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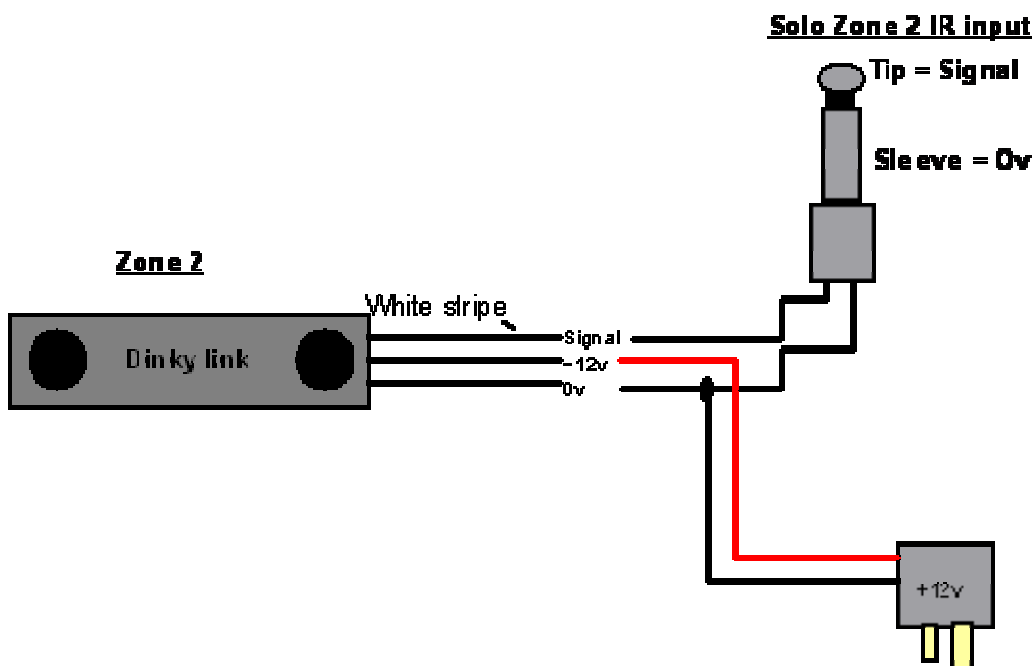
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Remote Control

How can I control the SOLO from Zone 2?

The Solo will require a remote pick-up device such as a Xantech Dinky Link located within Zone 2 and a Power amplifier such as the Arcam P80 to complete the system.

The below diagram demonstrate the implementation of a external power supply for a Xantech Dinky Link, although the same wiring scheme will be maintained for many other IR pick-up devices commonly available.

Solo also has the ability to provide a **+12v trigger** for control of ancillary devices such as power amplifier in the Second Zone; the +12v control is active when the Solo is not in Off or Standby modes.

Just as a note Xantech do provide power supplies for there products, basically a complete system. (Xantech.com)

What IR Remote System Code sets does the SOLO use?
Main System = RC5/16
Tuner = RC5/17
CD = RC5/20
[All specific command codes are available as a downloadable PDF]

Software

How To Find The Software Version?
Put the unit into standby.
Press front panel buttons in order <Mute / Vol- / Vol+ > to enter Engineering Menu.
Use the Source buttons to scroll up and down.

How To Reset Factory Defaults?
Put the unit into standby.
Press front panel buttons in order <Mute / Vol- / Vol+ > to enter Engineering Menu.

Use the Source buttons to scroll up and down.

Press <OK> on Reset in the display unit will then re-boot itself.
Note: This action will reset all parameters, included are Tuner Presets.

How can I find out if my SOLO has the correct software for an IPOD connection?
To find if the Solo you have has the compatible software version for connection an IPOD, simply from the remote control press the "TAPE" input button then the "MENU" button.

Using the "Down Curser" button, scroll through the menu titles, if you see displayed "IPOD ENABLE/DISABLE" then use the right or left curser keys to enable or disable. If it is not displayed then a software update is needed, to do this please call your dealer for the free update.

Connection instructions to use the Arcam Rlead is supplied with the lead itself.

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Zone 2

Is it possible to have an independent source in Zone 2 ?
No, as Zone 2 is only capable of following the current Zone 1 source selection only.

What can I do from Zone 2?
The Arcam SOLO system does have the possibility of sending an audio signal to a second zone, this means that it is possible to share a stereo audio signal in another location if needed, however it is only possible to duplicate the source material that is being played in zone 1 and not have independent control, only the volume level.

How do I control Zone 2's volume from Zone 1?
Press and hold the "MENU" button on the Solo's front panel until "Z2 VOL" is displayed, then use the volume buttons to adjust.

Press "MENU" to exit.

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Operation

Can the Tape Loop record from an alternative source other than what is currently active?
The Solo is only able to record from the source that is currently active.

Can I connect a turntable direct to the SOLO?
The Solo is unable to have a turntable connected directly to any of its external rear panel line level inputs, to effectively enable the use of a turntable. However this can be performed by introducing a turntable line level pre-amplifier into the signal path, which will convert the signal to the required line level voltage for connection.

Simply choose any input to use.

How many alarms can the solo use?
The Solo is only able to have 4 separate alarm times programmed, each when programmed is verified in the display.

Will the solo play MP3's written on a CDR?
This is not possible as the SOLO does not have an MPEG codec designed in.

Can I adjust the Display Brightness?
The Solo is able to have its display adjusted to different levels for normal ON use and when in standby as well. i.e one level when on and a different level when in standby.

What type of FM/DAB Aerial connection is used on the rear panel?
An FM/Dab Aerial connection is made via a "F" Type Screw Connector where fitted, otherwise a standard Co-Axial socket is used for FM and a bare wire type grip socket for an AM aerial connection.