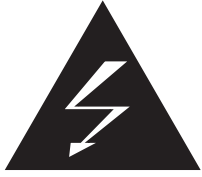




# CLASS D STEREO AMPLIFIER 60 WPC WITH BLUETOOTH

Model: APA102BT User Manual





# CAUTION

**RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK  
DO NOT OPEN**



**CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT REMOVE THE COVER. NO USER SERVICABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED PERSONNEL!**

## EXPLANATION OF SAFETY SYMBOLS



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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- **WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS APPLIANCE TO RAIN OR MOISTURE. THE APPARATUS SHALL NOT BE EXPOSED TO DRIPPING OR SPLASHING AND THAT OBJECTS FILLED WITH LIQUIDS, SUCH AS VASES, SHALL NOT BE PLACED ON APPARATUS.**
- **WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OF SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT USE THIS PLUG WITH AN EXTENSION CORD, RECEPTACLE OR OTHER OUTLET UNLESS THE BLADES CAN BE FULLY INSERTED TO PREVENT BLADE EXPOSURE.**
- **WARNING: THE MAINS PLUG IS USED AS DISCONNECT DEVICE. THE DISCONNECT DEVICE SHALL REMAIN READILY AVAILABLE.**
- **WARNING: ONLY USE ATTACHMENTS OR ACCESSORIES SPECIFIED OR PROVIDED BY THE MANUFACTURER.**

1. Read these instructions.
2. Keep these instructions.
3. Heed all warnings.
4. Follow all instructions.
5. Do not use this product near water.
6. Clean only with dry cloth.
7. Do not block any ventilation openings. The ventilation should not be impeded by covering the ventilation openings with items such as newspaper, tablecloths, curtains, etc. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
8. Do not install near heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat. No open flame sources, such as lighted candles, should be placed on the product.
9. Do not bypass 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 third prong is 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 the point of exit from the product.
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 product. When a cart or rack is used, use caution when moving the cart/product combination to avoid injury from tip-over.
13. Unplug the product during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.



14. Refer all servicing to qualified personnel. Servicing is required when the product 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 product has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.
15. **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this product to rain or moisture. The product shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing and that objects filled with liquids, such as vases, shall not be placed on product.
16. **WARNING:** The mains plug/appliance coupler is used as disconnect device, the disconnect device shall remain readily operable.
17.  This equipment is a Class II or double insulated electrical appliance. It is designed in such a way that it does not require a ground connection to electrical earth.



18. This lightning flash with arrowhead symbol within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of non-insulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock.

Warning: to reduce the risk of electric shock, do not remove cover (or back) as there are no user-serviceable parts inside. Refer servicing to qualified personnel.

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**MAGNETIC FIELD: !!CAUTION!!** Do not locate sensitive high-gain equipment such as preamplifiers or tape decks directly above or below the unit. Because this amplifier has a high power density, it has a strong magnetic field, which can induce hum into unshielded devices that are located nearby. The field is strongest just above and below the unit. If an equipment rack is used, we recommend locating the amplifier(s) in the bottom of the rack and the preamplifier or other sensitive equipment at the top.

Thank you for purchasing the **Dayton Audio APA102BT Class D Stereo Amplifier**. This amplifier features bridged outputs that can provide continuous 160W power into an 8 ohm load. Class D amplifiers offer the audio fidelity of a Class AB amplifier while providing greater power efficiency.

## FEATURES:

- Class D amplification
- Bluetooth connectivity
- MAIN / INTERRUPT priority input switching
- MAIN auxiliary output
- Speaker A/B switching
- Front panel balance and volume controls
- Signal sensing "Power On" and trigger mode
- Rear mounted treble and bass controls
- Rack mountable
- Short circuit and thermal protection

## SPECIFICATIONS

Power Output: 2 x 60W per channel with <1% THD+N 8-ohm load

2 x 80W per channel with <1% THD+N 4-ohm load

1 x 160W @ 1 kHz with <1% THD+N 8-ohm load (minimum)

