

# FA28ac

Self-Powered Dual 8 inch Coaxial Loudspeaker

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#### **Overview**

The FA28ac is a portable, self-powered 3-way coaxial loudspeaker that is well suited for a variety of sound reinforcement applications. Its neodymium coaxial transducer and 90° x 60° horn provide broad coverage that is beneficial in both stage monitor and mains operation, and its dedicated neodymium low frequency transducer provides additional low frequency directivity and mid bass impact. Its multifaceted, enclosure includes a pole mount socket, 40° and 50° rear angles for stage monitor use, and M10 threaded accessory plates for use with optional suspension hardware such as the FA28 Yoke Bracket. The compact enclosure is vertically-oriented, but if a horizontal orientation is desired, it can be easily obtained by exchanging the pole socket with one of the M10 accessory plates and rotating the coaxial transducer to provide appropriate coverage angles. When rotated, the FA28ac's low profile also makes it very useful as a high output front fill system when placed on the edge of a stage apron.

Sound, innovative acoustical design combined with on-board **TQ**<sup>™</sup>, Level 1 processing provides exceptional clarity and stability, and precise transient response even at high sound pressure levels. Four back panel selectable presets optimize the response for either mains or floor monitor use, with or without a subwoofer. A full complement of input filters and delay, as well as signal levels and amplifier status, may be accessed via Ethernet, using **Armonía Pro Audio Suite**<sup>™</sup> control software. In addition, a pre-output EQ stage is available for programming custom presets. These presets may be saved and later recalled using the back panel Preset Select button or software.

The FA28ac's transducers are powered by two 570 watt amplifier channels, designed and manufactured in Italy by Powersoft. Powersoft amplifiers incorporate state-of-the-art Class-D technology to produce extremely high efficiency, low noise, and low intermodulation distortion in compact and lightweight packages.

The FA28ac's versatility, high performance, and aesthetic appeal make it a compelling choice for A/V rental companies, live performance venues, corporate A/V, nightclub PA, theatrical productions, and more.

#### **Performance Specifications**<sup>1</sup>

# Operating Mode

Self-Powered, w/ On-Board DSP

Operating Range<sup>2</sup> 49 Hz to 20 kHz

Nominal Beamwidth (rotatable) 90° x 60°

#### Transducers

LF: 8.0" ceramic magnet woofer, 2.0" voice coil HF/LF: Coaxial 1.7" titanium diaphragm compression driver; 8.0" woofer, 2.0" voice coil; single neodymium magnet

Power Handling @ Nominal Impedance <sup>3</sup> LF: 63 V / 250 W @ 16  $\Omega$ 

HF: 63 V / 250 W @ 16  $\Omega$ 

Nominal Sensitivity @ Input Voltage <sup>4</sup> (whole space) LF: 94 dB @ 4.00 V HF: 103 dB @ 4.00 V

Nominal Maximum SPL (peak / continuous)

LF: 124 dB / 118 dB HF: 133 dB / 127 dB

Equalized Sensitivity @ Input Voltage <sup>5</sup>

Full Range: 94 dB @ 4.00 V 80 Hz HPF: 96 dB @ 4.00 V

#### Equalized Maximum SPL <sup>6</sup> (peak / continuous)

Full Range: 127 dB / 121 dB 80 Hz HPF: 129 dB / 123 dB

## **Physical Specifications**

Mounting / Suspension Points (1) 35 mm / 1.38 inch pole socket (1) M10 nut plate (3) M10 accessory plates\* \*M10 thread is sealed. Use bolts with 15-20 mm shank length.

**Dimensions / Weight** 

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Finish Black painted enclosure w/ matte black grille

#### Options

FA28 Padded Bag w/ Logo FA28 Vertical Yoke Bracket (see page 7) FA28 Horizontal Yoke Bracket (see page 8) SPI Speaker Pole Mounts to subwoofers with M20-threaded connector plate. Height-adjustable between 905 mm / 35.6 in and 1450 mm / 57.1 in



#### Audio Input

#### Connectors

Analog In: Female XLR Analog Out: Male XLR AES3 In: Female XLR Ethernet / AESOP: 2x 8P8C (RJ45)

#### **Analog Input Wiring**

Pin 1: Chassis Pin 2: Signal + Pin 3: Signal -

#### Input Impedance

10 k $\Omega$  balanced to ground

#### Input Sensitivity

1.5 Vrms / 6.0 dBu

#### Maximum Input Voltage

6.3 Vrms / 18.2 dBu

#### Controls

Preset Select: 1 thru 4, press and hold 3 sec to access 5 thru 8 Input Select: Analog, AES3 A, AES3 B, AES3 A+B Input EQ: In / Out Input Volume: Full clockwise = nominal gain

## LED Indicators

Ready, signal, temp, limit, protect, selected preset, selected input, input EQ in

#### **Digital Signal Processing**

DSP Encoding 24 bit / 48 kHz

# DSP Latency

Analog Input: 3.52 ms

# Input Processing (software accessible)

Three layers raised cosine parametric or graphic EQ Filter Types: Peaking, asymmetrical, low and high shelf, low and high pass Delay: 2 seconds Gain Polarity Mute

#### Pre-Output Processing (software accessible)

Sixteen bands parametric EQ Filter Types: Peaking, low and high shelf, low and high pass, band pass, band stop, all pass Delay: 2 seconds Gain Mute

