# OPERATION MANUAL

Advanced Guitar Effects Processor



Congratulations and thank you for choosing the Zoom 9002. For long-term reliability and optimum performance, please read this manual carefully before use.



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# **Major Features**

# Hardware

# · Analog and digital circuitry

Besides advanced digital signal processing, special analog circuitry is used for distortion and compression effects which are so important to electric guitar sound.

### • 16-bit digital conversion

True 16-bit quantization assures professional results in the digital-toanalog and analog-to-digital converter circuits.

### · Zoom's own custom ZFx-1 DSP LSI

Zoom developed this original DSP LSI to deliver more digital signal processing power in less space. The ZFx-1 chip dramatically expands your capabilities for musical expression.

### · Mono input, stereo output

The 9002 accepts normal monaural input from your guitar. Chorus, delay, and reverb effects are output in stereo.

# · Large, easy viewing LCD display window

This customized LCD shows selected effects, parameters, and other information in a large ( $60 \times 30$ mm) window designed for high readability.

# Headphone jacks and mix input

To monitor your playing in private, plug in stereo headphones. You can also play along with a tape or other source connected to the MIX IN jack.

# · User patch protection

User patch protection does not depend on a special battery, so extra maintenance is avoided.

# Software

#### Effects

The effect chain has six stages: Compressor, Distortion, Equalizer, Modulation group, Delay, Reverb group. Special effects (SFX) can also be selected.

#### · Easy operation

Sliding faders make adjusting parameter values quick and easy, with a familiar "analog" feel that is rare in digital equipment.

#### Preset banks and user banks

There are five pre-programmed factory "preset" memory banks and five "user" memory banks. Each bank holds four patches. The 20 preset patches cover effects that are useful for a great variety of music styles. Your original patches and edited preset patches can be stored in the 20 user patch memory locations.

### · Tuning and metronome functions

The 9002 will generate a reference pitch of 440Hz, 441Hz, or 442Hz to which you can tune your "A" string. For rhythm training or tempo reference, you can turn on the metronome function.

# · For live performance and home recording

The compact 9002 is ideal for live performance. A remote control unit is supplied to let you select patches with extra convenience. The 9002 will also function as a guitar amp simulator, so that you can input a rich guitar sound directly to your recording equipment without needing an amp and microphone.

# **Precautions**

## Power supply

To avoid the possibility of damage, do not use any AC adaptor other than the supplied AC adaptor.

Be sure to use only the supplied rechargeable battery or specified equivalent. To recharge, plug the supplied AC adaptor into the AC adaptor jack. Or use the specified optional recharger. The use of other rechargers is dangerous because they may cause battery leakage or other damage. The supplied battery is rated at 400 charge cycles before needing replacement. Three hours is the standard recharging time, giving about three hours of use. It is dangerous to recharge continuously for 24 or more hours. The LCD display will blink to indicate that you should recharge or replace the battery right away or use the AC adaptor to avoid the unit shutting off while playing.

#### · Place of use

Like other digital devices, the 9002 may cause interference if used too close to radios, TVs, or some other electrical appliances. Avoid use in very hot, cold, humid, or dusty environments; damage may result.

## Cleaning

Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe off the 9002 when necessary. Never use paint thinner, alcohol, or other solvents which may damage the surface or warp the case.

# Handling

Handle with care. Do not apply excessive force to the controls. Do not open the case or attempt repairs or modifications yourself; to do so will void the warranty.

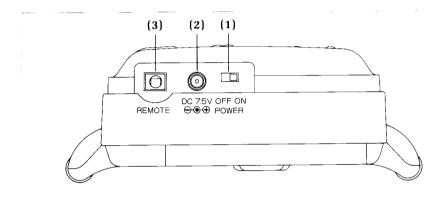
## · Connection/disconnection procedure

Power should be turned off or volume turned down before making connections to amps or other equipment. Sudden large signals may cause speaker damage.

#### Service

Consult with your local Zoom dealer if the 9002 does not operate properly.

