# YAMAHA FM TONE GENERATOR

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## Eight independent FM voices plus all the power of the new generation of DX synthesizers.

The TX802—part of the new generation of digital instruments from Yamaha. The new DX7IIFD and DX7IID Digital Programmable Algorithm Synthesizers have already made a tremendous impact on the music world, with specifications that take them far beyond the impressive performance power of the original DX7. Fractional Level Scaling, Random Pitch, Aftertouch Pitch Control, Microtuning, 16-key Multiple LFO Timing—these innovative features make your digital music sound more vibrant and natural than ever before.

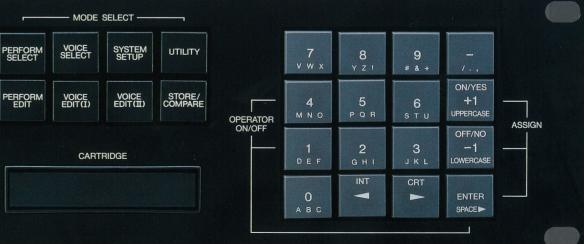
Now this power is available in a compact, rack mountable FM Tone Generator—the TX802. Here are just a few of the extra features that take the TX802 beyond even the superlative capabilities of the new DX7IIFD/D:

- 128 preset voices, plus 64 user and 64 cartridge voices—a total of 256 ultra-expressive FM voices.
- Select up to 8 different voices to make one "performance", and play them simultaneously.
- Assign each voice to a different MIDI

channel, and a different note range.

- Stereo outputs plus 8 individual outputs permit processing of individual voices.
- Multiple graphic displays and a pullout operation guide make editing faster and easier than ever.





### THE TX802: A TRULY COLOSSAL PERFORMER

The Yamaha TX802 FM Tone Generator has to be heard to be believed. By now, everybody knows the sound of the Yamaha DX7's FM voices. Imagine that sound expanded and enhanced by the superior technology featured in the new DX7IIFD and DX7IID synthesizers. Now imagine eight different FM voices played simultaneously from your keyboard, or being independently controlled from your sequencer.

#### IMPROVED FM VOICE GENERATION

FM (Frequency Modulation) enables the Yamaha TX802 to generate more varied, more expressive, more natural sounds than any other tone generator. Using six-operator tone generation, it can recreate with astonishing accuracy the random timbre variations that occur in acoustic instruments. From harp to harmonica; snare drum to sax—the TX802 can do it all. In addition, it's capable of creating an enormous range of synth and sound-effect voices. The TX802 features the same voice power as the DX7IIFD/D—the same improved highspeed digital circuitry resulting in voices that are brighter, clearer and more dynamic than ever.

#### A MULTITUDE OF VOICES

As soon as you turn on the TX802, 128 preset FM voices are available. The TX802's preset voices have been created by professionals with long experience in voice pro-

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gramming, so even if you've never created an FM voice, the TX802 instantly provides you with a digital orchestra. You can, of course, edit the presets to make your own voices, as well as create voices "from scratch". Up to 64 new voices can be stored in the internal memory. You can add an additional 64 voices by inserting one of the new, large-capacity Yamaha RAM 4 Data Cartridges. This gives you a total of 256 voices, each one playable in full 16-note polyphony.

### TIMBRES: CREATE YOUR OWN MULTI-VOICE SOUND

The ability to combine voices is what makes the TX802 so powerful.

