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**PUNCH®**

**FULL FUNCTION WIRED  
DISPLAY HEAD**

**PMX-8DH**

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Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Purchase: \_\_\_\_\_



Installation & Operation

# Introduction

Dear Customer,

*Congratulations on your purchase of the world's finest brand of audio products. At Rockford Fosgate we are fanatics about musical reproduction at its best, and we are pleased you chose our product. Through years of engineering expertise, hand craftsmanship and critical testing procedures, we have created a wide range of products that reproduce music with all the clarity and richness you deserve.*

*For maximum performance we recommend you have your new Rockford Fosgate product installed by an Authorized Rockford Fosgate Dealer, as we provide specialized training through Rockford Technical Training Institute (RTTI). Please read your warranty and retain your receipt and original carton for possible future use.*

*Great product and competent installations are only a piece of the puzzle when it comes to your system. Make sure that your installer is using 100% authentic installation accessories from Rockford Fosgate in your installation. Rockford Fosgate has everything from RCA cables and speaker wire to power wire and battery connectors. Insist on it! After all, your new system deserves nothing but the best.*

*To add the finishing touch to your new Rockford Fosgate image, order your Rockford accessories, which include everything from T-shirts to hats.*

*Visit our web site for the latest information on all Rockford products;*

**www.rockfordfosgate.com**

or, in the U.S. call 1-800-669-9899 or FAX 1-800-398-3985. For all other countries, call +001-480-967-3565 or FAX +001-480-966-3983.

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If, after reading your manual, you still have questions regarding this product, we recommend that you see your Rockford Fosgate dealer. If you need further assistance, you can call us direct at 1-800-669-9899. Be sure to have your serial number, model number and date of purchase available when you call.

### PRACTICE SAFE SOUND

Continuous exposure to sound pressure levels over 100dB may cause permanent hearing loss. High powered auto sound systems may produce sound pressure levels well over 130dB. Use common sense and practice safe sound.

## Safety

This symbol with "WARNING" is intended to alert the user to the presence of important instructions. Failure to heed the instructions will result in severe injury or death.



This symbol with "CAUTION" is intended to alert the user to the presence of important instructions. Failure to heed the instructions can result in injury or unit damage.



To prevent injury and damage to the unit, please read and follow the instructions in this manual. We want you to enjoy this system, not get a headache.

If you feel unsure about installing this system yourself, have it installed by a qualified Rockford Fosgate technician.

Before installation, disconnect the battery negative (-) terminal to prevent damage to the unit, fire and/or possible injury.

## FCC Compliance Statement

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 more reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

Operation is subjected to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) the device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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, you are encouraged to try to correct the interference by one 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

Model	<b>PMX-8DH</b>
Operating Voltage	10.5V - 16V
Fuse Rating	N/A
Power Output	N/A
Max. RCA Output Voltage	N/A
Output Impedance	N/A
Frequency Response	N/A
FM Frequency Range	N/A
AM Frequency Range	N/A
WB Frequency Range	N/A
Tuner Presets	N/A
Clock	No Clock
Display	5" Color TFT
Bluetooth	N/A
USB Compatibility	2.0 (Firmware Updating Only)
USB Output	N/A
Audio File Compatibility	N/A
Compatible Source Units	PMX-8BB
Video Input Type	Composite
Video Input Impedance	75 ohms



CEA 2006

Power ratings on Rockford Fosgate source units conform to CEA-2006 industry standards. These guidelines mean your source unit's output power ratings are REAL POWER numbers, not inflated marketing ratings.

SUB Buttons

These buttons allow you to adjust the subwoofer output UP or DOWN (0-20).

