

KAC-M1804

COMPACT 4 CHANNEL DIGITAL AMPLIFIER
INSTRUCTION MANUAL
AMPLIFICATEUR COMPACT DIGITAL 4 CANAUX
MODE D'EMPLOI
AMPLIFICADOR DIGITAL COMPACTO DE CUATRO CANALES
MANUAL DE INSTRUCCIONES

JVC KENWOOD Corporation

Take the time to read through this instruction manual.
Familiarity with installation and operation procedures will help you obtain the best performance from your new power amplifier.
For your records
Record the serial number, found on the back of the unit, in the spaces designated on the warranty card, and in the space provided below. Refer to the model and serial numbers whenever you call upon your Kenwood dealer for information or service on the product.
Model KAC-M1804 Serial number _____

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Warranty Card

Identification du produit Modelo do aparelho e numero de série Model number & serial number	Revendeur & cachet Nome da loja e carimbo Dealer & stamp
Date d'achat Data da compra Purchase date	Nom & adresse du client Nome e endereço do cliente Name & address of customer

U.S.A.

KENWOOD USA CORPORATION

This warranty will be honored only in the U.S.A.

KENWOOD LIMITED WARRANTY
FOR CAR STEREO COMPONENTS

HOW LONG IS THE WARRANTY
Kenwood U.S.A. Corporation ("Kenwood") warrants this product for a period of one (1) year from the date of original purchase.

WHAT TO OBTAIN WARRANTY SERVICE
If your Kenwood product ever needs service:

1. Take or ship it to any Kenwood Authorized Service Center in the U.S.A. along with a complete description of the problem. If you are uncertain as to whether a Service Center is authorized, call the KENWOOD for the nearest Service Center. 1-800-536-9600.
2. Although you must pay shipping charges it is necessary to ship the product for warranty service, we will pay the return shipping charges if the repairs are covered by the warranty within the United States.
3. Whenever your units are taken or sent for warranty service, you must include a copy of the original dated sales receipt as proof of warranty coverage.

EXCLUSION OF DAMAGES
KENWOOD's LIABILITY FOR ANY DEFECTIVE PRODUCT IS LIMITED TO THE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF THE PRODUCT AT OUR OPTION. NO OTHER REMEDY WILL BE AVAILABLE.

1. INSTANTANEOUS REMOVAL CHARGES

2. OTHER PROPERTY CAUSED BY ANY DEFECTS IN KENWOOD CAR STEREO COMPONENTS. DAMAGES BASED UPON INCONVENIENCE, LOSS OF USE OF THE PRODUCT, OR

3. ANY OTHER DAMAGES WHETHER INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR OTHERWISE.

4. DAMAGE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY.

5. DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT, CABLES, TAPES, ADAPTERS, ANTENNAS, CABLES, TONES, FAULTS OR DAMAGE CAUSED BY DEFECTIVE OR LEAKING BATTERIES.

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7. PRODUCT VOLTAGE AND/OR FREQUENCY CONVERSIONS.

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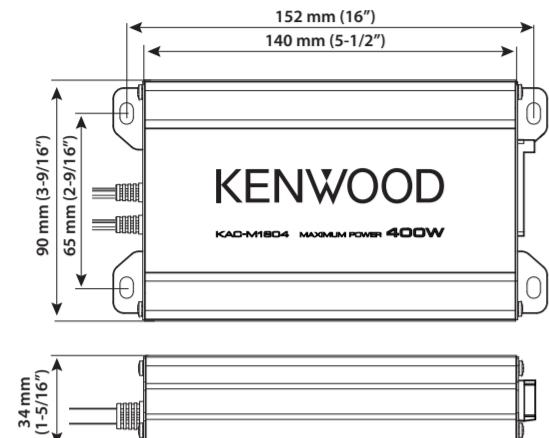
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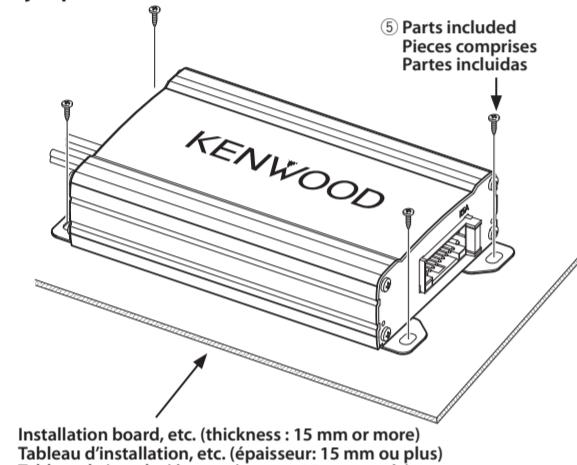
Installation / Installation / Instalación

