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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE  
Pro-Ject MaiA  
Pro-Ject MaiA Pre

Dear music lover,

thank you for purchasing a Pro-Ject Audio Systems' amplifier.

In order to achieve maximum performance and reliability you should study these instructions for use carefully.



Warning of a hazard for the user, the unit or possible misuse.



Important notice.

## Safety instructions

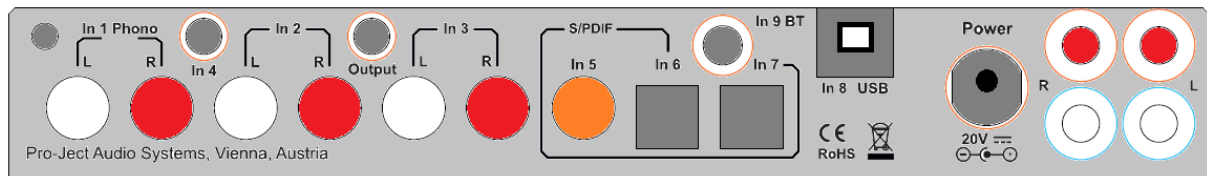
AC outlet voltages vary from country to country. Before connecting to the mains, make sure that the voltage in your area meets the voltage requirements printed on the power supply.

The power supply is used to connect/disconnect the unit from the mains. Make sure that the power supply is easily accessible at all times. Never handle the device, the power supply while your hands are wet or damp. Avoid letting liquids enter the device or the power supply. Never place any item containing liquid, such as a flower vase on or near the device. Never spill any liquid on the device or the power supply. Never place any naked flame sources, such as lighted candles on or near the device. The product shall not be used in damp or wet locations, next to a bathtub, sink, swimming pool or any other similar conditions.

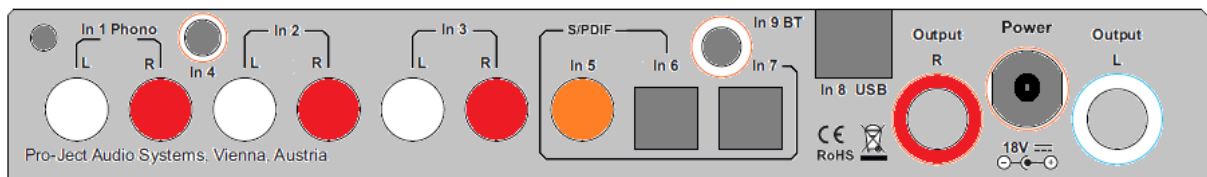


## Connectors

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1. Make all connections except the connection to the headphone and USB whilst the unit is disconnected from the mains.

2. Never connect or disconnect power supply to or from the unit whilst the power supply is connected to the mains! Never use any other power supply than the one supplied with the unit with the exception of dedicated Power Boxes which can replace original power supplies.



3. Take care to connect the left and right channels of **In 1**, **In 2**, **In 3** correctly. The right channel is usually marked red, the left channel black or white.

4. **MaiA only:** Speaker connections for the left speaker are located on the right hand side of rear view above, connections to right speaker are located near the power socket. Speaker connectors marked red represent + according indicators on speaker terminal.

## Line output

A power amplifier or active loudspeakers can be connected to the output sockets marked **Output**.

## Connection to the speakers (MaiA only)

The output terminals accept loudspeaker cables terminated with 4mm Ø Banana plugs, spades connectors or naked wire.

## Phono input

Connect the tonearm signal lead to the **In 1 Phono** of the amplifier. The earthing wire may be connected to the screw terminal if you encounter hum problems when using the turntable.

## Line inputs

Line level sources such as CD player, radio or TV can be connected to the input sockets marked **In 2, In 3** or **In 4**.

## Digital inputs

Sources with a digital output such as TV satellite/cable receiver or a game console can be connected to the digital inputs. Coaxial to **In 5** and optical to **In 6** and **In 7**.

## Connecting to a Computer

Connect the USB-input **In 8 USB** of the MaiA (unit must be switched on) to a free USB-socket on your computer and turn it on/make sure it is powered on. Select input **8USB**.

\* For Windows® operating systems an USB Class 2 driver (supplied on CD) has to be installed. For MaiA with Windows® version 1.61.2 or higher is needed.

Mac OS® operating systems do not need an additional driver or setup.

Linux operating systems include an USB Audio Class 2 driver from Linux Kernel 2.6.35 and higher.



*Please note: Connection should be made to an USB-socket of your computer directly. Connecting to USB-hubs or switches can cause problems.*

## 24Bit/192kHz playback with Windows® operating systems

\* For Windows® operating systems a 24Bit/192kHzUSB driver (supplied on CD) has to be installed. Insert the included CD into the drive of you PC and follow the instructions.

