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RNIB Talking Cube Clock
CC36 & CC42

Please retain these instructions for future reference. These instructions are also available in other formats.

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General description

It is recommended that you read the following instructions in their entirety before you attempt to use this clock.

The Talking Cube Clock announces the time in an English, male voice, by pressing the large,round button on top of the clock, and also includes a number of other audible cues to help the user.

Available in two colours: grey with yellow buttons (CC36) and black with silver buttons (CC42) - it also has the following features: current time announcement, adjustable volume, an hourly time announcement, which you can switch on or off as required, a 12-hour clock and an alarm facility with a reminder function.

Please note: The clock is supplied with 4xAA batteries, which are packed in with the product. Please see below for instructions on how to insert.

Orientation

Front
The speaker grille encompasses the entire front area of the clock, and has a ridged texture.

Back
The back of the clock is smooth to the touch and is where the battery compartment and function buttons are located. Towards the base of the clock you will feel a small clip. Push this clip in and remove the battery compartment cover to reveal the following:

Within a recessed area at the top part of the opened compartment are two buttons and a rotary control. The square button on the left is the "Mode" button, used to cycle through each of the clock's mode settings. To the right of this is the "Rotary volume control", which when rotated to the right (clockwise) increases the volume of the clock's audible output, and by turning it to the left (anti-clockwise) decreases the volume. To the right of the rotary control is a round button - this is the "Set" button, used to change a setting when in a particular mode.

Below the buttons and rotary control is the battery compartment, where the four AA batteries are to be housed within the detachable, plastic battery holder (which has a removable clip attached to a wire, which is connected to the clock).

Top
On the top of the clock is a large, round button, which when pressed, announces the time.

Base
There are four, small, round non-slip feet located towards each corner on the base of the clock. These feet help to prevent the clock from moving when on a flat surface.

Getting started

Inserting/replacing batteries

Pressing the "Mode" button once more will return the clock to current time announcement mode and can be used to confirm your time setting.

Special note
To confirm the alarm status, simply press the "Set" button in the current time announcement mode. The clock will announce the current alarm settings - alarm sound, alarm on/off and the alarm time. This action will not change any of the clock's settings.

The clock will keep time throughout the set up procedure.

Care and maintenance

This product must be disposed of in accordance with the WEEE Directive. The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive aims to minimise the impact of electrical and electronic goods on the environment, by increasing re-use and recycling and reducing the amount of WEEE going to landfill. It seeks to achieve this by making producers responsible for financing the collection, treatment, and recovery of waste electrical equipment, and by obliging distributors to allow consumers to return their waste equipment free of charge.

To keep the clock in good working order for many years to come we recommend you follow these simple instructions:

Keep the clock dry. If it does get wet, wipe it dry immediately as liquid might contain minerals and corrode the electronics. Use and store the clock at a normal temperature as temperature extremes shorten the life of electronic devices, damage batteries, and can distort or melt plastic parts. Also, handle the clock carefully as dropping it can cause damage and stop the clock functioning properly.

In cases of difficulty when setting the clock, please note that it is possible to restore the clock's default settings by removing the batteries and then reinserting them. You can then recommence setting procedures.

Wherever possible, keep the clock away from dust and dirt, which can cause premature wear of parts. Wipe the clock with a damp cloth occasionally to keep the product looking new. Do not use harsh chemicals, cleaning solvents or strong detergents to clean the clock.

Dimensions
Size: 70mm x 70mm x 70mm (approx. 2.8 × 2.8 × 2.8 inches)
Weight: 264g (approx. 9.25 ounces).

The battery compartment is located on the back of the clock. Remove the compartment cover by pressing in the small clip (located towards the base), before lifting the cover away from the clock.

Remove the plastic battery holder from within the compartment by detaching it from the connections on the battery clip. (The clip is affixed to the wire that is connected to the clock).

The four AA batteries should be inserted with their negative (flat) ends positioned against the springs within the battery holder. Make sure the batteries are fitted securely and clip the detachable battery holder back into the connections on the battery clip. Make sure that the positive (+) and negative (−) connections are in the correct position/polarity when re-attaching the detachable battery holder to the clip (positive to negative, and vice-versa).

