## WIDEX UNIQUE

# USER INSTRUCTIONS THE WIDEX UNIQUE™ FAMILY

U-CIC/U-CIC TR/U-CIC-M/U-CIC-M TR model Completely-in-canal





# Your Widex® hearing aid

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□ CIC □	CIC-M		
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To be fil	led out by the he	aring care profession	al)

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PROGRAM	
□ Universal	☐ Audibility Extender
□ Quiet	☐ Audibility Extender
☐ Transport	☐ Audibility Extender
□ Urban	☐ Audibility Extender
□ Party	☐ Audibility Extender
□ Music	☐ Audibility Extender
SPECIAL PROGRAMS	
□ Zen	☐ Audibility Extender
□ Phone	☐ Audibility Extender
□ Zen+	☐ Audibility Extender

#### NOTE

The CIC-M is not a wireless hearing aid, which means that the hearing aids cannot communicate with each other or with any accessory. Consequently, you cannot adjust the sound and you will only have one listening program.

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## **Your Widex Hearing Aid**

## Welcome to Widex

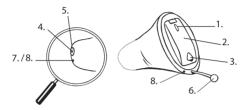
Congratulations on your new hearing aid.

Use your hearing aid regularly, even if it takes some time getting used to it. Infrequent users don't usually get the full benefit of a hearing aid.

#### NOTE

Your hearing aid and its accessories may not look exactly as illustrated in this booklet. We also reserve the right to make any changes we consider necessary.

## Your hearing aid at a glance



- 1. Microphone opening
- 2. Battery lid (on/off function)
- 3. Nail grip
- 4. Sound outlet
- 5. Widex wax guard

- 6. Extraction cord
- 7. Relief vent (short)
- 8. Relief vent (full length)

# Important safety information

Read these pages carefully before you begin using your hearing aid.



Hearing aids and batteries can be dangerous if swallowed or used improperly. Swallowing or improper use can result in severe injury or even fatalities. In case of ingestion, contact a doctor immediately.



Take your hearing aids out when you are not using them. This will help to ventilate the ear canal and prevent ear infections.



Contact your doctor or hearing care professional immediately if you suspect you may have an ear infection.



Remove your hearing aids before showering, swimming or using a hair dryer.



Do not wear your hearing aids when applying perfume, spray, gels, lotion or cream.



. Do not dry your hearing aid in a microwave oven - this will ruin it.



Never use other people's hearing aids and never allow others to use yours, as this could damage your hearing.



Never use your hearing aids in environments where there may be explosive gases, such as in mines, etc.



Keep hearing aids, their parts, accessories and batteries away from children



Never try to open or repair the hearing aid yourself. Contact your hearing care professional if you need to have your hearing aid repaired.



Your hearing aids contain radio communication technology. Always observe the environment in which you are using them. If any restrictions apply, you must take precautions to comply with these.



Do not expose your hearing aids to extreme temperatures or high humidity, and dry them quickly if they get wet, or if you perspire heavily.

Your hearing aids should be stored and transported within the temperature and humidity ranges of -18°C to +40°C (-0,4°F to 104°F) and 10%-95% rH

Storage and transportation up to  $60^{\circ}$ C ( $140^{\circ}$ F) with 10%-95% rH can be accepted in shorter periods (duration of max. of 2 weeks).

Your hearing aids are designed to operate from  $0^{\circ}$ C (32°F) to  $50^{\circ}$ C (122°F).

For more information about your hearing aids, visit: www.widex.com.

## The hearing aid

## Indications for use

The hearing aids are indicated for individuals older than 36 months with a range of hearing loss from minimal (10 dB HL) to severe (90 dB HL) and all hearing loss configurations.

They are to be programmed by licensed hearing care professionals (audiologists, hearing aid specialists, otolaryngologists) who are trained in hearing (re)habilitation.

## Intended use

The hearing aids are intended as air conduction amplification devices to be used in everyday listening environments. The hearing aids may be equipped with the Zen program intended to provide a relaxing sound background (i.e. music/noise source) for adults who desire to listen to such a background in quiet.

## The battery

Use a **type 10 zinc-air** battery for your hearing aid.

Always use a fresh, new battery that is precisely the kind recommended by your hearing care professional.

#### NOTE

Check that the battery is completely clean and free of any residue before inserting it in the hearing aid. Otherwise your hearing aid may not function as expected.



Never attempt to recharge your hearing aid batteries, as they could explode.



Never leave a flat battery in the hearing aids while storing them. It could leak and ruin your hearing aid.



Dispose of used batteries as indicated on the packaging and take note of the expiry date.

