



DEVINE

EZ-Creator series MIDI Controllers (EZ-Creator Key, Pad, Fade, Plus)



User manual

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Introduction

Thank you for purchasing one of the MIDI controllers from Devine's EZ-Creator series. This practical, extremely compact, affordable MIDI controller is ideal for adjusting the parameters in your DAW or other software when a computer mouse and keyboard just won't suffice. The compact design and USB-bus powered construction combined with practical elements for seamless software integration ensure ultimate convenience!

This user manual will help you with the installation of the device and teaches you how to make the most of its functionality. It also helps solve any problems you may encounter during installation and/or use. We advise that you read this user manual in its entirety before unpacking the contents of the box, so that you are familiar with all of the functionality that this product has to offer.

Box contents:

- 1x MIDI controller (EZ-Creator Key, Pad, Fade or Plus)
- 1x USB- connection cable
- 1x installation CD for MIDI editor software
- 1x discount voucher for Bitwig 8-Track DAW software

Bitwig 8-Track DAW

Devine has set up a special collaboration with one of the leading DAW developers, Bitwig.

Bitwig Studio DAW (Digital Audio Workstation) offers everything both beginner and advanced producers could possibly need. With the purchase of this Devine MIDI controller, you can discover the possibilities of Bitwig yourself completely free of charge!



Bitwig 8-Track is a program that is unlimited in functionality but there is a limit in terms of the amount of tracks you can use at once. It's a beginner DAW that enables you to get to know the program so you can move up to the fully-fledged Bitwig Studio version later on, which you can purchase at a discount thanks to the included voucher!

Register Bitwig 8-Track at www.bitwig.com/8-track and follow the steps to install Bitwig 8-Track on your computer.

There is a special function in Bitwig for the Devine EZ-Creator series. This means that this controller is included in a list of available MIDI devices. When connected to the computer on which Bitwig is installed, the EZ-Creator controllers will automatically be set to the correct user modes for Bitwig.

If you do not make use of the Bitwig 8-Track DAW, then you can give the voucher away as a gift. The DAW is compatible with other controllers as well as the Devine EZ-Creator.

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Safety instructions



WARNING!



Keep this device away from moisture, water and rain to avoid the chance of electric shocks.

Everyone involved with the installation, operation and maintenance of this device must:

- Be qualified
- Be skilled
- Have read the instructions in this user manual
- Be sure that neither the device nor the included accessories are damaged. Should the device or the included accessories be damaged, please contact your dealer for more information.
- Ensure that the device is in good working condition and is safe to operate. Please follow the advice and instructions as they are described in this user manual.

Damage caused by misuse and/or modifications made to the device are not covered by the warranty.

This device does not contain any parts that need to be repaired or replaced by the user. Should maintenance or repairs be necessary, they must be handled by a qualified technician.

Important information regarding health and safety:

- Do not remove any labels or stickers from this device.
- Do not leave any cables lying around.
- The device should not be opened up, and any hardware or software that may be present should not be modified.
- To achieve optimal performance, inputs on this device should not be fed with a signal higher than necessary.
- The device should only be used indoors; contact with water, rain and moisture should always be avoided. Do not place any objects containing liquids on top of the device.
- Remove the device from any nearby flames or heat sources; do not place it near flammable fluids, gasses or objects.
- Disconnect this device from the power supply if it will not be used for a longer period of time, if maintenance is necessary, or if the device needs to be cleaned.
- Do not pull on the cable to remove a connector, as this could cause damage.
- Do not use other types of cables than those described in this manual. Do not use damaged or faulty cables. Contact your if the included/required cables do not function properly with this device.
- In the event that the device is exposed to extreme temperature changes (e.g. transported

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through a cold outside environment into a warm indoor environment), it should not be turned on until it has reached room temperature. This is necessary to prevent moisture from forming in the device, which could lead to electric shocks.

Guidelines and operation of this device:

- This device is intended for indoor use by adults.
- This device is not suitable for use by children, and should always be operated by an adult.
- This device may only be used in a suitable environment where no damage to the device can occur. Do not use the device in moist or dusty environments such as:
 - indoor swimming pools where chlorine is used
 - beaches where there is sand and salt
 - outdoors
 - indoors in spaces where intense heat sources are present, or where it reaches temperature levels that would be considered uncomfortable for a person
- Avoid impacts and collisions during use and transport. Do not transport the device while it is in use. Avoid using excessive force when installing and operating the device.
- The user should become familiar with the functions of this device before using it.
- Should the device not be used in the manner described in this user manual, damages or even injuries could occur. Devine cannot be held responsible for any injuries or damages that occur as a result of improper use of this product.

Storage and transport:

- This product is not designed for mobile use. It should be transported in the original packaging or in a padded bag/case that offers sufficient protection.
- This device is not designed for permanent (24/7) use. The expected lifespan of the device will not be affected by occasionally turning the device off. Disconnect the device or turn off the power when it is not actively in use.
- If the device will not be used for a longer period of time, it should be disconnected and stored in a dust-free environment.
- Do not expose the device to extreme temperature differences.

