# Definitive Technology® The Leader in High-Performance Loudspeakers®

# Ultimate In-Wall<sup>TM</sup>

High-Performance Designer Loudspeakers

#### **Owner's Manual**

### **Congratulations**

Congratulations on your purchase of Definitive Technology Ultimate In-Wall Series Loudspeakers. These reference quality loudspeakers provide the highest level of sonic performance and construction quality and are designed for easy flush mount installation in walls and ceilings of homes and commercial spaces. Six years of intensive research and development by Definitive engineers, working in collaboration with one of the world's leading industrial design firms, has produced the finest in-wall loudspeaker series on the market. The beautiful upscale designer styling of all models is perfect for the finest homes belonging to the most discriminating homeowners.

#### **The Ultimate In-Wall Loudspeaker Series**

#### All models:

- Incorporate high power, high definition cast basket Definitive bass/midrange drivers combined with state of the art Definitive 1" dome tweeters (except UIW 63/A and UIW 83/A which use a stamped basket driver).
- Incorporate polypropylene cones with butyl rubber surrounds.
- Incorporate a complete precision crossover system designed by Definitive engineers for seamless driver blending.
- Are moisture resistant to allow use in bathrooms, etc.
- Incorporate the installer's favorite: a sturdy, easy and quick to use metal pivoting dog mounting system.
- Are easily paintable and come complete with mounting templates and plastic paint masks.
- Optional rough-in kits are available.
- UIW 55, 65, and 75 incorporate a variable high frequency equalization control to optimize response characteristics for different mounting positions.

### The Sound Quality Is Extraordinary

The Ultimate In-Walls have been voiced by Definitive engineers (using the superb facilities of the National Research Council) to the same high-end standards as all Definitive loudspeakers. The drivers and baffles are perfectly integrated into the designs to minimize the diffraction problems that are inherent with most other in-wall loudspeakers. To ensure that you experience the finest performance possible from your Ultimate In-Walls, we encourage you to read this owner's manual to familiarize yourself with the proper installation and set-up procedures.

#### **Unpacking Your In-Wall Loudspeakers**

#### **Please Inspect For Shipping Damage**

Each loudspeaker leaves our plant in perfect condition. Any visible or concealed damage most likely will have occurred in handling after it left the plant and should be reported at once to your Definitive dealer or the delivery company that delivered your loudspeakers. Please unpack your system carefully. Save all cartons and packing materials in case you move or need to ship your system. Record the serial numbers found on the back of the In-Wall Loudspeakers in the appropriate place on your warranty card.

#### **Ultimate In-Wall Installation**

Definitive's Ultimate In-Wall Loudspeakers are designed to be mounted in walls or ceilings with excellent results. Because of their wide dispersion characteristics and other aspects of their superb sonic performance, mounting position in your room is very flexible. Because of the different requirements of the wide variety of room shapes and sizes, we recommend that you consult with the custom installation specialist at your Definitive Technology dealer regarding your own particular needs.

#### **Painting Your In-Wall Loudspeakers**

All Ultimate In-Wall Loudspeakers are easily paintable and are shipped with plastic paint masks (which should be retained even if you initially decide not to paint the speakers). The grill and frame must be painted separately and, for best results, prior to installation in the wall.

For the grill, spray painting is the recommended method. Follow the paint manufacturer's directions for ventilation and correct spraying procedure. Be very careful not to clog the speaker grill with too heavy a coat of paint as this will impair system sonic performance.

For the frame, spray painting is preferred but brush or roller will also give good results. The supplied frame masks should be put in place to protect the speaker components whichever method you choose.

#### **Planning for Installation**

Please allow a minimum of two inches of clearance in all directions behind the wallboard for your speakers. Lateral clearance should not be an issue as all models of Ultimate In-Wall Loudspeakers are narrow enough to fit between wall studs.

#### **Required Tools for Installation**

- Saber or keyhole saw or utility knife capable of cutting drywall
- Medium Phillips screwdriver
- Level (optional)

#### **Installation Procedure**

#### **Safety Notes:**

- In general, installation by a professional installer is highly recommended.
- Before starting construction or modification of your walls or ceilings, you should familiarize yourself with any applicable requirements of the local fire and building codes.
- Speaker wire must be run inside the wall as part of the installation of in-wall loudspeakers. Plan the connection route before you start the installation.
- Before opening up the installation cavity, check to ensure that the area behind does not contain wiring, plumbing, ductwork, etc.

