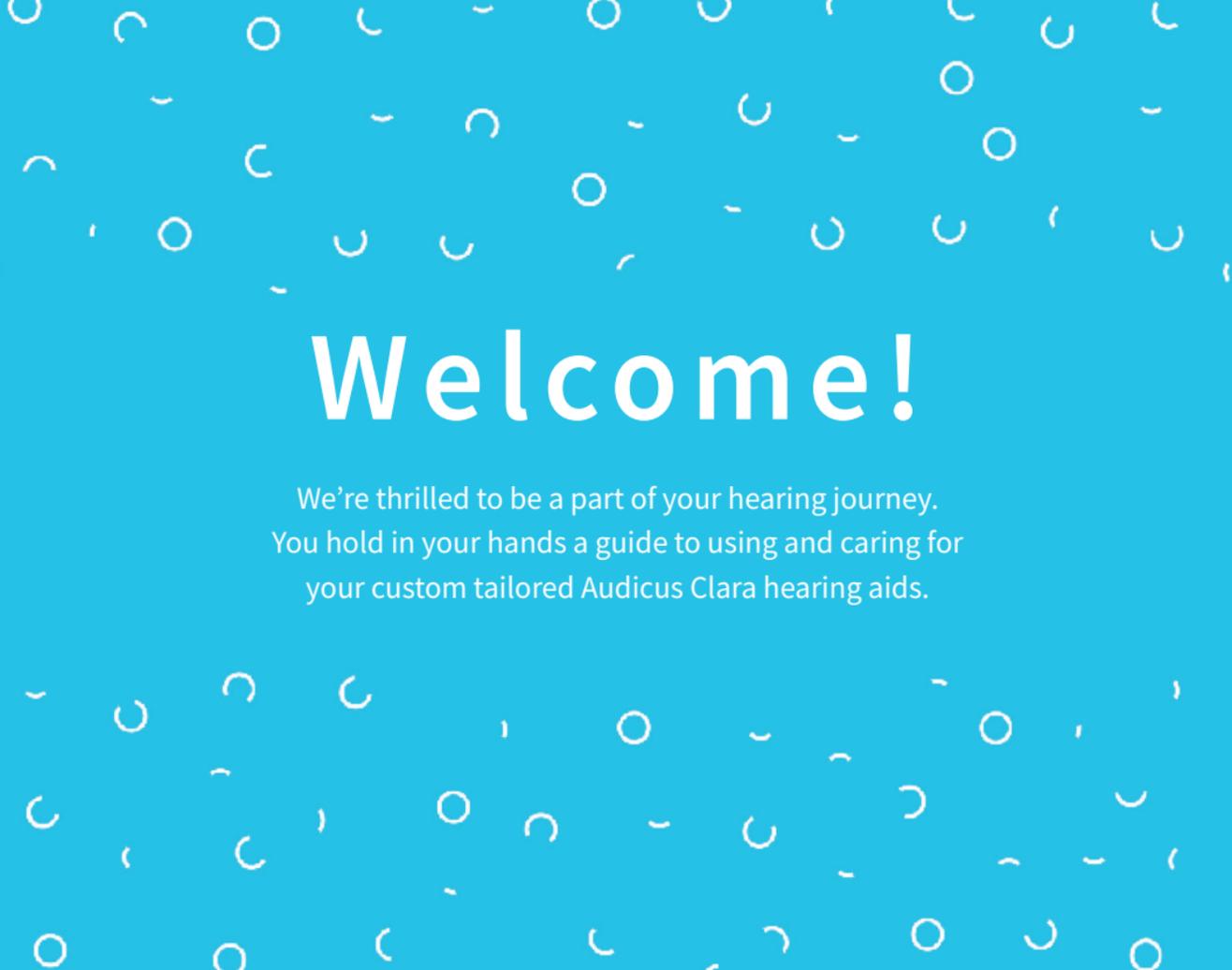


# AUDICUS

Instruction Manual

The Audicus Clara



# Welcome!

We're thrilled to be a part of your hearing journey.  
You hold in your hands a guide to using and caring for  
your custom tailored Audicus Clara hearing aids.

The Audicus Clara delivers powerful, seamless sound processing and speech focus that filters out background noise in a sleek design. Programmed with care by our audiology team to your unique hearing needs.

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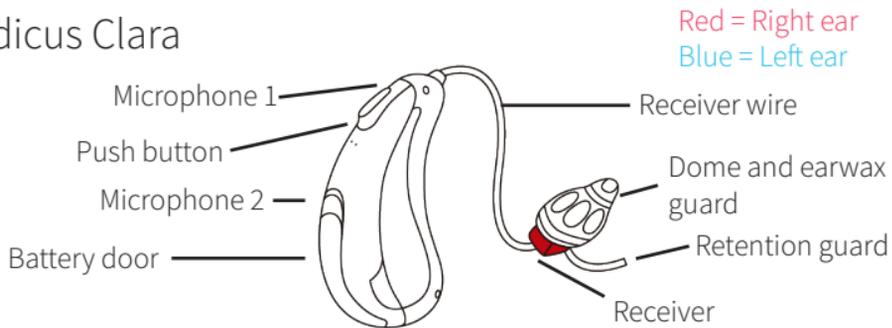
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# Getting started

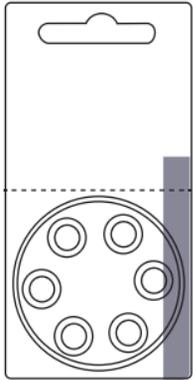
# What's inside?

