

# TABLEMIKE 1/3/6

# **QUICK START GUIDE AND DRAGON® TIPS**

### **Initial Settings**

Your USB TableMike is unlike any other microphone. With the longest available Shotgun and 'Green LED' mode (3-in-1 or 6-in-1 only), you can dictate with outstanding accuracy from several feet away. The 'Blue LED' (all models) functions like a regular high quality mic, too.

Whether you are a Mac or PC user, connect the USB cable to a built-in port on your device (not a USB hub). For users with only USB-C ports, use the certified adapter provided with the unit. The microphone is completely Plug & Play. It does not require previous installation of any Windows or Mac driver; a major advantage.

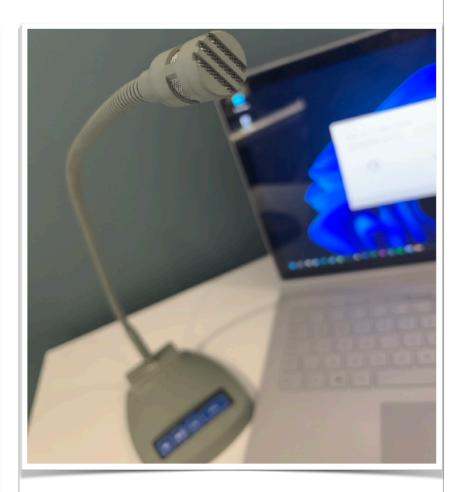
However, when you connect them to a computer the sound output will be automatically sent through the Speaker port of the 1-in-1 and 3-in-1 models and the built-in speaker of the 6-in-1. To change this standard Windows and Mac USB behaviour you can manually configure it as follows:

#### **Windows**

Right-click on the speaker icon in your taskbar, select 'Sounds' then the 'Playback' tab. Select the internal PC speaker.

#### Mac

Go to 'System Preferences' then 'Sound' and select your device on the 'Input' tab.



With the **SpeechWare USB TableMike**, you are going to be dictating with incredible accuracy in no time. These mics make the difference between 'good' accuracy and consistently high accuracy a reality. Depending on model, they combine a **Shotgun microphone** with a **proprietary Speech Equaliser** (**SQ**), a **Push-to-Lock (PTL) and Push-to-Talk** (**PTT) buttons** to switch on/off the Dragon mic icon. An optional foot pedal for unparalleled comfort is also available. Get the **extra 1% to 3%** of performance, with instant no-latency transcription and the freedom of not wearing, recharging or holding anything!



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The micro switch on the bottom of your TableMike 3-in-1 or 6-in-1 allows you to easily select between the following modes:

- Slide the switch RIGHT to change to **Blue LED** mode
- Slide the switch LEFT to return to Green LED mode

The **Blue** mode provides excellent clarity at **Normal** range - ideal for HD VoIP or e.g. Zoom/Teams calls.

In **Green** mode, you will experience outstanding dictation accuracy at very **Long range** - e.g. several feet away.

You do not need to worry about these modes on the **TableMike 1-in-1**. This only provides **Normal range**; the Blue mode above. Use the PTL button to easily turn Dragon's mic icon on or off.



### Understanding your TableMike 3-in-1 or 6-in-1 modes

Both models are set to the unique Green LED mode by default. This activates our proprietary VoiceMatic chipset, an industry-first **Speech Equaliser and Amplifier** which is optimised for **long and variable distance** (30 cm to 50 cm / 12" to 20") recognition with normal office ambient noise.

With the micro switch on the bottom of the base, you can also select a **Normal range mode** (Blue LED). This is the only mode on the **TableMike 1-in-1**. This latter setting is for **closer and variable dictation** (5 cm to 30 cm / 2" to 12") with **higher ambient noise**. It is also ideal for Internet HD VoIP telephony, full duplex Video conferencing, HD Podcasting, voice and music recording.

It's vitally important you consider how you will be using your TableMike when choosing which mode to use. If you are likely to be **a few feet** from the microphone - say, across a relatively quiet room - then the **Green LED** mode is best, the same if you have a low or tired voice. If, however, you are going to be sat at a desk with the **mic closely in front of you**, use **Blue LED** mode instead.

