

Ovation™ Alpha Set-up and User Guide

(For firmware version 0941 and above)

Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Ovation Alpha timer, the timing device created specifically for speech training and public speaking clubs. It has been constructed from high-quality components and thoroughly tested to ensure years of trouble-free service. We trust that the Ovation Alpha will help your meetings run smoothly and efficiently!

Basic Operation

The Ovation Alpha control panel is divided into two sections: the Stopwatch and the Light Control. Note: In these instructions, when we say ‘touch,’ we mean to briefly press the button. You will hear a click when a button is touched.

Stopwatch:

Touch the Reset button to clear the timer to 0:00.

Touch the Start/Stop button to Start or Stop the timer.

Light Control:

The Green, Yellow and Red lights will illuminate automatically when the time programmed for each color has been reached. When the Green, Yellow or Red button is touched, the currently set illumination time for those colors is displayed for three seconds. While an illumination time is being displayed, that time may be adjusted by using the “Adjust” buttons under the display. After the three second delay, the display reverts back to showing the Stopwatch time.

Frequently-used illumination times may be instantly recalled by touching one of the preset buttons (the standard presets are outlined on the following page). When a preset is recalled, the Green, Yellow and Red illumination times for that preset are displayed in quick succession for confirmation. The recall of presets or the adjustment of current illumination times may be performed whether or not the Stopwatch is running.

If the Stopwatch is not running, touching the Green, Yellow or Red buttons will illuminate the lights on the front of the unit in addition to showing the illumination times. This feature is useful when explaining the Timer function to the other people in your group.

Set-up Procedure

Important! Before applying the preset stickers to the control panel, please peel off the thin protective plastic sheet covering the panel. The panel finish should look matte, not shiny.

The Ovation Alpha timer comes from the factory pre-programmed with five standard presets. These presets were selected based upon common speech times used in many public speaking clubs. The table on the next page details the Green, Yellow and Red illumination times for the standard presets.

<i>Standard Presets</i>	Green Light	Yellow Light	Red Light
<i>Table Topics</i>	1:00	1:30	2:00
<i>Evaluations</i>	2:00	2:30	3:00
<i>4 – 6 Min. Speech</i>	4:00	5:00	6:00
<i>5 – 7 Min. Speech</i>	5:00	6:00	7:00
<i>8 – 10 Min. Speech</i>	8:00	9:00	10:00

If your club uses these standard times, you're in luck. Simply apply the corresponding stickers and you're ready to go!

Customizing the presets:

If you wish to change the standard presets that have been programmed into the Ovation Alpha, you may do so. Adjust the Green, Yellow and Red illumination times using the procedure detailed under "Light Control," then press and hold the desired preset button until "Prog" is displayed. Your new illumination time values are now programmed into that preset. This is similar to programming the presets on most car radios.

Ten labels with commonly used speech times are included. Apply these to match the programmed preset times. Write on the blank labels with a pen if required.

Resetting Standard Presets

The five presets may be quickly reset to the default values detailed in the table above. To do this, press and hold Reset while simultaneously pressing Preset 5.

Small Print Area

The Ovation Alpha timer is not waterproof. If someone spills their latté on it, unplug it immediately! With luck, you may be able to save it. You may wash off the unit with clean water, but make sure to let it dry thoroughly, inside and out, before plugging it in. Do not use the Ovation timer anywhere near water or while in a bath or shower, or outside in the rain, etc.

Warranty

- Your Ovation timer is warranted to be free from defects in material or workmanship for One Year from the date of purchase.
- This warranty does not apply to any unit that has been subject to misuse, negligence or accident or has been opened or serviced by anyone other than Incline Technology, Inc.
- At its option, Incline Technology, Inc. may elect to replace the entire unit, rather than repair it.
- Should the unit fail during the warranty period, return the timer, with a dated proof of purchase, in a secure package, insured and with shipping charges prepaid. C.O.D. packages will not be accepted. Include a note describing the fault and your return address. Include \$10 (check, money order, Visa, MasterCard or American Express) to cover shipping & handling.

Disclaimer: Incline Technology, Inc. does not accept any responsibility whatsoever for any inconvenience resulting from the unit's failure to operate.

FCC Statement: The Ovation Alpha timer has been tested at great expense to comply with FCC standards for home or office use. This means that it should not interfere with your TV or radio. If it does, move the items apart.