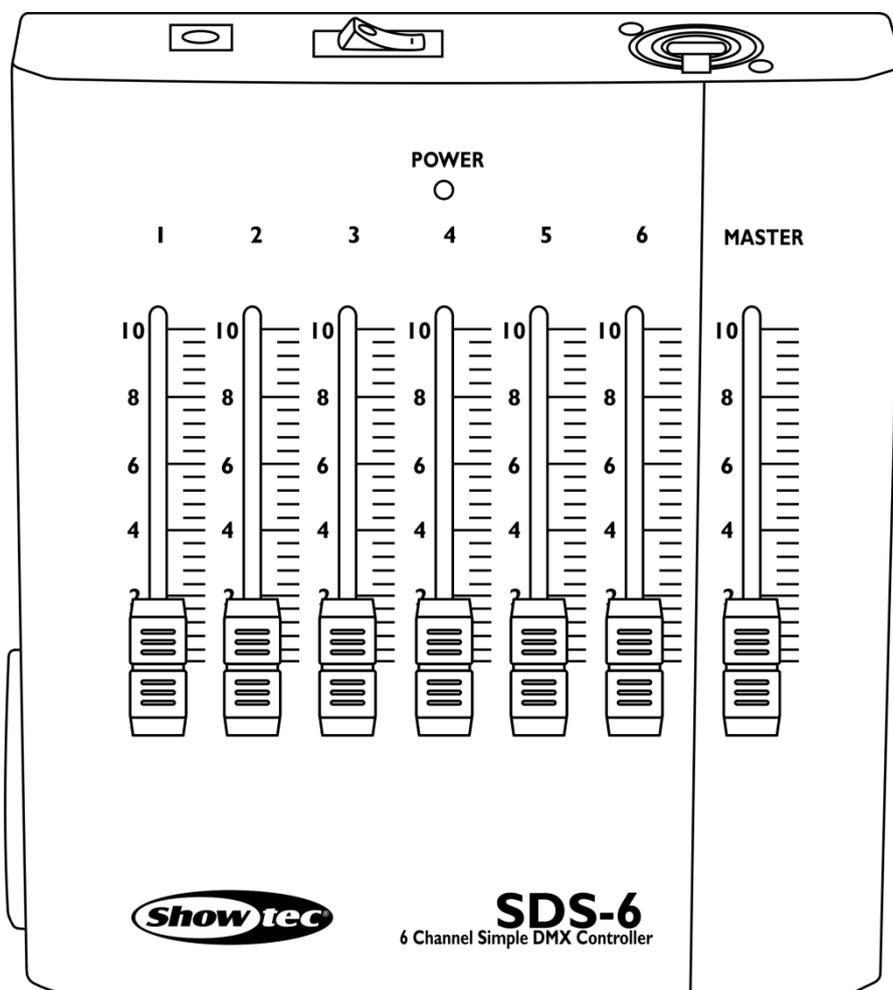




MANUAL



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SDS-6

V1

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Warning



**For your own safety, please read this user manual carefully
before your initial start-up!**

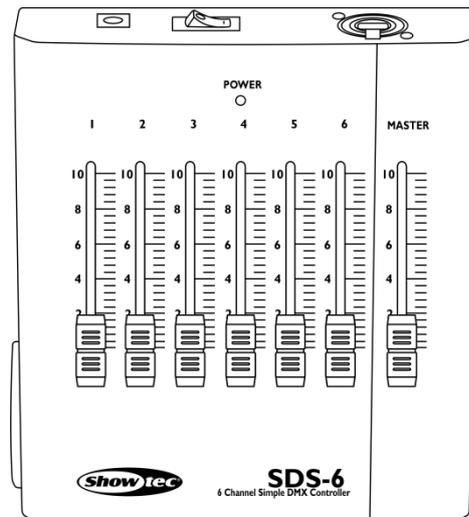


Unpacking Instructions

Immediately upon receiving this product, carefully unpack the carton and check the contents to ensure that all parts are present, and have been received in good condition. Notify the dealer immediately and retain packing material for inspection if any parts appear damaged from shipping or the carton itself shows signs of mishandling. Save the carton and all packing materials. In the event that a fixture must be returned to the factory, it is important that the fixture be returned in the original factory box and packing.

Your shipment includes:

- Showtec SDS-6
- 12V DC 1A power adapter (1,5 m)
- User manual



CAUTION!
Keep this device away from rain and moisture!
Unplug mains lead before opening the housing!



