

**Harman Kardon®**  
**BDS 277 and BDS 577**  
**SOFTWARE UPDATE INSTRUCTIONS**

Harman Kardon is pleased to offer this product update, which improves the performance of your BDS and addresses software issues. The BDS uses internal flash memory that is upgradable by loading the new software on a standard USB memory stick, then docking it in the BDS USB port.

**What this update addresses**

The 2.38.0 software release includes the following changes:

- Improved EzSet/EQ performance.

These changes from the previous software releases are also included:

- Support DTS-HD MA Essential.
- Improved AVCHD functionality
- With APP remote control, Play/Pause now functions during Blu-ray playback.
- Screen-saver mode is now shown in the on-screen display.
- Unit no longer displays “Power OFF” and freezes.
- System stability improvements.
- Power management improvements.
- Bluetooth Volume Sync change. Volume only adjustable via app or remote control.
- Lip sync memory fix.
- Added feature: Tuner preset number and frequency visible on front display.

**Important Note**

This software is designed for use with Harman Kardon BDS 277 and 577 only. Use with any other models or brands may cause damage to the product.

**DO NOT USE THIS SOFTWARE WITH ANY OTHER PRODUCTS.**

**System Requirements**

You need a Windows computer and an empty FAT-32 formatted USB memory stick in order to update your BDS unit.

**Prearrangements**

Unpack the downloaded software-package to the USB stick.

You should now see an UPG folder on the USB stick.

Remove the USB stick from the computer.

If you wish to have a printed copy of these instructions available to follow as you install the software, please print out the next page starting with “Installation Instructions”.

You are now ready to perform the upgrade.

**Checking the current software version.**

1. Open the HOME menu (button with house symbol).
2. Scroll down to SETTINGS with the DOWN Arrow on the round Navigate Button.
3. Press OK to open the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.
4. Click once on the LEFT arrow (or three times on the RIGHT arrow) to open the INFORMATION window. Here you will see the current software version of your unit.

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

### PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE PROCEEDING.

Updating your BDS is easy, but for the update to work properly, it is important to carefully follow the instructions below. The update will take less than 15 minutes, and once it begins *you must complete the entire process in one session*. Please allow sufficient time to complete all the steps.

### CAUTION

Installing the new software will erase all information in your BDS system memory, which means that any configuration settings or tuner presets that you have entered will be lost. To make it easier to reestablish the settings after completing the update, we suggest writing down your current system configurations (e.g. speaker distance and volume etc.) or radio presets on a sheet of paper.

### Here is how you upgrade your BDS unit:

1. Switch on the BDS and the TV connected to the BDS unit (to be able to track the update procedure on the screen.)
2. Insert the USB stick with the UPG folder that you just downloaded into the USB Socket on the BDS unit front panel.
3. If the HOME menu is not shown, open it with the HOME button (house symbol).
4. Scroll to SETTINGS with the DOWN Arrow on the round Navigate Button.
5. Press OK to open the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.
6. Use the Arrow keys to navigate to SYSTEM, and then use the Right Arrow to select SYSTEM UPGRADE.
7. Use the Right Arrow key to go to "USB/NETWORK/DISC". Highlight USB and confirm with OK to open the Software Update screen.
8. The BDS unit finds the new software, asking if you want to load the software.
9. Confirm by pressing OK on the remote.
10. The software will now start loading, and the TV screen shows a progress bar and asks you to wait. This takes several minutes. At a late stage, the volume button light changes to amber. The BDS front panel shows "HARMAN KARDON. UPGRADING..." changing to "VERIFY....".
11. When loading is complete, the screen briefly shows a confirmation of the upload, and the BDS unit switches itself OFF after a countdown.
12. Remove the USB stick and switch ON the BDS.
13. Press the HOME button and use the Arrow keys to navigate down to SETTINGS.
14. Press OK to activate the GENERAL SETTINGS menu again.
15. Use the Arrow keys to navigate to SYSTEM, then Right and Down to RESTORE DEFAULTS. A warning window opens. Confirm the restore by highlighting and clicking on the OK Button with the Arrow Button and OK Button.
16. The BDS unit restores to default values.
17. Press OK to exit to the HOME Menu.
18. Switch OFF the power with the ON/OFF switch on the rear panel (or the wall switch) for about 10 seconds, then switch the power ON again.
19. Switch on the BDS again, and perform the "Initial Setup" procedure.
20. You may now re-enter the system configurations that you wrote down.
21. Congratulations, your BDS is now updated with the latest software.