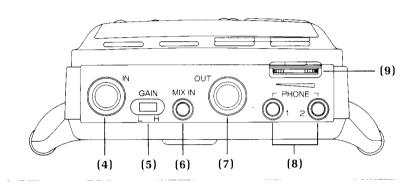
# **Controls and Display**



# Controls

- (1) POWER switch
- (2) AC adaptor jack
- (3) REMOTE jack
  For connection of supplied remote controller.
- (4) INPUT jack (mono) For guitar cord.
- (5) GAIN switch Set to H for single coil pickup guitars. Set to L for guitars that have humbucking or active pickups.
- (6) MIX IN jack (stereo)

  Connect tape player or other music source to this jack. You can then play along on guitar. (Effects do not affect this signal.)



### (7) OUTPUT jack (mono/stereo)

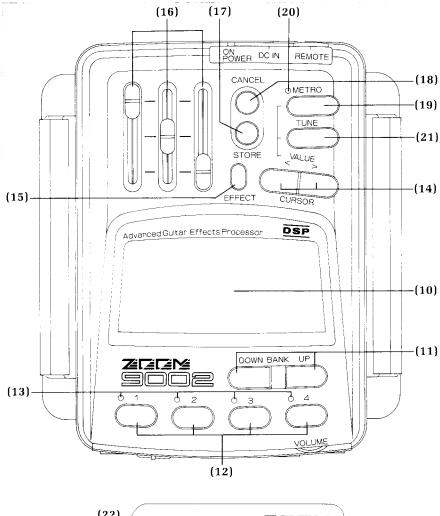
For connection to guitar amp, etc. Can also be connected directly to a mixing console, multi-track recorder, or radio/cassette recorder. Built-in amp simulator prevents "thin" no-amp sound.

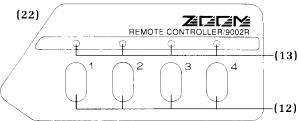
### (8) PHONES jacks

Two sets of stereo headphones can be connected for private listening or jamming with a friend.

#### (9) VOLUME control

Adjusts total output signal volume.





#### (10) LCD display

Liquid crystal display shows bank, parameter, and other data.

#### (11) BANK keys

For selection of preset and user banks.

#### (12) PATCH keys

For selection of patches.

#### (13) PATCH LEDs

Lit LED indicates selected patch. Flashing LED indicates patch selected for user bank storage.

#### (14) CURSOR keys

For selecting individual effects, metronome tempo, and tuning reference frequency.

#### (15) EFFECT ON/OFF key

Switches individual effect status on and off. Status is confirmed by dots on LCD display.

#### (16) PARAMETER controls

For adjustment of parameter values and effect output level. Value is confirmed by LCD bars under sliders and by numeric readout.

# (17) STORE key

Allows you to store original or edited patches in the user bank area.

## (18) CANCEL key

Cancels STORE key operation. When editing, this shifts you to the next parameter name.

### (19) METRO key

Turns on metronome function. Use CURSOR keys to adjust tempo between 40 and 250bpm (beats per minute). Volume is not adjustable.

### (20) METRO LED

The LED flashes with the tempo.

#### (21) TUNE key

Generates reference pitch for "A". CURSOR keys set frequency at 440Hz, 441Hz, or 442Hz. All effects turn off and only the direct sound comes through.

#### (22) REMOTE CONTROLLER

For patch switching within currently selected bank.

# LCD Window

#### (1) Bank number

Shows selected bank: USER 0,1,2,3,4 and PRESET 0,1,2,3,4.

#### (2) Effect names

These are the available individual effects. Only one of the modulation group and one of the reverb group effects can be used at a time.

• SFX - Special effects can be combined with any other effects except for modulation group effects.

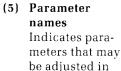
#### (3) Effect marks

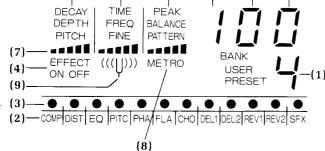
Dots indicate individual effects in use. A flashing dot indicates the effect being edited.

(5)

(6)

## (4) Effect on/off mark Shows effect on/off status.





### (6) Parameter value

selected effect.

Readout shows precise parameter value. Changes as you adjust PARAMETER control.

#### (7) Parameter bars

Bars give general indication of parameter value. Changes as you adjust PARAMETER control.

#### (8) Metronome mark

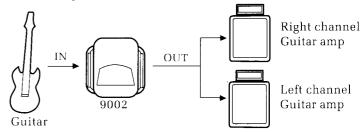
Appears when metronome is on.

