Deafgard Operating Guide
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Deafgard is a portable device which alerts people in an emergency. Designed for the deaf and hard of hearing, Deafgard has a vibration pad and flashing light which wakes people up on the sound of the alarm.

The box should contain:

1. Deafgard, with pillow pad and connecting cable
2. A storage bag
3. Four ‘C’ size LR14 batteries
4. Deafgard window stickers
Getting started

There are two battery compartments on the front and back of the unit.

1. Connect the pillow pad to the Deafgard unit using the cable and then place the pad in the cradle.

2. Unscrew the battery compartments and insert the batteries.

3. Screw the battery compartments closed.

Screen & keypad

The screen will display: the time, alarm settings, low battery, faults, error messages and fire alarm conditions.

If the Deafgard unit is in a fire condition, the screen will display “FIRE”.

[Diagram of screen and keypad]
Batteries

Only use alkaline batteries and do not use re-chargeable batteries.

The batteries supplied should last at least 12 months. Deafgard regularly checks the battery life.

If the screen displays “BATT”, it means there are approximately 7 days of battery life. In this case, we recommend to change the batteries immediately.
The lights - strobe and status

There are 3 lights on the Deafgard unit. One status light in the centre which flashes GREEN or RED, and 2 strobe lights on each side which flash WHITE.

The strobe lights will flash when there is a fire, or if there is a major fault.

The status light will flash according to the status of the Deafgard unit.

Under normal conditions, when the Deafgard is turned on the status light will flash GREEN once every 15 seconds.

The status light will flash RED once every 8 seconds if there is a minor fault.

If a major fault occurs the status light will flash RED once every 4 seconds.

Whilst in a fault condition, every 15 seconds the strobe lights will flash and pillow pad will vibrate.

The status light will stay RED throughout a fire alarm condition.

- Flash every 15s - Normal
- Flash every 8s - Fault
- Flash red every 4s, Flash strobe light every 15s, Vibrate - Low Batteries
- Constant - Fire
Setting the time

The time can be set with the pillow pad in or out of the cradle, but the cable must be connected to the base.

The time will need to be re-set whenever batteries are replaced, or when daylight saving time occurs.

To set the time:

a. Press TIME SET and hold it down until only the hour numeral is shown.

b. Press \( \uparrow \) to adjust the hour.

c. Press TIME SET and hold it down until only the minute numeral is shown.

d. Press \( \downarrow \) to adjust the minutes.

e. Press TIME SET to finalise the changes.
Using Deafgard

1. To turn the unit on, press ON/OFF.

2. The screen will show 00:00 when it is first turned on or if the batteries have been removed, otherwise the time will be displayed.

3. The status light will flash GREEN every 15 seconds to show the unit is operational.

4. To turn the unit off hold ON/OFF for 6 seconds, or until the display is blank.

Note: Once turned off, Deafgard will not respond to the fire alarm or work as an alarm clock, and the status light will no longer flash.
Alarm clock function

Deafgard can be used as an alarm clock as well as a fire alarm.

When the alarm clock activates, the pillow pad will vibrate constantly and the screen will light up.

To set the alarm: Press **ALARM SET** and hold it down until only the hour numeral is showing on the screen. By doing this again you can also set the minutes.

Note: Once set, the bell symbol will be displayed on the screen to show the alarm clock is set and on.

To turn the alarm clock on and off press **ALARM ON/OFF**.

By pressing **MUTE/SNOOZE**; the alarm will snooze for 8 minutes on first press, 4 minutes on second and 2 minutes on third.
Self test

The Deafgard unit will perform a self test every time batteries are inserted and then every 7 days after that. During the self test, the screen will display ‘SELF’ and the hardware of the unit will be checked.

To manually launch a self test, you can press and hold the MUTE/SNOOZE for 3 seconds.

Note: We recommend a self test is carried out regularly.

If the Deafgard detects that there is a fault it will: sound a warning tone, the pillow pad will vibrate, the status light will flash RED and the screen will display an error message.