# Instructions For Use Buddy Button



# **INTENDED PURPOSE**

This switch is used to give access to items that are not normally accessible because of issues with cognitive or motor control.

## **CLINICAL BENEFITS OF THE DEVICE**

Allows patients to access technology when they would not have the motor or cognitive skills to operate another device.

# PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS AND INFORMATION FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL

Switch Type: Mechanical Connection Type: Wired Cord Length: 5 ft (152 cm) Activation Type: Pressure

Activation Surface: 2.5-in/6.4-cm diameter

**Activating Force:** 5-oz (142-g)

Travel Before Activation: 0.05-in/0.12-cm

Feedback: Auditory click, Tactile

Plug Size: 1/8-in/3.5-mm mono right angle

Mounting Connection: Quick Ready Mounting Plate for Assistive Technology

**Product Dimensions:** 2.5-in L x 2.5-in W x 0.77-in H (6.4-cm L x 6.4-cm W x 2.0-cm H)

Circuit: Normally Open

Material: Housing - ABS Plastic Suggested Operating Environment:

> Ambient Temperature Range: 32°F - 95°F (0°C - 35°C) Humidity: 10% - 95% (no condensation on device)

Suggested Transportation and Storage:

Ambient Temperature Range: -25°F - 158°F (-31°C - 70°C) Humidity: 10% - 95% (no condensation on the device)

### RISKS, WARNINGS, AND CONTRA-INDICATIONS

Buddy Button is neither waterproof nor completely water resistant. Do not immerse Buddy Button in water or any other liquid. Make sure that no liquids are spilled on Buddy Button.

Buddy Button is not recommended to be used as access to a call system.

# **DEVICE OVERVIEW**



1	Switch Top
2	1/8-in/3.5-mm mono right angle switch plug

#### **USE INSTRUCTIONS**

#### First Time Use

- 1. Plug Buddy Button into any switch adapted device with a standard, mono 3.5mm switch jack.
- 2. Once the activation area is pressed, any attached device will activate.

#### Mounting

Buddy Button can be mounted in a variety of different ways. For flat surfaces and simple mounting, try Velcro® or dual lock.

#### PREPARATORY TREATMENT

Cleaning and disinfecting your AbleNet assistive technology devices between uses is essential to the health and safety of the user. To help fight against the spread of germs, here are some helpful steps to cleaning and disinfecting your AbleNet device.

Always be sure to wear the appropriate personal protective equipment such as protective gloves and safety glasses.

#### **Cleaning Your Device**

Before disinfecting your device, remove any dirt or debris that may be on the device.

- 1. Turn the device off and remove the batteries.
  - 1. Remove any large chunks, visible heavy dirt, or debris that is attached to the device.
- 2. Wipe down the device with cleaning wipes.
- 3. Use a cotton swab soaked with cleaner to get into any tight areas that were not accessible with the cleaning wipes.
- 4. Let the device completely dry.

#### **Disinfect Your Device**

Now that the device is clean, it is time to disinfect it. Changing protective gloves may be required before disinfecting the device to ensure no dirt or debris is transferred back to the device.

- 1. Make sure the device is still turned off and that the batteries are removed.
- 2. Use a clean towel or wipes with Virucidal, Bactericidal, Pseudomonacidal, Tuberculocidal, or Fungicidal to disinfect the surfaces of the device. It is important to note that these chemicals only disinfect when they are wet and should be left wet on the device for at least 4-minutes.
- 3. Use a cotton swab soaked with Virucidal, Bactericidal, Pseudomonacidal, Tuberculocidal, or Fungicidal to disinfect the tight areas that were not accessible with the towel or wipes. Make sure the chemical stays wet on the device for at least 4-minutes.
- 4. Let the device air-dry entirely before using it.

#### TROUBLESHOOTING

# Switch is Non-Responsive

- 1. Inspect cord for any physical damage.
- 2. Plug switch into another device that is working with another switch.

#### PREVENTATIVE AND REGULAR MAINTENANCE

Clean the Buddy Button if necessary. No scheduled maintenance is required.

#### **REUSABLE**

Buddy Button should be sent back to the manufacturer for cleaning, testing and refurbishment before reuse with another patient.

#### **DEVICES USED TOGETHER WITH**

Switch Adapted Toys
HITCH 2
Blue 2 FT
Powerlink 4
Other adapters or toys that are designed with 3.5mm-mono plug for switch use.

#### PROPER DISPOSAL

Buddy Button Switch contains electronic components and should not be disposed of in your normal home or business waste collection. Buddy Button Switch should be disposed of with a licensed electronics recycler.

#### WHEN TO CONTACT A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL

If you have difficulty accessing the switches or need assistance with product placement.

Change in your condition.

#### NOTICE OF SERIOUS INCIDENT

Notice - If any serious incident has occurred while using this device, seek medical attention and then - please report to AbleNet, Inc and your competent authority of the member state in which you are in.