#### (9) Tuning mark

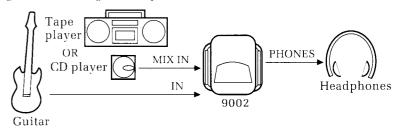
Appears when tuning reference pitch is on.

# **Connection Examples**

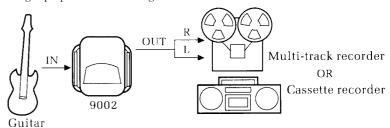
• The 9002 has stereo output so you can connect the left and right channels separately to two amplifiers. This increases the spaciousness of the stereo effects: Chorus (pattern-2), Delay 2, and Reverb 1 & 2.



- \* White end of supplied cable goes to left channel, red to right.
- You can connect a CD player or tape player to the MIX input jack and play along while listening on headphones.



• The 9002 has a built-in amp simulator so you can connect directly to your recording equipment or mixing console.



# **Effects and Parameters**

# Guitar amp effects

#### **COMP Compressor**

Use DEPTH (range of  $0\sim12$ ) parameter to adjust sustain level. Sustains notes without adding distortion. A clean sound that keeps the signal level consistent.

This provides studio quality analog compression effects.

#### **DIST Distortion**

Use DEPTH (0~12) parameter to adjust the amount of distortion. This provides analog distortion that is rich in harmonics for accurate simulation of tube-amp sound. At DEPTH 0. this works as a tone booster.

# **EQ Equalizer**

First, select one of the two patterns, then use the DEPTH and FINE parameters to adjust the effect.

Use the PATTERN (1 or 2) parameter to select which pattern you want.

PATTERN 1: High Boost, Low Cut EQ

DEPTH (0~10) controls low range boost or attenuation and FINE (0~10) controls high range boost or attenuation. Use with plenty of distortion to produce a heavy metal sound. Also adjustable for a restrained sound. This is a high-low shelving effect.

PATTERN 2: Exciter

DEPTH (0~10) and FINE (0~10). A bright tube amp tone using an exciter effect where DEPTH controls enhance level and FINE controls frequency.

# Modulation effects

#### **MODULATION GROUP**

(PITC, PHA, FLA, CHO)

One from this group can be used at a time (but not with SFX).

#### PITC Pitch shift

Use PITCH (-12 $\sim$ 0 $\sim$ +12 range) to shift pitch in semitone steps up to one octave higher or lower.

Use FINE  $(-10\sim0\sim+10)$  for fine adjustment above or below PITCH setting. Use BALANCE  $(0\sim10)$  to adjust between shifted and direct sound.

This is used for harmonies, doubling, and thickening effects. First adjust PITCH, then FINE. Try creating unison, fifths, and non-cyclic chorus-like effects.

## PHA Phaser and Midrange Boost

Use PATTERN (1 or 2) to select Phaser or Midrange Boost.

PATTERN 1: Phaser

Use DEPTH (0~10) to adjust the amount of modulation and resonance.

Use FREQ ( $0\sim50$ ) to adjust modulation speed.

This creates rotating speaker sounds and other phase shifted effects.

PATTERN 2: Midrange Boost

Use DEPTH (0~10) to adjust level of peak boost.

Use FREQ (0~50) to adjust midrange frequency.

Midrange boost gives different amplifier characteristics. It allows the guitarist to create a wide range of personal tonal styles.

# FLA Flanger

Use DEPTH (0~10) to adjust amount of modulation.

Use FREQ (0 $\sim$ 50) to adjust modulation speed.

Use PEAK (0~10) to adjust strength of the resonance peak.

Flanging produces peaks that are harmonically related, unlike simple phasing. At high peak levels it produces almost metallic ringing sounds.

### **CHO Chorus**

Use DEPTH (0~10) to adjust the amount of modulation.

Use FREQ  $(0\sim10)$  to adjust modulation speed.

Use PATTERN (1 or 2) to select mono or stereo.

Like flanging, chorus depends on the interaction between delayed and non-delayed signal components. Like phasing, it can help create a full-bodied sound.

