

**FCC Notice “Declaration of Conformity Information”**

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 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 determined 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.

**WARNING:** Only peripherals complying with the FCC class B limits may be attached to this equipment.

Changes or modifications made to this equipment, not expressly approved by us or parties authorized by us could void the user’s authority to operate the equipment. 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.

**SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

There are two categories of Safety Instructions included in this manual:

- Product Warnings, (i.e., what must never be done to assure avoiding those hazards that could cause bodily injury or property damage); and
- User Directions (i.e., what must always be done to assure the safe use of your device).

The Safety Instructions contained in this manual have been categorized in accordance with the seriousness of the potential hazards through the use of Signal Words. Those Signal Words, and their intended meanings, are as follows:

**DANGER:** Indicates that a failure to observe the Safety Instructions could result in death or catastrophic bodily injury.

**WARNING:** Indicates that a failure to observe the Safety Instructions could result in serious bodily injury.

**CAUTION:** Indicates that a failure to observe the Safety Instructions could result in minor bodily injury or property damage.

**NOTE:** Designates important information that relates to activities and/or conditions that might result in loss of data and/or damage to your device.

**Safe Use and Operation of Your Device**

This equipment emits stray RF energy and will interfere with the reception of signals by airborne electronic navigational devices or medical devices. Do not operate this equipment near any sensitive medical devices.

**WARNING:** Use only grounded AC power cords.

Always immediately disconnect the power to the equipment in the event the device emits an unusual odor or sound or generates smoke.

**WARNING:** Never attempt to disassemble, repair or make any modification to your device. Disassembly, modification or any attempt at repair could cause bodily injury or property damage, as well as damage to the device itself.

**WARNING:** Your device is not a toy. Never allow children to play with your device. Misuse, rough or improper handling of your device by children could result in serious bodily injury for any of the enumerated safety warnings in this manual. In addition, always keep all accessories and components out of the reach of small children as small parts might present a choking hazard. Seek immediate medical attention if choking occurs or if any small part has been swallowed.

**CAUTION:** Never raise the sound volume level too high when using your device with earphones. An excessive sound volume level could cause damage to your hearing.

**WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose the unit to moisture or water.

Do not allow foreign objects to get into the enclosure. If the unit is exposed to moisture, or a foreign object gets into the enclosure, immediately disconnect the power cord from the wall. Take the unit to a qualified service person for inspection and necessary repairs.

Read all the instructions before connecting or operating the component.

Keep this manual so you can refer to these safety instructions.

Heed all warnings and safety information in these instructions and on the product itself. Follow all operating instructions.

Do not use this unit near water.

You must allow a minimum 10 cm or 4 inches of unobstructed clearance around the unit. Do not place the unit on a bed, sofa, rug, or similar surface that could block the ventilation openings. If the unit is placed in a bookcase or cabinet, there must be ventilation of the cabinet to allow proper cooling. Keep the component away from radiators, heat registers, stoves, or any other appliance that produces heat.

The unit must be connected to a power supply only of the type and voltage specified on the rear panel.

Connect the component to the power outlet only with the supplied power supply cable or an exact equivalent. Do not modify the supplied cable.

Do not route the power cord where it will be crushed, pinched, bent, exposed to heat, or damaged in any way. Pay particular attention to the power cord at the plug and where the cord exits the back of the unit.

The power cord should be unplugged from the wall outlet during a lightning storm or if the unit is to be left unused for a long period of time.

Immediately stop using the component and have it inspected and/or serviced by a qualified service agency if:

- The power supply cord or plug has been damaged.
- Objects have fallen or liquid has been spilled into the unit.
- The unit has been exposed to rain.
- The unit shows signs of improper operation
- The unit has been dropped or damaged in any way

## Read Me First

Thank you for purchasing the NuForce™ Audio Isolation Device AID-9. Serious audiophiles who want to enjoy the full potential of NuForce AID-9 should allow for about 40 hours of “break-in” (i.e., play music for about 40 hours before evaluating this AID-9).

