

SERENE®

CentralAlert™

Cell Phone Ringer/Flasher  
(with USB Charging Port)

## Operating Guide



Model  
**CA-CX**

(cell phone not included.)

Thank you for purchasing this Model CA-CX Cell Phone Ringer/Flasher. Please read this operating guide very carefully before use and keep it for future reference. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Customer Care Department.

**Toll-Free Help Line: 866.376.9271 (9AM-5PM PST, M-F)**

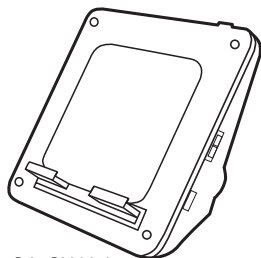
## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Please read these instructions carefully before using this Cell Phone Ringer/Flasher.**

1. To reduce the risk of injury, close supervision is necessary when this device is used near children.
2. Do not make contact with any moving parts or any exposed metal surface.
3. Only use attachments recommended or sold by the manufacturer.
4. To reduce risk of fire or electrical shock and for your safety, do not use this unit near water or expose it to rain or moisture or spill liquids on it, or into it.
5. Do not unplug by pulling on cord. To unplug, grasp the plug, not the cord.
6. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing or cleaning.
7. Do not operate any device with a damaged cord or plug, or after the device malfunctions or is dropped or damaged in any manner. Return device to the nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair or electrical or mechanical adjustment.
8. Avoid using any product during an electrical storm. There may be a remote risk of electric shock from lightning.

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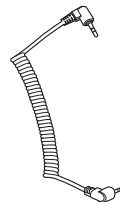
Your Model CA-CX Cell Phone Ringer/Flasher is packaged with **all** of the items shown. If anything is missing, please contact our Customer Care Department immediately.



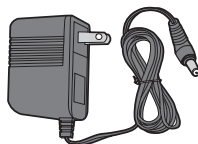
CA-CX Unit



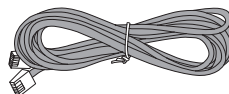
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Short Cable



AC Power Adapter

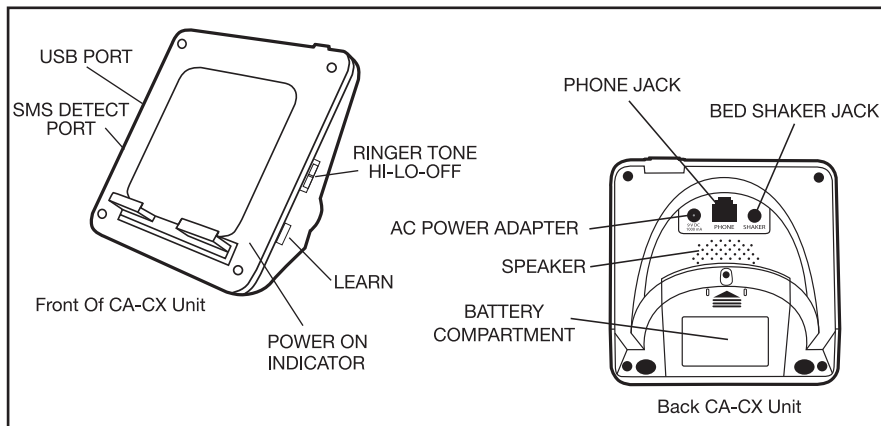


Phone Cord

## FACTORY PRESET:

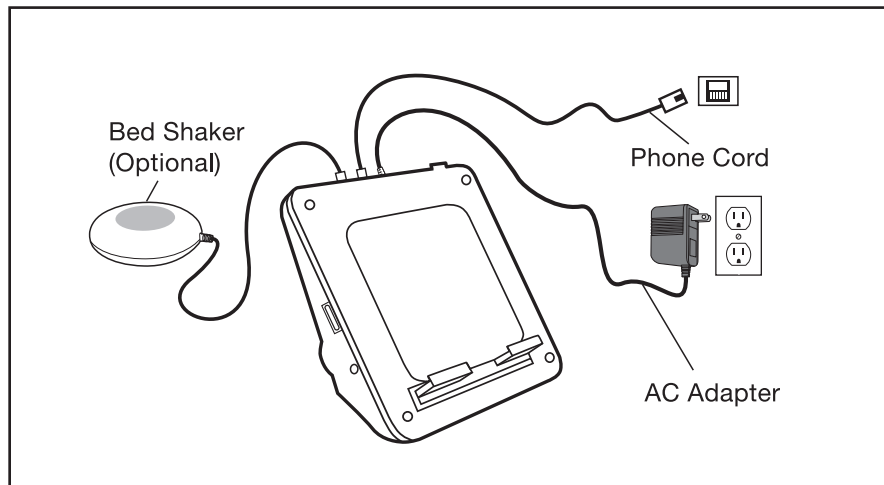
Your CA-CX is preset with the Missed Call Indicator Light active.

