



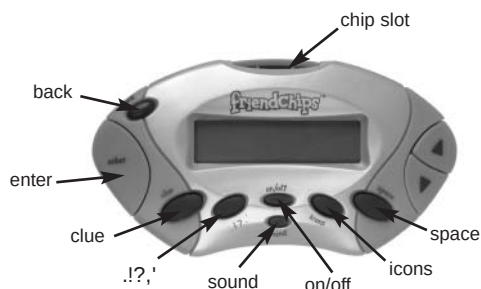
friendChips™



Model 74009
For 1 User / Ages 6 and up
INSTRUCTION MANUAL
P/N 82383600 Rev.C

Now you and your friends can pass electronic messages while using instant messaging lingo! Throw away the paper and have lots of fun as you send messages the hi-tech way. FriendChips has two main units and four chips that can be used again and again to pass those top secret messages with your friends. Just insert a chip to the main unit, write your message, record it to the chip and pass to your BFF. FriendChips is small enough to fit in your pocket, backpack or wherever you want to go!

FEATURES:



MAIN UNITS - Insert the chip into this these units to read and write your messages to the chips.

CHIPS - Use the chips to write and read messages and then pass to your friends. Please note: the chips can be used over and over again.

BACK - Press this button to move to the previous screen.

ENTER - Press the button to make your selection.

CLUE - Press this button to see the definition of an instant message symbol or abbreviation. This button only works with pre-programmed sayings within subjects.

.!?,' - Press this button to add punctuation to your message.

ON/OFF - Press this button to turn the unit on or off.

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SOUND - Press this button to turn the sound on or off.

ICONS - Press this button to search through different icons to create your own IMs or pictures to add to your message.

SPACE - Press this button to add spaces in your messages.

UP - Press this button to scroll up.

DOWN - Press this button to scroll down.

RESET - Use this button to reset FriendChips™. Insert a dull, pointed object (like the end of a paper clip) into the reset button hole.



Reset hole

USING FRIENDCHIPS™

Press the ON/OFF button to turn your main units on. The main menu will appear. Press the UP or DOWN button to scroll through the options of "write?", "read?", "edit?", or "custom?".

- **WRITE** - takes you through the process of writing a message.
- **READ** - allows you to read an existing message on a chip.
- **EDIT** - allows you to remove parts of a message that has already been recorded to a chip.
- **CUSTOM** - allows you to personalise your main unit and messages.

BATTERY INSTALLATION

FriendChips™ is powered by two (2) "AAA" batteries in each unit.

- Using a screwdriver, loosen the screw until the battery compartment door on the back of the power pack can be removed.
- Insert two (2) AAA batteries (we recommend alkaline) as indicated inside the battery compartment.
- Replace the battery compartment door and tighten the screw with a screwdriver. Do not over-tighten.

NOTE: Recorded passcode and signature will be lost when reset is pressed or when you change the batteries.

WRITING A MESSAGE



Just insert a chip!

First, insert a chip into the main unit. Make sure the chip is facing front, label to the back

of the main unit, and is securely pressed into the unit.

Press the ENTER button when you see "write?". You can "create" or "search" a message at this menu or "erase" all messages at a time.



- **CREATE** - allows you to access a-z, A-Z, and 0-9 to write your own message. Using the UP and DOWN buttons, scroll through the letters or numbers you want. Once you have found the letter or number press ENTER. Remember, you can also use the SPACE, ICONS and .!?,' buttons to add spaces, icons, and punctuation to your message. Repeat this step until you have completed your message. Once your message is complete, press and hold ENTER to record the message to the chip.
- **SEARCH** - allows you to search alphabetically or by subject through an existing library of sayings, IMs, and pictures. You will have to access to thousands of these pre-programmed categories. It will make writing your messages faster! When you find something you want to add to your message, press enter!

Alphabetical - to search existing sayings alphabetically, you would spell out the first part of your saying and then press and hold ENTER to enter the library. You would then be able to scroll through the library alphabetically to find all the cool sayings already created and available.

Subject - to search through subjects, press UP or DOWN to scroll. The searchable subjects include: answering back, any questions, attitude, boys, bummers, compliments, descriptions, embarrassing moments, e-motions, fashion bug, friends, games/sports, intros, lingo, making plans, mmm...mall/movies/ music, pets, pictures, 'rents, school, signing off, slumber party, and who. For example, if you want to write a message about boys, you would select the boy's subject and search for sayings you would want to add to your message. Remember, a message can be made up of lots of these sayings - so just keep entering away!



Please note: Make sure you press and hold ENTER to record your message to the chip.

READING A MESSAGE

First, insert a chip into the reader unit. Make sure the chip is facing front, label to the back of your main unit, and is securely pressed into the unit. To read a message, you would insert the chip with the message previously recorded on it. Select "read" from the main menu. If there is a message on your chip, it will start scrolling immediately. If no message is recorded on the chip- it will prompt you with "No message!"