Safety Instructions

Every person involved with the installation, operation and maintenance of this device has to:

- be qualified
- follow the instructions of this manual



CAUTION! Be careful with your operations.
**With a dangerous voltage you can suffer
a dangerous electric shock when touching the wires!**



Before your initial start-up, please make sure that there is no damage caused by transportation. Should there be any, consult your dealer and do not use the device.

To maintain perfect condition and to ensure a safe operation, it is absolutely necessary for the user to follow the safety instructions and warning notes written in this manual.

Please consider that damages caused by manual modifications to the device are not subject to warranty.

This device contains no user-serviceable parts. Refer servicing to qualified technicians only.

IMPORTANT:

The manufacturer will not accept liability for any resulting damages caused by the non-observance of this manual or any unauthorized modification to the device.

- Never let the power cord come into contact with other cables! Handle the power cord and all connections with the mains with particular caution!
- Never remove warning or informative labels from the unit.
- Never use anything to cover the ground contact.
- Never leave any cables lying around.
- Do not insert objects into air vents.
- Do not open the device and do not modify the device.
- Do not connect this device to a dimmerpack.
- Do not switch the device on and off in short intervals, as this would reduce the device's life.
- Do not shake the device. Avoid brute force when installing or operating the device.
- Only use device indoors, avoid contact with water or other liquids.
- Only operate the fixture after having checked that the housing is firmly closed and all screws are tightly fastened.
- Only operate the device after having familiarized with its functions.
- Avoid flames and do not put close to flammable liquids or gases.
- Always keep case closed while operating.
- Always disconnect power from the mains, when device is not used or before cleaning! Only handle the power cord by the plug. Never pull out the plug by tugging the power cord.
- Make sure that the device is not exposed to extreme heat, moisture or dust.
- Make sure that the available voltage is not higher than stated on the rear panel.
- Make sure that the power cord is never crimped or damaged. Check the device and the power cord from time to time.
- If device is dropped or struck, disconnect mains power supply immediately. Have a qualified engineer inspect for safety before operating.
- If the device has been exposed to drastic temperature fluctuation (e.g. after transportation), do not switch it on immediately. The arising condensation water might damage your device. Leave the device switched off until it has reached room temperature.
- If your Showtec device fails to work properly, discontinue use immediately. Pack the unit securely (preferably in the original packing material), and return it to your Showtec dealer for service.
- For adult use only. Device must be installed out of the reach of children. Never leave the unit running unattended.
- The user is responsible for correct positioning and operating of the SDS-6. The manufacturer will not accept liability for damages caused by the misuse or incorrect installation of this device.
- This device falls under protection class I. Therefore it is essential to connect the yellow/green conductor to earth.
- Repairs, servicing and electric connection must be carried out by a qualified technician.
- WARRANTY: Till one year after date of purchase.

Operating Determinations

- This device is not designed for permanent operation. Consistent operation breaks will ensure that the device will serve you for a long time without defects.
- The minimum distance between light-output and the illuminated surface must be more than 1 meter.
- The maximum ambient temperature $t_a = 40^\circ\text{C}$ must never be exceeded.
- The relative humidity must not exceed 50 % with an ambient temperature of 40°C .
- If this device is operated in any other way, than the one described in this manual, the product may suffer damages and the warranty becomes void.
- Any other operation may lead to dangers like short-circuit, burns, electric shock, crash etc.

You endanger your own safety and the safety of others!

Connection with the mains

Connect the device to the mains with the power-plug.

Always pay attention, that the right color cable is connected to the right place.

International	EU Cable	UK Cable	US Cable	Pin
L	BROWN	RED	YELLOW/COPPER	PHASE
N	BLUE	BLACK	SILVER	NEUTRAL
	YELLOW/GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	PROTECTIVE GROUND

Make sure that the device is always connected properly to the earth!

Improper installation can cause serious damage to people and property!



Return Procedure



Returned merchandise must be sent prepaid and in the original packing, call tags will not be issued. Package must be clearly labeled with a Return Authorization Number (RMA number). Products returned without an RMA number will be refused. Highlite will not accept the returned goods or any responsibility. Call Highlite 0031-455667723 or mail aftersales@highlite.nl and request an RMA prior to shipping the fixture. Be prepared to provide the model number, serial number and a brief description of the cause for the return. Be sure to properly pack fixture, any shipping damage resulting from inadequate packaging is the customer's responsibility. Highlite reserves the right to use its own discretion to repair or replace product(s). As a suggestion, proper UPS packing or double-boxing is always a safe method to use.

