LG-A290 User Guide — English

This guide will help you understand your new mobile phone.
It will provide you with useful explanations of features on your phone.
Some of the contents in this manual may differ from your phone depending on the software of the phone or your service provider.

Part 15.21 statement

" Change or Modifications that are not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void

the user's authority to operate the equipment. "

Part 15.105 statement

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 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.

FCC Part 15 Class B Compliance

This device and its accessories comply with part 15 of FCC rules and ICES-003 Class B digital apparatus requirements for Industry Canada. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:(1) This device and its accessories may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device and its accessories must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Body-worn Operation

This device was tested for typical body-worn operations with the back of the phone kept 1.5cm (0.59 inches) between the user's body and the back of the phone. To comply with FCC RF exposure requirements, a minimum separation distance of 1.5cm (0.59 inches) must be maintained between the user's body and the back of the phone. Third-party belt-clips, holsters, and similar accessories containing metallic components should not be used. Body-worn accessories that cannot maintain 1.5cm (0.59 inches) separation distance between the user's body and the back of the phone, and have not been tested for typical body-worn operations may not comply with FCC RF exposure limits and should be avoided.

Conformité aux normes FCC Part 15 Class B

Cet appareil et ses accessoires sont conformes aux normes FCC Part 15 Class B de la Federal Communications Commission et aux exigences pour appareils numériques ICES-003 Class B d'Industrie Canada.Son fonctionnement est sujet aux deux conditions suivantes :(1) Cet appareil et ses accessoires ne doivent pas provoquer de brouillage préjudiciable, et (2) cet appareil et ses accessoires doivent accepter toutes les interférences reçues, y compris celles pouvant causer un fonctionnement indésirable.

Utilisation comme appareil portatif

Ce téléphone a été testé en vue d'une utilisation type comme appareil portatif, avec une distance de 1.5cm (0,59 pouces) entre l'arrière de l'appareil et le corps de l'utilisateur. Pour satisfaire aux exigences de la FCC en matière d'exposition aux radiofréquences, une distance d'au moins 1.5cm (0,59 pouces) doit être maintenue entre le corps de l'utilisateur et l'arrière du téléphone. Les pinces de ceinture, les étuis et autres accessoires semblables d'autres marques et contenant des composantes métalliques ne doivent pas être utilisés.Les accessoires portatifs empêchant le maintien d'une distance de 1.5cm (0,59 pouces) entre le corps de l'utilisateur et l'arrière du téléphone et qui n'ont pas été testés en vue d'une utilisation type comme accessoires portatifs peuvent ne pas satisfaire aux limites d'exposition aux radiofréquences stipulées par la FCC et, par conséquent, ne doivent pas être utilisés.

Getting to know your phone

Main screen

Soft keys
Each of these keys performs the functions indicated by the text on the display immediately above them.

OK key
Selects menu options and confirms actions.

Call key
Dials a phone number and answers incoming calls.

Navigation keys
Use for quick access to phone functions.

End/Power key
Ends or rejects a call. Turns the phone on/off. Returns to the home screen when you use the menu.

TIP!
A variety of widget applications is already set to your home screen. On the home screen, press the up navigation key and select the widget you want using the left and right navigation keys.
If you access the SNS application by selecting the widget on your home screen, you will be required to sign in with your SNS account.

- **Headset / Charger / USB Cable connector**

- **Memory card slot**

Installing a memory card

Lift the memory card cover and insert a micro SD card with the golden contact area facing downwards. Close the memory card cover so that it clicks shut.

To remove the memory card, gently push it as shown in the diagram.

Note: A memory card is an optional accessory.

Formatting the memory card

From your home screen, press **Menu** and select **Settings.** Choose **Memory info,** select **External memory** and press **Format,** and insert security code.

WARNING: When you format your memory card, all the content will be wiped. If you do not want to lose the data on your memory card, back it up first.

Installing the SIM Card and Charging the Battery

Installing the SIM Card

When you subscribe to a cellular network, you are provided with a SIM card loaded with your subscription details, such as your PIN, any optional services available and many others.

