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User's manual

EL42108

**5.8 GHz cordless telephone/
answering system with
caller ID/call waiting**



Congratulations

on purchasing your
new AT&T product.

Before using this AT&T product, please
read the **Important safety instructions**
on pages 46-48 of this manual.

Please thoroughly read the user's
manual for all the feature operations
and troubleshooting information necessary to install
and operate your new
AT&T product. You can also visit our
website at **www.telephones.att.com**
or call **1 (800) 222-3111**.

In Canada, dial **1 (866) 288-4268**.

Model #: EL42108
Type: 5.8GHz cordless telephone/answering system
Serial #: _____
(found on the bottom of the telephone base)
Purchase date: _____
Place of purchase: _____

Both the model and serial number of your AT&T product can be found on the
bottom of the telephone base.

You must install and charge the battery before using the telephone.



See page 7
for easy instructions.

Your product may be shipped with a protective sticker covering the handset or base display - remove it before use.

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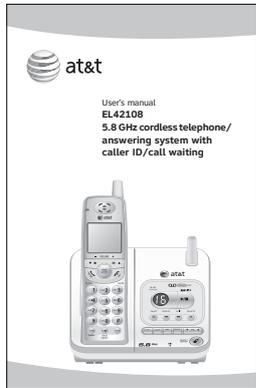


CAUTION: To reduce the risk of fire or injury to persons or damage to the telephone, read and follow these instructions carefully:

- Use only the supplied rechargeable battery or replacement battery 2422 (SKU 23402, part number 89-0047-00-00) or equivalent. To order a replacement battery, visit our website at **www.telephones.att.com** or call **1 (800) 222-3111**. In Canada, dial **1 (866) 288-4268**.
- Do not dispose of the battery in a fire. Like other batteries of this type, it could explode if burned. Check with local codes for special disposal instructions.
- Do not open or mutilate the battery. Released electrolyte is corrosive and may cause damage to the eyes or skin. It may be toxic if swallowed.
- Exercise care in handling batteries in order not to create a short circuit. Do not allow conductive materials such as rings, bracelets, or keys to touch the battery. The battery or conductor may overheat and cause harm.
- Charge the battery provided with or identified for use with this product only in accordance with the instructions and limitations specified in this manual.
- Observe proper polarity orientation between the battery and battery charger.
- Do not disassemble your telephone. There are no user-serviceable parts inside. Refer to qualified service personnel for servicing.

Parts checklist

Your new AT&T EL42108 telephone system includes:



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Quick start guide



Cordless handset



Telephone base



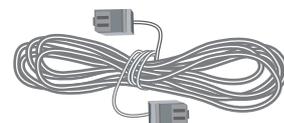
Battery for cordless handset



Battery compartment cover



Power adapter for telephone base



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Quick reference guide

Cordless handset

▼CID/-VOLUME

When in a menu, press to scroll down. When in idle mode, press to display call summary entries (page 26). When entering names or numbers, press to move the cursor to the left. During a call, press ▼CID to decrease listening volume.

DIR▲/VOLUME+

When in a menu, press to scroll up. When in idle mode, press to display directory entries (page 21). While entering names, press to advance the cursor. During a call, press DIR▲ to increase listening volume.

PHONE/FLASH

Press to make or answer a call. During a call, press to receive an incoming call if call waiting is activated (page 16).

OFF/CLEAR

During a call, press to hang up. While using menus, press to cancel an operation, or exit the menu (page 12).

CHAN/REMOVE

When on a call, press CHAN/REMOVE to scan for a clearer channel when there is static or interference on the line (page 16). When in caller ID mode, press to delete the displayed caller ID entry (page 27), or press and hold to delete all caller ID entries (page 27).

MENU/SELECT

Press to display a menu or to confirm a command.

MUTE

While on a call, press to mute microphone. Press again to resume your conversation (page 16).

REDIAL/PAUSE

When in idle mode, Press repeatedly to display the last five numbers called (page 14). While dialing or entering numbers to the directory, press to insert a four-second dialing pause (page 20).



Quick reference guide

Telephone base

IN USE

- Flashes quickly while an incoming call is ringing.
- On steady when the handset is in use.

HANDSET LOCATOR

Press to make the handset beep when the handset is not in the telephone base (page 15).



CHARGE

On when the cordless handset is properly positioned to charge in the telephone base.



MESSAGE COUNTER

Number of messages (or during playback, message number currently playing).

◀ REPEAT

Press to repeat message; press **twice** to play previous message (page 33).

