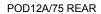
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POD12A/110 REAR



by Ward-Beck Systems

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DIGITAL AUDIO DISTRIBUTION AMPLIFIER

This is one of many in our line of top quality, low-cost broadcast problem solvers. PODS are compact, rugged and affordable. They are suited for tabletop use, or rack-mountable singly or in pairs, in any combination.

POD12A is an AES/EBU digital audio distribution amplifier which supports sampling frequencies from 30kHz to 192kHz. This unit is available in both 75Ω unbalanced and 110Ω balanced configurations. It features cable length equalization and re-clocking techniques which enable the unit to reliably recover the incoming digital audio signal. For increased versatility, the POD12A features a selector switch on the rear panel which allows for single 1x8 or dual 1x4 operation. Note that enabling the SRC limits the POD12A to 1x8 mode.

The front panel of the POD12A features several LED tallies which, when lit, indicate the following:

- 1 in x 8 out mode
- Dual 1 in x 4 out mode
- SRC enabled
- Cable length EQ1 enabled
- Cable length EQ2 enabled
- Lock and No Lock for each input

All input and output connections to POD12A/75 are made via BNC connectors located on the rear panel with a transformer balanced input. For POD12A/110, all inputs and outputs are transformer balanced and connections made via terminal blocks located on the rear panel.

User Controls

This chapter contains descriptions of the POD12A user controls:

- Cable Equalization
- Status LEDs
- DIP Switch Setting

Cable Equalization

POD12A can receive and distribute digital audio signals conforming to AES/EBU specifications transmitted over 75Ω coaxial cable (BELDEN 8281 or equivalent) or 110Ω shielded twisted pair cable (Delco 009035 or equivalent).

Signals transmitted over cable runs up to 300 metres (1000 ft.) in 75Ω installations, or 150 metres (450 ft.) in 110Ω installations can be reliably recovered without the need to activate cable equalization. In instances where the length of these cable runs are exceeded, we recommend that the cable equalizer be enabled.

To enable cable equalization, simply toggle the desired EQ switch on the rear panel. In 1x8 mode only EQ1 is available. In dual 1x4 mode both EQ1 and EQ2 are available, provided SRC is disabled. With the equalizer enabled, 75Ω cable runs can be increased to 750 metres (2250 ft.) and 110Ω cable runs can be increased to 250 metres (750 ft.)

Status LEDs

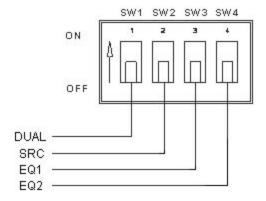
The status indicators of the POD12A all reside on the front panel. Descriptions of each LED are provided in Table 1, below:

LED	Colour	Description
Power	Green	When illuminated, power is on.
1x8	Yellow	When illuminated, 1x8 mode is selected.
Dual 1x4	Yellow	When illuminated, Dual 1x4 mode is selected.
SRC	Yellow	When illuminated, SRC is enabled.
EQ1	Yellow	When illuminated, EQ1 is enabled.
EQ2	Yellow	When illuminated, EQ2 is enabled.
Input 1 Lock	Green	When illuminated, a valid AES/EBU signal is
		detected on Input 1.
Input 1 No Lock	Red	When illuminated, no valid AES/EBU signal is
		detected on Input 1.
Input 2 Lock	Green	When illuminated, a valid AES/EBU signal is
		detected on Input 2.
Input 2 No Lock	Red	When illuminated, no valid AES/EBU signal is
		detected on Input 2.

Table 1 - Status LED Descriptions

DIP Switch Settings

The POD12A DIP switches are on the rear of the unit. A description of their functionality is below in Table 2.



Switch	Description		
Dual	Off: 1x8 mode selected		
	On: Dual 1x4 mode selected		
SRC	Off: Sample Rate Converter disabled		
	On: Sample Rate Converter enabled		
	Note: Enabling the Sample Rate Converter restricts operation to 1x8 mode and will override the setting of the DUAL switch.		
EQ1	Off: Cable Length Equalizer for Input 1 disabled		
	On: Cable Length Equalizer for Input 1 enabled		
EQ2	Off: Cable Length Equalizer for Input 2 disabled		
	On: Cable Length Equalizer for Input 2 enabled		

Table 2 - DIP Switch Functions

Specifications

Input Impedance (POD12A/110) 110Ω transformer balanced

(POD12A/75) 75 Ω unbalanced

Input Level 0.2-7 V p-p

Output Level (POD12A/110) 3.0 V p-p terminated (POD12A/75) 2.7 V p-p terminated

Sampling Frequency Range 30 kHz to 192 kHz

Jitter (average 1-100 kHz)

Better than 5 ns

Output Impedance (POD12A/110) 110 Ω transformer balanced (POD12A/75) 75 Ω unbalanced

Power Requirements 100-240 VAC,50-60Hz

Dimensions 8.69" wide x 1.73" high x 7.0" deep

(221mm x 44mm x 178mm)

Weight 1.37 kg (3.01 lbs)

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- 2. The purchaser shall return any equipment or parts thereof to Ward-Beck Systems Ltd. only after obtaining prior authorization and shipping instructions from the factory. (Ward-Beck Systems Ltd. reserves the right to inspect or repair equipment on the purchaser's premises).
- 3. The purchaser assumes the obligation for all expenses in connection with the shipping and return of such goods, once authorization has been obtained.

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