Important!

› The SIM card can be easily damaged by scratches or bending, so be careful when handling, inserting or removing the card. Keep all SIM cards out of the reach of small children.

› only 2G/2.5G SIM supported

Illustrations

1 Open battery cover
2 Remove the battery
3 Insert your SIM
4 Insert your battery
5 Close the battery cover
6 Charge your battery

1　　　　　**2**　　　　　**3**

4　　　　　**5**　　　　　**6**

WARNING: Do not remove the battery when the phone is switched on, as this may damage the phone.

Turning Your Phone On and Off

You can power the phone on and off by pressing and holding the power key.

Calls

Making a call

1 Key in the number using the keypad. To delete a digit press **Clear**.
2 Press to initiate the call.
3 To end the call, press .

TIP! To enter + when making an international call, press and hold **0**.

TIP! To control the volume during a call, press the up and down navigation keys.

TIP! You can record a voice memo during a call. Press **Options** and select **Record**.

Making a call from your contacts

1 Select **Names** from the home screen.

2 Using the keypad, enter the first letter of the contact you want to call.
3 Press to initiate the call.

TIP! To scroll through your contacts, use the up and down navigation keys.

Answering and rejecting a call

When your phone rings, press to answer the call.

While your phone is ringing, select **Silent** to mute the ringing.

This is useful if you have forgotten to change your profile to **Silent** for a meeting.

Press or select **Reject** to reject the incoming call.

TIP! You can change the settings on your phone to answer your calls in different ways. Press **Menu**, select **Settings** and choose **Call**. Select **Answer mode** and choose from **Press send key, Slide up** or **Press any key.**

Using the speakerphone

During a call, you can activate speakerphone by pressing ⊙ key and you can use the handset in hands-free.

If the speakerphone is active, press ⊙ key again to resume normal handset conversation mode.

Speed dialling

Press **Menu** and select **Contacts**, then choose **Speed dials.**

You can assign a speed dial number to a contact you call frequently.

Speed dial 1 is set to your voice mail and you can not change it.

Once you have assigned a speed dial, you can initiate a call by pressing and holding the speed dial number.

Viewing your call logs

Press ⊡ to view your call logs. You can also check the call record of missed, received, and dialled calls by using the left and right navigation keys.

Changing the call settings

You can set the menu relevant to a call. Press **Menu,** select **Settings** and choose **Call.**

Contacts

Searching for a contact

1 Select **Names** from the home screen.

2 Using the keypad enter the first letter of the contact you want to call.

3 To scroll through the contacts.

Adding a new contact

1 Select **Names** from the home screen. Press **Options** and **Add new contact.**

2 Enter the first and last name of your new contact. You do not have to enter both, but you must enter one or the other.

3 Enter the number and select **Options** then choose **Done**.

Note: If you add more information, press **Options** and choose **Add detail** then select options you want.

Adding a contact to a group

You can save your contacts into groups, for example, keeping your work colleagues and family separate. There are a number of groups including **Colleagues, Family, Friends, School** and **VIP** already set up on the phone.

Messaging

Sending a message

1 Press **Menu**, select **Messaging**, and choose **Write** to send an SMS or MMS.

2 A new message editor will open. The message editor combines text message and multimedia messages into one intuitive and easy to switch between editor. The default setting of the message editor is text message.

3 Enter your message using either the T9 predictive mode or Abc manual mode or 123 mode. You can switch text input modes by pressing the # key.

4 Enter the phone number or press Options and select Send to add a contact from the list of your contacts. You can even add multiple contacts by selecting Add recipient.

Note: Message can be sent to a group also. Edit the message then press send and select contact group and select the group you want.

5 Enter your message.

6 Select Options and choose Insert. Use the left and right navigation keys and add an

Image, Video clip, Sound clip, Schedule, Business card, Note, Text field, To-do, or a **Text template.**

7 Press **Send** to send the message.

Your message is displayed and responses appear in the same window, creating a message thread with that contact.