## The Audicus Clara

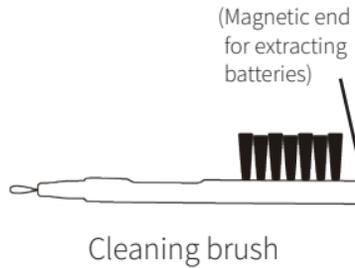


Component	Function
Microphones	Picks up sound for the system to process
Receiver	Amplifies the outgoing sound
Push button	Changes volume
Receiver wire	Connects the receiver to the system
Dome	Holds receiver in place and guides sound into ear
Earwax guard	Catches earwax to keep receiver clean
Retention guard	Stabilizes hearing aid while in the ear

# What's inside?

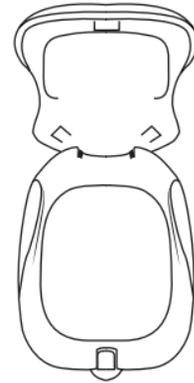


Size 312  
batteries



\*Number of domes will vary  
depending on your hearing loss

Rubber domes



Classic storage case



Retention guard



Earwax guard and replacement tool

# Adjusting to your hearing aid

## Fit experience in the first 2 weeks

The first 2 weeks of owning your hearing aid are crucial for getting accustomed to the fit of your device. Here's how to tailor the fit of your device for comfortable use.

### 1. Find the right size dome for your ears

- Your device comes pre-fitted with a size **medium** dome. Also provided is a variety of domes to help you find the best fit.
- The dome should fit snugly in your ear canal. If too loose, it can create a whooshing or whistling sound. This can be solved by using a different dome size.

### 2. Decide if the retention guard helps with fit

- The retention guard curls down, towards the back and into the outer bowl of your ear to keep the hearing aid in place. It's designed to provide extra stability, but many customers don't find it necessary.

For questions on adjusting/removing this piece, **call Audicus at 844-616-7284.**

### 3. Adjusting to the comfort levels

- Some discomfort is normal in the first 1-2 weeks. Call Audicus anytime for guidance and tips for adjusting comfortably to your hearing aid.

# Adjusting to your hearing aid

## Sound experience in the first 6 weeks

The first 6 weeks of owning your hearing aid are when you'll get accustomed to your new hearing experience.

### 1. Adjusting to renewed hearing

- Adjusting to your hearing aids may take up to 4-6 weeks. You may hear sounds you haven't heard in years; initially sounds may be uncomfortably loud, tinny, or hollow.
- The best way to acclimate to your hearing aids is to wear them regularly until the sound quality is comfortable and you have adjusted to the new sounds you've been missing out on.

### 2. Reprogramming

- Audicus offers free adjustments for the life of the hearing aid. Most people don't require an adjustment, but it can help the sound clarity or amplification of the device. Give us a call if you feel your hearing aid needs an adjustment.

# Batteries

## Battery use

When not in use, open the battery compartment to preserve battery power. Please remove battery completely if the hearing aid will not be used for an extended period of time as it may leak and damage the device.

## Low battery warning

When your battery runs low, the hearing aid will emit continuous beeps.

## Battery compartment

The battery compartment is at the back of the hearing aid. Gently pull the tab on the battery door until it opens.



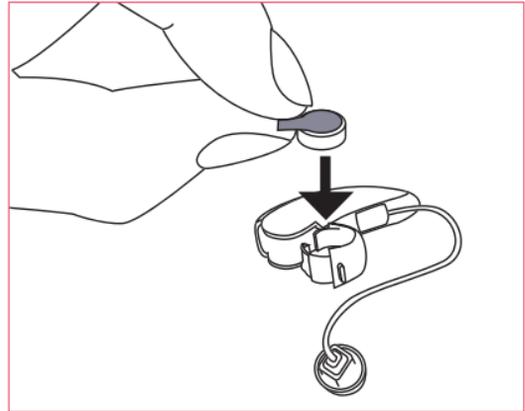
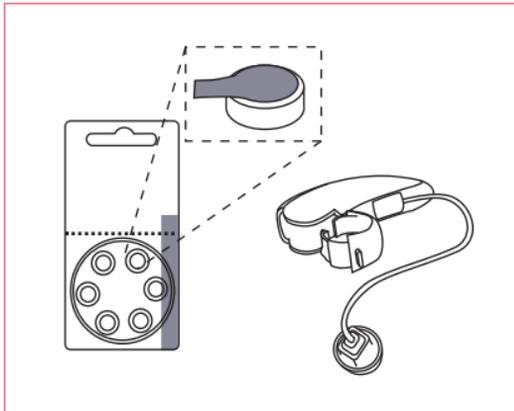
Opening and closing the battery door does not require excessive force.