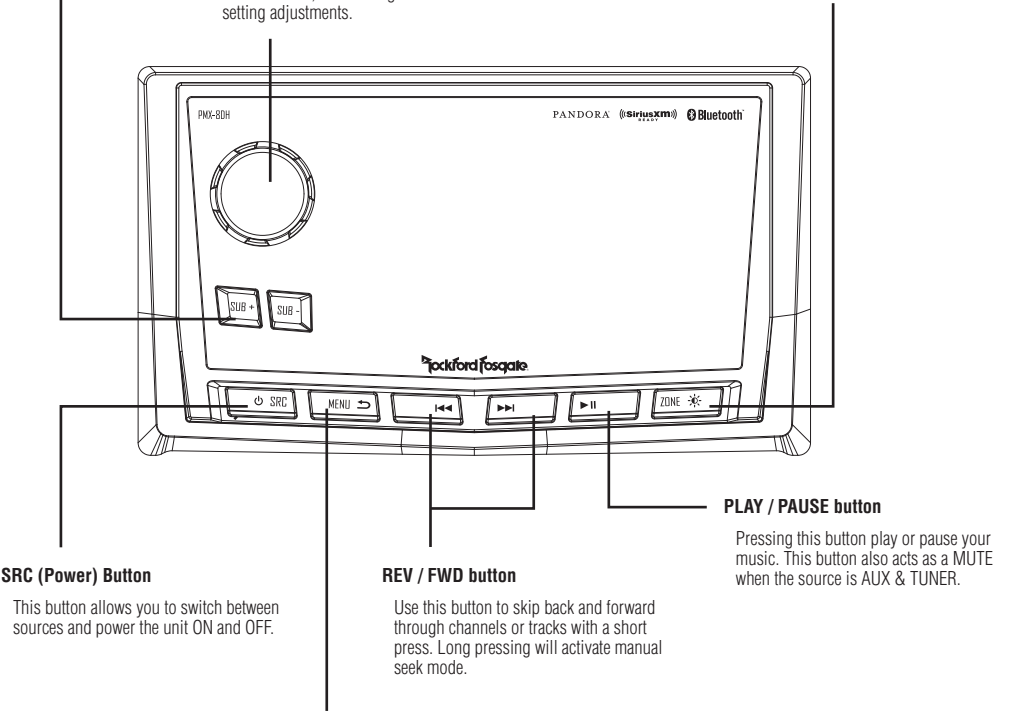
Backlit Rotary Encoder

This knob is for adjusting main volume, zone volumes, menu navigation and setting adjustments.

DIMMER / ZONE button

Long pressing this button will allow you to select between the two brightness values for the display.

Short pressing this button provides access to selecting ZONE settings for the source unit.



SRC (Power) Button

This button allows you to switch between sources and power the unit ON and OFF.

REV / FWD button

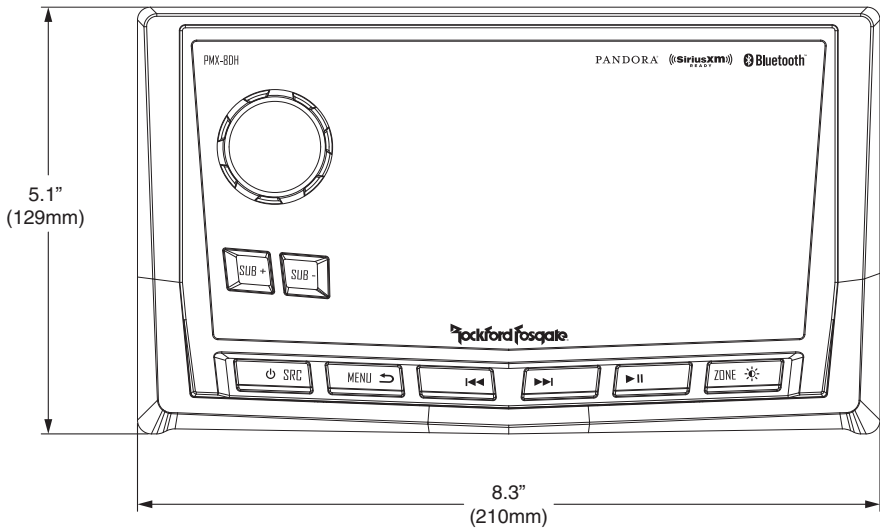
Use this button to skip back and forward through channels or tracks with a short press. Long pressing will activate manual seek mode.

PLAY / PAUSE button

Pressing this button play or pause your music. This button also acts as a MUTE when the source is AUX & TUNER.

MENU / BACK button

This button gives you access to the main settings of the unit by long pressing. Short pressing will give you access to the settings for the active source. It also acts as an BACK button when inside the MENU structure.