Note: If you are given an RMA number, please include the following information on a piece of paper inside the box:

- 01) Your name.
- 02) Your address.
- 03) Your phone number.
- 04) A brief description of the symptoms.

Claims

The client has the obligation to check the delivered goods immediately upon delivery for any shortcomings and/or visible defects, or perform this check after our announcement that the goods are at their disposal. Damage incurred in shipping is the responsibility of the shipper; therefore the damage must be reported to the carrier upon receipt of merchandise.

It is the customer's responsibility to notify and submit claims with the shipper in the event that a fixture is damaged due to shipping. Transportation damage has to be reported to us within one day after receipt of the delivery.

Any return shipment has to be made post-paid at all times. Return shipments must be accompanied with a letter defining the reason for return shipment. Non-prepaid return shipments will be refused, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

Complaints against us must be made known in writing or by fax within 10 working days after receipt of the invoice. After this period complaints will not be handled anymore.

Complaints will only then be considered if the client has so far complied with all parts of the agreement, regardless of the agreement of which the obligation is resulting.

Description of the device

Features

The SDS-6 is a compact light controller equipped with very useful features:

- 6-channel fixture control
- Master dimmer fader
- DMX-512: 3-pin female XLR OUT
- Power supply: 12V DC 1A power adapter (included)
- Power consumption: 1W
- Dimensions: 170 x 149 x 51 mm (LxWxH)
- Weight: 0,8 kg

Overview

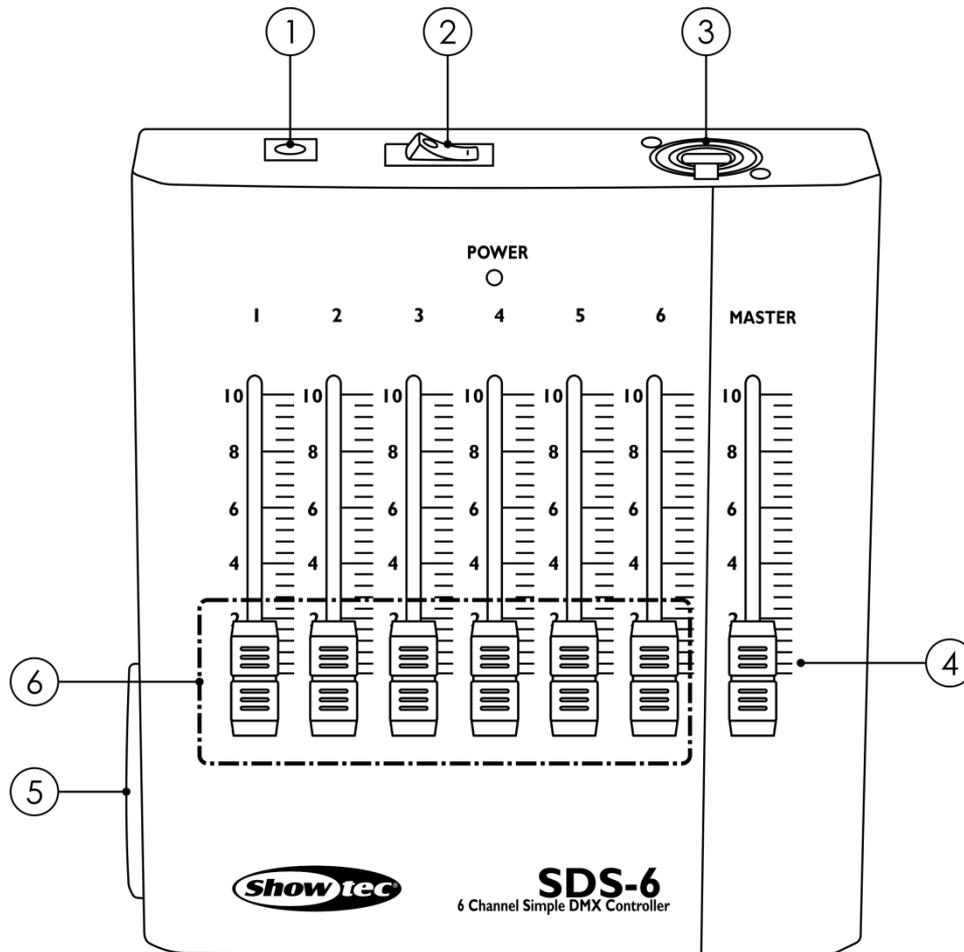


Fig. 01

- 01) 12V DC power adapter connector
- 02) Power switch ON/OFF
- 03) 3-pin DMX signal connector OUT
- 04) Master dimmer fader
- 05) Battery housing (9V)
- 06) 1-6 faders