# Batteries

## Inserting the battery

1. The Audicus Clara uses size 312 batteries. Place the battery into battery compartment, with the sticker facing up. Please wait 2-3 minutes for the battery to begin working after the sticker is removed.

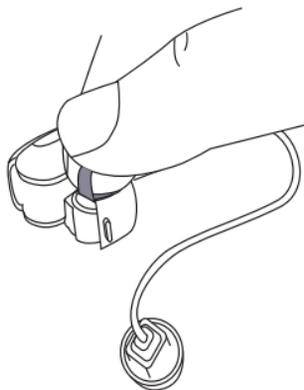
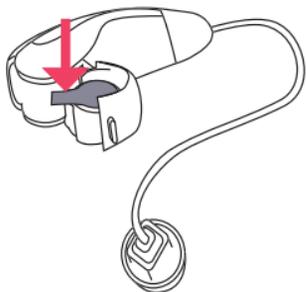


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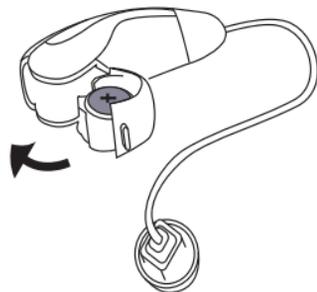
## Inserting the battery

2. Take off the sticker from the new battery. This activates the battery. Please wait as long as 2-3 minutes for battery to develop full output.
3. Close the battery compartment completely. Your hearing aid is now on.

Peel off the sticker



Wait 2-3 minutes





## Important info on battery safety

Batteries contain harmful substances that pollute the environment.

- Do not dispose of batteries in household trash.
- Dispose of batteries according to federal and local regulations.
- Never attempt to recharge batteries that are not rechargeable as this could result in an explosion.
- Keep batteries away from sources of high temperature.
- Keep batteries away from children and pets.
- Do not carry batteries loose in your pocket or purse.
- Do not place batteries in your mouth; if swallowed, consult a physician.

# Turning on & off

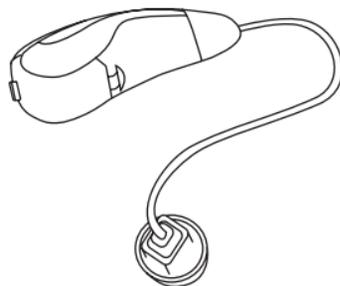
## Switching your hearing aid on and off

The Audicus Clara can be switched **on** or **off** through its battery compartment. When the battery door is closed, the hearing aid is **on**.

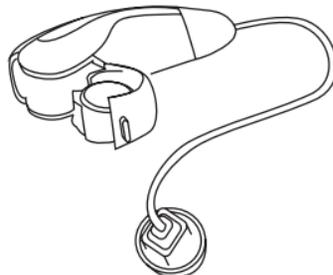
When the battery door is open, the hearing aid is **off**.

When the hearing aid is not in use, open the battery compartment in order to preserve battery power.

**ON**



**OFF**



# Wearing the Clara

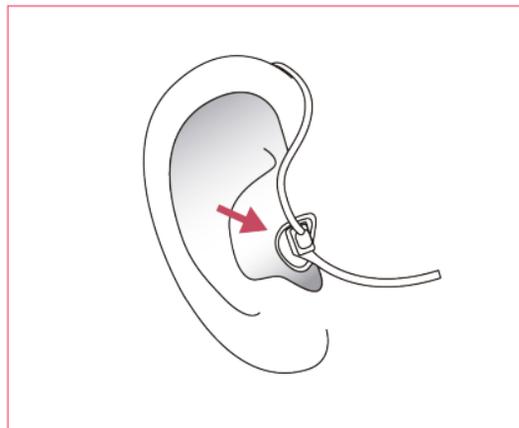
## Wearing your Clara in 3 steps

- 1. Place the hearing aid over the top of your ear,** so that the hard casing is behind your ear and the wire is in front.



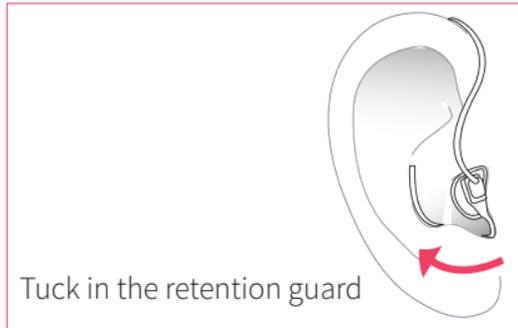
- 2. Push the dome into your ear** until it sits comfortably in the canal and the wire lies flat against the side of your head.

The dome should be snug inside the ear canal. You should not see it if placed correctly.



# Wearing the Clara

- 3. Place the retention guard into the bowl of your ear.** If the retention guard is too long, remove dome and pull it off/cut it.