#### TX802 VOICE LIST

BANK A					BANK B		
1	MellowHorn	33	Piano 1	1	SuperBass	33	Analog-X
2	SilvaBrass	34	Piano 2	2	StringBass	34	FMilters
3	ReverbBras	35	KnockRoad	3	SkweekBass	35	Phasers
4	Tuba	36	RubbaRoad	4	SmoohBass	36	Ensemble
5	Trombone	37	HardRoads	5	BopBass	37	MalletHorn
6	HardTrumps	38	FullTines	6	OwlBass	38	FM-Growth
7	Trumpet A	39	ClaviStuff	7	JazzBass	39	ElectoComb
8	SilvaTrmpt	40	Clavi	8	HardBass	40	ClariSolo
9	Trumpet B	41	Clavecin	9	GuitarBox	41	PitchaPad
10	FrenchHorn	42	ClaviPluck	10	PickGuitar	42	ClaviBrass
11	Strings	43	NasalClav	11	FingaPicka	43	WhapSynth
12	HallOrch	44	HarpsiBox	12	LeadaPicka	44	Whasers
13	NewOrchest	45	HarpsiWire	13	YesBunk	45	Fifths
14	Analog-Str	46	WireStrg A	14	12 Strings	46	ElecBrass
15	LiveStrg	47	WireStrg B	15	Classipika	47	ElectroBak
16	BowedBass	48	TouchOrgan	16	Shami	48	HarmoSynth
17	EleCello A	49	ShOrgan	17	Maribumba	49	PianoBells
18	EleCello B	50	TapOrgan	18	DX Marimba	50	St. Elmo's
19	Violins	51	BriteOrgan	19	Nu Marimba	51	MilkyWays
20	Bassoon	52	MagicOrgan	20	StonePhone	52	Pluk
21	Clarinet	53	SoftOrgan	21	VibraPhone	53	TingVoice
22	Oboe	54	PipeOrgan	22	Celeste	54	Plukatan
23	Flute	55	PuffOrgan1	23	Swissnare	55	OctiLate
24	SongFlute	56	PuffPipes	24	Tom C4	56	LateDown
25	SpitFlute	57	PuffOrgan2	25	CongaDrum	57	Glastine
26	PanFloot	58	Harmonium1	26	Tub Bells	58	BellWahh
27	Piccolo	59	Harmonium2	27	Gong	59	RubberGong
28	Sax	60	Whisper A	28	Timpani	60	Wallop
29	Harmonica	61	Choir	29	Claves	61	Explosion
30	Harp	62	LadyVox	30	Bells	62	KoikeCycle
31	Ebonylvory	63	MaleChoir	31	SteelCans	63	Thunderon
32	PianoBrite	64	Whisper B	32	Handrum	64	Science

You can assign up to 8 voices to a performance (voices, when assigned to a performance, are called "timbres"). You can then select the number of notes playable by each timbre. You can also choose whether each timbre should be output through one or both of the two Mix outputs as well as the 8 Individual outputs (which would allow you to process the sound of each timbre separately). Each timbre can have its upper and lower notes set, enabling unlimited keyboard-split possibilities. 128 performances are available any time (64 internal, 64 cartridge).

#### ADVANCED VOICE PROGRAMMING

The TX802's state-of-the-art specifications include several innovative features also available on the new DX7IIFD/D. These allow you to add a more natural feel to each voice.:

- Random Pitch. This parameter lets you set the TX802 so that every time a note is played, its pitch is slightly different—just like an acoustic instrument. The Random Pitch can be varied for each individual voice.
- Pitch Bias. In addition to controlling vibrato, tremolo and tone, the TX802's expressive Aftertouch feature lets you control pitch by fingertip pressure. Create delicate, natural vibrato or wild pitch bend effects (this parameter has a maximum range of ±4 octaves). You can also use the Breath Control feature to control pitch, so that you can bend up loud notes like an authentic wind player.

**Microtuning.** This feature makes the TX802 unique among Tone Generator Modules. You can actually tune each note individually, just as a piano-tuner does, to create your own scales and tunings. Eleven preset tunings allow you to play classical music in the authentic tunings of the period, use natural harmonics by selecting a "Pure" scale to be played in a specified minor or major key, or select 1/4 tone and even 1/8 tone tunings for experiments in microtonal music. From the avant-garde to the ethnic, any kind of music is possible with the TX802's Microtuning feature. You can store two of your own tunings in the internal memory, and up to 63 Microtunings

on a RAM cartridge. Fractional Level Scaling. Another innovation for the new generation of Yamaha digital instruments. Level Scaling was a well-known feature of the original DX7. It enabled level and timbre changes across the keyboard to simulate the response of acoustic instruments in their different ranges. Fractional Level Scaling lets you adjust the level of each operator in groups of three notes, allowing a much finer degree of control. With Fractional Level Scaling you can create the right sound across the entire keyboard with every voice.

