

General information

10A/10A-D Manual

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1.1 Information regarding the use of loudspeakers

Potential risk of personal injury

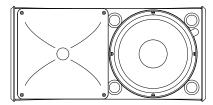
Never stand in the immediate vicinity of loudspeakers driven at a high level. Professional loudspeaker systems are capable of causing a sound pressure level detrimental to human health. Seemingly non-critical sound levels (from approx. 95 dB SPL) can cause hearing damage if people are exposed to it over a long period.

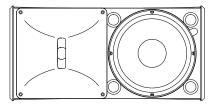
In order to prevent accidents when deploying loudspeakers on the ground or when flown, please take note of the following:

- When setting up the loudspeakers or loudspeaker stands, make sure they are standing on a firm surface. If you place several systems on top of one another, use straps to secure them against movement.
- Only use accessories which have been tested and approved by d&b for assembly and mobile deployment. Pay attention to the correct application and maximum load capacity of the accessories as detailed in our specific "Mounting instructions" or in our "Flying system and Rigging manuals".
- Ensure that all additional hardware, fixings and fasteners used for installation or mobile deployment are of an appropriate size and load safety factor. Pay attention to the manufacturers' instructions and to the relevant safety guidelines.
- Regularly check the loudspeaker housings and accessories for visible signs of wear and tear, and replace them when necessary.
- Regularly check all load bearing bolts in the mounting devices.

Potential risk of material damage

Loudspeakers produce a static magnetic field even if they are not connected or are not in use. Therefore make sure when erecting and transporting loudspeakers that they are nowhere near equipment and objects which may be impaired or damaged by an external magnetic field. Generally speaking, a distance of 0.5 m (1.5 ft) from magnetic data carriers (floppy disks, audio and video tapes, bank cards, etc.) is sufficient; a distance of more than 1 m (3 ft) may be necessary with computer and video monitors.





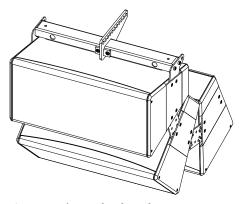
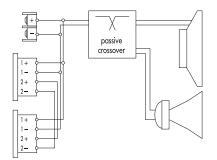


Fig. 1: 10A/10A-D loudspeaker Rigging example:

10A array with Z5415 Flying bar adapter xA, Z5414 Flying bar xA, Z5413 Flying bar connector plate xA and Z5416 Connector plate 10A.



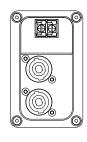


Fig. 2: Connector wiring

2.1 Product description

The 10S, 10A and 10AL and their "D versions" are a family of high performance 2-way loudspeakers employing a single 10" driver in a bass-reflex enclosure and different HF sections for a wide range of installed sound applications. All models are lightweight passive designs using neodymium drivers and large horns for accurate pattern control.

The 10A and 10A-D are the array versions of this family providing rotatable dispersion characteristics of 75° x 50° (10A) or 110° x 55° (10A-D). Both loudspeakers employ a 1.4" exit compression driver. The cabinets are equipped with an integrated rigging system for the design of vertical arrays providing application specific dispersion characteristics.

With a frequency response extending from 60 Hz to 18 kHz, the cabinets can be used as full range systems or supplemented by different subwoofers of the xS- or xA-Series.

The enclosures are constructed from marine plywood with an impact resistant black paint finish. The fronts of the cabinets are protected by a rigid metal grill backed by an acoustically transparent foam.

The cabinets are Ball Impact Resistant according to DIN 18032-3.

Rigging components

10A/10A-D cabinets are connected to form a vertical array each using the Z5416 Connector plates 10A. Splay angles can be set between 25° and 60° with 5° increments. A vertical array may consist of up to three 10A cabinets. 18A or 27A subwoofers can be integrated into the array.

Vertical arrays are supported using the Z5414 Flying bar xA and a pair of Z5413 Flying bar connector plates xA.

Note: For approved configurations as well as safety and mounting instructions, refer to the respective rigging manual.

2.2 Connections

The cabinets are fitted with a pair of NL4 connectors and a two pole screw terminal block (ST). All four pins of both NL4 connectors are wired in parallel. The cabinets use the pin assignments 1+/1-. Pins 2+/2- are designated to active subwoofers.

