

# TECHNICAL Practice

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**SA-X12** 

Self Amplified Paging Expander/Adapter

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# Expand Existing Paging Systems and Add Remote Control to the New Speakers



The Viking **SA-X12** expander / adapter is an economical way to expand an existing paging system, while adding remote control to the new speakers. The **SA-X12** can be connected to any existing paging audio source including 600 ohm line level, 4, 8, or 16 ohm speaker level, or even 25 volt and 70 volt paging systems. It can also be connected directly to the 2-wire protocol (40VDC + Audio) of another **SA-X12** or the Viking **SA-25** paging controller to add even more self amplified speakers.

The SA-X12 takes audio from any paging or background music source, and combines it with 40 volts DC

to run Viking self amplified speakers. The added Viking **SA Series** speakers will have the features of the existing paging system, plus have the added feature of being remote controllable.

The **SA-X12** can directly drive up to 12 Viking self amplified speakers which include the model **SA-1S** self amplifier ceiling speaker, and the **SA-1H** self amplified paging horn. Viking self ampli-

fied speakers have these advantages: 1) Audio and power are on the same pair (less copper). 2) Power is 40VDC for lower current and smaller gauge wire (less copper then older 4-wire 24 volt systems). 3) Non-Polarity sensitive for easier wiring. 4) Each speaker is infrared remote controllable so there is no need to install volume controls on the walls, or climb up ladders to adjust the volume.

The SA-IR Infrared Remote and SA Series speakers are available separately.

## Features -

- Powers up to 12 Viking self amplified speakers
- Viking SA Series speakers are remote controllable
- Expand existing paging systems
- Adapts to any paging system

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# **Applications**

- 600 ohm line level paging systems
- 4, 8, or 16 ohm paging systems
- 25 volt and 70 volt paging systems
- Expand a Viking SA-25 paging system

## Specifications -

Power: 120V AC/13.8V AC 1.25A UL listed adapter pro-

vided

**Dimensions:** 135mm x 90mm x 45mm (5.25" x 3.5" x

1.73",

Shipping Weight: 0.9kg (2 lbs.)

Environmental: 0°C to 32°C (32°F to 90°F) with 5% to

95% noncondensing humidity

**Paging Output:** Viking 2-wire protocols (40VDC + audio) **Speakers:** Up to 12 Viking self amplified speakers

Maximum Wire Run Length: See chart on page 3 Connections: (1) 2.1mm barrel jack, (6) cage clamp

screw terminals

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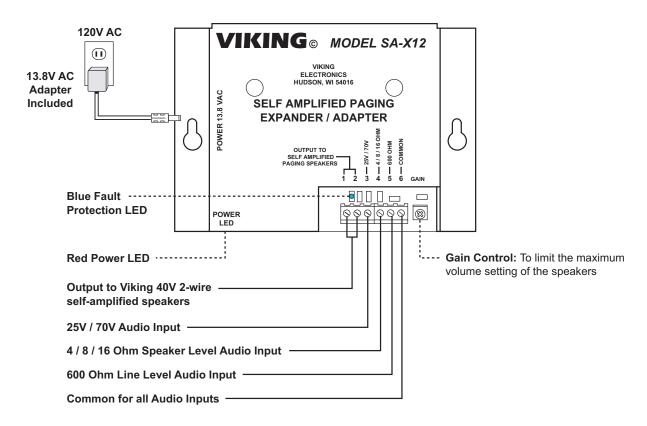
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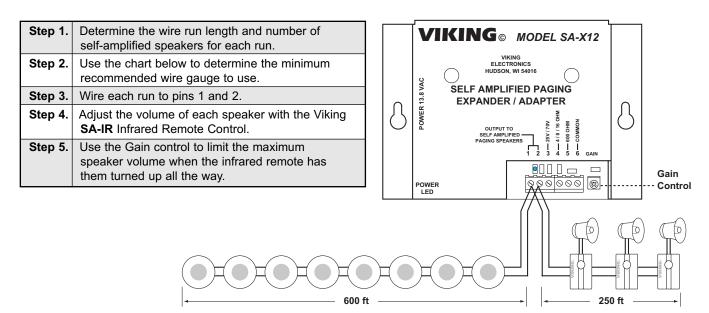
## Features Overview



IMPORTANT: Electronic devices are susceptible to lightning and power station electrical surges from both the AC outlet and the telephone line. It is recommended that a surge protector be installed to protect against such surges.



## A. Wiring Viking SA Series Two-Wire Self-Amplified Speakers



Example: Eight (8) SA-1S speakers on a 600 ft long wire run.
Use at minimum #18 AWG copper wire pair as recommended in the chart below.

**Example:** Three (3) **SA-1H** horns on a 250 ft long wire run. Use at minimum #24 AWG copper wire pair as recommended in the chart below.

# Recommended Minimum AWG (American Wire Gauge) Size for Viking SA Series Self-Amplified Speakers on a Two-Wire Run

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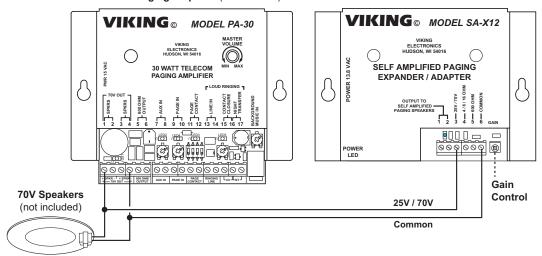
**Total Distance of Two-Wire Run in Feet** 

## **B.** Wiring Input Audio

The **SA-X12** can be connected to any existing paging audio source including 600 ohm line level, 4, 8, or 16 ohm speaker level, or even 25V and 70V paging systems. It can also be connected directly to the 2-wire protocol (40VDC + audio) of another **SA-X12** or the Viking **SA-25** paging controller. The added Viking **SA Series** speakers will have the features of the existing paging system, plus have the added feature of being remote controllable.