**WARNING!** Do not connect/disconnect the RCA input or output cables when the AID-9 is turned ON.  
**AC Input** – The NuForce AID-9 is designed to work with worldwide AC voltages (110VAC – 240VAC).

## Audio Isolation Device

Because of the wide range of format players and peripherals now available, the well informed enthusiast understands that it takes more than great components to achieve a first-rate system. Every new piece of equipment has the potential to present interconnect difficulties.

In order to avoid hum or noise, lengthy interconnect cables normally require balanced terminations. Unfortunately, many components do not provide balanced-output options. Even if an adapter seems tailored to the problem, ground loops in the AC power system can produce that which the audiophile least desires. For example, a preamplifier powered at one side of a room’s AC distribution system is often connected to an amplifier powered at a different ground reference point. It’s an often unavoidable situation that can cause real problems. As so many listeners have discovered, annoying ground-loop-induced hum and noise are difficult to remedy.

Until now.

The AID-9 is an advanced active ground isolation device designed to drive interconnect cables of 40 to 100 feet in length. The AID09 features RCA inputs for connection to your preamp’s outputs and RCA or balanced XLR terminations for connecting to your amplifier.

Acting as a buffer stage, an instrument-grade input circuit is direct-coupled to a low-output-impedance line-driver stage. The line driver feeds the inputs of a professional-quality isolation transformer manufactured by Jensen exclusively for NuForce. (Jensen transformers are world-renowned for providing the ultimate in linear-phase, wide-bandwidth performance for professional sound and recording applications.)

Briefly stated, the AID-9 is designed to address any cable conversion or ground-loop problem you are likely to encounter. NuForce has gone to great lengths to ensure that the AID-9 delivers nothing less than the ultimate in transparency.

## Specifications:

- Frequency Response: 10-100kHz
- THD: <0.01 at 1kHz
- Input: RCA
- Output: RCA & XLR (both outputs can not be used simultaneously)
- Input impedance 10K Ohms
- Output impedance 100 Ohms
- Max output 5V RMS

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

Section 0. Refer to “Nuforce Limited Warranty” document.

Scope. These terms and conditions of sale (these “Terms”) apply to all sales of products (the “Products”) by Nuforce Inc. (“NuForce”), a California corporation, to buyer of the Products (“Buyer”). These Terms (along with the specific terms of the attached purchase order) constitute the complete and entire agreement between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof, and supersede any and all prior and contemporaneous other terms or conditions, whether oral or written, including negotiations, prior quotations and purchase orders between the parties. These Terms may be modified only by a writing signed and approved by an authorized representative of NuForce. NuForce’ failure to object to any term or condition contained in any communication from Buyer (including in any purchase order) shall not be deemed a waiver or modification of these Terms. These Terms shall not be modified, supplemented, qualified or interpreted by any trade usage or prior course of dealing.

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Payment. Except as otherwise specifically designated on the invoice, payment shall be due and payable within 30 days from the date of the invoice. NuForce reserves the right at any time to modify or withdraw any credit extended to Buyer. If in NuForce’ sole discretion, NuForce may require full or partial payment in advance of any shipment of Product. If Buyer becomes delinquent in any payment to NuForce, NuForce has the right to suspend performance until such delinquency is corrected. Regardless of any statement appearing on a check in payment for Product, NuForce’ acceptance of such check shall not constitute a waiver of NuForce’ right to pursue the collection of any remaining balance. NuForce reserves the right to charge a late fee on late payments at the lesser of one and 1.5% per month or the maximum rate allowable by law, together with NuForce’ costs of collections including attorneys’ fees.

Acceptance. Use of the Products by Buyer or its agents, or the failure by Buyer to reject the Products within 5 days following Buyer’s delivery of such Products shall constitute acceptance by the Buyer.

NuForce’ Limited Warranty and Limitation of Liabilities.