**To remove your hearing aid** hold the wire and gently pull the dome out of your ear canal.

## Attaching retention guards

- 1.** Remove the dome from the receiver.
- 2.** Slide the retention guard over the receiver so that the tail faces away from the red or blue side of the receiver.
- 3.** Replace the dome on the receiver.

## Removing retention guards

- 1.** Remove the dome from the receiver.
- 2.** Hold onto the receiver with one hand, then slide the retention guard off of the receiver using your fingernail.
- 3.** Replace the dome on the receiver.

# Wearing the Clara

## Considerations

Handle your hearing aid with care when placing it in your ear. If it does not feel comfortable, do not attempt to alter the shape of the tube or casing. Always wear the hearing aid with the dome fully attached.

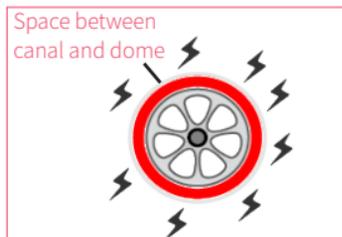
Do not use broken domes. If a dome becomes lodged in your ear, contact a medical professional for removal. If you feel physical discomfort or experience irritation, contact Audicus and/or a hearing professional.

### Sizing: must seal the canal ⚡= Whistling

1. Too much space between dome and canal

2. Space between dome and canal is reduced but still leaks out sound

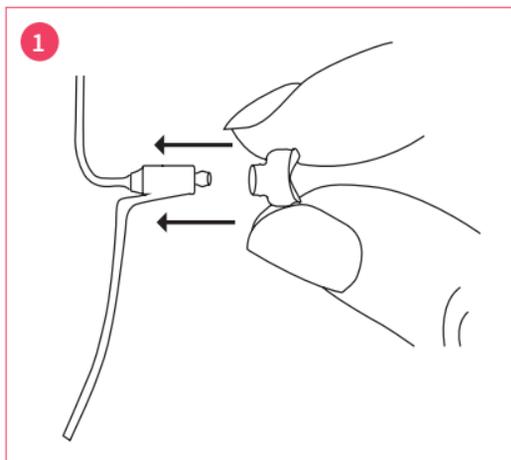
3. Dome fits properly and seals the canal



# Wearing the Clara

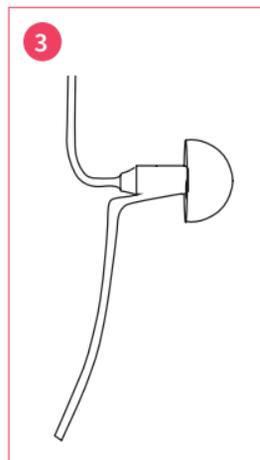
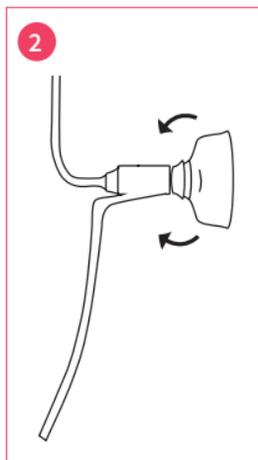
## To attach the dome

1. Place new dome over the receiver.
2. Press until the dome attaches onto the receiver.
3. Make sure that the ear dome is securely fastened. You should be able to tug it slightly without removing it.



## To remove the dome

1. Invert dome while still on the receiver.
2. Hold the receiver with one hand while gently pulling off dome with the other.
3. You now have access to the earwax guard and can change the dome size/style if needed.



# Adjusting the volume

The volume can be controlled with the button on your Clara, or with an optional remote. Every time the unit is turned **on/off** the volume will reset.

The volume can be controlled with the button on your Clara or a remote:

Configuration	Push button
Single Clara	Volume up: cycles through baseline (+1) to +5 louder, then resets
Pair of Clara's	Right button: volume up to +5 louder Left button: volume down to -5 softer
Remote	You can purchase an optional remote. See remote section of manual for details.

If you have a **single** Clara, the button will cycle from default volume (+1) to maximum volume (+5). After the maximum volume, the next press returns your Clara to the default volume.

If you have a **pair** of Clara's you can go up +5 in volume with the right button and down -5 with the left button. When you hit the highest or lowest volume, you'll hear a double tone.

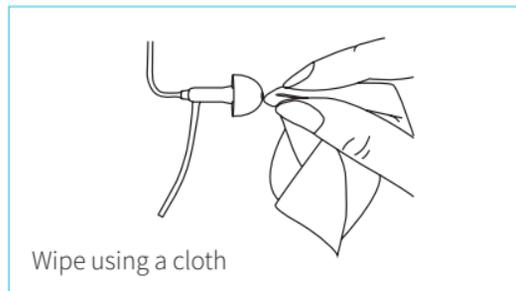
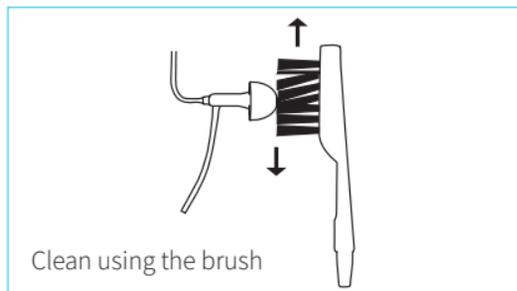
The background is a solid blue color. In the top-left corner, there are two overlapping white circles of different sizes. On the right edge, there is a partial view of a white circle.