Frequency Response: 10 – 30,000 Hz

Signal to Noise Ratio: 88 dB

Channel Separation: 44 dB

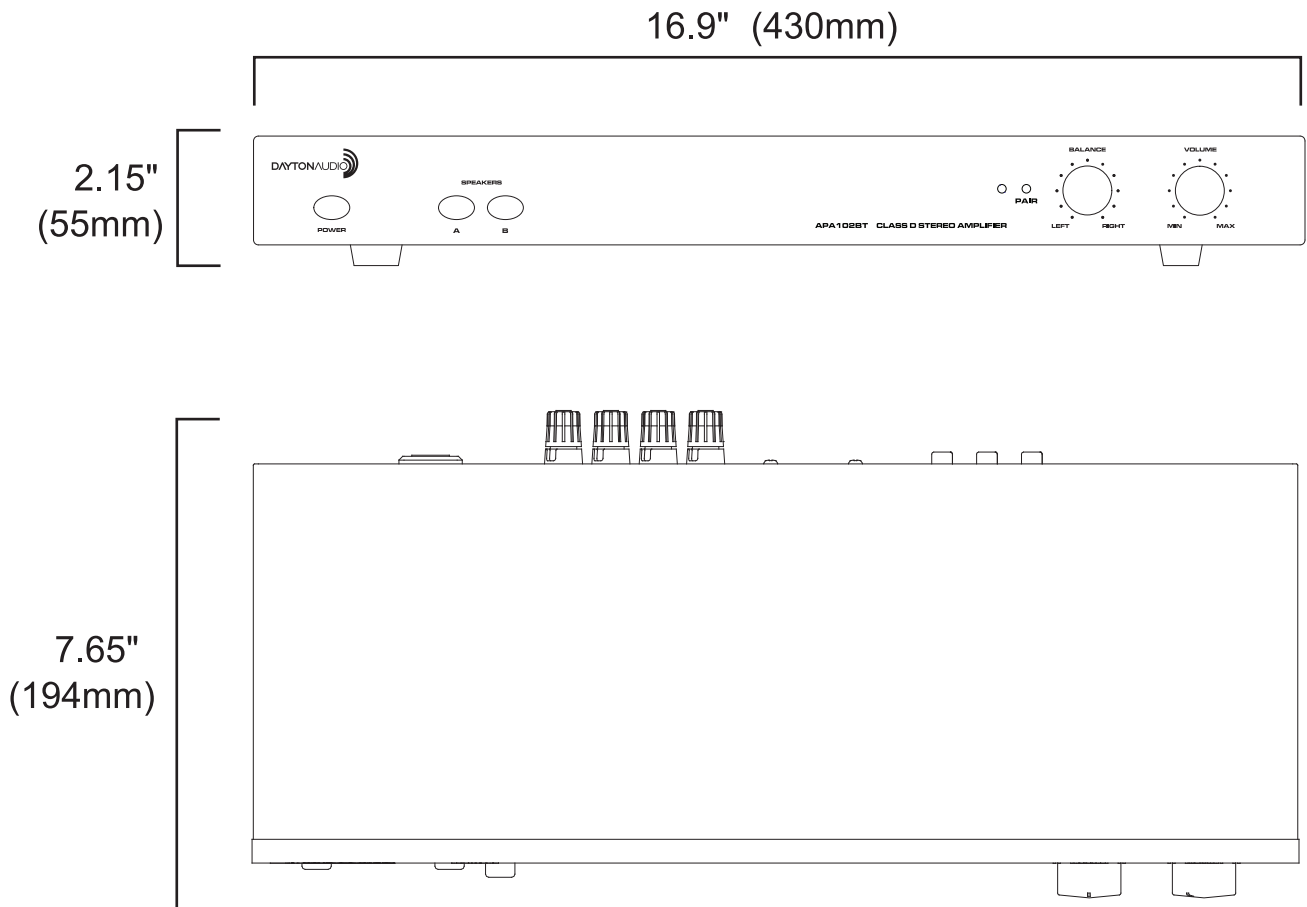
Input Sensitivity: 600 mV

Bass/Treble Control: +/-12 dB @ 100 Hz and 10 kHz

AC Power Consumption: 200W maximum

Dimensions: 2.15" H x 16.9" W x 7.65" D

Weight: 4.7 lbs



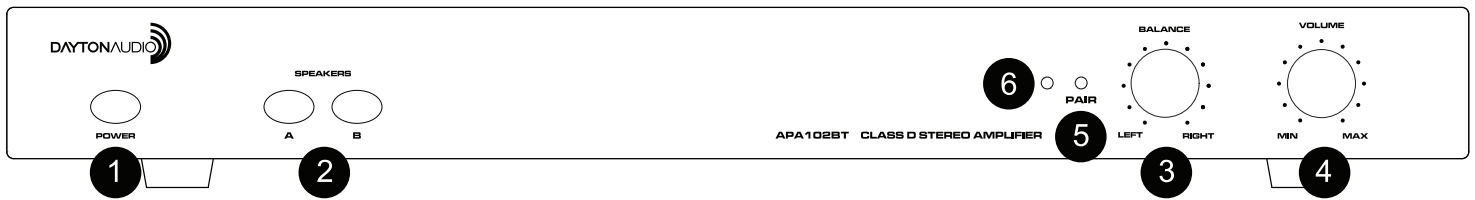


Figure 1. Front Panel

## FRONT PANEL CONTROLS

1. **Power Switch**  
Switches the APA102BT on or off. A red LED indicates connection to AC power while in standby mode. Turns green indicating audio signal is present.
2. **Speaker Selector**  
Selects speaker zone A or B. For A + B zones push both buttons in.
3. **Balance**  
Fades speaker output between the right and left channels
4. **Volume**  
Adjusts amplifier volume.

### 5. Bluetooth Pair Button

- Power on the APA102BT and press to activate pairing mode.
- Pairing mode is active when the pairing LED is flashing slowly.
- After 2 minutes if no device is paired, the Bluetooth function will power off and LED will stop flashing.
- To activate Bluetooth or connect to a different device press the pair button.
- The APA102BT will auto-connect to the closest available device previously paired.
- Bluetooth connection takes priority, disconnect Bluetooth to use the RCA inputs.

