

Cost Effective Headset Solution for Highway Coaches

The Issue:

Many States and Provinces have enacted Distracted Driving Laws (DDL) and with Covid 19 safety guidelines, sharing a hand mic is now generally considered as a No-No. So with your limited time, you went online looking for a headset that will work with your factory PA system and most likely found it costly and confusing?

Whether you have a fleet of MCI, Prevost, Volvo or Van Hool coaches, there are two main reasons why it's so tough to find affordable and compatible headsets online.

- 1. There are two basic types of microphone platforms, the older Dynamic and Condenser, today's standard. Factory installed REI PA systems are designed to use Dynamic only. You'll find many low cost computer or gaming headsets online, but being Condenser they require power to operate making them non-compatible with your factory Coach PA system.
- 2. The second hurdle is the type of mic plug, the number of pins and which wire is connected to which pin. There are Dynamic headsets online, but these are generally made for the stage industry. They come with a 1/4" or 3 pin XLR plug when you need a 4 Pin and there's no switch to trigger the PA on and the sound system off.

With enough time and digging, you might find something then modify it, but who takes responsibility if it fails under warranty? Because you cut the wire, you do. So with your limited time, it seems the only solution is to buy from the factory PA manufacturer and pay what they are asking? Until now!

The Solution:

Because of the cost and performance benefits, we have always used the Condenser platform for our *Ready2Talk* PA systems. Condenser mics are used in every type of technology today making the cost much lower, so it allows us to offer a full line of microphones at very competitive pricing. Hand mics to headsets and wired to wireless.

The trick is how to make Condenser microphones compatible to your factory REI Dynamic PA system without major cost or modification to your coach? Easy... we designed the MB-1.

MB-1 Microphone Adaptor Box

The MB-1 quickly connects to the coaches 4 Pin XLR microphone socket and to 12V or 24V, so there are no batteries to fail. It has 2 x mic input sockets, one for a driver and a second for a step on guide.

When you turn on either microphone, it mimics the standard operation of your factory hand mic and seamlessly overrides the sound system. When using our HS BT3 wireless headset or HM BT3 wireless hand mic, it will trigger the sound system even from the back of the coach. Being plug and play the wireless mics require no installation and offer over 12Hrs. of continuous interference free operation per charge, for a fraction of the cost of other wireless products.

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With the *Ready2Talk* MB-1, now you can affordably outfit all your drivers with their own headset mic, or upgrade to wireless.



The Ready2Talk Fleet Advantage:

No matter what's in your fleet, *Ready2Talk* has a full line of PA's and microphones, so you can affordably standardize your entire fleet and now with the MB-1 your Highway Coaches as well. Since we service everything we make, it's easy to be your one place for all your PA and microphone needs.

Fleet Benefits:

- Headset microphones at \$69.00 / BT Wireless headset or hand mic at \$249.00!
- We repair *all* the products we manufacture... even out of warranty microphones!
- Plug and play mic options from: CB and singer style hand mics, both left and right sided wired headsets, gooseneck microphones and our HS BT3 wireless headset and HM BT3 hand mic
- We manufacture PA's for all vehicles from: Vans, Jeeps, Mini Busses, Trolleys, Trams and all Specialty Vehicles, inc. Horse Carriages, Snow Cats, Boats...
- For Covid separation requirements, a 2 way Intercom PA so your customers can talk back
- Exemplary support. You have a question... just call us.

What's holding you back?