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# 1. Before You Begin

# What Is Included

- Amhaze Whisper Seetronic Powerkon IP65 power cable
- **Quick Reference Guide**

#### Claims

Carefully unpack the product immediately and check the container to make sure all the parts are in the package and are in good condition.

If the box or the contents (the product and included accessories) appear damaged from shipping, or show signs of mishandling, notify the carrier immediately, not Chauvet. Failure to report damage to the carrier immediately may invalidate your claim. In addition, keep the box and contents for inspection. For other issues, such as missing components or parts, damage not related to shipping, or concealed damage, file a claim with Chauvet within 7 days of delivery.

## **Text Conventions**

Convention	Meaning	
1–512	A range of values	
50/60	A set of values of which only one can be chosen	
Settings	A menu option not to be modified	
<enter></enter>	A key to be pressed on the product's control panel	

## Symbols

Symbol	Meaning
$\triangle$	Critical installation, configuration, or operation information. Not following these instructions may make the product not work, cause damage to the product, or cause harm to the operator.
Í	Important installation or configuration information. The product may not function correctly if this information is not used.
	Useful information

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#### Any reference to data or power connections in this manual assumes the use of Seetronic IP rated cables.

The term "DMX" used throughout this manual refers to the USITT DMX512-A digital data transmission protocol.



## **Safety Notes**

Read all the following safety notes before working with this product. These notes contain important information about the installation, usage, and maintenance of this product.



This product contains no user-serviceable parts. Any reference to servicing in this User Manual will only apply to properly trained, certified technicians. Do not open the housing or attempt any repairs.

All applicable local codes and regulations apply to proper installation of this product.

#### **Personal Safety**

- Depending on the amount of haze generated, all haze machines may set off smoke detectors.
- Drain the tank before transporting the product.
- Always disconnect this product from its power source before servicing.
- The product's nozzle is very hot during operation and it remains hot for a long time after operation has stopped.
- Always connect this product to a grounded circuit to avoid the risk of electrocution.
- Do not drink or become in contact with the fluid. If you do, call your local emergency service (911 in the US) for help.
- Do not use for space heating purposes.
- Do not touch this product's housing during operation because it may be very hot.

#### **Mounting and Rigging**

- The product is not intended for permanent installation.
- This product is for indoor use only! To prevent risk of fire or shock, do not expose this product to rain or moisture. (IP20)
- CAUTION: When transferring product from extreme temperature environments, (e.g. cold truck to warm humid ballroom) condensation may form on the internal electronics of the product. To avoid causing a failure, allow product to fully acclimate to the surrounding environment before connecting it to power.
- Mount this product in a location with adequate ventilation, at least 20 in (50 cm) from adjacent surfaces.
- Make sure there are no flammable materials close to this product while it is operating.
- When hanging this product, always secure to a fastening device using a safety cable.

#### **Power and Wiring**

- Always make sure you are connecting this product to the proper voltage in accordance with the specifications in this manual or on the product's specification label.
- To eliminate unnecessary wear and improve its lifespan, during periods of non-use completely disconnect the product from power via breaker or by unplugging it.
- Never connect this product to a dimmer pack or rheostat.
- Never disconnect this product by pulling or tugging on the power cable.

#### Operation

- Do not operate this product if you see damage to the housing, fluid tank, or cables. Have the damaged parts replaced by an authorized technician at once.
- Be sure that no ventilation slots on the product's housing are blocked.
- Never carry the product from the power cord or any moving part. Always use the handles.
- The haze exits the nozzle at a very high temperature and it remains hot for a long time after operation has stopped. Keep a minimum distance of 6.5 ft (2 m) from the nozzle to the nearest object.
- The maximum ambient temperature is 113 °F (45 °C). Do not operate this product at a higher temperature.
- In the event of a serious operating problem, stop using this product immediately!
- Do not add perfume, alcohol, gasoline, or any other flammables to the fluid.
- Use only CHAUVET water-based Premium Haze Fluid (PHF).



#### If your Chauvet product requires service, contact Chauvet Technical Support.



# 2. Introduction

#### Description

The Amhaze Whisper is an ideal haze machine for use in television studios and theatrical productions where discreet operation and rapid heat up time are key. The speed of the fan is controllable and the volume of haze fully adjustable up to a maximum of 77 cfm.

#### Features

- Professional water-based haze machine
- Quiet operation for theatrical and studio usage
- Removable vent louver for directional haze flow
- Tour-ready with a rugged road case and M12 threaded rigging insert
- · Achieve continuous variable haze output and blower speed, adjusted via DMX or manual knobs

#### **Product Overview**





# **Product Dimensions**





# 3. Setup

## **AC Power**

The Amhaze Whisper has an auto-ranging power supply and it can work with an input voltage range of 100 to 240 VAC, 50/60 Hz.

