

## **Troubleshooting:**

**Problem:** The unit fails to operate, or operates incorrectly.

**Action #1:** Make sure that you have fresh batteries in the unit and that they are installed according to proper polarity. You will hear a tone emitted from the unit when you install the batteries correctly.

**Action #2:** Make sure that the volume is turned up to an audible level

**Action #3:** Make sure that there is nothing inhibiting the depression of the switch plate OR holding the switch plate down (i.e. icons, crumbs, sticky juice, etc.)

**Action #4:** If you are using an external capability switch, make sure that there is a TIGHT connection between the switch and the unit (there should be NO gaps). Especially check this when using adapters. Any gaps will cause the unit to function incorrectly or not work at all.

**Action #5:** If you are using an external capability switch, test that switch with another device to rule out the switch as the source of the problem. Do the same with any adapters that you may be using.

## **Care of the Unit:**

The Announcer can be wiped clean with any mild household multi-purpose, non-abrasive cleaner and disinfectant. We recommend Simple Green, which is a non toxic biodegradable all-purpose cleaner.

**Do not use** abrasive cleaners, as they will scratch the surface of the unit.

**Do not submerge** the unit, as it will damage the electrical components.

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# **Announcer with 6 Levels #5015**

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## **User's Guide**

*The most accessible communicator ever!*

Our new sequencer communicator allows the user to first hear a series of words and then select one by simply activating its capability switch on a 24" Gooseneck. Additional features:

- 6 levels
- 300 seconds of recording time
- 5 second messages
- Auditory Cueing
- Auditory Scanning
- Playback delay of 1 to 5 seconds
- Level changer
- Jack for external capability switch

Size: 6 1/4"L x 6 1/4"W x 3"H. Requires 4 AA Batteries.

**Operation:**

1. Locate the two battery compartments on the control center at the base of the gooseneck. Next remove the small screws from the battery compartments. Slide the battery compartment covers off. Observing polarity, install four AA size batteries (Not included) into the holders. Use alkaline batteries only (e.g. Duracell or Energizer brand). Do not use rechargeable batteries or any other type of batteries because they supply lower voltage and the unit will not perform properly. Never mix old and new batteries together or different brands or types together. Replace the battery compartment covers and screws.
2. Make sure that the volume is set to an audible level by turning the silver **ON/OFF/VOLUME** knob clockwise. To record press and **HOLD** the RECORD button first. Next press and **HOLD** the **PLAY/RECORD** button. Speak your message clearly, with your mouth preferably about 6" from the microphone (the small "fuzzy" circle on the control center) then release the plate, but **continue to hold the RECORD button**. DO NOT RELEASE THE RECORD BUTTON IF YOU WISH TO CONTINUE THE SEQUENCE OF MESSAGES. If recording a Single message release both.
3. If you wish to continue recording additional messages, press the **PLAY/RECORD** button again and record your next message in the exact same way. For each new message you must release only the **PLAY/RECORD** button after each message is recorded. When finished recording release both. Messages have a maximum record time of 5 seconds. The units maximum total recoding time is 300 seconds, plan your messages accordingly.

4. **RECORDING LEVEL ANNOUNCEMENT MESSAGE:**

Your Level Announcement Messages may be changed at any time and can be renamed "Level One the Food Level" or "Level One Jimmie's Messages", etc. Simply press the Record button first, then press the Level button and speak your Level Announcement Message into the microphone. Note: to hear your new level message you must either cycle through all 6 levels by repeatedly pressing the Level announcement button until it returns to Level One *or* turn the unit OFF, wait several seconds and turn the unit back ON. Your new Level One Announcement Message will now play.

5. **CHANGING LEVELS:**

Each time the Level button is pressed, the communicator will advance to the next level. Pressing the Level button on Level 6 will return the unit to Level One.

6. **PLAYING YOUR MESSAGES:**

Once you have recorded all your level announcements and messages you are now ready to use the communicator. Turn the unit ON, the first level announcement will play, pressing the switch plate and then releasing it will start the unit scanning sequentially through your recorded messages for that level at a lower volume level. Once you hear the desired message press the switch plate again to play the selection at the normal volume level. To advance to the next level press and hold the switch plate until you hear the next level announcement, then release the switch. To scan through the messages on this level press and release the switch as before.

**VOICE DELAY:**

There is a voice delay setting which during message playback will give a time delay between messages from (1 to 5 seconds). Turning the knob counter clockwise will decrease the delay, clock wise will increase it. This delay is useful for users with mental and or physical response delays.

7. When you are done using the unit, turn it off. If you will not be using the unit for a prolonged period of time, remove the batteries from the battery compartment.
8. The Announcer can also be activated by another external capability switch, via the switch input jack located on the control center. Make sure your switch is plugged in all the way with no gaps. External switch activation will replicate as if the large switch plate on the device was depressed.