Installation

Remove all packing materials from the SDS-6. Check if all foam and plastic padding is removed.
Connect all cables.

Do not supply power before the whole system is set up and connected properly.

Always disconnect from electric mains power supply before cleaning or servicing.

Damages caused by non-observance are not subject to warranty.

Set Up and Operation

Follow the directions below, as they pertain to your preferred operation mode.

Before plugging the unit in, always make sure that the power supply matches the product specification voltage. Do not attempt to operate a 120V specification product on 230V power, or vice versa.

Connect the device to the main power supply.

Fixture Linking

You will need a serial data link to run light shows of one or more fixtures using a DMX-512 controller or to run synchronized shows on two or more fixtures set to a master/slave operating mode. The combined number of channels required by all the fixtures on a serial data link determines the number of fixtures the data link can support.

Important: Fixtures on a serial data link must be daisy chained in one single line. To comply with the EIA-485 standard no more than 30 devices should be connected on one data link. Connecting more than 30 fixtures on one serial data link without the use of a DMX optically isolated splitter may result in deterioration of the digital DMX signal.



Maximum recommended DMX data link distance: 100 meters

Maximum recommended number of fixtures on a DMX data link: 30 fixtures

Data Cabling

To link fixtures together, you must obtain data cables. You can purchase DAP Audio certified DMX cables directly from a dealer/distributor or construct your own cable. If you choose to create your own cable please use data-grade cables that can carry a high quality signal and are less prone to electromagnetic interference.

DAP Audio DMX Data Cables

- DAP Audio Basic microphone cable for allround use. bal. XLR/M 3-pin > XLR/F 3-pin. **Ordercode** FL01150 (1,5 m), FL013 (3 m), FL016 (6 m), FL0110 (10 m), FL0115 (15 m), FL0120 (20 m).
- DAP Audio X-type data cable XLR/M 3-pin > XLR/F 3-pin. **Ordercode** FLX0175 (0,75 m), FLX01150 (1,5 m), FLX013 (3 m), FLX016 (6 m), FLX0110 (10 m).
- DAP Audio cable for the demanding user with exceptional audio-qualities and connector made by Neutrik®. **Ordercode** FL71150 (1,5 m), FL713 (3 m), FL716 (6 m), FL7110 (10 m).
- DAP Audio cable for the demanding user with exceptional audio-qualities and connector made by Neutrik®. **Ordercode** FL7275 (0,75 m), FL72150 (1,5 m), FL723 (3 m), FL726 (6 m), FL7210 (10 m).
- DAP Audio 110 Ohm cable with digital signal transmission. **Ordercode** FL0975 (0,75 m), FL09150 (1,5 m), FL093 (3 m), FL096 (6 m), FL0910 (10 m), FL0915 (15 m), FL0920 (20 m).

Control Modes



Caution!

Never connect a fixture which is operating in any stand-alone mode (either Static, Automatic, or Sound-controlled) to a DMX string connected to a DMX controller.

Fixtures in stand-alone mode may transmit DMX signals that could interfere with the DMX signals from the controller.

- 01) Slide the master dimmer fader up **(04)**, in order to activate the master dimmer of the connected fixture.
- 02) Slide the 1-6 faders **(06)** in order to set the connected fixture's DMX channels.

Maintenance

The operator has to make sure that safety-related and machine-technical installations are to be inspected by an expert after every year in the course of an acceptance test.

The operator has to make sure that safety-related and machine-technical installations are to be inspected by a skilled person once a year.

The following points have to be considered during the inspection:

- 01) All screws used for installing the device or parts of the device have to be tightly connected and must not be corroded.
- 02) There may not be any deformations on housings, fixations and installation spots.
- 03) The electric power supply cables must not show any damages or material fatigue.

The Showtec SDS-6 requires almost no maintenance. However, you should keep the unit clean.

