

TOTEM 



 KINPlay SOUND  
BAR

OWNERS MANUAL

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



**WARNING / ADVERTISSMENT**  
 RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK. DO NOT OPEN  
 RISQUE DE CHOC ÉLECTRIQUE. NE PAS OUVRIR.

	<p>The lightning flash with arrowhead symbol, within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated dangerous voltage within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to persons.</p>
	<p>The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.</p>

1. Read these instructions.
2. Keep these instructions.
3. Heed all warnings.
4. Follow all instructions.
5. Do not use this apparatus near water.
6. Clean only with dry cloth.
7. Do not block any ventilation openings. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
8. Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
9. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug. A polarized plug has two blades with one wider than the other. The wide bladed is provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet.
10. Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.
11. Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
12. Unplug this apparatus during lightning storms or when unused for long periods of time.
13. The equipment shall be used at maximum 40 degree C ambient temperature.
14. Do not open the equipment to reduce the risk of electrical shock. For safety reasons it is only allowed to be opened by qualified service personnel.
15. **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture. And the apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing and that no objects filled with liquids, such as vases, shall be placed on the apparatus.
16. The MAINS plug or appliance inlet is used as the disconnect device and shall remain readily operable.
17. The product shall be used on open bench.
18. No naked flame sources, such as lighted candles, should be placed on the apparatus.
19. The use of apparatus in tropical climates. -
20. Minimum 10cm distances around the apparatus for sufficient ventilation
21. The ventilation should not be impeded by covering the ventilation openings with items, such as newspapers, tablecloths, curtains, etc.

### 22. BATTERY WARNING



**Do not ingest the battery, Chemical burn hazard**

(The remote control supplied with) This product contains a coin/button cell battery. If the coin/button cell battery is swallowed, it can cause severe internal burns in just 2 hours and can lead to death. Keep new and used batteries away from children. If the battery compartment does not close securely, stop using the product and keep it away from children. If you think batteries might have been swallowed or placed inside any part of the body, seek immediate medical attention.

## FCC Warnings

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator & your body.

## IC WARNING

This radio transmitter has been approved by Industry Canada.

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian standard ICES-003. This device complies with Industry Canada License exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions.

This device may not cause interference and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

This equipment complies with ISED radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator & your body.

## Industrie Canada (IC)

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence.

L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2)

l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement. AVIS

## RELATIFS A L'EXPOSITION RF

Cet équipement est conforme aux limites d'exposition au rayonnement ISED établies pour un environnement non-contrôle. Cet équipement doit être installé et utilisé à une distance minimale de 20 cm entre le radiateur et votre corps.

## CAUTION

To prevent electrical shock do not use the electrical plug of your Totem Subwoofer with an extension cord, receptacle, or other outlet unless the blades can be fully inserted to prevent exposure. To protect against the risk of electrical shock do not use near bathtubs, sinks, swimming pools, saunas, in wet basements, near other water sources, or rain. If service is required, please refer to your Totem Authorized Dealer.

# Discover yours.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We sincerely thank you for having granted Totem's KIN Play Sound Bar the special place in your living environment. These speakers are designed to redefine your musical understanding and open corridors of new experiences. We hope you not only enjoy but experience Totem as your guide to a new and rewarding listening environment! You will without a doubt experience a Totem moment.

## OUR VISION

Created in 1987, Totem's mission is to develop loudspeakers capable of producing an involving performance that is true to the artist's intention. Our goal is to provide designs that are affordable, cosmetically timeless, and invoke an emotional response. Music, movies, TV, and video games are accurately rendered with a powerful focus that is yet soul stirring. Discover yours today.

Each speaker is a 'piece de resistance' that attests to the profound sound staging that can be reproduced by adaptable and innovative engineering. Listen and believe...



## DISCOVERING THE KIN PLAY SOUND BAR

Designed by Totem Acoustic in Montreal, Canada, the KIN Play Sound Bar was created to provide a simple yet remarkable audio solution. Integrated amplification relieves the need to be tethered to a separate amplifier. Bluetooth technology allows high resolution, wireless streaming from your favorite device. A wide selection of inputs allows the connection of all your other sources, from your gaming system to your satellite box, and everything in between. You have discovered KIN Play Sound Bar, and all the acoustic pleasure it provides.