Your voice playback will sound a bit different between modes; this is due to the sophisticated audio processing of our proprietary VoiceMatic chipset taking place under the **Green LED** mode. As a result, for maximum flexibility and performance, you should **create two separate dictation sources** in Dragon - one for Green, one for Blue, as explained later on.



# Using your TableMike with Dragon

There are a few more steps required to get the best out of your TableMike with Dragon, no matter which model you have. Once you have initially set up your profile (selecting your language and vocabulary), follow these steps to get off to the best possible start with maximum accuracy.

These steps are applicable whether you are using the **Green** or **Blue LED** setting but are especially pertinent in **Green mode** as Dragon will hear your voice a bit differently than a normal microphone.

#### **Audio Calibration**

After you have added your mic to Dragon (see right), you will need to perform the initial sound setup. Dragon will ask you to dictate a short passage of text to calibrate audio; make sure you do as follows.

- 1. Start the process but pause for 3 to 5 seconds before speaking. Dragon requires this initial period of silence to determine the ambient noise levels of both your microphone and your surroundings.
- 2. Speak clearly in your natural tone of voice. Do not talk too quickly or too slowly and do not raise your voice at all. Do it "naturally speaking".
- 3. If Dragon reports the audio level is too low (especially if your TableMike is in Blue LED mode), move close to it or eventually switch to Green mode and run the calibration again.
- 4. Open TextEdit (Mac) or Notepad (Windows) and perform the initial training described on the next page to kickstart your accuracy.



### Dragon Professional Individual for Mac

If you are using an existing profile, select 'Manage Profiles' in the Dragon menu to **add your** 'SpeechWare USB microphone' (name it 'TableMike') with the '+' button under 'Dictation Sources'. If this is a brand new profile, Dragon will simply prompt you to add the microphone.

## Dragon Professional Individual for Windows

Create a new profile with your microphone or add it to an existing one by clicking 'Profile' - 'Manage Dictation Sources'. Choose the new microphone and follow the Dragon's steps!





### **More Accessibility**

When configured with the optional **SpeechWare Octopus USB Controller**, the press of the TableMike push or volume buttons, any key, USB foot pedal or lever can do any of the following:

- Switch the **Dragon mic icon** on and off
- Insert boilerplate text (of your choosing)
- Open any application, document, web-page, or folder
- Initiate any of a series of Windows activities, such as moving forward and backward through open applications, opening the Task Manager, etc.
- Emulate any key or keycombination, including any Dragon Hotkey or command
- Combine an unlimited number of the above functions into a single "script" of any length...

In addition, OUC provides a large and configurable "Microphone Status Indicator" icon to facilitate awareness of the microphone on/off/ standby status for users of Dragon.

# **Initial Training in Dragon**

Additionally, you may train Dragon with your TableMike to get the best possible accuracy. This is especially **recommended under the Green LED mode** (3-in-1 or 6-in-1 only) where you may be using the unique VoiceMatic chipset to dictate at significant distance from the mic.

Once you have completed the initial microphone setup, open a new document. For **Mac** users, this should be in TextEdit; for **Windows** users, Notepad or WordPad. It's important to keep things simple and dictate into plain text for now as we are purely focused on recognition accuracy and not formatting at this stage.

Read out aloud a thousand words of something you have previously written and dictate to Dragon, but using now your new TableMike. Then, you must use the "correct that" or "correct <the mistake>" commands to rectify any words or phrases Dragon got wrong. Save your profile and exit the program.

Reopen Dragon and **perform this exercise again**, making sure to **correct any further mistakes with your voice** (do not correct via the keyboard). If there are any **unique words or phrases** you use in your writing, or anything Dragon regularly fails to recognise, be sure to **save them to your vocabulary.** 

Also, eventually use the "**Train**" function in Dragon's **Vocabulary Editor** so it can learn how you say those things. Your mic should now perform at **the highest possible level of accuracy**.

Otherwise, use **SpeechWare PhraseWizard** to customise your vocabularies even further. The more you dictate and voice correct, the more accuracy!

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