■ Accessories / Accessoires / Accesorios

①	DC cable / Câble CC / Cable CC	1
②	RCA cable / Câble RCA / Cable RCA	2
③	350 mm (13-3/4") Wire band / Serre-câble / Atadura de cables	2
④	100 mm (3-15/16") Wire band / Serre-câble / Atadura de cables	2
⑤	ø 4 x 16 mm Self-tapping screws / Vis taraudeuses / Tornillo autorroscante	4

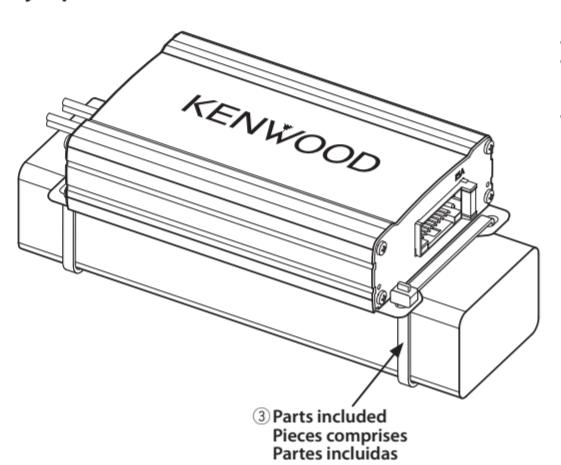


Example A: using the screws
Exemple A: utilisation des vis
Ejemplo A: utilizando los tornillos



Installation board, etc. (thickness: 15 mm or more)
Tableau d'installation, etc. (épaisseur: 15 mm ou plus)
Tablero de instalación, etc. (grosor: 15 mm o más)

Example B: using the wire bands
Exemple B: utilisation des serre-câbles
Ejemplo B: utilizando los atadura de cables



Connection / Raccordements / Conexiones

WARNING

Remove the ignition key and disconnect the negative \ominus terminal of the battery to prevent short circuits.

AVERTISSEMENT

Retirer la clé de contact et débrancher la borne négative \ominus de la batterie pour éviter les court-circuits.

ADVERTENCIA

Retire la llave de encendido y desconecte el terminal negativo \ominus de la batería para evitar cortocircuitos.

WARNING

Particular attention must be given to making good electrical contact at the amplifier-output and speaker terminals.
Poor or loose connections can cause sparking or burning at the terminals because of the very high power that the amplifier can deliver.

CAUTION

If sound is not output normally, immediately turn power off and check connections.
Be sure to turn the power off before changing the setting of any switch.
If the fuse blows, check wires for shorts, then replace the fuse with one of the same rating.
Check that no unconnected wires or connectors are touching the car body. Do not remove caps from unconnected wires or connectors to prevent short circuits.
Connect the speaker wires to appropriate speaker connectors separately. Sharing the negative wire of the speaker or grounding speaker wires to the metal body of the car can cause this unit to fail.
After installation, check that the brake lamps, turn signal lamps and windshield wipers work properly.

AVERTISSEMENT

Veuillez à ce que le contact électrique à la sortie de l'amplificateur et aux prises des enceintes soit bien établi.
Un mauvais branchement ou un branchement lâche peut causer des étincelles ou un réchauffement des prises du fait de la très grande puissance de l'amplificateur.

ATTENTION

En cas d'anomalie, mettez immédiatement l'appareil hors tension et vérifiez tous les raccordements.
Veiller à mettre l'appareil hors tension avant de changer la position des commutateurs.
Si le fusible saute, vérifiez si les câbles ne sont pas courts-circuités, et remplacer le fusible par un autre fusible de même capacité nominale.
Vérifier qu'aucun câble ou connecteur non raccordé ne touche la carrosserie de la voiture. Ne pas retirer les capuchons des câbles ou connecteurs non raccordés afin d'éviter tout court-circuit.
Raccorder séparément les câbles de haut-parleur aux connecteurs de haut-parleur appropriés. La mise en commun du câble négatif d'un haut-parleur ou des fils de masse des haut-parleurs à la carrosserie métallique de la voiture pourraient rendre l'appareil inopérant.
Après l'installation, vérifier que les voyants de frein, les clignotants et les essuie-glace fonctionnent correctement.

