# ZETA THREE INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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# **Display Menu List**

## ADAMS-SMITH ZETA-THREE

Quick Reference Card – Software Version 3.60 and 3E60 [items in braces apply to the ZETA-THREE\*\* only.]

Monu Items Groups Selections G01 PRESET 01000000 COPY MODE - XFER/JAM G02 6\_TC 01 00 00 00 TC COPY - TC/UB/ZETATIME
UB COPY - UB/TC/OFF Generator (G) -G03 6\_UB 00 00 00 00 604 CONSTANTS G05 PRESET ----MASTER = READER/GENERATOR M 0.1: N02 OUTPUT = TRANSPORT/OFF/AUX3-10 [/TRACK SEL] MAS H\_TC 00 00 00 00 Master (M) MOA LIMIT M\_UB 00 00 00 00 TRANSPORT M05 SAVE TRANSPORT-> **M06** CONSTANTS **MO7** 501 PRESET LOCK MODE - ADR/FWL/AUTO SLOW RELOCK - OFF/ON 502 S\_TC 00 00 00 00 503 SPLICE TRAP - OFF/ON S\_UB 00 00 00 00 504. S\_0FS 00 00 00 00.00 Slave (S) LIMIT 505 S\_ERR 00 00 00 00.00 TRANSPORT S06 S\_SLEW 00.00 507 SAVE TRANSPORT-> \$08 CONSTANTS [SO9 EDITOR/YTR DO1 EDIT D02 SONG SETUP -> LEARN HODE -> LEARN ONTIZE - 8 D03 nna FPB FRM = 24 MERGE = OFF/REAL-TIME/NO REAL-TIME/ALL 1005 006 D\_B120.00 0001/01.1 MIDI CLK = ON/ON+SSEL/DT LOCK/OFF MIDI THRU = IN/OUT-2 007 D\_TC 00 00 00 00 00 D\_OFS 00 00 00 00 00 00 BOG MIDI (D) MIDI TC - OFF/ZETATIME MIDI TC -----D09 D\_ERR 00 00 00 00.00 D10 D SLEW 00.00 LOCK MODE = ADR/FWL/AUTO SLOW RELOCK = OFF/ON D11 SPLICE TRAP - OFF/ON TIMEBASE D14 MAP LOAD/SAVE -> BEEP - OFF/RMT/RMT COUNT/MIDI/MIDI COUNT/RMT+MIDI/RMT+MIDI CT D16 MIDI CONSTS Z01 IN/OUT = RECORD/REHEARSE AUTO EDIT - OFF/ON/ON+CUE PREROLL - OO OO Z02 Z03 LOOP - OFF/CYCLE/AUTO REWIND/AUTO STOP FRAMES - 30.00/24/25/29.97/29.97 DF RESOLVE - OFF/VIDEO/AUX IN Z04 Z05 Z06 ZETATINE - MASTER/SLAVE Z07 COMPUTER PORT -> Z08 Z09 RS-232 BAUD RS-232 FORMAT -> Z10 Z\_60 CONTROL PORT -> Z11 CONTROL FOR: ->

SYS ADDR - 0/8282

XOUT TIP - AUX 1/TIMBASE/OFF/SYS PRK

XOUT RNG - AUX 2/OFF/SYS PRK/REC TLY

XIN - OFF/RECORD HOLD/REC'D TOGGLE/ALL ENABLE/STOP/CONT/SYS PARK IN Z\_IN -- -- -- --.--Z\_OUT -- -- --.--**Z12** Z13 Z\_END **Z14** 715 LOCAL CHASE - ON/OFF 716 AUTO REC'D - OFF/SLAVE **Z17** ADIO REC D - OFF/SLAVE
RMT Z\_ECHO - OFF/ON
ZETA TC LINK - OFF/ON
SENSE - OFF/MIDI\_IN/SLAVE/SLV+HID\_IN/MASTER/MAST+SLV Z18 Z19 Z20 Z21 SENSE OUTPUT CLEAR REGISTERS SYSTEM RESET E\_01 **E\_02** EO1 EV\_O1 - DISARMED/AUX OUT/NOTE ON/OFF/NOTE ON/NOTE OFF/PROG CHNG/REMOTE FN E\_03 E\_04 E 05 Event (E) -- -- -- ,--EV 10 - DISARMED/AUX OUT/NOTE ON/OFF/NOTE ON/NOTE OFF/PROG CHNG/REMOTE FN E 06 E10 EV\_ALL DISARM -- -- -- --,--E 07 £11 E 08 MIDI TRIGGERS E12 EVENT CONSTANTS -> E 09

