



**Front Surround System** 

ATS-1520

**Owner's Manual** 

**Bluetooth**°

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#### About this manual

- · This manual explains operations using the supplied remote control
- · Marks used in this manual

#### NOTE

This indicates precautions for use of the product and its feature limitations.

#### HINT

This indicates supplementary explanations for better use.

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**



#### CAUTION RISK OF **ELECTRIC** SHOCK DO NOT OPEN



CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK. DO NOT REMOVE COVER (OR BACK). NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.

#### **Explanation of Graphical Symbols**



The lightning flash with arrowhead symbol, within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert you to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.



The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert you to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

#### IMPORTANT

Please record the serial number of this unit in the space below.

MODEL:

Serial No.:

The serial number is located on the rear of the unit. Retain this Owner's Manual in a safe place for future reference.

#### FOR CANADIAN CUSTOMERS

To prevent electric shock, match wide blade of plug to wide slot and fully insert. CAN ICES-3 (B)/NMB-3 (B)

- Read these instructions.
- Keep these instructions.
- Heed all warnings.
- Follow all instructions
- Do not use this apparatus near water.
  - Clean only with dry cloth.
- Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized or grounding-type plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
- 10 Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
- 11 Only use attachments/ accessories specified by the manufacturer.
- 12 Use only with the cart, stand. tripod, bracket, or table specified by the manufacturer. or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart/ apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over.
- 13 Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
- Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.

#### We Want You Listening For A Lifetime



Yamaha and the Electronic Industries Association's Consumer Electronics Group want you to get the most out of your equipment by playing it at a safe level. One that lets the sound come through loud and clear without annoying blaring or distortion - and, most importantly, without affecting

your sensitive hearing. Since hearing damage from loud sounds is often undetectable until it is too late. Yamaha and the Electronic Industries Association's Consumer Electronics Group recommend you to avoid prolonged exposure from excessive volume levels.

#### FCC INFORMATION (for US customers)

- IMPORTANT NOTICE: DO NOT MODIFY THIS UNIT!: This product, when installed as indicated in the instructions contained in this manual, meets FCC requirements. Modifications not expressly approved by Yamaha may void your authority, granted by the FCC, to use the product.
- **IMPORTANT:** When connecting this product to accessories and/or another product use only high quality shielded cables. Cable/s supplied with this product MUST be used. Follow all installation instructions. Failure to follow instructions could void your FCC authorization to use this product in the USA.
- **NOTE:** This product has been tested and found to comply with the requirements listed in FCC Regulations, Part 15 for Class "B" digital devices. Compliance with these requirements provides a reasonable level of assurance that your use of this product in a residential environment will not result in harmful interference with other electronic devices. This equipment generates/uses radio frequencies and, if not installed and used according to the instructions found in the users manual, may cause interference harmful to the operation of other electronic devices.

- 4 Compliance with FCC regulations does not guarantee that interference will not occur in all installations. If this product is found to be the source of interference, which can be determined by turning the unit "OFF" and "ON", please try to eliminate the problem by using one of the following measures:
- 5 Relocate either this product or the device that is being affected by the interference.
- Utilize power outlets that are on different branch (circuit breaker or fuse) circuits or install AC line
- In the case of radio or TV interference, relocate/ reorient the antenna. If the antenna lead-in is 300 ohm ribbon lead, change the lead-in to coaxial type
- If these corrective measures do not produce satisfactory results, please contact the local retailer authorized to distribute this type of product. If you can not locate the appropriate retailer, please contact Yamaha Corporation of America A/V Division 6600 Orangethorpe Ave., Buena Park, CA 90620.
- The above statements apply ONLY to those products distributed by Yamaha Corporation of America or its subsidiaries.
- . This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules and RSSGen of IC Rules.
- Operation is subject to the following two conditions: 1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and 2) this device must accept any interference received including interference that may cause undesired operation. See the "Troubleshooting" section at the end of this manual if interference to radio reception is suspected.

#### FCC WARNING

Change or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

#### NOTICE

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in aresidential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This equipment compiles with FCC/IC radiation exposure limits set forth for uncontrolled equipment and meets the FCC radio frequency (RF) Exposure Guidelines in Supplement C to OET65 and RSS-102 of the IC radio frequency (RF) Exposure rules. This equipment has very low levels of RF energy that it deemed to comply without maximum permissive exposure evaluation (MPE). But it is desirable that it should be installed and operated with at least 20 cm and more between the radiator and person's body (excluding extremities; hands, wrists, feet and ankles). This transmitter must not be co-located or operated in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