TIP! You can select your message type as SMS or MMS when you enter a text longer than 1 page in the message field. If you want to change the type of message to send, press **Menu** > **Messaging** > **Options** > **Settings** > **Text message,** and choose **Send long text as.**

WARNING: Image, Video clip, Sound clip, Schedule, Business card, Text field or Subject is added to the message editor, it will be automatically converted to MMS mode and you will be charged accordingly.

Entering text

You can enter alphanumeric characters using the phone's keypad. The following text input methods are available in the phone: T9 mode, Abc mode and 123 mode.

To change modes, press the # key.

Note: Some fields may allow only one text input mode (e.g. telephone number in address book fields).

T9 mode

T9 mode uses a built-in dictionary to recognise words you're writing based on the key sequences you press. Simply press the number key associated with the letter you want to enter, and the dictionary will recognise the word once all the letters are entered.

Using the T9 Mode

1 When you are in the T9 predictive text input mode, start entering a word by pressing keys ![2abc] to ![9wxyz]. Press one key per letter.
   - If the word is still incorrect after typing completely, press the ![*] key once or more to cycle through the other word options.
   - If the desired word is missing from the word choices list, add it by using the Abc mode.
2 Enter the whole word before editing or deleting any keystrokes.
   - To delete letters, press **Clear**.
   - Complete each word with a space by pressing the ![0] key.

Abc mode

This mode allows you to enter letters by pressing the key labeled with the required letter once, twice, three or four times until the letter is displayed.

123 mode

Type numbers using one keystroke per number. You can also add numbers while remaining in letter modes by pressing and holding the desired key.

Inserting symbols

If you want to insert symbols, press the * key, then you can choose a symbol. Or you can press **Options** and then choose **Insert symbol.**

Changing the language

LG-A290 supports various languages.

There are two ways to change the writing language from the writing screen. You can press Options, go to Writing options, choose Writing language and then set the language you want. Or, you can simply press and hold the * key. The writing

options may differ depending on the language you choose.

Message folders

Press **Menu,** select **Messaging.** Choose **Options** and select the folder you want.

Drafts - If you don't have time to finish writing a message, you can save what you have written so far in here.

Outbox - This is a temporary storage folder used while messages are being sent.

Saved Items - You can access your **Saved messages, Text templates** and **Multimedia templates.**

Emoticons - A list of useful emoticons already written for a quick reply. You can add, edit and delete emoticons. You can insert the emoticon which you preferred on writing a message.

Settings - Your message settings are pre-defined so that you can send messages

immediately. If you would like to change the settings, you can do this using the settings options.

E-mail

Setting up your e-mail

You can stay in touch on the move using e-mail on your LG-A290. It's quick and simple to set up a POP3 or IMAP4 e-mail account.

1   Press **Menu** and choose **E-mail.**

2   The first time you open the **E-mail,** select the e-mail service provider. A setup wizard opens to help you add an e-mail account.

3   Follow the pop up instruction and enter the information required.

Sending an e-mail using your new account

To send/receive an e-mail, you should set up an e-mail account.

1 Select **Menu,** select **E-mail** and choose **Options.**

2 Choose **Write e-mail** and a new e-mail will open.

3 Enter the recipient's address and write a subject.

4 Enter your message.

5 Press **Options,** select **Attach** to add an **Image, Video, Sound, Name & number** or **More.**

6 Press **Send** and your e-mail will be sent.

Camera

Using the camera module built in your phone, you can take pictures of people. Additionally, you can send photos to other people and select photos as wallpaper.

Taking a quick photo

1 Press **Menu** and select **Media.** Select **Camera** to open the viewfinder.

2 Holding the phone and, point the lens towards the subject of the photo.

3 Press ⊙ key to take a photo.

Video camera

Shooting a quick video

1 Press **Menu** and select **Media,** then choose **Video camera.**

2 Point the camera lens towards the subject of the video.

3 Press ⊙ key to start recording.

4 Rec will appear in the viewfinder and a timer will show the length of your video.

5 Select **Stop** to stop recording.

Music

Your LG-A290 has a built-in music player so you can play all your favourite music.