# Delay effects

## **DEL1 Delay 1**

Use DECAY (0~10) to adjust the number of echoes (0 is single). Use TIME (1~100) to adjust the delay time from 1/100 of a second to 1 second in ten millisecond increments.

Use BALANCE (0 $\sim$ 10) to adjust balance between direct (0) and delay (10). This is used for echo effects.

#### REVERB GROUP

(DEL2, REV1, REV2)

One from this group can be used at a time.

### **DEL2 Delay 2**

Use DECAY  $(0\sim10)$  to adjust the number of repeats. (For mono output, the repeats will be half the tempo of the stereo repeats.)

Use TIME (1~90) to adjust delay time from 1/100 of a second to 9/10 of a second in ten millisecond increments.

Use BALANCE  $(0\sim10)$  to adjust the level of the delayed sound.

Delay 2 is a stereo ping-pong delay where the sound echoes from the left to the right channel (if reproduced in stereo).

# REV1 Reverb 1 (Large Hall)

Use TIME  $(0\sim10)$  to adjust the reverb time.

Use BALANCE (0 $\sim$ 10) to adjust the level of the reverb sound.

Reverberation effects are essential for recording and for simulating larger performance environments. The longest reverb time is 4000 ms.

# REV2 Reverb 2 (Small Room)

Use TIME  $(0\sim50)$  to adjust the reverb time.

Use BALANCE  $(0\sim10)$  to adjust the level of the reverb sound.

This second reverb effect is designed to simulate the sound of a small room. The longest reverb time is  $160 \, \mathrm{ms}$ .

# Special effects

#### SFX

Use PATTERN (1,2,3) to select STEP, CRY, or METALLIC effects.

PATTERN 1: STEP

Use DEPTH (0~10) to adjust amount of modulation.

Use FREQ (0~50) to adjust modulation speed.

This gives random, stepped sample&hold for sequencer and arpeggio type effects.

PATTERN 2: CRY

Use DEPTH (0~10) to adjust amount of modulation.

Use FREQ (1 or 2) to select 1: Voice type effect; or 2: Fast attack and sweep down.

This gives dynamic pick wah and talking box type effects.

PATTERN 3: METALLIC

Use DEPTH (0~10) to adjust amount of modulation.

Use FREQ (0~50) to adjust modulation speed.

This gives ring modulator type effects.

# **Preset Programs and User Programs**

The 9002 has memory locations for 40 effects programs or "patches". Of these, 20 are permanent pre-programmed factory preset effects (in ROM). The remaining 20 memory locations are available for you to store your own patches (in RAM). Each program or patch usually combines several individual effects.

# Preset banks

The five (0 through 4) preset banks contain pre-programmed patches that are ready to use for a wide variety of musical applications. You can adjust the parameter values of individual effects within each patch as you like. Then you can store the results in patches in the user banks.

# User banks

The contents of the patches in the five (0 through 4) user banks can be changed. You can use them to store your own original patches or you can copy patches from the preset banks. To start with, the user banks contain copies of 20 selected preset patches.

# About the banks

Each factory preset bank offers a choice of four "patches." Each patch is a chain of effects specially prepared to create a specific sound or effect for live performance or recording.

For example, one of the preset bank patches creates an instantly recognizable heavy metal sound. Another sounds just right for good old '50s rock and roll.

A patch may contain up to six effects, in a "chain" like this:

$$COMP - DIST - EQ - PITC (etc.) - DEL1 - REV 1 (etc.)$$

The user banks are set up in the same way. However, you can actually change what is stored in the user bank patches. (The factory preset bank patches always come up sounding the same, each time you select them.)

# **Operation**

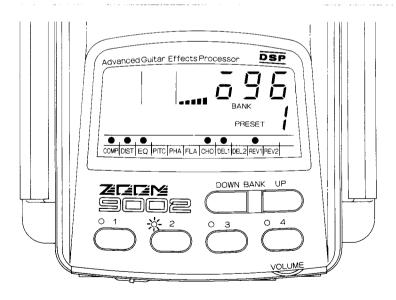
# Basic operation

#### · Turn on POWER switch.

The BANK part of the display will show USER 0, and the PATCH LED 1 will light. The Parameter Value display area will show the output level This means that the currently selected patch is the first (of four) patches in user bank 0.

