

Tascam Portacapture X6 Firmware Update



Only a few months after the release of the Tascam Portacapture X6, the company is already providing a firmware update for the 32-bit float audio recorder. The update brings a number of operational enhancements, including the ability to conveniently store custom setups. Users can now save three device settings and three recording app settings, allowing quick access to configurations for different recording projects. These settings can be easily recalled with a single tap from the Launcher screen. Users can also store up to three presets for input parameters such as low-cut filter, compressor, limiter, auto gain control, noise gate and other effects functions. These input presets can be easily loaded into any recording app.

One of the most significant additions in the firmware update is support for 32-bit float point resolution when using the recorder as a USB interface. This feature preserves audio resolution even after level adjustments when recording directly into a DAW. The result is a wider dynamic range, higher resolution and improved audio quality for better overall recording quality. Windows users should ensure they install the latest Portacapture X6 ASIO driver (v1.30) for optimum performance.

The update also introduces wireless timecode synchronisation with compatible Atomos products to simplify the post-production process for video recordings (requires the optional Tascam AK-BT1 Bluetooth adapter).

While USB Mix Minus is now available to eliminate echoes in audio from remote participants when recording podcasts, users can also select the sound pads and USB as input signals to monitor and record sound effects and audio from conferencing software such as Skype, Zoom and Teams.

The product's remote control app, Portacapture Control, has also been updated. As a result, the app can maintain communication in the background even when the smartphone or tablet computer enters energy-saving mode, ensuring uninterrupted connection with the Portacapture X6.

A new firmware updater for Windows and macOS simplifies the update process. When connected to the recorder via USB, the software searches the Tascam web server for any new Portacapture X6 firmware and automatically updates the unit with just a few clicks.

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