⏻ ANSWER ON

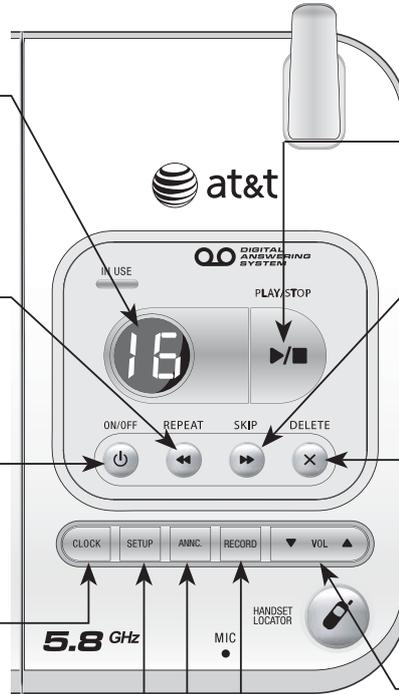
Press to turn answering system on or off (page 36).

CLOCK

Press to review or set clock (page 30).

SETUP

Press to review or change answering system options (page 32).



▶/■ PLAY/STOP

Press to start or stop message playback (page 33).

▶▶ SKIP

Press to skip message (page 33).

✕ DELETE

Press to delete message currently playing; press and hold to delete all old messages (page 33).

⏮ VOL

Press to adjust playback volume (page 33).

RECORD

Press to record a memo (page 34) or after pressing **ANNC.** to record an outgoing announcement (page 31).

ANNC.

Press to review or record announcement; press again to quit (page 31).

Handset main menu

To enter the main menu:

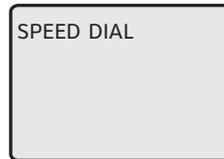
1. Press **MENU/SELECT** when the handset is in idle mode.
2. Press **▼CID** or **DIR▲** to select a handset feature menu, then press **MENU/SELECT** to enter that menu.

To return to the idle mode, press **OFF/CLEAR**.

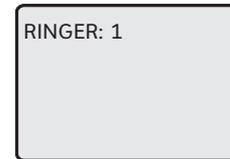
DIRECTORY allows you to store and search for names and numbers.



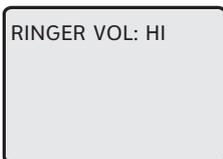
SPEED DIAL allows you to store or dial a number in speed dial location.



RINGER: allows you to set the ringer melodies.



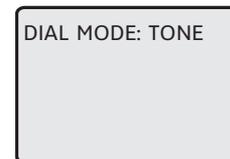
RINGER VOL: allows you to set the ringer volume.



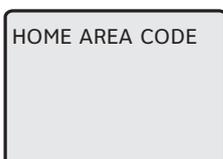
DATE/TIME allows you to set the date and time.



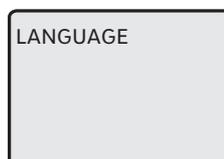
DIAL MODE allows you to set the dialing type.



HOME AREA CODE allows you to set your home area code.



LANGUAGE allows you to set your phone language.



Installation setup

Install the telephone base close to a telephone jack and a power outlet not connected to a wall switch. The telephone base can be placed on a flat surface or vertically mounted on the wall (page xx). For optimum range and better reception, place the telephone base in a central and open location.

Avoid placing the telephone base too close to:

- Communication devices such as: personal computers, computer routers, television sets, VCRs, wireless routers (wireless broadband, wi-fi, or 802.11) or other cordless telephones.
- Excessive heat sources.
- Noise sources such as a window with traffic outside, motors, microwave ovens, refrigerators, or fluorescent lighting.
- Excessive dust sources such as a workshop or garage.
- Excessive moisture.
- Extremely low temperature.
- Mechanical vibration or shock such as on top of the washing machine or work bench.

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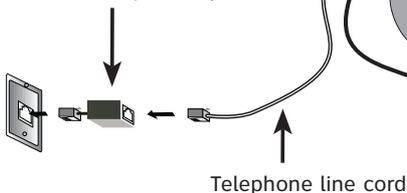
1. Plug the small end of the power adapter into the power jack at the bottom of the telephone base.

2. Plug one end of the telephone line cord into the telephone jack at the bottom of the telephone base.

3. Route cords through slots.

4. Plug the large end of the power adapter into an electrical outlet not connected to a wall switch.

DSL filter
(Optional for DSL users,
see number four in the
note section, below.)



Telephone line cord

5. Plug the other end of the telephone line cord into a telephone jack.



NOTES:

1. Use only the power adapter supplied with this product or equivalent. To order a replacement power adapter, visit our website at www.telephones.att.com or call **1 (800) 222-3111**. In Canada, dial **1 (866) 288-4268**.
2. This power adapter is intended to be correctly oriented in a vertical or floor mount position.