## **CAUTION: READ THIS BEFORE OPERATING YOUR UNIT.**

- To assure the finest performance, please read this manual carefully. Keep it in a safe place for future reference.
- Install this unit in a well ventilated, cool, dry, clean place - away from direct sunlight, heat sources, vibration, dust, moisture, and/or cold. For proper ventilation, allow the following minimum clearances.
   Top: 10 cm (4 in), Rear: 10 cm (4 in), Sides: 10 cm (4 in)
- Locate this unit away from other electrical appliances, motors, or transformers to avoid humming sounds.
- Do not expose this unit to sudden temperature changes from cold to hot, and do not locate this unit in an environment with high humidity (i.e. a room with a humidifier) to prevent condensation inside this unit, which may cause an electrical shock, fire, damage to this unit, and/or personal injury.
- Avoid installing this unit where foreign objects may fall onto this unit and/or this unit may be exposed to liquid dripping or splashing. On the top of this unit, do not place:
- Other components, as they may cause damage and/ or discoloration on the surface of this unit.
- Burning objects (i.e. candles), as they may cause fire, damage to this unit, and/or personal injury.
- Containers with liquid in them, as they may fall and liquid may cause electrical shock to the user and/or damage to this unit.
- Do not cover this unit with a newspaper, tablecloth, curtain, etc. in order not to obstruct heat radiation. If the temperature inside this unit rises, it may cause fire, damage to this unit, and/or personal injury.
- Do not plug in this unit to a wall outlet until all connections are complete.
- Do not operate this unit upside-down. It may overheat, possibly causing damage.
- Do not use force on switches, knobs and/or cords.
- When disconnecting the power cable from the wall outlet, grasp the plug; do not pull the cable.
- Do not clean this unit with chemical solvents; this might damage the finish. Use a clean, dry cloth.
- Only voltage specified on this unit must be used. Using
  this unit with a higher voltage than specified is
  dangerous and may cause fire, damage to this unit,
  and/or personal injury. Yamaha will not be held
  responsible for any damage resulting from use of this
  unit with a voltage other than specified.
- To prevent damage by lightning, keep the power cable and outdoor antennas disconnected from a wall outlet or the unit during a lightning storm.
- Do not attempt to modify or fix this unit. Contact qualified Yamaha service personnel when any service

- is needed. The cabinet should never be opened for any reasons.
- When not planning to use this unit for long periods of time (i.e. vacation), disconnect the AC power plug from the wall outlet.
- Be sure to read the "Troubleshooting" section on common operating errors before concluding that this unit is faulty.
- Before moving this unit, press (b) to set this unit in standby mode, and disconnect the power supply cable from the wall outlet.
- Condensation will form when the surrounding temperature changes suddenly. Disconnect the power supply cable from the outlet, then leave the unit alone.
- Install this unit near the wall outlet and where the AC power plug can be reached easily.
- The batteries shall not be exposed to excessive heat such as sunshine, fire or like.
- Secure placement or installation is the owner's responsibility. Yamaha shall not be liable for any accident caused by improper placement or installation of speakers.

#### Notes on remote controls and batteries

- Do not spill water or other liquids on the remote control.
- · Do not drop the remote control.
- Do not leave or store the remote control in the following places:
- places of high humidity, such as near a bath
- places of high temperatures, such as near a heater or a stove
- places of extremely low temperatures
- dusty places
- Do not expose the remote control sensor of this unit to direct sunlight or lighting such as inverted fluorescent lamps.
- If the batteries grow old, the effective operation range of the remote control decreases considerably. If this happens, replace the batteries with two new ones as soon as possible.
- · Do not use old batteries together with new ones.
- Do not use different types of batteries (such as alkaline and manganese batteries) together. Read the packaging carefully as these different types of batteries may have the same shape and color.
- Exhausted batteries may leak. If the batteries have leaked, dispose of them immediately. Avoid touching the leaked material or letting it come into contact with clothing, etc. Clean the battery compartment thoroughly before installing new batteries.

- Do not throw away batteries with general house waste.
   Dispose of them correctly in accordance with your local regulations.
- Keep batteries away from children. If a battery is accidentally swallowed, contact your doctor immediately.
- When not planning to use the remote control for long periods of time, remove the batteries from the remote control.
- · Do not charge or disassemble the supplied batteries.

#### WARNING

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS UNIT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

As long as this unit is connected to the AC wall outlet, it is not disconnected from the AC power source even if you turn off this unit by (b). In this state, this unit is designed to consume a very small quantity of power.

#### (Power key)

Turns on the power of this unit or sets it to the standby mode.

Do not use this unit within 22 cm (9 inches) of persons with a heart pacemaker implant or defibrillator implant.

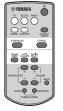
Radio waves may affect electro-medical devices. Do not use this unit near medical devices or inside medical facilities.

## **Supplied items**

Make sure you have received all of the following items.



Sound bar (ATS-1520)







Battery x 2 (AAA, R03, UM4)



Optical cable (1.5 m [4.9 ft])



RCA stereo cable (1.5 m [4.9 ft])

Mounting template

## **Features**

Enjoy powerful and realistic sound from the sound bar with built-in subwoofer, and easy installation and connection to a TV and other devices.

## AIR SURROUND XTREME AIR SURROUND

Enjoy high-quality surround sound with a realistic sound effect (p.7).

#### Clear voice

Make voice sound (such as dialogues and narrations) clear (p.7).

## • UniVolume UniVolume

Maintain consistent volume between channels, programs, commercials and sound sources (p.7).

## • Bluetooth® connection Bluetooth®

Play back sound from a connected Bluetooth device (p.8).

## • TV remote control learning function

Operate the sound bar with the TV's remote control (p.11)

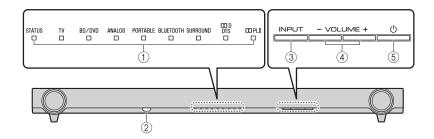
## • TV Remote Repeater function

Enable the transmission of TV remote control signals via the sound bar when you cannot operate your TV from the remote control because the remote control sensor of the TV is blocked by the sound bar (p.13).

<sup>\*</sup> Using when attaching the sound bar to a wall

## Part names and functions (sound bar)

## Sound bar (front panel)



#### (1) Indicators

Indicate the status of the sound bar.

The indicators will dim automatically if no operations are performed for 5 seconds.

#### 2 Remote control sensor

Receives infrared signals from the remote control of the sound bar (p.6). Receives infrared signals from the TV remote control when the TV Remote Repeater function is enabled (p.13).

#### ③ INPUT key

Selects an input source to be played back (p.6).

#### 4 VOLUME (+/-) keys

Adjust the volume (p.6).

