

# ALPHA 300 DAB

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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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## INTRODUCTION

#### DEAR CUSTOMER,

we congratulate to your new answerphone and we are glad that you have decided for the ALPHA 300 DAB from 4MBO. The product you have bought is state of the art, of highest quality and has many advanced features.

### WARNING



Please read the operation manual in order to familiarise yourself with all the possibilities of your answerphone. Follow the instructions in order to ensure reliable operation and a long service life of the appliance.

For messages lost as a result of a technical defect the company of 4MBO cannot accept any liability.

The operating instructions are there to provide information. Their contents are not the subject of a contract. All of the data stated are merely nominal values.

Subject to technical modifications.

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## INTRODUCTION

#### SCOPE OF SUPPLY

Please check your appliance to ensure that it is complete. The following parts should be present:

- 1 answerphone with telephone connecting cord
- 1 plug-on power supply unit (IN: 220-240 V alternating current 50 Hz OUT: AC 9 V 300 mA)
- 1 instruction manual

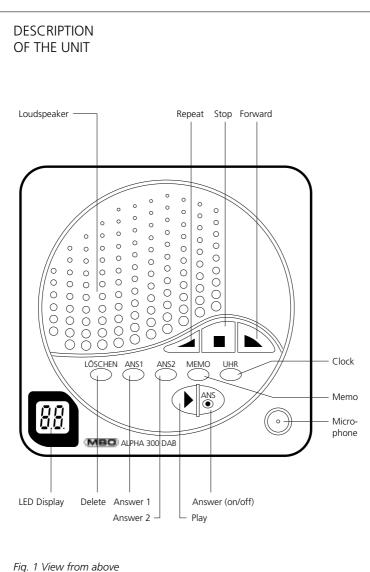
### SAFETY NOTES /



In order to ensure trouble-free operation and a long service life of the appliance the following safety notes are to be exactly observed:

- Use only the plug-in power supply unit included in the scope of supply and alkaline 9 V block batteries.
- Do not expose the appliance to vibrations and shocks, moisture and direct sunlight.
- Do not expose the appliance to any extreme temperature fluctuations.
- Do not set up the appliance in the immediate vicinity of electromagnetic interference fields.
   Examples: lifts, radios and TV sets, photocopiers, heating and air conditioning units.
- Do not connect the appliance to the same electric terminal connections to which appliance with an irregular current flow are connected (air- conditioning units, photocopiers etc.).
- Do not press the keys too hard. Even with only light key pressure the appliance works correctly.
- Clean the answerphone always only with a slightly dampened cloth. Do not use any solvents.
- Do not spill any liquids over the appliance.

## THE UNIT



# THE UNIT

# DESCRIPTION OF THE UNIT

Fig. 2 Rear side

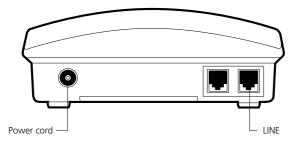
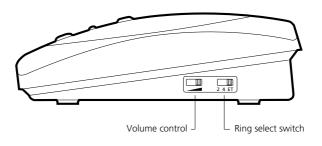


Fig. 3 Right side



## INSTALLATION

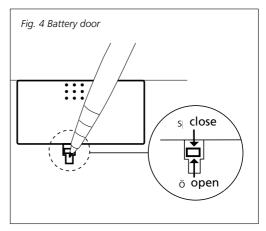
### BATTERY INSTALLATION

Open the battery door on the base of the unit and install one 9 V battery. The battery is used to save your messages in the event of a power failure. Your announcements and messages will be retained in memory for at least 50 hours during a power failure. If the battery used for backup power is missing, low on power, or incorrectly installed, the MESSAGE WINDOW displays "Lo".



#### Notes:

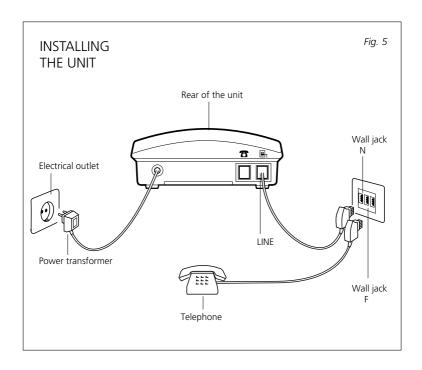
To avoid losing your announcements or messages stored in memory, you should leave the unit connected to the AC power while changing the battery. Disconnect the telephone line cord before changing the battery.





Batteries are hazardous waste. Do not dispose them together with the household garbage.

