

# Bose 3-2-1 Series II Region Free Procedure

Flashing the DVD ROM drive for setting the Media Center to RPC1

First you will have to make sure that your Bose system is equipped with a DVD ROM drive for which a flash DVD exists. You can obtain system information directly from the Media Center by pressing a few buttons. Follow the steps below.

Note: on the 3-2-1 series II and 3-2-1 GS series II you will have to use the ENTER button on your Media Center; on the 3-2-1 GSX series II this button is named STORE.

- Connect the Media Center and bass module as instructed in the owner's guide, and connect the system to AC mains. All information will be shown on the Media Center's display; there is no need to connect to a TV.
- With the Media Center turned off, press and hold the ENTER or STORE button on the Media Center.
- When holding down the ENTER or STORE button, pressing the ON/OFF button will bring up the console system information on the console display.
- For each additional press of the ON/OFF button while remaining the ENTER or STORE button pressed, you will get additional information. Press the ON/OFF button several times, until the display shows information similar to "DVD DRIVE: 1B10 IBA DVD-ROM SD-M1802".
- The information following "DVD-ROM" indicates the drive type. At this moment (March 2006), it will be either SD-M1712 or SD-M1802.
- Once you are done viewing the information, release the ENTER or STORE button. If your display keeps showing the video format (similar to "VIDEO: NTSC COMPONENT"), just press ON/OFF.

Find out if there is a CD updater available for your drive by checking the Files area at the Yahoo Bose-group, under "BoseSeriesIIDVD". At this moment, the latest version is "DVD1802\_XB07\_1.zip", which only works for the SD-M1802 drive.

This is the procedure for creating the CD for updating and performing the remote hack:

1. Download the correct file from the files area to a temporary folder on your computer.
2. Unzip this file to extract the iso-file.
3. Burn the contents of this iso-file (not the iso-file itself!) to a CD-R or CD-RW. When using Nero, you choose "File - Open - Files of Type: Image Files - browse to the location where you have stored the iso-file and select this file - Open - Burn.
4. If you check the contents of the CD, it will show files with names similar to "ORDER.upd", "xuXB07\_alg.bin" and "xuXB07\_out.bin".
5. Place this CD in your Bose Media Center. The update will start automatically, and the display will show "Software update, please wait - checking", "Software update xx%", "updating DVD-ROM", "Reinitializing", "Bose 3-2-1". Remove the CD from the tray.
6. Insert a DVD from a different region code than the Media Center was initially set to. You will see the "Wrong region" message.
7. Now press the following buttons on your remote, while the Bose is powered on and set to source DVD. Do this slowly, allow about 5 seconds between each button:
  - Right (arrow-right)
  - Up (arrow-up)
  - Shuffle
  - Stop (rectangle)
  - Mute

The tray will open to confirm. If not, just try step 7 again.

8. Press the ON/OFF button on your remote control to power off your Bose Media Center.
9. After about one minute, press the ON/OFF button on your remote control to power it on. You are now ready to play whatever region DVD!