## SOURCE UNIT input

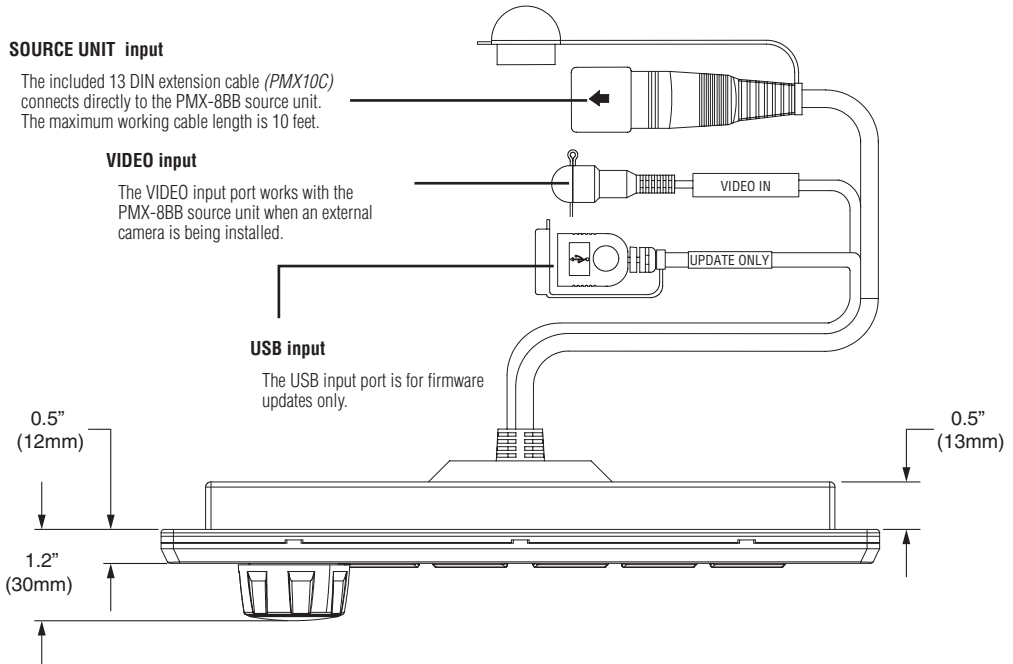
The included 13 DIN extension cable (*PMX10C*) connects directly to the PMX-8BB source unit. The maximum working cable length is 10 feet.

