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## Welcome

Congratulations on your purchase of the Roland RD-300SX. This TurboStart contains step-by-step instructions that will quickly introduce you the RD-300SX's major features.

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## Playing the Demo Songs

There are four demo songs in the RD-300SX. Use the following procedure to play the demo songs:

1. While holding down EDIT, press WRITE.
2. Press INC/DEC to select the desired song.
3. To begin playback, press TRANSPOSE/ENTER.
4. To stop playback, press SHIFT/EXIT.

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## Selecting Sounds

The RD-300SX's categories make it easy to select tones. Use the following procedure to select a tone:

1. Press PIANO in the ONE TOUCH area.
2. Press a TONE SELECT button to select a tone category such as PIANO or ORGAN.
3. Press INC or DEC to choose a tone within the selected category.

**Note:** The number of additional tones within each category varies. For instance, the PIANO category has 10 tones, while the RHY/GM2 category has 270.

**Tip:** The RD-300SX remembers the tone you last selected in each group. This is a great way to assign a favorite sound to each TONE SELECT button.

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## Layering Tones

Here's how to layer two tones on the RD-300SX:

1. Press the DUAL button so it's lit—LOWER SELECT also lights up.
2. Press a TONE SELECT button and use the INC/DEC buttons to select the desired tone for the first layered sound.
3. Press LOWER SELECT so its light turns off.
4. Press a TONE SELECT button and use the INC/DEC buttons to select the desired tone for the second layered sound.

**Note:** You can now use the LOWER and UPPER sliders in the ZONE LEVEL area to control the level of the two sounds.

5. Press DUAL so it's not lit to exit Layer mode.

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## Splitting the Keyboard

Use the following procedure to split the keyboard:

1. Press the SPLIT button so it lights—the LOWER SELECT button also lights.
2. Press a TONE SELECT button and use the INC/DEC buttons to select the desired tone for the left side of the keyboard.
3. Press LOWER SELECT so it's not lit.
4. Press a TONE SELECT button use the INC/DEC buttons to select the desired tone for the right-hand side of the keyboard.
5. Press SPLIT so it's not lit to exit Split Mode.

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## Transposing the Keyboard

Here's how to transpose the keyboard:

1. Hold down the TRANSPOSE/ENTER button to display the current transpose value.
2. While holding down the TRANSPOSE button, use the INC/DEC buttons to set the desired transposition amount.

**Note:** While holding TRANSPOSE, you can also press a key that's the desired number of semitone steps below or above the Middle C to set the transposition amount.

3. Release the TRANSPOSE button.
4. To turn off Transpose, press TRANSPOSE again so it's not lit.

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## Using the Built-In Rhythms

The RD-300SX has 185 internal rhythm patterns. To play a rhythm pattern, use the following procedure:

1. Press RHYTHM so it lights—the rhythm begins playing.
2. To select different rhythm patterns, hold down RHYTHM and press the INC/DEC buttons.
3. Press RHYTHM so it's not lit to turn off the rhythm pattern.

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## Storing a Setup

The RD-300SX has 32 setup memory locations in which you can store you favorite keyboard settings. Use the following procedure to store a setup:

1. Press WRITE so it lights.
2. Use INC/DEC to select a storage location.
3. Press TRANSPOSE/ENTER twice.