Pin equivalents of the applicable connector options are listed in the table below.

NL4	1+	1 –	2+	2-
ST	+	_	n.a.	n.a.

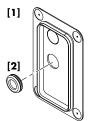


Fig. 3: Cover plate and rubber grommet

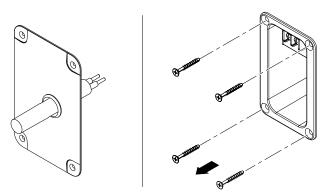
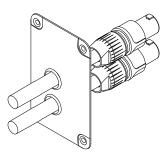


Fig. 4: Installing the fixed cable connection



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Fig. 5: NL4 cable connection with cover plate [1]

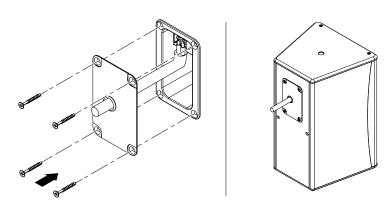
Fixed cable connection

The 10A and 10A-D loudspeakers are each supplied with a cover plate [1] and a rubber grommet feed through [2]. For indoor operation, these items can be used to hide the connector panel, if required. For unprotected outdoor operation, the connector panel must be covered, i.e. both items must be used to achieve an IP degree of protection of IP34.

To install the fixed cable connection, proceed as follows:

Tools required: Philips screw driver (#PH2).

- 1. Prepare the rubber grommet and the connection cable.
- 2. Remove the knockout opening in the cover plate and attach the rubber grommet correspondingly.
- Insert the connection cable through the rubber grommet and connect the cable wires to the screw terminal.
 - ⇒ Observe the correct polarity!
- 4. Undo the four screws of the connector panel.
- 5. Push the cover plate towards the connector panel until it fits into place.
- 6. Finally fix the cover plate together with the connector panel using the four screws.



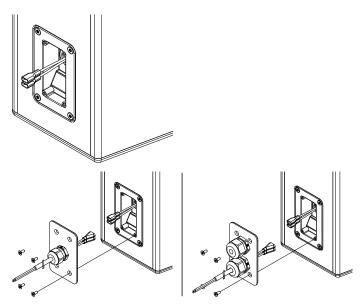
NL4 connection with cover plate

The two NL4 connector sockets of the cabinet's connector panel are located in a recess to allow the use of the cover plate [1] together with NL4 cable connectors, as shown in the graphic opposite.

Note: Neutrik NL4FC type connectors must be used for this option.

The cover plate is equipped with two knockout openings to allow daisy chaining of the loudspeaker.

To use the NL4 connection, proceed in the same manner as described above in the section entitled \Rightarrow "Fixed cable connection" on page 6.



Faston type connector, male single PG (standard), dual PG (optional)

WR option (Weather Resistance)

NOTICE!

The WR option enables operation of loudspeakers in changing ambient conditions, however it is not intended to enable permanent, unprotected operation of loudspeakers outdoors.

- Provide an additional cover over the loudspeakers.
- Aim the cabinets either horizontally or with a downward tilt.

A number of d&b loudspeakers are available in special options suitable for different types of installed applications and environmental conditions. The following options are available for the 10A/10A-D loudspeaker:

Weather resistant (WR): This option is suitable for outdoor use.
The cabinets have an impact and weather protected black PCP (Polyurea Cabinet Protection) finish.

WR cabinets are equipped with a recessed connector panel including a Faston type connector (2 x 6.3 mm, female). A cover plate which accepts single or dual PG cable glands (Type PG13.5 for cable diameters from 6 - 12 mm) is enclosed, as shown in the graphic opposite.

To install the fixed connection cable, please proceed as follows:

Tools required: Screw driver (#T20).

Note: Observe the correct polarity of the cable Brown (+) / Blue (-).

- 1. Insert the connection cable through the PG screwing and connect the male connector to the female connector.
- Push the cover plate towards the connector panel until it fits into place.
- Fix the cover plate to the connector panel using the four countersunk screws.

2.3 Operation

NOTICE!

