Model T309
Alarm Clock Radio with
Digital Tuning and Nature Sounds

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

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

The lightning flash with arrowhead in an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user of the presence of uninsulated “dangerous voltage” within the product’s enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock.

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

The symbols above are located at the bottom of the cabinet.

CAUTION: To prevent electric shock, do not use this polarized plug with an extension cord receptacle or other outlets unless the blades can be fully inserted to prevent blade exposure.

ATTENTION: Pour prévenir les chocs électriques ne pas utiliser cette fiche polarisée avec un prolongateur. Une prise de courant, ou une autre sortie de courant sauf si les lames peuvent être insérées à fond sans en laisser aucune partie à découvert.

This device complies with part 15 of the Federal Communications Commission Rules. Operation is subject to the condition that this device does not cause harmful interference.


A Consumer Guide to Product Safety

When used in the directed manner, this unit has been designed and manufactured to ensure your personal safety. However, improper use can result in potential electrical shock or fire hazards. Please read all safety and operating instructions carefully before installation and use, and keep these instructions handy for future reference. Take special note of all warnings listed in these instructions and on the unit.

1. **Water and Moisture** – The unit should not be used near water. For example: near a bathtub, washbowl, kitchen sink, laundry tub, swimming pool or in a wet basement.

2. **Ventilation** – The unit should be situated so that its location or position does not interfere with its proper ventilation. For example, it should not be situated on a bed, sofa, rug or similar surface that may block ventilation openings. Also, it should not be placed in a built-in installation, such as a bookcase or cabinet, that may impede the flow of air through the ventilation openings.

3. **Heat** – The unit should be situated away from heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves or other appliances (including amplifiers) that produce heat.

4. **Power Sources** – The unit should be connected to a power supply only of the type described in the operating instructions or as marked on the appliance itself.

5. **Grounding or Polarization** – This product is equipped with a polarized alternating-current line plug (a plug having one blade wider than the other). As a safety feature this plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. If you are unable to fit the plug into the outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug still fails to fit, contact your electrician to replace your obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of your polarized plug by forcing the plug into the outlet.

6. **Power-Cord Protection** – Power supply cords should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them. It is always best to have a clear area from where the cord exits the unit to where it is plugged into an AC outlet.

7. **Cleaning** – The unit should be cleaned only as recommended. See the Maintenance section of this manual for cleaning instructions.

8. **Objects and Liquid Entry** – Care should be taken so that objects do not fall and liquids are not spilled into any openings or vents located on the product.

9. **Attachments** – Do not use attachments not recommended by the product manufacturer.

10. **Lightning and Power Surge Protection** – Unplug the unit from the wall outlet during a lightning storm or when it is left unattended and unused for long periods of time. This will prevent damage to the product due to lightning and power-line surges.

11. **Overloading** – Do not overload wall outlets, extension cords, or integral convenience receptacles as this can result in fire or electric shock.

12. **Damage Requiring Service** – The unit should be serviced by qualified service personnel when:
   - the power supply cord or plug has been damaged.
   - objects have fallen into or liquid has been spilled into the enclosure.
   - the unit has been exposed to rain.
   - the unit has been dropped or the enclosure damaged.
   - the unit exhibits a marked change in performance or does not operate normally.

13. **Antenna** – Do not connect an external antenna to the unit.

14. **Periods of Nonuse** – If the unit is to be left unused for an extended period of time, such as a month or longer, the power cord should be unplugged from the unit to prevent damage or corrosion.

15. **Servicing** – The user should not attempt to service the unit beyond those methods described in the user’s operating instructions. Service methods not covered in the operating instructions should be referred to qualified service personnel.

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Installation and Maintenance

Installation

1. Remove the unit and all packing materials from the carton. You should save packing materials in case unit needs to be returned for service. If you do not wish to save the materials, please dispose of them properly.
2. Place the unit on a stable, level surface, close to an AC outlet, out of direct sunlight, and away from sources of dust, dirt, heat, water, moisture, vibration, and strong magnetic fields.
3. After installing the batteries (see below) and reading the Maintenance notes, plug the AC cord into an outlet.

