

# PREMIER SCALE DIESEL ENGINE SD90MAC SD80MAC

# **OPERATOR'S MANUAL**



This SD90MAC Diesel Engine features a detailed ABS body, die-cast trucks and runs on O-42 curves. This Premier Diesel Engine contains state-of-the-art electronics with many built-in automatic features for incredibly realistic operation. Despite these advanced features, the locomotive is easy to operate with any compatible standard AC transformer that is equipped with whistle and bell buttons (see the compatibility chart on page 20), and is compatible with most other 3-rail locomotives, rolling stock, and accessories.

This locomotive is equipped with Proto-Sound 2.0 with Digital Command System (DCS). This new system will allow you to operate your locomotive in Command mode (when used with the DCS Remote Control System, sold separately) or Conventional mode. Conventional operating features are described in the following pages, while the DCS operating features are covered in the set of operating instructions that accompanies the DCS equipment. Conventional Mode operation of this locomotive is much simpler than operation of original Proto-Sound engines. For your own safety and that of your equipment, please read the instructions before you operate this engine.



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# Set Up

There are a couple of simple steps you must take before operating this Premier diesel.

- 1. Although the engine was lubricated at the factory, it is important that you lubricate the chassis before operation. Lightly grease the outside idler and drive gears (marked "G" in Fig. 7 on pg. 13) with lithium-based grease to prevent them from squeaking and premature wear. Use light household oil and follow the lubrication points (marked "L" in Fig. 5 on pg. 12). Do not over-oil. Use only a drop or two on each pivot point.
- 2. Prime the operating smoke unit with smoke fluid before operating. Add 15-20 drops of smoke fluid through the smokestack (see Fig. 2 on pg. 10), then gently blow into the stack to eliminate any air bubbles in the fluid.
- 3. If you choose not to prime the unit with fluid, turn the smoke unit switch located under the engine to the OFF position (see Fig. 3 on pg. 10). Running the engine without a primed smoke unit may cause damage. See the "ProtoSmoke Unit Operation" section of this book for more information on smoke unit maintenance.

At this point, you are ready to put your engine on the track and begin running it.

# **Basic Operation**

**Throttle** - Throttle up the power to your track. Give about 10-12 volts or enough power so that the engine's headlight shines brightly. Then put the engine into motion by either firmly pressing the Direction button on your transformer or remote once or dropping and advancing the throttle to put the engine in forward.

**Operation Buttons** - Use the operation buttons on your transformer or remote as described below.

**Horn/Whistle** - To sound the horn, firmly press the Horn/Whistle button. The horn will sound for as long as you continue to depress the button. It will stop when you release the button.

**Bell** - To sound the bell, firmly press and release the Bell button. To turn the bell off, press and release the Bell button again. The bell will continue to ring from the time your turn it on until you press and release the button again to turn it off.

**Direction** – Your train is programmed to start in neutral. To put the engine into forward and then to change the direction of the train or to put it into neutral, firmly press and release the Direction button on your transformer. Just as you must stop your car between forward and reverse, this engine will not go directly from forward to reverse; it goes into neutral between directions. If the train has been moving forward, the first press of the Direction button will put the train from forward into neutral, the second press into reverse, the third press back into neutral, and the fourth back into forward. To prevent accidental high-speed startups, this engine is programmed to restart in neutral each time the track voltage is turned off for 10 seconds or more.

**Manual Volume Control** – To adjust the volume of all sounds made by this engine, turn the master volume control knob located under the engine clockwise to increase the volume and counter-clockwise to decrease the volume (see Fig. 1).



Figure 1. Adjusting the Proto-Sound 2.0 Volume

# **Proto-Sound 2.0 Operating Instructions**

This manual contains the operating instructions for Proto-Sound 2.0 in conventional mode only. Instructions for accessing DCS command mode features accompany the DCS Remote Control System equipment.

Because Proto-Sound 2.0 is an all-new system developed by M.T.H.'s own research and development team, it operates differently from original Proto-Sound. Most Proto-Sound 2.0 features are automatically enabled, and the reset state has been eliminated, so there is no need to program features as with original Proto-Sound. Although the new system is easier to operate than original Proto-Sound, you should read these instructions thoroughly before using Proto-Sound 2.0 features in order to prevent harm to yourself or your equipment.

