

RECORDS Expansion Pack

a sound enhancing expansion pack for the Roland TD-25 Drum Module
Version 1.10 and newer supported

Owner's Manual



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Thank you for choosing **Records**. This expansion pack for the TD-25 provides 18 specialized drum kit selections.

These drum kits were created specifically for **Recording** purposes.

All the volume levels have been set for common recording levels when using a DAW (Digital Audio Workstation like Pro Tools, Cubase, Logic, Sonar, FL Studio, Ableton, etc..) and the L/R outputs in stereo from the TD25.

These programmed volume levels of the drums are for reference and starting points only, feel free to adjust as you see fit in the recording process. There is no wrong setting.

Special EQ considerations have been custom designed into this pack to allow the drum kits to be warmer, with less harsh overtones when using a DAW. The panning has been set tight, and NO /or minimal Reverb/Ambience effects were used. If you are using a preamp like API, Neve, Focusrite, etc....the drums will record even warmer. You will notice the drum kits are natural and dry sounding. This will allow you to place your own verb on to the track if necessary.

This pack was created using Audio Technica: ATH-M50x headphones with no module tone adjustments (Set at 0). Due to the bass heavy nature of these headphones, you may want to adjust the kick drum volume to suit your needs better.

Drums and cymbals were matched and created to blend together. Most kits were fashioned from their acoustic drum counterparts with no reverb added. Any reverb that was incorporated was used sparingly.

This design features pre-programmed support of Crash Two as a crash cymbal and Aux as a splash/china/ or stacked cymbal. All the kits are uniform in level and panning.

It is required to use a USB thumb drive formatted in the TD-25 to load **Records**.

This pack is supplied with a bulk load file, as well as individual kit files to conveniently load one at a time. The supplied manual easily explains the loading procedures, and also includes an expanded troubleshooting guide. The manual also provides live sound tips relating to the TD-25.

All kits have been fashioned using the onboard *SuperNATURAL* sounds of the TD-25. These are not new samples or added third party material. The TD-25 is not capable of uploading new samples to its wave board. All sounds have been professionally formulated and highly tweaked for your satisfaction.

The **RECORDS** expansion pack has been ear-created on the TD-25 from scratch on a highly expressive platform.

Using RECORDS in a live scenario.

The **RECORDS** expansion kits are programmed to define the original source media as closely as possible by the TD-25 drum module.

REVERB: If you wish to adjust settings to work with your public address system or band better, your Kit settings can be easily adjusted to add reverb. Adjust the main levels to below 50. You may find it easier to avoid the larger hall settings when gigging.

PAN: Tom and cymbal separation can also be adjusted using the PAN edit feature to widen the depth of your instruments without harming the kit model.

TONE: Try to keep the Tone levels (Bass and Treble) between -2 and +2 respectively. 0 setting is normal and how **Records** was created.

STEREO L/R OUT: it is suggested that the kits be sourced to the mixing console in stereo as they are modeled, and then adding/ reducing the desired effects to accommodate the current environment.

MONO L Output: If you are sending your signal via the L MONO OUT – go through your models/kits and adjust all the panning to L15 on all triggers....this will greatly enhance your drum set's sound to the mixer. (kik, snr, toms, hh, rd, cr1, cr2, aux)

Thank you once again for purchasing the **RECORDS** Expansion Pack from V Expressions LTD. We hope you enjoy it!

PLEASE CHECK FIRMWARE – Your version needs to be 1.10 / newer or RECORDS will not LOAD.

Kit descriptions:

Layout positions and Individual kit numbering:

Kit 1.	Standard 4	Yamaha Absolute
Kit 2.	Standard 5	Tama Mastercraft
Kit 3.	Standard 6	Gretsch Catalina
Kit 4.	Rock 4	GMS Session
Kit 5.	Rock 5	Epic Ludwigs
Kit 6.	Rock 6	WFL Vintage
Kit 7.	Metal 4	N&C Classic
Kit 8.	Metal 5	Eames Custom Drums
Kit 9.	Metal 6	Meridien / Mapex
Kit 10.	Jazz 4	Sonor Delite
Kit 11.	Jazz 5	Premier APK
Kit 12.	Jazz 6	Pearl BLX
Kit 13.	Funk 4	Slingerland Jupiter Series
Kit 14.	Funk 5	Acrylic DW Collectors
Kit 15.	Funk 6	Peavey Radial
Kit 16.	Electro 4	This is da 1 – R&B inspired
Kit 17.	Electro 5	Tabla Attempt – synthesized Tabla sounds
Kit 18.	Electro 6	Revelation Drum company

LOADING NOTES:

Standard, Rock, Metal, Jazz, Funk, & Electro 4-6 will overwrite user kits on a bulk load.

