

Sennheiser ME3 & ME3 Combo User Guide

Sound card compatibility

It is important to know that the ME3 is wired slightly differently than the usual PC microphone. As a result, it is compatible with most, but not all computer sound cards. It is compatible with many but not all external USB sound adapters. We recommend using the ME3 with the Buddy 7G USB adapter and cannot assure great results with other adapters.

To assure compatibility with your PC or Mac our ME3 bundle contains the ME3, the Buddy 7G USB sound adapter, and our exclusive ME3 Adapter. If you bought the microphone alone and are having compatibility issues, realize that this is not from a malfunctioning microphone but more likely from an incompatible on-board or external sound card. In this situation, it is recommended that you purchase the Buddy 7G USB adapter.

Set-up and Use

Use of the ME3 is quite straightforward. We recommend you follow these simple instructions:

1. If you purchased the ME3 Combo, insert the Buddy 7G USB adapter into your PC or Mac and wait a moment for drivers to install
2. Connect the microphone to USB adapter as shown in the figure below. The ME3 adapter should be plugged into the red or pink jack on the USB adapter:



Dragon Set-up

If using a new ME3 with Dragon NaturallySpeaking, you have several options in terms of how to integrate your microphone with Dragon:

1. Simply substituting the ME3 for your old mic/sound device and running the audio set-up wizard. This is recommended only if you are switching the microphone only and not switching to the Buddy 7G Audio USB adapter.
2. Adding the Buddy 7G USB adapter (with ME3) as a new “source” to an existing profile
3. Creating an entirely new user profile based on the ME3 and Buddy 7G USB adapter.

Of these options, we consider the middle option the best, both because it allows you to save all the personalized words and commands in your current profile, and yet still afford you the opportunity (based

on the version of Dragon you are using) to do some limited reading and training with the new microphone.

Adding the Buddy 7G USB adapter as a new source to an existing profile:

Dragon 11 or 12	Dragon 13/14/15
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select Dragon > Open User .. 2. On the far right of the Open User dialog, click on "Source" and then "New" 3. Select the new source (Buddy 7G) from those listed and follow subsequent instructions 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select Manage Dictation Sources from the "Profile" menu. 2. Click "Add new dictation source" 3. Follow all subsequent instructions

Mac Set-up

Macintosh computers do not allow use of a headset microphone plugged into the Audio port, so it is mandatory to use an external USB sound adapter like the Buddy 7G when interfacing the ME (or any other analog microphone. All you need to do is install the USB adapter and drivers will be automatically installed from the OS. If you are using Dragon Dictate, you need to set up the Buddy 7G as a new source for your user profile. This is done as follows:



1. Start by going to the OS Systems tools and select "Sound"
2. Confirm that the Buddy 7G adapter is present and chosen
3. Open Dragon and navigate to Tools > Profiles
4. Under Audio Sources click on the "+" symbol to add a new source
5. On the subsequent window select the Buddy 7G from the drop-down, name the profile, click "Continue" and follow all subsequent instruction to complete set-up



Microphone Use

Mounting the microphone to your head: In general, the velcro strap offers no particular function and can be discarded. Mounting of the microphone is not always intuitive. Refer to the diagram to the right for help if needed.

Positioning: The foam covered microphone element should be about 1/2 to 3/4 of an inch from the right front of your mouth, and ideally to the side of your mouth. If necessary, bend the flexible boom to get the proper position. If you get warnings of excessively high or low sound levels when performing the Audio Set-up Wizard with NaturallySpeaking, simply move the microphone slightly further away or closer as appropriate.



Speaker: Dont search for it. The ME3 is a high-quality head-mounted microphone and does not include a speaker!