Playing a song

1 Press **Menu** and select **Media,** then choose **Music.**
2 Choose **All songs** then select the song you want to play.
3 Select ‖ to pause the song.
4 Select ▶▶ to skip to the next song.
5 Select ◀◀ to skip to the previous song.
6 Select **Back** to stop the music and return to the music player menu.

Note: Music is copyright protected in international treaties and national copyright laws. It may be necessary to obtain permission or licence to reproduce or copy music. In some countries national law prohibits private copying of copyrighted material. Please check the national legislation of the applicable country concerning the use of such materials.

FM radio

Your LG-A290 has an FM radio feature so you can tune into your favourite stations and listen on the move.

During listening to the FM radio, you can also record a short clip and save it.

Note: You will need to insert your headset in order to listen to the radio. Insert the plug into the headset connector in order to listen to the radio and keep the good radio reception.

Note : A headset is an optional accessory.

Searching for stations

1 Press **Menu** and select **Media,** then choose **FM radio.**
2 Select **Option** and choose **Auto scan** then select **Set.**

You can also use the left and right navigation keys to search for stations.

Listening to the radio

1 Press **Menu** and select **Media,** then choose **FM radio.**
2 Select the channel number of the station you would like to listen to.

TIP! You can listen to the radio via built-in speaker. Press **Options,** select **Listen via speaker.**

Recording your radio

1 Press ⊙ key during listening to the radio.
2 The recording time is displayed on your phone. If you want to stop the recording, press ⊙ key. If recording is done, the recorded contents will be saved in **Gallery** as mp3 file.

Note: After recording your radio, you can listen to all of the radio recordings you have saved by selecting **Options** and **Go to Radio recordings.**

TIP! To configure your recording settings such as the saved memory, record type or Pre-recording, press **Options** and select **Recording settings.**

TIP! Pre-recording lets you record from some seconds before you press the record button.

If you set the record type as music only recording, music will be extracted automatically without DJ's comment while you record.

Voice recorder

Use your Voice recorder to record voice memos or other sounds.

Recording your voice memo

1 Press **Menu** and select **Media,** then choose **Voice recorder.**

2 Press ⊙ key to begin recording.

3 Choose **Stop** to end the recording.

4 Press **Options** and select **Play last recorded** to listen to the recording.

Gallery

You can store any media files into your phone's memory so that you have easy access to all of your images, sounds, videos, others and games. You can also save your files to a memory card. The advantage of using a memory card is that you can free up space on your phone's memory. All your multimedia files will be saved in **Gallery**. Press **Menu** then select **Gallery** to open a list of folders.

Applications

Your LG-A290 comes with preloaded games to keep you amused when you have time to spare. If you choose to download any additional games or applications they will be saved into this folder. Press **Menu** and select **Applications.** Choose **My games & apps.** **Note:** An additional cost is incurred when connecting to this service. Check your data charges with your network provider.

Organiser

Setting your alarm (Menu > Organiser > Alarm clock)
You can set up to 5 alarm clocks to go off at a specified time.

Using the calendar (Menu > Organiser > Calendar)
When you enter this menu, a calendar appears. A square cursor is located on the current date. You can move the cursor to another date using the navigation keys.

Adding an item to your to do list (Menu > Organiser > To-do list)

You can view, edit and add tasks to do.

Adding a note (Menu > Organiser > Notes)

You can register your own notes here.

Secret notes (Menu > Organiser > Secret notes)

You can write the private memo to protect your privacy. You enter the security code to use this menu.

Adding a city to your world time (Menu > Organiser > World time)

You can add a required city to the list of world clock. You can also check the current time of major cities around the world.

Using your calculator (Menu > Organiser > Calculator)

The calculator provides the basic arithmetic functions: addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and Scientific applications also.

Date finder (Menu > Organiser > Date finder)

Date finder is a handy tool to help you calculate what the date will be after a certain amount of days has passed.

Converting a unit (Menu > Organiser > Converter)

This converts many measurements into a unit you want.