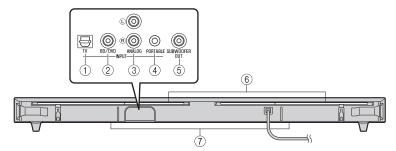
### (5) (1) (power) key

Turns on or off (standby) the sound bar (p.7).

#### HINT

- . The sound bar will be automatically turned off when one of the following conditions is met.
- No operations for 8 hours
- No audio input and no operations for 30 minutes

## Sound bar (rear panel)



#### 1) TV input jack

For connecting to a TV with an optical cable.

### ② BD/DVD input jack

For connecting to a playback device, such as a Blu-ray Disc (BD) player, with a coaxial digital cable.

### 3 ANALOG input jacks

For connecting an external device with an RCA stereo cable.

#### (4) PORTABLE input jack

For connecting a portable device with a 3.5 mm stereo mini plug cable.

### **5** SUBWOOFER OUT jack

For connecting an external subwoofer with a monaural pin cable. The default setting is for the built-in subwoofer. The setting has to be changed to output signal to an external subwoofer (p.13).

### **6** TV Remote Repeater

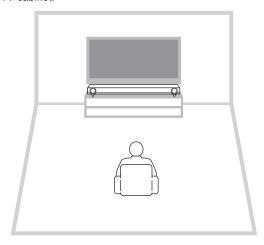
Transmits TV remote control signals received at the remote control sensor to the TV (p.13).

#### (7) Dual built-in subwoofers

The built-in subwoofers are located in the bottom part of the sound bar.

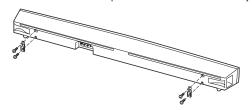
## **Installations**

Place the sound bar on a flat surface such as on top of a TV cabinet.



#### Cautions

- Do not place the sound bar on/under any other devices such as BD player in a pile. Doing so may cause a malfunction due to vibrations.
- · Do not touch the grille on the front and bottom of the sound bar.
- The sound bar contains acoustic suspension speakers. Do not place magnetically sensitive items (hard disk drive, etc.) near the sound bar.
- Depending on your installation environment, it may be better to connect the sound bar and external devices (such as a TV) before installing the sound bar.
- Do not place the sound bar within 50 mm (2") of the TV. The wall
  mount brackets on the rear panel can be removed as necessary.

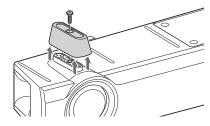


### Removing the stands

When the sound bar blocks the view of the lower part of the TV screen or the remote control sensor of the TV, remove the stands (18 mm [3/4"]) of the sound bar to adjust its height.

#### HINT

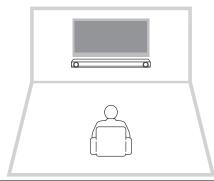
• Use the TV Remote Repeater function (p.13) to transmit TV remote control signals via the sound bar.



#### NOTE

• Keep the stands and screws in a safe place for future use.

## Attaching the sound bar to a wall

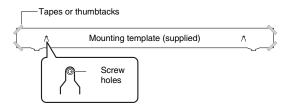


#### Cautions

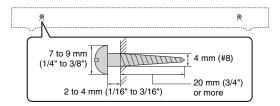
- When installing the sound bar on a wall, all installation work must be
  performed by a qualified contractor or dealer. The customer must never
  attempt to perform this installation work. Improper or inadequate
  installation could cause the sound bar to fall, resulting in personal injury.
- Do not attach the sound bar to a wall that is made of weak materials such as plaster or veneered woods. Doing so may cause the sound bar to fall.
- Make sure you use commercially available screws that can support the weight of the installation (specified in Step 2 on the right). Using clamps other than specified screws, such as short screws, nails, and two-sided tape, may cause the sound bar to fall.

#### How to install on the wall

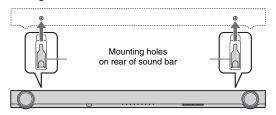
1 Attach the mounting template on a wall and mark for the screw holes.



2 Remove the mounting template from the wall and install the commercially available screws at the marks on the wall.



3 Hang the sound bar on the screws.



#### Cautions

- Fix the cables in place where they will not become loose. If your foot or hand accidentally gets caught on a loose cable, the sound bar may fall.
- Check that the sound bar is fixed securely after the installation.
   Yamaha will bear no responsibility for any accidents caused by improper installations.

## **Connections**

Connect to a TV (or other peripheral device).

#### **CAUTIONS**

- Do not connect the power cable of the sound bar to the AC wall outlet before making connections.
- Do not use excessive force when inserting the cable plug. Doing so may damage the cable plug or AC wall outlet.

1 Connect the TV and sound bar with the optical cable (supplied).

Remove the cap of the optical cable and check the direction of the plug.





- 2 Connect the power cable of the sound bar to an AC wall outlet.
- 3 Set the TV as follows.
  - Set the TV volume to minimum.
  - Disable the TV built-in speaker output (if available).

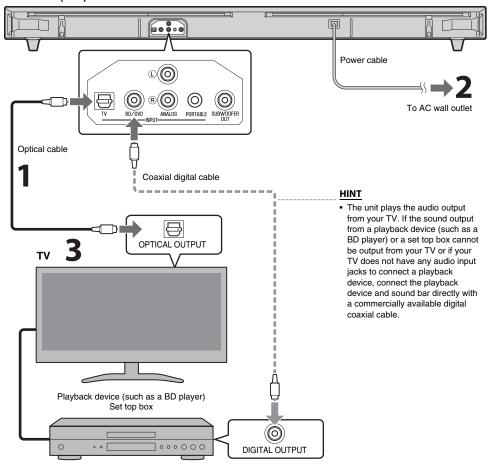
#### HINT

- If a setting to disable the speaker output is not available on your TV, you may disable it
  by connecting headphones to the headphone jack on the TV. For details, refer to the
  manuals of the TV.
- The TV and BD/DVD input jacks support the following audio signals.
- PCM (2ch)
- Dolby Digital (up to 5.1 channels)
- DTS Digital Surround (up to 5.1 channels)
- · See the following pages for details on other connections.