**After installing the driver, some settings have to be checked/done.**

For example - Windows 7® operating system:

→ Control Panel → Hardware and Sound → Sound → Playback:

select **Speaker/MaiA USB 2.0 Audio Out**

→ Properties → Supported formats: **make sure nothing is assigned**

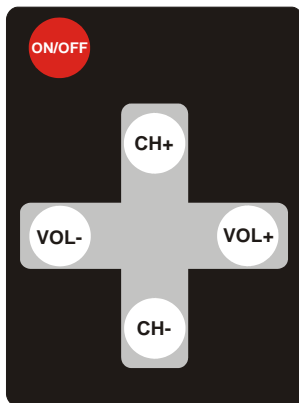
→ Level → Sound: setting must be **100**

→ Enhancements: **disable all enhancements** → Advanced → Default Format: set to **studio quality 24/192**

## Mains power connection

Connect the low voltage plug from the power supply to the **Power** socket before connecting the power supply to the mains.

## Remote control



turns the unit on or back into standby (long press), mute (short)



and adjust the sound volume

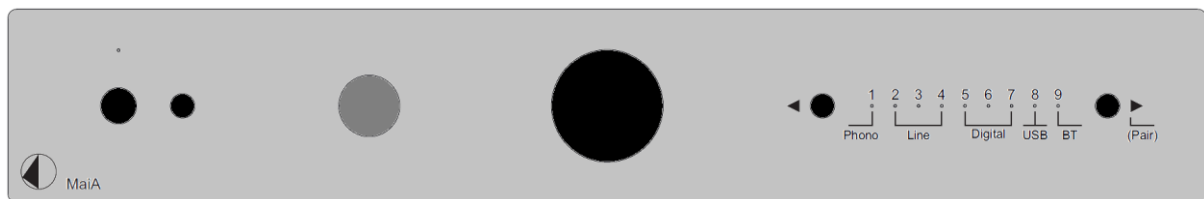


and select the inputs

VOL+ and CH+ confirm Bluetooth pairing

VOL- and CH- cancel Bluetooth pairing

## Front panel controls



### To switch on from standby or to standby

The push button on the left side of the front panel turns the unit on or back into standby. The blue LED above the stand-by push button shows that the unit is switched on. Mute is active when LED is blinking.

### Input selector

After the unit is powered on, pressing the buttons ◀ and ▶ next to the LEDs inputs indicators selects desired input.

### Volume

Adjust the volume to the desired level, using the large knob on the front panel.

### Connecting a headphone

Connect the headphones to the 1/4" (6,3mm Ø) jack socket on the front of the unit.

### Bluetooth connection

Make sure the antenna is attached to its connector **In 9 BT** on the back panel prior using Bluetooth. Bluetooth is active only once input 9 is selected. LED of Bluetooth input is blinking when no device is connected. If the LED is on, active connection with Bluetooth device is established. Following procedures refer to units from S/N E29069 and higher including previous units with implemented firmware update v1.3.

If you need a manual for units with previous serial numbers without firmware update, please contact your local distributor.

### Pairing with Android devices

Open **Settings** and tap on **Bluetooth**. Turn on Bluetooth and tap on **Scan**. Searched devices will show up. Tap on **"MaiA"** and confirm presented pairing code on your Android device. Then press ▶ (**pair**) button on MaiA (alternatively **CH+** or **VOL+** button on remote control) when the blue LED of input 9 starts blinking. When paired with MaiA, your Android device will show "Connected to media Audio". Now you can play music from your Android device over Bluetooth to MaiA.



Older devices may request a pairing code. Enter "0000" and confirm. No more confirmation on MaiA is then needed.

### Bluetooth pairing with Apple devices

Tap on **Settings**, tap on **Bluetooth**, turn on Bluetooth. Your device will automatically start searching for available devices. Tap on "MaiA" and confirm by pressing ► (**pair**) button on MaiA (alternatively **CH+** or **VOL+** button on remote control) when the blue LED of input 9 is blinking.

### Bluetooth pairing with Windows smartphones

Open **Settings** and tap on **Bluetooth**. Turn on Bluetooth and a scan for available devices starts automatically. Searched devices will show up. Tap on "MaiA" and confirm presented pairing code on your Windows device.

Then press ► (**pair**) button on MaiA (alternatively **CH+** or **VOL+** button on remote control) when the blue LED of input 9 starts blinking. When paired with MaiA, your Windows device will show "Connected to media Audio". Now you can play music from your Windows device over Bluetooth to MaiA.