Caring for your Clara



# Cleaning

Earwax build-up can cause diminished sound quality. We strongly recommend cleaning the device daily for the best sound clarity. **Domes should be replaced every 2-3 months due to regular wear and tear.**



Clean domes immediately after removing the hearing aids to prevent earwax from hardening. Remove earwax with a soft tissue. Keep the hearing aid dry and clean at all times. Do not submerge it in liquid. Do not use water, cleaning solution, or rubbing alcohol to clean the device. Hearing-aid-safe wipes are available for purchase at **Audicus.com**. Audicus also provides a Clean & Care service available at Audicus.com

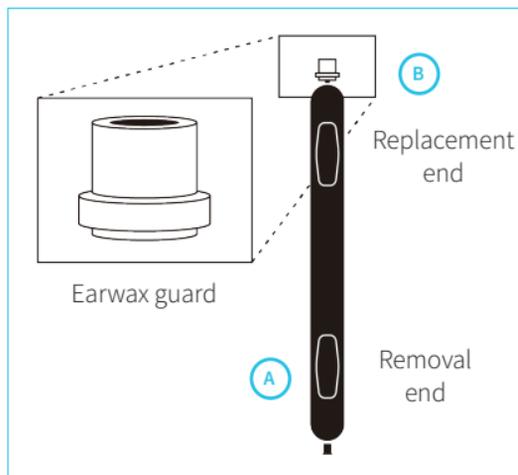
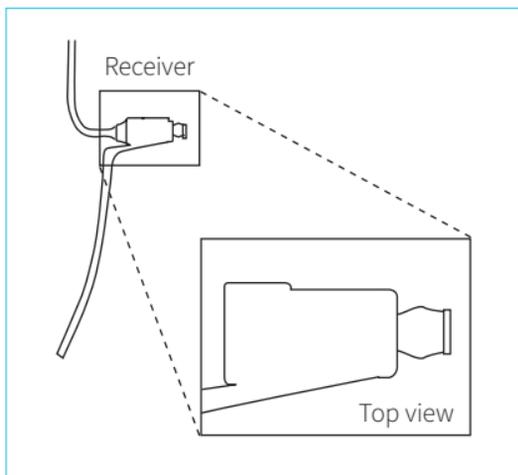
Never use domes worn by someone else or if dirty, torn, or disfigured.

# Replacing the earwax guards

Regularly clean the earwax guard with the included brush. Replace earwax guards every 2-3 months.

You will occasionally have to change the earwax guard when the hearing aid appears to be dead or weak.

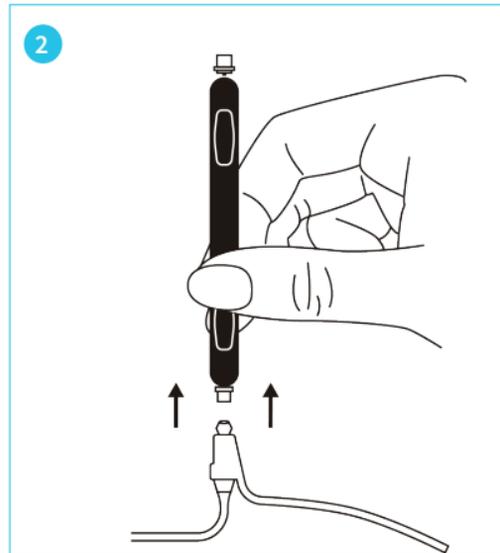
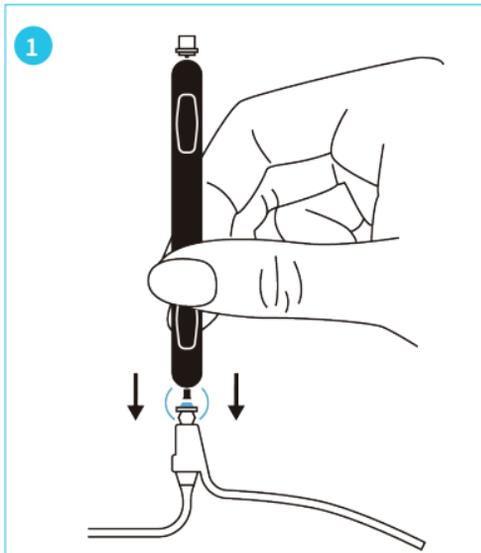
Identify the receiver and earwax guard replacement tool.



