

# Nemesis N8 Student Bass Amplifier

## OPERATION MANUAL

### FOREWORD

Congratulations on the purchase of your new light-weight NEMESIS N-8 Combo Amplifier system. All of us at Eden are totally committed to providing you with the very best Bass Guitar systems in their class in the world.

Our goals are to offer you the outstanding performance quality of a top-notch, professional Bass Amplification system at a reasonable price point, and to make the NEMESIS N SERIES line such a great value that you really can't afford not to own one.

The Nemesis Combo line is the result of our research and development in combining high performance and compact size together with lightweight construction and great value. It offers a great performance value for the Bass student (and teacher) and the working Bass player alike. A skilled craftsman needs good quality tools that won't let him down on the job and so does a good musician.

### GENERAL FEATURES

Your Nemesis N-8 Combo has all the following features:

Power: 25 Watts (RMS) @ 4 Ohms  
8" Eden-designed speaker  
Frequency Response – 42Hz- 6KHz  
AGC Compression  
Unique Tone Balance control  
Kickback Cabinet design  
Dimensions – 17.5 (h) x 14.5 (w) x 13 (d)  
Weight – 19 lbs.

# **CAUTION!**

*Your ears are your most important piece of equipment. Unfortunately, they cannot be replaced as easily as your other gear. Please take the following warning seriously.*

*This product, when used in combination with amplification and/or additional loudspeakers may be capable of producing sound levels that could cause permanent hearing loss. DO NOT operate at high volume levels or at a level that is uncomfortable. If you experience any discomfort or ringing in the ears or suspect hearing loss, you should consult an audiologist.*

*Thank you for your purchase of an Eden Bass Guitar product. This unit has been designed and constructed to give you years of trouble-free service.*

*Please take the time to review this manual and to send in your warranty registration card.*

## **SET UP AND GETTING STARTED**

Before turning on your Nemesis Combo, you need to do a few things first. If your unit was shipped directly to you from a dealer, check carefully for hidden freight damage before you attempt to operate the unit. If you find any damage, notify your dealer and the freight line immediately. If you picked up your unit from your dealer, it was probably set up and tested out already. Just in case, we suggest that you go through the set up now.

### **INITIAL SET UP**

Before you plug in your unit for the first time, please do the following things. *First, turn the power switch to the off position. Check the back of your unit for the correct voltage notation for your county of operation.*

Once you've ensured correct voltage, set the Gain control to Minimum (0). Set the tone control to its center position (12:00 or 0). Next, plug in the power cord to the AC inlet on the back of the unit. *Use only a safe grounded receptacle for proper operation at the correct voltage for your country.* Double Check to make certain your amplifier is set for the correct voltage in your country.

Once you've completed the steps above, you can plug in your Bass and turn on the unit. Turn the volume up until you reach a comfortable sound level.

## **OPERATION & DESCRIPTION of CONTROLS**

### **INPUT JACK**

The Input Jack will accept most Bass Guitar output levels. If you have a dual-battery Bass with output in excess of +10dB, you will probably have to turn the output of your Bass down to avoid clipping the input. The jacks will accept most passive and active Basses.

### **TONE CONTROL**

This is a tone balance control. It shifts both high and low frequencies at the same time. It acts rather like an audio teeter-totter. It allows a quick EQ of the entire audio spectrum on one control and is highly effective for matching different recording formats and balancing instruments.

## **GAIN CONTROL**

This control regulates the first amplification stage and controls the gain of the first stage in the overall system. The compressor automatically tracks the input level and follows the gain. This is a fixed-threshold type compressor. You control the compressor threshold by setting the gain higher or lower; depending on how much compression effect you want. The compressor is also provided with a bypass switch to defeat the compressor operation if desired. For most instruments, you should set the control between 9:00 and 3:00 to match your instrument and playing style to the amplifier.

## **HEADPHONE OUTPUT/ Aux. Line Out**

This jack provides the output for headphones for practicing. If you switch off the internal speaker, you can use your amplifier to rehearse with just the headphones. It can also be used as an Aux. line level output to run additional amplifiers. This output will function as the final master control and the additional amplifiers will be slaved to it.

## **D.C. INDICATOR**

This indicates that both the D.C. power supplies are operating properly and the amplifier is turned on.

## **BACK PANEL FEATURES**

### **A.C. FUSE**

The fuse for US operation is a 2.5 Amp. 5x20 MM slow-blow type fuse. In Europe, use a 1.2 Amp or 1.6 Amp 240v slow-blow fuse and the appropriate AC connector for your country. *Make certain that your unit is set for the correct voltage for your country.*

**VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: The unit is set at the factory to operate at the correct voltage for your country. It cannot be changed.**

## **HEAVY DUTY PROFESSIONAL USE**

The Nemesis N Series Combos are primarily designed for personal practice. Your unit is designed to be played hard and to hold up well. However, it is not designed to replace, or to perform as loudly as, the more powerful Eden separate systems. If you find you are pushing your amplifier so hard that you are encountering thermal standby and shut down on more than a very occasional basis, you are pushing the unit well above the intended operating parameters and should consider stepping up to a bigger rig.

## **SETTING UP YOUR OWN SOUND**

Start by setting the pre-amplifier tone controls to the flat position. Set the Master volume control to 0. Set all the tone controls to 0. Plug in your Bass and turn on your unit. Set the Gain control to around 10:00 and move the master up to around 11:00, or to a comfortable listening level.

To sum things up, you will always have the best results creating a great bass tone around the natural tone of your instrument. Use the minimum amount of EQ required to get your sound.

## **SPEAKER BREAK IN**

It is recommended that you play for a few hours at low to medium volume before you push your new Combo to the max. This will extend the life of the speaker system.

## **FOR YOUR SAFETY**

Always use a correctly grounded receptacle for your Amplifier A.C. receptacle. If your fuse should ever need replacement *use only the same size and type* that came with your unit from the factory.

## **WARRANTY**

Your Nemesis N Series combo comes with a two-year warranty described in the warranty section of the manual. If you have any questions about your unit, or encounter any problems with your unit, please contact your local Dealer or Distributor for assistance, or contact us directly by calling 1-847-949-0444; ask for the Nemesis Customer Service.

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**International customers please contact your local Dealer or Distributor.**

**Learn More** – If you'd like to learn more about your amplifier (or about our company and its activities), we invite you to visit our website – [www.eden-electronics.com](http://www.eden-electronics.com). There you'll find articles to help you better understand our products and the technical stuff some people find so interesting. You'll also find our FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) file, which is updated regularly.

While you're there, check out our on-line forum. There you can meet hundreds of other Edenites who'll be glad to help you with any questions you may have about our gear. Not to brag too much, but we think our forum is a **Really Neat Thing**, filled with **Really Neat People**. We're pretty sure you'll think so, too.

**Service** – In the event of amplifier malfunction, or questions about your unit's operating features that aren't answered in this manual or on our website, you should contact your Dealer. Once you and your dealer have determined it's definitely a malfunction (and not an operator error) you must call our Customer Service Department and **obtain a Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA)**. We WILL NOT accept any gear sent without an RMA, so save the time and money by calling first, ok?

**Please Note** – International purchasers need to contact their local dealer or distributor for warranty terms, conditions and service providers in their own countries.