#### Low battery indication

When the battery is flat, a sound signal will play. If the battery drains suddenly there may however be no warning. We recommend carrying a spare battery with you wherever you go.

## Changing the battery

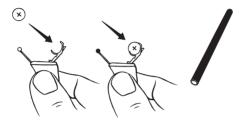
To change the battery, do as follows:



Use the nail grip to gently swing the battery door open and remove the old battery.



Take the adhesive tab off the new battery and make sure there is no sticky substance left on it. Let it "breathe" for 60 seconds. Now place the new battery in the drawer as shown.



Close the drawer. If it doesn't close easily, the battery is not placed correctly.

If you are not using the hearing aid for a few days, remove the battery.

#### NOTE

Avoid dropping your hearing aid - hold the hearing aid above a soft surface while changing the battery.

# Sound signals

Your hearing aid plays sounds to inform you that certain features have been activated or that you have changed programs. These sounds may be spoken messages or tones, depending on your needs and preferences.

Program 1 Message/one short beep	
Program 2 Message/two short beeps	
Program 3 Message or three short beeps	
Program 4 Message/one short and one long beep	
Program 5	Message/one long beep and two short beeps
Zen+	Message/tone

Ask your hearing care professional to turn these sounds signals off if you don't need them.

## Lost partner

(Only available in wireless 440-series)

Your hearing care professional can turn on a feature in your hearing aid that warns you whenever it loses contact with the hearing aid in the opposite ear. You will hear a spoken message in your ear.

## How to tell right from left

The hearing aid for your right ear has a red mark. The hearing aid for your left ear has a blue mark.

## Turning the hearing aid on and off

To turn the hearing aid on, close the battery cover and push it upwards. The hearing aid will play a sound signal to indicate that it is on, unless your hearing care professional has deactivated this function.



To turn off the hearing aid, push the battery cover downwards.



#### NOTE

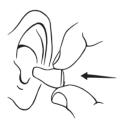
You can also cup the hearing aid in your hand to verify that it is turned on. If it's on, it will whistle. Don't forget to turn off the hearing aid when it is not in use.

# Putting on and removing your hearing aid

## To put on your hearing aid:

Close the battery cover completely.

Hold the hearing aid with your thumb and forefinger and insert it slowly into your ear until you feel resistance.



Then use the tip of your forefinger to gently push the hearing aid into your ear until it feels comfortable.



Pulling the outer ear upwards and backwards while you insert the hearing aid can be helpful.



#### NOTE

If the hearing aid doesn't feel comfortable, or if it doesn't fit properly, causing irritation, redness or the like, contact your hearing care professional.

## Removing the hearing aid

Use the extraction cord to take the hearing aid out of your ear.



#### NOTE

If you find it difficult to take out the hearing aid, move it carefully from side to side while pulling on the extraction cord.

## Sound adjustment

Your hearing aid adjusts the sound automatically according to your sound environment.

If you have a remote control, you can also adjust the sound manually to achieve more comfort or more audibility, depending on your needs and preferences. For more information on how this works, consult your hearing care professional.

Depending on the hearing aid settings and features, any sound adjustment you make will affect both hearing aids.

Each time you operate the volume control, you will hear a beeptone unless your hearing care professional has deactivated this function. When you reach the maximum or minimum setting, you will hear a steady tone.

To mute your hearing aid do as follows:

 Keep pressing the lower part of the volume key on the remote control until you can hear the steady sound

#### To turn the sound on again:

- Press the upper part of the volume key or
- Change program

Any adjustment of the volume will be cancelled when you turn off your hearing aid or if you change program.

# **Programs**

PROGRAM	USE
Universal	For everyday use
Quiet	Special program for listening in quiet environments
Transport	For listening in situations with noise from cars, trains, etc.
Urban	For listening in situations with changing sound levels (in supermarkets, noisy workplaces or similar)
Party	For listening in situations with many people talking at the same time

PROGRAM	USE
Music	For listening to music
SPECIAL PRO- GRAMS	
Zen	Plays tones or noise for a relaxing sound background
Phone	This program is designed for listening to phone conversations
Zen+	This program is similar to Zen but allows you to listen to different types of tones or noise

Depending on your hearing loss, your hearing care professional can activate the Audibility Extender feature. Ask your hearing care professional if you could benefit from this.

If your needs and preferences change over time, your hearing care professional can easily change your program selection

#### Changing programs

To change programs, simply push the program key on your remote control.

#### Zen+

To access this program, press and hold the program key for more than one second. A quicker press then allows you to cycle through the available Zen styles. To exit the program, press and hold down the program key for more than one second.