#### **Technical Assistance**

It is our pleasure to offer assistance if you have any further questions or comments. Please feel free to contact our technical support staff at Definitive Technology, LLP, 11433 Cronridge Dr., Owings Mills, MD 21117, or (410) 363-7148.

#### Visit us at www.definitivetech.com

#### **High Frequency Equalization Switch**

On the UIW 55, 65 and 75, you will note that there is a two position switch marked HF EQ on the top of the crossover circuit board facing the speaker baffle. This can be set to either H (brighter) or L (less bright), depending on personal listening preferences as well as your chosen mounting position.

#### **Step by Step Installation**

The included template is the exact size of the required speaker opening. Once you have decided on a general location for your speaker, hold the template in the preferred position on the wall or ceiling and trace around it taking care that the opening is level.

Use a saw or knife to cut the opening.

Run color coded wires between the speaker cavity and the amplifier unit. When running the wires inside the wall to the opening, leave a minimum of 12" of additional length in the cavity to facilitate speaker connection.

Connect the speaker wires to the In-Wall unit taking care to make red to red ("+") and black to black ("-") terminal connections.

Refer to your amplifier or receiver loudspeaker wiring instructions, turn off the unit and connect the speaker wires to the appropriate colored output terminal on the unit, again making red to red ("+") and black to black ("-") connections. This will ensure absolute phase throughout the system.

The metal pivoting dogs are pre-installed in the loudspeaker frame with Phillips screws. The dogs can be rotated left or right by turning the screws.

To install speaker, <u>first rotate screws one-half turn counter clockwise</u> to swing the dogs into position to clear the edge of the wall cutout. Then place speaker frame in position in the cutout and rotate screws clockwise one-half turn to grip the wall and tighten by hand until frame is stable but loose enough to be adjusted in final position. Level the speaker frame and snug screws into place taking care not to overtighten.

Fit grill on frame.

#### **Troubleshooting Your In-Wall Loudspeakers**

If you experience any difficulties with your Ultimate In-Wall Loudspeakers, try the suggestions described below. If you are still having problems, please consult your Definitive Technology authorized dealer for assistance.

- Make sure all your system interconnections and power cords are solidly in their place.
- Check to be sure that the power cords and/or speaker wires have not been damaged.
- Many amplifier/receivers have sophisticated internal protection circuitry. If for some reason the protection circuitry is tripped, please turn down the system's volume and wait five minutes before trying the system again.

#### Service

Service and warranty work on your Definitive loudspeakers will normally be performed by your local Definitive Technology dealer. If, however, you wish to return the speaker to us, please contact us first, describing the problem and requesting authorization as well as the location of the nearest factory service center. Please note that the address given in this booklet is the address of our offices only. Under no circumstances should loudspeakers be shipped to our offices or returned without contacting us first and obtaining return authorization.

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#### **Ultimate In-Wall Specifications**

**UIW 75** 

 Outer Dimensions
 7.5" x 16.625" (191 mm x 421 mm)

 Cut-out Size
 6.5" x 15.5" (164 mm x 394 mm)

 Power
 Rec.Assoc.Amp. 10-300 watts per channel

Frequency Response 26Hz – 30kHz Nominal Impedance 8 ohms

**Driver Complement**Two 6.5" cast basket bass/midrange driver; 1" pure aluminum dome tweeter in a

D'Appolito array (the same basic drivers and configuration developed for Definitive's Grand Prix Award Winning top-of-the-line BP 3000TL system).

**UIW 65** 

 Outer Dimensions
 7.5" x 10.9" (191 mm x 277 mm)

 Cut-out Size
 6.5" x 9.8" (164 mm x 249 mm)

 Power
 Rec.Assoc.Amp. 10-200 watts per channel

Frequency Response 28Hz – 30kHz

Nominal Impedance 8 ohm

Driver Complement 6.5" cast basket bass/midrange driver; 1" pure aluminum dome tweeter (the same basic drivers developed for Definitive's Grand Prix Award winning top-of-the-line

BP3000TL system).