#### · Call your desired bank and patch.

Use the BANK keys (UP and DOWN) to select your desired bank. Use the PATCH keys (1 through 4) to choose a patch within the bank. As an example, let's select preset 1, patch 2.



Selecting patch 2 in preset bank 1.

<sup>\*</sup> Display illustrations shown here do not necessarily match those during actual use. They are provided for general reference only.

- (1) Press either of the BANK keys several times and notice how the BANK part of the display indicates each of the USER (0~4) and PRESET (0~4) banks. Try setting it to PRESET 1. The bank number will flash.
- (2) Next, select your desired patch number by pressing one of the four PATCH keys (located below the BANK keys). Press the PATCH 2 key so that its LED lights. The bank number will stop flashing.

You have now selected preset bank 1, patch 2.

# Editing

Each patch is a chain of individual effects. You can select which individual effects to use in a patch. And you can adjust the parameters of each effect. You can also adjust the signal output level of the total patch. A parameter is simply one of the adjustable characteristics of the effect (such as "time" in a delay effect). Each effect has different adjustable parameters. Refer to the "Effects and Parameters" section of this manual. Edited patches can be stored in user banks for later use. To edit and store a patch, you follow these steps:

- To eart and store a patch, you follow these steps.
- (2) Select individual effect (FLA, for example)
- $\hbox{(3)} Adjust\ effect\ parameters\ (DEPTH\ and\ PEAK,\ for\ example)}$
- (4)Adjust output level (To compensate for increased or decreased total volume resulting from change in effects used and/or their readjusted parameter values)

(1) Select bank and patch to start from (Preset 2, patch 3, for example)

(5)Store (Store in user bank 4, patch 1, for example)

### Effect editing procedure

First, press the left or right CURSOR key to move the flashing effect mark until it is above the individual effect that you want to edit (in the list of effects at the bottom of the display).

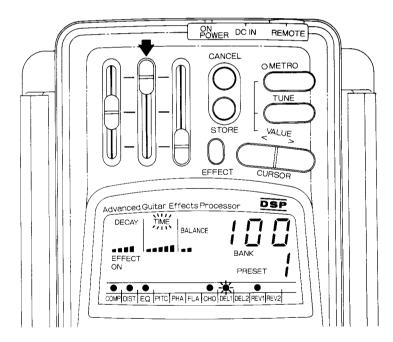
The adjustable parameter names for that effect will appear below the three sliding PARAMETER controls. (The number of adjustable parameters is usually two or three, depending on the effect.)

(If parameter names do not appear, press the EFFECT ON/OFF key so that the effect on/off mark turns on.)

One of the parameter names will be flashing. Adjust the PARAMETER control above the flashing name. As you slide the control up or down, the parameter bars (below the parameter name) and the parameter value readout in the display will change to indicate the current value (within the possible range).

Let's try editing the DEL1 effect in our previously selected patch (preset 1, patch 1).

- (1) Use the CURSOR keys to move the flashing effect mark to DEL1. Parameter names DECAY, TIME, and BALANCE will appear on the display.
- (2) Of the three names, DECAY is flashing. However, let's adjust the TIME parameter first. Gradually raise or lower the position of the control over the TIME indication until TIME starts flashing. (Or press the CANCEL key to move to the next adjustable parameter.)
- (3) After TIME starts flashing, movement of the control will affect the value of the TIME parameter, as shown by the parameter bars and the parameter value readout. Slide it all the way down to minimize the delay time. Slide it all the way up to set delay time to the maximum length of one second.



Adjusting the TIME parameter.

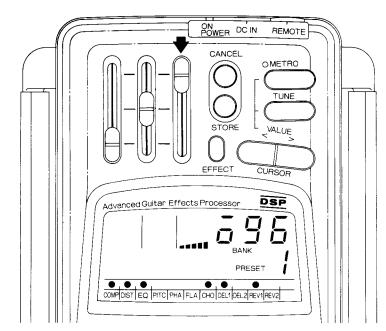
- (4) Next, move the control above the BALANCE parameter name. Slide it all the way down to get the direct sound only. At the top position you get just the delay sound.
- (5) Finally, adjust the control above the DECAY parameter name. This sets the amount of feedback (number of repeats or echoes). At the bottom position you hear a single repeat. At the top position you get the maximum number of repeats.
- (6) Now, use the CURSOR keys to select other effects, and adjust them in the same way.