## Cleaning

## Tools

You will receive the following cleaning tools with your hearing aid.



- 5. Battery magnet

## Cleaning the hearing aid

Cleaning your hearing aid every day will make it more efficient and more comfortable to wear.

## The hearing aid



Just wipe it with the a soft cloth (for example the cloth you received from your hearing care professional).

### The sound outlet



Remove any visible earwax from around the sound outlet with the small brush or cloth. **Never** try to clean the wax guard.

### NOTE

If you can't clean the sound outlet, contact your hearing care professional. **Never** insert anything into the sound outlet as this can ruin your hearing aid.

### The microphone openings



Open the battery lid and turn the hearing aid so the lid is facing downwards (see illustration). Guide the short wax removing tool (no. 4) through the microphone openings on the lid from the inside (see illustration).

### NOTE

If you suspect that earwax or dirt has got into the microphone inside the hearing aid, contact your hearing care professional. Do **not** insert anything into the microphone.

### The vent





Short vent: clean the vent as far as the long end of the wax removing tool (no. 3) can reach.

Long vent: clean the vent every day by passing the long wax removing tool (no. 3) all the way through the vent.



Leave the hearing aid open to ventilate it.

### NOTE

It is important for the performance of your hearing aid that you keep the vent clean and free of earwax, dirt or the like. Clean it every day after use and consult your hearing care professional if the vent is blocked.

Dry your hearing aid quickly if it gets wet, or if you perspire heavily. Some people use a special dehumidifier like Widex Dry-Go to help keep their hearing aids dry and clean. Ask your hearing care professional if this is right for you.



Do not use any kind of liquid or disinfectant to clean your hearing aid.



Clean and inspect your hearing aid every day after use to check that it is not broken. If the hearing aid breaks while you are wearing it, leaving small fragments in your ear canal, contact your doctor. Never try to take out the fragments yourself.

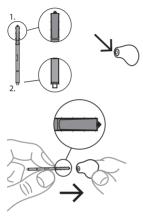
# The wax guard

The Widex wax guard helps to protect the hearing aid against earwax. Always use Widex wax guards with your hearing aid. Otherwise the guarantee for your hearing aid will be void.

## Changing the wax guard



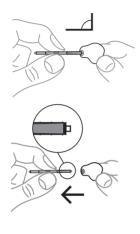
Open the wax guard case as illustrated.



The wax guard consists of the following parts:

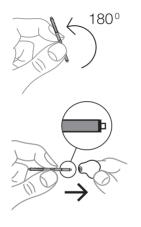
- 1. Removal hook
- 2. New wax guard

Insert the removal hook into the used wax guard.

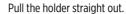


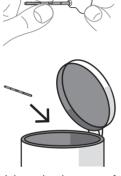
Keep the holder at a right angle.

Pull the used wax guard straight out.



Insert the new wax guard into the opening of the sound outlet and press it gently.





Ask your hearing care professional about how often you should change the wax guard.



The wax guard is for one-time use only and is not intended to be cleaned.



 $\stackrel{\textstyle \checkmark}{!}$  If the wax guard fits loosely, discard it and use a new one.



If the wax guard falls off inside your ear, contact your doctor or hearing care professional to have it removed. Do NOT attempt to remove the wax guard yourself.

## **Accessories**

You can use a variety of accessories with your hearing aid. To see whether you could benefit from using these accessories, ask your hearing care professional.

Name	Use
RC-DEX	remote control
TV-DEX	for listening to TV and audio
PHONE-DEX*	for easy landline use
FM+DEX	for streaming audio and FM signals
UNI-DEX	for connecting hearing aids to mobile phones

Name	Use
CALL-DEX	for easy wireless connection to mobile phones
COM-DEX	for wireless connection to mobile phones and other devices via bluetooth

<sup>\*</sup>Available in some countries only.

# **Troubleshooting**

These pages contain advice on what to do if your hearing aid stops working or if it doesn't work as expected. If the problem persists, contact your hearing care professional.

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
The hearing aid is completely silent	It is not turned on	Make sure the battery is placed correctly and the battery compartment cover is closed correctly.