“Sure Alarm” Battery Backup Installation

It is strongly recommended that 2 “AAA” batteries be installed into the unit, as directed below, to activate the “Sure Alarm” battery backup feature. In the event that the AC power cord is disconnected or a power failure or other interruption occurs, the “Sure Alarm” system will maintain the clock and alarm settings for the life of the batteries, ensuring that the alarm will sound at the set time (note: while operating on battery power, all set alarms will sound as a buzzer). When power has been restored, the clock will cease using the battery power, and will once again operate on AC power.

1. Gently turn the unit over and remove the battery compartment door.
2. Install 2 "AAA" batteries (alkaline batteries are recommended for longer life) into the battery compartment, making sure that the + and - ends match up with those inside the compartment.
3. Slide the battery compartment door back on, making sure the door locks into place, and gently return the unit to its upright position.

Maintenance

1. Place the unit on a level surface away from direct sunlight or sources of excessive heat.
2. Protect your furniture when placing the unit on natural wood or wood with a lacquered finish. A cloth or other protective material should be placed between the unit and the furniture.
3. Clean the casing with a soft cloth moistened only with mild soap and water. Stronger cleaning agents, such as thinner or similar agents, are not recommended, as they may damage the surface of the case.
4. If the unit is not to be used for a prolonged period, such as a month or longer, remove the batteries to prevent possible corrosion. Should the battery compartment become corroded or dirty, clean the compartment thoroughly and replace the batteries.
Controls and Indicators

1. Off/Reset Button
2. Nature Sounds Button
3. Radio On/Sleep Button
4. Snooze/Dimmer Bar
5. Time Set Button
6. Date Set / 7-5-2 Button
7. Sleep Volume Button
8. Radio Band Button
9. Memory Set 1-6 Buttons
10. Reverse/Tuning Button
11. Radio Alarm Button
12. Sounds Alarm Button
13. Buzzer Alarm Button
14. Forward/Tuning Button
15. Enter Button
LCD Display With Indicators

Buzzer Alarm Indicator
Radio Alarm Indicator
Nature Sounds Alarm Indicator
7-5-2 Alarm Settings
PM Indicator
Clock
Sleep Timer
Radio Band Indicator
Radio Frequency / Calendar Display / Nature Sounds Indicator

7-5-2 Alarm Settings

Battery Low Indicator
Sleep Volume Indicator

19:08 AM

SLEEP

DATE

YEAR

38-08

FM 1

FM 2

EVERYDAY

MON-FRI

SAT-SUN

BUZZER

RADIO

SOUNDS
Setting the Clock and Calendar

Setting the Clock
1. Press and hold the \textbf{6} Time Set Button until the display begins flashing.
2. Press the \textbf{10} Reverse or \textbf{14} Forward Button to set the time. Holding a button for a few seconds will advance or reverse the time rapidly. Set the correct AM/PM time, shown by the \textbf{PM Indicator} on the display.
3. After setting the time, press the \textbf{15} Enter Button or wait about ten seconds for the unit to beep twice and the display to return to the normal mode.

Setting the Calendar
1. It is important to set the correct date in order to use the 7-5-2 Alarm settings. Press and hold the \textbf{6} Date Set/7-5-2 Button until the display flashes and the year replaces the month/day at the bottom of the display.
2. Press the \textbf{10} Reverse or \textbf{14} Forward Button to set the correct year, and then press the \textbf{15} Enter Button. The unit will beep and the display will show the month and day. Again, press the \textbf{10} Reverse or \textbf{14} Forward Button to set the current date.
3. After setting the date, press the \textbf{15} Enter Button or wait ten seconds to return to the normal display mode.

Adjusting the Display Backlight

• This alarm clock radio features an adjustable display backlight, with dim, medium, and bright settings. To select a backlight setting, press the \textbf{4} Snooze/Dimmer Bar until the desired brightness is reached.
Operating the Radio

1. Press the Radio On/Sleep Button once to turn on the radio. The display will show the word “On” before returning to the clock display. The bottom of the display will show the digital radio frequency.

   **Note:** If the Radio On/Sleep Button is pressed more than once, the unit will enter the sleep mode, with the radio operating on a timer. See Sleeping to Radio with Timer for more information about this feature.

2. Press the Radio Band Button to select a radio band. There are two FM bands (to be used when programming preset radio station settings) and one AM band.

