DESCRIPTION
The Micro Link IR Receiver is a small peep-hole style infrared repeater assembly. The Micro Link IR Receiver is equipped with a 7-foot cable and a 3.5mm stereo mini plug, which is plugged directly into the “IR RCVR” jack on the connecting block, such as the models 789-44, CB60, and 791-44. The Micro Link IR Receiver is primarily intended for use in installations where the connecting block is within reach of its 7-foot cable – as when installing the Micro Link IR Receiver in a cabinet where the controlled equipment is behind closed doors.

FEATURES
• Very small package, only 2 inches deep.
• System testing red-talk-back LED.
• RF grid included for EMI interference reduction.
• SUN490 Sunscreen filters available separately. Order these to help with sunlight and stray IR problems. They fit easily under the bezel.

SPECIFICATIONS
• Infrared carrier frequency bandwidth: 30 - 100kHz.
• Reception range: Up to 30 feet, depending on conditions.
• Reception angle: 55 degrees off axis for 50% range reduction.
• Cable requirements: 3-conductor. Use 24 gauge up to 200’, 22 gauge up to 600’ 20 gauge up to 2000’, 18 gauge up to 5000’ – unshielded OK.
• Max. transmission length: 1 mile using 18 gauge wire.
• Maximum current output: 100mA
• Drives IR emitters through Xantech Connecting Blocks, Controllers, etc.
• Dimensions: ½” diameter x 2” deep.
• Power requirements: +12VDC, 10mA.

INSTALLATION
QUICK-START
A typical system will use an IR receiver, several emitters, and a power supply all connected to a connecting block.

1. Connect the IR receiver to the “IR RCVR” port on the connecting block. The ‘red’ connector is installed to the ‘red’ plug.

Note: In some extended distances, additional 3-conductor may be required and can be connected to the terminals on the connecting block.

2. Connect the Emitters to the connecting block. The ‘yellow’ connector is installed to the ‘yellow’ plug.

3. Connect the power supply to the connecting block.

4. Installation complete

MOUNTING
Drill a ½” hole in any surface, such as a cabinet panel. Pass the lead and the body of the 490 through the hole and secure from the rear with the nut (supplied).

PLACEMENT
The IR receiver should be located so that it is not directly facing a light source such as lamps or displays (standard, LCD, and Plasma). When mounted near a display, it should be flush to the display and away from light reflections that may occur.

LOCAL SYSTEM APPLICATION
In this system a 283D Blink-IR Designer Emitter is shown connected to the “OUT” jack. If expansion beyond two emitters is required, use a Xantech 789-44, CB60, or 791-44 Connecting Block.
CABLE CONNECTIONS
490’s may also be used where the 7-foot cable is not long enough. Simply cut off the mini plug, strip the leads and splice them to a 3-conductor extension cable with a terminal block or other means. Then connect the extension cable to the 3- or 4-terminal block on the connecting block.

3.5mm mini plug | Signal Name
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TIP | SIGNAL
RING | GROUND
SLEEVE | +12VDC

The 3-conductor inter-room cable (24 gauge up to 200’, 22 gauge up to 600’, 20 gauge up to 2000’, 18 gauge up to 5000’), is run to the main room.

While it is possible to make wired connections without the connecting block, it is not recommended. The connecting block reduces installation time, helps to eliminate errors, allows easy troubleshooting and permits easy system upgrades later, if needed.

LARGE SYSTEM APPLICATION
The 490D Series IR receiver is compatible with all Xantech Connecting Blocks. Different connecting blocks are provided for application specific situations. For instance, in the diagram below, a 791-44 connecting block is used to control several components.
TROUBLE SHOOTING:

1. Perhaps the most common problem you may encounter is stray IR (infrared) or RF (radio frequency) interference preventing proper operation of the controlled equipment.
   - Fluorescent, Compact Fluorescent, Neon or Halogen lights, Neon Art, and light dimmers.
   - Direct or reflected sunlight.
   - Infrared security sensors (active types).
   - RF radiation from TV sets that may be close to the Hidden Link IR Receiver.

2. You can confirm the source of the interference by temporarily turning off TV sets, isolating the Hidden Link IR Receiver from all sunlight and turning off all lights, light dimmers and Infrared security systems. Then check to see if the Hidden Link IR Receiver operates the component.
   - Sometimes interference will cause the red Talk-Back LED on the front of the Hidden Link IR Receiver to blink dimly, intermittently, or continuously.
   - The Talk-Back LED should only blink when you are sending infrared commands to the Hidden Link IR receiver from a remote control.
   - It may be necessary to move either the interfering source of the Hidden Link IR Receiver to achieve proper operation.

3. If the Talk-Back LED or the 286D Emitters do not blink when you are sending IR commands to the Hidden Link IR Receiver from a remote control, check the following:
   - Make sure the power supply is plugged securely into a live AC electrical outlet.
   - Be sure the stereo mini plug of the Hidden Link IR Receiver is plugged into the “IR RCVR” jack on the CB12 Connecting Block, not into the “OUT” jack.
   - Check to see that all the mini plugs are properly seated into the mini jacks on the CB12 Connecting Block.

4. If the 286D Emitters blink, but the component does not respond, reposition the 286D Emitter(s). They may not be located directly over the component’s infrared receiving “window”. Consult the owner’s manual of the unit or the manufacturer for the exact location of the infrared “window”.

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