the correct range (or to create chord effects), and detuning each timbre. Finally, fatten your sound by using the Alternative Assign mode—another Yamaha innovation. This effect allows you to play a different sound for each alternate note that you play. The TX802 will step through the timbres that have been set to Alternative Assign as you play. If all timbres have been set to Alternative Assign, after the 16th note has been played, the TX802 will start over with the first voice. This function can really bring orchestral sounds to life. You can, for example, use several similar string voices, each with a slightly different tone and tuning, and as you play, the TX802 steps through the voices, note by note, adding another random element to enrich its sound.

#### SUPERIOR EDITING FACILITIES

To make FM voice editing easy, the TX802 has a clear, easy-to read LCD display which can show frequency parameters, mode and carrier/modulator status for all six operators simultaneously. In addition you can look at Level Scaling and EG parameters in either a numeric or graphic display. Voice editing is made even faster by three functions which allow you to instantly copy one operator's settings to another operator—Copy

EG and Scaling allows you to copy all envelope and level scaling param-

eters; Copy Oscillator allows you to copy frequency, detuning and oscillator mode settings; Copy Operator combines the previous two functions. And when it comes to performance editing, the TX802 allows you to instantly compare any parameter of the edited performance with the original performance.

#### MIDI VERSATILITY

The TX802 responds to all MIDI control signals. In addition, it's compatible with all of the MIDI control features of the DX7IIFD/D, including the new Pitch Bias feature.

You can re-assign any MIDI control signals to one of seven MIDI controls (Mod. Wheel, Breath Controller, Foot Controller, Portamento Switch, Portamento Time, Volume, Sustain). MIDI Program Changes that are received may be re-assigned to

select any internal or cartridge performance.

Voice, performance, system setup, microtuning or fractional scaling data can be individually transmitted via MIDI, adding to the TX802's ability to work with other MIDI devices.

#### SYSTEM SETUP

The System Setup mode on the TX802 conveniently combines a number of important functions, including Master Tuning, Microtune Edit, Memory Protect, MIDI Control Number Assign and the essential MIDI Receive and System Exclusive functions. System Setup data may be saved to or loaded from a RAM Cartridge at any time.

#### CARTRIDGE CONVENIENCE

Large-capacity RAM 4 Data
Cartridges allow you to store up to 64
voices and 64 performance combinations, plus 2 micro-tunings and 1
system setup. Or you can store up to
64 fractional scaling data groups or
up to 63 micro-tunings on a single
cartridge. With the TX802, you can
build up an expanding library of
voices which can be reloaded in
seconds.



Data Cartridge RAM4

#### STYLE AND SIMPLICITY

Even with its unparalleled range of features, the TX802 is a remarkably simple unit in both style and operation. The number of front panel keys is kept to a minimum, yet their multifunction operation allows you to select modes, functions and parameter values quickly and effortlessly. The Operation Guide, Level Scaling chart, EG chart and Algorithm charts are provided on pull-out plastic sheets on the underside of the unit for quick reference, and a foldaway support strut lets you put the TX802 behind your DX7 and tilt it to an ideal angle for programming. Of course, you can mount the TX802 in a standard rack for studio or concert use.

#### PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS

When you edit a performance, you can do much more than select a combination of up to eight voices. A number of performance parameters give the TX802 unparalleled flexibility in combining multiple voices. Assign each timbre to a different MIDI channel. This allows a number of MIDI devices to "play" the TX802. Or a sequencer could send music data on up to eight separate channels for a true multitrack performance. Assign a different number of notes to each timbre. This permits an endless variety of voice permutations. For example, use 10 notes for a piano timbre, four notes for a string timbre, and two notes for a flute timbre, to create an ensemble of totally independent instrument voices. ■ Enhance the ensemble effect by adjusing the level of each timbre, transposing timbres so they are in

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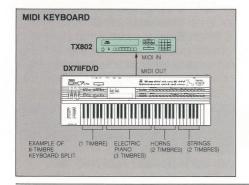


#### **TX802 APPLICATIONS**

The TX802's MIDI IN, OUT and THRU terminals allow it to be used with other MIDI devices in a wide range of applications. Here are a few examples:

#### **MIDI KEYBOARD**

With a MIDI keyboard such as the Yamaha DX7IIFD/D Digital Programmable Algorithm Synthesizer, the TX802 can perform in numerous ways. For example, create an eight-way split keyboard by assigning timbres to eight different sections of the keyboard. Or create 32-note polyphony by setting the Note On/Off function on the DX7IIFD/D to ODD, and on the TX802, to EVEN. Then odd-numbered notes will be played on the DX7IIFD/D, and even-numbered notes on the TX802. Or simply layer the timbres



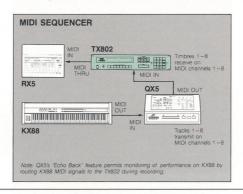
and voices of both instruments, for a massive 10-voice combination.

#### **MIDI SEQUENCER**

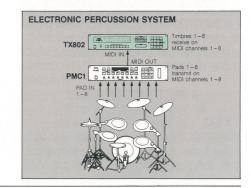
The QX5 Digital Sequence recorder is an ideal companion to the TX802, as it can record and play music data on eight individual channels. Each of the channels can be assigned to control one timbre to create ensemble music of up to eight parts. In this example, a KX88 MIDI Master Keyboard is used to record the music; the QX5 also controls the play of an RX5 Digital Rhythm Programmer, adding realistic percussion sounds to the voices provided by the TX802.

#### **ELECTRONIC PERCUSSION** SYSTEM

The Yamaha Electronic Percussion System enables drummers to



make use of the TX802's powerful sounds. Its PMC1 Percussion MIDI Convertor transforms drumbeats into MIDI signals and transmits them on up to eight separate channels, making it ideal for use with the eight-timbre TX802. Play a different timbre from each electronic drum pad, and create melodies by assigning a different MIDI note number for each pad. In addition, the Electronic Percussion System's Dynamic Note Shift Feature lets you control the TX802's pitch by stick pressure. Program Change signals sent from the PMC1 can be assigned to a "global" MIDI channel which will switch all eight timbres simultaneously.



#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

**Tone Generator** 

FM tone generator (6 operators, 32 algorithms)

Simultaneous Note Output

16 notes, assignable to up to 8 timbres

**Internal Memory** 

64 performance memory 64 internal (user) voice memory 128 preset voice memory

**External Memory** 

RAM cartridge: 64 performance, 64 voice

Front Panel Controls and Terminal

Power ON/OFF switch
Tone Generator ON/OFF, Parameter Select keys (8)

Mode Select/Edit/Store keys (8) Data Entry keys (Ten-key pads 0—9, Cursor < >, +1, -1, -, ENTER). CARTRIDGE slot PHONES jack

**Rear Panel Terminals** 

MIDI IN, OUT, THRU MIXED OUTPUTS I, II INDIVIDUAL OUTPUTS 1-8

Cartridge Capacity

RAM1: 4K bytes (Read only) RAM4: 16K bytes

**Display** LCD: 40 characters × 2 lines (illuminated)

Power Requirements & Consumption

General Model: 220-240 V (50/60 Hz), 15 W U.S. & Canadian Models: 120 V (50/60 Hz), 15 W

Dimensions (W $\times$ H $\times$ D)

480 × 94.5 × 287 mm (18-7/8" × 3-3/4" × 11-1/4")

Weight

4.9 kg (10 lbs 12 oz.)

Standard Accessories

MIDI Cable MIDI-03

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

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