

# active subwoofer

## **KEY FEATURES**

- Band-Pass/Bass-Reflex Active Subwoofer
- Single 21" Neodymium woofer with 4" ISV voice coil
- Water repellent cone
- Compact cabinet with very good output-to-weight ratio
- 18mm birch plywood enclosure with Heavy duty castors
- 4000 Watt Class D amplifier with PFC Switch Mode Power Supply
- 96KHz / 40 bit floating point CORE processing with PRONET AX remote control
- Optimized presets for use in combination with AX12C line array modules

## **INTRODUCTION**

The SW2100A is a very compact Band-Pass/Bass-Reflex subwoofer providing high output and extended low frequency response.

It is equipped with a single 21" neodymium transducer with a 4" ISV voice coil, large displacement suspension system, and composite reinforced, water repellent cone, able to provide clean and undistorted LF reproduction at very high SPL.

The system processing is based on the CORE DSP platform designed by the PROEL R&D Laboratories using one of the most advanced SHARC DSP for audio applications. It features 40bit, 96kHz floating point resolution and top-quality 24bit AD/DA converters, for a perfect signal integrity, dynamic range in excess of 110dB, and superior sonic performance. The PRONET AX control software, working on a solid and reliable CANBUS based network protocol, provides an intuitive interface for the remote control of the whole system, with the possibility of EQing, delaying, managing the protection functions, and monitoring the status of the amplifier.

The SW2100A is powered by a DA SERIES digital power module, a new generation of CLASS D

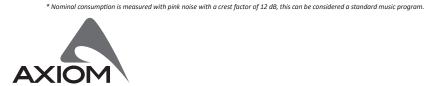
power amplifier with digitally-controlled SMPS. The innovative technology used for these amplifiers (including also the use of a variable switching frequency) offers performance at the top of the range, such as superior sound definition at any audio frequency, very high dynamics for low level signals, and very low distortion even at maximum power. The DA module employed for powering the SW2100A features also PFC (Power Factor Correction), a technology able to guarantee always the highest level of power regardless of any eventual fluctuations of the power supply.

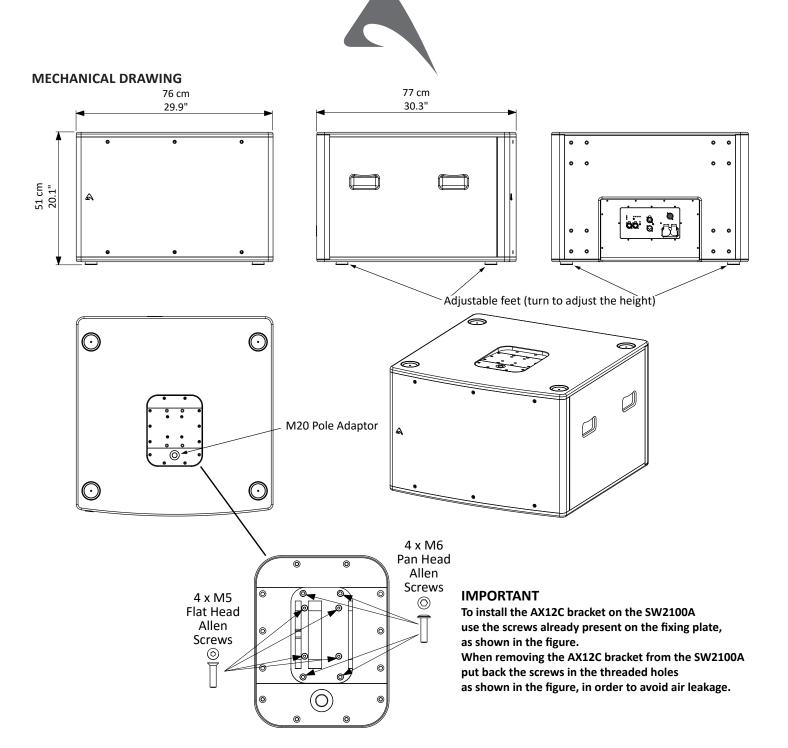
The SW2100A has been mainly designed to provide the optimal low frequency extension to the AX12C line array module. The built-in DA power module can provide 2000W to drive the 21" woofer and 2000W to power up to four AX12C line array modules connected to the output SPEAKON. The built-in CORE DSP provides 4 presets for different combinations: 2, 4 or 1 columns plus 1 user preset (additional presets for processing other AXIOM speakers are also available).