Only operate d&b loudspeakers with a correctly configured d&b amplifier, otherwise there is a risk of damaging the loudspeaker components.

Applicable d&b amplifiers:

10D/30D/D6/D12/D20/D80.

Application	Setup	Cabinets per channel
10A	10S/A	3
10A-D	10S/A-D	3

Within applicable d&b amplifiers, the controller setups are available in Dual Channel or Mix TOP/SUB mode.

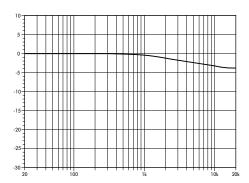


Fig. 6: Frequency response correction of HFA circuit

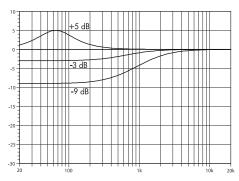


Fig. 7: Frequency response correction of CPL circuit

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2.3.1 Controller settings

For acoustic adjustment the functions CUT, HFA and CPL can be selected.

CUT circuit

Set to CUT, the cabinet low frequency level is reduced. The cabinets are now configured for use with d&b active subwoofers.

HFA circuit

In HFA mode (High Frequency Attenuation), the HF response of the system is rolled off. HFA provides a natural, balanced frequency response when a unit is placed close to listeners in near field or delay use.

High Frequency Attenuation begins gradually at 1 kHz, dropping by approximately 3 dB at 10 kHz. This roll off mimics the decline in frequency response experienced when listening to a system from a distance in a typically reverberant room or auditorium.

CPL circuit

The CPL (Coupling) circuit compensates for coupling effects between the cabinets when building closely coupled arrays. CPL begins gradually around 1 kHz, with the maximum attenuation below 200 Hz. To achieve a balanced frequency response, the CPL circuit can be set to dB attenuation values between 0 and -9.

Positive CPL values create an adjustable low frequency boost (0 to +5 dB) and can be set when the system is used in full range mode without subwoofers.

2.4 Dispersion characteristics

The following graphs show dispersion angle over frequency of a single cabinet plotted using lines of equal sound pressure (isobars) at -6 dB and -12 dB.

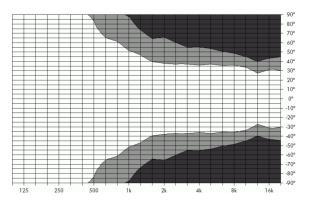


Fig. 8: Isobar diagram horizontal



10A vertical setup

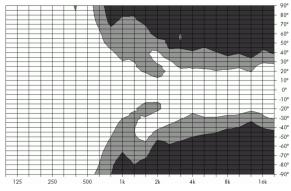


Fig. 9: Isobar diagram vertical

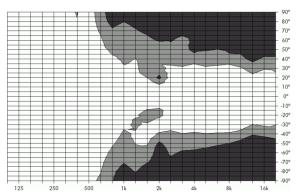


Fig. 10: Isobar diagram horizontal



10A

horizontal setup, horn rotated

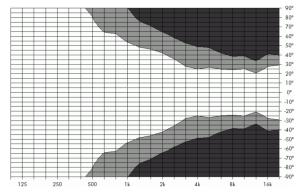


Fig. 11: Isobar diagram vertical

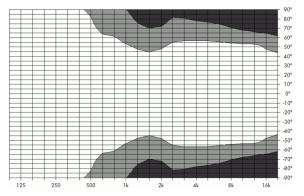
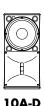


Fig. 12: Isobar diagram horizontal



vertical setup

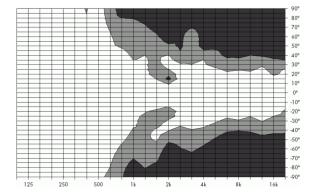


Fig. 13: Isobar diagram vertical

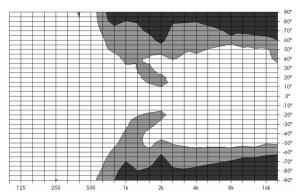


Fig. 14: Isobar diagram horizontal



10A-D

horizontal setup, horn rotated

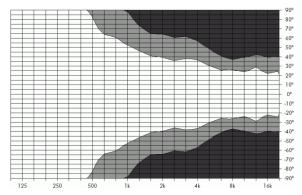


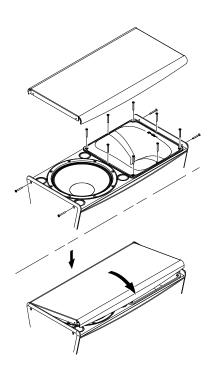
Fig. 15: Isobar diagram vertical



The HF horn can be rotated through 90°.