For analog and portable devices (p.10).

For an external subwoofer (p.13).

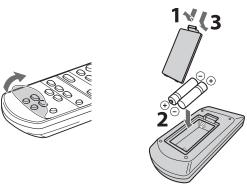
#### Sound bar (rear)



## **Operations**

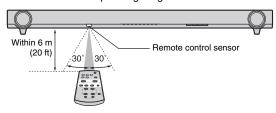
## Preparing the remote control

Peel off the protection sheet before use.



## Operating range of the remote control

Remain within the operating range shown below.



### **Indicators**

The indicators on the front panel flash or light up, to indicate the operation and setting status.



## **Input keys**

Select an input source to be played back.

TV .....TV audio

BD/DVD.....Audio from a device connected to

the BD/DVD input iack

ANALOG ...... Audio from a device connected to the ANALOG input jack

PORTABLE ..... Audio from a device connected to

the PORTABLE input jack

**BLUETOOTH** .. Audio from a *Bluetooth* connected device

The indicator for the selected input source lights up. (Example: when TV is selected)

BD/DVD ANALOG PORTABLE BLUETOOTH

#### HINT

- To play audio of the playback device connected to the TV or to watch videos of the playback device, set the TV's input source to the playback device.
- For details on Bluetooth connection, refer to "Listening to the sound from a BLUETOOTH device" (p.8).

### **SUBWOOFER** keys (+/-)

Adjust the volume of the subwoofer.

Volume down (–) Volume up (+)

### **VOLUME** keys (+/-)

Adjust the volume of the sound bar.

※ ※ ※ ※ 。 Volume down (–) Volume up (+)

# SUBWOOFER VOLUME MUTE LEARN REPEATER TV REMOTE CONTROL

**EXAMARA** 

PORTABLE BLUETOOTH

SURROUND

RD/DVD

CLEAR UNI AUDIO VOICE VOLUME DELAY

BLUETOOTH STANDBY

**STEREO** 

### **LEARN** key

Sets the sound bar to the TV remote control learning mode (p.11).

## **REPEATER key**

Enables/disables the TV Remote Repeater function (p.13).

### Remote control signal transmitter

Transmits infrared signals.

## () (power) key

Turns on or off (standby) the sound bar.

Green (turned on)

STATUS Red (Bluetooth standby)

STATUS Off (turned off)

### **BLUETOOTH STANDBY key**

Enables/disables the Bluetooth standby mode. (p.9).

### **SURROUND and STEREO keys**

Switch between surround and stereo (2-channel) playback. When surround playback is selected, you can enjoy a realistic sound effect using Yamaha's exclusive AIR SURROUND XTREME.

SURROUND

SURROUND Lights up (surround playback)

**STEREO** 

SURROUND Off (stereo playback)

#### HINT

• When 2-channel stereo signals are played in surround. the PLII indicator lights up.

□ PLI Lights up (Dolby Pro Logic II)

## **MUTE key**

Mutes the audio output. Press the key again to unmute.











## **CLEAR VOICE key**

Enables/disables the clear voice function. When this function is enabled, you can enjoy clear voice sounds while watching movies, TV dramas, news programs or sports programs.

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Flash 3 times (enabled), flash once (disabled)

### **UNIVOLUME** kev

Enables/disables the UniVolume function. When this function is enabled, consistent volume is maintained between channels, programs, commercials and sound sources.

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Flash 3 times (enabled), flash once (disabled)

#### HINT

 The UniVolume function is automatically disabled when BLUETOOTH or PORTABLE is selected as the input source.

### **AUDIO DELAY key**

Adjusts the audio delay to synchronize the sound with the video when the video image on the TV may seem delayed with respect to the sound. Follow the procedure below to adjust the audio delay.

1 Hold down AUDIO DELAY for more than 3 seconds.

The left most indicator flashes.

2 Press SUBWOOFER to adjust the audio delay.

Smaller delay (-) Larger delay (+)

3 To finish the adjustment, press AUDIO DELAY.

• The adjustment will be finished automatically if no operations are performed for 20 seconds.

#### **Decoder indication**

The sound bar supports the following audio signals. You can check the type of the input audio signal by the color of the indicator.

> Green (Dolby Digital), Red (DTS Digital Surround) Off (PCM)

## **Auto-sleep function**

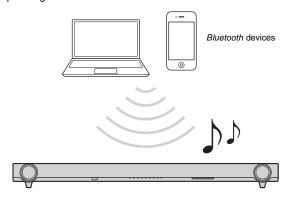
The sound bar will be automatically turned off when one of the following conditions is met.

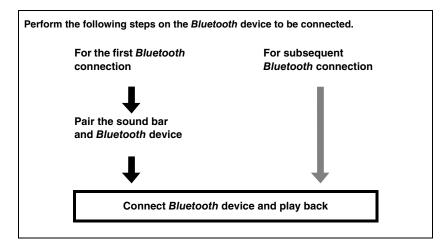
- · No operations for 8 hours
- No audio input and no operations for 30 minutes

## Listening to the sound from a **BLUETOOTH** device

You can listen to the wireless sound from a Bluetooth device, such as a smartphone or digital music player.

See also the operating manual of the *Bluetooth* device for more details.





