INSTRUCTION MANUAL
NPPA-TT-E56
PATCH PANEL “Easy Patch” | 96 Bantam (TT) Jacks, EDAC 56-pin termination
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Dimensional Drawings “Easy Patch” NPPA-TT-E56
1. Electrical configuration

The Neutrik "Easy Patch" Patch Panel is fitted with high quality, long life NJ3TTA gold plated double contact jacks (2 x 48). This Patch Panel is an innovative and compact patching system (just 1 U high) for 19" rack mounting. Robustly housed in black coated steel shell and featuring precision aluminum fittings it is built to last. The Neutrik "Easy Patch" is suitable for analog and digital audio signals.

The "Easy Patch" is available in five normalling configurations (fully loaded).

- half normalled bottom row
- half normalled top row
- full normalled
- parallel
- isolated

Furthermore individual jack pairs can be changed to combine various normallings within one panel quickly and without fuss. This is even possible while the panel is "on air". For this we offer pre-configured jack pairs (NJ3TTA-4-*).

In case of emergency the normalling for individual jack pairs can be changed by the use of normalling bars. Normalling bars to change the normalling of 4 channels are included.
2. Replacement of Jack Pairs

Each individual jack pair can be exchanged quickly and without fuss even while the panel is "on air". For replacement simply remove the easy accessible jack pairs.

Module consisting of 2 Jack Pairs

Remove Front Panel by unscrewing the 3 black cross-recessed screws (M3x8 Taptite), remove the two side-stops.

Push out the channel identification strips.

Pull one module out of the casing using the supplied disassembling pliers

Alternatively the jack pairs may be pulled out by the use of two Bantam plugs (diagonally plugged in).
The two jack pairs have to be re-assembled in the right way so that the thicker body marked “left” is put on the left side with the mark outside and readable.

To complete, push the new jack pairs into the casing again with the mark on the left side (If more than one module are removed always assemble from the center to the right or left side and be careful that the keys on the left side of the jack pairs find their guiding slots. If all jack pairs are removed start at the casing support in the center and assemble to the right and left side). Slide in again the channel identification strips (best from the outside inwards) and fix the front panel with the black cross-recessed screws. Don't forget to insert the side-stops before fixing the screws (see page 10).

3. Reconfiguration by hand

Please note, in case of emergency the normalling can by changed by hand by the use of normalling bars. For easy and safe modification work we recommend our preconfigured jack pairs (NJ3TTA-4-*).

The two jack pairs are separated by spreading apart the rear parts to unlock the fixing mechanism till it is possible...

...to slide the jack pairs against each other in axial direction.
Then remove the cover with a tiny grip at the side and carefully

Pull out the configuration bars you need to exchange (preferably using a small screw-driver).

Insert new bars carefully by pressing them in parallel at both ends.

Attention: To ensure best contact conditions never reuse the configuration bars once being put in place! Always take new ones! Keep the contacts and switches in place with the thumb while manipulating the normalling contacts.

Finally snap on the cover (Insert it first at one side and then snap slightly into the opposite groove with a light pressure on the nose).

4. Grounding variations

The flexible grounding system provides the following versions:

**Individual:** Each channel is individually grounded by its corresponding cable shield (default configuration).

**Group:** Selected channel grounds are connected via the ground bus on the PCB using solder bridges and track cuts to form a group that is connected to one common cable shield.

**Central:** All channel grounds (individual top and bottom row) are connected via the ground bus on the PCB using solder bridges and wired with only one cable shield.