# **Activating Proto-Sound 2.0 Conventional Mode Features:**

Proto-Sound 2.0 features are activated by sequences of Bell and Whistle button pushes described below. Please read the full descriptions of each feature before using it. To use these buttons to activate features rather than to blow the whistle or ring the bell, you should press the buttons for a shorter time (1/2 second); you may need to practice your timing to make this work smoothly.

# Freight Yard Sounds (FYS):

Your engine is equipped with a sound package of freight yard sounds that you can play when you pull into a yard. Each sequence described below will play as long as it is left on, randomly generating sounds, but be sure to allow approximately 30 seconds between the button pushes described below to allow the FYS sufficient time to run through each sequence.

- 1. To cue the sound system to play the FYS, quickly but firmly tap the Bell button once followed by 2 quick taps of the Whistle button while the engine is moving. Tap the buttons quickly but allow approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  second between each press.
- 2. Press the Direction button or drop and advance the throttle once to stop the engine. This will trigger the first sequence of FYS. The reverse unit is temporarily disabled so that the train will not move as you use the Direction button to trigger the sounds, and Proto-Sound 2.0 has disabled operator control over the Whistle and Bell buttons until the full FYS sequence is complete.
- 3. After waiting about 30 seconds for that sequence to run, press the Direction button again to trigger the second sequence of FYS.
- 4. After about 30 seconds, press the Direction button again to trigger the third FYS sequence.
- 5. Again, after allowing about 30 seconds for that sequence to run, press the Direction button one more time to trigger the fourth and final FYS sequence. The FYS will continue, and within a few seconds, the engine will start and move out on its own at the current throttle setting, in the same direction it was traveling when you began the sequence with the bell ringing. Once the bell turns off, the operator regains control of the transformer's bell and whistle buttons and can ring the bell or blow the whistle as usual.

# **Tips on Using FYS**

- You can terminate FYS at anytime by turning off power to the track for 15 seconds.
- You do not have to be in Forward to use FYS. At the conclusion of the full sequence, the train will pull away from the station in whatever direction you were going when you activated the feature.
- You can use FYS even if you are double-heading with another engine. If the second engine is not equipped with FYS at all, you must remember not to leave the throttle at a high voltage level once you have stopped the engine to run the FYS. Otherwise, the engine without FYS will begin vibrating on the track as its motors strain to move the train, since they cannot be automatically disabled during the FYS cycle. If the second engine is an original Proto-Sound engine equipped with FYS, you may choose to disable it when used in double-heading operations, so you will not experience competing FYS sounds. To disable FYS in an original Proto-Sound engine, see the operating instructions for that engine.
- FYS can be triggered from Neutral. It will operate the same as if triggered while in motion except that, at the conclusion of the FYS, the engine will depart in the next direction of travel, as opposed to the direction it was traveling before entering Neutral.

# **Proto-Coupler® Operation**

This locomotive is equipped with two coil-wound Proto-Couplers for remote uncoupling action. Because the Proto-Coupler is controlled through the Proto-Sound 2.0 microprocessor, it does not require an uncoupling track section or modification to your layout to function. Use the codes listed below to fire the coupler.

# **Rear Coupler:**

To fire the rear coupler, quickly tap the Bell button once followed by three quick taps of the Whistle button, allowing approximately ½ second to lapse between each quick button press. The sound of the liftbar and air line depletion will play, and the knuckle will be released.

# **Front Coupler:**

To fire the front coupler, quickly tap the Bell button once followed by four quick taps of the Whistle button, allowing approximately ½ second to lapse between each quick button press. The sound of the liftbar and air line depletion will play, and the knuckle will be released.

# **Speed Control:**

M.T.H. engines equipped with Proto-Sound 2.0 have speed control capabilities that allow the engine to maintain a constant speed up and down grades and around curves, much like an automobile cruise control. You can add or drop cars on the run, and the engine will maintain the speed you set.

While the engine is programmed to start with the speed control feature activated, you can opt to turn it off. This means the engine's speed will fall as it labors up a hill and increase as it travels downward. It is also affected by the addition or releasing of cars while on the run.