ADVERTENCIA

Debe ponerse especial atención para que se haga un buen contacto eléctrico en la salida del amplificador y en los terminales de los altavoces.
Las conexiones mal hechas o las conexiones flojas pueden causar chispas o quemaduras en los terminales debido a la potencia muy alta que puede suministrar el amplificador.

PRECAUCIÓN

Si el sonido no sale normalmente, desconecte inmediatamente la alimentación y compruebe las conexiones.
No se olvide de desconectar la alimentación antes de cambiar el ajuste de cualquier interruptor.
Si el fusible se quema, compruebe que no haya un cortocircuito en los cables, luego cambie el fusible por uno que tenga el mismo amperaje.
Verifique que ninguno de los cables o conectores que están sin conectar estén tocando la carrocería del automóvil. No retire las tapas de los cables o conectores que están sin conectar para evitar de que se produzcan cortocircuitos.
Conecte los cables del altavoz a los conectores adecuados del altavoz separadamente. La puesta en contacto de terminales de altavoces distintos, o la conexión como toma de tierra de los terminales del altavoz al coche del automóvil, pueden causar daños a la unidad.
Después de la instalación, compruebe que las lámparas del freno, luces de destello y limpiaparabrisas funcionan correctamente.

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■ Installation procedure

Read the instruction manual well to select the proper connection.

1. Remove the ignition key and disconnect the negative \ominus terminal of the battery to prevent short circuits.
2. There are two options:
* Refer to "Connection" as below.
3. Attach the unit.
4. Connect the negative \ominus terminal of the battery.

Type A: RCA INPUT connection

A-1 Connect the battery wire.
A-2 Connect the ground wire to chassis ground of vehicle.
A-3 Connect the power control wire.
A-4 Connect the speakers.
A-5 Connect the DC cable into the connector at KAC-M1804.

Type B: SPEAKER INPUT connection

B-1 Connect the battery wire.
B-2 Connect the ground wire to chassis ground of vehicle.
B-3 Connect the speakers.
B-4 Connect the DC cable into the connector at KAC-M1804.
B-5 Cut off the RCA cable, then connect the correct corresponding speaker output from the HEAD UNIT directly.

3. Attach the unit.

4. Connect the negative \ominus terminal of the battery.

CAUTION

• Do not install in the below locations;
(Unstable location, In a location that interferes with driving, In a location that gets wet, In a dusty location, In a place that gets hot, In a place that gets direct sunlight, In a location that gets hit by hot air)
• Do not install the unit under the carpet. Otherwise heat build-up occurs and the unit may be damaged.
• Install this unit in a location which allows heat to easily dissipate. Once installed, do not place any object on top of the unit.
• The surface temperature of the amplifier will become hot during use. Install the amplifier in a place where people and other substances that are sensitive to heat will not come into contact with it.
• When making a hole under a seat, inside the trunk, or somewhere else in the vehicle, check that there is nothing hazardous on the opposite side such as a gasoline tank, brake pipe, or wiring harness, and be careful not to cause scratches or other damage.
• Do not install the unit on rear tray, or air bag safety parts.
• Installer cet appareil à un emplacement tel que la chaleur puisse se dissiper aisément. Après l'installation, ne placez aucun objet sur l'appareil.
• La température de la surface de l'amplificateur va chauffer pendant l'utilisation. Installez l'amplificateur à un endroit où des passagers ou d'autres substances sensibles à la chaleur n'entrent pas en contact avec lui.
• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del cofre o partout ailleurs dans le véhicule, vérifiez s'il n'y a pas d'élément dangereux de l'autre côté, tel qu'un réservoir à carburant, une conduite de frein, une gaine de câbles, et faire attention de ne pas faire de griffes ou d'autres dégâts.
• No utilice el aparato bajo una alfombra porque en caso contrario, éste podría sobrecalentarse y estropearse.
• Instale este aparato en un lugar donde el calor pueda disiparse fácilmente. Una vez instalado, no ponga nada sobre él.
• La temperatura de la superficie del amplificador se elevará durante su uso. Instale el amplificador en un lugar seguro donde personas y otras substancias sensibles al calor no entren en contacto con esta superficie.
• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del cofre o partout ailleurs dans le véhicule, vérifiez s'il n'y a pas d'élément dangereux de l'autre côté, tel qu'un réservoir à carburant, une conduite de frein, una gaine de cables, y faire attention de no rayar la pieza del vehículo o causar algún otro daño.
• No utilice el aparato cerca de la playa arriera, o elementos de seguridad de la airbag.
• Lors de l'installation dans un véhicule, l'appareil doit être fermement fixé à un endroit où il ne gêne pas la conduite. Si l'appareil se détache suite à un choc et heurte quelqu'un ou un élément de sécurité, il peut occasionner des blessures ou un accident.
• After installing the unit, check to make sure that electrical equipment such as the brake lamps, turn signal lamps and windshield wipers operate normally.
• Après l'installation de l'appareil, s'assurer que les différents équipements électriques tels que lampes frein et les clignotants de direction fonctionnent normalement.