To determine the product's power requirements (circuit breaker, power outlet, and wiring), use the current value listed on the label affixed to the product's back panel, or refer to the product's specifications chart. The listed current rating indicates the product's average current draw under normal conditions.



Always connect the product to a protected circuit (a circuit breaker or fuse). Make sure the product has an appropriate electrical ground to avoid the risk of electrocution or fire. To eliminate unnecessary wear and improve its lifespan, during periods of non-use completely disconnect the product from power via breaker or by unplugging it.



Never connect the product to a rheostat (variable resistor) or dimmer circuit, even if the rheostat or dimmer channel serves only as a 0 to 100% switch.

## AC Plug

The Amhaze Whisper comes with a power input cable terminated with a Seetronic Powerkon A connector on one end and an Edison plug on the other end (U.S. market). If the power input cord that came with the product has no plug, or if the plug must be changed, use the table below to wire a plug.

Connection	Wire (U.S.)	Wire (Europe)	Screw Color
AC Live	Black	Brown	Yellow or Brass
AC Neutral	White	Blue	Silver
AC Ground	Green/Yellow	Green/Yellow	Green

## **DMX** Linking

The Amhaze Whisper will work with a DMX controller using a 3- or 5-pin DMX serial connection. A DMX Primer is available from <u>www.chauvetprofessional.com</u>.

# **Preparing for Operation**

To prepare the Amhaze Whisper for operation:

- 1. Open the flight case.
- 2. Pull out the fluid tank and remove the cap.
- 3. Verify that the two plastic hoses attached to the inside of the cap are in place and in good condition.
- 4. Pour Chauvet PHF haze fluid inside the tank, and re-cap.
- 5. Reinsert the tank.
- 6. Make sure that the plastic hose that goes from the cap to the hazer is not bent.
- 7. Plug in power and wait approximately 30 seconds for warm-up to complete.



Only use Chauvet approved PHF haze fluid. Otherwise, results may not be satisfactory. In addition, unapproved fluid can damage the Amhaze Whisper or cause harm to humans or animals.

When storing the product, ALWAYS be sure to store the fluid tank with the cap up (See <u>Storing the Product</u>) before installing the front cover to avoid tube damage that may cause leakage.



#### Mounting

Before mounting the product, read and follow the safety recommendations indicated in the Safety Notes. For our Chauvet Professional line of mounting clamps, go to <u>http://trusst.com/products/</u>.

#### Orientation

Always mount this product in a safe position, making sure there is adequate room for ventilation, configuration, and maintenance.

#### Rigging

Chauvet recommends using the following general guidelines when mounting this product.

- Before deciding on a location for the product, make sure there is easy access to the product for maintenance and programming purposes.
- Make sure that the structure onto which you are mounting the product can support the product's weight. See the <u>Technical Specifications</u> for weight information.
- When mounting the product overhead, always use a safety cable. Mount the product securely to a rigging point, whether an elevated platform or a truss.
- When rigging the product onto a truss, use a mounting clamp of appropriate weight capacity.

#### Procedure

The Amhaze Whisper includes 4 rubber feet for floor mounting and comes with a threaded mounting hole, size M12, at the top of the hazer. This mounting hole is appropriate for use with a mounting clamp. You must supply the mounting clamps. Make sure the clamps are capable of supporting the weight of this product. Use at least one mounting point per product. For the Chauvet Professional line of mounting clamps, go to <a href="http://www.trusst.com/products">http://www.trusst.com/products</a>.

#### **Mounting Diagram**





# 4. Operation

## **Control Panel Description**

Button	Function		
<function></function>	Exits from the current menu or function		
<manual></manual>	Manual control haze output		
<volume></volume>	laze volume output control		
<timer></timer>	Timed haze output		
<fan></fan>	Fan output control		
<up></up>	<ul> <li><up> Navigates upward through the menu list or increases the numeric value when in a function</up></li> </ul>		
<b><down></down></b> Navigates downward through the menu list or decreases the numeric value when in function			

# **Control Options**

Set the Amhaze Whisper starting address in the 001-512 DMX range. This enables control of up to 256 products in the 2-channel personality.

## Programming

Refer to the Menu Map to understand the menu options. The menu map shows the main level and a variable number of programming levels for each option.

- To go to the desired main level, press <FUNCTION> repeatedly until the option shows on the display. This will take you to the first programming level for that option.
- To select an option or value within the current programming level, press <UP> or <DOWN> until the
  option shows on the display. If there is another programming level, you will see that first option, or
  you will see the selected value.

Press **<FUNCTION>** repeatedly to exit to the previous main level.

## Menu Map

Refer to the Amhaze Whisper product page on <u>www.chauvetprofessional.com</u> for the latest menu map.

