

4PAK_C

FOUR CHANNEL CONTROLLER/DIMMER



OPERATING GUIDE

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Introduction

The **4PAK_e** is a four channel integrated desk/dimmer unit with both normal and audio chase, flash facility and full mastering over all channels. It has been designed for lower budget applications where portability and ease of operation are prime considerations. When used as a stand-alone dimmer, the **4PAK_e** features:

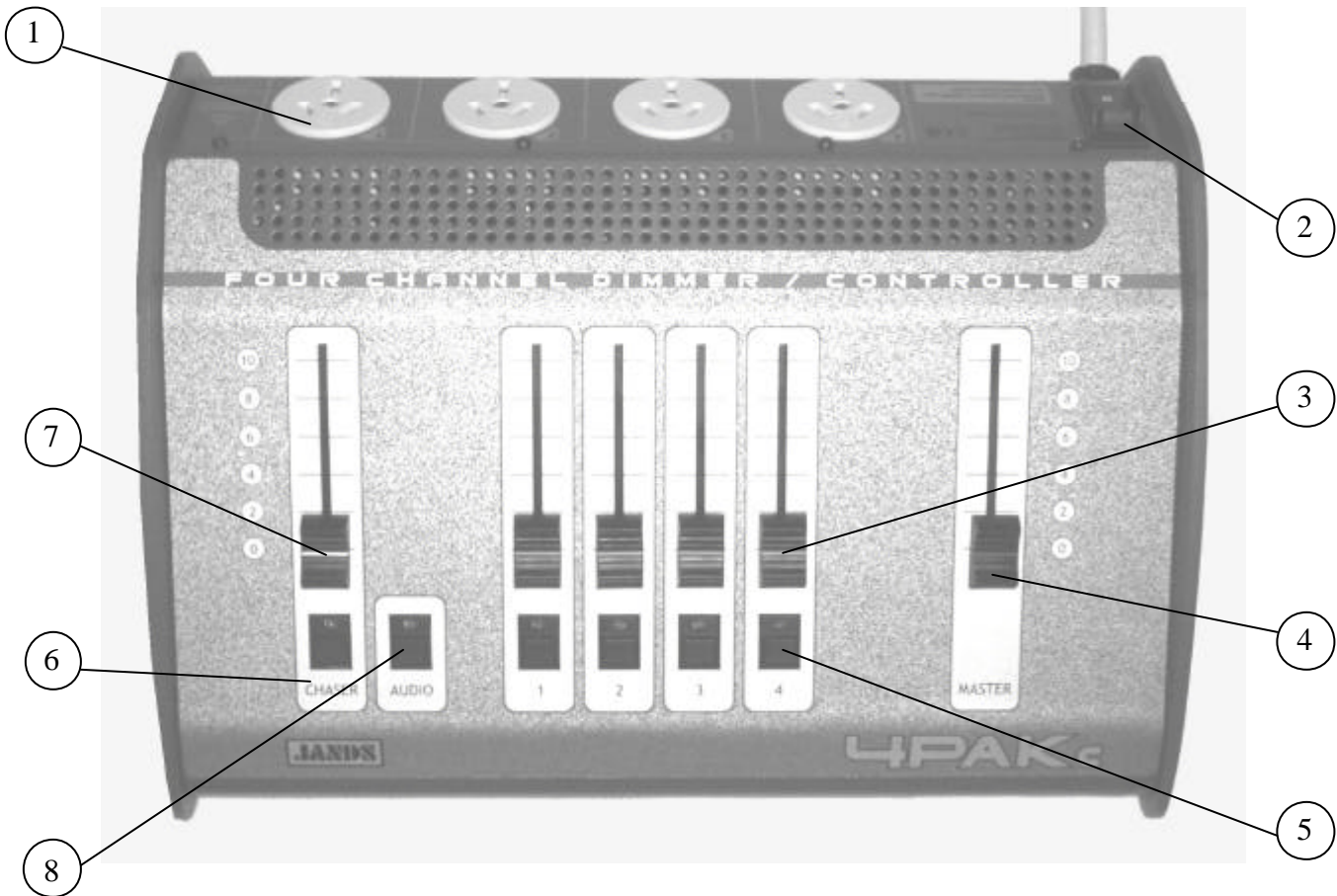
- Individual channel level control faders;
- Full mastering over all channels;
- Four channel chaser with level and speed control;
- Audio chase facility;
- Flash buttons on all channels;
- Circuit breaker over-current protection;
- Soft turn on (protects bulbs and wiring);
- Overvoltage limit (regulates output against mains voltage variations);
- Sloping front panel;
- Solid construction two-piece steel chassis and base;
- 2.4kW total load;
- Stylish appearance;
- Low electrical and audible noise;
- End cheeks for front panel protection;
- Hand insert in base for portability;
- Internal microphone.

The **4PAK_e** will drive loads of up to 2400 Watts per channel, although total loading is limited to 2400 Watts (which is the maximum power available from any standard 240V AC GPO outlet).