Housing



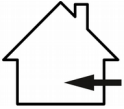
- Inspect the device's housing frequently, and always just before use. Avoid operating the device if there are large dents or cracks, or if screws are missing. Do not use the device if the housing is not in good condition.
Contact your dealer or a qualified technician if you are unsure about the state of the device.
- Check the device and the screws for corrosion. Corrosion must not be present on this device. Contact your dealer or a qualified technician if you find any corrosion on the screws. Every power and signal connector should be securely mounted. Do not use the device if the connectors are not secure.
Avoid dust and dirt build-up. Clean the device once a month by disconnecting it from the power supply and wiping it down with a dry or slightly moist cloth. If the device is used frequently, the cleaning intervals should increase.

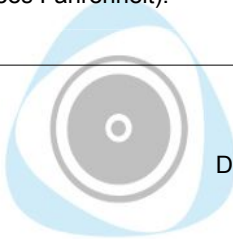
Symbol explanation:

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	<p>WEEE: Ensure that this device is disposed of properly. This product falls under the WEEE (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) directive. The requirements of this directive apply to all manufacturers and producers of electronic devices in the EU. Do not throw this product away with regular rubbish. Please contact your local authority for more information about how to recycle and dispose of these products in your region. By recycling this product in the proper manner, we can work together to ensure that we can continue to enjoy these kinds of products and still protect the environment as much as possible from pollution.</p>
	<p>CE: The CE logo indicates that this product meets the European norms and requirements to which it must legally conform.</p>
	<p>Only suitable for indoor use: this product was only designed for indoor use. The maximum environmental temperature must not exceed 40 degrees Celsius (104 degrees Fahrenheit).</p>



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*Please do not send any products to this correspondence address.
 Should you wish to send in a product for repair or for a refund, please contact your dealer
 for an RMA (Return Merchandise Authorisation).*

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Using the EZ-Creator with Bitwig 8-Track

The Devine EZ-Creator controllers have been included in the Bitwig 8-Track software by means of a special script. This means they appear in a list of available hardware controllers in the program itself. Select your EZ-Creator controller from the list and it will automatically activate the right user mode for Bitwig. This means you don't need to map functions manually or have an extensive knowledge of MIDI.

Please note that Bitwig does not support 32-bit systems.

Please see all minimum system requirements on the following website:

<https://www.bitwig.com/en/support/faq.html>

Bitwig 8-Track and Bitwig Studio are products by Bitwig GmbH.

Bitwig 8-Track is not available as a physical installation CD or USB stick. The most recent version is available for download on the Bitwig website. After installation, you will receive periodic messages regarding software updates.

The included Bitwig voucher is only valid for installing Bitwig 8-Track. The software is registered to you by name in a Bitwig account you will need to create.

If you want to use the EZ-Creator controller without Bitwig 8-Track, you can give the voucher to someone else. The Bitwig 8-Track voucher can not be exchanged for money, other Bitwig products or any other form of credit.

If you use Bitwig 8-Track and upgrade later to the full version of Bitwig Studio, you can do so at a discount price. Bitwig Studio offers the same functionality with the Devine EZ-Creator MIDI controllers.

Using the EZ-Creator without Bitwig 8-Track

The Devine EZ-Creator USB MIDI controllers do not only work with Bitwig software. Thanks to a MIDI editor on the included CD, it's also possible to use EZ-Creator controllers with just about any software that supports MIDI over USB. If you do not have a CD drive in your computer, please contact your local dealer for a digital version.

Examples of applications:

- lighting software / DMX software
- laser software
- production software by other developers
- podcasting and broadcasting software
- notation software

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Please be aware that third-party software may need to be adapted to the controller. Always consult the instructions pertaining to the software in question.

Compatibility with third-party software can not be guaranteed. Take note of the software system requirements software and compare them to your computer's system requirements.

The included MIDI editor enable syou to change the following settings:

- adjust parameters via knob/fader/pad
- assign/change MIDI CC notes
- change the MIDI channel
- store settings and parameters for 4 scenes
- adjust the velocity sensitivity of keys/pads

If your computer does not have a CD drive to read the MIDI editor, then you can download a digital version from the dealer's website (on the product page) or request that customer service send you a digital copy via e-mail.

Explanation of the MIDI editor

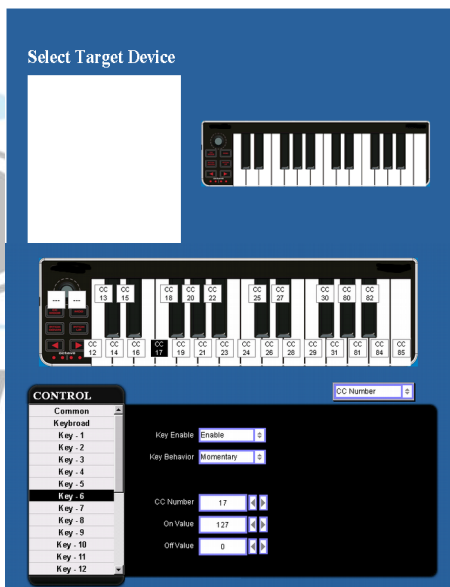
Once the MIDI editor has been installed and activated, you will be taken to a screen where you can select a target model. Choose the corresponding MIDI controller you have connected. This looks as follows: (see right)

Select the correct model and click on 'OK'.