## **Basic Operation**

## ADAMS-SMITH ZETA-THREE

| ntering Data into a Group Selection                   | Set GOTO Point   |
|---|--|
| DISPLAY. CURSOR INDEX                                 | DISPLAY SHIFT CURSOR INDEX   |
| GROUP (to number to (to change                        | GROUP SELECT (to number to (to change  |
| X_XX be changed) number)                              | Z_XX Z_60 be changed) number)  |
| Synchronize Master Slave MIDI                         | Capturing a GOTO Point   |
| ENABLE ENABLE   |  |
| MASTER SLAVE MIDI                                     | to desired GROUP SELECT captures current   |
| ransport Start / Stop                                 | Z_XX Z_G0 master time code   |
| ENABLE SYSTEM   | Entering an END Point  |
| RANSPORT(S) STOP / CONT                               | DISPLAY SHIFT CURSOR INDEX   |
|   | GROUP SELECT   |
| enerator Start / Stop                                 | Z_XX Z_END be changed) number)   |
| ISPLAY SHIFT (enter GEN<br>GROUP SELECT penerator RUN |  |
| otation 11011   | Set Slave Lock Mode  |
| G_XX G_TC starting address)                           | DISPLAY MENU INDEXX CURSOR INDEXX  |
|   | GROUP \$02 (move cursor (choose  |
| ocating to GOTO Point                                 | S_XX SXX lock mode = XX to right) lock mode)   |
| Inter or CAPTURE SHIFT GOTO point) GOTO               |  |
| GOTO possa) GOTO                                      |  |
| apture Slave Offset                                   | (enter GOTO DISPLAY MENU INDEX CURSOR INDEX And END GROUP  |
| E Royalia   | points) (move cursor   |
| BOUP SELECT   | Z_XX ZXX Z04 to right) (loop = cycl  |
| offset = S_XX S_OFS STC - MTC                         | Slewing Slave Offset   |
|   |  |
| essing DISPLAY GROUP changes the display              | GROUP SELECT   |
| the next group.                                       | (select advance/retard or CLEAR  S_XX S_SLEM slew rate) (slave xport)  |
| essing DISPLAY SHIFT SELECT moves to                  | Sour raily (Stave Aport)   |
| e next selection in the group.                        | Set System Frame Rate  |
| essing MENU shows the current group menu.             | DISPLAY MENU INDEX CURSOR INDEX  |
| essing PREV (SHIFT MENU) moves the                    | GROUP  |
| play to the previously accessed menu level.           | Z05 (move cursor (choose<br>Z_XX ZXX frames = XX to right) frame rate)   |
|   | The state of the s |
| generate Time Code                                    | Select Master (or Slave) Transport   |
| nnect old code into master reader                     | DISPLAY MENU INDEX X MENU INDEX X CAPTI  |
| lect XFER or JAM in GEN COPY menu                     | GROUP HOS XX (to name of CONS  |
| ess SHIFT COPY  | Master: M_XX HXX TRANSPORT -> TRANSPORT master xport) LOAD   |
| nerator outputs regenerated code                      | Siave: S_XX SXX TRANSPORT -> TRANSPORT slave xport) LOAD   |
|   | SHEAG Yboti)   |
| solving   |  |
| SPLAY MENU INDEX TO CURSOR                            | INDEX X connect amber I ED   |
|   | sor (choose EXT.SYNC source) external reference to will be on solid if   |
| ROUP Z06 (move curs                                   |  |
| ROUP  | VIDEO / AUX / OFF VIDEO IN or AUX IN locked to XREF  |
| ROUP Z06 (move curson xXX ZXX resolve = XX to right)  | VIDEO / AUX / OFF VIDEO IN OF AUX IN locked to XREF  |
| ROUP Z06 (move curs                                   | VIDEO / AUX / OFF VIDEO IN OF AUX IN locked to XREF  |