EDITING A MESSAGE

To edit a message, select "edit" from the main menu. This would start the message scrolling from right to left. If at any time you see a saying that you do not want included in your message, press enter and you will be asked if you want to delete that saying. If you choose yes, that particular saying will be removed from the chip.

CUSTOMIZING A MESSAGE

You can add a signature or a 3-icon passcode to your main unit. This custom feature allows you to program a 3-icon passcode to keep nosy intruders out! That means, no one can use your main unit or read your chips unless they know your secret code! At the custom menu, you can select passcode or signature. If you select passcode, on will appear on the menu screen and press ENTER again. Once you have turned on your passcode, it is now time to select your icons. Press UP or DOWN to select your icon and set your passcode. Don't forget your passcode or you won't be able to read your chips without resetting your main unit! A signature is a particular way you always want to end your message. So, for example, if you always want to sign your messages saying- Luv ya-Jen! You can enter that here and it will always be added to the end of any message you record! You just select signature from the custom menu. A signature can be made up of a brief saying, name and a picture. Have fun and come up with your own fun signature!

OTHER COOL STUFF....

- **CLUE** - If at any time while you are looking through the library and don't know what the abbreviation or IM stands for, simply press the CLUE button and while the button is held, the definition for that saying will show. This helps you to quickly learn this cool new language. Now UR2C! (that's... You are too cool! In IM language!)
- **SPACE, ICONS AND !?,'** - All of these buttons are hard keys on your main unit so you can easily select and put into your messages. Simply press the buttons multiple times to scroll through the available choices.
- **SOUND** - if you want to write your messages in ultimate secrecy- press the SOUND button to turn off all sound from your main unit!
- **SLEEP MODE** - FriendChips™ will go into sleep mode after one minute of inactivity. Don't forget, if you don't record your message to a chip before letting the main unit fall asleep, your message will be lost- so make sure to record! Press the ON/OFF button to turn the unit on.
- **SCROLLING SPEED**- If your message scrolls too slow or too fast- you can adjust the speed. Just press Up or Down while the message is scrolling- the message will speed up or slow down!

IF YOUR UNIT IS NON-RESPONSIVE WHEN INSERTING CHIP, PLEASE RESET THE UNIT. THE CONTENT OF THE CHIP SHOULD NOT BE LOST BUT YOU MAY HAVE TO RESET YOUR PASSCODE AND SIGNATURE.

ADULT SUPERVISION IS RECOMMENDED WHEN CHANGING BATTERIES.

CAUTION:

- **As with all small batteries, the batteries used with this product should be kept away from small children who might still put things in their mouths. If a battery is swallowed, consult a physician immediately.**
- **Be sure you insert the battery correctly and always follow the product and battery manufacturer's instructions.**
- **Do not dispose of batteries in fire.**
- **Batteries might leak if improperly installed, or explode if recharged, disassembled or heated.**

MAINTENANCE:

- Handle this product carefully.
- Store this product away from dusty or dirty areas.
- Keep this product away from moisture or extreme temperature.
- Do not disassemble this product. If a problem occurs, remove and replace the batteries to reset the computer or try new batteries. If problems persist, consult the Warranty information located at the end of this Instruction Manual.
- Use only the recommended battery type.
- Do not mix old and new batteries.
- Do not mix alkaline, standard (carbon-zinc) or rechargeable (nickel-cadmium) batteries.
- Do not use rechargeable batteries.
- Do not attempt to recharge non-rechargeable batteries.
- Remove any exhausted batteries from this product.
- Do not short-circuit the supply terminals.
- Insert batteries with the correct polarity.

Please retain this for future reference.

This product complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

WARNING: Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

NOTE: 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 to radio 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.

90-DAY LIMITED WARRANTY

(This product warranty is valid in the United States and Canada only)

Radica Games Limited warrants this product for a period of 90 days from the original purchase date under normal use against defective workmanship and materials (batteries excluded). This warranty does not cover damage resulting from accident, unreasonable use, negligence, improper service or other causes not arising out of defects in material or workmanship. Radica Games Limited will not be liable for any costs incurred due to loss of use of this product or other incidental or consequential costs, expenses or damages incurred by the purchaser. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other legal rights, which vary from state to state.

During this 90-day warranty period, the game will either be repaired or replaced (at our option) without charge to the purchaser when returned prepaid with proof of date of purchase to: Radica USA, Ltd., 13628-A Beta Road, Dallas, Texas 75244, USA. Please remove the batteries and wrap the unit carefully before shipping. Please include a brief description of the problem along with your return address and mail it postage prepaid.

IMPORTANT: Before returning the unit for repair, test it with fresh alkaline batteries. Even new batteries may be defective or weak and low battery power is a frequent cause of unsatisfactory operation.



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