Full Refund Period. For a period of 30 days after shipment (the “Refund Period”), Buyer may return the Products to NuForce for a full refund. To qualify for this refund, the Products must be returned in their original packaging and a 15% restocking fee will apply to damaged (including blemish on product’s surface) Products.

Limited Warranty. For a period (as specified in the Warranty Coverage section) after conclusion of the Refund Period, NuForce warrants (i) this product against defects in materials and workmanship, and (ii) that each Product, unmodified and under normal use and conditions, will substantially comply with NuForce’ applicable written technical documentation for the Product. NuForce reserves the right to make substitutions and modifications from time to time in the specifications of Products sold by NuForce, provided that such substitutions or modifications do not materially affect overall Product performance.

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(i) NuForce is promptly notified in writing by Buyer upon discovery of any such default; (ii) the defective Product is returned to NuForce, transportation charges prepaid by Buyer, accompanied by a brief statement explaining the alleged defect; and (iii) NuForce’

examination of such Product shall disclose to NuForce' satisfaction that such failures did not arise as a result of misuse, abuse, improper installation or application, repair, alteration, or accident, or negligence in use, storage, transportation or handling by anyone other than NuForce. Any replacement Product will be warranted for the remainder of the original warranty period or 30 days, whichever is longer. NuForce shall in no event be responsible for any labor costs, or otherwise, incurred by Buyer incident to the replacement of any defective Product. If NuForce determines that the returned Product conformed to the warranties, NuForce will return the Product to Buyer at Buyer's expense.

NUFORCE SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES OF ANY NATURE INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION LOSS OF PROFIT, PROMOTIONAL OR MANUFACTURING EXPENSES, OVERHEAD, DATA, INJURY TO REPUTATION OR LOSS TO CUSTOMERS, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURCHASE, SALE, USE, PERFORMANCE OR FAILURE OF THE PRODUCTS, WHETHER SUCH LIABILITY ARISES UNDER CONTRACT, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), STRICT PRODUCT LIABILITY OR OTHERWISE, EVEN IF NUFORCE HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES OR IF SUCH DAMAGE COULD HAVE BEEN REASONABLY FORESEEN. IN NO EVENT WILL NUFORCE' LIABILITY TO BUYER ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THESE TERMS EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE PAID TO NUFORCE BY BUYER FOR THE PRODUCT THAT GIVES RISE TO THE CLAIM.

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### **NuForce Three (3) Year Limited Warranty**

Reference 9 V3SE and MCH-300SEC7 have five year warranty. All other products in the Reference and MCH series have three year warranty.

#### **WARRANTY COVERAGE**

NuForce's warranty terms is specified in **NuForce Terms and Conditions of Sale**. If a defect exists, at its option NuForce will (1) repair the product at no charge, using new or refurbished replacement parts, (2) exchange the product with a product that is new or which has been manufactured from new or serviceable used parts and is at least functionally equivalent to the original product, or (3) refund the purchase price of the product. A replacement product/part assumes the remaining warranty of the original product or ninety (90) days from the date of replacement or repair, whichever provides longer coverage for you. When a product or part is exchanged, any replacement item becomes your property and the replaced item becomes NuForce's property. When a refund is given, your product becomes NuForce's property.

#### **OBTAINING WARRANTY SERVICE**

If you purchased the product in the U.S., deliver the product, at your expense, to any NuForce Service Center located in the U.S. If you purchased the product outside of the U.S., deliver the product to any NuForce Authorized Importer in the country where you purchased the product. Be aware, however, that not all countries have NuForce Authorized Service Providers and not all Authorized Service Providers outside the country of purchase have all parts or replacement units for the product. If the product cannot be repaired or replaced in the country it is in, it may need to be sent to a different country or returned to the country of purchase at your expense for repair or replacement. You can always deliver the product to NuForce's U.S. main service center for obtaining warranty service.

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