## Pairing a Bluetooth device with the sound bar

When connecting to a Bluetooth device for the first time, "pairing" between the device and sound bar is required. Once "pairing" is completed, subsequent connection will be made automatically.

Press the BLUETOOTH key on the supplied remote control to select Bluetooth as the input source.

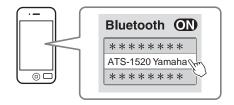
The BLUETOOTH indicator on the front panel lights up in green.

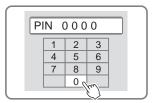


**2** Turn on the *Bluetooth* compatible device to be paired, and perform pairing.

The operation varies depending on the device. Refer to the operation manual of the device.

Select "ATS-1520 Yamaha" in the Bluetooth device list on the device. If a passkey (PIN) is required, enter the number "0000".





#### NOTE

- Perform pairing with the Bluetooth device and sound bar within 10 meters (33 ft) of each other.
- Up to eight Bluetooth devices can be pairing with the sound bar. If a ninth device is paired, the oldest pairing information is deleted.
- If pairing information for a device is deleted, to use that device again, pairing of the device is required
- If a Bluetooth device is already connected to the sound bar, terminate that Bluetooth connection, then perform pairing with the new device.
- Refer to "Troubleshooting" (p.15) for troubleshooting *Bluetooth* connection.

# Playing back audio from a *Bluetooth* device on the sound bar

1 Press the BLUETOOTH key on the supplied remote control to select Bluetooth as the input source.

The BLUETOOTH indicator on the front panel lights up in green.

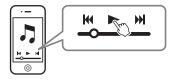


### 2 Turn on the Bluetooth device.

When *Bluetooth* connection is made correctly, the BLUETOOTH indicator of the sound bar flashes 3 times.



## **3** Play back a song on the device.



#### NOTE

- Perform Bluetooth connection with the device and sound bar within 10 meters (33 ft) of each other.
- It may be necessary to select "ATS-1520 Yamaha" in the Bluetooth device list again, in the event that a
  connection problem occurs. You may have to change the output setting to output audio to the unit,
  depending on the Bluetooth device you are using.
- Adjust the volume level of the Bluetooth device as required.
- If a Bluetooth device is already connected to the unit, terminate that Bluetooth connection, then connect
  with the new device.

## Terminating Bluetooth connection

*Bluetooth* connection is terminated in the following cases. When the *Bluetooth* connection is terminated, the BLUETOOTH indicator flashes once.

- . The Bluetooth compatible device is turned off.
- The BLUETOOTH key is pressed for more than 3 seconds.
- . The sound bar is turned off.

## Using the Bluetooth standby mode

The *Bluetooth* standby mode allows you to turn on (or off) the sound bar automatically, that interlocked by the operation of the *Bluetooth* device.

#### How to set

## With the sound bar turned on, hold down the BLUETOOTH STANDBY key for more than 3 seconds.

Holding down the BLUETOOTH STANDBY key for 3 seconds each time toggles the mode between enabled and disabled.



When the *Bluetooth* standby mode is enabled and the sound bar is turned off, the STATUS indicator lights up in red.



#### Functions available on Bluetooth devices with Bluetooth standby mode enabled

#### Power on interlock function (when the sound bar is turned off)

When *Bluetooth* connection is made on the device, the sound bar will turn on and will be ready to play back sound from the device.

#### Power off interlock function (when the sound bar is turned on)

The sound bar will be turned off when *Bluetooth* connection is terminated on a *Bluetooth* device. (Only when BLUETOOTH is selected as the input source.)

## **Using the Home Theater Controller application**

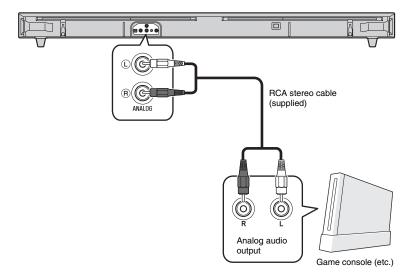
By installing the dedicated free application "Home Theater Controller" to a *Bluetooth* device, such as a smartphone, you can perform various operations easily and conveniently with the *Bluetooth* device. (Setting items: basic operation, sound-field, sound adjustments)

For details on "Home Theater Controller", see the product information on our website.

# Listening to the sound from external devices

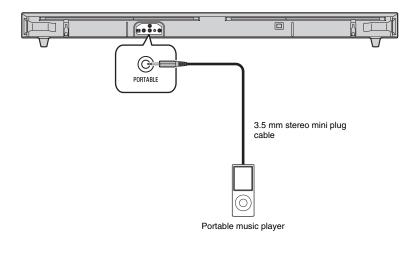
# Analog connection of an external device (game console)

You can connect an external device, such as a game console, to the ANALOG input jacks of the sound bar with an RCA stereo cable.



## Analog connection of a portable device

You can connect a portable device, such as a portable music player, to the PORTABLE input jacks of the sound bar with a 3.5 mm stereo mini plug cable.



#### NOTE

- . Make sure the left (L) and right (R) channels are connected correctly.
- · Select the ANALOG key on the remote control for the input source.

#### NOTE

- Select the PORTABLE key on the remote control for the input source.
- · Adjust the volume level of the portable device as required.

## **Settings**

## Controlling the sound bar with TV remote control (TV remote control learning function)

You can use the TV remote control to turn on/off the sound bar or adjust its volume by having the sound bar learn the TV remote control signals.

#### NOTE

- . This function is available only when your TV remote control uses infrared signals.
- Depending on the installation conditions or settings of the sound bar, both the sound bar and TV will receive the TV remote control signals and operate simultaneously.
- Turn off the TV and sound bar.
- Hold down the LEARN key on the supplied remote control for more than 3 seconds to set the sound bar to the learning mode.