To turn speed control on and off, put the engine in neutral, then quickly tap the transformer's Whistle button one time then quickly tap the Bell button two times, allowing approximately ½ second to lapse between each quick button press. Two horn blasts will indicate that the engine has made the change. Repeat the 1 whistle, 2 bells code to return it to the other condition. You will want to do this during the initial neutral upon start-up if you ever couple this engine to another engine that is not equipped with speed control to avoid damaging the motors in either engine. Each time you shut down the engine completely, it will automatically turn speed control on. Note: When speed control is turned off, the Proto-Sound 2.0 system will limit the volume in order to operate more smoothly at lower voltages. Full volume is restored upon reactivating speed control.

### Lock into a Direction:

You can lock your engine into a direction (forward, neutral, or reverse) so that it will not change directions. To do this, put the engine into the direction you want (or into neutral to lock it into neutral), run it at a very slow crawl (as slowly as it will move without halting), and quickly but firmly tap the Horn button once followed by three quick taps of the Bell button, allowing approximately ½ second to lapse between each quick button press. Two horn blasts will indicate that the engine has made the change. The engine will not change direction (including going into neutral) until you repeat the 1 horn, 3 bells code to return the engine to its normal condition, even if the engine is kept without power for extended periods of time.

# **Reset to Factory Defaults:**

To override the settings you currently have assigned to the engine and reset it to its factory defaults, while in Neutral tap the Whistle button quickly once, followed by five quick taps of the Bell button, allowing approximately ½ second to lapse between each quick button press. Two horn blasts will indicate that the engine has made the change.

# **Automatic Sounds:**

Certain Proto-Sound 2.0 sound effects automatically play in programmed conventional mode conditions:

Squealing Brakes play when the engine's speed is decreased rapidly.

Cab Chatter plays when the engine idles in neutral.

**Engine Start-up and Shut-down** sounds play when the engine is initially powered on or is powered off for five seconds or more.

# **Maintenance**

# ProtoSmoke® Unit Operation

This Premier diesel locomotive contains a self-powered smoke unit that outputs smoke through the smokestack on the roof of the engine. The smoke unit is essentially a small heating element and wick that soaks up and then heats a mineral oil-based fluid that emits a harmless smoke. The smoke is then forced out of the stack by a small electric fan. Smoke volume is controlled by the Proto-Sound 2.0 system, or by the smoke unit volume control in conventional mode.

With a few easy maintenance steps, you should enjoy trouble-free smoke unit operation for years.

When preparing to run this engine, add 15-20 drops of smoke fluid through the smokestack (see Fig. 2). We recommend M.T.H. ProtoSmoke, Seuthe, LGB, or LVTS fluids. Do not overfill the unit or the fluid may leak out and coat the interior engine components.

If you choose not to add the fluid (or have already added the fluid but choose to run smoke-free), turn off the smoke unit volume control located under the engine (see Fig. 3). Failure either to add fluid to the unit or to turn it off may damage the smoke unit heating element and/or wicking material.

When the smoke output while running the engine begins to diminish, add another 10-15 drops of smoke fluid or turn the smoke unit off.

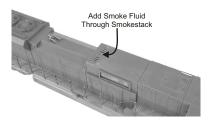


Figure 2. Add Smoke through the Smokestack

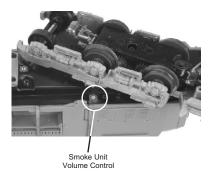


Figure 3. Smoke Unit Volume Control

When storing the unit for long periods of time, you may want to add about 15 drops of fluid to prevent the wick from drying out.

After removing the engine from storage, add another 25 drops of fluid, letting the wick soak up the fluid for 15 minutes prior to operation. If you experience poor or no smoke output when the smoke unit is on and has fluid, check the wick to see if it has become hard, blackened, and unabsorbent around the heating element. Remove the smoke unit inspection cover from the smoke unit's body (see Fig. 4). After removing the chassis and inspection cover screws, lift the inspection plate away and inspect the wick. If it is darkly discolored and hard, it should be replaced.

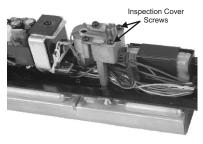


Figure 4. Inspecting the Smoke Unit

Replacement wicks are available from the M.T.H. Parts Department.

# **Lubrication and Greasing Instructions**

The engine should be well oiled and greased in order to run properly.

You should regularly lubricate the engine to prevent it from squeaking. Use light household oil and follow the lubrication points marked "L" in Fig. 5. Do not over-oil. Use only a drop or two on each pivot point.