## INSTALLATION



CONNECT THE

Plug one end of the line cord into the LINE jack at the rear of the unit and the other end into the modular wall jack (N).

CONNECT THE TELEPHONE

Plug your telephone set cord into the wall jack (F).

CONNECT THE POWER CORD

Plug the power transformer into an electrical outlet that is not controlled by a wall switch. The message window will count from **0** to **60**. It will then flash **A1/CL/0** to indicate that you need to set the date, time and record an announcement.

## **BEFORE STARTING**

### SETUP RING SELECT

Use the switch on the right side of the unit to select the number of times you want the phone to ring before the system answers.

- **1.** Set it to 2 if you want the system to answer all calls on the second ring
- **2.** Set it to 4 if you want the system to answer calls on the fourth ring
- **3.** Set it to ET (Economical Toll saver) if you want the system to answer on the second ring when the system has new messages and on the fourth ring when the system has no new message.

#### Note:

We suggest that you use ET. If you call long distance or from a pay phone to check your messages, the system will answer after 2 rings if a new message has been received since the last time you checked. If the system does not answer after 2 rings you have no new messages so you can hang up to avoid paying for the call.

### DATE/TIME/STAMP SETTING

When "CL" flashes on the message window the system clock need to be set as follows:

- Press and hold down the (UHR) key for about 2 seconds and release to play voice weekday.
- Press the or the key to select the right weekday.
- **3.** Press the (**UHR**) key to select the correct weekday.
- 4. Repeat step 2-3 to setup hour.
- 5. Repeat step 2-3 to setup minute.

After the minute has been setup the exact Day Time Stamp (DTP) will be played.

Adjust the volume control if necessary. The setup procedure will be abandoned if the key input is more than 8 seconds.

## **BEFORE STARTING**

### PLAY THE CURRENT TIME

Whenever you want to hear the current week-day and time, press (**UHR**) once.

#### NOTE:

1 for Sunday, 2 for Monday, 3 for Tuesday, 4 for Wednesday, 5 for Thursday, 6 for Friday, 7 for Saturday.

# RECORDING YOUR ANNOUNCEMENT

Before using your new answering phone, you should record the announcement that callers will hear when the system answers a call. The system has two announcements ANS1 and ANS2 for "ANSWER & RECORD" mode and "ANSWER ONLY" mode respectively.

#### To record ANS1:

**1.** Prepare your announcement Example:

"Hello, we can't come to the phone right now. Please leave your name, phone number and a short message after the beep. Thank you."

- Press and hold (ANS1) key for about two seconds and then release it to record ANS1 after hearing the beep. The message window will count from "0"
- **3.** Speak towards the microphone in a normal tone of voice, from about 25 cm away.
- **4.** Press ( ) key when you have finished.
- **5.** The unit will automatically play back your announcement.

#### To record ANS2:

ANS2 is an answer-only message when you do not want to record an incoming message. The procedure of recording ANS2 is similar to recording ANS1.

## BEFORE STARTING

**1.** Prepare your announcement: Example:

"Hello, I can't come to the phone right now. Please call back later. Thank you."

- Press and hold (ANS2) key for about two seconds and release to record ANS2 after hearing the beep. The message window will count from "0".
- 3. Repeats ANS1 steps 3-5.

# REVIEWING YOUR ANNOUNCEMENT

To review your announcements press (ANS1) or (ANS2) once.

# CHANGING YOUR ANNOUNCEMENT

The old announcement is deleted when a new announcement is recorded successfully.

### RECORDING A MEMO

Memo is a message left for a family member. It is stored by the system as an incoming message.

- Press and hold the (MEMO) key for about 2 seconds until the message window displays "oo".
- **2.** Record the memo after hearing a long beep. The maximum memo recording time is 30 sec.
- **3.** Press the ( ) key when you have finished.
- To listen to the memo press the (Memo) key once.
- **5.** To erase or save a memo follow the instructions "ERASE OR SAVE MESSAGE" (page 16).

# TWO WAY

If you have an important telephone conversation but you do not want to write it down, you can record it as follows:

- Press and hold the (MEMO) key for about 4 seconds at any time during the phone conversation.
- The message window will display "2r". The conversation will be recorded.
- **3.** To stop recording press the ( ) key.

The two way recording is stored by the system as an incoming message.

#### Please note:

The system does not sound a warning beep to let the other party know that the call is being recorded. To ensure that you are in compliance with the regulations that concern recording a telephone call, you should start the recording process and then inform the caller that you are recording the call.

#### **ANSWER MODE**

The system has two operation modes: "ANSWER & RECORD" mode and "ANSWER ONLY" mode.