Put the battery cover back on the compartment carefully by inserting the two small tabs on the top of the cover into the two, small, corresponding recesses (directly above both the "Mode" and "Set" buttons). Press gently down on the compartment cover until you hear the first click. Press down again until you hear another click, which will indicate that the cover is securely in place.

Always remember to remove old or weak batteries as they can leak chemicals, which can destroy the clock's electronic circuits.

Replacement AA batteries are available from RNIB under product code CP03. The clock can also be used with rechargeable AA batteries, not currently supplied by RNIB.

Do not ever use a mixture of rechargeable and non-rechargeable batteries in this clock.

Please note: RNIB does not guarantee the life of batteries.

Using the clock

Time announcement
To hear an announcement of the time press the large, round button on top of the clock.

Setting the volume
You should use the time announcement button at the top of the clock in conjunction with the "Rotary volume control" to verify and adjust the volume level.

Setting procedures
On the back of the clock, underneath the back cover are the two function buttons. These are used to set up the clock. The square "Mode" button on the left is used to cycle through the various clock functions, and the round "Set" button changes the setting when within the mode.

Each of the clock's functions are described below in turn, following the order in which they will be announced when you cycle through each of the modes.

Current time announcement

Announce on/off

Alarm on/off

Alarm hour

Alarm minute

Alarm am/pm

Alarm sound

Clock hour

Clock minute

Clock am/pm

Switching the hourly time announcement on or off

After pressing the "Mode" button (on the left), once, the clock will say "announce off". You can then press the circular "Set" button (on the right), once, and the clock will say "announce on". When you press the button again, the clock will say "announce off". At any time during set up you can press the large circular button on top of the clock to return to current time announcement mode or you can simply proceed to the next mode by pressing the square "Mode" button once more.

Setting the alarm

After pressing the "Mode" button the clock now says, "Alarm off". Alter this, if desired, to "Alarm on" by pressing the "Set" button. Move to the next setting by pressing the "Mode" button and the clock will say "Alarm hour" followed by the actual alarm hour setting (e.g. "Alarm hour 6"). Change this by pressing the "Set" button. The clock will announce the alarm hours as you cycle through them.

Each time the "Set" button is pressed the alarm hour value will advance by one, and the unit will say "hour", followed by the hour you have reached.

In the next mode the clock announces "Alarm minute" followed by the current alarm minute setting. Advance this by using the "Set" button in the same way as for the alarm hours.

Note: If the "Set" button is held down for five consecutive announcements the alarm minutes will be advanced in five minute blocks (five, ten, and so on) until the button is released. The next time you press the "Set" button the alarm minute setting will again advance by one minute.

Alarm am/pm setting

The next mode announces "Alarm" followed by the current alarm am/pm setting. This controls whether the alarm goes off before or after noon at the alarm time already set. Toggle this setting between AM and PM by pressing the "Set" button. The new setting will be announced each time.

Choosing the alarm sound

In the next mode the clock says "Alarm" followed by the default (or previously set) alarm sound. Cycle through the various alarm sounds by pressing the "Set" button repeatedly. You can choose from the following list of alarm sounds:

a two-tone alarm

a mechanical bell sound

a horn sound

a cuckoo and

a beeping alarm

Alarm reminder

The clock's alarm will sound for one minute and then pause for four and a quarter minutes. This process will be repeated five times and then stop, unless you cancel it by pressing the large "Time announce" button on the top of the clock.

Setting the current time

In the next mode the clock says "Clock hour" followed by the current clock hour setting. Use the "Set" button to advance the hours.

In the next mode the clock says "Clock minute" and the current clock minute setting. Advance this by using the "Set" button. As with the alarm minute setting procedure above, the clock minute setting can be speeded up by holding down the "Set" button for five announcements.

Clock am/pm setting

In the next mode the clock says "Clock" then the current AM/PM setting. Change this by pressing the "Set" button.

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