The SW2100A features on the top panel a special metal plate and it comes with a dedicated aluminium bracket for fast coupling with the AX12C's rigging hardware. Using this simple system, up to two AX12C modules can be easily installed on an SW2100A.



Class D with SMPS and PFC. Variable Switching **Amplifier Type** System's Acoustic Principle Band-pass / bass-reflex Frequency Response (-6dB) 34 Hz - 180 Hz (Processed) 2000W + 2000W (Out1: SW2100A - Out2: AX12C or **Output Power** other AXIOM loudspeakers) Maximum (peak) SPL 132dB SPL @ 1m TRANSDUCER Mains Voltage Range (Vac) 90 - 260V 50/60Hz 21" Neodymium magnet, 4" (100mm) VC 600 W (nominal) / 1800 W (max) Consumption\* Type Cone High stiffness, water repellent IN / OUT Connectors Neutrik XLR-M / XLR-F Interleaved Sandwich Voice coil (ISV) ETHERCON® (NE8FAV) Voice Coil Type IN / OUT Network Connectors PowerCon® TRUE 1 (NAC3PX) Suspension Triple-roll Mains Input and Link Connector **ELECTRICAL** Cooling Variable speed DC fan  $20 \text{ k}\Omega$  balanced,  $10 \text{ k}\Omega$  unbalanced **ENCLOSURE & CONSTRUCTION** Input Impedance Input Sensitivity +4dBu / 1.25 V Dimensions (W x H x D) 760 mm (29.9") x 511 mm (20.1") x 770 mm (30.3") Depth Including Wheels 881 mm (34.6") CORE processing, 96kHz / 40bit floating point Signal Processing SHARC DSP, 24 bit AD/DA converters **Enclosure Material** 18mm, reinforced phenolic birch Paint High resistance, water based paint 4 Presets (2 x AX12C / 4 x AX12C / 1 x AX12C / Direct access Controls User), Network Termination, GND Link 4 x heavy duty 100mm (4") castors, 4 handles Transport Remote Controls PRONET control software 61 Kg (134.2 lbs.) without wheels Network protocol **CANBUS** 





# **OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES**

NAC3FXW Neutrik Powercon® TRUE1 (for power in)\* USB2CAN PRONET network converter

NAC3MXW Neutrik Powercon® TRUE1 (for power out)\* USB2CAND Dual Port PRONET network converter

HTAC Hand tool for tightening powerCON TRUE1\* DHSS10M20 Sub-Speaker ø35mm 1-1.7m Pole with Handle and M20 screw

NE8MCB Neutrik Ethercon PLUG KP210S Sub-Speaker ø35mm 0.7-1.2m Pole with M20 screw

NC3MXXBAG Neutrik XLR-M COVERSW2100 Cover for SW2100A

NC3FXXBAG Neutrik XLR-F

see http://www.axiomproaudio.com/ for detailed description and other available accessories.