NOTE: Any size USB Thumb drive 512 MB – 64 GB will work.

PAD and Drum Kit configuration at time of programming with RECORDS

The pad assignments and trigger information are set to standard default Roland trigger settings for the following pads:

Kick:	KD9
Snare:	PDX100
Toms 1&2:	PDX 6
Tom 3:	PDX 8
HH:	VH-11
Ride:	CY-13R
CR1:	CY-12/C
CR2:	CY-12/C
AUX:	CY-12/C

NOTE: To avoid overwriting your pad settings with a bulk load, load each kit individually using the “Load 1 kit” feature. *(Pg 15 in the TD-25 Parameter Guide)*

If your pad setup is different from the above mentioned groupings you may need to write down any/all of your pad types and/or custom trigger settings you may have adjusted. The TD-25 doesn't allow you to load kit and pad settings separately. After loading **Records**, you may need to recreate all the custom pad settings you have made (pad type, sensitivity, re-trig, etc.)

Making sure your pad types match will help align **RECORDS** to your kit configuration.

VERY IMPORTANT:

CHECK FIRMWARE – Your version needs to be 1.10 or newer or RECORDS will not LOAD.

**Your TD-25 needs to be Firmware version 1.10 or newer
If you have firmware 1.0, please update your module.**

RECORDS will not load unless you have updated to 1.10.

RECORDS Backup FILES

(1) ONE – Backup RECORDS file is included with purchase:

File: **TD25_Backup006.TD0**

Your file can be found as Backup 06. In the TD-25 module the name may read as: TD25 RECORDS

3 Way trigger ride (CY-13R) and Crash 2/AUX (CY-12/C) are supported.

The file will load into your user section overwriting:
Standard, Rock, Metal, Jazz, Funk, & Electro 4-6

RECORDS Individual Kit FILES

All 18 kits individually are supplied for individual kit loading if desired.

The kit files can be found in a file folder called KIT. The kit files will need to be copied from this file folder to the KIT file folder on your USB Thumb Drive. If you don't want to overwrite your customized trigger settings or kit placements, load the kits individually.

V Expressions Limited: TD-25 RECORDS Expansion Pack Instructions

READ ALL OF THE FOLLWING BEFORE CONTINUING!

▲ **Make sure you've backed up your files before loading Records.** ▲

Please take a moment to read all of our procedures below before attempting them.

If you have questions before attempting any of the procedures below, please refer to your TD-25 owner's manual or email V Expressions LTD from our website at www.vexpressionsltd.com.

Follow these two important steps first if not done so already, then load your RECORDS files:

Formatting your USB Device in TD-25

pg 13 in your TD-25 Manual

- Step 1:** Insert your USB thumb drive into the module.
- Step 2:** From the Main Kit screen, Press the **MENU** Button
- Step 3:** Press **SETUP**
- Step 4:** Use Cursor and scroll down to: **USB Memory Format**
- Step 5:** Press **FORMAT**
- Step 6:** At the confirmation screen, Press OK

Press Cancel if you do not wish to Format your Flash drive

Make a backup to your USB Device in TD-25

pg 12 in your TD-25 Manual

- Step 1:** Insert your formatted USB Thumb drive into the module.
- Step 2:** From the Main Kit screen, Press the **MENU** Button
- Step 3:** Press **SETUP**
- Step 4:** In the setup screen, select "Backup Save"
- Step 5:** Use INSTRUMENT knob to select backup destination (1-99) - please do not use (06)
- Step 6:** Press **SAVE**
- Step 7:** You can name your backup if desired, press Name, use arrows/instrument knob to select letters, etc. Press Exit when completed.
- Step 8:** Press OK to save backup.

Press Cancel if you do not wish to Save a backup to your USB Thumb drive

IMPORTANT: Once saved, remove your USB thumb drive from TD-25 and insert into your computer/laptop. Copy the Roland folder to your Desktop. Don't move it there, only copy it, so it leaves the Roland folder on the USB thumb drive as well. This will preserve a copy of your module on your computer before any V Expressions changes have taken place.

You've downloaded the **Records** files from our page; now:

PC / MAC : Saving Your V Expressions LTD RECORDS Backup file to your USB Drive

- Insert your TD25 Formatted USB drive into your computer.
- Open the Root Directory and Locate the Roland Folder
- Make a Folder on your desktop called: TD25VEX
- Copy this Roland folder(on the USB Thumb drive) to your desktop folder TD25VEX. This will preserve any backups you made.
- Now Copy and Paste the "Roland" folder that came with your V Expressions Download overwriting the Roland folder on your USB drive.