### 6. Bluetooth Pairing LED

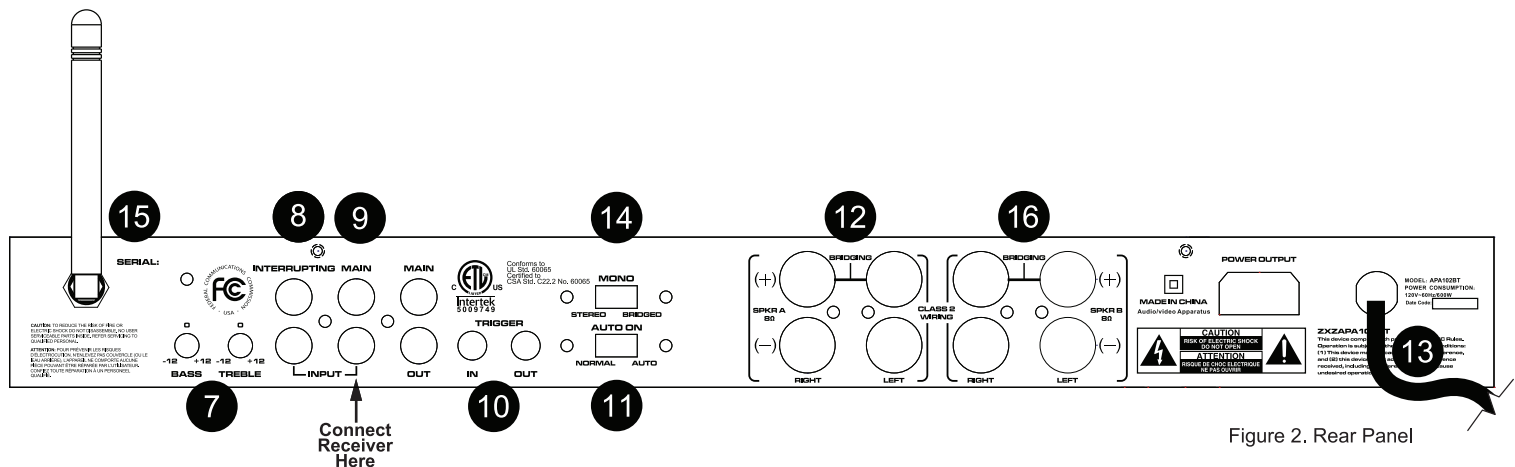


Figure 2. Rear Panel

## REAR PANEL CONTROLS

7. **Bass and Treble Controls**  
These controls can adjust bass and treble frequencies +/- 12 dB at 100 Hz and 10 kHz.
8. **Interrupting Line Input**  
This is the secondary input, use MAIN IN for your main input. INTERRUPTING INPUT can be used if a second source is desired and takes over when signal is present and has at least a 5mV level. When there is no signal, or a signal with less than 5mV level, the amp switches back to MAIN IN after a brief delay.
9. **Main Input/Output**  
MAIN IN should be used as the "primary" or main input for the amplifier. Connect your receiver or main source to this input. Use MAIN OUT to pass MAIN IN signal to another amplifier.  
**NOTE:** Bluetooth connection takes priority, disconnect Bluetooth to use the RCA inputs.
10. **12V Trigger In/Out**  
Allows the APA102BT to be powered on by other electronics or to power on other electronics via a 3.5mm mini phone plug cable.
11. **AUTO ON Select Switch**  
Power can be turned on and off manually via the switch on the front panel or automatically by signal sensing. Set it to NORMAL for manual power on/off. Set to AUTO for signal sensing; the amp will turn on when audio signal is detected at the inputs.  
**NOTE:** The front panel power switch must be in the ON position (pushed in) for the AUTO ON feature to operate.

### 12. Speaker Zone A Output

Speaker output terminals for zone A. Minimum impedance: 8 ohm bridged or 4 ohm stereo.

### 13. Power Cord

This amplifier is configured for operation at 115V (North America). A fuse located internally protection from fault conditions. Refer to qualified service personnel should this need to be replaced.

### 14. Mode Select Switch

Switches the amplifier from Stereo mode to Bridged mode.

#### STEREO MODE

If you will be connecting one or two pair of speakers to the amplifier, place the switch in the "Stereo" position. **NOTE:** For playing 2 pairs of speakers (A plus B), make sure each speaker has an impedance of 8 ohms or greater.