\*Note: See assembly instruction downloadable from NEUTRIK WEB site at: http://www.neutrik.com/

# SPARE PARTS

AC103GS 100 mm Swivel Castor without brake NAC3PX Neutrik Powercon® TRUE1 Appliance inlet-outlet

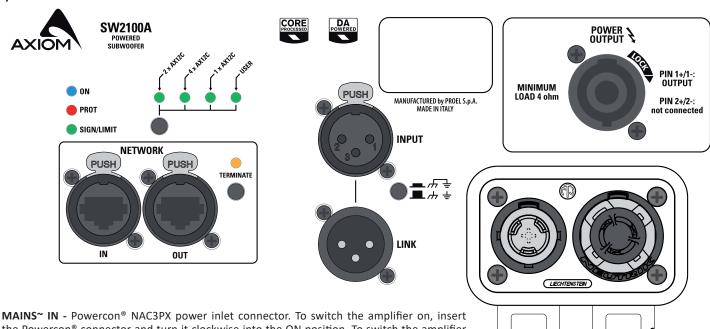
94SPI10100Locking Pin for AX12CSCNACPXNeutrik Rubber Sealing for NAC3PX95MET300003AX12C Bracket91AMDSW2100Amplifier module assembly

**98SW2100WZ4** 21" woofer - 4" VC - 4 ohm





# I/O AND CONTROL OPERATIONS



MAINS→ IN

MAINS~OUT ?

**MAINS~ IN** - Powercon® NAC3PX power inlet connector. To switch the amplifier on, insert the Powercon® connector and turn it clockwise into the ON position. To switch the amplifier off, pull back the switch on the connector and turn it counter-clockwise into the POWER OFF position.

MAINS~ OUT - Powercon® NAC3PX power outlet connector. This is connected in parallel with the MAINS~ IN.



WARNING! Connect no more than one subwoofer unit to the MAINS<sup>~</sup> OUT connector. WARNING! If you use the MAINS<sup>~</sup> OUT turn on each subwoofer unit one a time.

WARNING! In the case of product failure or fuse replacement, disconnect the unit completely from the mains power.

WARNING! Use a suitable power cable and mains plug to build the power cable, it

must only be connected to a socket corresponding to the specifications indicated on the amplifier unit.

See assembly instruction downloadable from NEUTRIK WEB site at: http://www.neutrik.com/

**ON** - This LED indicates power on status.

PROT - This red LED lights when the amplifier module is in protect mode for an internal fault and, consequently, the amplifier is muted.

SIGN LIMIT - This LED lights in green to indicate the presence of the signal and lights in red when an internal limiter reduces the input level.

**INPUT** - Audio signal input with locking XLR connector. It has a fully electronically balanced circuitry including AD conversion for the best S/N ratio and input headroom.

**LINK** - A direct connection from the input connector to link other speakers with same audio signal.

GND LIFT - This switch lift the ground of the balanced audio inputs from the earth-ground of the amplifier module.

**PRESET BUTTON** - This button has two function:

1) Pressing it while powering on the unit:

ID ASSIGN the internal DSP assigns a new ID to the unit for the PRONET remote control operation. Each loudspeaker must have a unique ID to be visible in the PRONET network. When you assign a new ID, all the other loudspeakers with the ID already assigned must be ON and connected to the network.

2) Pressing it with the unit ON you can select the DSP PRESET. The selected PRESET is indicated by the corresponding LED:

2 x AX12C This PRESET allows to connect two AX12C column array elements to POWER OUTPUT speakon connector, see example.

4 x AX12C This PRESET allows to connect four AX12C column array elements to POWER OUTPUT speakon connector, see example.

1 x AX12C This PRESET allows to connect one AX12C column array elements to POWER OUTPUT speakon connector, see example.

This LED lights when the USER PRESET is loaded. This preset corresponds to USER MEMORY no. 1 of the DSP and, as a factory setting, it's the same to STANDARD. If you want to modify it, you have to connect the unit to a PC, edit the parameters with PRONET software and save the PRESET into USER MEMORY no. 1.

**NETWORK IN/OUT** - These are a standard RJ45 CAT5 connectors (with optional NEUTRIK NE8MC RJ45 cable connector carrier), used for PRONET network transmission of remote control data over long distance or multiple unit applications.

**TERMINATE** - In a PRONET network the last loudspeaker device must be terminated (with an inner load resistance) especially in a long run cabling: press this switch if you want to terminate the unit.