3. Press the Reverse / Forward Tuning Buttons to find a station to listen to. To scan the radio stations, hold a button for about three seconds. The radio will rapidly advance to the next strong signal.

4. You may also use the Memory Set 1-6 Buttons to select a preset radio station. See the Programming Radio Station Settings section below for instructions on programming these settings.

5. Adjust the volume using the Volume Thumbwheel, located on the back of the unit.

6. Press the Off/Reset Button to turn the radio off. The bottom of the display will show the calendar setting.

Programming Radio Station Settings

The radio features 18 programmable radio station settings so you can access your favorite stations quickly.

1. Tune to the first station you wish to program into your preset station settings.
2. Press and hold one of the six Memory Set 1-6 Buttons to program the station into that memory slot. When the unit beeps, the station setting has been saved.
3. You may continue programming a total of 18 stations into memory: six each into the two FM bands and six into the AM band. To edit a setting, simply program a new frequency into that memory slot.

Antenna Information and Adjustment

**FM** – Extend the FM wire antenna to its full length and vary the direction to its strongest signal.

**AM** – The AM bar antenna is located inside the cabinet. Rotate the unit until you find the strongest AM signal.

Last Station Memory

The tuner always remembers the last station selected before the radio was switched off, and automatically selects the station again when the radio is turned on.
Sleeping to Radio or Nature Sounds with Timer

Sleeping to the Radio with Timer

Note: For more information about playing the radio, see the Listening to the Radio section of this manual.

1. Press the Radio On/Sleep Button twice to enter the sleep mode.

2. Continue pressing the Radio On/Sleep Button to select a 90-, 60-, 30-, or 15-minute sleep time. When the display shows the desired sleep time, stop pressing the button. The sleep timer setting remains active for approximately ten seconds before returning to the standard clock display. The Sleep Volume Indicator will appear, showing that the radio timer has been activated.

3. Select a radio station using the AM/FM Band Button and either the Memory Set 1-6 Buttons or the Reverse / Forward Tuning Buttons.

4. Press the Sleep Volume Button to adjust the sleep volume to a comfortable level without affecting the alarm volume. The Sleep Volume Indicator will show the current sleep volume level. Turning the Volume Thumbwheel will also adjust the sleep volume, though this will also change the alarm volume.

5. The radio will play for the programmed sleep time and then shut off. To check how much sleep time is remaining, press the Radio On/Sleep Button once.

6. To turn off the radio before the sleep time has elapsed, press the Off/Reset Button.

Sleeping to Nature Sounds with Timer

1. Press the Nature Sounds Button twice to enter the sleep sounds mode. This sets the sleep timer to the 90-minute setting. The sleep timer setting remains in the display for approximately ten seconds before returning to the standard display. The Nature Sounds Indicator will be visible in the LCD display.

2. Continue pressing the Nature Sounds Button to select a 90-, 60-, 30-, or 15-minute sleep timer.

3. Press the Reverse / Forward Tuning Buttons to select one of the four nature sounds.

4. Press the Sleep Volume Button to find a comfortable sleep volume. The Sleep Volume Indicator will show the current sleep volume level. Adjusting the sleep volume in this way will not affect the alarm volume.

5. To turn off the nature sounds before the sleep time has elapsed, press the Off/Reset Button.

Note: To see the number of minutes remaining on the sleep timer, press the Nature Sounds Button once. The display will show the Sleep Timer for approximately ten seconds before returning to the normal mode.
Operating the Alarms

This clock radio features an alarm system with three independently operated alarms. Any combination of the three alarms can be set, including the AM/FM radio alarm, nature sound alarm, and the buzzer alarm. In addition, each alarm utilizes a 7-5-2 Advance Alarm setting that can be set in advance for a full week, Monday through Friday, or the weekend.