Totem Acoustic keeps to a strict quality control regimen and all factory-sealed products leave our facility in perfect condition. If there are any damages visible or concealed that has occurred in handling it must be reported immediately to your Authorized Totem Dealer. Carefully remove the speakers from the box and save all interior and exterior packaging for future use.

## TOTEM DESIGN CHARACTERISTICS

Acoustic and aesthetic objectives of all Totem projects include:

- **Enormous sound and powerful bass from a smaller cabinet that can be conveniently integrated into any room.** These are often considered mutually exclusive characteristics.
- **Meticulously crafted for peak performance that lasts decades.** Designed obsolescence is rampant in consumer electronics, we favour longevity.
- **Aesthetics must be timeless and not trendy.** Totem speakers never goes out of style.

All Totem speakers are developed with these 4 design characteristics:

**1-Proprietary scientific formulas** are the foundation for the essence of Totem, eschewing outdated design guidelines and parameters.

**2-Customized drivers**, each quite unique and either manufactured by us or built to our exacting specs.

**3-Meticulously designed crossovers** composed of the most exotic components and painstakingly assembled.

**4-Artisinal cabinet construction**, designed to maintain peak performance for decades.

The 4 design characteristics produce the following 3 sonic signatures:

1- **Holographic imaging** for a three-dimensional, expansive soundstage.

2- **Bass impact** that is forceful and logic defying, considering the conveniently sized enclosure.

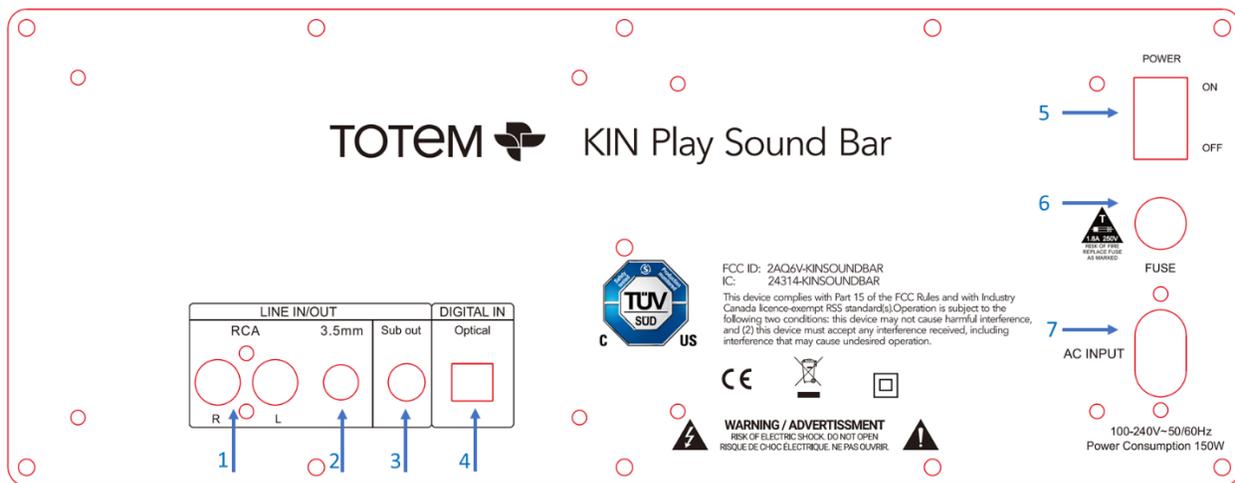
3- **Most importantly, the linear phase response** for uncanny, almost magical realism.

## ACCESSORIES INCLUDED

- Remote
- Power Cord
- 6 Adhesive backed feet
- 2 Wall brackets
- Wall mounting template
- 4 adhesive backed rubber bumpers for wall mounting
- Magnetic grill



## AMP PANEL CONTROLS AND CONNECTIONS



### 1. Aux 1, Stereo RCA Inputs

The stereo analog input can connect to the analog output of your TV, cable box, satellite, game, turntable, or whatever device you'd like to connect.