## FEATURE IDENTIFICATIONS:



## CONNECTION AND SET-UP:

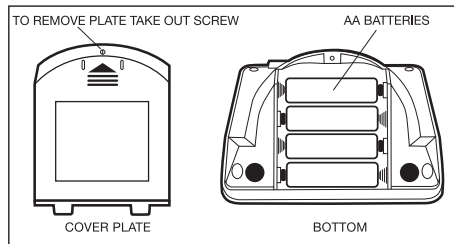
The CA-CX should be placed only in a stable location and flat surface. (Example: table, countertop). Do not place CA-CX on any surface that vibrates. (Example: washing machine, dryer).



## INSTALL BATTERY BACK UP AS POWER BACK UP:

The CA-CX uses 4AA Alkaline non-rechargeable batteries (user provided), as shown, in case of a power outage.

**Warning:** For safety consideration, always disconnect phone cord to wall before changing batteries. Please dispose of used batteries properly, following any local regulations.



## OPERATION:

**Pairing the CA-CX to a CentralAlert(TM) Receiver (Model CA-360 Wireless Notification System or Model CA-RX Remote Receiver) :**

1. Turn on the CA-CX and CA-360 or CA-RX.
2. Press and hold the SOS button on the CA-360 or CA-RX to enter LEARN mode.
3. Press and hold the LEARN button on the side of the CA-CX for 6-10 seconds until CA-360 or CA-RX beeps twice. CA-CX is now paired.

## OPERATION (CONT.):

### Cell Phone Call Alerts:

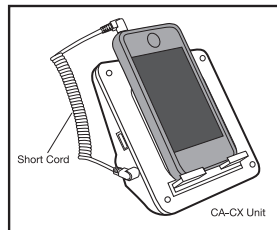
1. Set cell phone to “vibrate”(with or without ring tone) and place it on the CA-CX.
2. When your cell phone vibrates, the CA-CX will ring and flash in a clock-wise, rotating pattern.
3. Lift cell phone to answer and press **RESET** on CA-CX to reset.
4. If you did not answer or press reset, the flasher light will remain on to indicate that you have missed a call.

### SMS Message, Skype™ and FaceTime™ Alerts:

Please Note: To use this feature, please select a long SMS text tone from your cell phone menu options. (Some phones may need to be set to “vibrate & ringtone” mode)

### SMS Messages:

1. Connect the short cord (provided) with the small plug end (2.5mm) into the “SMS DETECT” jack and the larger plug end (3.5 mm) into the headset jack of your cell phone, as shown.



## OPERATION (CONT.):

2. When a text tone is detected, CA-CX will ring and flash. Lift cell phone to review.  
Press **RESET** on the CA-CX to reset.
3. If you did not answer, the flasher light will remain on to indicate that you have missed a call.

### Setting Option For iPhone® : (Detect text vibration-eliminates need for short cord)

1. Customize a 3-seconds **ON** and a 1-seconds **OFF** vibration pattern on iPhone® [See: Setting---> Sounds---> Text Tone---> Vibration---> Create new vibration (3-seconds **ON** and 1-second **OFF**) and then save under a new vibration name].
2. Select the newly created vibration name as the default text vibration [ See: Setting---> Sounds---> Text Tone---> Vibration---> New vibration name].
3. When a long text vibration is detected, lift cell-phone to review and press **“RESET”** button to clear the CA-CX light.
4. If you did not press **“RESET”**, CA-CX light will remain on to indicate that you have missed a call.



## OPERATION (CONT.):

**Setting Option For Android® Phones:** (Detect text vibration - eliminates need for short cord)

1. Please download the free “Vybe” app from the Android Store.
2. Open “Vybe” App to customize a new vibration with a 3-seconds **ON** and a 1-second **OFF** pattern and save it with a new name.
3. From the “Vybe” drop-down menu, select this newly created vibration pattern as the default text setting.
4. When a long text vibration is detected, lift cell-phone to review and press “**RESET**” button to clear the CA-CX light.
5. If you did not press “**RESET**”, CA-CX light will remain on to indicate that you have missed a call

### **Skype™ and FaceTime™ Alerts:**

1. Connect the short cord (included) from "SMS Detect" port to headset jack of your PC, laptop, or tablet.
2. When a call is detected, CA-CX will ring and flash.
3. Disconnect the short cord from headset jack to begin conversation.
4. Press **RESET** on the CA-CX to reset.
5. If you did not answer, the flasher light will remain on to indicate that you have missed a call.

## **OPERATION** (CONT.):

### **Landline Call Alerts:**

1. Plug your home phone cord into the phone jack on the back of the CA-CX.
2. When your landline rings, the CA-CX will ring and the top two lights will flash.
3. The ringer and flasher will stop when the call is answered, disconnected or forwarded to a voicemail or answered by an answering machine.
4. The missed call indicator light does not display for a landline call.

