Dictaphone PowerMic II

User Guide

*Congratulations on your purchase* of a Dictaphone PowerMic II handheld microphone! This is a very high quality microphone which works extremely well with speech recognition software. When used with Dragon 10 Medical, it is possible to achieve high levels of integration between buttons on the PowerMic II and your software.

**Drivers:** the microphone does not come with any drivers. All needed drivers will be installed automatically when using the PowerMic II with appropriate software.

**Software Integration:** The full functionality of the PowerMic II is not present in all software environments. See chart at end of this document for details.

**Setting up the PowerMic with Dragon NaturallySpeaking**

1. If you are using the PowerMic II with any of the non-medical versions of NaturallySpeaking, you simply need to select the PowerMic II as your preferred sound input device. Do this as follows:
   a. Plug the microphone into any available USB port. Drivers will auto-install.
   b. Within Dragon select Tools > Accuracy Center > Check my audio settings.
   c. Select “PowerMicII-NS” as the sound source
   d. Complete the sound set-up wizard as directed
   e. Although you will have function of the microphone, speaker, left and right mouse click buttons, and the track-point button, it is not possible to program the other 10 buttons on the PowerMic II with these versions of NaturallySpeaking

2. With either Dragon 9.5 Medical or 10 Medical, it is necessary to formally select the PowerMic II as the sound source in order to have the added tab on the options menu for advanced programming of the 10 buttons on the front of the PowerMic II. Selecting the PowerMic II as the sound source can be done using one of two methods:
a. Create a new user (Dragon menu > Manage Users > New) and select the “PowerMic II Microphone” as the dictation source. Train the new user as usual. Or …

b. From within an existing user, change the dictation source by going to Dragon menu > Open User > Source (tab on right) and select “new”. You will be presented with a window from which you can choose “PowerMic II Microphone” as your new source. You can thereafter choose whether to perform training or not. Selecting a “short” training is ideal but not absolutely necessary.

Programming Dragon to use the Keys on the PowerMic II (Dragon 9.5 Medical and 10 Medical Only)

Assigning functions in Dragon Medical 9.5 works exactly the same as programming keyboard hotkeys. Program buttons in Dragon 10 Medical as follows:

1. Open the PowerMic II tab in the options menu by clicking on Tools > Options > PowerMic II tab. You will see the following window (default selections have already been changed on the picture below):

![Options window showing PowerMic II setup](image)
2. On your PowerMic II microphone, push on the button you want to program. You will notice that the corresponding button on the PowerMic II picture will turn green and the associated drop down menu to the right will be highlighted (see figure below).

3. From the drop down menu, select the function you want to assign to the selected button.

4. If you want to program a button to cause a command to be initiated, the drop down menu will show you the last 5 commands you used and any of these can be selected. If necessary, therefore, in advance of programming a button, be sure to use any commands you plan to assign to a PowerMic II button.

5. If you plan to program a button to advance sequentially through variable fields in a document, make the appropriate selection from the navigation category of the drop-down menu (see below).
Software Compatibility of the PowerMic II:

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(1) “Basic Programming” of the 10 accessory buttons means that standard functions which can be assigned to keys on the pc keyboard can also be assigned to any of the 10 programmable buttons on the PowerMic II using the “hotkeys” tab on the NaturallySpeaking Options window.

(2) Advanced Programming of the 10 accessory buttons means that a tab specific to the PowerMic II will be present in the Dragon Options window and that keys can be assigned to affect a number of higher level functions within dragon, including initiation of commands.

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