#### BRIDGED MODE

When set to "Bridged" mode, the amplifier is a single channel mono amplifier.

#### BRIDGED MODE- MONO APPLICATION

For bridged mode, playing Right and Left together as mono output, plug RCA cables in to Right and Left RCA at MAIN input. Set the MODE switch to BRIDGED and follow the instructions for bridged speaker connection in the SPEAKER TERMINALS section of this manual.

**NOTE:** The APA102BT supplies 160W in bridged mode, Please verify that your speakers are capable of handling such power to avoid possible damage!

### 15. Bluetooth Antenna

Move the antenna to the vertical position for the best Bluetooth performance.

**16. Speaker Zone B Output**

Speaker output terminals for zone B. Minimum impedance: 8 ohm bridged or 4 ohm stereo.

**SPEAKER TERMINALS - STEREO MODE**

For stereo output connect the speaker's positive (red) terminal to the amplifier's positive (red) terminal, and the speaker's negative (black) terminal to the amplifier's negative (black) terminal for each Right and Left speaker.

**SPEAKER TERMINALS - BRIDGED MODE**

Place the "MODE" switch in the "BRIDGED" position and use both red terminals to connect to the speaker. Connect the speaker's positive (red) terminal to the amplifier's red (+) terminal noted next to the bridging mark, and the speaker's negative (black) terminal to the amplifier's unmarked positive (red) terminal.

**NOTE:** Only one zone (A or B) can be bridged. Do not attempt to bridge both A and B speaker terminals! This may result in a lower impedance than the amplifier is designed for and may damage your amplifier. The minimum impedance for the total load connected in bridged mode is 8 ohms.

**NOTE:** Use Class 2 wiring for speaker connections.

To wire the output connector: 1. Strip the insulation off each speaker wire to expose 3/8" (10 mm) of bare conductor. 2. Unscrew the output terminal binding post several twists, insert each wire into the correct terminal. 3. Tighten binding post by twisting clock-wise until it is firmly clamping the speaker wire.