#### ANSWER & RECORD:

The system will answer and record incoming calls. ANS1 will be played to inform caller to leave message.

The procedure to setup the "ANSWER & RECORD" mode is as follows:

- **1.** The system is set to "ANSWER & RECORD" mode once the power is switched on.
- 2. While in "ANSWER ONLY" mode, press the (ANS) key for about 2 seconds. A beep tone will be heard and ANS1 will be played.
- **3.** The message window will display the total number of messages.

#### **ANSWER ONLY:**

The system will only play ANS2 to inform the caller you cannot come to the phone. No message will be recorded. When the memory is full, the system will change to "ANSWER ONLY" automatically.

The procedure to setup "ANSWER ONLY" mode is as follows:

- **1.** While in "ANSWER & RECORD" mode, press the (**ANS**) key for about 2 seconds.
- **2.** The Message Window will display "**Ao**".

# TURNING THE SYSTEM ON/OFF

After you have completed the setup, the messages stored in the memory (**0** if no message has been received).

Press the (**ANS**) key once to switch the system on. The answer button will light up to inform you that the answer system is on. If you do not want your system to answer calls, press the (**ANS**) key once to turn off the system.

#### **ANSWER CALLS**

When the system answers a call in "ANSWER & RECORD" mode, the caller hears the announcement ANS1 followed by a beep.

While the system is answering a call, the message window displays "--". The answer key will flash if a new message exists.

For "ANSWER ONLY" mode, the system will only play ANS2 and no message will be recorded.

To conserve memory, messages are limited to a maximum of 60 seconds each. The system will beep once and hang up if:

- 1. the caller is still speaking after 60 seconds
- 2. the caller is silent for more than 8 seconds
- **3.** the system memory runs out
- **4.** a continuous signal or busy tone is detected

# BYPASSING THE ANNOUNCEMENT

People who call frequently can press "\*" (from a touch tone telephone) when the announcement begins. The system will skip the rest of the announcement, beep, and begin recording.

### SCREENING YOUR CALLS

To screen your calls, set the system to answer calls and adjust the volume control so you can hear the announcement and callers message on the system's speaker. If you decide to take a call, lift the handset of any telephone on the same line. The system will stop recording and reset to answer calls.

#### Note:

If the announcement does not stop immediately, press the ( $\blacksquare$ ) key or the telephone hook switch.

### LISTENING TO YOUR MESSAGES

You can use the speaker volume control to adjust the volume. It does not effect the level of the announcement heard by the caller.

### 1. Playback all messages:

Press the ( > ) key to hear all messages sequentially.

### 2. Playback new messages only:

Press and hold the ( $\blacktriangleright$ ) key for about 2 seconds, new messages will be played sequentially.

While the system plays each message, it will show the order on the message window and announces it on speaker. At the end of each message, the system announces the day and time the message was received. After the last message has been played, the system announces "END OF MESSAGES" and the available free memory capacity.

The following functions are available during playback to make it easier on you to listen to the messages:

### - Pause message:

Press the ( ) ) key to pause message play. If the message pause exceeds 8 seconds, the message play will be aborted. To continue message playback from the pause state, press the ( ) ) key to stop pausing the message play.

### - Skip message:

To skip to the next message, press the ( ) key.

### Repeat message:

To listen to the previous message, press the ( ) key while Date/Time/Stamp (DTS) is playing.

### - Stop message:

Press the ( ) key to abort the message play.

### ERASE OR SAVE MESSAGE

### **Deleting all old messages:**

Press and hold the (**LÖSCHEN**) key until **ES (**ERASE ALL) is displayed. All messages will be deleted.

#### Please note:

All memo recordings will also be deleted.

### **Deleting Single messages:**

Press the (**LÖSCHEN**) key to erase the current playing message.

### Saving messages:

The system saves your messages automatically. It can record approximately 19 minutes of messages (including the time for your announcements) or a maximum of 60 messages.

When the memory is full or 60 messages have been recorded, the LCD will display "Fu". You must delete some or all of the messages before any new message can be recorded. If you deleted all messages accidentally, press and hold the (LÖSCHEN) key for about 2 seconds before recording any new message. The erased messages will be saved after you have heard a long beep.

### CALL BREAKTHROUGH (CBT)

If you do not want to be disturbed, your system will answer the phone for you. However, if there is a particular call you would like to receive, inform the caller of the Caller Breakthrough function.

When the caller enters the CBT code from a touch tone telephone, the system beeps loudly to alert you to the priority call .

