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1. Product Description

The Chroma-Q Cascade is a colour changer that provides up to 300 colours using subtractive colour mixing method by combining two gel strings containing secondary colours. The unit is supplied with two sets of pre-installed gel strings, and compatible with lighting fixtures of up to 178mm / 7” lens aperture with variable mounting plates.

The secondary (subtractive) colours are Cyan, Magenta & Yellow. Hundreds of different colours are achieved within one unit by mixing two of the basic subtractive filters at different saturations. The primary (additive) colours (Red, Green & Blue) have been added to the rear of gel string.

**Note:** The quantity of Chroma-Q Cascade is dependent on the size of PSU/Splitter.

2. Operation

**Control and Power Cables:**

Connect power and control data from the power supply unit through the XLR 4-pin cable system. Pins 2 and 3 are for ANSI E1.11 USITT DMX 512-A control protocol. Pins 1(-) and 4(+) are for 24V DC power. For daisy chaining, the XLR-4 cable should be run from the output connector on the unit to the next device in the chain. Total cable length must not exceed more than 60m (~200ft.) with return line. Signal input is a male XLR chassis connector and output is a female XLR chassis connector.

**Setting the DMX Address:**

The DMX address is set using the three rotary switches on the back of the unit. The number of DMX channels depends on the assigned mode of operation.

**Modes of Operation:**

1. **Creative mode:** Push down dipswitch #1 to ‘Off’ position to enable. In this mode 1 DMX channel controls each individual gel string. The first DMX channel controls the front string (Yellow-Cyan) and the second DMX channel controls the back string (Yellow-Magenta). In this mode, push up dipswitch #2 to ‘On’ position for faster scrolling speed.

2. **Library mode:** Push up dipswitch #1 to ‘On’ position to enable. This will give you quick access to 100 pre-programmed colours. Enter the percentage value (from 0% to 100%) in the console. Refer to the chart in Section 5.1 of the User Manual to find the colour matches. In this mode, push dipswitch #2 to ‘Off’ position to select fixed scrolling speed, or push to ‘On’ position to select variable scrolling speed. Next DMX channel controls the speed.

**Note:** Easy Colour Chart sheets for both ‘Creative’ and ‘Library’ modes are available on the full user manual at the AC Entertainment Technologies website.

**Motor Fan Speed:**

1. High fan speed: Push both dipswitch #3 and #4 to ‘Off’ position.

2. Medium fan speed: Push dipswitch #3 to ‘On’ position and #4 to ‘Off’ position; or push dipswitch #3 to ‘Off’ position and #4 to ‘On’ position.

3. Low fan speed: Push both dipswitch #3 and #4 to ‘On’ position.

**Note:**

- Connect and power up colour changer first before turning lights on. The fans must be running to protect gels from premature failure.

- High fan speed is recommended on all lighting fixtures of 750W and above.

- Use of a high quality IR filter medium on ellipsoidal lighting fixtures is strongly recommended, especially those with beam angles of less than 30 degrees.

- Refer to User Manual for instructions on gel string replacement.

**Mounting:**

Universal mounting plates adjust between 147-275mm/6.8-10.8”. The Chroma-Q Cascade is designed to be mounted in an upright position with the base of the unit below the fixture. **Always ensure that the safety wire is connected and in good working condition.**

3. Further Information

Please refer to the Chroma-Q Cascade manual for more detailed information. A copy of the manual can be found at the Chroma-Q website – www.chroma-q.com – under Support.