# Replacing the earwax guards

## To replace the earwax guard

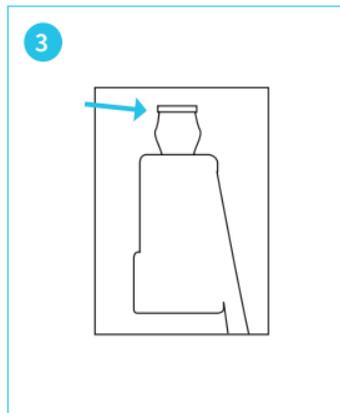
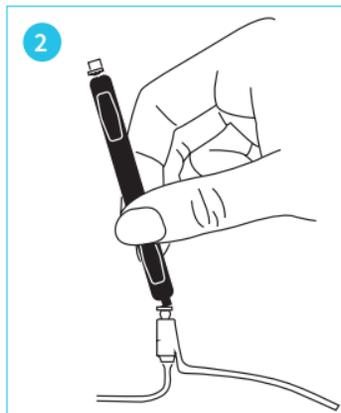
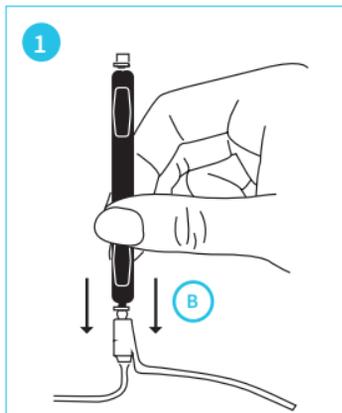
1. Insert the removal end of the tool into the used earwax guard.
2. Pull the earwax guard out.



# Replacing the earwax guards

## Inserting the new earwax guard

1. **Insert the new earwax guard on the replacement end** of the tool into the receiver.  
The tool may not fit if there is excessive wax buildup. Please replace every 2-3 months.
2. Once firmly inside the receiver, **tilt the tool** to leave the earwax guard inside the receiver.
3. Earwax guard should be **flush in the canal tip**.



# Maintenance & use

**If properly maintained**, your Audicus Clara hearing aid will operate for many years. Here are some tips to help maintain your device:

## Moisture

Moisture is one of the main causes of hearing aid failure. Protect your aid from moisture at all times.

Never wear your hearing aid in the shower, bath, sauna or while swimming.

Always keep the aid protected when out in the rain.

If the hearing aid becomes wet, remove the battery and ensure the aid is dry before using it again.

Never subject your hearing aid to hairspray, sunscreen, aftershave, perfume, gel, cream or other cosmetic/medical products.

In areas of high humidity, periodically remove the hearing aid and put it in a warm place to dry out.

We recommend regularly drying your hearing aids. You can purchase a sanitizing UV dry box from **Audicus.com**.

# Maintenance & use

## Temperature

Keep your hearing aid away from sources of high temperature.

Do not wear your hearing aid when using a hair dryer.

Do not leave your hearing aid exposed to direct sunlight for an extended period of time.

## Storage

Always remove the battery from the hearing aid when not in use for extended periods.

Always store your hearing aid in its case, in a clean and dry environment.

Keep your hearing aid away from children and pets.

The UV dry box can also be used for safe storage.

# Maintenance & use

## Other

Do not allow others to use your hearing aid.

Do not wear a hearing aid during an X-ray or MRI scan, when exposed to strong magnetic field, high frequency field, or shortwaves.

Electromagnetic field may impact the operation of a hearing aid.

Do not alter or attempt any repairs yourself on the hearing aid, as it will void the warranty.

Do not place your hearing aid in the microwave.

In some countries, restrictions on the use of wireless equipment may apply; consult local authorities for more information.



### **WARNING:**

Choking hazard—small parts.





Using a remote



# Classic remote overview

## Classic remote (add-on)

The Audicus Clara hearing aid can be controlled by a remote to enhance the way you use and experience your hearing aids.

Audicus offers 2 remotes as an **optional add-ons**:

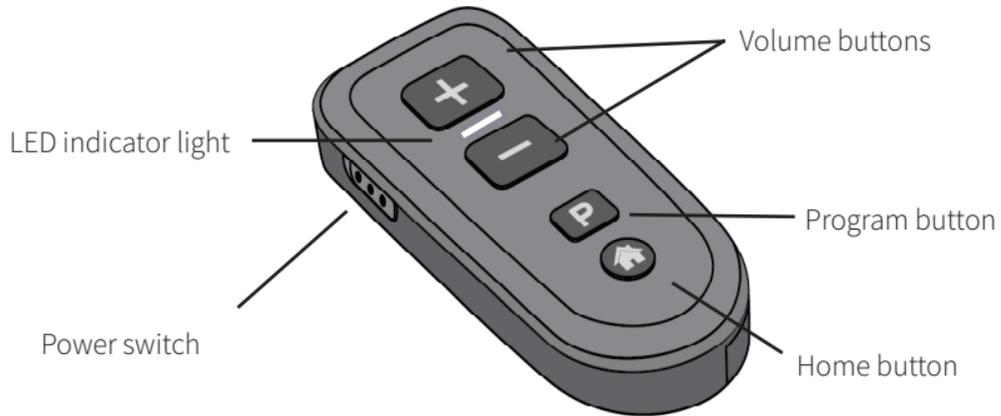
A classic volume and program remote or a more advanced Bluetooth remote.

