

DZ123M0

Fits MicroTrains ZGP-35 Locomotives

Z Scale Mobile Decoder DCC Plug 'N Play 1 Amp/1.25 Amp Peak 2 FX³ Functions, 0.5 Amp

Features:

- **Digitrax LocoMotion® System-**Your locomotives look like the real thing. The Digitrax LocoMotion System makes them run like the real thing, too!
 - Torque Compensation for smooth as silk silent operation.
 - 128 Speed Step operation (14 or 28 steps can also be used).
 - Momentum with acceleration and deceleration.
 - Normal Direction of Travel is user selectable.
 - Switching Speed feature for easier and faster access to yard speeds.
 - 3 Step Speed Tables set start, mid and max voltage for custom control.
 - 28 Step Speed Tables with 256 level resolution for precise control.
- Scalable Speed Stabilization (Back EMF) with simple setup & 256 level resolution.
- **SuperSonic** motor drive for silent operation.
- **FX³** Functions for prototypical lighting effects:

Constant Brightness Lighting with directional or independent control. **Dynamic and Static Qualifiers** operate functions based on direction,

F0 on or off, loco direction and F0, and whether loco is moving.

Function Remapping of 14 functions for custom function setup.

Master Light Switch turns off all lights & functions with one keystroke.

Advanced Consist Function Controls

- Plug 'N Play design makes installation quick and easy.
- Golden-White LED for added realism.
- **Transponder equipped** ready for transponding on your layout.
- All Mode Programming with Operations Mode Read Back-read back CV values right on the mainline.
- **Decoder Factory CV Reset** with or without speed table initialize.
- Motor Isolation Protection prevents damage to your loco and decoder.
- Basic, Advanced & UniVersal Consisting
- 2 Digit and 4 Digit Addressing
- DCC Compatible



Parts List

1 DZ123M0 Decoder

1 Instruction sheet

Installation Information

See the Digitrax Decoder Manual for complete decoder test procedures, installation instructions, programming and technical information. Digitrax manuals and instructions are updated periodically. Please visit www.digitrax.com for the latest versions, technical updates and additional locomotive-specific installation instructions.

Installation Instructions - MicroTrains GP-35 Locomotive

- 1. Carefully remove the locomotive's shell from the frame. Notice the orientation of the shell for reinstallation. *Figure 1*.
- 2. Carefully remove the motor springs with tweezers. Store these springs in a safe place for later re-use *Figure 2*.
- 3. Slide the factory light board forward to release it from under the clips on the locomotive frame. Be careful not to distort the frame clips as you slide and lift the light board off the frame. *Figure 2.*
- 4. Take the DZ123M0 decoder (noting the correct orientation of the frame pads) and slide underneath frame clips as indicated in the *Figure 3*. You will need to gently flex the front of the decoder in order to clear the GP-35's retaining post (partially shown).
- As shown in *Figure 4* reinstall the motor springs, *taking care to insure the springs do not touch the loco frame*. Finally reinstall the locomotive shell.
- 6. Place the locomotive on the track, select address 03 on





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your throttle and apply power. If the motor does not respond but you can control the lights, check the installation for motor spring short circuits.

 Digitrax decoders are set up with configuration variable (CV) default values so you can run your locomotive right away using address 03. See the Digitrax Decoder Manual for complete instructions on set-



ting up the CVs for customizing your locomotive's performance characteristics.



Figure 5: Completed Installation.

Customizing Your Decoder

Your Digitrax decoder is ready to run and will operate using address 03 with no additional programming. For a more prototypical railroading experience, your decoder can be customized for your specific locomotive by programming some of the Configuration Variables, or CVs, available. See the Digitrax Decoder Manual or the Digitrax web site for more information.



Changing the Decoder Address

The first CV most people change is the decoder address so that the loco can be independently controlled with it's own unique address. All Digitrax decoders are shipped with CV01 (AD2), the two digit address, set to 03. See your Starter Set Manual for complete programming instructions. Following is a brief description of how to change the decoder address with a DT series throttles.

- Place the loco on the programming track. Go into Program Mode on your system. On DT400 press PROG. On DT300, DT100 & DT200 press RUN/STOP & FN/F0.
- 2. Choose AD2 for 2 digit addressing or AD4 for 4 digit addressing (DT300 & DT400). (Ad for DT100 & DT200, see set manual for 4 digit instructions).
- 3. Choose the address you want to set up for the decoder.
- 4. Complete address programming. On DT400 press **ENTER**. On DT300, DT100 & DT200 press **SEL**.

