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MRX SLM Quick Start Guide

Mounting

Before connecting cables to the MRX SLM, you should find a good spot for it in your entertainment system. Thanks to its small footprint and versatility, the unit can be mounted in several ways:

- 1. In a cabinet: by adding stick-on rubber feet under the MRX SLM (included in the accessories package).
- 2. At the back of your TV, on the wall or inside a wall cabinet located between 2 studs: by using the universal mounting bracket included in the accessories package. Install the mounting bracket vertically first, then snap the MRX SLM in place.



3. In a 19-inch rack: by using the rackmount kit (sold separately). Remove the four screws at the front using a Torx T10 screwdriver and attach the rack mount plate by re-using the same screws.



Basic Connections

Connect your speakers using the MRX SLM detachable terminal block and a small flat screwdriver. Check that your speakers' polarity matches the +/- signs on the terminal block. Connect your powered subwoofer to the RCA SUB OUT jack. The default assumes a 5.1 configuration, so if using fewer speakers, you should configure the number and location of your speakers in the setup menu.

Connect HDMI cables between the MRX SLM and your TV and source (if required). Make sure to use the HDMI connector on the TV that supports eARC/ARC. The HDMI cable going to the TV should also support eARC/ARC if you want to take full advantage of the audio decoding capabilities of the MRX SLM. If you're using eARC/ARC and having problems, enabling CEC on both the TV and the MRX SLM (as it's disabled by default) could be the solution.

Connect a TOSlink cable into the OPTICAL IN input and/or a 3.5 mm cable in the ANALOG IN input if you also have other sources.

Finally, connect the AC power cord. The unit will take approximately 30 seconds to boot once AC power is applied.



Remote Control Operation

Install two AAA batteries (included with 120V models ONLY) in the MRX SLM remote control.

The MRX SLM remote control operates best if the front IR receiver located at the front of the unit is within line of sight. If the MRX SLM is mounted behind the TV, a cabinet or in the wall, the IR extender (included in the accessories package) should be connected at the back of the MRX SLM for best results. Don't forget to switch from front IR to back IR in the setup menu if using it.

Network Setup

A network connection is required to use the Anthem Remote App, access the web UI via a browser, stream audio, run ARC (Anthem Room Correction), and receive software updates. When using a wireless connection (Wi-Fi[®] or Bluetooth[®]), both antennas must be connected to the unit (included in the accessories package).

You can connect to a network in several ways:

1. Ethernet/LAN Connection: The most straightforward way to connect your MRX SLM to your network is via an Ethernet cable to the LAN 10/100 port at the back of the MRX SLM. This will provide the quickest setup, most secure and most reliable network connection.

2. Wi-Fi Connection via Apple's iOS:

- a. Enter the iOS Wi-Fi Settings Menu.
- b. Locate your MRX SLM under "Set up new AirPlay speaker." The MRX SLM will be shown as "MRX SLM-xxxxxx" in the list of available devices (where xxxxx represents the last few characters of the LAN MAC ID, as shown at the back of the unit).
- c. Select your MRX SLM unit and follow the instructions to connect it to your network.

3. Wi-Fi Connection via Android:

- a. Download the Google Home application from the Play Store and launch it.
- b. You should be prompted that there is a device available for setup. Follow the instructions to add it to the network. If not, tap "+" followed by "Setup a Device" and follow the instructions on screen. The MRX SLM will be shown as "MRX SLM-xxxxxx" in the list of available devices (where xxxxx represents the last few characters of the LAN MAC ID, as shown at the back of the unit).
- c. To listen to cast audio from any supported application on your MRX SLM, ensure your device is connected to the same network as the MRX SLM. Tap the Chromecast built-in[™] icon within the application and select the MRX SLM as the playback device.

NOTE: You will not hear the connection chime if you connect to your network before connecting speakers.



Anthem Remote App Overview

Download the Anthem Remote App from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store by looking it up using the keywords "Anthem Remote." Your MRX SLM needs to be on the same network as the device you are using.

When starting the app, the welcome screen will show you available devices on the network. The MRX SLM will be shown as "MRX SLM-xxxxxx" in the list of available devices (where xxxxx represents the last few characters of the LAN MAC ID, as shown at the back of the unit). Selecting the MRX SLM will then display a screen with basic controls such as volume and source/listening mode selection. Settings will give you access to the tone controls and various speaker level adjustments. Setup Menu will provide you with access to various system configuration settings.



Web User Interface Overview

The MRX SLM can be controlled using a browser on a device connected to the same network, such as a phone, tablet or computer. The web interface lets you access all system settings.

To access the MRX SLM web user interface, you will first need to identify the IP address of the MRX SLM. This can be done in various ways, but the easiest are as follows:

- 1. Using the Anthem Remote App: When starting the app, the IP address of the unit will be shown on the opening screen. If the main screen is shown, click "Discovery" to return to the opening screen. Once you know the IP address of the unit, you can use a browser such as Safari or Google Chrome to access the web interface by typing the IP address into the URL bar.
- 2. Using File Explorer: If using a Windows PC, start File Explorer and click on "Network." The MRX SLM will be shown under Media Devices. Double-clicking on the MRX SLM icon will open your web browser and will access the unit. The IP address will be shown in the URL bar that can be used in the future.



About Inputs

Anthem products use "Virtual Inputs", which means that no physical input is tied to any virtual input, allowing you to create and specify combinations you want. For example, you can make a virtual input using the optical input with a certain speaker profile (let's say 5.1 speaker channel setup) and another virtual input using the optical input but with a different speaker profile (let's say 2.0 speaker channel setup).

You can make up to 30 different virtual inputs, allowing for much flexibility. For more details on virtual inputs, please refer to our full manual <u>https://manuals.anthemav.com/mrx-slm/en</u>.

While the virtual inputs allow for customization, your MRX SLM comes with preset virtual inputs, so you can start using the unit straight out of the box. These are HDMI, eARC, Streaming, Bluetooth, Optical, and Analog. These virtual inputs can be deleted or modified later using the setup menu.

The source buttons on the physical remote control are not virtual, and pressing one selects the virtual input that uses this connector. If a connector is used for more than one virtual input, pressing the remote source button another time will select the next virtual input, which also uses this connector (and will eventually cycle around to the first one). If switching from a different source, the first virtual input using this connector will be selected.

Anthem Room Correction® (ARC)

Anthem Room Correction (ARC) is a unique technology that ensures your system will sound its best in any environment by adjusting the frequency response, level and phase of each speaker and subwoofer. It preserves the unique quality of your room and provides a natural and balanced sound.

For the software download and information on how to run ARC, visit our website AnthemARC.com.

Detailed Instructions

Interested in exploring all the features of your MRX SLM?

Full details about the setup and operation, FAQ, troubleshooting tips, programming guides, drivers for a number of home automation system and specifications can be found on our website.

AnthemAV.com/mrx-slm/en.

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