ATTENTION

• Ne pas procéder à l'installation de l'appareil si vous trouvez dans l'un des lieux suivants; (Lieu instable, Lieu où la conduite du véhicule peut être gênée, Lieu exposé à l'humidité, Lieu exposé à la poussière, Lieu surchauffé, Lieu exposé directement à la lumière du jour, Lieu exposé à l'air chaud)
• Ne pas installer le unit under the carpet. Otherwise heat build-up occurs and the unit may be damaged.
• Instalar este aparato en un lugar que permite la disipación de calor. Una vez instalado, no coloque ningún objeto encima del aparato.
• La temperatura de la superficie del amplificador aumentará durante su uso. Instale el amplificador en un lugar seguro donde las personas y otras substancias sensibles al calor no entren en contacto con esta superficie.
• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del baúl o partout ailleurs en el vehículo, verifique si no hay ningún elemento peligroso en el otro lado, como un tanque de gasolina, tubo de freno, o los cables del cableado del coche o algo más.
• No utilice el aparato debajo de una alfombra porque en caso contrario, éste podría sobrecalentarse y estropearse.
• Instale este aparato en un lugar donde el calor pueda disiparse fácilmente. Una vez instalado, no ponga nada sobre él.
• La temperatura de la superficie del amplificador se elevará durante su uso. Instale el amplificador en un lugar seguro donde las personas y otras substancias sensibles al calor no entren en contacto con esta superficie.
• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del baúl o partout ailleurs en el vehículo, verifique si no hay ningún elemento peligroso en el otro lado, como un tanque de gasolina, tubo de freno, una funda de cables, y hacer atención de no rayar la pieza del vehículo o causar algún otro daño.
• No utilice el aparato cerca de la playa arriera, o elementos de seguridad de la airbag.
• Lors de l'installation dans un véhicule, l'appareil doit être fermement fixé à un endroit où il ne gêne pas la conduite. Si l'appareil se détache suite à un choc et heurte quelqu'un ou un élément de sécurité, il peut occasionner des blessures ou un accident.
• Après l'installation de l'appareil, s'assurer que les différents équipements électriques tels que lampes frein et les clignotants de direction fonctionnent normalement.

■ Procédure d'installation

Lire attentivement le mode d'emploi pour sélectionner la connexion appropriée.

1. Retirer la clé de contact et débrancher la borne négative \ominus de la batterie pour éviter les court-circuits.
2. Deux options existent:
* Se référer à "Connexion" comme ci-dessous.
3. Brancher l'unité.
4. Brancher la borne négative \ominus de la batterie.

Type A: Raccordement RCA INPUT

A-1 Raccorder le câble de la batterie.
A-2 Raccorder le câble de masse sur la masse du véhicule.
A-3 Raccorder le câble de commande d'alimentation.
A-4 Raccorder les haut-parleurs.
A-5 Raccorder le câble CC dans le connecteur au KAC-M1804.
A-6 Raccorder le câble RCA.

Type B: Raccordement SPEAKER INPUT

B-1 Raccorder le câble de la batterie.
B-2 Raccorder le câble de masse sur la masse du véhicule.
B-3 Raccorder les haut-parleurs.
B-4 Raccorder le câble CC dans le connecteur au KAC-M1804.
B-5 Coupez le câble RCA, puis raccorder les sorties de haut-parleur correspondantes de la HEAD UNIT directement.