POWER OUT - SW2100A is able to power the passive AX12C column array module (or other loudspeakers) through the available power output on the back panel.



WARNING: for the optimal protection and equalization connect the exact number of AX12C modules specified by the selected PRESET.





## **POWER AMPLIFIERS**

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# SIGNAL PROCESSING

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## **PRONET AX**

PRONET AX software has been developed in collaboration with sound engineers and sound designers, in order to offer an "easy-to-use" tool to setup and manage your audio system. With PRONET AX you can visualize signal levels, monitor internal status and edit all the parameters of each connected device.

You can download the PRONET AX app from the AXIOM website at http://www.axiomproaudio.com/.

The AXIOM active loudspeaker devices can be connected in a network and controlled by the PRONET AX software, for the network connection the PROEL **USB2CAN** (with 1-port) or the **USB2CAN-D** (with 2-port) converter optional accessory is needed.

PRONET AX network is based on a "bus-topology" connection, where the first device is connected to the network input connector of the second device, the second device network output is connected to the network input connector of the third device, and so on. To ensure a reliable communication the first and the last device of the "bus-topology" connection must be terminated. **This can be done by pressing the "TERMINATE" switch near the network connectors in the rear panel of the first and the last device.** For the network connections simple RJ45 cat.5 or cat.6 ethernet cables can be used (please don't confuse a ethernet network with a PRONET AX network these are completely different and must be fully separated also both use the same kind of cable).

#### Assign the ID number

To work properly in a PRONET AX network each connected device must have a unique identifier number, called ID. By default the USB2CAN-D PC controller has ID=0 and there can be only one PC controller. Every other device connected must have its own unique ID equal or greater than 1: in the network cannot exist two devices with the same ID.

In order to correctly assign a new available ID to each device for working properly in a Pronet AX network, follow these instructions:

- 1. Switch off all the devices.
- 2. Connect them correctly to the network cables.
- 3. "TERMINATE" the end device in the network connection.
- **4.** Switch on the first device keep pressed "PRESET" button on the control panel.
- 5. Leaving the previous device switched on, repeat the previous operation on the next device, until the latest device is turned on.

The "Assign ID" procedure for a device makes the internal network controller to perform two operations: reset the current ID; search the first free ID in the network, starting from ID=1. If no other devices are connected (and powered on), the controller assume ID=1, that is the first free ID, otherwise it searches the next one left free.

These operations ensure that every device has it's own unique ID, if you need to add a new device to the network you simply repeat the operation of step 4. Every device maintains its ID also when it is turned-off, because the identifier is stored in the internal memory and it is cleared only by another "Assign ID" step, as explained above.

With the network made always of the same devices the assigning ID procedure must be executed only the first time the system is turned on.

For more detailed instruction about PRONET see the PRONET AX USER'S MANUAL included with the software.

# **TOOLS**

This is a list of tools that can be useful to set properly a vertical column array system or a complex point source system.

## CABLE TESTER

It is a good practice to check all cables before each installation, because even one faulty cable can compromise heavily the system performance.

## **INCLINOMETER WITH LEVER**

This tool can be used to verify the vertical array angle. It can be used at the top or at the bottom of the array In this case you have to sum all splay angles, so the maximum precision is needed for aiming the vertical array, particularly for long throw applications.

## LASER DISTANCE METER

This instrument can be useful to measure the height of the vertical array and to know the distance between FOH-Subs and FOH-Array for setting the delay time.

# **ACOUSTIC MEASUREMENT SYSTEM** (SMAART, SATlive or similar)

These are useful to measure delays, phase and response of the system.