Installation options

This telephone is used for both desktop installation and wall mount installation. If wall mounting is desired, a telephone outlet wall mounting plate with mounting studs is required. This mounting plate with studs may be available for purchase from any hardware or consumer electronics retailers and may require professional installation.

Desktop to wall mount installation

To install the telephone base in the wall mount position, make sure that you first unplug all cords connected to the telephone base before you begin.

1. Plug the telephone line cord and power adapter into the telephone base. Bundle the telephone line cord and power adapter line, then secure with a twist tie.

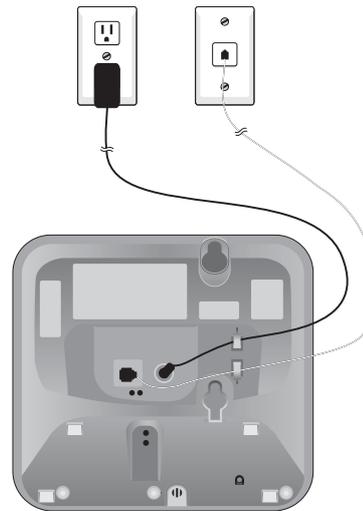
Installation options

Wall mount to desktop installation

To change the telephone base from the wall mount position to desktop position, make sure that you first unplug the power adapter and telephone line cord from the wall outlets before you begin.

1. Slide the telephone base upwards, then pull the telephone base away from the wall off of the mounting studs.
2. Remove the telephone line cord and power adapter plug from the telephone base.

3. Plug the telephone line cord into the telephone base and telephone wall jack, then plug the power adapter plug into the telephone base and to an electrical wall outlet not controlled by a wall switch (page xx).



Battery installation & charging

Install the battery as shown below. After installing the battery, you can make and receive short calls, but replace the handset in the telephone base when not in use. For optimal performance, charge the handset battery for at least 16 hours before use. When fully charged, the handset battery provides approximately five hours of talk time and six days of standby time.



Step 1

Insert the plug as indicated. Be sure to securely insert the plug, making sure that it matches the color-coded label inside the battery compartment.



Step 2

Place the battery and wires inside the compartment.



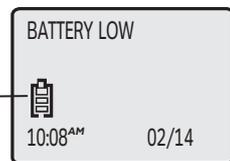
Step 3

Slide the battery compartment cover up until it clicks.

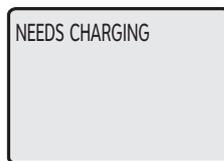


Step 4

You may be able to make or receive short calls. For optimal performance, charge the handset battery for at least 16 hours before first use.



then



Battery low indicator

Return the handset to the telephone base to recharge when this symbol flashes and the handset beeps or when the handset screen displays **NEEDS CHARGING**.



To replace the battery, for optimal performance, charge the handset battery for at least 16 hours before first use. Lift out the old battery and disconnect it from the handset. Follow the instructions on this page to install and charge the new battery.



NOTE: Under normal conditions, the battery should last around one year. This may vary depending on usage.

Caution:

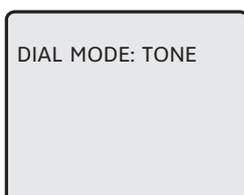
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2. See the **Troubleshooting** section on page xx for charging issues.

Settings

Follow the steps below to program the cordless handset. To stop at any time, press **OFF/CLEAR**.

Language

The default language setting is English. To change the language to Espanol, or Francais:



1. Press **MENU/SELECT**.
2. Press **▼CID** or **DIR▲** until the screen displays **LANGUAGE**.
3. Use **MENU/SELECT** to change the current setting.
4. Press **▼CID** or **DIR▲** to choose among **ENGLISH**, **FRANCAIS**, or **ESPAÑOL**.
5. Press **MENU/SELECT** to confirm your selection and exit.

Choose dial mode

The dial mode defaults to tone. If you do not have touch tone service, you'll need to change the setting to pulse:

1. Press **MENU/SELECT**.
2. Press **▼CID** or **DIR▲** until the screen displays **DIAL MODE:** and the current setting.
3. Use **MENU/SELECT** to change the current setting.
4. Press **▼CID** or **DIR▲** to display **TONE** or **PULSE**.
5. Press **MENU/SELECT** to confirm your selection and exit.



RINGER VOL: LOW



NOTES:

- If you choose **OFF**, the cordless handset ringer will be turned off, and the screen will display **RINGER OFF** and  when the cordless handset is idle (not in use). If there are un-reviewed calls, the screen will display **XX MISSED CALLS**  instead of **RINGER OFF** and .
- When the volume level is at the maximum or minimum setting, you will hear two alert beeps.

