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Oehlbach® BTX 1000 Bluetooth adapter

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Flexible Bluetooth adapter with high transmission reliability

... You don't necessarily need to buy a new AV receiver if you want to transfer signals wirelessly from your tablet or smartphone via Bluetooth. While Oehlbach's BTX 1000, which costs €79, isn't exactly cheap, it is a high quality and flexible tool that we decided to examine in great detail. Its potential use is not simply confined to an AV receiver. The BTX 1000 can also be used, for example, to transfer Bluetooth signals to a stereo amplifier, a set of headphones (if these are equipped with a 3.5 mm jack), or to a multimedia unit in a car (if an AUX port is present).

The BTX 1000 is compatible with Bluetooth 4.0 and the aptX standard. It supports audio formats up to 44.1 kHz and 16 bit. This provides CD quality sound wirelessly. According to Oehlbach's specifications its frequency response is 10 Hz to 22 kHz. The integrated battery is charged via the supplied MicroUSB cable. The BTX 1000 can be used for up to 10 hours when the battery is fully charged.

The BTX 1000 can be connected directly to a 3.5 mm mini RCA jack, which is normally found at the front of AV devices. Alternatively, a 3.5 mm mini-jack to stereo RCA adapter is also included. The BTX 1000 is particularly practical if the AV receiver features a front AV input, as it means the compact adapter can be connected extremely quickly.

To connect the BTX 1000 to your smartphone or tablet, press and hold the centre button until the LED quickly flashes blue and red (the mobile device must be „visible“ in Bluetooth mode when doing this). This may take a few seconds; the BTX 1000 is then ready for use. A connection is thereby rapidly established between your phone/tablet and Oehlbach's BT adapter. When using an AV receiver, the input to which the adapter is connected (e.g. „AUX“ or „AV Front“) must be selected.

Playback can now begin. The signals are transmitted flawlessly and in a reliable manner. The connection remains constant even if you move your smartphone 6 or 7 metres away from the adapter (according to the manufacturer a max. 10 m range is supported, which is common for Bluetooth devices). The excellent sound quality is what we have come to expect from a premium Oehlbach product. With a vivid, detailed and clear reproduction the CD quality transmission really lives up to its promise. Regardless of whether you're listening to current dance and house tracks, powerful rock or classical music, the fresh, natural sound quality is a pure joy.

Of course, this also depends on the quality of the source material; if it is of a high standard, then the acoustic performance generated is astonishingly good. Overall, the BTX 1000 is likely to appeal to a wide range of users who want to use modern Bluetooth functionality on one hand, but want to keep their older, high quality AV receiver or stereo amplifier on the other. Thanks to its ease of use, high quality material and excellent workmanship, it is more than worthy of its recommendation.

Accessories:



Adapter for stereo-RCA inputs



USB charging cable