## VIDEO input

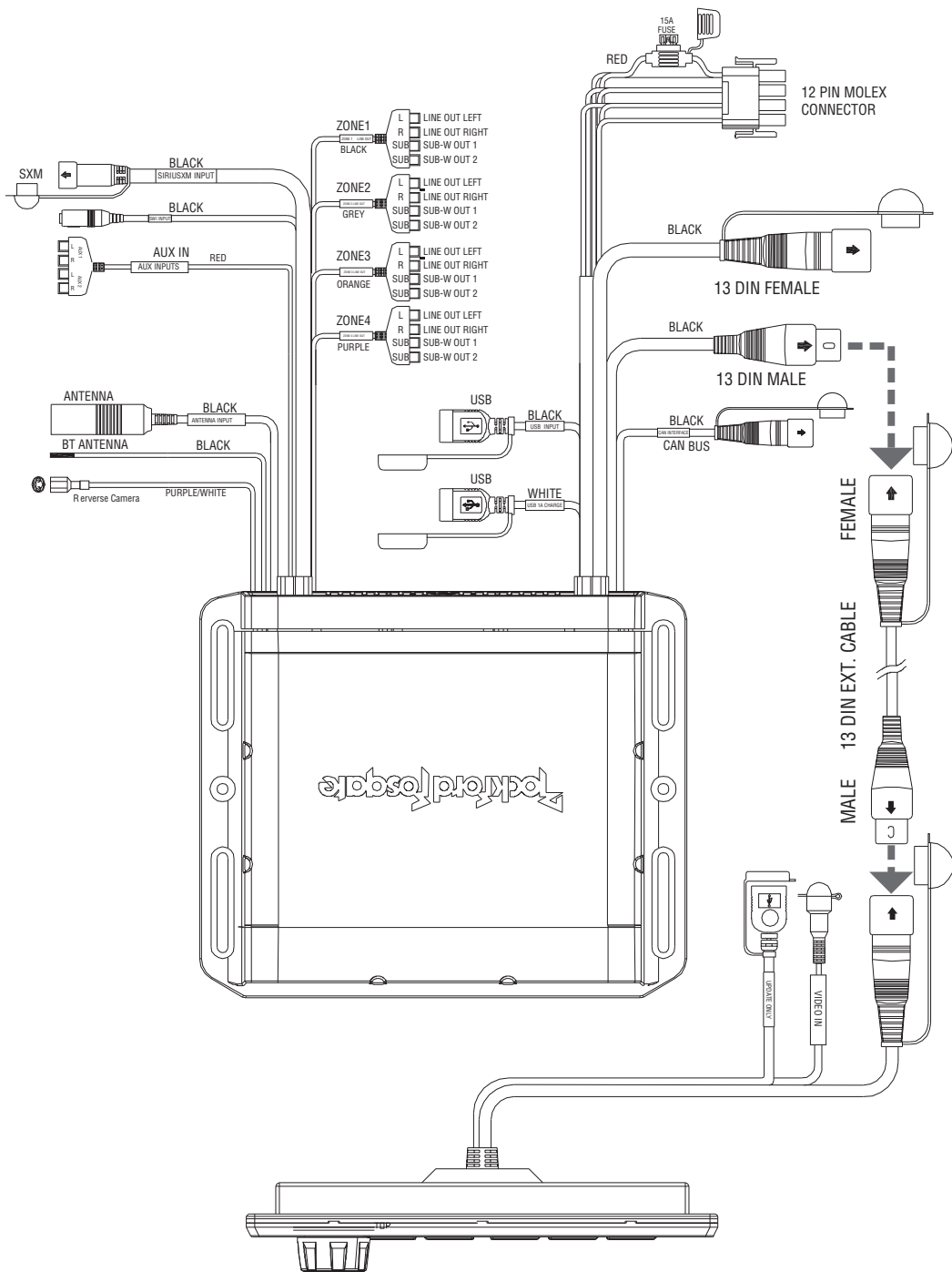
The VIDEO input port works with the PMX-8BB source unit when an external camera is being installed.

## USB input

The USB input port is for firmware updates only.



# Wiring Diagram



## Contents

- Display Head
- Trim Bezel
- Mounting Plate
- Screws
- 10' Extension Cable
- Installation & Operation Manual

## Installation Considerations

The following is a basic list of tools needed for installation:

- Volt/Ohm meter
- Wire strippers
- Wire crimpers
- Wire cutters
- #2 Phillips screwdriver
- Battery post wrench
- Hand held drill w/ assorted bits
- Heat shrink tubing
- Soldering iron
- Solder
- Heat gun
- 7mm wrench

This section focuses on some of the vehicle considerations for installing your display head. Pre-planning your system layout and best wiring routes will save installation time. When deciding on the layout of your new system, be sure that each component will be easily accessible for making adjustments.

If you feel unsure about installing this system yourself, have it installed by a qualified Rockford Audio technician.

Before installation, disconnect the battery negative (-) terminal to prevent damage to the unit, fire and/or possible injury.

Before beginning any installation, follow these simple rules:

1. Be sure to carefully read and understand the instructions before attempting to install the unit.
2. For safety, disconnect the negative lead from the battery prior to beginning the installation.
3. For easier assembly, we suggest you run all wires prior to mounting your unit in place.
4. Route all of the RCA cables close together and away from any high current wires.
5. Use high quality connectors for a reliable installation and to minimize signal or power loss.
6. Think before you drill! Be careful not to cut or drill into gas tanks, fuel lines, brake or hydraulic lines, vacuum lines or electrical wiring when working on any vehicle.
7. Never run wires underneath the vehicle. Running the wires inside the vehicle provides the best protection.
8. Avoid running wires over or through sharp edges. Use rubber or plastic grommets to protect any wires routed through metal, especially the firewall.
9. ALWAYS protect the battery and electrical system from damage with proper fusing. Install the appropriate fuse holder and fuse on the +12V power wire within 18" (45.7 cm) of the battery terminal.
10. When grounding to the chassis of the vehicle, scrape all paint from the metal to ensure a good, clean ground connection. Grounding connections should be as short as possible and always be connected to metal that is welded to the main body, or chassis, of the vehicle. Seatbelt bolts should never be used for connecting to ground.