Settings

Choose ringer volume setting

1. Press and hold ▼CID or DIR ▲ when the cordless handset is idle (not in use). This feature allows you to choose **HI**, **low** or **OFF**.
2. Press ▼CID or DIR ▲ to choose the desired option. You will hear a sample of each ringer volume.
3. Press **MENU/SELECT** to choose blinking ringer volume and exit.

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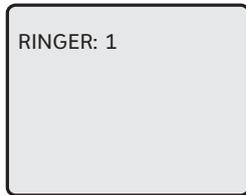
1. Press **MENU/SELECT** to begin programming.
2. Press ▼CID or DIR ▲ until the screen displays **RINGER VOL:** and the current setting.
3. Use **MENU/SELECT** to change the current setting.
4. Press ▼CID or DIR ▲ to choose the desired volume level.
5. Press **MENU/SELECT** to save your selection and exit.

Selectable ringer melodies

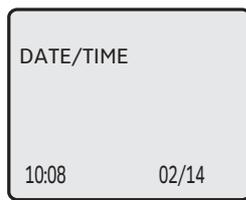
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2. Press ▼CID or DIR ▲ until the screen displays **RINGER:** and the current setting.
3. Use **MENU/SELECT** to change the current setting.
4. Press ▼CID or DIR ▲ to display **1**, **2**, **3**, **4** or **OFF**. You will hear a sample of each ringer sound.
5. Press **MENU/SELECT** to choose the displayed ringer sound and exit.

Settings

Set cordless handset display date and time



1. Press **MENU/SELECT** to begin programming.
2. Press **▼CID** or **DIR ▲** until the screen displays **DATE/TIME**.
3. Press **MENU/SELECT** to view or set the date and time.
4. Press **▼CID** or **DIR ▲** to change the month in the date and time line at the bottom of the display, then press **MENU/SELECT**.
5. Repeat step four to set the day, hour, minute, and the AM/PM.
6. Press **MENU/SELECT** to save and exit.



To set home area code

Home area code is the area code for your telephone number. Most users simply dial the seven digits of a telephone number to make a call within their own area code and 10 digits outside of their area code. If this applies to you, you should enter your own area code into the telephone as the home area code. After setting, if you receive a call from within your home area code, the screen will display the seven digits of the telephone number.

1. Press **MENU/SELECT** to begin programming.
2. Press **▼CID** or **DIR ▲** until the screen displays **HOME AREA CODE**.
3. Press **MENU/SELECT**.
4. Press the dial pad keys to enter a three-digit home area code.
5. Press **MENU/SELECT** to save and exit.



NOTES:

- You can choose to set the time manually, or you can allow it to be set automatically with incoming caller ID information. The time will be set automatically only if you subscribe to caller ID service provided by your local telephone company (page 23). The date and time for the answering machine need to be set separately (page 30).
- Caller ID will not set the year. See page 30 for instructions on how to set the year.

Basic operation

Making and answering calls



To answer an incoming call, press any keys (except **▼CID**, **DIR ▲** and **OFF/CLEAR**). To make a call, press **PHONE/FLASH**, then dial a number. Press **OFF/CLEAR** to hang up.

To predial (preview numbers before dialing), enter numbers first, then press **PHONE/FLASH** to dial. Press **▼CID** then **CHAN/REMOVE** anytime to make corrections when entering numbers.

The screen displays the elapsed time of the current call (in hours, minutes and seconds).

i **NOTE:** Press **PHONE/FLASH** to access service from your local telephone service provider will not affect the elapsed time.

Basic operation



Last five numbers redial

While the phone is not in use, press **REDIAL/PAUSE** repeatedly to display the last five numbers called (up to 30 digits). To dial the number displayed, press **PHONE/FLASH**. Or after pressing **PHONE/FLASH**, press **REDIAL/PAUSE** to call the number last dialed.

To delete the redial memory, press **REDIAL/PAUSE**, then press **CHAN/REMOVE** to delete one by one.

Press **OFF/CLEAR** to exit.

Temporary ring silencing

While the telephone is ringing, press **OFF/CLEAR** to silence the ringer temporarily. This will silence the ringer without disconnecting the call. You can answer the call. The next incoming call will ring normally.

Basic operation

Handset locator

If you misplace the handset, press  **HANDSET LOCATOR** on the telephone base. This starts the paging tone at the handset for 60 seconds to help you locate it. To stop the paging tone, press  **OFF/CLEAR** on the cordless handset, or place the cordless handset in the telephone base, or press the  **HANDSET LOCATOR** on the telephone base.

 **NOTE:** If the handset is charging in the base, pressing  **HANDSET LOCATOR** does not generate a paging tone.

