



Magnavox MDR161V DVD/VCR Dubbing Unit



Quick Start Guide

ATTENTION!

You must purchase DVD-R
or DVD-RW discs to use
with this unit.

DVD+R and DVD+RW discs
are **NOT SUPPORTED.**

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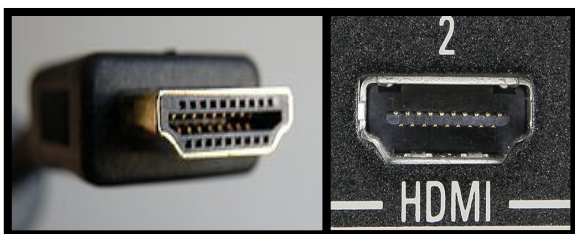
The Magnavox MDR161V allows you to record:

- from VHS to DVD-R/DVD-RW
- from DVD-R/DVD-RW to VHS

NOTE: DVD+R/DVD+RW discs are NOT SUPPORTED by this player.

1. Plugging in the Recorder to your TV

To begin, locate your TV's "Line In" jack. First you need to determine what kind of connection your TV has. The MDR161V has both HDMI and composite connections.



HDMI cable and port



Composite cables and ports

Now, connect the cable to your 'Composite In' or 'HDMI In' jack on your TV, then connect to either the HDMI Out (labeled below left) or the Composite Out (labeled below right) on the recorder. Also, plug in the recorder's power plug to a grounded wall socket.



Once these steps are complete, turn to the next page to begin the process.

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Now you must first find the correct input of your TV/receiver.

If you have an HDMI cable connected from the unit to your TV, the [INPUT] or [SOURCE] button will allow you to select the HDMI input that you need.

NOTE: This most likely will be [HDMI 1] or [HDMI 2].

The chart shown below (also included in the User's Manual) outlines the most likely buttons your TV or remote might have to switch the input/source.

If you are having trouble finding how to change your TV's source input, find your TV's brand in the list to the right and try looking for that button on your TV (or on your TV's remote).

Input Mode Names for Common TV Brands (Example)			
Admiral	AUX	Panasonic	TV/VIDEO
Curtis Mathis	LINE1, LINE2, 00, 90, 91, 92, 93	RCA	INPUT, TV/VCR, 00, 90, 91, 92, 93
GE	INPUT, TV/VCR, 00, 90, 91, 92, 93	Samsung	TV/VIDEO
Hitachi	INPUT, AUX	Sanyo	VIDEO
JVC	VIDEO, VIDEO 1, VIDEO 2, VIDEO 3	Sharp	00
Kenwood	AUX	Sony	VIDEO1, VIDEO2, VIDEO3
LXI-Series	00	Toshiba	TV/GAME
Magnavox	AUX CHANNEL	Zenith	00

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2. Turn on the recorder and load media

To start the Magnavox MDR161V, either press the unit's [POWER] button (pictured below left) or, while pointing the remote at the unit, press the remote's [STANDBY-ON] button (pictured below right).



Once the power button has been pressed, you should see a blue screen with a “DVD” logo in the background. Once at this screen, it's time to load your DVD and VHS media.

Notice that the machine says 'LOAD' on the front display. This means it is waiting for a disc to be recorded to/from.

Press the Open/Close button to eject the tray. Now Insert either a blank DVD-R/DVD-RW disc or the DVD you wish to record from, label side up.

Now insert the cassette tape, front label facing you, into the VCR portion of the unit.

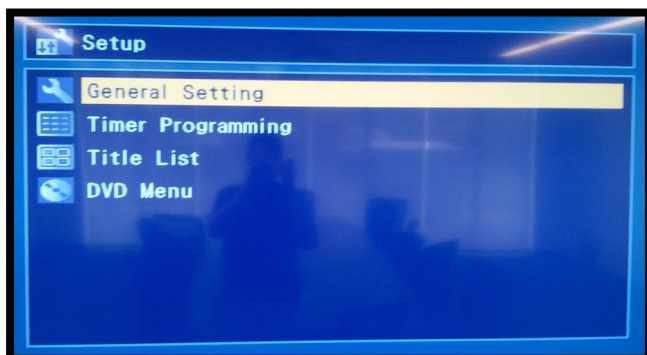
It should automatically start pulling the tape into the unit, at which point release your grip and it will load properly.

Now that you have both a DVD-R/DVD-RW and VHS media inserted, it's time to choose your task.