Tools required: Philips screwdriver, Torx wrench (T20).

- 1. Undo the 4 torx screws on the top and bottom panels of the cabinet and remove the front grill.
- 2. Undo the screws holding the horn flange and rotate the horn.
- 3. Refit the horn as follows:
 - Make sure the gasket of the horn is in place.
 - Refit the horn.
 - Insert all screws and carefully tighten them clockwise until they fit precisely into the counter sunk holes.
- 4. Relocate the front grill as follows:
 - Ensure the foam is properly attached to the back of the grill.
 - Starting on one side, attach the grill to the recess of the cabinet's side panel.
 - Fold down the grill into the recess on the other side and make sure it properly fits on all sides.
 - Insert the 4 torx screws and tighten them until they fit precisely into the counter sunk holes.



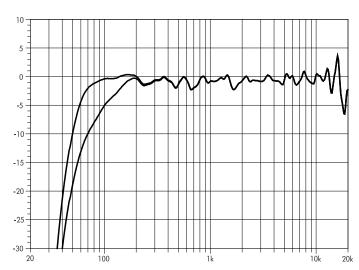


Fig. 16: 10A frequency response, standard and CUT modes

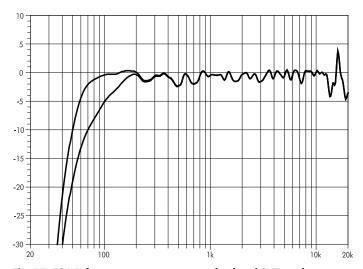


Fig. 17: 10A-D frequency response, standard and CUT modes

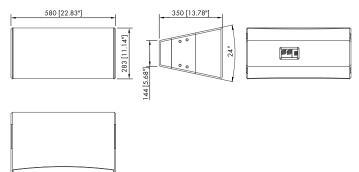


Fig. 18: 10A/10A-D cabinet dimensions in mm [inch]

2.5 Technical specifications

10A/10A-D system data

Frequency response (-5 dB standard)	60 Hz - 18 kHz
Frequency response (-5 dB CUT mode)	100 Hz - 18 kHz
Max. sound pressure (1 m, free field)	
with 10D/D6	127 dB
with 30D/D20/D12	130 dB
with D80	130 dB
(SPLmax peak, pink noise test signa	l with crest factor of 4)

10A/10A-D loudspeaker

Nominal impedance12 ohms		
Power handling capacity (RMS/peak 10 ms)200/1200 W		
Nominal dispersion angle (hor. x vert.) 10A75 $^{\circ}$ x 50 $^{\circ}$		
Nominal dispersion angle (hor. x vert.) 10A-D110° x 55°		
Splay angle range		
Components10" driver with neodymium magnet		
Passive crossover network		
Connections 2 x NL4		
Pin assignmentNL4: 1+/		
WR option: brown + / blue -		
Weight		



3.1 EU conformity of loudspeakers (CE symbol)

This declaration applies to:

d&b Z1555 10A loudspeaker d&b Z1556 10A-D loudspeaker

manufactured by d&b audiotechnik GmbH & Co. KG.

All product variants are included, provided they correspond to the original technical version and have not been subject to any later design or electromechanical modifications.

We herewith declare that said products are in conformity with the provisions of the respective EC directives including all applicable amendments.

A detailed declaration is available on request and can be ordered from d&b or downloaded from the d&b website at www.dbaudio.com.

3.2 WEEE Declaration (Disposal)

Electrical and electronic equipment must be disposed of separately from normal waste at the end of its operational lifetime.

Please dispose of this product according to the respective national regulations or contractual agreements. If there are any further questions concerning the disposal of this product, please contact d&b audiotechnik.

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