Note: Bluetooth is only available for the Clara with enhanced clarity.



If you would like to purchase a classic or Bluetooth remote, please contact us at **844-616-7284** or **[contact@audicus.com](mailto:contact@audicus.com)**

# Classic remote overview



Feature	Function
Power switch	Turns remote on or off
Volume buttons	Increases or decreases volume
Program button	Cycle through programs upward
Home button	Default to program 1
LED indicator light	Indicates status of remote

# Getting started with the remote

Your remote takes a single AAA battery.

Turn **on** your remote by sliding the switch up.

To turn **off**, slide the switch down.



LED Indicator Light	Status
Green	Battery OK
Red	Low battery (<10%)
Green for two seconds after switching on	Ready to use
No light after pressing button	Dead battery
Flashes blue	Full battery

# Changing programs & volume

## Changing programs

The Clara has 4 default programs: Auto-adapt, Speech in Noise, Music, and Telephone. **If you have a remote**, you can access your programs by pressing the “P” button on the remote. The number of beeps you hear upon pressing the “P” button corresponds to the program number. See below:

- Program 1 - Auto-adapt (1 beep)
- Program 2 - Speech in Noise (2 beeps)
- Program 3 - Music (3 beeps)
- Program 4 - Telephone (4 beeps)



**Without a remote**, you will only have access to Auto-adapt which includes 6 programs if you have enhanced clarity.

The Auto-adapt program is an auto-adaptive setting in which the hearing aid detects your environment and provides appropriate amplification based on those sounds around you.

The Speech in Noise program can be used in loud rooms or noisy environments to block out sounds around you and focus on speech.

# Changing programs & volume

The Music program is ideal for listening to music and Conversation programs are good for hearing the TV.

The Telephone program allows the Clara hearing aid to detect a phone (most telephones and mobile phones are supported). You will hear a confirmation beep and the sound from the telephone will be transmitted to both devices if you have a pair.

**Audicus can also add custom programs**, such as Auditorium, Car/Plane, Mute, or Tinnitus Masker **at your request** as part of your unlimited programming tune-ups for the lifetime of the device.

## Changing the volume

Press the “+” or “-” button to increase or decrease the volume. When you have hit the highest or lowest volume setting, you will hear a double beep indicating there are no more adjustments to make. From the baseline, you can increase the volume 5 notches louder, or decrease the volume 5 notches softer. When you turn the device on/off, it will default to baseline.

# Remote troubleshooting

Issue	Cause
Light not illuminating	Remote is off
	Dead battery
	Battery inserted incorrectly
Hearing aids do not respond	Remote is out of range
	Hearing aid battery is dead





# Device information

# Technical information

The Clara is manufactured by Hansaton Akustik GmbH Germany and distributed by Audicus.

FCC-ID: WU7-WL002BTE

Operating frequencies:  $F_c = 3.28$  MHz

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

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following 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.

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.

# Returns and warranty

## The Audicus 100% happiness guarantee

If for any reason you are not satisfied with your Audicus hearing aid, you may return it within 45 days after ship date for a full refund of the original purchase price.

Note that we will not be able to maintain this guarantee if the hearing aid has been modified, tampered with, damaged or repaired by the user. Please see the return instructions on the Audicus website.

## Manufacturer warranty

All Audicus hearing aids come with a full 12 month manufacturer guarantee that covers manufacturing defects. The guarantee will not be valid if the hearing aid has been modified or damaged by the user, or if the serial number has been altered, or if repairs have been made without the consent and knowledge of Audicus.

If your hearing aid stops functioning correctly please contact us at **Audicus.com**, **contact@audicus.com** or **844-616-7284**.

# FDA information

## **Use your hearing aid all day long**

The best way to ensure better hearing is to practice listening with your hearing aids until you are able to wear them comfortably all day. Generally, infrequent use of the hearing aid does not provide you with the full benefit of amplification.

Your hearing aid will not restore normal hearing. Hearing aid will not prevent or improve hearing impairment resulting from a physiological condition. Hearing aid will help you to make better use of your residual hearing.

The use of hearing aids is only part of hearing rehabilitation; auditory training and lip reading instruction may be required as well.

## **Possible side effects**

If you are experiencing discomfort, see your audiologist or hearing care professional immediately for modification of the hearing aid or earmold at the point of irritation. A hearing aid or earmold may cause an accelerated accumulation of cerumen (earwax). Also in rare cases, the otherwise nonallergenic material may cause a discharge from the ear, allergic reaction, or any other unusual condition. Please seek immediate consultation with a physician if these conditions occur.

