

The SM8 is a 8 single channel, one way "listen only" switcher / mixer base station for use with all ETS SM1 series microphones. The SM8 can be used independently or with a CCTV system. The SM8 also easily connects to recording equipment such as DVRs, linear time-lapse VCRs and audio tape recorders. Note the audio input / output signals of the SM8 are "line level" (0dbm).

Microphone Placement.

Place the SM1 microphones in the areas of interest in a room or multiple rooms to be monitored. If an entire room is to be monitored, locate the SM1 in the middle of the room. Do not mount the microphone near air conditioning vents, light fixtures or electrical equipment. Point the SM1 in the direction of the area to be monitored. The SM1 should be placed at least 4 feet away from the subject(s) to be monitored. Place the SM8 switcher/mixer in the room from which you will be monitoring. The SM1 is still useable in the range of 15-25 feet but is dependent on the level of background noise in the area. Experimentation in the environment will determine what distances work best.

Cable Run

Run a 22 gauge, stranded, two conductor shielded cable between the SM8 amplifier and the SM1 microphone. Keep the cable run distance under 1,000 feet and away from AC power sources, light fixtures and electrical equipment. See *Figure 1 for connection diagram.*

Microphone Mounting

The SM1 can be surface or flush mounted on ceilings or walls. For flush mounting, cut a 2 ¼" by 2 ¾" hole in the wall or ceiling tile to allow room for the circuit board, connect the cable and mount the SM1 to the surface with screws. For surface mounting, purchase a low profile Wire Mold single gang box and mount it to the wall or ceiling with screws, connect the cable and attach the SM1 to the box.

Adjusting the SM1 Gain

Start with a midrange setting of the gain control on the SM1. Adjust the control + or – for maximum clarity. If the sound at the amplifier is distorted, rotate the control towards the – mark (counter-clockwise). If the volume at the amplifier is too low, rotate the control towards the + mark (clockwise).

Setting the SM1 Jumpers

The SM1 microphone has jumper selectable treble boost and limiter circuits. The treble boost circuit when jumpered in, emphasizes the high frequency sounds that the microphone picks up. This is useful for improving the sound quality on slow speed tape recordings (VCR time-lapse recordings). The limiter circuit, when jumpered in, automatically keeps the SM1's output at a relatively constant level. This eliminates the need for the listener to reduce the volume control on the amplifier when sounds get louder.

Note: Do not use the SM1's limiter circuit if you are using a tape recorder or other device that uses an AGC or limiter circuit. Most tape recorders have limiter circuits.

The recommended jumper settings are as follows:

	Stand-alone Application	Tape Recorder Application
Limiter	"IN"	"OUT"
Treble Boost	"OUT"	"IN"

Using the SM8 with an audio recorder or VCR

If you are using an audio recorder, press and hold down Button Number 2 (approximately 4 seconds) until the Recorder light comes on; then connect the VCR as shown in the drawing below.

If the SM8 is not going to be used with an audio recorder, press and hold down Button Number 2 until the Recorder light goes off.

Changing SM8 Modes: Switcher Mode or Mixer Mode

The SM8 can be set to operate as a 1-of-8 channel switcher **or** as an 8 channel mixer. In the 1-of-8 mode, only one of the eight microphones can be monitored at a time. In the mixer mode, any combination of microphones can be mixed together.

To switch between the two modes, press and hold down Button Number 1 (approximately 5 seconds). All 8 of the channel lamps will light if the mixer mode has been selected. If the switcher mode is selected, all the lamps will go out. The SM8 will remember your last setting and on power up, the SM8 will load the last setting.

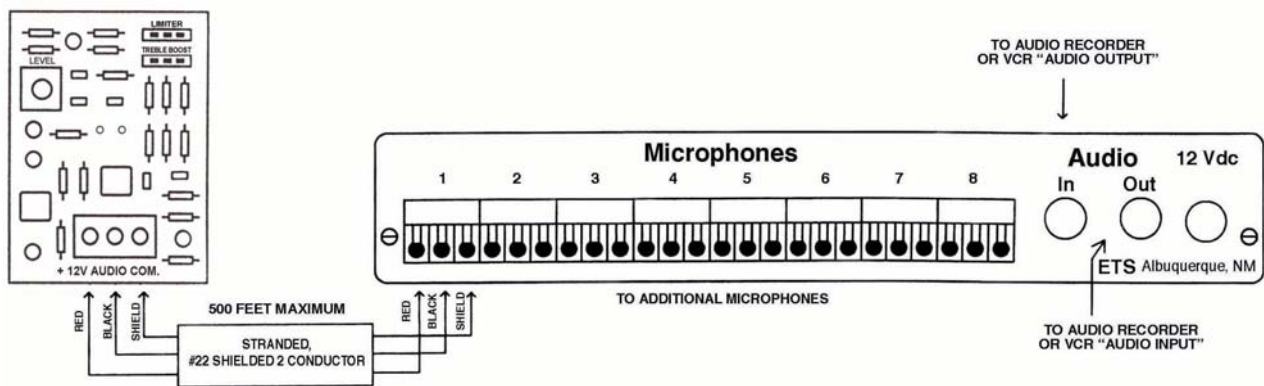


Figure 1.

Caution

It may be against the law to install this microphone kit in certain environments. It may also be against the law to record conversations of the person(s) being monitored without their knowledge. It is the responsibility of the installation company and end-user to determine if the application of this product is legal. These laws vary from state to state. If you are not informed on these matters, consult a qualified attorney or contact the appropriate state agency. A sticker is provided with this kit for the applications where notification must be posted.

Warranty

All ETS products carry a one year parts and labor warranty. This warranty does not cover damages as a result of misuse, improper handling of the unit or exposure to extreme temperatures or moisture. At its discretion, ETS reserves the right to repair or replace this unit under the conditions of the warranty. If you experience problems with your equipment call ETS at: 505-888-3923 to obtain a return authorization number. Equipment requiring repair beyond the warranty period or units that have been damaged or are not covered under the warranty can be repaired by ETS for a minimal cost under most conditions.

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