Disconnect the mains power supply, and then wipe the cover with a damp cloth. Do not immerse in liquid. Do not use alcohol or solvents.

Keep connections clean. Disconnect electric power, and then wipe the DMX connection with a damp cloth. Make sure that the connection is thoroughly dry before linking equipment or supplying electric power.

Troubleshooting

This troubleshooting guide is meant to help solve simple problems.

If a problem occurs, carry out the steps below in sequence until a solution is found. Once the unit operates properly, do not carry out following steps.

No Light

If the SDS-6 does not operate properly, refer servicing to a technician.

Suspect two potential problem areas: the power supply, the controller.

- 01) Power supply. Check if the unit is plugged into an appropriate power supply.
- 02) The controller. Return the SDS-6 to your Showtec dealer.
- 03) A LED effect does not respond to the SDS-6: Check the DMX-address of the fixture and the controller. Make sure that they match. Make sure that the connections are correct.
- 04) If all of the above appears to be O.K., plug the unit in again.
- 05) If nothing happens after 30 seconds, unplug the device.
- 06) If you are unable to determine the cause of the problem, do not open the SDS-6, as this may damage the unit and the warranty will become void.
- 07) Return the device to your Showtec dealer.

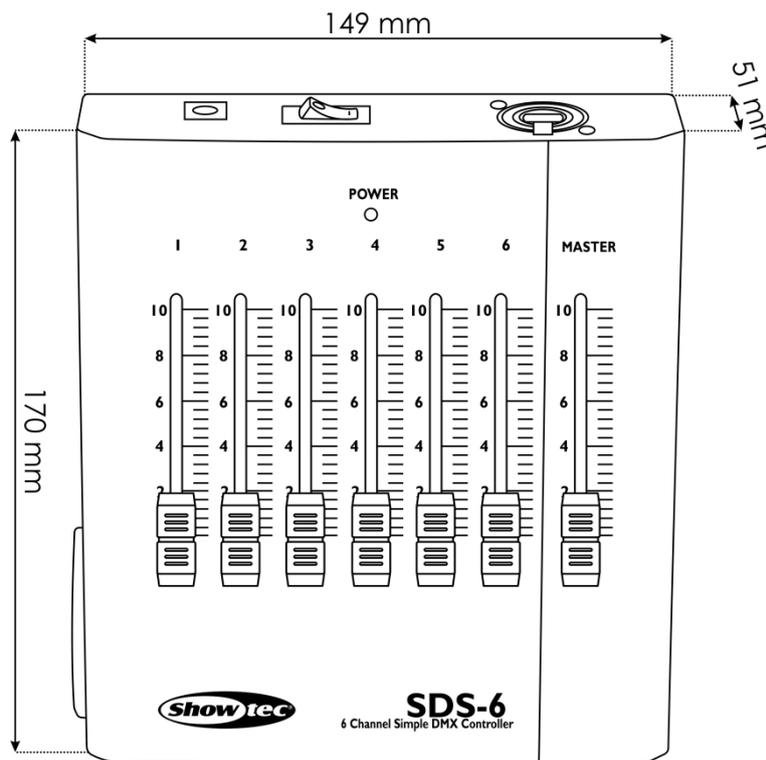
No Response to DMX

Response: Suspect the DMX cable or connectors, a controller malfunction, a light effect DMX card malfunction.

- 01) Check the DMX setting. Make sure that DMX addresses are correct.
- 02) Check the DMX cable: Unplug the unit; change the DMX cable; then reconnect to electrical power. Try your DMX control again.
- 03) Determine whether the controller or light effect is at fault. Does the controller operate properly with other DMX fixtures? If not, take the controller in for repair. If so, take the DMX cable and the light effect to a qualified technician.

Product Specifications

Model:	Showtec SDS-6
Input Voltage:	12V DC 1A
Continuous Power:	1W
Dimensions:	170 x 149 x 51 mm (LxWxH)
Weight:	0,8 kg
Operation and Programming	
Signal pin OUT:	pin 1 earth, pin 2 (-), pin 3 (+)
Signal output:	3-pin DMX signal connector OUT
Electro-mechanical effects	
6-channel fixture control	
Master dimmer fader	
Housing: Grey metal & flame-retardant plastic	
Connections: Power adapter & DMX Data connector	
Max. ambient temperature t_a :	40°C
Minimum distance:	
Minimum distance to lighted object:	1 m



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