### 2. Aux 2, Mini jack Input

This 3.5mm input can be used with many portable devices and computers.

### 3. Sub Output

This allows you to connect a powered subwoofer to enhance the bass impact. The KIN SUB 10 can be added wirelessly, see the WIRELESS SUBWOOFER PAIRING SECTION.

### 4. Aux 3, Optical Input

The digital Optical input, sometimes referred to as Toslink or SPDIF, allows the use of an optical wire from your TV, cable box, satellite, game, or whatever source you'd like to connect.

### 5. Main Power

This will turn the AMP on and off. Make sure to make all your connections before turning on the AMP. You only need to turn this switch on once, it will then go into standby mode when it is not in use.

### 6. Fuse Compartment

This provides access to the fuse, if it needs to be replaced. Be sure to follow the guidelines and replace it only with a fuse of the exact same specifications

### 7. AC Input

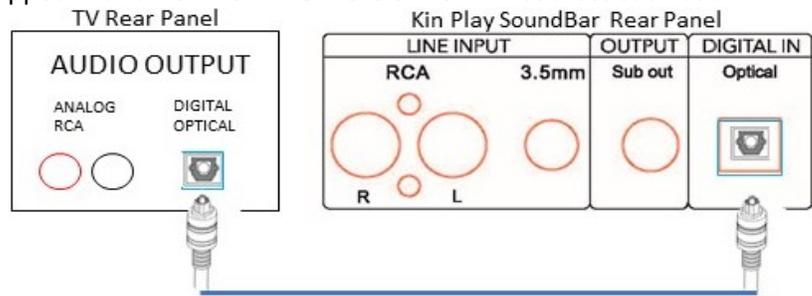
The supplied power cord connects here, plug the other side into a wall receptacle or power bar.

## CONNECTIONS AND SETUP

**ENSURE ALL COMPONENTS ARE OFF BEFORE MAKING ANY CONNECTIONS**

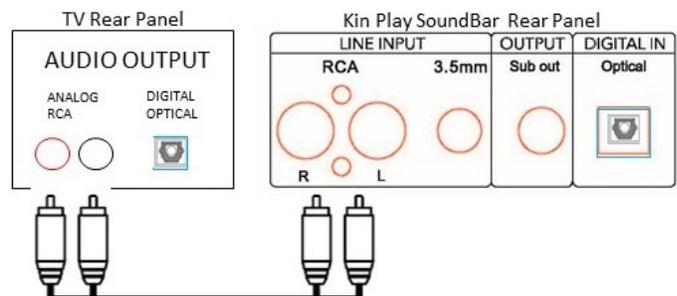
### Recommended Option: OPTICAL AUDIO OUTPUT from TV to KIN Play Soundbar

This is the **best setup option** for TVs equipped with an **OPTICAL AUDIO OUTPUT**. All sources such as a cable box, DVD/Blu-Ray, media streamer, etc. are connected directly to the TV. **The OPTICAL AUDIO OUTPUT from the TV is then connected to the OPTICAL INPUT on the KIN Play Sound Bar.**



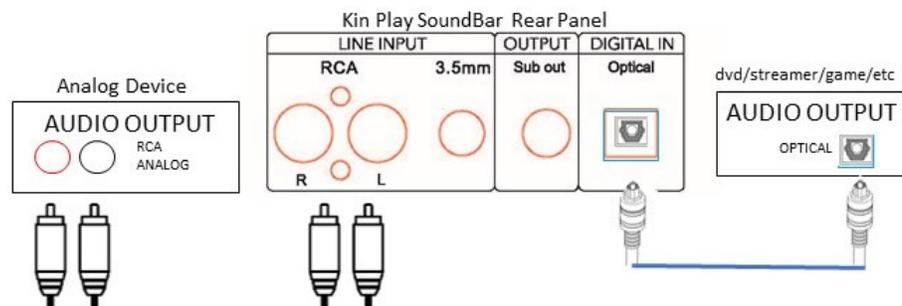
### 2<sup>nd</sup> choice: Analog Audio Output from TV to Soundbar

All sources such as a cable box, DVD/Blu-Ray, media streamer, etc. are connected directly to the TV. **Connect the KIN Soundbar's RCA (analog) input to the TV's stereo RCA analog output.** If the TV has two sets of audio outputs labeled as Fixed and Variable, select Fixed. This will let you turn your TV's speakers down or off while the TV still supplies a constant audio signal to the Soundbar.