Setting the AM/FM Radio Alarm
1. Press and hold the Radio Alarm Button until the settings and radio frequency appear on the display.
2. Press the Reverse or Forward Button to set the alarm time.
3. Use the AM/FM Band Button or the Memory Set 1-6 Buttons to select a radio station to wake up to. For more information on programming radio stations into memory, see the Programming Radio Station Settings section of this manual. Adjust the alarm volume using the Volume Thumbwheel.
4. After setting the wake time and sound, you will need to select your 7-5-2 setting. The 7-5-2 setting lets you set the alarm for a full week, Monday through Friday, or the weekend. Before setting the alarm, be sure that you have set the date, as shown in the Setting the Clock and Calendar section. While the display is still flashing, press the Date Set/7-5-2 Button until the desired setting is shown at the top of the display.
5. After you have programmed the radio alarm, press the Enter Button or wait ten seconds to return to the clock display. The Radio Alarm Indicator will appear on the display, showing that the alarm is set.

Setting the Nature Sounds Alarm
1. Press and hold the Sounds Alarm Button until the settings and Nature Sounds Indicator appear.
2. Press the Reverse or Forward Button to set the alarm time.
3. Use the Nature Sounds Button to select a nature sound to wake to. There is a choice of four sounds:
   - Sound #1: Ocean Surf
   - Sound #2: Forest Spring
   - Sound #3: Rushing Brook
   - Sound #4: Summer Wind
5. After you have programmed the nature sounds alarm, press the Enter Button or wait ten seconds to return to the clock display. The Nature Sounds Alarm Indicator will appear on the display.
Operating the Alarms (Continued)

Setting the Buzzer Alarm
1. Press and hold the Buzzer Alarm Button until the alarm setting appears on the display.
2. Press the Reverse or Forward Button to set the alarm time.
3. See Step #4 in the Setting the AM/FM Radio Alarm section for instructions on setting the Buzzer Alarm’s 7-5-2 Advance Alarm.
4. After you have programmed the buzzer alarm, press the Enter Button or wait ten seconds to return to the clock display. The Buzzer Alarm Indicator will appear on the display, showing that the alarm is set.

Checking Your Alarm Time Settings
To check any of the three alarm settings, press one of the Alarm Buttons twice so that the settings appear on the display. The display will return to the standard clock display after a few seconds. After you have checked the setting, be sure the Alarm Indicator still appears on the display, so that the alarm will sound.

Turning Off the Alarms
1. After the alarm sounds, press the Off/Reset Button to turn off the alarm while still maintaining the programmed 7-5-2 Advance Alarm settings. To turn off an alarm and cancel its 7-5-2 settings, press its Alarm Button so that its Alarm Indicator no longer appears on the display.
2. If the Off/Reset Button is not pressed, the alarm will sound for an hour before stopping. As long as an indicator appears on the display, the alarm will sound according to the 7-5-2 Advance Alarm settings.
3. To activate the snooze feature, press the Snooze/Dimmer Bar when the alarm sounds. The alarm will shut off for approximately nine minutes before sounding again. The feature can be repeated several times during the one-hour snooze cycle.
Limited 90-Day Warranty Information

Timex Audio Products, a division of SDI Technologies Inc. (hereafter referred to as SDI Technologies), warrants this product to be free from defects in workmanship and materials, under normal use and conditions, for a period of 90 days from the date of original purchase.

Should this product fail to function in a satisfactory manner, it is best to first return it to the store where it was originally purchased. Should this fail to resolve the matter and service still be required by reason of any defect or malfunction during the warranty period, SDI Technologies will repair or, at its discretion, replace this product without charge (except for a $5.00 charge for handling, packing, return UPS/postage, and insurance). This decision is subject to verification of the defect or malfunction upon delivery of this product to the Factory Service Center listed below. The product must include proof of purchase, including date of purchase. The fee for service after the warranty period or without proof of purchase is $10.00.

Before returning this product for service, please first replace the batteries (if applicable) with fresh ones, as exhausted or defective batteries are the most common cause of problems encountered.

If service is still required:

1. Remove the batteries (if applicable) and pack the unit in a well padded, heavy corrugated box.

2. Enclose a photocopy of your sales receipt, credit card statement, or other proof of the date of purchase, if within the warranty period.

3. Enclose a check or money order payable to the order of SDI Technologies, for the sum of $5.00 ($10.00 after warranty period).

4. Send the unit prepaid and insured, to the Factory Service Center listed below.

   Consumer Repair Department
   SDI Technologies Inc.
   Timex Audio Products Division
   1401 Pullman Drive, Suite A
   El Paso, TX 79936-7726

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