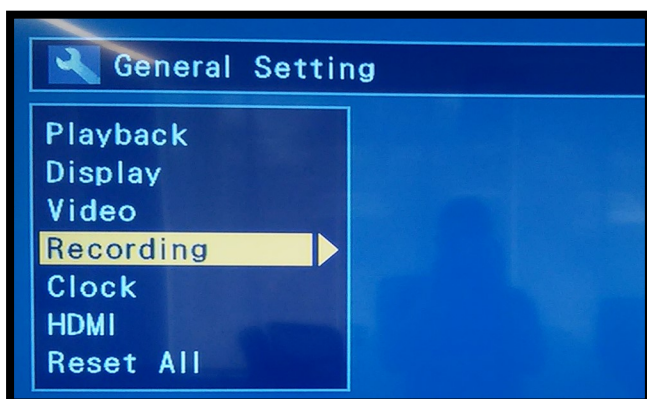
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3. Choose your recording mode and begin

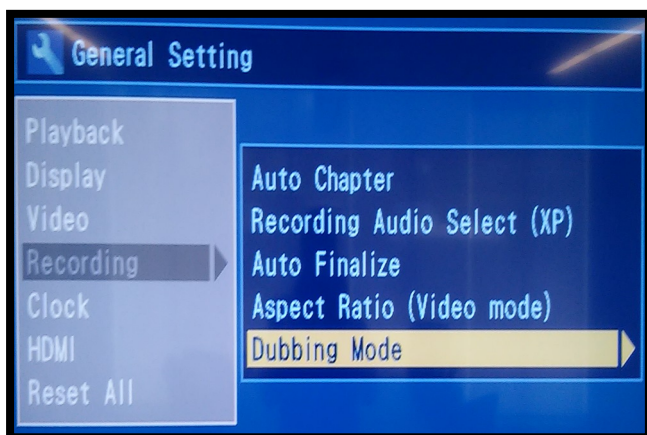
Once you have both the DVD and VHS media inserted, pick up the unit's remote control and press [SETUP].



In the setup menu, you'll see four options. Select [General Setting].



In the [General Setting] menu, select [Recording].



In the [Recording] menu, select the bottom listing: [Dubbing Mode].

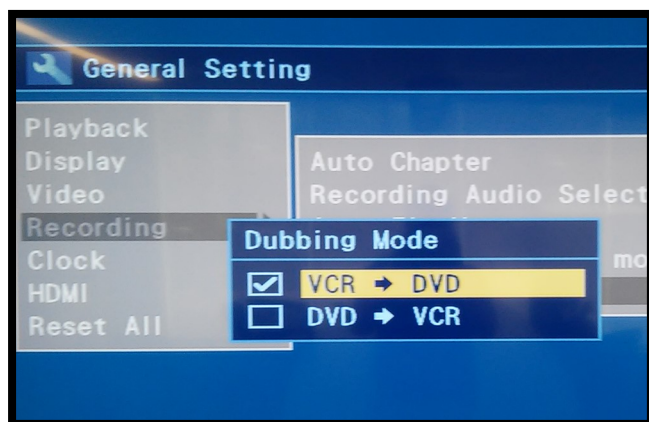
NOTE:

To record from VHS to DVD, follow steps marked (A).

To record from DVD to VHS, follow steps marked (B).

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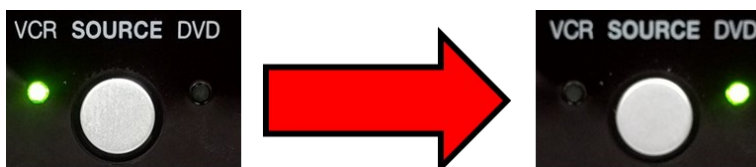
4(A): Recording from VHS to DVD



To begin copying your VHS tape to DVD, first you must select the correct dubbing mode from the list. Select [VCR -> DVD].

Then press [SETUP] to exit.

Now press [DVD] on the remote. At this point, you should see the indicator light on the front of the Magnavox Unit switch from VCR mode to DVD mode, shown below.



NOTE: If you don't see the video mode switch to DVD (above), press [DVD] until you do.

NOTE: The screen will remain blank after pressing [DVD]. This is normal.

Now, press [REC MODE] repeatedly until the desired recording mode is set.

A chart explaining the specifics of the recording modes is at the right. If you are unsure which recording mode to use, press [REC MODE] until [SP] is selected.

