

Congratulations on your purchase of the LED-WIZ™ with LumAura™ Technology, one of the most feature packed, USB-compatible, LED and output control interfaces available today....and the best value! CAUTION: This unit has been factory tested and is intended for professional installation. IDVT Inc. will not be responsible for any damages that occur, either directly or indirectly, as a result of using of this device for any purposes whatsoever.

#### Installation

Making sure the bottom of the PCB is not in contact with any conductive materials, plug the B side of the supplied USB cable into the port of the LED-WIZ<sup>™</sup> and then plug the A side into the USB port on the PC. Due to the power requirements of the device, connection to a non-powered hub is not recommended unless the outputs are powered from the PC power supply. If this is the first time you have installed a USB HID Device, you may need the install disc for your OS. Follow the onscreen steps during the installation procedure provided by your OS. When completed, you may need to reboot. The LED-WIZ<sup>™</sup> will be identified as an "HID Compliant Consumer Control Device" and should be listed in the "Human Interface Devices" list under your systems "Hardware Manager."

### Mounting:

Mounting standoffs are **required** and included with your purchase. You **must** ensure that the bottom of the PCB is not in contact with any conductive materials and that the heads of your fasteners are small enough that they do not make contact with any components on the PCB. It must also not be mounted on, or near, combustible materials.

### **Screw Terminals**

The LED-WIZ™ provides for simple wire connection to the PCB through the use of "screw terminal blocks." With the device **disconnected from power**, simply strip approximately 3/16" of insulation from one end of your wire, insert the bare end into the terminal associated with the desired output for your device, and tighten the screw with a small screwdriver. Do not over tighten, but be sure that the wire cannot be pulled from the connector by giving it a firm tug after tightening. Also be sure that no strands of wire are outside of the terminal that might cause a short circuit to adjacent connections, and that wires are sufficiently sized to carry the current required by the devices being connected.

## Wiring Connections:

The output drivers used with the LED-WIZ<sup>™</sup> are technically capable of handling <u>up to</u> a maximum of 50vDC at 500ma per single output, with the total current on any bank (driver chip) not exceeding 1 amp (in a short pulse) at any given time. For safety, and hardware longevity, it is recommended that attached circuitry operates well below the maximums. The LED-Wiz and driver chips are *not* designed to handle the maximums possible as a result of simultaneously driving every output at its fullest potential. It is therefore ultimately up to the installer to decide what is *prudent* and *safe* when deciding how to use the LED-Wiz in their application. The LED-Wiz is but one component in an electrical system, and it is crucial that any circuits connected to it offer protection to the LED-Wiz, connected devices, power supplies, PC, etc. If high current devices are desired to be used, properly designed external circuitry must be used to safely supply the desired current for those devices.

This version of the LED-Wiz PCB has been designed to allow direct access to the suppression diodes of the output driver chips on a per chip, or "8-output bank", basis. This gives the user the capability of running *small* inductive loads (relays, coils, solenoids, etc) with as many as 4 different voltages per board. The positive power line must *never* be connected to any other part of the LED-Wiz board, and all devices attached to any bank of outputs must share the same voltage requirements. For operating only LED's, it may not be necessary to be concerned with the "Bank Voltage Select" terminals at all. However, any inductive loads (or loads which you can't identify as inductive or not) **must** have the positive voltage line connected to the appropriate "Bank Voltage Select" terminal for the output bank which the negative lines of the devices have been connected. In cases where only one device voltage is being used, it is permissible to simply link all of the "Bank Voltage Select" terminals together and then connect them to the positive line of the power supply. This configuration was the default state of the original LED-Wiz when shipped. Note: If this section is not understood by the user, it is highly recommended that an email be sent to techsupport@groovygamegear.com for clarification. Improperly connecting positive voltages to the LED-Wiz will result in destruction of the LED-Wiz, and quite likely any devices attached..including your computer! So be safe and ask questions if necessary!

If only the USB port power is to be used to power external devices, be aware that it can supply only 5v DC power with a total current delivery of about 500ma. Larger 5v DC loads, like small incandescent lamps and relays, or large numbers of LEDs, should be connected to the PC Power supply (Figure 2) through a cable with an *in-line fuse*. The use of a fuse is **strongly** recommended! This type of fused cable is not included but can be purchased at your local electronics store. Be sure to select the proper fuse size for the load you have connected to the device! Too large a fuse and it won't protect anything, too small and they will keep blowing. Keep all of your wiring clean and tidy. The most important thing to keep in mind when wiring your project is **safety first** and a well thought out approach will help ensure this. See the diagrams below, and on the back of this page, for wiring examples.

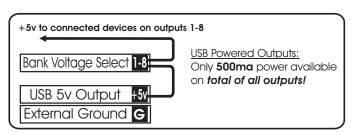


FIGURE 1. Power to external devices provided by USB Port.

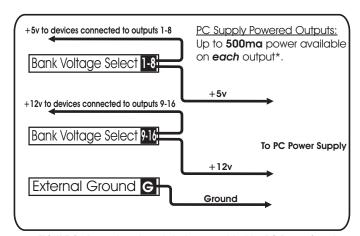


FIGURE 2. Power to external devices provided by PC Power Supply.

<sup>\*</sup>Subject to the limitations stated under the "Wiring Connections" above.

## **LED Usage Considerations:**

LED's are like goldfish. They don't know when to stop consuming and will "pop" if you feed them too much. For this reason, you **must** install a resistor in series with the LED to limit the current to an amount that will make the LED bright and happy.

Resistor values for use with LEDs connected to the LED-WIZ can be found using the following formula:

# RESISTOR VALUE = (5v - LED VOLTAGE) / LED CURRENT

So, the resistor value for an 3.2v LED with a 20ma current rating would be 100ohms and the formula would be:

## R = (5-3.2)/.020 or R = 1.8/.020 or R = 90ohms.

So where did the 100ohm resistor come from? Simple. Resistors are not commonly available in all values, so it may be necessary to use the next closest value. *Always use the next higher value, not the next lower one.* It is always acceptable to use a higher resistor value for a slightly dimmer LED, but lower than proper values will damage the LED, resulting in poor performance and a much shorter life span.

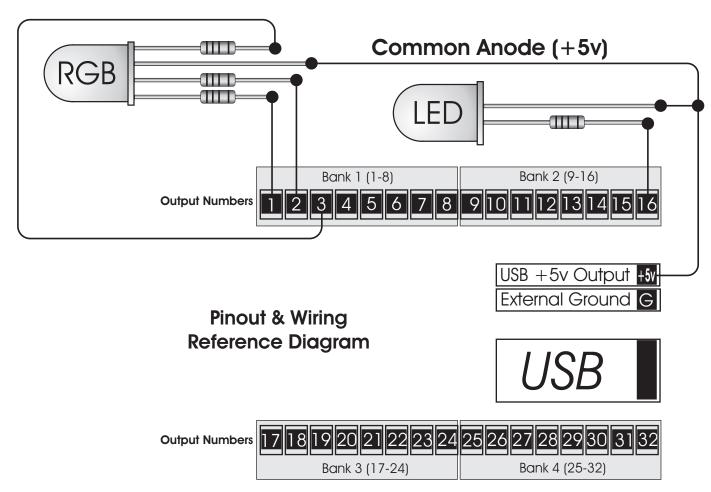


FIGURE 3. Example showing proper wiring of an RGB and Standard LED.