Using the stopwatch (Menu > Organiser > Stopwatch)

This option allows you to use the function of a stopwatch.

Go to (Menu > Organiser > Go to)

It helps you to go to the menu you search for. You can set the item as Go to.

SIM services (Menu > Organiser > SIM services)

This feature depends on SIM and the network services. In case the SIM card supports SAT (i.e. SIM Application Toolkit) services, this menu will be the operator specific service name stored on the SIM card.

Internet

Accessing the internet browser

You can launch the wap browser and access the homepage of the activated profile on Internet Profiles. You can also manually enter an URL address and access the associated wap page. Press **Menu** and select **Internet**. **Note:** An additional cost is incurred when connecting to this service and downloading content. Check your data charges with your network provider.

Settings

Personalising your profiles (Menu > Settings > Profiles)

You can personalise each profile setting. Choose the profile you want and select **Options** and choose **Edit.**

Using flight mode (Menu > Settings > Profiles > Flight mode)

Use this function to switch the flight mode on. You will not be able to make calls, connect to the Internet, send messages when flight mode is switched on.

**Changing your display settings
(Menu > Settings > Display)**

You can change the settings for the phone display.

Changing your date & time (Menu > Settings > Date & Time)

You can set functions relating to the date and time.

Changing your connectivity settings (Menu > Settings > Connectivity)

Your connectivity settings have already been set up by your network operator, so you can enjoy your new phone from switch on. If you want to change any settings, use this menu. You can configure the network setting and data access profiles in this menu.

Changing your Bluetooth settings

1 Press **Menu** and select **Settings** then choose **Bluetooth.**

2 Select **Settings**
   Make your changes to:

• **My device visibility** - Choose whether to **Visible, Hidden** or **Visible for 1 min** your device to others.

• **My device name** - Enter a name for your LG-A290.

• **Supported services** - Shows what it supports.

• **My address** - View your Bluetooth address.

Pairing with another Bluetooth device

1 Check your Bluetooth is **On** and **Visible.** You can change your visibility in the **Bluetooth Settings** menu, by selecting **My device visibility,** then **Visible.**

2 Select Search new device from the Bluetooth menu.

3 Your LG-A290 will search for devices. When the search is completed **Add** and **Refresh** will appear on screen.

4 Choose the device you want to pair with, then handset create passcode by default everytime you connect.

5 Your phone will then connect to the other device.

6 Your passcode protected Bluetooth connection is now ready.

TIP!

1 1 When you use a Bluetooth headset, A2DP and AVRCP profiles are not supported while you play video. It means you will not listen video sound if you use Bluetooth headset.

2 2 Bluetooth file transferring function will be blocked under some applications running. (Voice call, Camera/Camcorder, MusicPlayer, UMS/PCSync)

Changing your phone settings
(Menu > Settings > Phone)

Enjoy the freedom of adapting how your LG-A290 works for your own style.

Auto key lock - Lock the keypad automatically in standby screen.

My navi key - You can change the shortcuts of 4 navigation keys.

Language - You can change the language for the display texts in your phone. This change will also affect the language input mode.

Battery status - Choose to switch the power save settings **Auto, Always on** or **Off.** If you set **Always on,** you can save the battery power.

Handset information - View the technical information for your LG-A290.

Changing your security settings (Menu > Settings > Security)

Change your security settings to keep your LG-A290 and the important information safe.

• **PIN code request** - Choose a PIN code to be requested when you turn your phone on.

• **Handset lock** - Choose to lock your handset.

• **Application lock** - Choose the application menu to lock from the list.

• **Lock if SIM is changed** - If you activate this option, your phone will request a security code when you change your SIM card.

• **Change codes** - Change your PIN code, PIN2 code or **Security code.**

SOS mode

In an emergency situation, press and hold '9' to send SOS message when SOS mode is On. This will send to the assigned receivers. If they call you back, your phone will be automatically accepted. At that time, all notification sound will be muted. And other menus will be unavailable. To exit the SOS mode, press the End key in home screen.