When the sound bar is in the learning mode, the indicators on the front panel flash as shown below.



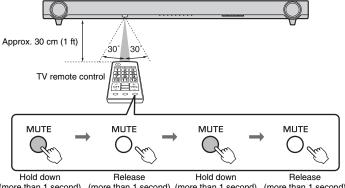


#### NOTE

- . Steps 3 to 6 require only the TV remote control and the keys on the front panel of the sound bar. The remote control of the sound bar is not necessary.
- Make the sound bar learn the mute operation.
- Press INPUT on the front panel of the sound bar.



3-2 While pointing your TV remote control at the remote control sensor, hold down the mute key for more than 1 second twice or three times.



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Result	Bleep/buzzer	Indicators
Successfully learned	Once	Lights up
Learning has failed * Repeat from Step 3-1.	Twice	Flash

- Make the sound bar learn the volume (-) operation.
- Press VOLUME (-) on the front panel of the sound bar.



4-2 While pointing your TV remote control at the remote control sensor, hold down the volume (-) key for more than 1 second twice or three times.

Result	Bleep/buzzer	Indicators		
Successfully learned	Once	Lights up	_	
Learning has failed * Repeat from Step 4-1.	Twice	Flash	_	

Continued -

- 5 Make the sound bar learn the volume (+) operation.
- 5-1 Press VOLUME (+) on the front panel of the sound bar.



5-2 While pointing your TV remote control at the remote control sensor, hold down the volume (+) key for more than 1 second twice or three times.

Result	Bleep/buzzer			ln	dicato	rs		
Successfully learned	Once	漴			   _ights up		淤	
Learning has failed * Repeat from Step 5-1.	Twice		崇	- ' '	ash	崇		

- **6** Make the sound bar learn the power operation.
- 6-1 Press () (power) on the front panel of the sound bar.



6-2 While pointing your TV remote control at the remote control sensor, hold down the power key for more than 1 second twice or three times.

Result	Bleep/buzzer		ln	dicato	rs		
Successfully learned	Once	* -			   Lights u	/ \	
Learning has failed * Repeat from Step 6-1.	Twice	* *		ash	崇		

To finish the learning mode, press the LEARN or (1) (power) key on the supplied remote control.

This completes the necessary settings. Now you can operate the sound bar with the TV remote control's power key or volume keys.

#### HINT

- The learning mode will be finished automatically if no operations are performed for 5 minutes.
- Set the TV volume to minimum. When you turn up the volume of the sound bar with the TV remote
  control, the volume of the TV may be turned up at the same time. In this case, follow Step 3 in
  "Connections" (p.5) to change the TV setting.

## **Clearing all learned operations**

1 With the sound bar turned off, hold down the LEARN key on the supplied remote control for more than 3 seconds. (for entering the learning mode)

When the sound bar is in the learning mode, the indicators on the front panel flash as shown below.



2 Hold down INPUT on the front panel of the sound bar for more than 3 seconds.



If the clearing is completed, you will hear the bleep sound three times.

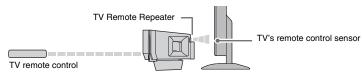
**3** Press the LEARN or (<sup>l</sup>) (power) key on the supplied remote control.

## Controlling the TV via the sound bar (when the TV's remote control sensor is blocked)

When the TV Remote Repeater function is enabled, the sound bar receives TV remote control signals at the TV remote control sensor (on front) and transmits the signals from the TV Remote Repeater (on rear). This function is useful when you cannot operate your TV from the remote control because the remote control sensor of the TV is blocked by the sound bar.

#### NOTE

• This function is available only when your TV remote control uses infrared signals.



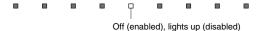
- Turn on the sound bar.
- Hold down the REPEATER key on the supplied remote control for more than 3 seconds to enable/disable the TV Remote Repeater function.



This completes the necessary settings. When the TV Remote Repeater function is enabled, you can operate your TV from the TV remote control via the sound bar.

#### HINT

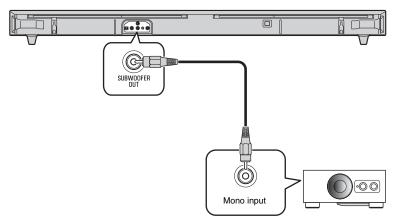
- The TV Remote Repeater function is disabled by default.
- If the power cable of the sound bar is connected to an AC wall outlet and when the TV Remote Repeater function is enabled, the function is usable even when the sound bar is turned off.
- If you have made the sound bar learn the volume (+) operation (p.12), the volume of the TV may be turned up when you turn up the volume of the sound bar with the TV remote control. In this case, follow Step 3 in "Connections" (p.5) to change the TV setting.
- You can check the status of the TV Remote Repeater function by the center indicator when turning on the sound bar.



## Using an external subwoofer

The sound bar has dual built-in subwoofers; however, you can connect an external subwoofer. Perform the following steps to change the setting when using an external subwoofer.

Connect the sound bar to the external subwoofer with a pin cable.

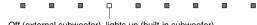


With the sound bar turned off, hold down the SUBWOOFER (-) key on the supplied remote control for more than 5 seconds.



The sound bar turns on and the external subwoofer is selected.

You can check the status of the subwoofer setting by the ANALOG indicator when turning on the sound bar.



Off (external subwoofer), lights up (built-in subwoofer)

To select the built-in subwoofers again, hold down the SUBWOOFER (+) key of the remote control for more than 5 seconds.

