

MIDI Solutions

MultiVoltage *PROFESSIONAL SERIES*

M8

8-INPUT MIDI MERGER

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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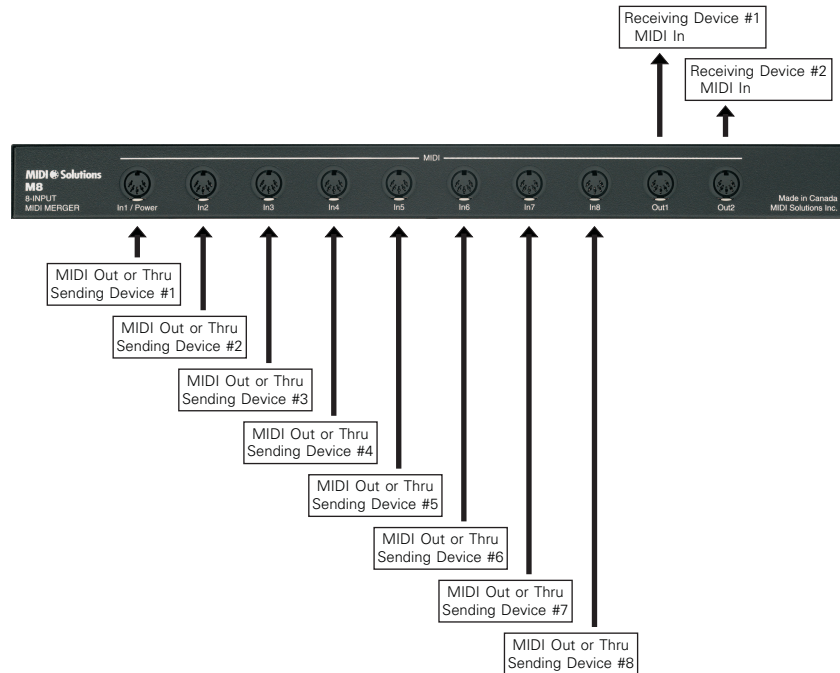
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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the MIDI Solutions MultiVoltage M8 8-input MIDI Merger.

The MIDI Solutions MultiVoltage M8 merges MIDI data from eight MIDI inputs to its two MIDI outputs, and may be chained together with other MIDI Solutions Mergers for as many inputs are required. The MIDI Solutions MultiVoltage M8 is MIDI-powered and requires no batteries or power supply to operate. It is compatible with products that follow both the 5V and 3.3V MIDI specifications.



CONNECTIONS

Connect the MIDI Outs or Thrus of the sending MIDI devices to the MIDI inputs (**In1** through **In8**) of the M8. Connect MIDI **Out1** and **Out2** of the M8 to the MIDI Ins of the receiving MIDI devices. The number of MIDI Solutions products that can be chained together is dependent on the specifications of the MIDI output port supplying power – for more information see the MIDI INDICATOR LED section. Since some products make use of unused pins 1 and 3 to pass phantom power, connections to these pins are provided between the **In1** and **Out1** jacks. These pins are not connected to the M8's internal circuitry. It is recommended that the current passing through these pins be limited to 1 amp.

OPERATION

Power is provided to the M8 by the device that is connected to its first MIDI input, **In1**. If a device does not provide power it can be connected to **In2** - **In8**. All MIDI messages appearing at the M8's MIDI inputs are merged to its MIDI outputs **Out1** and **Out2**.

MIDI INDICATOR LED

The MIDI Indicator LED will light as soon as the sending device is turned on, and flashes briefly whenever MIDI data passes through the unit. If the MIDI Solutions M8's operating voltage drops below the threshold at which it is able to provide a MIDI standard drive current of 5 mA, its LED will produce a steady on/off warning flash. After rising above this threshold the LED will continue to produce a steady on/dim flash for 10 seconds. Since the voltage always rises above this threshold on power up, a steady on/dim flash will always be visible for 10 seconds; during this time the unit is operating normally and providing the standard drive current. If the M8's operating voltage is below 4V its LED will produce a dim flash every four seconds, this signal is for diagnostic purposes and does not affect its operation.

WARRANTY

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