You can then change all assignable knobs, faders and pads. This looks as follows: (see right).

A short description of the functions the editor has to offer is on the next page.

Some basic knowledge of MIDI is required to make optimal use of the editor.



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Menu bar:

File: Select a device, create, save or load a data file

Edit: Functions for adjusting the parameters

Communication: Read data from your controller or export a new data file with new parameters to your controller.

Help: Show the software version of the editor

Scene 1-4:

Click on the Scene button to adjust 1 of the 4 Scenes. A Scene is a snapshot of your controller's parameters at that moment. You can toggle between multiple snapshots with the Bank knob on the controller.

Device section

The Device section shows you a graphic representation of your device and all the parameters you can change.

Control section

The Control section shows you a list of the available parameters that can be changed.

Parameter Edit section

The Parameter Edit section shows you what can be changed per parameter. Assign type, CC/Note mode, on value, off value, Pad behaviour, and MIDI channel.

Parameter Display Switch

Above the edit section, you can select the parameters you want to look at in detail with the Parameter Display Switch to adjust or adapt CC or Note messages to the controller.

Please note:

There are different parameters for each MIDI controller type, and not all parameters are adjustable in some cases. The MIDI editor shows you which parameters can be adjusted and which can not.

Using the EZ-Creator series with and without Bitwig

It is possible to use products from the EZ-Creator series with the Bitwig 8-Track DAW some times and other DAWs, software or even another computer at other times.

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Product features and specifications

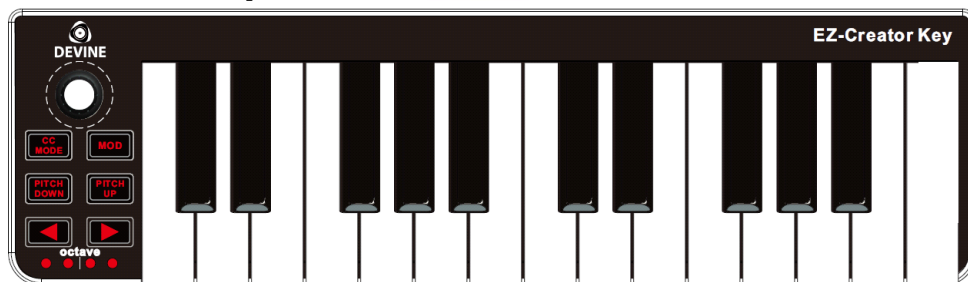
Devine EZ-Creator Fade



- 9x faders with encoders and activation controls
- browse encoder with 2 assignable knobs
- pre-assigned crossfader
- Bank control with 4 banks/scenes
- 2x assignable push-buttons
- 6x transport controls (repeat, rewind, forward, stop, play, record)
- connection voltage: USB bus-powered, 5V DC
- power consumption: <100 mA
- USB port: 2.0, type mini-B
- dimensions: 345 x 97 x 39 mm
- weight: 430 g



Devine EZ-Creator Key



- 25 mini keys
- rotary encoder
- function controls (CC mode, MOD, pitch down, pitch up)
- Octave controls (pitch up/down per octave, LED indicators)
- connection voltage: USB bus-powered, 5V DC
- power consumption: <100 mA
- USB port: 2.0, type mini-B

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- dimensions: 346 x 97 x 53 mm
- weight: 440 g

Devine EZ-Creator Pad



- 12 velocity-sensitive pads
- pre-assigned crossfader
- 6x transport controls (repeat, rewind, forward, record, stop, play)
- Bank control with 4x banks/scenes
- 2x assignable push-buttons
- connection voltage: USB bus-powered, 5V DC
- power consumption: <100 mA
- USB port: 2.0, type mini-B
- dimensions: 345 x 97 x 39 mm
- weight: 470 g



Devine EZ-Creator Plus



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- 25 mini keys
- 4x faders + 4x encoders
- 8x velocity-sensitive, semi-transparent pads
- function controls (CC mode, MOD, pitch down, pitch up)
- Octave controls (pitch up/down per octave, LED indicators)
- connection voltage: USB bus-powered, 5V DC
- power consumption: <100 mA
- USB port: 2.0, type mini-B
- dimensions: 320 x 190 x 45 mm
- weight: 440 g

Minimal system requirements:

- Windows XP or higher
- Mac OSX 10.3.9 or higher
- compatible with Windows and Mac systems
- Bitwig 8-Track does not support 32-bit systems
- Check Bitwig's minimal system requirements if you want to use these controllers with Bitwig 8-Track



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