### Bluetooth pairing with Windows PC

For example - Windows 7® operating system:

- Control Panel → Devices and Printers → Add device
- Select **MaiA** (make sure no other Bluetooth device is connected) → Confirm by pressing ► (**pair**) button on MaiA (alternatively **CH+** or **VOL+** button on remote control) when the blue LED of input 9 is blinking
- PC screen will display this question: "Confirm if code is identical"
- Select "Yes" and continue
- Select MaiA from list of devices with double-click
- Select "Listen to music" and make sure that "Bluetooth Audio" is selected as standard device



MaiA can store up to 8 Bluetooth devices. If the memory is full, new connections will automatically replace the oldest connections. A new connection is only possible if the LED of BT input is blinking slowly (it indicates that no device is connected). If a problem with Bluetooth connection occurs, it is necessary to reset memory and to delete all paired devices. For reset turn off the unit > disconnect power supply > press & hold power button > connect power supply > hold power button for 5 seconds > release power button. The blue LED above the power button will blink for few seconds. When the LED stops blinking, memory is erased and you can turn on the unit.

## Replacing batteries

Proceed as follows:

- Unlock and slide open the battery case cover
- Replace the battery.  
Make sure the battery is the right way round !
- Close the battery case cover



Battery type: 1 x CR2032 / 3V or 1 x CR2025 / 3V



Do not dispose the batteries as ordinary domestic refuse. Please dispose your exhausted batteries at the appropriate collection sites - usually located at supermarkets and drugstores.

## Technical specifications Pro-Ject MaiA

Power output :	2x 25W/37W at 8 ohms/4 ohms (both channels driven)
Frequency response :	20Hz - 20kHz (-0,3dB, -2,5dB)
Channel separation :	> 65dB at 20kHz
Noise floor :	> -90dB (A weighted)
THD :	< 0,07% at 15W
Gain :	31dB (measured via line level input)
Line level inputs :	2 pair RCA + 1 jack 3.5mm
Line input sensitivity :	350mV
Line input impedance :	50kohms
Phono input :	1 pair RCA
Phono input sensitivity :	suitable for MM, MI or high output MC cartridges
Phono input impedance :	47kohms
Phono input gain :	40dB
S/PDIF coaxial input :	up to 24bit and 192kHz
S/PDIF optical input :	up to 24bit and 96kHz
USB input :	USB Audio Class 2 requires USB 2.0 or higher on computer
USB data transfer :	Asynchronous
Digital to Analogue converter :	Cirrus Logic CS4344 24bit/192kHz Multi-bit Delta Sigma type
Variable line level output :	jack 3.5mm
Bluetooth version:	2.1 +EDR
Bluetooth music receiver codec :	aptX, A2DP profile
Bluetooth range :	10 meters in direct visibility between source and receiver
Speakers connectors:	4mm banana plugs, spades connectors or naked wire
Headphone output :	6,3mm jack (16 – 600ohms)
Outboard power supply :	20V/3A DC, suitable for your country's mains supply
Power consumption :	max. 3A DC, <0.5W in standby
Replacement battery remote control :	1 x CR2032 / 3V or 1 x CR2025 / 3V
Dimensions W x H x D (D with sockets) :	206 x 36 x 150 (165)mm
Weight :	1250 g without power supply

## Technical specifications Pro-Ject MaiA Pre

Variable line level output :	1 pair RCA
Headphone output :	6,3mm jack (16 – 600ohms)
Output voltage :	2V RMS
Output impedance :	100 ohms
Frequency response :	20Hz - 20kHz (max. deviation 0,3dB)
Noise floor :	> -95dB (A-weighted)
THD :	< 0,01%
Gain :	6 dB (measured via line level input)
Line level inputs :	2 pair RCA + 1 3.5mm jack
Line input sensitivity :	350mV
Line input impedance :	50kohms
Phono input :	1 pair RCA
Phono input sensitivity :	suitable for MM, MI or high output MC cartridges
Phono input impedance :	47 kohms
Phono input gain :	46 dB
S/PDIF coaxial input :	up to 24bit and 192kHz
S/PDIF optical input :	up to 24bit and 96kHz
USB input :	USB Audio Class 2 (requires USB 2.0 or higher on computer)
USB data transfer :	Asynchronous
Digital to Analogue converter :	Cirrus Logic CS4344 24bit/192kHz Multi-bit Delta Sigma type
Bluetooth music receiver codec :	aptX, A2DP profile
Bluetooth range :	10 meters in direct visibility between source and receiver
Outboard power supply :	18V/1A DC, suitable for your country's mains supply
Power consumption :	max. 250mA DC, <0.5W in standby
Replacement battery remote control :	1 x CR2032 / 3V or 1 x CR2025 / 3V
Dimensions W x H x D (D with sockets) :	206 x 36 x 150 (157) mm
Weight :	1100 g without power supply

## Service

Should you encounter a problem which you are not able to alleviate or identify, please contact your dealer for further advice. Only if the problem cannot be resolved there, the unit should be sent to the responsible distributor in your country.

## Warranty



*The manufacturer accepts no responsibility for damage caused by not adhering to these instructions for use. Modification or changes to any part of the product by unauthorized persons release the manufacturer from any liability over and above the lawful rights of the customer.*

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