## WARNING! CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITION OF USE:

- SW2100A is NOT designed to be suspended, use it in ground stack only.
- This loudspeaker is designed exclusively for Professional audio applications. The product must be installed by qualified personal only.
- Proel strongly recommends that this loudspeaker cabinet be suspended taking into consideration all current National, Federal, State and Local regulations. Please contact the manufacturer for further information.
- Proel do not accept any liability for damage caused to third parties due to improper installation, lack of maintenance, tampering or improper use of this product, including disregard of acceptable and applicable safety standards.
- During assembly pay attention to the possible risk of crushing. Wear suitable protective clothing. Observe all instructions given on the rigging components and the loudspeaker cabinets. When chain hoists are in operation ensure that there is nobody directly underneath or in the vicinity of the load. Do not under any circumstances climb on the array.

## **BASIC INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS**

# Stacked installation of AX12C using SW2100A subwoofer as base



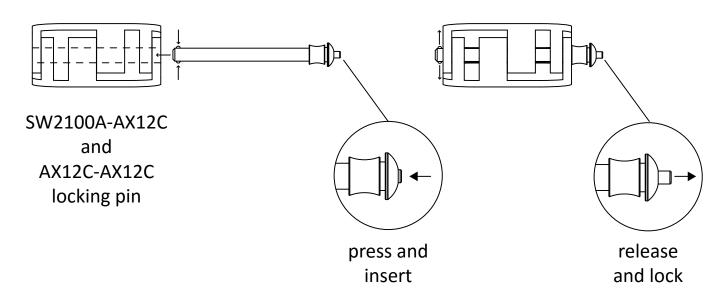
# WARNING!

- The ground where the SW2100A is placed needs to be absolutely stable and compact.
- Adjust the feet so to lie the SW2100A perfectly horizontal to ground. Use a spirit level to obtain the best result.
- Always secure ground stacked setups against movement and possible tipping over.
- A maximum of 2 x AX12C speakers are allowed to be installed over a SW2100A serving as ground support. Other installation examples are explained in the AX12C user manual.

# Pin locking and splay angles set up

The figure below shows how to insert correctly the locking pin and how to set up the splay angle between loudspeakers.

# **LOCKING PIN INSERTION**

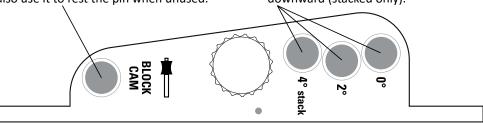


# **AX12C SPLAY ANGLE SET UP**

When connecting two speakers together or one speaker to an installation accessory, insert the pin in this hole first, also use it to rest the pin when unused.

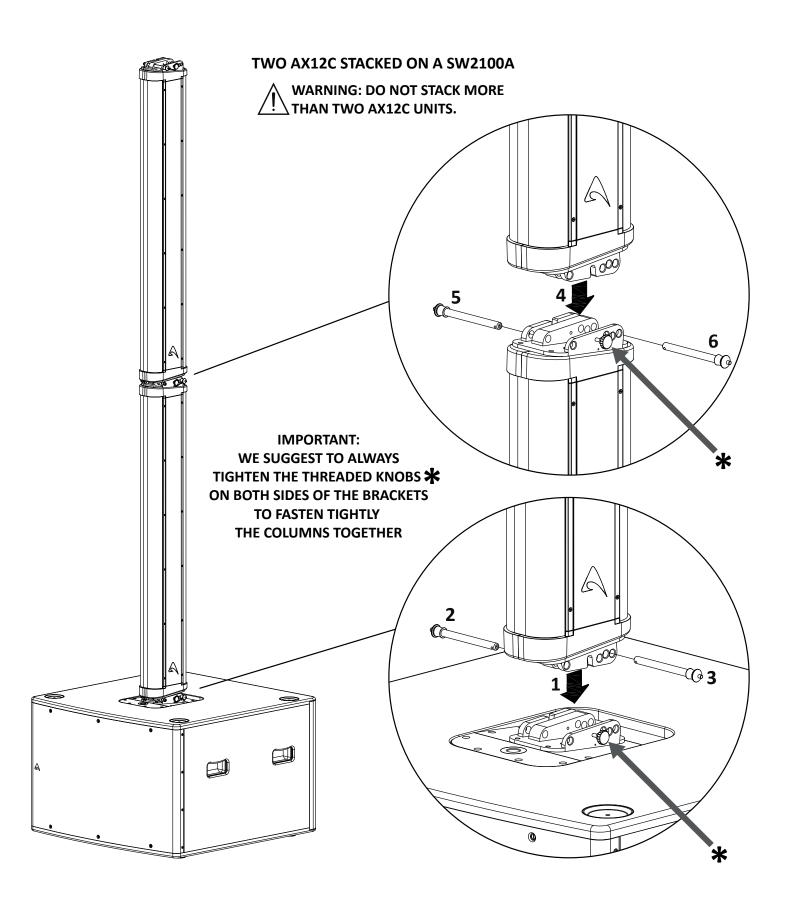
Use these holes for the splay angle:

- 0° as no splay.
- 2° as normal splay angle to obtain a curved vertical array.
- **4°** as splay angle to aim the first speaker downward (stacked only).





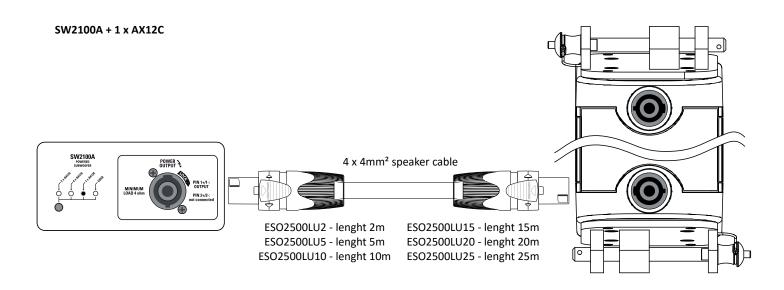


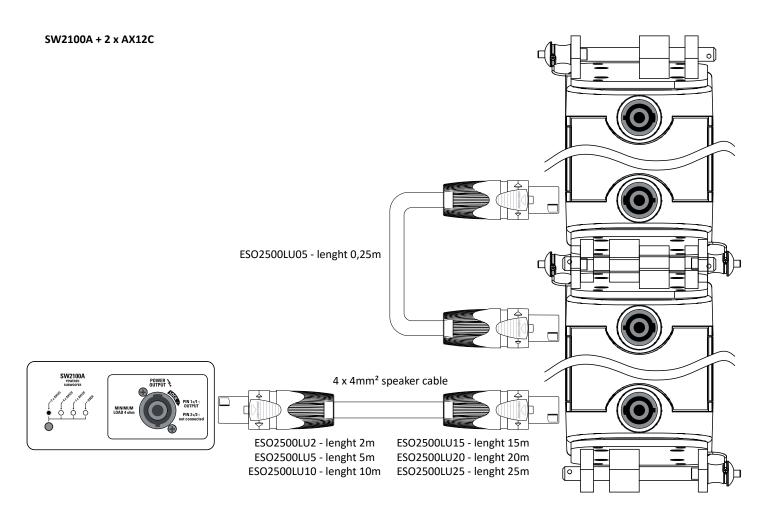




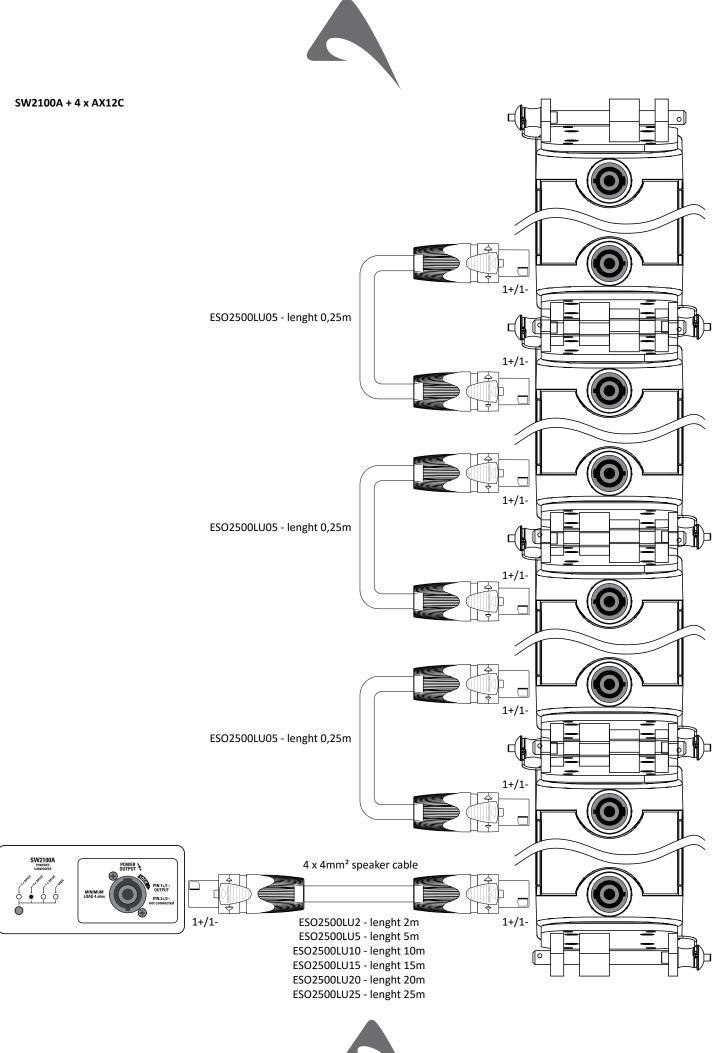


# SW2100A + AX12C connection examples

















## **LIMITED WARRANTY**

Proel warrants all materials, workmanship and proper operation of this product for a period of two years from the original date of purchase. If any defects are found in the materials or workmanship or if the product fails to function properly during the applicable warranty period, the owner should inform about these defects the dealer or the distributor, providing receipt or invoice of date of purchase and defect detailed description. This warranty does not extend to damage resulting from improper installation, misuse, neglect or abuse. Proel S.p.A. will verify damage on returned units, and when the unit has been properly used and warranty is still valid, then the unit will be replaced or repaired. Proel S.p.A. is not responsible for any "direct damage" or "indirect damage" caused by product defectiveness.

- This unit package has been submitted to ISTA 1A integrity tests. We suggest you control the unit conditions immediately after unpacking it.
- If any damage is found, immediately advise the dealer. Keep all unit packaging parts to allow inspection.
- Proel is not responsible for any damage that occurs during shipment.
- Products are sold "delivered ex warehouse" and shipment is at charge and risk of the buyer.
- Possible damages to unit should be immediately notified to forwarder. Each complaint for package tampered with should be done within eight days from product receipt.

# **SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

- To reduce the risk, close supervision is necessary when the product is used near children.
- Protect the apparatus from atmospheric agents and keep it away from water, rain and high humidity places.
- This product should be site away from heat sources such as radiators, lamps and any other device that generate heat.
- This product should be located so that its location or position does not interfere with its proper ventilation and heating dissipation.
- Care should be taken so that objects and liquids do not go inside the product.
- The product should be connected to a power supply mains line only of the type described on the operating instructions or as marked on the product. Connect the apparatus to a power supply using only power cord included making always sure it is in good conditions.
- WARNING: The mains plug is used as disconnect device, the disconnect device shall remain readily operable.
- Do not cancel the safety feature assured by means of a polarized line plug (one blade wider than the other) or with a earth connection.
- Make sure that power supply mains line has a proper earth connection.
- Power supply cord should be unplugged from the outlet during strong thunderstorm or when left unused for a long period of time.

# **CE CONFORMITY**

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