Figure 5. Lubrication Points on the Locomotive

The locomotive's internal gearing was greased at the factory and should not need additional grease until after 50 hours of operation or one year, whichever comes first. Follow the greasing instructions below. Note that in some tightly packed engines you may need to move internal components temporarily in order to access the gears.

1. To access the gear box, remove the cab from the chassis by unscrewing the chassis screws as seen in Figure 6 and lifting the cab from the chassis.



Figure 6. Locations of the Body Mounting Screws

- 2. Once the body is removed, remove the trucks by unscrewing the black Phillips motor mount screw located on the underside of the drive trucks (see Fig. 7 on pg. 13).
- 3. Once the motor mount screw has been removed, pull the motor away from the truck block and lightly coat the motor worm gear and bronze drive gear (in the truck block) with grease.
- 4. Reassemble the truck and motor, being careful not to pinch any wires between the truck block and motor mount.

5. After repeating the procedure for the other motor, reassmble the chassis and body, being careful that the wire harnesses are not caught between the chassis and body and reinstall the chassis screws.



Figure 7. Locations of Greasing Points on the Locomotive

Lubricate the outside truck block idler and drive gears with grease. Use the diagram shown in Figure 7 above as a guide and add grease to the points marked with a "G"

Periodically check the locomotive wheels and pickups for dirt and buildup, which can cause poor electrical contact and traction as well as prematurely wear out the neoprene traction tires.

# **Traction Tire Replacement Instructions**

Your locomotive is equipped with two neoprene rubber traction tires on each powered truck block. While these tires are extremely durable, you may need to replace them at some point.

You will need to remove the truck block in order to access the truckside mounting screws. Turn over your engine to locate the screw on the bottom of the truck block (see Fig. 8). Once the top of the truck block is exposed, you can go to step A.

A. Remove the two Phillips screws that attach the truck sides to the truck block.

B. Remove the trucks from the chassis and the truck sides from the trucks in order to slip the new tire over the grooved drive wheel. See Fig. 8 for which screws you must remove to do this.





Figure 8. Truckside Mounting Screws to Access the Traction Tires

Once the truck sides have been removed:

- 1. Make sure the old tire has been completely removed from the groove in the drive wheel, using a razor blade or small flathead screwdriver to pry away any remains.
- 2. Slip the new tire onto the wheel. You may find it useful to use two small flathead screwdrivers to stretch the tire over the wheel.
- 3. If you twist the tire while stretching it over the wheel, you will need to remove and reinstall the tire. Otherwise your engine will wobble while operating.
- 4. Make sure the tire is fully seated inside the groove. Use a razor blade to trim away any excess tire that will not seat inside the groove properly.
- 5. Reassemble in the reverse order.

One set of replacement tires is packaged with your model. Additional sets are available directly from the M.T.H. Parts Department (phone: 410-381-2580; e-mail: parts@mth-railking.com; mail: 7020 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia MD 21046-1532).

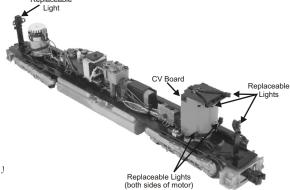
# **Light Replacement Instructions**

The locomotive's lighting is controlled by a constant voltage circuit in the engine. The lights are easy to replace when they burn out. The bulb has a quick disconnect plug that attaches the bulb harness to a light circuit. Replacement bulbs are available directly from the M.T.H. Parts Department.

Follow the body removal instructions found in the Lubrication and Greasing Instructions.

Gently disconnect the bulb harness from the socket on the constant voltage circuit and replace the bulb.

Replaceable



To replace the lights mounted to the inside of the shell, remove the shell, and slide the spring contact bracket off of its post. Remove the light bulb and wires taking care to notice the path that the wires take on the inside of the shell. Replace the bulb and reassemble the engine.



Figure 10. Replacing the Lights Mounted on the inside of the Shell

# **Self-Charging Battery Back-Up**

The special NiCad 2.4v self-charging battery recharges continuously during train operation and should last for up to five years. The battery is a dry battery that should not leak or cause any damage to your engine. Depending upon when your engine was built, it may need to be charged right out of the box. If engine sounds seem distorted or garbled at low voltages or become silent when power from the transformer is turned off, test the battery to determine whether it should be recharged or replaced.