#### **In-Wall Loudspeaker Specifications**

**UIW 55** 

Outer Dimensions Cut-out Size

Power

Frequency Response Nominal Impedance

**Driver Complement** 

UIW 64/A

Outer Dimension Cut-out Size

Power Frequency Response

Nominal Impedance **Driver Complement** 

**IIIW 63/A** 

Outer Dimension Cut-out Size

Power

Frequency Response Nominal Impedance **Driver Complement** 

**UIW 83/A** 

Outer Dimension

Cut-out Size Power

Frequency Response Nominal Impedance

**Driver Complement** 

**UIW 94/A** 

**Outer Dimensions Cut-out Size** 

Power

Frequency Response Nominal Impedance

**Driver Complement** 

UIW BPZ/A

**Outer Dimensions** Cut-out Size Power

Frequency Response

Nominal Impedance **Driver Complement** 

UIW BP/A

Outer Dimensions Cut-out Size

Power

Frequency Response Nominal Impedance

**Driver Complement** 

6.687" x 10.375" (170 mm x 263 mm) (142 mm x 235 mm) 5.57" x 9.25"

Rec. Assoc. Amp. 10 – 175 watts per channel

35 Hz - 30 kHz

5.25" cast basket bass/midrange driver; 1" pure aluminum dome tweeter (the same basic drivers used in the Grand Prix Award winning BP 2002TL system).

8.75" diameter (222 mm diameter) 7.625" diameter (193 mm diameter)

Rec. Assoc. Amp. 10 – 200 watts per channel

28 Hz - 30 kHz

Brings a new level of sonic performance quality to the round speaker format by using a remarkable new 6.5" cast basket bass/midrange driver with a pivoting 1" pure

aluminum dome tweeter.

(222 mm diameter) 8 75" diameter 7.625" diameter (193 mm diameter)

Rec. Assoc. Amp. 10 - 200 watts per channel

30 Hz - 30 kHz

Stamped basket version of Definitive's signature 6.5" bass/midrange driver with a 1" pure aluminum dome tweeter in a coaxial configuration.

(257 mm diameter) 10.1" diameter 9.025" diameter (229.25 mm diameter) Rec. Assoc. Amp. 250 watts per channel

27 Hz - 30 kHz

8 ohms

Stamped basket 8" bass/midrange driver and a 1" pure aluminum dome tweeter in a coaxial configuration.

10.75" diameter (273 mm) 9.625" (244.5 mm)

Rec. Assoc. Amp. 300 watts per channel

26 Hz - 30 kHz

8 ohms

9" cast basket bass/midrange driver and a 1" pivoting pure aluminum dome tweeter in a coaxial configuration.

8.45" x 14.75" (214.6 mm x 375 mm) 7.3125" x 13.625" (186 mm x 346 mm)

Rec. Assoc. Amp. 10 – 300 watts per channel

26 Hz - 30 kHz

This unique bipolar in-wall loudspeaker is intended for use as a main system speaker (whose bipolar radiation pattern gives unequaled dispersion and sonic coverage throughout the room) and, in addition, as a rear or side surround speaker in Dolby Prologic, Dolby Digital, Dolby EX and DTS installations of the highest quality. Two 6.5" cast basket drivers (with two 1" pure aluminum dome tweeters) are utilized for superb dynamic range and sonic performance.

7.125" x 12.5" (181 mm x 318 mm) 6.1" x 11.45" (155 mm x 291 mm)

Rec. Assoc. Amp. 10 – 250 watts per channel

28 Hz - 30 kHz

8 ohms

This unique bipolar in-wall loudspeaker is intended for use as a main system speaker (whose bipolar radiation pattern gives unequaled dispersion and sonic coverage throughout the room) and, in addition, as a rear or side surround speaker in Dolby Prologic, Dolby Digital, Dolby EX and DTS installations of the highest quality. Two 5.25" cast basket drivers (with two 1" pure aluminum dome tweeters) are utilized for superb dynamic range and sonic performance.

## LIMITED USA WARRANTY 5-YEARS FOR DRIVERS AND CABINETS, 3-YEARS FOR ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS

DEI Sales Co., dba Definitive Technology (herein "Definitive") warrants to the original retail purchaser only that this Definitive loudspeaker product (the "Product") will be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of five (5) years covering the drivers and cabinets, and three (3) years for the electronic components from the date of the original purchase from a Definitive Authorized Dealer. If the Product is defective in material or workmanship, Definitive or its Authorized Dealer will, at its option, repair or replace the warranted product at no additional charge, except as set forth below. All replaced parts and Product(s) become the property of Definitive. Product that is repaired or replaced under this warranty will be returned to you, within a reasonable time, freight collect. This warranty is non-transferrable and is automatically void if the original purchaser sells or otherwise transfers the Product to any other party.

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- 3) Repair or modification of the Product has not been made or authorized by Definitive Technology.
- 4) The product has been improperly installed or used.

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