To use Call Breakthrough (CBT) a caller should:

- **1.** Dial your telephone number.
- 2. When the announcement begins to play,

- enter "\*" to skip the ANS play, and then enter the CBT code, a two-beep alarm tone will be heard if the code is correct.
- The CBT function if it exceeds 45 seconds. it will then enter ICM recording in "ANSWER & RECORDS" mode, or ends on-line operation in "ANSWER ONLY" mode or in "SYSTEM STANDBY" mode.
- **4.** The corresponding touch tone commands are as follows:

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End CBT function — press "*8".

Repeat CBT — press CBT code +"*".
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The CBT code is initially preset to "267". You can change the code to any 3 digits from 000 to 999. The procedure of CBT code setup/display is as follows:

- Press the ( ) key for about 2 seconds and release to display CBT code.
   The code display/setup will be high digit first, then middle digit, and the low digit.
- 2. Press the ( ) key or the ( ) key to increase or decrease the digit.
- 3. Press the (ANS) key to select the correct digit.
- **4.** Repeat step 2 and 3 to change following digit setup.
- **5.** If a keypress exceed 8 seconds, the setup/display procedure will be aborted.
- **6.** Press the ( ) key to quit the CBT code set-up/display.

# YOUR REMOTE ACCESS CODE

You can use many features of the system when you are away from home. To protect your privacy, most features can only be used after you have entered a Remote Access Code from a touch tone telephone. The code is initially preset to "159". You can use the preset code or choose any 3 digit from 000 to 999.

The procedure for remote access code setup/ display is as follows:

- 1. Press the ( ) key for about 2 sec and then release it to display the remote access code. The code display/setup will be a high digit first, then a middle digit, and then a low digit.
- 2. Press the ( ) key or the ( ) key to increase or decrease the digit.
- **3.** Press the (ANS) key to select the correct digit.
- **4.** If a keypress exceeds 8 seconds, the setup/display procedure will be aborted.

#### Please Note:

If the AC power fails and there is no battery installed or the battery is low on power, the remote access code will return to the factory setting.

# CHANGE YOUR REMOTE ACCESS CODE

If you have left home, you can change the remote access code as follows:

- **1.** Dial your telephone number from a touch tone telephone.
- 2. When the system answers, enter "\*" to skip the ANS play, a beep tone will be heard.
- 3. Press the **security code** + "\*" to enter the remote control mode.
- **4.** Enter "\*6" and then the new security code.
- **5.** If a valid code number is entered, the system

changes the remote access code.

#### **ROOM MONITOR**

If you have left home, you can monitor the room state on the telephone line by using the following steps:

- **1.** Dial your telephone number from a touch tone telephone.
- 2. When the system answers, enter "\*" to skip the ANS play, a beep tone will be heard
- **3.** Press the **security code** + "\*" to enter the "REMOTE CONTROL" mode.
- **4.** Enter "**3**" to start the room monitor.
- **5.** The duration of room monitor start is set to 30 seconds or you may press "**8**" to quit.

# CHANGING YOUR ANNOUNCEMENT

To change your announcement:

- **1.** Dial your telephone number from a touch tone telephone.
- 2. When the system answers, enter "\*" to skip the ANS play, a beep tone will be heard.
- **3.** Press the **security code** plus "\*" to enter the "REMOTE CONTROL" mode.
- **4.** Press "**\*1**" to change ANS1 or press "**\*2**" to change ANS2. The system beeps and begins recording.
- **5.** Speak into the telephone in a normal tone of voice.
- 6. When you have finished, press "8" to stop or press "#" to quit the remote control function

The system will beep and play your new announcement. To listen to your announcement again, press "1" or "2" once after the **security** code

### PLAYING YOUR MESSAGE

In order to reserve free memory for new messages, you may listen to the incoming messages and delete insignificant ones as follows:

- **1.** Dial your telephone number from a touch tone telephone.
- 2. When the system answers, enter "\*" to skip the ANS play, a beep tone will be heard.
- **3.** Press the **security code** + "\*" to enter the "REMOTE CONTROL" mode.
- **4.** Press "**5**" to play all messages. Or
- **5.** Press "**6**" to play new messages.

# The following options are available while you are playing your messages:

### Repeat messages:

To repeat an entire message, press key "4" to skip while the message is playing, to repeat the previous message, press key "4" while Date/Time/Stamp (DTS) is playing.

### • Pause message:

Enter key "5" to pause message play.

## • Skip message:

Enter key "6" to skip message play.

## • **Stop message:**Enter key "**8**" to stop message play.

Deleting all old messages:
 Enter "\*7" to erase all listened messages.

