

SONY XA-300

Auxiliary audio input for Sony UniLink™ Receivers.

KEY FEATURES:

The XA-300 UniLink™ auxiliary input selector adds 2 selectable line level inputs plus a headphone output with volume control. This feature is tied directly into auxiliary input one only and will play through this headphone jack even when the stereo system is off.

The new line level inputs are great, but now you can bring your laptop computer along for the ride and connect it to the XA-300. There's a universal serial bus (USB) input, allowing playback from a PC through any CD control Sony UniLink™ stereo system.

USB technology is new, and has not been integrated in car stereo systems until recently; we think it's a good idea to review some of the major system setup and playback procedures.

Computer Set Up for the XA-300

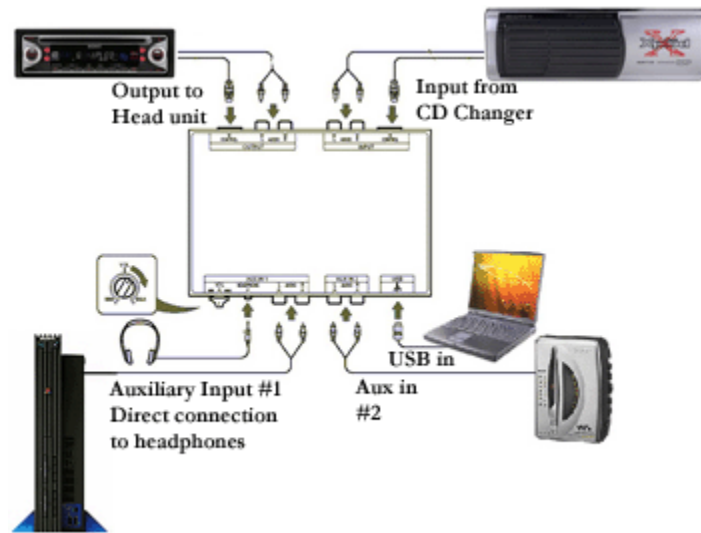
These guidelines will help you set up a computer with the XA-300:

1. Confirm the PC is running Windows®98, Windows®98 SE, Windows®ME, or Windows®2000. Windows®2000 is recommended for optimal compatibility. If a Mac is used, the OS version should be 8.6 or later, with Mac OS 9.0 recommended.
2. Have your copy of the Windows® or Mac operating system disc available — you may need it to load additional drivers.
3. Turn both the stereo system and the PC off. Connect the USB cable between the XA-300 and the USB port on the PC. It's called an A/B cable and it can only be connected one way.
4. Turn on the stereo system, and press the source and/or mode button until "CD4," and/or "USB" appear on the head unit's display.
5. Now turn the computer on. It should recognize that a new device has been added to the system, and either load the correct drivers automatically, or ask you to insert the operating system disc. If prompted, use the Windows® or Mac standard drivers supplied with the operating system.

WIRING DIAGRAM

The Universal Serial Bus (USB) connection on the XA-300 is an industry standard connection to allow communication between a computer and components, which offers two-way serial data exchange. Remember that the connections on either end of a USB A/B cable are different. These connectors ensure that the cable connects correctly with respect to the wiring between computer (master), and XA-300 component (slave).

As a precaution, USB cable connectors are different so that computers cannot be connected together (though there is a special USB connector that does allow this), and components cannot be connected together. In most common USB applications, like UniLink, there is one master (computer), and one or more slaves (components)



WARNING! The USB connection on the XA-300 is designed specifically to allow audio to play through a car stereo system using a laptop computer as a source. It cannot be used in the same way with other USB components as in personal digital assistants (PDA), portable audio devices, and other types of audio and/or digital components. These items are not masters, just slaves, so they can't work for each other!

We don't recommend attempting to access your laptop for music while driving.