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| Automate Record Function                         | (Punch In / Punch Out)         |      |                    |                                      |  |  |
|--|--------------------------------|------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| enter or CAPTURE record start address (punch in) | enter or CAPTURE record        | MENU | INDEX              | INDEX                                | ENABLE M-REC and/or S-REC                    |  |
| Z_IN   | stop address (punch out) Z_0UT | ZXX  | Z01<br>in/out = XX | (choose RECORD or REHEARSE function) | (to arm master and/or stave record function) |  |

EXX

thru

E10

- DISARNED

(choose arming function of

event listed on display)

# 1 INTRODUCTION - Getting Started

#### 1.1 The ZETA-THREE Manual

The ZETA-THREE is easy to use, but it is capable of performing some very diverse and sophisticated synchronizing and MIDI tasks. This manual includes three chapters which describe how to basically use the ZETA-THREE. Other chapters in the manual provide additional information for reference and for more complex operations.

IMPORTANT - Unless you are **very** familiar with time code and synchronization operations, **please** read Appendices A and B. These Appendices provide background information which is **needed** to use this manual. The appendices will not only help you understand time code and synchronizing in general, but will also inform you about ZETA-THREE functions and routines which will help you in various synchronizing situations.

### 1.2 Finding the Information You Need

Chapter 2, Installing Your ZETA-THREE, provides instructions for installing the ZETA-THREE unit. This chapter also includes information about providing power to the unit, i.e. power cord attachment, power requirements and limitations, and fusing.

Chapter 3, Getting Acquainted with Your ZETA-THREE, provides instructions to help you become familiar with the basic operation of the ZETA-THREE. This chapter also includes information about locating Groups and Menus and how to enter or change information in Group and Menu items.

Chapter 4, Basic ZETA-THREE Operations, presents step-by-step procedures for generating, recording, and reading time code and how to synchronize two transports. This chapter also describes the cable connections needed for all the procedures described. The information in this chapter, along with the information found in Chapter 3, explains the general use of each of the front panel keys.

Chapter 5, General Operations, assumes that the user has a working knowledge of the ZETA-THREE and describes its most commonly used functions. Chapter 5 also provides common set-up schemes for various synchronizing operations.

Chapter 8, MIDI Section, describes all MIDI operations in detail. Functions include syncronizing a sequencer to time code via the ZETA-THREE's internal Tempo Map, and entering, learning and editing the Tempo Map.

Chapter 13, Computer Port [Adams-Smith Protocols], will be needed by anyone writing software to communicate serially with the ZETA-THREE. The chapter contains general descriptions of the internal software operations and hardware connections, plus a complete list of communication protocols.

Appendix A, Time Code, provides information about what SMPTE/EBU time code is, and how time code is used by synchronizers such as the ZETA-THREE.

Appendix B, **Synchronization**, provides valuable general information about the synchronizing process.

Appendix C, Cable and Back Panel Information, includes power information and pin connections for each connector found on the ZETA-THREE's rear panel.

Appendix D, **ZETA-THREE Menus**, describes each of the items in the **ZETA-THREE**'s Menus. Each possible setting of each item, and its effect on the **ZETA-THREE**, is also described.

Appendix E, Slave Transport Constants, lists and describes internal parameters which are used to adapt the ZETA-THREE slave syncronizer section to specific tape transports. These are loaded automatically when a transport is selected, but may be further manipulated by the user if so desired.

The Master Transport section uses a subset of these parameters.

Appendix F, MIDI Section Constants, describes similar operating parameters for the MIDI section.

Appendix G, Generator Constants, contains parameters for control of the Time Code generator.

Appendix H, Events Constants, lists parameters to control the finer points of Event triggering.