**Test:** Put the engine in neutral and leave the track voltage at 10-12 volts (high enough for the lights to shine brightly) for 15 minutes.

**Recharge:** If the sounds are improved at the end of the 15-minute test charge, the battery charge has run down and can be recharged. There are a number of ways you can do this:

Leave the engine in neutral with track voltage at 10-12 volts for 6-7 hours so the battery can fully recharge (if your engine has a smoke unit, be sure it is turned off).

Use M.T.H.'s battery recharger (sold separately) that plugs into a wall outlet and a special port under the engine to recharge the battery overnight without leaving it on the track.

**Replace:** If the sounds are not improved at the end of the 15-minute test charge, it is time to replace the battery. Available through M.T.H. Parts.

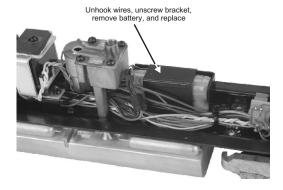


Figure 11. Replacing the Battery (Remove the remaining 2 screws on the fuel tank to access the battery.)

# **Troubleshooting Proto-Sound® 2.0 Problems**

Although Proto-Sound 2.0 has been designed and engineered for ease of use, you may have some questions during initial operation. The following table should answer most questions. If your problem cannot be resolved with this table, contact M.T.H. for assistance (telephone: 410-381-2580; fax: 410-423-0009; e-mail: service@mth-railking.com, mail: 7020 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia MD 21046-1532).

Starting Up	Remedy
When I first turn the power on, the engine will not begin to run.  The engine will not start after I press the	This is normal behavior. To prevent accidental high-speed start-ups, Proto-Sound 2.0 is programmed to start up in neutral anytime track power has been turned off for several seconds. See the "Basic Operation" section for more details. You may not be sending enough power to the track
Direction button.	to power the engine. Rotate throttle clockwise to increase track power.
My engine sounds are distorted and garbled.	The battery may have run down, especially if the engine has been in storage for some time. See the "Self-Charging Battery Back-Up" section of these instructions for how to test, recharge, and (if necessary) replace the battery.
Horn	Remedy
I can't get the horn to blow when I press the Horn button.	You may be pressing the button too quickly. Try pressing the Horn button more slowly, taking approximately one full second to fully depress the button.
Bell	Remedy
I can't get the bell to ring when I press the bell button.	You may be pressing the button too quickly. Try pressing the bell button more slowly, taking approximately one full second to fully depress the button.
Coupler	Remedy
When I try to fire the coupler, FYS starts.	You are waiting too long between Horn button presses. See the timing instructions located at the beginning of the "Proto-Sound 2.0 Operating Instructions" section.
The Proto-Coupler won't let the engine uncouple on the fly.	Try lubricating the coupler knuckle and rivet with a dry graphite lubricant.
The coupler does not fire or stay coupled.	The coupler needs to be cleaned. Wipe with denatured alcohol (not rubbing alcohol) and let dry.
The rear coupler does not fire, but coupler sounds play.	Check position of Auxiliary Proto-Coupler Control Switch. Switch Should be in the "OFF" position for the rear coupler to fire.
Cab Chatter	Remedy
Sometimes the Cab Chatter sounds don't play.	Cab Chatter plays only in neutral at random intervals.