## **Warning to hearing care professionals**

Hearing care professionals should advise a prospective hearing aid user to consult promptly with a licensed physician (preferably an ear specialist) before dispensing a hearing aid if the hearing care professional determines through inquiry, actual observation, or review or any other available information concerning the prospective user, that the prospective user has any of the following conditions:

# FDA information

## **Warning to hearing care professionals (continued):**

- (i) Visible congenital or traumatic deformity of the ear.
- (ii) History of active drainage from the ear within the previous 90 days.
- (iii) History of sudden or rapidly progressive hearing loss within the previous 90 days.
- (iv) Acute or chronic dizziness.
- (v) Unilateral hearing loss of sudden or recent onset within the previous 90 days.
- (vi) Audiometric air-bone gap equal to or greater than 15 decibels at 500 hertz (Hz), 1000 Hz and 2000 Hz.
- (vii) Visible evidence of significant cerumen accumulation or a foreign body in the ear canal.
- (viii) Pain or discomfort in the ear. Special care should be exercised in selecting and fitting a hearing aid whose maximum sound pressure level exceeds 132 decibels because there may be risk of impairing the remaining hearing of the hearing aid user.

## **Important notice for prospective hearing aid users**

Good health practice requires that a person with a hearing loss have a medical evaluation by a licensed physician (preferably a physician who specializes in diseases of the ear) before purchasing a hearing aid. Licensed physicians who specialize in diseases of the ear are often referred to as otolaryngologists, otologists, or otorhinolaryngologists. The purpose of medical evaluation is to assure that all medically treatable conditions that may affect hearing are identified and treated before the hearing aid is purchased.

Following the medical evaluation, the physician will give you a written statement that states that your hearing loss has been medically evaluated and that you may be considered a candidate for a hearing aid. The physician will refer you to an audiologist or a hearing care professional, as appropriate, for a hearing aid evaluation.

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The audiologist or hearing care professional will conduct a hearing aid evaluation to assess your degree of hearing. The hearing aid evaluation will enable the audiologist or dispenser to select and fit a hearing aid to your individual needs.

If you have reservations about your ability to adapt to amplification, you should inquire about the availability of a trial-rental or purchase-option program. Many hearing care professionals now offer programs that permit you to wear a hearing aid for a period of time for a nominal fee after which you may decide if you want to purchase the hearing aid.

Federal law restricts the sale of hearing aids to those individuals who have not obtained a medical evaluation from a licensed physician. Federal law permits a fully informed adult to sign a waiver statement declining the nominal fee after which you may decide if you want to purchase the hearing aid or medical evaluation for religious or personal beliefs that preclude consultation with a physician. The exercise of such waiver is not in your best interest and its use is strongly discouraged.

## **Children with hearing loss**

In addition to seeing a physician for a medical evaluation, a child with hearing loss should be directed to an audiologist for evaluation and rehabilitation since hearing loss may cause problems in language development and the educational and social growth of a child. An audiologist is qualified by training and experience to assist in the evaluation and rehabilitation of a child with hearing loss.

Your hearing care professional can answer any questions you may have about the identifying code on your hearing aid.

# Warnings & side effects

## Magnets

Magnets may interfere with medical devices (e.g., pacemakers and magnetic valves).

Use magnet only if confident of safe distance, e.g., 4 in. (10 cm) of pacemaker.

Keep magnets away from children; if swallowed seek medical attention immediately.

Magnets can disturb electrical devices and delete stored data.

Keep magnets away from computers, color monitors, television sets, smartphone screens, video and audio discs, and other electronic equipment/devices.

## Functionality

Your hearing aid has been set up so that changes in volume and programs are synchronized.

One remote can be coupled with a single or a pair of aids. If hearing aids are controlled by someone else's remote, please contact Audicus.

If you purchase a single aid and decide to order a second, you must send back the unit so that the aids can be coupled and synchronized; also include the remote control.

The performance of Bi-com/i-com 2 (the coupling technology) may be affected by electromagnetic interference, e.g., from a computer monitor or halogen lamp system controlled by a switching power supply.

# Warnings & side effects

## Other warnings

Audicus hearing aids are intended to improve hearing of hearing impaired persons. Diagnosis of hearing loss and prescription of hearing aid must be performed by a hearing health specialist (e.g., ENT specialist, audiologist, or hearing professional). They are not intended for anyone under 18 years of age.

Do not use your hearing aid or remote control in potentially explosive environments.

If you experience dizziness, drainage or bleeding from the ear, or sudden hearing loss, see your physician immediately.

Consult a licensed physician if you have ear canal blockage, a lasting ear infection or a plugged up feeling.

Consult a licensed physician if you have ringing in one or both ears within the last 90 days.

Keep hearing aids out of the reach of children and pets.

Hearing aids should be used only as directed and adjusted by your trained hearing aid professional.

A hearing aid may stop functioning, e.g., if the battery goes dead. You should be aware of this possibility, in particular if you are in traffic or otherwise depend on warning sounds.

Do not switch hearing aids between ears or allow others to wear or use your hearing systems.

Do not insert aid if foreign object is inside ear canal. If dome is stuck inside canal, seek a medical professional immediately.

Hearing aids will not restore normal hearing and will not prevent or improve a hearing impairment resulting from organic compounds.

In most cases, infrequent use of a hearing aid does not permit user to attain full benefit from it.

The use of the hearing aid is only part of hearing habilitation and may need to be supplemented by auditory training and instruction in lip reading.



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# Your notes

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