#### NOTE

- . The default output setting is for the built-in subwoofers.
- The built-in subwoofer and external subwoofer cannot be used simultaneously.
- Use an external subwoofer with built-in amplifier.

## Initializing the settings of the sound bar

Follow the procedure below to initialize the sound bar.

- 1 Turn off the sound bar.
- Hold down () (power) on the front panel of the sound bar for more than 3 seconds.



## **Troubleshooting**

Refer to the table below when the unit does not function properly. If the problem you are experiencing is not listed below or if the instructions below do not help, turn off the unit, disconnect the power cable, and contact the nearest authorized Yamaha dealer or service center.

First, check the following:

- (1) The power cables of the sound bar, TV and playback devices (such as BD players) are connected to AC wall outlets securely.
- 2) The sound bar, TV and playback devices (such as BD players) are turned on.
- 3 The connectors of each cable are securely inserted in to jacks on each device.

## **Power and system**

Problem	Cause	Remedy
The power turns off immediately.	The auto-sleep function worked. The sound bar will be automatically turned off when one of the following conditions is met No operations for 8 hours - No audio input and no operations for 30 minutes	
	The internal microcomputer is frozen, due to an external electric shock (such as lightning or excessive static electricity) or to a drop in the power supply voltage.	Hold down (b) (power) on the front panel of the sound bar for more than 10 seconds to reboot it. (If the problem persists, disconnect the power cable from the AC wall outlet and plug it again.)
The power cannot be turned on.	The protection circuitry has been activated three times consecutively. (If you try to turn on the power in this condition, the STATUS indicator flashes.)	For product protection, the power cannot be turned on. Unplug the power cable from the AC wall outlet and contact the nearest authorized Yamaha dealer or service center.
The sound bar is not reacting.	The internal microcomputer is frozen, due to an external electric shock (such as lightning or excessive static electricity) or to a drop in the power supply voltage.	Hold down (b) (power) on the front panel of the sound bar for more than 10 seconds to reboot it. (If the problem persists, disconnect the power cable from the AC wall outlet and plug it again.)
The sound bar operates by itself.	Another <i>Bluetooth</i> device is being operated nearby.	Terminate <i>Bluetooth</i> connection of the sound bar and connect the sound bar and device again.

TV's 3D glasses do not work.		Check the position of the 3D glasses transmitter of your TV and adjust the position of the sound bar. If necessary, remove the stands of the sound bar
		(p.4).

#### **Audio**

Problem	Cause	Remedy
No sound.	Another input source is selected.	Select an appropriate input source (p.6).
	The mute function is activated.	Cancel the mute function (p.7).
	The volume is too low.	Turn up the volume (p.6).
No sound is coming from the	The volume of the subwoofer is too low.	Turn up the volume of the subwoofer (p.6).
subwoofer.	The playback source does not contain low-frequency signals.	
	The subwoofer setting is not correct.	With the sound bar turns off, hold down the SUBWOOFER key (+ or -) on the remote control for more than 5 seconds to switch the subwoofer setting (p.13).
The volume decreases when the sound bar is turned on.	The automatic volume adjustment function worked.To prevent excessive loudness, the sound bar automatically controls its volume within a certain level when the sound bar is turned on.	If necessary, turn up the volume (p.6).
No surround	Stereo playback is selected.	Select surround playback (p.7).
effect.	The volume is too low.	Turn up the volume (p.6).
	The TV or playback device is set to output 2-channel audio (such as PCM) only.	Change the digital audio output setting on the TV or playback device.
Noise is heard.	The sound bar is too close to another digital or high-frequency device.	Move those devices away from the sound bar.

## **Remote control**

Problem	Cause	Remedy
The sound bar cannot be	The sound bar is out of the operating range.	Use the remote control within the operating range (p.6).
controlled using the remote	The batteries are weak.	Replace with new batteries (p.6).
control.	The remote control sensor of the sound bar is exposed to direct sunlight or strong lighting.	Adjust the lighting angle, or reposition the sound bar.
The TV cannot be controlled using the TV remote control.	The remote control sensor of the TV is blocked by the sound bar.	Use the TV Remote Repeater function (p.13) or remove the stands of the sound bar so that the TV remote control sensor is not blocked (p.4).
	There may be any problem with the TV or TV remote control.	Refer to the manuals of the TV.
The TV cannot be controlled by using the TV Remote Repeater function.	The TV Remote Repeater function is disabled.	Enable the TV Remote Repeater function (p.13).
	The TV remote control does not use infrared signals. (Some remote controls may not work even if it uses infrared signals.)	The TV Remote Repeater function cannot be used in this case. Adjust the position of the sound bar so that the remote control sensor of the TV is not blocked by the sound bar and use the TV remote control to operate the TV.
	The sound bar and TV are too close or too far from one another.	Move the sound bar away from the TV more than 50 mm (2") (p.4). If necessary, remove or attach the stands of the sound bar (p.4).
	There is any obstacle (such as cables) between the sound bar and TV.	Remove the obstacle between the sound bar and TV.