Lock-out	Remedy
I can't get the engine to run after I power up the transformer. It sits still with the diesel and compressor sounds running. The engine won't lock into forward, neutral, or reverse.	The engine maybe locked into the neutral position. Follow the procedure in the "Lock into a Direction" section to unlock the engine's direction. Engine speed must be below 10 scale mph (approx. 10 volts or less in conventional mode).
Volume	Remedy
The sounds seem distorted, especially when the Horn or bell is activated.  No Sound	Proto-Sound 2.0 volume is set too high. Turn the volume control knob on the bottom of the chassis counter-clockwise to reduce the volume.  Volume is set too low, adjust volume control knob on the bottom of the chassis clockwise to increase the volume or check connector to speaker.
Battery	Remedy
The engine will not leave the initial neutral setting.  I get no sounds when the engine shifts between directions.  After I turn off my transformer, my engine continues to make sounds before quitting.	Check to be sure the battery is installed and fully charged. See the "Self-Charging Battery Back-Up" section.  The battery may be dead or need to be charged. See the "Self-Charging Battery Back-Up" section. Proto-Sound 2.0 is designed to continue to sound for a few seconds after power to the track has been shut off to allow for a more realistic shutdown.
PSA	Remedy
Once in PSA, the engine doesn't go into reverse.	So that PSA effects can be as realistic as possible, Proto-Sound 2.0 disables the reversing unit whenever PSA is enabled. This way the engine remains still at its stop as the operator cycles through the PSA sequences.
When the PSA enters its last sequence the bell automatically comes on	PSA is programmed to start ringing the bell at that point. After approximately 12 seconds, it will automatically turn off.
When PSA is enabled, pressing the whistle and bell has no effect	Because PSA must control various effects in each sequence, Proto-Sound 2.0 takes control of these sound effects until you exit PSA
I push the direction button but the next sound clip in the sequence does not play or the engine does not come out of PSA after fourth press of the direction button.	Each PSA clip must play for aprox. 30 seconds before PSA will advance to the next step in the PSA cycle. Wait at least 30 seconds in each PSA sound clip before pressing the direction button.
Proto-Smoke	Remedy
Smoke output is weak or no smoke.	Check smoke unit volume control (conventional) or protosmoke level (DCS).

# **Compatibility**

This engine will operate on any traditional O-42 track system, including M.T.H.'s RealTrax® or ScaleTrax™ or traditional tubular track. It is also compatible with most standard AC transformers. (See page 20 for a complete list of compatible transformers and wiring instructions.)

# **Transformer Compatibility and Wiring Chart**

Proto-Sound 2.0 is designed to work with most standard AC transformers. The chart below lists the many compatible transformers. Note that many of the operational commands described in these instructions require a bell button, so if your transformer does not have its own bell button, you should consider adding one to get the full benefit of the system. In addition, the chart details how the terminals on these transformers should be attached to your layout.

Transformer Model	Center Rail	Outside Rail	Min/Max. Voltage	Power Rating	Transformer Type
MTH Z-500	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-18v	50-Watt	Electronic
MTH Z-750	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-21v	75-Watt	Electronic
MTH Z-1000	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-14v 0-18v	80-Watt 100-Watt	Electronic
MTH Z-4000	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-22v	390-Watt	Electronic
Lionel 1032	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1032M	U	А	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1033	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1043	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1043M	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1044	U	Α	5-16v	90-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1053	U	Α	8-17v	60-Watt	Standard
Lionel 1063	U	Α	8-17v	60-Watt	Standard
All-Trol	Left Terminal	Right Terminal	0-24v	300-Watt	Electronic
Dallee Hostler	Left Terminal	Right Terminal			Electronic
Lionel LW	Α	U	8-18v	75-Watt	Standard
Lionel KW	A or B	U	6-20v	190-Watt	Standard
Lionel MW	Outside Track Terminal	Inside Track Terminal	5-16v	50V.A.	Electronic
Lionel RS-1	Red Terminal	Black Terminal	0-18v	50V.A.	Electronic
Lionel RW	U	Α	9-19v	110-Watt	Standard
Lionel SW	U	Α	Unknown	130-Watt	Standard
Lionel TW	U	Α	8-18v	175-Watt	Standard
Lionel ZW	A,B,C or D	U	8-20v	275-Watt	Standard
Lionel Post-War Celebration Series ZW	A,B,C or D	Common	0-20v	135/190 Watt	Electronic

# Additional Features Accessible with the DCS Remote Control System:

While conventional mode operation of a Proto-Sound 2.0 engine yields wonderfully realistic sound and several train control features, command mode operation allows the user to access a world of command functions never before accessible to O Gauge railroaders. With the addition of the DCS Remote Control System (including a DCS remote handheld and Track Interface Unit) users gain many advanced features, including:

DCS Proto-Speed Control - Establishes desired locomotive speed in scale miles per hour increments via a thumbwheel control and allows operator to set maximum speed and acceleration/deceleration rates

ProtoSmoke® Variable Output Control - Controls how much smoke each engine outputs and matches smoke to locomotive speed

Locomotive Lighting Control - Controls locomotive headlights, marker and interior lights, beacon lights, ditch lights, and MARS lights

Emergency Stop-Single button push stops all Proto-Sound 2.0 trains but does not turn off the power