#### Undo

To return a patch to its original value, simply select a different patch and then return to the one that you wanted to reset to its original value. In other words, if you switch to another patch without storing the previous one, any adjustments that you made on the previous one will be cancelled.

#### Output level adjustment

After adjusting the parameters of individual effects, you can adjust the



Adjusting the output level.

output level of the selected patch. This may be necessary to compensate for changes in total output level resulting from your parameter settings. This gives you control over changes in output level that may occur when you switch patches while performing.

- (1) Use the CURSOR keys to move the effect mark all the way to the right of SFX or to the left of COMP. The bars under the PEAK/BALANCE/PAT-TERN display section will show output level, as will the readout. Or you can go directly to the output level adjustment mode by pressing the currently selected PATCH key again.
- (2) Adjust the control above the PEAK/BALANCE/PATTERN display section. Output level is adjustable over a range of 10 to 99, as shown in the parameter value readout.

#### • Patch storage

To save your edited effect patch, follow these steps.

- (1) Press the STORE key once. The selected BANK number and patch LED will flash to indicate that you are in the storage mode.
- (2) Use the BANK and PATCH keys to select the user bank number and patch into which you wish to save the sound. (You cannot use a factory preset bank to store edited sounds.)
- (3) At this point you can still press the CANCEL key to cancel the storage mode and return to the state that existed before you pressed the STORE key. If you do not wish to cancel, go on to step 4, below.
- (4) Press the STORE key again and the BANK number and patch LED will stop flashing and remain lit. This confirms storage.

# Other Functions

# Tuning mode

Press the TUNE key once and the tuning fork mark will appear on the display. The 9002 will emit a pitch of 440Hz. Tune your A string to this pitch. If you want a slightly higher reference pitch, use the CURSOR keys to change to 441Hz or 442Hz. In the tuning mode all effects turn off and parameter names and indications are not displayed. To return to normal use, press the TUNE key again.

# Metronome mode

Press the METRO key once and the "METRO" mark will appear on the display. The metronome LED will flash in time with the beat which is adjustable over a range of 40 to 250 beats per minute, using the CURSOR keys. In the metronome mode, effects remain on and you can change patches, but parameter names and indications turn off. To turn off the metronome. press the METRO key again. For live performance, you may want just the metronome LED indication and not the audible beat: from the power-off condition, while holding down the METRO key, turn on the POWER switch.

# Remote control

The supplied remote controller plugs into the 9002 and allows you to select patches within the current bank. It does not control bank changing. Therefore, when editing, you may wish to use each bank to store up to four patches that will be used together within the same song. Storing the patches in the sequence that they will be selected will add further convenience.

To attach, use the two Velcro pads. Put the soft pad on the guitar and put the one with the rough surface on the back of the remote controller. When the remote controller is not attached to the guitar, the rough Velcro pad surface may damage clothing - put it in your guitar case, not in your pocket.

# **Specifications**

**Effect Programs:** 

Compressor, Distortion, EQ, Pitch

Shifter, Phaser, Flanger, Chorus,

Delav1, Delav2, Reverb1, Reverb2, SFX

(6 effects can be used at once)

Memory:

20 Preset Patches/20 User's Patches

A/D D/A Converter: 16-bit linear

Inputs:

Guitar × 1 ( $^{1}/_{4}$ ", -10/-20dBm, 470k $\Omega$ )

Mix × 1 (Mini, Stereo)

**Outputs:** 

Line × 1 (1/4" Stereo/Mono, -10dBm,

 $10k\Omega$ 

Headphones × 2 (Mini, Stereo)

Display:

60 × 30mm Custom LCD

Control:

Remote

Power:

Rechargeable Battery/AC Adapter

5 hours initial charging time. 3 hours

use at full charge.

**Dimensions:** 

 $102(W) \times 119.5(D) \times 39(H) \text{ mm}$ 

Weight:

280g (0.62lbs.)

Accessories:

Remote controller, AC adaptor,

Rechargeable battery  $\times$  1.

Stereo phone plug to stereo RCA phono

plug cable  $\times$  1

All specifications and appearances subject to change without notice.