### **WEA\* Alerts:** (Wireless Emergency Alerts)

Cell phone service providers may broadcast government emergency alerts to mobile devices such as cell phones. Check with your cellphone service provider to confirm if they provide WEA alerts.

1. When a WEA alert is detected, the CA-CX will emit a unique ring and flash pattern.  
(Your cell phone service provider must provide WEA alerts.)
2. Press **RESET** on the CA-CX to reset.

## OPERATION (CONT.):

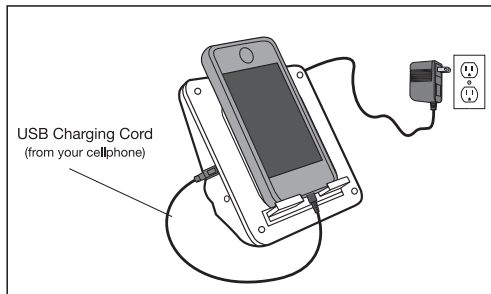
### “Missed Call” Indicator Light For Cell-Phone And SMS Messages:

Your CA-CX is preset with the “Missed Call” Indicator light function activated. When the “Missed Call” function is active, the flasher will stay lit to alert you to a detected cell phone call or SMS message.

1. To deactivate this function, hold down the **RESET** button and **TEST** button together for three seconds. The CA-CX will emit three short beeps to confirm cancellation.
2. To reactivate this function, repeat Step 1. A single beep will confirm the reactivation.

### Charging Your Cell Phone Using The Built-In USB Port

1. To conveniently charge your cell phone, connect your cell phone charging cord to the USB charging port on the CA-CX as shown. (AC adapter must be plugged in)



## **TROUBLESHOOTING:**

### **SMS messages from my cell phone did not activate the CA-CX.**

1. Confirm that your cellphone outputs a text tone on the headset jack.
2. Select the cell phone – SMS notification mode that utilizes a reasonably loud volume and long duration text tone.
3. Make sure the short cable is connected from the SMS Detect Port to your Cell Phone's headset jack.
4. For best result on iPhone® and Android® customize a long text vibration pattern.

### **CA-CX does not flash on a call**

1. Make sure cell phone is centered on CA-CX holder
2. Select a long vibration pattern

## **CLEANING:**

1. Use only a soft, dry cloth to clean this unit. Do not use any solvents, chemicals or cleaning solutions containing alcohol, ammonia or abrasives on this unit.

## SPECIFICATIONS:

(final product may vary)

- Land Line Phone Ringing Signal: >40 vrms, 20 – 65 Hz
- USB Charge Port Output: 5VDC 650mA max (used with AC adapter only)
- Bed Shaker Output: 9VDC 300 mA max
- Input Voltage: 9VDC 1000 mA
- Dimensions: Approx. 116 mm x 85 mm x 90 mm H (W x D x H)
- Weight: Approx. 225 gm (0.5 lb. without batteries)
- Battery Backup: 4 x AA alkaline (not included)
- Battery Life: Up to 10 months (with typical usage)
- Operating Temperature: +10 to +40 C

## WARRANTY SERVICE INFORMATION:

Your **CA-CX** comes with one-year limited warranty. We warrant during this warranty period – from the date of purchase to the original consumer – the **CA-CX** is free from defects in materials and workmanship under intended home use. In the event that **CA-CX** fails to function properly within one year of the original purchase, due to defects in materials or workmanship, return the unit (freight prepaid) with proof of purchase (sales receipt or packing slip, no exceptions) to Serene Innovations. Serene Innovations will either repair or replace the unit (with a refurbished unit or a unit of equal condition) and return it to you (using UPS/USPS ground shipping) at no cost to you, if the unit is returned within 30 days of purchase. If the unit is returned after 30 days of purchase, but within the warranty period, there will be a warranty handling charge of US \$9.95 for each return.

**Incidental or Consequential Damages:** Neither Serene Innovations, Inc., nor the retailer, dealer, or selling distributor has any responsibility for any incidental or consequential damages, including, without limitation, commercial loss of profit, or for any incidental expense, loss of time, or inconvenience. Some states do not allow exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damage, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

This warranty does not apply to any product that has been accidentally damaged, abused, misused or neglected, used on electrical frequency or voltage other than

## **WARRANTY SERVICE INFORMATION (CONT.):**

marked on product and/or described in manual. Defects or errors caused by unauthorized alterations, repairs, and/or tampering are also not covered by this warranty.

This Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other legal rights that vary from state to state.

If a defect covered by this warranty should occur, promptly contact a Customer Care Representative by phone, or log onto [www.sereneinnovations.com](http://www.sereneinnovations.com) to obtain a Return Authorization Number (RAN) and shipping instructions before shipping the product to us. Any shipment without a RAN will not be accepted and will be returned to you at your expense. Any authorized returned product must be accompanied by a proof of purchase and a brief explanation of the problem.

For out-of-warranty repair and service, please contact our Customer Care Department for instructions.



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