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WARNING

To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose this appliance to rain or moisture.

Operator's Manual



CAUTION

RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK DO NOT OPEN



CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT REMOVE COVER (OR BACK). NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.



The lightning flash with the arrowhead symbol superimposed across a graphical representation of a person, within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated "dangerous voltage" within the product's enclosure; that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock.



The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intented to
alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

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1 Introduction

We at AKAI, and in particular the S1100 development team, would like to thank you for buying the Akai S1100, and hope that you will remain an AKAI player and user for a long time. As each unit is thoroughly tested and inspected before it leaves our factory, we are confident that you will enjoy years of service from this instrument.

Though we have taken great care in the manufacture of your AKAI sampler, any product which uses this level of technology may require servicing occasionally. The warranty below outlines your rights and responsibilities, and also mentions certain limitations and exclusions. Please read this warranty section carefully.

About this Manual

This manual has been arranged in an order which we hope will be useful in your initial experiments with the S1100, and then for future use afterwards, as you learn more functions. Since the bottom row of buttons under the display (SELECT PROG, EDIT SAMPLE, etc) correspond to logical operations within the S1100's software, the manual has been arranged for the most part in sections matching these buttons.

There are two major exceptions to this rule: this first section, "Introduction", which is both an introduction to the features and terminology of the S1100, and a guide to the operation of SELECT PROG — in other words, how to get your S1100 playing pre-recorded sample programs. Please take the trouble to read this section, as it explains basic terminology, operational concepts and shortcuts which you may not discover for yourself.

The second section, "Sampler Functions", covers the sampling and sample editing processes (EDIT SAMPLE), as well as the program editing functions (EDIT PROG). This chapter has been written from the "bottom up", ie from the process of recording a sample, through editing a sample, to putting together a program.

Other sections contain information on the use of disks, setting up drum settings with the Akai ME-35T, and the use of cue lists on the S1100 played from timecode.

At the end of this manual there is an index. If you can't find what you want in the Table of Contents, try the index. Most major entries are cross-referenced in a number of ways, for instance, "Velocity crossfading" may also be looked up under "Crossfading, Velocity".

As a final point, this manual assumes that you have a basic knowledge of MIDI and synthesizer terminology (eg you know what is meant by an "ADSR envelope" or a "Program Change message"). If you don't, there are many excellent books on the market which will guide you into the world of MIDI instruments and synthesizers. Get hold of one of these and read it before going much further with your S1100 — things will make a lot more sense after you've done this.

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