### • Deleting single messages:

To delete only one selected message, press "7" while the message is playing. To be sure you are deleting the right message, you can press "4" to repeat the message and then press "7" when you are sure that the system is playing the message you want to delete.

### RECORDING A MFMO

After you have listened to your messages, you can record a memo for any member of the household.

- 1. Press "3".
- 2. Begin speaking after the beep.
- **3.** Press "**8**" when you are finished press "**#**" to quit remote control.

The memo is counted as a new message.

# TURNING ON THE SYSTEM

If you forget to turn the system on before leaving home, you can turn it on by calling from a touch tone telephone as follows:

- **1.** Dial your telephone number and wait for 8 rings.
- 2. The system answers and a two-beep tone will be heard.
- **3.** Enter the **security code** + "\*" to enter "RE-MOTE CONTROL" mode.
- 4. Press "\*8" when you are finished press "#" to "ANSWER ONLY" mode or "\*9" for "ANSWER & RECORD" mode.
- **5.** The system will hang up the telephone line if a remote key entered exceeds 8 seconds.

## REMOTE CONTROL / REFERENCE

### TURNING OFF THE SYSTEM

Use the following procedure to turn off the system:

- **1.** Dial your telephone number from a touch tone telephone
- 2. When the system answers, enter "\*" to skip the ANS play, a beep tone will be heard.
- **3.** Press the **security code** + "\*" to enter "RE-MOTE CONTROL" mode.
- **4.** Enter "**9**" to turn off the system.
- **5.** The system will hang up the telephone line if a remote key entered exceeds 8 seconds.

#### REFERENCE

# WHEN MEMORY IS FULL

The system can record approximately 19 minutes of messages (including the time for your announcements) or a maximum of 60 messages. When memory is full or 60 messages have been recorded, Message Window displays "Fu". To make room for more messages, listen to your messages and delete some or all of them (see page 20/21).

When memory is full, the system will change to "ANSWER ONLY" mode automatically.

### **MALFUNCTION**

Make sure you have followed all of the instructions in this manual. If the system does not work properly, remove the batteries and replug the power transformer. The system should reset and delete your announcement and message. Your system should be ready to answer calls and

## **REFERENCE**

record messages after you have recorded a new announcement and set the DTS (see page 9/10 and 11).

# REPLACING THE BATTERY

If the battery used for backup power is missing, low on power, or incorrectly installed, the Message Window displays "**Lo**". To prevent the loss of messages in the event of a power failure, install new batteries immediately. For best performance, use heavy duty or alkaline batteries. If new heavy duty or alkaline battery is installed, your announcement and messages are retained in memory for at least 50 hours during a power failure.

#### Notes:

To avoid losing your announcements or messages stored in memory, you should leave the unit connected to the AC power while changing the batteries. You should, however, disconnect the telephone line cord before changing the batteries.

# REFERENCE

TABLE 1: MESSAGE WINDOW

Message Win.	State	What it means
0	On	No message has been received
1-60	On	Number of current message count
A1/A2	Blinking	ANS1 / ANS2 not recorded
Ao	On	ANSWER ONLY mode
CL	On/Blinking	Time played / Time setup is needed
	On/Blinking	Answer incoming call / CBT mode
Lo	On	Battery low
Blank	Off	Enter power-down mode
Fu	On	Memory or counter is full
ES	On	Erase all message
00	On	Memo message record / play
2r	On	Two-way recording
=	On/Blinking	Display / Setup high digit of code
=	On/Blinking	Display / Setup middle digit of code
	On/Blinking	Display / Setup low digit of code

# REFERENCE

### TABLE 2: REMOTE CONTROL COMMAND

Key(s)	Function		
1	Play ANS1		
*1	Recording ANS1		
2	Play ANS2		
*2	Recording ANS2		
*3	Record a Memo		
3	Room monitor		
4	Repeat		
*4	Change CBT code		
5	Play all messages		
5	Pause		
6	Forward		
*6	Change SECURITY CODE		
6	Play new message		
7	Erase individual message		
*7	Erase all old messages		
8	Stop		
*8	Set to ANSWER ONLY mode		
9	Set the system to STANDBY mode		
*9	Set to ANSWER & RECORD mode		
0	Play voice menu		
*0	Play message memory left		
#	Quit remote control operation		

#### **GARANTIE**

Bei Garantie-Inanspruchnahme wenden Sie sich bitte an die unten stehende Telefonnummer.

#### WARRANTY

If your product is defective, please call the phone number at the bottom of this page.

#### **GARANTIE**

Lors de la demande de prestation de garantie, veuillez-vous adressez au numéro de téléphone ci-dessous.

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