#### Amplifier

**Type** Two-channel Class D

#### **Output Power**

EIAJ test, 1 kHz, 1% THD: 2x 570 W @ 16  $\Omega$  Maximum Output Voltage: 2x 129 V peak

Frequency Response 10 Hz to 25 kHz, ±3 dB, for 1 W @ 8  $\Omega$ 

**S/N Ratio** > 112 dBA, 20 Hz to 20 kHz

Crosstalk Separation >70 dB @ 1 kHz

Slew Rate

50 V / microsecond @ 8  $\Omega,$  input filter bypassed

Damping Factor > 500 @ 100 Hz

#### Distortion

THD+N: < 0.05% from 0.1 W to full power (typically <0.01%) SMPTE IMD: < 0.05% from 0.1 W to full power (typically <0.01%) DIM100 IMD: < 0.02% from 0.1 W to full power (typically <0.005%)

Efficiency

> 80% (typical)

Cooling

Temperature-controlled variable speed internal fan

**Maximum Operating Ambient Temperature** 40° C

#### **Protection Systems**

Over-temp power limiting, thermal shutdown, short-circuit, overload output protection

#### **AC Mains**

#### Connections

Mains In: Neutrik powerCON NAC3MPA Mains Out: Neutrik powerCON NAC3MPB

#### **Mains Voltage**

100 to 240 V~, 50/60 Hz

Current Draw (1/8 max output power) 5.5 to 2.9 A

Thermal Emission (1/8 power @ 4  $\Omega$ ) 282 BTU/h 71 kcal/h





## Axial Sensitivity (dB SPL, 4.00 V @ 1 m)<sup>7, 8</sup>





Axial Processed Phase Response (degrees)<sup>7, 10</sup>



## Impedance (ohms)





















## Horizontal Polar Response (30 dB Scale, 6 dB per Major Division)

Vertical Polar Response (30 dB Scale, 6 dB per Major Division)





#### **Technologies**

The proprietary horn employed in the FA28ac represents a modern digital-signal-processing-aware update to the traditional horn-loaded coaxial loudspeaker concept. The well-known benefits of the coaxial approach have been realized without the familiar shortcomings of historical designs. Fulcrum Acoustic's **Temporal Equalization**<sup>™</sup> (**TQ**<sup>™</sup>) digital signal processing techniques eliminate midrange colorations and high frequency harshness while producing a smooth, seamless coverage pattern through the crossover range.

The coaxial transducer in the FA28ac includes a 1.75 inch (44 mm) diaphragm compression driver that operates to a relatively low frequency. This allows the high frequency horn to smooth the polar response of the low frequency section in the frequency range where the horn would otherwise cause shadowing. The coaxial woofer's large radiating surface works in conjunction with the HF horn to improve directional control at the bottom of the horn's operating range, increasing directional control beyond what can be accomplished by the horn alone.

The two low frequency devices both operate down to the lowest frequencies, resulting in mutual coupling that provides unusually high efficiency and impact in the critical 80 Hz to 500 Hz range.

#### **Mechanical Specification Drawings**

2D and 3D DXF dimensional drawings are available for download at www.fulcrum-acoustic.com/support .

#### Notes

<sup>1</sup>**Performance Specifications** All acoustic specifications rounded to nearest whole number. External DSP with Fulcrum Acoustic-provided settings is required to achieve the specified performance.

<sup>2</sup> Operating Range The frequency range within which the processed response is within 10 dB of the average.

<sup>3</sup> Power Handling Based on the AES power handling of the transducers.

<sup>4</sup> Nominal Sensitivity The 1-meter-referenced SPL produced by a 1 watt band limited pink noise signal, with no processing applied.

<sup>5</sup> Equalized Sensitivity The 1-meter-referenced SPL produced when an EIA-426-B signal is applied to an equalized loudspeaker system, at a level which produces a total power of 1 watt, in sum, to the loudspeaker subsections.

<sup>6</sup> Equalized Maximum SPL The 1-meter-referenced SPL produced when an EIA-426-B signal is applied to an equalized loudspeaker system, at a level which drives at least one subsection to its rated power.

<sup>7</sup> Resolution All response graphs are subjected to 1/6 octave cepstral smoothing with a gaussian weighting function.

<sup>8</sup> Axial Sensitivity The SPL plotted against frequency for a 1 watt swept sine wave, referenced to 1 m with no signal processing.

<sup>9</sup> Axial Processed Response The axial magnitude response with recommended signal processing applied.

<sup>10</sup> Axial Processed Phase Response The axial phase response with recommended signal processing applied, and latency removed.

<sup>11</sup> Horizontal / Vertical Off Axis Responses The magnitude response at various angles off axis, with recommended signal proceessing applied.

<sup>12</sup> Beamwidth The angle between the -6 dB points in a loudspeaker's polar response.

<sup>13</sup> **Directivity Index (Di)** The ratio of the on-axis sound pressure squared to the spherical average of the sound pressure squared at a particular frequency expressed in dB. To convert the directivity index to directivity factor (Q) use the formula 10<sup>Di/10</sup>.

#### **Input Panel**



#### **FA28ac Presets**

Preset 1	Full Range
Preset 2	With Subwoofer
Preset 3	Stage Monitor
Preset 4	Stage Monitor With Subwoofer

Presets 5-8 user-programmable in **Armonía Pro Audio Suite**<sup>™</sup> control software. Press and hold rear panel Preset Select button 3 seconds to access these presets.





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