**Warning:** While the amplifier does self-protect under most improper output conditions, misconfiguration of loudspeaker mode and incorrect connection of loudspeakers could damage connected loudspeakers and/or amplifier. Please refer installation to a qualified installation professional, and always check state and local electrical codes when installing.

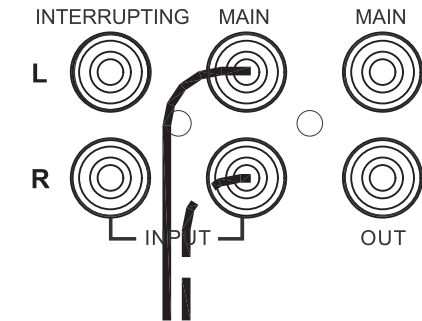
**NOTE:** To prevent sonic degradation in your speaker installation, total speaker wire resistance should be kept below 0.5 ohms. This table lists recommended speaker wire gauge versus wire run length.

**80' or Less – 16 Gauge 2-Cond. CL3/FT4 Rated**  
**80' to 150' – 14 Gauge 2-Cond. CL3/FT4 Rated**  
**150' or more – 12 Gauge 2-Cond. CL3/FT4 rated**

**APPLICATIONS**

**STEREO SETUP**

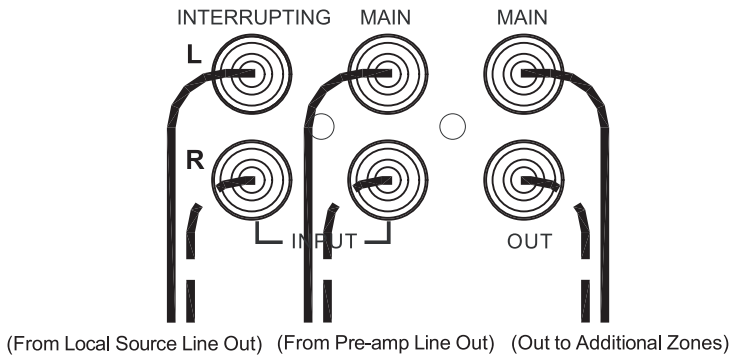
In this configuration, the mode switch is set to "Stereo". Connect the line out jacks from a stereo pre-amplifier or source to the MAIN input jacks of your APA102BT. Next connect your speakers to the terminals marked "Speaker A" observing proper polarity. Select the "A" speakers using the front panel zone selection buttons. Connect a second (optional) pair of speakers to the terminals marked "Speaker B". If you are connecting 4 speakers to the APA102BT they must be 8 ohm speakers only. Press A and B together to use both zones.



**SETUP FOR MULTIPLE SOURCE**

In the multiple source set up, a distributed audio system is connected to the APA102BT as a local zone amplifier via the MAIN inputs. Normally the distributed audio system will be the audio source for the APA102BT. The distributed audio is then passed on to be used by additional zones or sub zones in the distributed system via the MAIN outputs.

**Note:** Main Out only duplicates what source is connected to the Main Input, ideal for adding additional Amplifier or connect to Power Subwoofer.



The audio output of a local source, such as an MP3 Player, CD, television, computer, etc., is connected to the APA102BT via the INTERRUPTING inputs, and whenever the local source is active its signal will take priority over the distributed audio signal present at MAIN input. However, the distributed audio signal will still be present at the MAIN input. In this circumstance the audio output of the local source will be heard via the APA102BT. Once the local source is turned off or muted, the APA102BT will automatically switch back to the distributed audio system as an audio source, assuming the local source remains inactive. There is a delay of up to 6 seconds when switching from INTERRUPTING input back to MAIN inputs.

**FCC Statement**

1. This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:
  - (a) This device may not cause harmful interference.
  - (b) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.
2. FCC Radiation Exposure Statement: Mobile device.

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. In order to avoid the possibility of exceeding the FCC radio frequency exposure limits, human proximity to the antenna shall not be less than 20cm (8 inches) during normal operation.

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