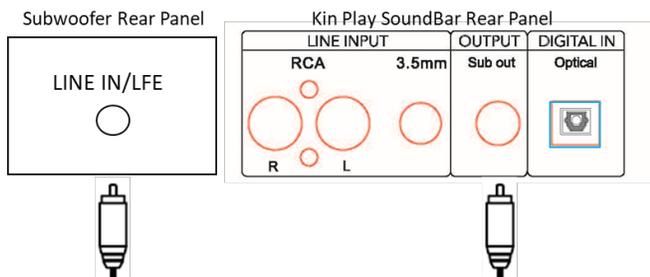
### 3<sup>rd</sup>: All sources connected directly to Sound Bar

All sources (Blu-ray, Satellite, etc.) can be connected directly to the Soundbar. Using this method, you will need to **select the proper video input on your TV to match sound.** If you are not getting any sound, you might have to **set your source to PCM output in their audio menus.**

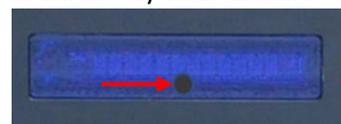


## CONNECTING A SUBWOOFER

**WIRED OPTION:** Connect an RCA cable from the SUB OUT on the KIN Play Sound Bar to the LINE IN on the subwoofer. If the subwoofer has left and right inputs you can connect to either. If one is designated as an LFE, select that input.



**WIRELESS OPTION:** The KIN Sub 10 and Tribe Solution Sub can both be paired wirelessly with the KIN Soundbar. Ensure the KIN Play Sound Bar and subwoofer are both on before starting the pairing procedure. The KIN Play Sound Bar's pairing button is located centered at the bottom of its front display. The pairing buttons for both subwoofers is located on their back panels.

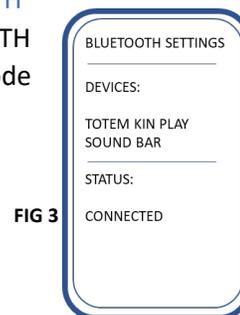


**KIN SUB 10 pairing procedure:** Push the pairing button on the KIN Play Sound Bar. Within 10 seconds, push the pairing button on the KIN SUB 10. The **blue LED** on the back panel of the sub will **flash quickly** as it enters pairing mode and will stay a **solid blue** when pairing is successful.

**Tribe Solution Sub pairing procedure:** Set the subwoofer's POWER MODE is set to WL (Wireless). Push the pairing button on the KIN Play Sound Bar. Within 10 seconds, push the pairing button on the sub. The **green LED** on the back panel of the sub will flash quickly as it enters pairing mode and will stay a **solid green** when pairing is successful.

## BLUETOOTH PAIRING

Turn on the KIN Play Sound Bar and select the **BLUETOOTH** Input designated with the **BLUETOOTH** logo  on the remote or scroll through the inputs on the top control panel. **BLUETOOTH** will appear in the display (see FIG 1). Push **Pair** on the remote or the **BLUETOOTH** button on the control panel. **PAIRING** will appear briefly to indicate pairing mode (see FIG 2).



**BLUETOOTH** will reappear in the display, as in FIG 1, but will now be blinking.

Turn on your **BLUETOOTH** device, go to the **BLUETOOTH** settings, and let it find "Totem KIN Play Sound Bar" in your list of devices. Select the **KIN Play Sound Bar** option and wait for your device to say **CONNECTED**. (see FIG 3)

**BLUETOOTH** (FIG 1) will stop blinking and stay solid, indicating the pairing has been successful. You are ready to enjoy music wirelessly streamed via **BLUETOOTH**.

