

TRANSPARENT

POWERISOLATOR 8

Owner's Manual

Thank you for purchasing the Transparent PowerIsolator 8 (we call it the PI8 for short). With this product you will find new enjoyment from your music and film systems. We certainly have!

WARNING

The PowerIsolator 8 must be used with the correct voltage to avoid damage to the unit and associated equipment. The operating voltage is marked on the electrical rating sticker on the bottom of the unit. Please read the instruction manual carefully before operating your PowerIsolator 8.

Do not operate this product with any portion of the chassis open or removed. Dangerous voltages may be encountered. There are no user serviceable parts inside. To reduce the risk of electric shock or fire do not expose the PowerIsolator 8 to water or moisture.

NOISE AND THE AC SIGNAL

The PowerIsolator 8 is a wide band noise rejection device utilizing Transparent's finest PowerIsolator MM noise-filtration technology. In simple terms, the PI8 shuts the door on noise so you can enjoy the full resolution of your system. The PI8 noise-reduction circuit is parallel to the AC signal and does not limit current to your components or add power factor distortions to the AC line. This means that your components will have the same dynamic power and tonal accuracy as they would when plugged directly into a dedicated AC circuit, but will now be able to resolve more detail, dynamics and texture due to the lack of AC line noise.

TRANSPARENT SURGE PROTECTION

The Transparent Surge circuit in your PowerIsolator 8 will provide the finest surge protection available without adding any sonic or visual distortions to your music or home theater experience. Transparent Surge technology protects against the fastest rise time spikes and the most damaging long-duration surges, which can occur daily in a normal home AC system.

PERFORMANCE OPTIONS

The eight outlets on the PI8 are separated into four noise-isolated Banks, each with two outlets. Each Isolation Bank offers identical performance and can be used with any type of audio or video component. However, you can increase the PI8's AC noise filtration performance by using the four Isolation Banks for four different components, or if you have more than four components, by keeping components separated by type. We recommend separating system components into the following categories and using a different Isolation Bank for each type: digital source components (including CD players, DVD players and separate digital components); amplifiers; preamplifiers and processors; and video components. There are some components that combine some of these functions, such as home theater processors, which usually have digital audio, analog audio and video functions, so some experimentation may be necessary to achieve the best performance.

For best results you should also replace your components' power cords with our PowerLink cords. The PowerLinks have been designed as part of an integrated system of power components, based on our MM Isolator technology. The system features very tight performance matching among all the components. The PI8 comes with a detachable PowerLink Plus power cord which can be upgraded to a higher level Transparent PowerLink power cord for improved performance.

INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTES

1 Before plugging in the PI8 be sure that it has the correct voltage and frequency for your application. The voltage and frequency are marked on the packaging as well as on the unit itself. Use of the PI8 with incorrect voltage and frequency can result in an unsafe condition and cause damage to the unit and your equipment. Damage resulting from the use of the unit with improper voltage is not covered by the warranty.

2 Plug the PowerIsolator 8 directly into a grounded wall outlet. The PI8 must be plugged into a grounded wall outlet to be covered by the Transparent Audio Connected Equipment Warranty (see back page). Most 3-prong AC outlets are grounded but there are many exceptions, especially in older homes. If the PI8 is plugged into a non-grounded or polarity-reversed outlet, the red LED labeled **LINE FAULT** will illuminate. Use of the PI8 in a non-grounded outlet will void the Connected Equipment Warranty and will reduce the level of surge protection to your components. Contact an electrician to have a grounded outlet installed for your system.

3 To be covered by the Connected Equipment Warranty, all system components must be plugged into a Transparent PowerBank or PowerIsolator (with surge protection), and any incoming source lines (such as CATV, satellite, antennas, phone, network, etc.) must also be protected by a Transparent MultiSource Protector.

4 Plug your components into the outlets on the PI8 and plug the PI8 directly into a grounded wall outlet. The PI8 is active whenever it is plugged into the wall. We do not recommend plugging the PI8 into other power conditioning devices, extension cords or power strips.

5 All 8 outlets on the PI8 provide surge protection for your components. This circuitry does not add distortions or limit current to your components.

6 The PI8 uses a 5A fuse to protect the PowerIsolator circuit from damage. There are no fuses in series with the AC line. When the PowerIsolator circuit is functioning properly the green LED labeled **ISOLATION ACTIVE** will illuminate any time the PI8 is plugged into an active wall outlet. If the LED does not illuminate when the PowerIsolator 8 is plugged into an active wall outlet there may be a problem with the PowerIsolator circuit or the fuse needs to be replaced. Contact your local Transparent dealer or Transparent Audio for assistance.

7 The green LED labeled **PROTECTION ACTIVE** indicates that the surge protection circuitry is functioning properly. The LED will illuminate whenever the PI8 is plugged into an active wall outlet. If the green LED does not illuminate, immediately discontinue use of the PI8 and contact your Transparent dealer or Transparent Audio for assistance.

8 3 to 2 prong adapters or “cheater plugs” are often used to defeat undesirable ground loops. Do not use these devices on the PI8 power cord. If such adapters are necessary to prevent hum, use them only on the power cords of the components causing the hum at the point where they plug into the PI8.

9 Now sit back, relax, and let your new Transparent PI8 take you to new sonic and visual heights.

WARRANTY

All Transparent Power Products have a limited 2 year warranty on parts and labor. This warranty is also extendable to five years to the original owner. Please consult your warranty card for details.

TRANSPARENT AUDIO CONNECTED EQUIPMENT WARRANTY

During the warranty period applicable to a Transparent surge protection device (2 years from date of purchase extendable to 5 years upon registration) Transparent will pay to repair or, at its option, pay the fair market value of equipment damaged by an AC power surge or lightning surge on the AC power line, on the following terms and conditions:

The connected equipment must be used and connected to the Transparent surge protection device in accordance with the instructions and warranty provisions applicable to the connected equipment, including proper grounding.

The connected equipment must be connected in accordance with the instructions provided with the Transparent surge protection device.

This warranty is for the benefit of the original purchaser of the Transparent surge protection device for non-commercial use only and is non-transferable.

This warranty is secondary to any manufacturer's warranty on the connected equipment and/or any service contract or insurance maintained by the customer that covers the loss in whole or in part.

Transparent shall, in its sole discretion, determine from the condition of the surge protector and the damaged equipment that the damage was caused by a failure of the Transparent surge protector to properly function within its design specifications.

This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties, express or implied, including implied warranty of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. This warranty does not cover consequential damages, including loss of computer data.

TRANSPARENT POWER PRODUCTS

POWER CORDS	High Performance PowerLink • PowerLink Plus • PowerLink Super Reference PowerLink • PowerLink XL • PowerLink MM
POWER BANKS	PowerBank 1* • PowerBank 2* • PowerBank 6 • PowerBank 8*
POWER ISOLATORS	PowerIsolator 4 • PowerIsolator 8 • PowerIsolator MM
SOURCE PROTECTION	MultiSource Protector
HOME AUTOMATION	PowerBank Control Center* • Home Automation Link*

NOTES All of our Transparent Power Products are available in European, U.K. and U.S. terminations except for * items, which are only available in U.S. termination.

All Transparent Power Cords and Power Banks are compatible with both 50hz and 60hz frequencies. However, the PowerIsolator 4, Powerisolator 8 and Powerisolator MM are painstakingly tuned to a specific frequency for maximum noise reduction; therefore, we make specific versions for 50hz and 60hz frequencies, and the units must be used only with the power frequency for which they were designed.

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