Additions and changes to the TASCAM 2488 User's Guide

Since the original 2488 manual was produced, there have been a number of changes and revisions which should be noted carefully before attempting to use your 2488.

Notes on the use of the CD-RW drive

Media types Do not use 12x or high-speed (over 12x) CD-RW media with the 2488, as these types of media are not supported. Only use 1x–4x CD-RW discs.

Damaged media If a disc is scratched or dirty, the 2488 may not operate properly. If this happens, shut down the unit, and restart it. Do not attempt to re-use the defective disc.

Compatibility with players In common with other CD recorders, the 2488 can produce CD-RW discs, but such discs may not be playable on ordinary CD players (as mentioned on page 63 of the *User's Guide*). For compatibility with other CD players, we strongly recommend that you use only CD-R media.

Recorded disc types The 2488 recognizes for reading (and in the case of CD-RW media, erasing) only CD-ROM MODE1 or CD-DA discs. Other types of disc recorded using different standards cannot be read or erased by the 2488,

Ejecting discs It is important that you do not press the CD-RW drive eject button while the drive is operational. If you do, it may cause problems in the operation of the 2488. We therefore recommend that you always use the CD EJECT menu item ("CD EJECT" on page 67 of the *User's Guide*) to eject discs.

Notes on the hard disk format

As described in "Disk management and file import/export" on page 65, the 2488 uses two disk formats in its internal hard disk.

The FAT partition, used for USB data transfer, is 4GB in size and the size cannot be changed.

The TASCAM native partitions take up the remainder of the disk, and may be 4, 8, 16 or 32GB in size. A maximum of four partitions may be allocated. Note that it is possible to allocate four smaller partitions, and therefore leave part of the hard disk space unused. TASCAM native partitions cannot be accessed from a host computer using USB.

Supported operating systems In "The 2488 and USB" on page 73 of the *User's Guide*, it is mentioned that MacOS 9.0 and above is supported. We strongly recommend that for best results, MacOS 9.2 is used. Upgrade from 9. or 9.1 if necessary.

Formatting As mentioned in "Formatting the disk" on page 66, you should not turn off the 2488 while formatting the hard disk, as this may prevent the 2488 from booting.

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Corrections and additions to the manual

Page 18, step 8 Instead of "or press and hold **SHIFT** and press **EQ**", read "or use **SHIFT** and **YES** to turn the EQ on, and use **SHIFT** and **NO** to turn the EQ off".

Page 59, "Pre-mastering", step 2 The screen shows PreMastering, not MASTERING.

Page 62, "TAO recording", step 7 Instead of "The top line of the display gives an indication of the time remaining for the operation", read "A progress bar is shown on screen".

Page 64, "Playing back CDs using the 2488" As explained in "Playing back CDs using the 2488" on page 64, the **REW** and **F FWD** keys are used to skip playback forward and backward a track at a time. They cannot be used for search functions within tracks.

Page 65, "Disk management" Note that the FAT partition is FAT-32, not FAT-16 as described in the manual.

Page 66, "Formatting the disk" The information given in the manual is incorrect. The data on the FAT partition is erased, along with the data on the native TASCAM partitions, when the disk is formatted.

Pages 68, 70 and 74, USB mode Note the following procedure to close (exit) USB mode.

1 **Disconnect the 2488 from the computer, following the notes in "The 2488 and USB" on page 73.**

2 **Press and hold down the EXIT key.**

3 **When the popup message appears, press the ENTER key to exit (close) the USB mode.**

Note that when USB mode is active, the HD indicator lights steadily. It is th erefore very important that you follow step 1 above, to ensure the disk is not in use.

Page 79, "Metronome" Use the **CLICK** key, not the screen setting, to turn the metronome on (indicator lights orange) and off (indicator goes off).