## REMOTE

Remove the transparent tab located at the bottom of the remote to activate the battery. Functions are listed below. **The remote can be easily controlled by LG and Hisense TV (those that comply with the NEC coding format) remotes. HEX codes are available for home automation systems.**

1. Power/Standby
2. Previous Track (Bluetooth operation only)
3. Play/Pause (Bluetooth operation only)
4. Bluetooth Input Select
5. Bluetooth Pairing
6. Aux 1 : RCA Input Select
7. Aux 2: Mini Jack Input Select
8. Raise and lower bass
9. Raise and lower treble
10. Mute
11. Next Track (Bluetooth operation only)
12. Optical Input Select
13. EQ: Change the EQ setting with each touch
14. Raise and lower volume



## TOP CONTROL PANEL



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|--|---|
| 1. Power: Toggles between On and Standby | 2. Input Select: Change between connected sources |
| 3. Volume Down                           | 4. Volume Up                                      |
| 5. Bluetooth Pairing                     | 6. EQ: Change between EQ settings                 |

## REMOTE LEARNING

Volume Up, Volume Down, Input Select and Power features on the Sound Bar can all be programmed to work with **LG and Hisense (those that comply with the NEC coding format)** remotes.

Press and hold the Input Select button on the Sound Bar's top mounted control panel until "Remote Learning" appears in the display. The Sound bar is now ready for controls to be learned from your TV remote.



REMOTE LEARNING

Touch the Volume + button on the Sound Bar. The display will read "Volume Add Key". Push and hold the corresponding button on your



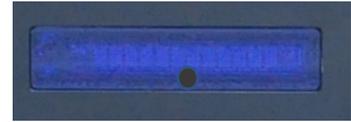
VOLUME ADD KEY

**TV remote** until the Sound Bar display reads "Success". Repeat the procedure for the Volume Down, Input Select and Power functions.

SUCCESS

## DISPLAY

KIN Play Sound Bar is equipped with a display that indicates power status, input, volume setting, tone control, pairing, and EQ effect. The display disappears approximately 15 seconds after the last function is engaged. The display also has the subwoofer pairing button integrated into it at the bottom center. See Subwoofer pairing instructions to use this feature.



## EQ SETTINGS

**Pure:** Natural, unequalized sound with a wide and smooth response. This is the sound the artist and Totem intended it to be and can be considered the factory default setting.

**Concert:** Flat response with slightly elevated top end and bottom end that creates a live atmosphere.

**Movies:** Slightly more dynamic peaks than concert to enhance the theater experience.

**TV:** Enhances a wide portion of the midrange to add clarity to voices.

**Night:** Provides dynamic range and intelligibility at minimal output levels, perfect for moments of listening at low volume.

**Games:** Highs and bass are generously boosted for an improved gaming experience.

## TABLETOP PLACEMENT

Attach the six adhesive backed feet to the bottom corners and center of the cabinet. This will help isolate the KIN Play Soundbar from the surface to eliminate distortion causing resonance. Position it 6" or more from the rear wall for optimal performance.



## WALL MOUNTING

Use THE provided template to accurately determine the proper location for the 2 wall bracket pieces. The KIN Sound Bar is far more substantial than most sound bars so be sure to use suitably robust hardware to secure it. **Install the 4 included rubber bumpers on the back at the corners to add stability, hold it straight, and prevent transferring resonance to the wall.** KIN Play Sound Bar is also equipped inserts spaced at 600mm as per VESA standards.



## STANDBY AND AUTO ON

When no audio input has been detected for 20 minutes, the KIN Play Sound Bar will go into Standby mode. If the same audio signal that was playing when it entered standby mode returns, it will wake. KIN Play Sound Bar can also be "woken" by pressing the standby button on the remote or control panel.