Main Level	Programming Levels	Description	
		Selects DMX address (highest channel restricted to personality chosen).	
Interval Set	10–300	Sets the Interval between haze bursts	
<b>Duration Set</b>	10–255	Sets how long the burst of haze will last	

# **Configuration (DMX)**

Use DMX configurations to operate the product with a DMX controller.

#### **DMX Control**

In this mode, each product will respond to a unique starting address from the DMX controller. All products with the same starting address will respond in unison.

- 1. Go to DMX Add. main level.
- 2. Select the starting address (001–512).

#### **Control Channel Assignments and Values**

Channel	Function	Value	Percent/Setting
4	1 Fan speed	000 ⇔ 005	No function
1		006 ⇔ 255	Fan speed, slow to fast
2	Haze volume	000 ⇔ 005	No function
		006 ⇔ 255	Haze volume, 0–100%



## **Configuration (Settings)**

Use standalone configuration to operate the product without a DMX controller.

#### Interval

- 1. Go to the Interval Set main level.
- 2. Select the desired speed (**10–300**).

#### Duration

- 1. Go to the **Duration Set** main level.
- 2. Select how long the haze flow will last (10–255).

## **Priming the Pump**

The Amhaze Whisper features an automatic shut-off function. When the fluid sensor detects no fluid in the hose, the pump automatically shuts off. Sometimes an air bubble can be caught in the hose by the fluid sensor, triggering the auto shut-off. To prevent this, the pump must be primed every time the reservoir is refilled from empty and/or every time the hose runs dry.

To prime the pump and remove all air bubbles:

- 1. Ensure the filter tip of the hose is fully submerged in the fluid.
- 2. Run the Amhaze Whisper on low haze volume.
- 3. With two fingers, pinch the hose closed so nothing can pass through.



#### DO NOT use fingernails or anything which may cut the hose!

- 4. Keep the hose pinched closed for 20–30 seconds. The pump will make a noise that will slowly get louder.
- 5. After at least 20–30 seconds, release the hose. Fluid should pass quickly through it, preventing any bubbles from becoming trapped.



#### The pump must be primed every time the reservoir is refilled or the hose runs dry.





# 5. Maintenance

## **Product Maintenance**

Do not allow the haze machine to become clogged. After every 40 hours of continuous operation, use CHAUVET Fog Cleaner Quart (FCQ) through the system to prevent the accumulation of particulate matter in the heating element.

The recommended cleaning procedure is as follows.

- 1. Unplug the product from power.
- 2. Empty all fluid from the machine.
- 3. Add cleaning solution to the tank.
- 4. Connect the product to power and allow it to warm up.
- 5. Run the unit in a well-ventilated area until the tank is empty.
- 6. Refill with fluid to continue using the hazer. Run the machine briefly to clear any cleaning solution from the pump and heater.



FCQ (Fog Cleaner Quart) was specifically developed by CHAUVET to clean the Amhaze Whisper. Make sure to use FCQ regularly to increase the life of the hazer. Test-run the Amhaze Whisper on a monthly basis to achieve the best performance.

Do not spin the fans with compressed air. Damage may result.

# Storing the Product

Before storing the hazer:

- Run FCQ through the system as described in the cleaning procedure above; however, only follow steps 1 through 5. Do not refill the tank with fluid if storing the hazer. Cleaning the system prior to storage will help prevent any particles from condensing inside the pump or heater while not in use.
- Be sure that the fluid container is placed inside the product correctly with the cap facing up.





Do not refill the tank with fluid if storing the hazer.



# 6. Technical Specifications

Dimensions and Weight			
Length	Width	Height	Weight
19.29 in (490 mm)	14.96 in (380 mm)	10.62 in (270 mm)	) 34.1 lb (15.5 kg)
Note: Dimensions in inches ar Power	e rounded.		
Power Supply Type	Ra	nge	Voltage Selection
Model-specific		, 60 Hz or C, 50 Hz	Fixed
Parameter	120 V,	60 Hz	230 V, 50 Hz
Consumption	107	0 W	1285 W
Operating current	8.8	δA	5.6 A
Breaker	F 15 A	, 250 V	F 8 A, 250 V
Power I/O	U.S./Wo	orldwide	UK/Europe
Power input connector	Seetronic Po	werkon IP65	Seetronic Powerkon IP65
Power cable plug	Edisor	n (U.S.)	Local Plug
Operation/Capacity/Consum	ption		
Heat-up Time	Tank Capacity	Fluid Consumptio	n Fan Speed
30 sec	0.92 gal (3.5 l)	7 ml/min	77 cfm
Thermal			
Maximum External Tempera	ture Cooling	System	
113 °F (45 °C)	Conv	ection	
DMX			
I/O Connector	Channe	l Range	
3- or 5-pin XLR		2	
Ordering			
Product Name	ltem	Code	UPC Number
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