



ClearOne Chat 50 USB speakerphone

SUMMARY:

The ClearOne Chat 50 USB is a personal speakerphone with great audio quality that can be used as a speakerphone for hands-free calls on a PC (or laptop) or cell phone, or as a speaker for MP3 players.

Price: \$149

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Being a USB connected speakerphone is not special; however, it is ClearOne's rich and full-bodied sound that is amazing. It is a well-made, professional looking and durable telephony apparatus. In fact, it has so much clarity it gives the impression that you are talking with someone in your room!

The ClearOne Chat 50 USB speaker phone is a compact instrument; being slightly bigger than a deck of cards. It has an attractive dome design with a blue LED that lights up when the unit is switched on. This LED turns red when the Chat 50 is placed on mute. The speakerphone is very easy to use; all that has to be done is to plug the supplied USB cable

The ClearOne Chat 50 USB is a versatile speakerphone with full-duplex properties delivering fantastic sound quality. Good for frequent travelers and home-based workers using VoIP softphone and cellphones.

into your PC. It is through this USB connection, the Chat 50 receives and communicates power. You can also connect your cell phone, MP3 player and PDA to the Chat 50 through a mini DIN (headphone jack) connector found on the instrument. However, to do this, you need to use the included AC adapter for power.

Once all the necessary connections are made, you will find its full-duplex capabilities deliver great audio. By full-duplex, we mean that the ClearOne Chat 50 USB has a transmission system that can transfer data simultaneously in both directions. With this facility, it is possible to both speak and listen to the other party at the same time. This is unlike most speakerphones that transmit data in one direction at a time.

The ClearOne Chat 50 speaker phone comes with an application CD containing the Chat 50 software utility. This utility makes it possible to select audio presets for specific connected devices (cell phones, PCs, desk phones, etc.), create your own presets, and automatically update the Chat 50's firmware. You can also use the utility's Advanced features to make adjustments to the device's speaker and microphone levels in order to fine tune the audio for your device.

If you find that your device is not includ-

ed in the list of devices on the CD application, you can check on the web page of ClearOne or try to configure your device by yourself. All you have to do is to find the best volume levels and echo setting for your device, and then save these setting as a new profile. The ClearOne Chat 50 USB speakerphone is the best alternative for those hating the quality of the speakerphone on the laptop or if you are sick of headsets! This investment is well worth it!



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