## SPECIFICATIONS

**Description:** Active Soundbar

**Frequency Response:** 60 Hz – 22 kHz  $\pm$  3 dB

**Woofers:** 4 x 4" Natural Hybrid

**Tweeters:** 2 x 1" Metal Alloy

**Power:** 150w total (75x2)

**Analog Inputs:** Stereo RCA, mini jack

**Digital Inputs:** Optical, Bluetooth 5.0

**Bluetooth Sampling Rate:** 8kHz, 11.025 kHz, 12 kHz, 16 kHz, 22.05 kHz, 24kHz, 32kHz, 44.1 kHz, 48kHz

**Optical In Sampling Rate:** 192kHz/24bit

**Decoding:** MP2/3, WMA, FLAC(8/16/24bit), AAC/MP4/M4A, WAV(IMA-ADPCM and raw PCM), AIF, AIFC

**Outputs:** Subwoofer output 20-220Hz @  $\pm$ 3dB

**Dimensions (HxWxD):** 152 x 1200 x115mm / 5.98 x 47.24 x 4.52"

**Weight:** 38 lb / 17.23kg

**Accessories:** Wall bracket, template, adhesive feet, remote, power cord

## TROUBLESHOOTING

### No Sound

- Check to see if the MUTE setting has been engaged. If a connected source has its own volume, verify it is on and raised to an audible level.
- Make sure the correct source has been selected.
- Verify that the system is powered up and properly connected.
- Sources must be set to stereo or PCM, not a surround effect like Dolby or DTS.

### No Power/No light in the LED:

- Verify the main power switch on the amp has been turned on.
- Verify that the wall AC outlet is functional.
- Check to see the power cord is securely connected.

### Cannot connect to Bluetooth

- Ensure the Bluetooth input has been selected.
- Confirm the sound bar is in pairing mode, signified by Bluetooth blinking in the display
- On the Bluetooth device, turn the Bluetooth function on and off.
- If the device doesn't find the speakers in pairing mode, turn the sound bar off and on again.

### Remote Control Issues

- Confirm the transparent film separating the battery from the connections has been removed.
- Be sure that you are within range (approximately 30ft). Aim the remote at the active speaker.
- Replace the battery.

### Low Output

- Some sources can play louder than others, verify if all sources have the same output.
- Many sources, like phones or tablets, have their own volume controls. Ensure their volumes are set to higher levels.

### Distortion, Poor Quality

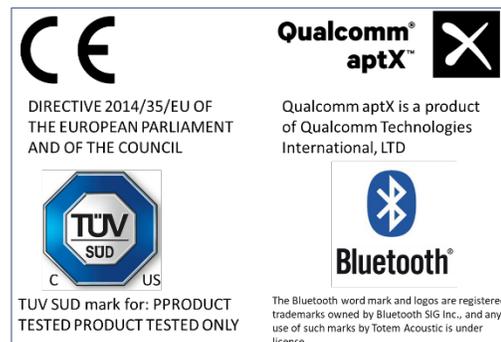
- Bass and treble setting might be misadjusted, reset them to zero.
- Sources must be set to stereo or PCM, not a surround effect like Dolby or DTS.

### No Subwoofer Output

- Verify that the wire is securely connected. If it is connected wirelessly, repeat the pairing.
- Make sure that the proper input is being used on the subwoofer.
- If the subwoofer is on and properly connected, increase its volume.

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This appliance is labeled in accordance with European Directive 2002/96/ EC concerning waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). This label indicates that this product should not be disposed of with household waste. It should be deposited at an appropriate facility to enable recovery and recycling.



## TOTEM LIMITED WARRANTY

Retain the sturdy carton and all packing material; all warranty repairs are required to be shipped in their original packaging. This ensures no damage during transportation. Keep your original bill or receipt obtained from your Totem Authorized Dealer. We very much would appreciate if you took the time to register your product online. Product registration leads to quicker assistance and more efficient support in the rare case that your speaker should have a problem. This can be done quickly and easily in the support section of our site:

<https://totemacoustic.com/register-your-product/>

All Totem products are created with the utmost care and quality in mind. If ever a problem should arise, Totem's speakers are covered by a **two (2) year limited warranty on the amplifier and 5 years on the drivers**, starting from the date of purchase. The Totem limited warranty applies to products in normal home use only. The warranty is void if serial numbers have been altered or removed. The warranty is void if products show signs of abuse or tampering.

Totem KIN Play Sound Bar require 75-100 hours of actual music playing time as a minimal break-in period. During this time, refrain from playing them at very loud levels. You will notice a definite gradual improvement in the cohesiveness of the music reproduction as this occurs. We reserve the right to any future change or modification without notice. For further assistance, contact your TOTEM AUTHORIZED DEALER or visit the Warranty section of the Totem website at <https://totemacoustic.com/warranty/>

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