Each unit comes complete with anti-scratch rubber feet and 1.8 metre mains power cord. The **4PAK_e** is fully guaranteed for 2 years against parts and labour.

Equipment Description

4PAK_c Layout



1. **Channel output sockets:** The four output sockets connect to the lamps.
2. **Overload Circuit Breaker:** The circuit breaker protects the **4PAK_c** from overloading and faults.
3. **Channel faders:** These faders control the channel output levels.
4. **Master Fader:** Controls the overall level from the channel faders and from the chaser.
5. **Flash buttons:** Allow each channel to be flashed to maximum.
6. **Chase button:** Activates the internal four channel chaser.
7. **Chase Fader:** Controls the Chase rate.
8. **Audio Chase button:** Turns on the internal microphone for the audio-triggered chaser. The Chase Fader controls the minimum chase rate in the absence of sound.

Dimmer Operation

After unpacking, check for any obvious faults or defects. If any are apparent, return the unit to the place of purchase.

Unwrap the power cord and plug into a GPO. Plug four lamps into the four output sockets and switch the power on at the wall and the rear panel. Advance the **Master** fader and a channel fader. The mimic LED for that channel will light, at an intensity corresponding to the lamp connected to that channel.

The **Master** fader provides overall control over all four output channels, and also provides level control for the chaser.

The **Flash** buttons below the channel faders will always flash to full irrespective of the **Master** level.

To operate the chaser, advance the **Master** fader, and press the **Chaser On** switch. The Chase rate is adjustable from zero to maximum by the **Rate** fader on the left. To disable the chaser, press **Chaser On** again.

If desired, the chaser can be triggered by audio sound levels at the **4PAK**₄. With the chaser on, press the **Audio** switch. In the absence of any sound, the chaser will now step at a rate determined by the rate control as before. Any loud sounds will be detected by the internal microphone and advance the chaser accordingly.

Both the **Chaser** and **Audio** functions have LED indicators showing when each function is on.

Note that at no time should the total load on the **4PAK**₄ exceed 2400Watts. If this occurs, the overload circuit breaker will trip. Take the **Master** to zero before resetting the overload circuit breaker. This maximum power (2400W at 240V AC) may be supplied by one channel, or any combination of channels.

For example: If four 2400W lamps were connected to the four outputs, only one could ever be fully on at any one time. Eight 300W lights (such as PAR 56s) may be run continuously at "full" without risk of overload.

Maintenance

With care, the **4PAK**₄ will require little or no maintenance. Covering the unit while not in use prevents entry of dust into the faders, increasing their useful life. This also minimises the risk of entry of liquids inside the chassis, which would be both damaging to the unit and dangerous to the operator. During cleaning, do not spray directly onto the unit, but onto a rag and wipe clean.

Fault finding guide

FAULT SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	REMEDY
One channel is not working	Faulty load or wiring Internal channel fault	Try the same load on a different channel to confirm. Workshop service.
Overload circuit breaker trips when desk channel flashed to full or near full	Large incandescent load Excessive load	Set fader to 5% to preheat lamp. Reduce channel loading
Overload circuit breaker trips after prolonged operation	Excessive load Lamp or wiring fault	Reduce channel loading Check lamps and wiring
Overload circuit breaker trips immediately when channel is driven	Output short Triac short circuit	Check lamps and wiring Workshop service
One channel flickers when dimmed Same load flickers on another channel	Faulty dimmer channel Insufficient or very inductive load	Workshop service Connect 100W lamp in parallel
Radio interference	Faulty EMC component	Workshop service

Technical Data and Specifications

PARAMETER	4PAK_E
No. of Channels:	4
Input Power Requirements:	230 Volts AC Phase-Neutral (220V-240 V \pm 5%) Consumption: 10 A maximum
Output Loading:	25 W – 2400 W (10 A at 240 V) per channel 2400 W (10 A at 240 V) total maximum
Overload Circuit Breaker:	10 A circuit breaker
Max Ambient Temp:	40°C
Output Risetime:	130 μ s (2400 W incandescent load, 50% dimmed)
LED Indicators:	Four Channel levels, Chase, Audio Chase
Protection:	10 A circuit breaker 90°C cutout PTC transformer protection
Control Law:	Linear RMS output power versus fader control Output power regulated at 1% change per 2% mains variation
Power entry:	1.8 metre cable with 3-pin 10A plug (Australia only)
Output Connectors:	1 x 10 A 3-pin Australian Socket per channel (Australia only)
Size (mm):	330 (w) x 95 (h) x 250 (d)
Weight:	4 kg nett
Ingress Protection	IP20

EMC COMPLIANCE

This product is approved for use in Europe and Australia/New Zealand and conforms to the following standards:

European Norms	Australian / New Zealand Standards
EN 55014	AS/NZS 1044
EN 50082-1	AS/NZS 4251.1
EN 60335-1	AS/NZS 3350.1

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