HM2

**Headworn Microphone** 



## **Key Features:**

- Lightweight just 0.9 ounces (25 grams), less cable
- Behind-the-head headband is comfortable and stays in place
- Cardioid pickup pattern ensures good gain before feedback
- Frequency response and proximity effect similar to handheld vocal mics



#### **General Description:**

The Electro-Voice HM2 headworn microphone is the ideal microphone for anyone who requires high-quality vocals in a hands-free application. The HM2 is perfect for use by lead vocalists, singing instrumentalists, dancers, aerobic instructors and other presenters.

The HM2 has a miniature electret condenser element designed with a cardioid polar pattern, which attenuates background noises such as sound from nearby floor monitors, on-stage musical instruments and crowd noise. The furnished open-pore windscreen slips over the microphone element to reduce wind noise and minimize P-popping – the excessive explosive breath noise caused by overemphasized "p" and "t" sounds.

The Electro-Voice HM2 headworn microphone employs a comfortable and inconspicuous behind-the-head headband and flexible boom arm in an attractive Nonreflective black matte finish. The flexible boom, which descends from the right of the headband, is enclosed with protective shrink tubing to shield the boom arm from deterioration and to prevent the flexible tube from catching on facial hair. The facial features of the performer or speaker will not be obstructed due to the HM2's unobtrusive design. The headband and microphone boom adjust to fit any performer or speaker.

The HM2 is designed to have a frequency response similar to a handheld vocal microphone. The HM2 headset exhibits bassboost (proximity-effect) warmth that many vocalists prefer. The amount of proximity effect can be adjusted by moving the microphone element closer or farther away from the mouth. The HM2 is permanently connected to a 1.2-m (4 ft) shielded cable terminated with a miniature Switchcraft TA3F connector.

#### **Technical Specifications:**

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Generating Element	Electret Condenser
Frequency Response (1/2-in. distance):	30-18,000 Hz
Sensitivity (open circuit voltage at 1000 Hz):	4 mV/Pascal (680 $\Omega$ load)
Polar Pattern:	Cardioid
Maximum SPL, 1% Distortion:	120 dB
Power Requirements:	1 to 10 V dc
Operating Current at 9 V dc:	500 μA max
Finish:	Nonreflective black
Output Cable:	1.2 m (4 ft) long, 2.5 mm (0.10 in.) diameter; miniature audio cable permanently attached between microphone and connector
Output Connector:	Switchcraft TA4F (pin 1 shield, pin 2 & 4 bias/audio, pin 3 N/C)
Accessories Furnished:	Black windscreen
Optional Accessories:	Replacement windscreen EV part no. 879155
Dimensions, Headband:	140 mm (5.5 in.) nominal at widest point: 160 mm (6 in.) boom arm
Dimensions, Microphone:	29 mm (1.14 in.) long, 18 mm (0.7 in.) wide, 16.8 mm (0.66 in.) deep
Net Weight (less cable and connector):	25 grams (0.9 oz)



## **Microphone Placement:**

The headband can be worn in several different ways: Over the top of the head. (Some aerobics instructors prefer this because they wear their sweatband perpendicular to the headband.) Behind the back of the neck. (This lets you hide the headset in your hair very easily.)

The flexible boom allows adjustment relative to the right corner of your mouth. To find the optimum location of the microphone, perform the following steps during the sound check:

- 1. Center the microphone element in front of your mouth by bending the flexible boom up or down.
- 2. If P-popping is detected, bend the flexible boom and move the microphone element further away from you mouth.
- 3. If the sound is thin and weak, move the microphone element closer to your mouth and try raising or lowering the microphone element.

Experiments indicate that the best control of P-popping is to position the microphone element off to the side of the mouth, away from the center.

If distortion or flawed audio is heard, check the overload LED on the transmitter. If the LED is flashing with voice peaks, adjust the transmitter's attenuation control until the overload stops. Also, check the condition of the transmitter's battery and replace if necessary.

#### Frequency Response (at 1/2-inch):



## Polar Response:



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