3. Brancher l'unité.

4. Raccorder la borne négative \ominus de la batterie.

ATTENTION

• Ne instalez pas l'équipement dans les situations suivantes; (Lieu instable, Lieu où la conduite du véhicule peut être gênée, Lieu exposé à l'humidité, Lieu exposé à la poussière, Lieu surchauffé, Lieu exposé directement à la lumière du jour, Lieu exposé à l'air chaud)
• Ne pas installer le unit under the carpet. Otherwise heat build-up occurs and the unit may be damaged.
• Instalar este aparato en un lugar que permite la disipación de calor. Una vez instalado, no coloque ningún objeto encima del aparato.
• La temperatura de la superficie del amplificador aumentará durante su uso. Instale el amplificador en un lugar seguro donde las personas y otras substancias sensibles al calor no entren en contacto con esta superficie.
• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del baúl o partout ailleurs en el vehículo, verifique si no hay ningún elemento peligroso en el otro lado, como un tanque de gasolina, tubo de freno, o los cables del cableado del coche o algo más.
• No utilice el aparato debajo de una alfombra porque en caso contrario, éste podría sobrecalentarse y estropearse.
• Instale este aparato en un lugar donde el calor pueda disiparse fácilmente. Una vez instalado, no ponga nada sobre él.
• La temperatura de la superficie del amplificador se elevará durante su uso. Instale el amplificador en un lugar seguro donde las personas y otras substancias sensibles al calor no entren en contacto con esta superficie.
• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del baúl o partout ailleurs en el vehículo, verifique si no hay ningún elemento peligroso en el otro lado, como un tanque de gasolina, tubo de freno, una funda de cables, y hacer atención de no rayar la pieza del vehículo o causar algún otro daño.
• No utilice el aparato cerca de la playa arriera, o elementos de seguridad de la airbag.
• Lors de l'installation dans un véhicule, l'appareil doit être fermement fixé à un endroit où il ne gêne pas la conduite. Si l'appareil se détache suite à un choc et heurte quelqu'un ou un élément de sécurité, il peut occasionner des blessures ou un accident.
• Après l'installation de l'appareil, s'assurer que les différents équipements électriques tels que lampes frein y clignotants de direction fonctionnent normalement.

PRECAUCIÓN

• No instale el equipo en las siguientes ubicaciones; (Ubicación inestable, Ubicación que interfiere con la conducción, En un lugar en el que pueda mojarse, En un lugar con exceso de polvo, En un lugar en el que pueda recalentarse, En un lugar en el que reciba la luz directa del sol, En un lugar situado en el flujo de aire caliente)
• No utilice el aparato bajo una alfombra porque en caso contrario, éste podría sobrecalentarse y estropearse.
• Instalar este aparato en un lugar donde el calor pueda disiparse fácilmente. Una vez instalado, no ponga nada sobre él.
• La temperatura de la superficie del amplificador aumentará durante su uso. Instale el amplificador en un lugar seguro donde las personas y otras substancias sensibles al calor no entren en contacto con esta superficie.
• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del baúl o partout ailleurs en el vehículo, verifique si no hay ningún elemento peligroso en el otro lado, como un tanque de gasolina, tubo de freno, o los cables del cableado del coche o algo más.
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• Cuando haga un orificio bajo el asiento, en el interior del baúl o partout ailleurs en el vehículo, verifique si no hay ningún elemento peligroso en el otro lado, como un tanque de gasolina, tubo de freno, una funda de cables, y hacer atención de no rayar la pieza del vehículo o causar algún otro daño.
• No utilice el aparato cerca de la playa arriera, o elementos de seguridad de la airbag.
• Lors de l'installation dans un véhicule, l'appareil doit être fermement fixé à un endroit où il ne gêne pas la conduite. Si l'appareil se détache suite à un choc et heurte quelqu'un ou un élément de sécurité, il peut occasionner des blessures ou un accident.
• Après l'installation de l'appareil, s'assurer que les différents équipements électriques tels que lampes frein y clignotants de direction fonctionnent normalement.

CAUTION

• Do not proceed to install the unit if you find it in any of the following locations; (Unstable location, Location that interferes with driving, Location exposed to humidity, Location with excessive dust, Location that overheats, Location directly exposed to sunlight, Location in the flow of hot air)
• Do not install the unit under the carpet. Otherwise heat build-up occurs and the unit may be damaged.
• Install the unit in a location where heat can easily dissipate. Once installed, do not place any object on top of the unit.
• The surface temperature of the amplifier will become hot during use. Install the amplifier in a safe location where people and other substances that are sensitive to heat will not come into contact with it.
• When making a hole under a seat, inside the trunk, or somewhere else in the vehicle, check that there is nothing hazardous on the opposite side such as a gasoline tank, brake pipe, or wiring harness, and be careful not to cause scratches or other damage.
• Do not install the unit on rear tray, or air bag safety parts.
• Installer cet appareil à un emplacement tel que la chaleur puisse se dissiper aisément. Après l'installation, ne placez aucun objet sur l'appareil.
• La température de la surface de l'amplificateur va chauffer pendant l'utilisation. Installez l'amplificateur à un endroit où des passagers ou d'autres substances sensibles à la chaleur n'entrent pas en contact