover)

To external USB devices, such as
mobile, smartphone, etc.

When Sound Kick 2 is using the power supply, simply connect your device to Sound Kick 2 to begin charging.
When Sound Kick 2 is using the power of built-in battery, connect your device to Sound Kick 2, and turn on the system to begin charging.

Notes:
- Please use the USB power cord that came with your USB chargeable device to connect to Sound Kick 2 to charge.
- When using the built-in battery power, if the battery power is less than 15%, the charging function will be unavailable.
- When the system is operating by built-in battery only and charging external device at the same time, when the built-in battery power level is low, it is suggested to keep playback volume to low/medium level to avoid sudden turn off the system when the built-in battery is drained off by the external device

Optimizing Sound Quality

UQ3™ is proprietary technology that enhances stereo separation. You can enable/disable the UQ3 by pressing the uq3 button, and the LED indicator will indicate UQ3 current status.
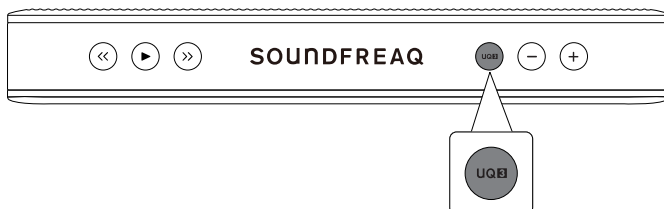
UQ3 Status	LED indicator	
	Using the battery power	Charging the battery
ON	Blinks once in white	Blinks once in green
OFF	Blinks twice in white	Blinks twice in green

TIP: Sound Kick 2 has been tuned to a balanced acoustic profile. You can use the EQ settings on your playback device to further customize the EQ balance to suit your personal preference.
Note: Some custom EQ settings when combined with UQ3 enhancement may cause distortion.
TIP: For playback in Bluetooth or Aux mode, the output volume is set by both the volume control on Sound Kick 2 and the source device. Both may be adjusted to set your preferred listening volume. Typically, sound quality is best when the volume of the source device is between 70~90%. Note: As with any speaker system, if the volume on both your source device and the speaker are at maximum output, it is possible to overdrive the speakers and cause distortion. When using an iOS device or other device that offers a "volume limit" feature, turn this setting off for higher volume listening in Bluetooth or Aux mode.

Troubleshooting

Check this list for a possible troubleshooting solution before calling for service.

In These Cases	Check the Following Points
Power does not come on	• When using the built-in battery, the battery power is too low. Charge the battery. • AC power adapter is not inserted securely. Plug in securely.
No sound output	• Check if the volume level of the system is set to the minimum. • When in Bluetooth mode, check if the volume level of your Bluetooth device is set to the minimum or muted; check if your audio cable is connected to the **AUX IN** jack of the system. Unplug the cable. • When in AUX IN mode, check if your external device is set to the minimum or muted.
The system is powered off automatically	• The system enters the saving energy mode. The system does not connect with any audio source for more than 45 minutes. Turn on the system again and play back an audio source. • If using the built-in battery, check if the built-in battery is exhausted. Connect AC power adapter and turn on the system again.
Bluetooth connection cannot be restored automatically	• The system may be powered off and powered on when playing back a track over Bluetooth connection. You need to make the connection again.
If you find USB charging cannot perform after connecting your device to the **POWER OUT** port on the system	• Maybe your USB cable is not supported by the system, please try to use another USB cable. • The battery power of the system is less than 15%.
Bluetooth connection cannot be established	• When making a Bluetooth connection between the system and your device for the first time, if the connection is fail, you need to power off your device and power on again to clear the device name, and make the connection again.

Technical Specifications

Model	SFQ-11	
Type	Sound Kick 2	
Support Bluetooth	Bluetooth 1.2, 2.0 and 2.1 compliant	
Support Profile	A2DP, AVRCP	
Input Sensitivity	AUX Input	1000mV (TBD)
Input Terminal	External DC IN, AUX IN	
Power Source	DC IN 9V/2A	
Dimensions (Approx.)	267mm (L) x 38mm (D) x 106mm (H)	
Weight	TBD	

Design and specifications are subject to change without notice.

Save this manual