For advanced users – Locate the file: TD25_Backup006.TD0 in the Roland/TD-25/Backup folder you downloaded from us, and move it to the Backup folder on your USB drive. Copy the 18 kits in the Kit folder you downloaded from us into your KIT folder. You may have to rename them in order not to overwrite kits you already have.

NOTE: Loading RECORDS from an external USB Thumb Drive to the TD-25

LOADING NOTES:

Standard, Rock, Metal, Jazz, Funk, & Electro 4-6 will overwrite user kits on a bulk load.

Section I: Loading Individual Kits

See page 15 in your TD-25 parameter guide

Before loading **RECORDS** as a backup, you have the option to load each kit in individually. Loading kits individually preserves your trigger settings and kit placements, but will take more time.

HINT: After Selecting "Setup", you can hold the down arrow button to get to "Load 1 kit" more quickly.

To load each kit individually: Recommended

Step 1: Insert your USB thumb drive into the module.

Step 2: Using the rotary dial select the desired kit location

Step 3: Press Menu from the Drum Kit screen

Step 4: Press SETUP

Step 5: Select "Load 1 kit" - The Load 1 kit screen will appear
Press the flashing ENTER button (It is also the "KICK" button)

Step 6: Use INSTRUMENT knob to select which kit you want to load

Step 7: Press F3 Load

Step 8: Press F3 OK

Step 9: Press Exit several times to return to Drum Kit screen

Repeat Steps 2-8 until all desired kits have been loaded.

Step 1: Insert your USB Thumb drive into the module.

Step 2: From the Main Kit screen, Press the **MENU** Button

Step 3: Press **Setup**

Step 4: Select **Backup Load**

Step 5: Use **INSTRUMENT** knob to select **backup #06**
(It will default to backup 01 and may say No Backup.)

Use INSTRUMENT KNOB to scroll to backup 06

▲ Says: Empty/NO Backup? Make sure you are scrolling to Backup 06.

NOTE: The master file is **TD25_Backup006.TD0**. It will be named: TD25 RECORDS

Step 6: Once selected, Press **LOAD**

Step 7: Press **OK** to load backup.

▲ Follow these additional steps after a successful upload:

- Re-Calibrate your VH-11 Hi hat.
- Make sure your pad type settings in module match your pads on your kit.

See page 11 in your TD-25 manual for both these procedures.

Note: Do not rename the Backup files. They must remain in TD25_Backup###.TD0 format.

Visit www.vdrumlib.com for information on V Drum Librarian.

Please take a moment to write down your pad assignments and trigger settings before you load in any VEX packs.

IE: Kick drum is a KD-9, Snare is a PDX100, Tom 1 is a PDX8.....

Kick:

Snare :

Tom 1 :

Tom 2:

Tom 3:

Hi Hat:

Crash 1:

Crash 2:

Ride:

AUX:

If you are having problems with your pads not responding like normal, check the following:

1. Check your trigger settings and pad assignments – we supply **RECORDS** with Default Roland pad and trigger settings. See page “ v “ of this manual.
2. Check all your mixer settings and cables for proper input on the pads.
3. Your CY12 R/C, CY-13R / CY-15R Ride Cymbal has no BELL sound. Adjust your trigger bank setting to CY-13R or CY-15R. Also....make sure your secondary cable (RDB) is installed

correctly into BOW/BELL trigger input of cymbal. Your RD cable should be in BOW/EDGE trigger input of cymbal.

4. You get an Error message when trying to LOAD **Records**: (Empty/No Backup?) Make sure you are scrolling to Backup 06. Make sure you have properly formatted your USB thumb drive. You must use a USB thumb drive. Running a cable from the computer USB port to the module will not work. Make sure your firmware is 1.10 or newer. Make sure the backup file is in the proper folder on the USB drive: Roland/TD-25/**Backup**. Try using a new/fresh USB drive. Do not rename file, it must remain in this format only: TD25_Backup####.TD0. (Backup up #'s can be from 1-99). If you are trying to load kits individually, make sure the KIT folder contains all the kits. Location: Roland/TD-25/**Kit**.
5. When you connect your USB drive to module, it says "USB Memory not connected" or you get another type of error: Reformat the usb drive in your computer or laptop using FAT32.

If you have questions before attempting any of the above procedures, please refer to your TD-25 owner's manual or email V Expressions LTD from our website at www.vexpressionsltd.com.

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