**Chassis-Common:** The same as central grounding but with the addition of the common ground bus (top and / or bottom rows) connected to the patch panel chassis by means of jumpers.
**Symbolic structure of ground connection:**

**Arrangement on PCB (seen from mating side)**

- Corresponding flat tab for Top Row ground contacts
- Corresponding flat tab for Bottom Row ground contacts

**Configurations**

- Chassis Top
- Chassis Bottom
- Chassis Common
- Central (Top & Bottom connected separated from Chassis)

**Note:**

- EDAC - key for orientation
- Pin Header & Jumpers
- EDAC 56 pin
- Solder Pads to connect single ground contacts either to Common Top or Bottom ground-bus

**NOTE:** In standard configuration there is no ground connection between top and bottom row unless it is provided by an inserted patch cable. If this is required, as in the case of phantom powered microphone lines, either make an internal connection by individually wiring the corresponding upper and lower ‘S’ terminals, or if the latter is critical with respect to possible ground loops make the connection via patch cable instead of using the normalising feature.
5. Wiring diagram

Contact arrangement

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<th>EDAC #</th>
<th>Channel #</th>
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<th>Bottom</th>
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<td>1 - 8</td>
<td>49 - 56</td>
<td>57 - 65</td>
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6. Cable retention to the unit

The ELCO®-EDAC® 56 connector is fixed to the housing by means of 4 screws. The plug itself is secured by one screw.

The built in cable retention bar is at the back of the casing. Simply attach the cables with cable ties to the bar as shown in the photo.

7. Channel identification

The front panel is equipped with channel identification strips located in the center of the channels and marked with the channel numbers 1-24 and 25-48 respectively.

For the perfect management of the system and for individual identification according to customer’s needs there are two large and separate labeling strips, one for the bottom and one for the top row.
To write on the paper you have to unscrew one of the outer fixing screws of the front panel. Then pull out the side-stop, the transparent foil and the paper strip itself. After marking is done assemble the parts in reversed sequence.

**NOTE:** For easy and perfect marking you can use our designation software “PatchLabel” which is available on our web site [www.neutrik.com](http://www.neutrik.com) free of charge.

*Print-Out software “Patch Label”*
8. Technical data

8.1 Electrical
Frequency range: DC to > 50 MHz
Digital suitability: Digital audio acc. to AES/EBU
Channel separation: > 100 dB @ 10 kHz, 600 Ω terminated
> 40 dB @ 6 MHz , 110 Ω terminated
Insulation resistance: > 10^9 Ω @ 500 V dc
Connector contact resistance: < 20 mΩ
Switch contact resistance: < 25 mΩ
Dielectric strength: 1000 V dc

7.2 Mechanical
Lifetime: > 5.000 Insertion / withdrawal cycles
Insertion / Withdrawal force: < 10 N / > 8 N
Cable retention force: 70 N max per cable retention bar
Dimensions (rack mount): 482 mm (W) × 44 mm (H) (19” × 1 U)
Depth: 89 mm (3.5”)
Weight: 2.1 kg
Temperature range: - 30°C to +80°C

7.3 Materials
Jack housing: PA 66 blend
Jack contacts: CuSn6 – TRIBOR® plated (0.2 µm AuCo over 2 µm NiP)
Casing: Steel and aluminum, black coated
Front Panel: AlMgSi 0.5 F22
9. Ordering Information

Standard supply

The compact Neutrik “Easy Patch” NPPA-TT-E56 consists of:

- Black coated steel casing with aluminum fittings
- 2 x 48 highly integrated Neutrik NJ3TTA jacks with gold plated double contacts and specially designed normalling mechanism (standard: half normalled bottom row)
- Integrated internal pre-wiring with selectable flexible grounding system
- 6 ELCO®-EDAC® 56-pin male connectors
- Chassis integrated cable retention
- Spare normalling configuration bars
  - 4 Normal 1: “short”, bridges 5 contacts
  - 8 Normal 2: “medium”, bridges 6 contacts
  - 4 Normal 3: “long”, bridges 7 contacts
- 1 Disassembling pliers
- 1 Instruction Manual

Options and Accessories

Pre-configured Jack-Pairs

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<th>Description</th>
<th>Configuration*</th>
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<td>blocks of 2 channels</td>
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Accessories

- NPPA-S Strain Relief bar
- NKTT* Patch cords with NP3TT-1 plugs. Available in black, blue, green, red and yellow. Length: 30, 40, 60, 90, 120 cm
- NPPA-NB Normalling bars for changing the normalling of all 48 channels