## 1. 25V / 70V Paging System

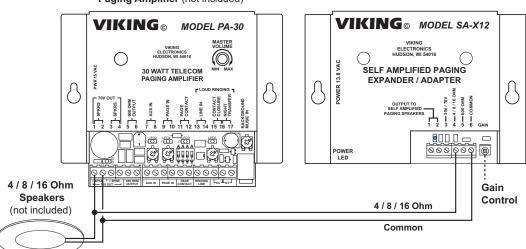
25V or 70V Paging Amplifier (not included)



Step 1.	Connect the output of any 25V or 70V paging amplifier to screw terminals 3 & 6 of the SA-X12.
Step 2.	Add up to 12 Viking 2-wire self amplified remote controllable speakers as shown on page 3.
Step 3.	Use the Gain Control to limit the maximum speaker volume when the infrared remote has them turned up.

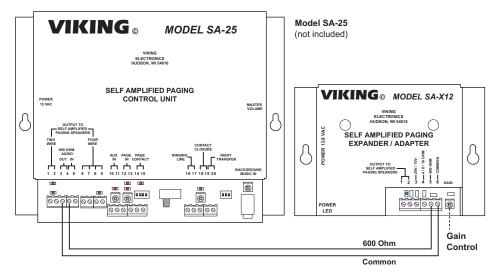
## 2. 4 / 8 / 16 Ohm Speaker Level

Paging Amplifier (not included)



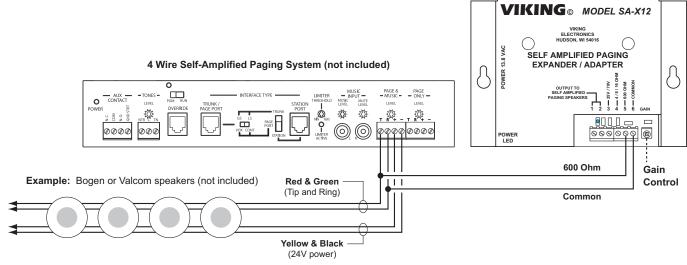
Step 1.	Connect the output of any paging amplifier directly driving 4, 8 or 16 ohm speakers to screw terminals 4 & 6 of the <b>SA-X12</b> .
Step 2.	Add up to 12 Viking 2-wire self amplified remote controllable speakers as shown on page 3.
Step 3.	Use the Gain Control to limit the maximum speaker volume when the infrared remote has them turned up.

### 3. 600 Ohm Line Level Audio

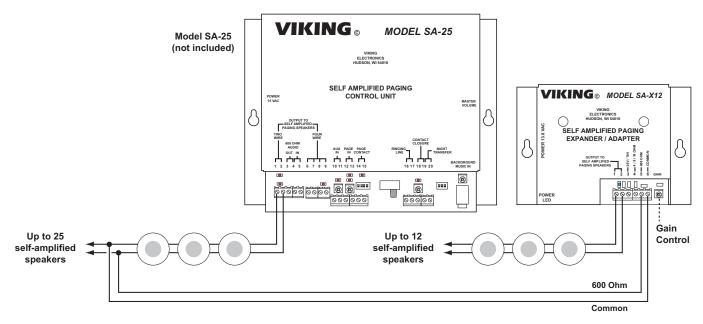


Step 1.	Connect the 600 ohm line level output of any pre-amplifier or paging system to screw terminals 5 & 6 of the SA-X12.
Step 2.	Add up to 12 Viking 2-wire self amplified remote controllable speakers as shown on page 3.
Step 3.	Use the Gain Control to limit the maximum speaker volume when the infrared remote has them turned up.

## 4. Valcom or Bogen 4-Wire Speakers



Step 1.	Connect the audio output pair anywhere along a 4 wire self-amplified paging system speaker run to screw terminals 5 & 6 of the <b>SA-X12</b> .
Step 2.	Add up to 12 Viking 2-wire self amplified remote controllable speakers as shown on page 3.
Step 3.	Use the Gain Control to limit the maximum speaker volume when the infrared remote has them turned up.



Step 1.	Connect anywhere along a Viking 2 wire self-amplified paging system speaker wire run to screw terminals 5 & 6 of the SA-X12.
Step 2.	Add up to 12 Viking 2-wire self amplified remote controllable speakers as shown on page 3.
Step 3.	Use the Gain Control to limit the maximum speaker volume when the infrared remote has them turned up.

## Operation

The **SA-X12** takes audio from any paging or background music source, and combines it with 40VDC to run Viking self amplified speakers. The added Viking **SA Series** speakers will have the features of the existing paging system, plus have the added feature of being remote controllable.

The **SA-IR** remote control functions essentially like a TV remote control. Point the remote at the Viking **SA Series** speaker you wish to control and push the buttons. The speaker volume can be stepped up or down, or the speaker can be totally muted. When the speaker is muted, pressing the mute button again, or the volume up or down buttons, will release the mute. A short "beep" will be heard through the speaker when the mute is activated. A long "beep" will be heard through the speaker when the "MUTE" button is pressed again releasing the mute.

If the **SA-X12** is used to expand more speakers to a Viking **SA-25** paging control unit, the added speakers will be compatible with the **SA-25**'s "Smart Mode" feature. In this special "Smart Mode" the **SA-IR** Remote Control "MUTE" button functions as a "mute background music button". All paging and loud ringing sound will be amplifier through the speaker, but the speaker then mutes the background music. This feature is useful for speakers which are mounted in a meeting room in which pages need to be heard, but background music would be obstructive. This feature enables an office with background music to become a quite meeting room with the bush of a button.

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