One Touch Global Mute/UnMute-Single button mutes or unmutes all DCS-controlled locomotives' user-defined actions, including sound, lights, and smoke

Proto-Dispatch Operation-Public Address-like feature allows users to speak through locomotive speaker during operation

Proto-Cast-Allows users to play audio recordings through locomotive speaker during operation

Proto-Doppler Sound Effects Set Up-Users can configure locomotive for Doppler Operation, including setting distance points for Doppler start, repeat, and stop modes

Independent Volume Control of Engine Sounds, Bell, Horn & Whistle for each Locomotive

Control up to 50 different DCS-Equipped Locomotives at one time with multiple TIUs• Proto-Effects<sup>TM</sup> Set Up-User can select individual Proto-Effects<sup>TM</sup> operations to be active or inactive, including cab chatter, train wreck sounds, coupler sounds, and wheel clickety-clack sounds

Direction Control Set Up-User can set initial individual start-up direction (start in forward or reverse) for double-heading operations

Locomotive Consist Set-up-User can determine locomotive values for consist make-ups, allowing multiple locomotives belonging to a consist to operate together

Query Locomotive Information-User can query locomotive programming to learn locomotive address and engine data information, including scale miles traveled

User Can Query, Set and Operate Track and Accessory Interface Units for Programming Digital Command Operations for up to 250 Accessories and 250 Individual Switches

User Can Script, Record and Playback Train Routes

Operating instructions for all DCS Command features will accompany the DCS remote control equipment.

# **CAUTION: Electrically Operated Product:**

Not recommended for children under 10 years of age. M.T.H. recommends adult supervision with children ages 10 - 16. As with all electric products, precautions should be observed during handling and use to reduce the risk of electric shock.

WARNING: When using electrical products, basic safety precautions should be followed including the following:

- Read this manual thoroughly before using this device.
- M.T.H. recommends that all users and persons supervising use examine the hobby transformer periodically for conditions that may result in the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons, such as damage to the primary cord, plug blades, housing, output jacks or other parts. In the event such conditions exist, the transformer should not be used until properly repaired.
- As with all electrical appliances, this product should not be left in operation when unattended.

# **Service & Warranty Information**

# How to Get Service Under the Terms of the Limited One-Year Warranty

For warranty repair, do not return your product to the place of purchase. Instead, follow the instructions below to obtain warranty service as our dealer network is not prepared to service the product under the terms of this warranty.

- 1. First, write, call or FAX M.T.H. Electric Trains, 7020 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia, MD 21046, (Tel 410-381-2580; FAX No.: 410-423-0009; e-mail: service@mth-Railking.com), stating when it was purchased and what seems to be the problem. You will be given a return authorization number to assure that your merchandise will be properly handled upon its receipt.
- 2. CAUTION: Make sure the product is packed in its original factory packaging including its foam and plastic wrapping material so as to prevent damage to the merchandise. The shipment must be prepaid and we recommend that it be insured. A cover letter including your name, address, daytime phone number, e-mail address (if available), Return Authorization number, a copy of your sales receipt and a full description of the problem must be included to facilitate the repairs. Please include the description regardless of whether you discussed the problem with one of our service technicians when contacting M.T.H. for your Return Authorization number.
- Please make sure you have followed the instructions carefully before returning any merchandise for service.

# **Limited One-Year Warranty**

All M.T.H. products purchased from an Authorized M.T.H. Train Merchant are covered by this warranty.

See our website at **www.mth-railking.com** or call 1-888-640-3700 to identify an Authorized M.T.H. Train Merchant near you. M.T.H. products are warrantied for one year from the date of purchase against defects in material or workmanship, excluding light bulbs and traction tires. We will repair or replace (at our option) the defective part without charge for the parts or labor, if the item is returned to M.T.H. Electric Trains within one year of the original date of purchase. This warranty does not cover damages caused by improper care, handling, or use. Transportation costs incurred by the customer are not covered under this warranty.

Items sent for repair must be accompanied by a return authorization number, a description of the problem, and a copy of the original sales receipt from an Authorized M.T.H. Train Merchant, which gives the date of purchase. Call 410-381-2580, fax 410-423-0009, or e-mail the Service Department at Service@mth-railking.com to obtain a return authorization number.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights that vary from state to state.

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M.T.H. Electric Trains
7020 Columbia Gateway Drive
Columbia MD 21046-1532



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