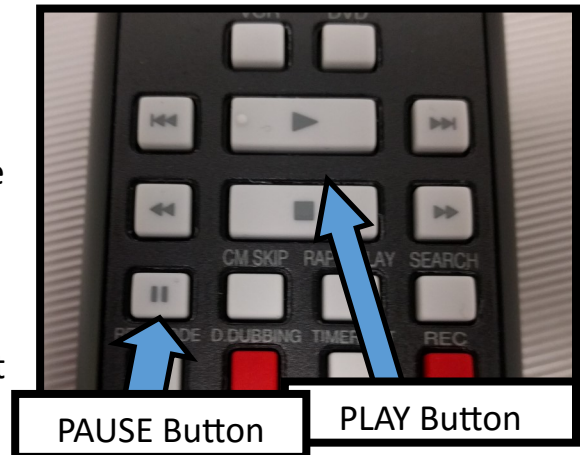
Recording Mode				
You can choose a recording mode from 5 options. Recording time will depend on the recording mode you select as follows:				
Disc size	Recording mode	Recording time	Video/sound quality	
8cm Disc	XP (1Hr)	18 min	☆☆☆☆☆	(good)
	SP (2Hr)	36 min	☆☆☆☆	
	LP (4Hr)	72 min	☆☆☆	
	EP (6Hr)	108 min	☆☆	
	SLP (8Hr)	144 min	☆	(poor)
12cm Disc	XP (1Hr)	60 min	☆☆☆☆☆	(good)
	SP (2Hr)	120 min	☆☆☆☆	
	LP (4Hr)	240 min	☆☆☆	
	EP (6Hr)	360 min	☆☆	
	SLP (8Hr)	480 min	☆	(poor)

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5(A): Recording from VHS to DVD

Press [VCR], then press PLAY [▶] to find the point where you want to begin recording.

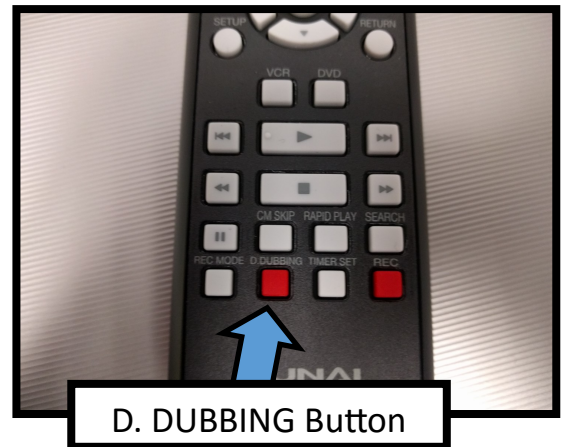
Press PAUSE [⏸] when you come to a good starting point for recording.



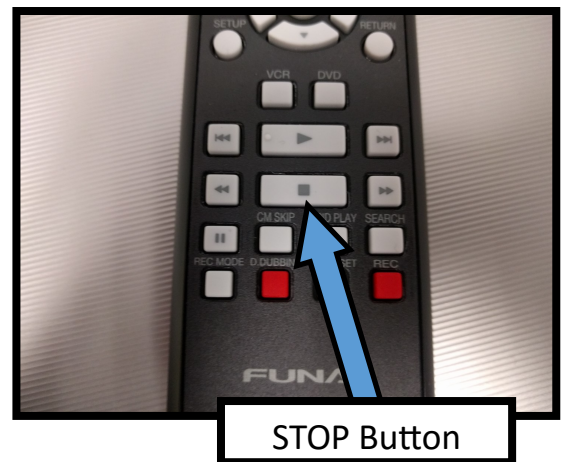
Finally, press [D. DUBBING].

You should now see the video start playing...

which means you have successfully started recording!



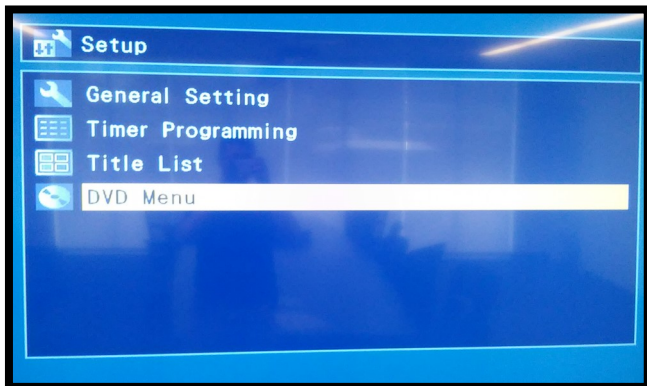
When you reach the point on the VHS at which you want to stop recording, press the STOP button [■].



