



# Reaction Distortion 1 Instruction Manual



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### Compliance



Your Reaction Distortion™ pedal has been tested and complies with the following Standards and Directives as set forth by the European Union:

Council Directive(s): 89/336/EEC Electromagnetic Compatibility

Standard(s): EN55013, EN50082-1

This means that this product has been designed to meet stringent guidelines on how much RF energy it can emit, and that it should be immune from other sources of interference when properly used. Improper use of this equipment could result in increased RF emissions, which may or may not interfere with other electronic products.

To insure against this possibility, always use good shielded cables for all audio input and output connections. This will help insure compliance with the Directive(s).

For more information about other Rocktron products, please see your local dealer or one of our importers closest to you (listed on the Rocktron website (www rocktron com)

Read all instructions contained in this manual. Keep these instructions Heed all warnings Follow all instructions. Do not use this apparatus near water. Clean with dry cloth

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#### Precautions

Refer all service to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power supply or plug is damaged, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus or if the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally or has been dropped.

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SERVICE THIS EQUIPMENT. QUALIFIED PERSONNEL SHOULD SERVICE THIS EQUIPMENT ONLY. DO NOT MAKE ANY INTERNAL ADJUSTMENTS OR ADDITIONS TO THIS EQUIPMENT AT ANY TIME OR TAMPER WITH INTERNAL ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS AT ANY TIME. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS MAY VOID THE WARRANTY OF THIS EQUIPMENT AS WELL AS CAUSING A SHOCK HAZARD

#### OPERATING TEMPERATURE

Do not expose this unit to excessive heat. This unit is designed to operate between 32 F and 104 F (0 C and 40 C). This unit may not function properly under extreme temperatures.

Do not block any ventilation openings (if applicable). Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions

Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.

This product is not equipped with a plug or cable. This pedal runs on a 9 Volt Battery, if a 9Volt DC adapter is the used please follow adapter manufacturer's operation instructions. Only used attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.

Do not use this product with any case, stand tripod, bracket or table that is not specified by the manufacturer. Insure that the case, stand, tripod, bracket etc. is properly adjusted and setup (follow all instructions). Extra care and caution should be taken to avoid tip over and injury.

Unplug this apparatus during lightening storms or when unused during long periods of time.

#### Introduction

Not just any distortion pedal, we call this the Rocktron Reaction Distortion because you are gonna get a huge reaction out of your audience with this one! This is wall to wall gain with a full body slammin' punch to the gut distortion. Tone is our signature at Rocktron, and we just signed your ticket with this stomp box!

For players who want the ultimate control over their distortion, the Reaction Distortion is second to none! It has an incredible amount of gain surrounded by a super powerful and versatile EQ consisting of BASS, TREBLE, MIDDLE FREQ (Center) and MID GAIN controls, making it easy to dail up your individual tone in a matter of seconds.

Rocktron's Reaction Series pedals are built into a rugged metal slim form factor chassis, taking up as little space as possible on your pedalboard. The Reaction Distortion is a TRUE BYPASS pedal: when you turn it off...it is out of your signal path!

Control knobs for the Reaction Distortion include GAIN, which controls the amount of distortion drive you want. LEVEL controls the output volume of the Reaction Distortion. LOW (outer control) provides

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Bass EQ. HIGH (inner control) handles the Treble EQ. MIDDLE FREQ (outer control) takes care of the Mid Center Frequency, while MIDDLE (inner control) handles the Mid Frequency Cut/Boost factor. That is one big load of control on this stomp box!

Rock your world and ours with the Reaction Distortion. You will have more tone than you know what to do with and when another player comes up to you after your performance and sings the praises of your tone, you will know that is exactly the REACTION you were looking for!

The footswitch on the Reaction Distortion controls On/Off status as shown by the LED indicator. Reaction stomp boxes run on a 9V Alkaline battery, or may also be powered by Rocktron's DC OnTap Universal Power Supply adaptor.

# Descriptions



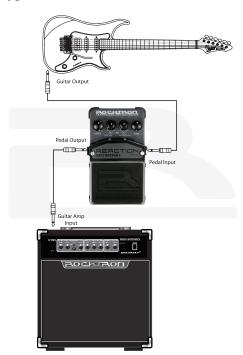
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- LEVEL Control This control determines the overall output level of the pedal.
- 2 LOW Control This control determines the lowend bass of the EQ
- 3 HIGH Control This control determines the highend treble of the EQ
- 4 9VDC Input This input jack provides 9VDC power to the pedal from the Rocktron DC OnTap 9V power supply (sold seperately).METAL
- 5 MIDDLE FREQUENCY Control This control adjusts the midrange EQ sweep.
- 6 MIDDLE Control This control determines the midrange frequency of the EQ.
- 7 GAIN Control This control determines the amount of distortion. Turn right for more distortion, turn left for less distortion.

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- 8 ON/OFF Leds These LEDs shows if the pedal is on or off. When the LED is lit the pedal is on. When the LED is not lit the pedal is off.
- 9 BATTERY COMPARTMENT and COVER The 9V battery can be found in this compartment.
  - 10 INPUT Jack Using a standard 1/4" guitar cable, plug your guitar into this jack.
  - 11 THUMB SCREWS for Battery Compartment. Unscrew these thumb screws to access the battery compartment.
- 12 FOOTSWITCH Use this switch to turn on or off the pedal. The On/Off Led will show you if the pedal is on or off.
  - 13 OUTPUT Jack Using a standard 1/4" guitar cable you can plug in another pedal from this jack or plug directly into your amplifier.

# **Typical Connection**



### Specifications

Maximum Input
Maximum Output
Imput Impedance
Output Impedance
Current Consumption

8dBu 6Bu

0Βu 1ΜΩ

1kΩ 20mA

Power Requirements

9V Alkaline Battery or Rocktron DC OnTap Univeral Power Supply (sold seperately). Negative Tip.

DC 9V

Dimensions

125mm x 78mm 61mm 5" x 3.25" x 2.5"

Weight

0.7kg 1.5lbs

### How to change the battery:

To change the battery, remove the thumb screws on the top of the pedal and remove the battery compartment cover. Remove the old battery and replace it with a new 9V Alkaline battery. Replace battery in the same area as the old battery was located. Place the battery compartment cover on the pedal and re-insert the thumb screws.

Save yourself tons of money in batteries by using the Rocktron DC OnTap Universal Power Supply to power this pedal (sold seperately). The Rocktron DC OnTap provides a constant flow of power to the pedal, unlike a battery that will degrade over time. The Rocktron DC OnTap Univeral Power Supply can also power up to 20 pedals and can be used with both 110V and 220V power sources.

Check, www.rocktron.com for more information on the DC OnTap and where to purchase.



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