## Mounting

To mount the unit, you will need to find a flat surface with adequate clearance behind that provides enough clearance for the unit and all it's necessary wiring.

1. Once you have determined a mounting location, you will need to cut a rectangular shaped hole in the panel.

NOTE: You can use the mounting plate as a template or download a template off of [rockfordfosgate.com](http://rockfordfosgate.com).

2. After the hole is cut slide the unit and wiring into the hole.
3. Slide the mounting plate behind the panel and over the backside of the unit. Secure with the supplied screws.
4. Press on the trim bezel on the front side of the unit.
5. Plug in all wiring harnesses and cables.

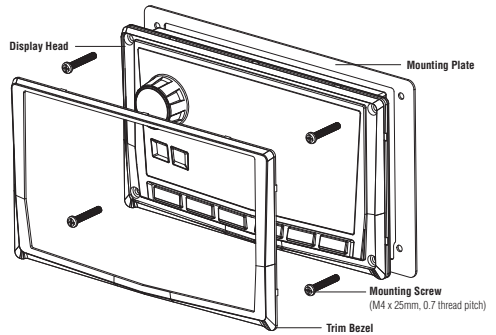


Fig. 4

## Cutout Dimensions

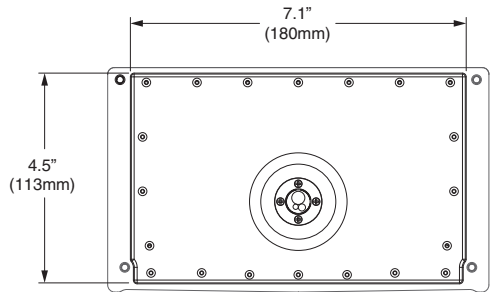


Fig. 5

## **Rockford Corporation offers a limited warranty on Rockford Fosgate products on the following terms:**

### **Length of Warranty**

POWER Amplifiers – 2 Years  
BMW® Direct Fit Speakers – 2 Years  
Source Units – 2 Years  
All other products – 1 Year  
Any Factory Refurbished Product – 90 days (receipt required)

### **What is Covered**

This warranty applies only to Rockford Fosgate products sold to consumers by Authorized Rockford Fosgate Dealers in the United States of America or its possessions. Product purchased by consumers from an Authorized Rockford Fosgate Dealer in another country are covered only by that country's Distributor and not by Rockford Corporation.

### **Who is Covered**

This warranty covers only the original purchaser of Rockford product purchased from an Authorized Rockford Fosgate Dealer in the United States. In order to receive service, the purchaser must provide Rockford with a copy of the receipt stating the customer name, dealer name, product purchased and date of purchase.

Products found to be defective during the warranty period will be repaired or replaced (with a product deemed to be equivalent) at Rockford's discretion.

### **What is Not Covered**

1. Damage caused by accident, abuse, improper operations, water, theft, shipping.
2. Any cost or expense related to the removal or reinstallation of product.
3. Service performed by anyone other than Rockford or an Authorized Rockford Fosgate Service Center.
4. Any product which has had the serial number defaced, altered, or removed.
5. Subsequent damage to other components.
6. Any product purchased outside the U.S.
7. Any product not purchased from an Authorized Rockford Fosgate Dealer.

### **Limit on Implied Warranties**

Any implied warranties including warranties of fitness for use and merchantability are limited in duration to the period of the express warranty set forth above. Some states do not allow limitations on the length of an implied warranty, so this limitation may not apply. No person is authorized to assume for Rockford Fosgate any other liability in connection with the sale of the product.

### **How to Obtain Service**

Contact the Authorized Rockford Fosgate Dealer you purchased this product from. If you need further assistance, call 1-800-669-9899 for Rockford Customer Service. You must obtain an RA# (Return Authorization number) to return any product to Rockford Fosgate. You are responsible for shipment of product to Rockford.

### **EU Warranty**

This product meets the current EU warranty requirements, see your Authorized dealer for details.