

Yamaha DM3 Series V2 Firmware



Yamaha Corporation announces the release of firmware version 2.0 for its DM3 series digital mixing consoles, which significantly enhances flexibility and expandability with new, customer-requested features including insert function, USB Driver Mode option and more. Launched in April 2023, the DM3 series set a new standard in compact mixers, shattering the stereotype that a compact digital console means having to compromise on features. Available with a choice of Dante networking (DM3) and non-Dante (DM3 Standard) models, these supremely portable digital mixers offer facilities unmatched by any other console of a similar size. The DM3 series is already proving very popular and, with Firmware 2.0, adds more functionality and flexibility for a range of professional applications.

A new insert function has been added to the input/output channels. This allows users to insert VST plug-ins via USB (using the included VST Rack Elements software), and also to insert external devices via USB or Dante. An extra USB Driver mode option has also been included. In addition to the existing Mode 1, which allows 18 channels to be connected to a single application, Mode 2 allows connection to up to four applications, connected via USB to a PC or Mac. The DM3 is also now compatible with Dante Domain Manager, providing further expansion and flexibility for Dante networks, but it is not available on the DM3 Standard.

Further improvements include support for the exFAT USB storage format, which means less limitations and easier recording of high quality audio on USB external storage media of up to 256Tb. When recording in WAV format, the maximum size

for each file is 2Gb. Recording will continue as multiple, seamless 2Gb WAV files up to the capacity of the USB storage medium. The FAT32 format will still be supported, which is limited to media with a maximum size of 32Gb. Other new features in the V2.0 firmware upgrade include screen calibration and fader position calibration, which enhance the consistency of the user experience and allow the colour balance of the screen to be adjusted, according to the operating environment.

“The Yamaha DM3 series has set a new standard for compact mixers and we are very pleased to provide this update, which delivers even more flexibility and expandability. We think this will be beneficial to many professional users,” says Thomas Hemery, Yamaha Senior General Manager of Professional Solutions Division. “In an ever-changing world, which constantly presents new challenges as well as opportunities, the new firmware for DM3 series mixers gives users the power and flexibility to do more with a compact digital console. We at Yamaha are always listening to the opinions of our customers and we will continue to work hard at providing the most flexible, comfortable mixing environments and systems.”

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