The sound bar does not learn	The TV remote control key was not held down long enough.	Hold down the key for more than 1 second twice or three times (p.11).
TV remote control operations.	The TV remote control does not use infrared signals. (Some remote controls may not work even if it uses infrared signals.)	The TV remote control learning function cannot be used in this case. Use the supplied remote control to operate the sound bar.
	The position where you operated the TV remote control is not appropriate.	Operate the TV remote control at the appropriate position (p.11).
	The batteries of the TV remote control are weak.	Replace with new batteries.
	The remote control sensor of the sound bar is exposed to direct sunlight or strong lighting.	Adjust the lighting angle, or reposition the sound bar.
	The transmission of the remote control signal was disturbed by the TV screen light.	Turn off the TV and perform the learning operation again (p.11).
Sound is coming from the TV when the sound bar volume is turned up with the TV remote control. (when TV remote control learning function is used)	Audio output is enabled on the TV.	Change the TV setting to disable the TV speaker output. If a setting to disable the speaker output is not available on your TV, try the following methods.  - Connect headphones to the headphone jack on the TV.  - Set the TV volume to minimum.
The power of the sound bar and of the TV switch in the opposite direction. (For example, the TV is turned off if the sound bar is turned on.) (when TV remote control learning function is used)	The power of the TV was on when you performed the learning operation.	Press the power key on the TV and (b) (power) on the front panel of the sound bar to turn on them and then press the power key on the TV remote control to turn off them.

## Bluetooth

Problem	Cause	Remedy
Cannot make the sound bar paired	BLUETOOTH is not selected as the input source.	Select BLUETOOTH as the input source.
with the  Bluetooth  device.	The device does not support A2DP.	Perform pairing operations with a device which supports A2DP.
device.	A <i>Bluetooth</i> adaptor, etc. that you want to pair with the sound bar has a password other than "0000".	Use a <i>Bluetooth</i> adaptor, etc. whose password is "0000".
	The sound bar and device are too far apart.	Move the device closer to the sound bar.
	There is a device (microwave oven, wireless LAN, etc.) outputs signals in the 2.4 GHz frequency band nearby.	Move this unit away from the device that is emitting radio frequency signals.
	Another <i>Bluetooth</i> device is connected.	Terminate current <i>Bluetooth</i> connection, and perform pairing with the new device.
Cannot make a Bluetooth connection.	Another <i>Bluetooth</i> device is connected.	The sound bar cannot make multiple Bluetooth connections. Terminate current Bluetooth connection, and make connection for the desired device.
	More than nine devices are paired and the oldest pairing information is deleted.	Perform pairing again. The sound bar can retain pairing information for up to eight devices. When pairing a ninth device, the oldest pairing information will be deleted.

No sound is produced or the sound is	The <i>Bluetooth</i> connection of the sound bar with the device is disconnected.	Perform <i>Bluetooth</i> connection operations again (p.8).	
interrupted during playback.	The sound bar and device are too far apart.	Move the device closer to the sound bar.	
	There is a device (microwave oven, wireless LAN, etc.) outputs signals in the 2.4 GHz frequency band nearby.	Move this unit away from the device that is emitting radio frequency signals.	
	The device's <i>Bluetooth</i> function is off.	Activate the <i>Bluetooth</i> function of the device.	
	The device is not set to send Bluetooth audio signals to the sound bar.	Check that the <i>Bluetooth</i> function of the device is set properly.	
	Playback on the device has not been performed.	Perform playback on the device.	
	The device's volume is set to minimum.	Turn up the volume level.	

## **Specifications**

Item		Sound Bar (ATS-1520)
Amplifier Section	Maximum Rated Output Power	Front L/R 30 W x 2 ch
		Subwoofer 60 W
Front Speaker Section	Туре	Acoustic suspension type (Non-magnetic shielding type)
	Driver	6.5 cm (2-1/2") cone x 2
	Frequency Response	150 Hz to 22 kHz
Subwoofer Section	Туре	Bass reflex type (Non-magnetic shielding type)
	Driver	8.5 cm (3-1/4") cone x 2
	Frequency Response	45 Hz to 150 Hz
Decoder	Supported audio signal (TV, BD/ DVD)	PCM (2ch) Dolby Digital DTS Digital Surround
Input Jacks	Digital (Optical)	1 (TV)
	Digital (Coaxial)	1 (BD/DVD)
	Analog (RCA)	1 (ANALOG)
	Analog (Mini-plug)	1 (PORTABLE)
Output Jack	Analog (RCA)	1 (SUBWOOFER OUT)
Bluetooth	Bluetooth version	Ver. 2.1 +EDR
	Supported protocols	A2DP
	Supported codecs	SBC, AAC
	Wireless output	Bluetooth Class 2
	Maximum communication distance	10 m ([33 ft] without obstructions)

General	Power Supply	U.S.A. and Canada models: AC 120 V, 60Hz Taiwan model: AC 110 V, 60Hz Other models: AC 220—240 V, 50/60Hz
	Power Consumption	22 W
	Standby Power Consumption	Less than 0.5 W
	Dimensions (W x H x D)	1200 x 90 x 128 mm (not including stands and brackets) (47-1/4" x 3-1/2" x 5")
		1200 x 108 x 136 mm (including stands and brackets) (47-1/4" x 4-1/4" x 5-3/8")
	Weight	4.8 kg (10.6 lbs)

<sup>\*</sup> Specifications are subject to change without notice.



This system employs new technologies and algorithms that make it possible to achieve 7-channel surround sound with only front speakers, and without using wall reflections.

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#### Bluetooth

• Bluetooth is a technology for wireless communication between devices within an area of about 10 meters (33 ft) employing the 2.4 GHz frequency band, a band which can be used without a license.

#### Handling Bluetooth communications

- The 2.4 GHz band used by Bluetooth compatible devices is a radio band shared by many types of equipment. While Bluetooth compatible devices use a technology minimizing the influence of other components using the same radio band, such influence may reduce the speed or distance of communications and in some cases interrupt communications.
- The speed of signal transfer and the distance at which communications is possible differs according to the distance between the communicating devices, the presence of obstacles, radio wave conditions and type of equipment.
- Yamaha does not guarantee all wireless connections between this unit and devices compatible with *Bluetooth* function.