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
	The battery does not work	Insert a new battery in the hearing aid
	The sound outlet is blocked	See the cleaning section
	The microphone opening is blocked	See the cleaning section
The hearing aid volume is not	The sound outlet is blocked	See the cleaning section
powerful enough	Your ear is blocked by earwax	Contact your doctor

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
	Your hearing may have changed	Contact your hearing care professional/doctor
The hearing aid whistles continu-	Your ear is blocked by earwax	Contact your doctor
ously	It is not correctly placed in your ear canal	Take it out and reinsert it
	It fits loosely in your ear canal	Contact your hearing care professional

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
The hearing aid is uncomfortable to wear	It is not correctly placed in your ear canal.	Consult your hearing care professional
	It does not fit your ear properly	Contact your hearing care professional

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
	Your outer ear or ear canal is sore	It is important that first-time users only wear the hearing aid for short periods of time at the beginning. Take 2-3 weeks to gradually get used to the hearing aid. If the soreness continues, contact your hearing care professional

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
	The connection be- tween the hearing aids is lost	Turn them off and on again

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
The hearing aids do not respond with a correspond- ing change in vol- ume or program to	a. The device is used beyond the transmission range	a.  Move the device closer to the hearing aids
the device	b.	b.
	Strong electro- magnetic interfer- ence in the vicinity	Move away from known source of EM interference
	C.	C.
	The device and the hearing aids are not matched	

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
		Check with your
		hearing care profes-
		sional to make sure
		device is matched
		with the hearing aids

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
You hear "inter- rupted" speech (on and off) from the hearing aids or no speech (muted) from the transmit- ting hearing aid.	a. The battery in one of the hearing aids has expired b. Strong electromagnetic interference in the vicinity	a.  Replace battery in one or both hearing aids b.  Move away from known sources of interference

## **Regulatory information**

## **EC** directives

### Directive 1999/5/EC

Hereby, Widex A/S declares that these U-CIC, U-CIC-TR, U-CIC-M and U-CIC-M-TR are in compliance with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of Directive 1999/5/EC.

A copy of the Declaration of Conformity according to 1999/5/EC can be found at:

http://www.widex.com/doc



### Information regarding disposal



Electrical and electronic equipment (EEE)

contains materials, components and substances that can be hazardous and present a risk to human health and the environment when waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) is not handled correctly.

Do not dispose of hearing aids, hearing aid accessories and batteries with ordinary household waste. (Continues on next page). (Continued) Hearing aids, batteries and hearing aid accessories should be disposed of at sites intended for waste electrical and electronic equipment, or given to your hearing care professional for safe disposal. Proper disposal helps to protect human health and the environment.

## FCC and IC statements

FCC ID: TTY-UCIC

IC: 5676B-UCIC

Federal Communications Commission Statement

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and

(2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

### NOTE:

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be deter-

mined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

NOTE:

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

Changes or modifications to the equipment not expressly approved by Widex could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Industry Canada Statement / Déclaration d'industrie Canada

Under Industry Canada regulations, this radio transmitter may only operate using an antenna of a type and maximum (or lesser) gain approved for the transmitter by Industry Canada.

To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) is not more than that necessary for successful communication.

This device complies with Industry Canada licence-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) this device may not cause interference, and
- (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Conformément à la réglementation d'Industrie Canada, le présent émetteur radio peut fonctionner avec une antenne d'un type et d'un gain maximal (ou inférieur) approuvé pour l'émetteur par Industrie Canada.

Dans le but de réduire les risques de brouillage radioélectrique à l'intention des autres utilisateurs, il faut choisir le type d'antenne et son gain de sorte que la puissance isotrope rayonnée équivalente (p.i.r.e.) ne dépasse pas l'intensité nécessaire à l'établissement d'une communication satisfaisante.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes :

- (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et
- (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

# **Symbols**

Symbols commonly used by Widex A/S in medical device labelling (labels/IFU/etc.)

Symbol	Title/Description
	Manufacturer
	The product is produced by the manufacturer whose name and address are stated next to the symbol. If appropriate, the date of manufacture may also be stated.
DEE	Catalogue number
KEF	The product's catalogue (item) number.

Symbol	Title/Description
<b>173</b>	Consult instructions for use
	The user instructions contain important cautionary information (warnings/precautions) and must be read before using the product.
$\triangle$	Warning
	Text marked with a warning symbol must be read before using the product.

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### Title/Description



### **WEEE** mark

"Not for general waste"

When a product is to be discarded, it must be sent to a designated collection point for recycling and recovering to prevent the risk of harm to the environment or human health as a result of the presence of hazardous substances.



## CE mark

The product is in conformity with the requirements set out in European CE marking directives.

Symbol	Title/Description
	RCM mark
	The product complies with electrical safety, EMC and radio spectrum regulatory requirements for products supplied to the Australian or New Zealand market.
	Interference
	Electromagnetic interference may occur in the vicinity of the product.



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