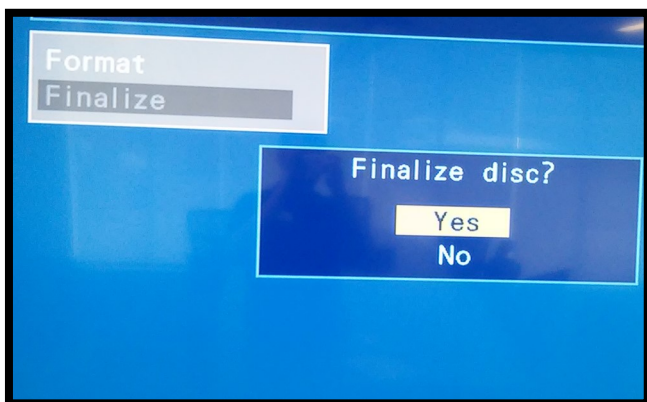
NOTE: The disc MUST BE FINALIZED in order to be playable. To do this, turn to page 6(A) now.

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6(A): Finalizing Your Recorded Disc



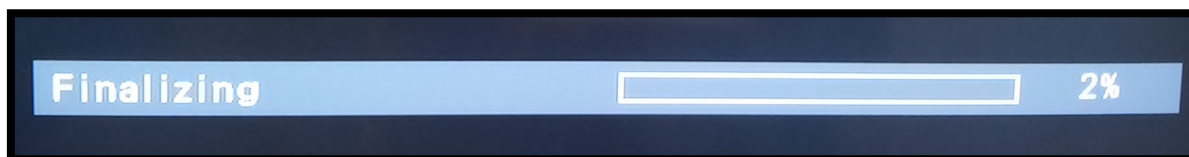
To begin finalizing your disc, press [SETUP], then navigate down to the [DVD MENU] listing and select it.



Use the arrows to select [Finalize] then press [OK].

Use the arrows to select [Yes], then press [OK].

At this point it will begin finalizing your disc. Finalizing your disc may take several minutes or up to an hour, depending how much content and in which mode you have recorded.

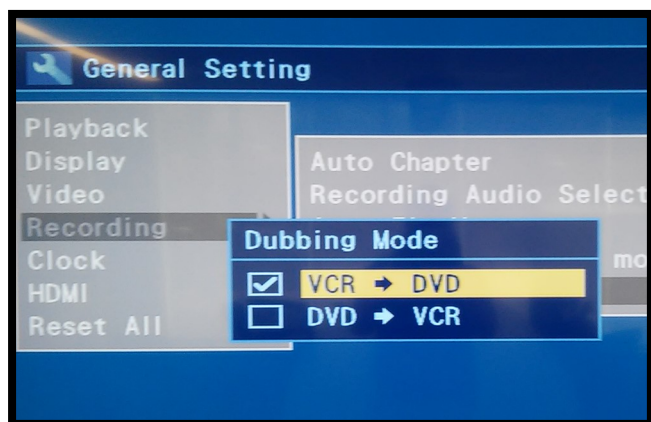


Once the finalization process is complete, your disc is ready to eject and play in other DVD-compatible players!

Simply press the [Open/Close] Button to eject the DVD, and the [STOP/EJECT] button to eject your cassette tape. Thanks for being a Northbrook patron, and we hope you've enjoyed making use of our DVD VHS Recorder Units!

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4(B): Recording from DVD to VHS



To begin the process of copying your DVD to a VHS tape, first you must select the correct dubbing mode from the list. Select [DVD -> VCR].

Then press [SETUP] to exit.

Now press [VCR] on the remote, then press [REC MODE] repeatedly until the desired recording mode is set.

*NOTE: At this point, rewind or fast-forward the tape to the point which you want to start recording at. Pre-existing media on the VHS will be **overwritten** from this point.*

Press [DVD], then press PLAY [▶] to find the point where you want to begin recording.

Press PAUSE [||] when you come to a good starting point for recording.

Finally, press [D. DUBBING], and DVD to VHS duplication will begin.

When you reach the point on the DVD at which you want to stop recording, press the [STOP] button [■].

Once you have pressed STOP, your recorded VHS tape is ready to be ejected!