Note: CV29 must also be programmed to enable 4 digit addressing, this is done automatically by the DT300 & DT400 but not on earlier throttles.

Digitrax LocoMotion[®] System

Your locomotives look like the real thing, now you can make them run like the real thing, too. Digitrax decoders incorporate torque compensation for smooth as silk operation. You can also program CVs that control momentum, 3 step and 128 step speed tables, switching speed, normal direction of travel, scaleable speed stabilization and more to take full advantage of the Digitrax LocoMotionTM System.

Momentum-CV03 & CV04

Momentum is part of the LocoMotionTM System. Acceleration is controlled by CV03 and deceleration by CV04. Both come from the factory set to 000/x00. A range of 000/x00/ to 031/x1F is available for both accel and decel. We recommend that you try CV03:003/x03 and CV04:000/x00 as a starting point for experimenting with momentum.



Speed Tables-How the Loco Responds to the Throttle

With Digitrax LocoMotionTM, there are two types of speed tables: 3 Step Tables and High Resolution 28 Step Tables. Please see your Digitrax Decoder Manual for a discussion of the 28 Step Tables. The 3 Step Tables are set up by programming 3 CVs: Start Voltage (CV02), Mid point Voltage (CV06) and Max Voltage (CV05). These values are set at 000/x00 at the factory. All have a range of values from 000/x00 to 255/xFF. We recommend the following CV values as a starting point for experimenting with speed tables in the MicroTrain FT locomotive.

Loco Туре	V Start CV02	V Mid CV06	V Max CV05
Switcher Concentrated low speed. Limited top speed	002/x02	038/x26	064/x50
Road Switcher Prototypical top speed w/evenly distributed curve from 0 to top speed	002/x02	048/x30	098/x62
Mainline Loco Quick increase to cruising speed then levels off to prototypical top speed.	002/x02	128/x80	154/x9A

Other LocoMotion[®] Features: Switching Speed, Normal Direction of Travel & Scaleable Speed Stabilization (Back EMF) Features

Switching speed is controlled by CV54. The factory setting is 000/x00 for OFF. To turn on the switching speed feature, program CV54 to a value of 001/x01. When this feature is on, use F6 to activate and deactivate switching speed. When switching speed is ON and F6 is ON, the switching speed feature is on. With the feature ON, the throttle's target speed is effectively reduced by about 50% and the effects of accel and decel programmed into the decoder are reduced by 1/4. This is useful for yard switching operations.

Normal Direction of Travel is controlled by CV29. See your decoder manual for additional information on the settings for CV29.

The intensity, or droop, of **Scaleable Speed Stabilization (Back EMF)** is controlled by CV57. The factory setting for this feature is 006/x06 which is suitable for most locos. You can adjust this value in the range of 000/x00 for OFF to 015/x0F for the maximum effect. Consult your Digitrax Decoder Manual for info about CVs 55 & 56 and their effects on scaleable speed stabilization. The factory setting for both CV55 & CV56 is 000/x00.



SuperSonic Silent Operation and Torque Compensation

The factory settings in the decoder provide silent, smooth operation of your locomotive under most conditions. For more information about these settings, please see the Digitrax Decoder Manual or our website.

Digitrax Transponding CV61

Digitrax Transponding is controlled by CV61. The initial factory set value is 000/x00 for OFF. To turn on transponding, program CV61 to a value of 002/x02. This allows you to use Digitrax transponding to keep track of your rolling stock. When transponding is enabled, the front light of the locomotive will flicker slightly to indicate transponding signal is being communicated. For optimal transponding operation, we recommend that you hook up the forward and rear lights as shown above.

Decoder Reset CV08

Decoder reset lets you reset all CV values to the initial factory settings. To reset all CV values, program CV08 to a value of 008/x08. You also have the option of resetting all values except the 28 speed step tables. To do this, program CV08 to a value of 009/x09.

Master Light Switch

Each of the six function outputs can be programmed to turn on and off with the F0 ON/OFF key on your throttle, creating a Master Light Switch. The CV values for creating this effect are listed in the Digitrax Decoder Manual in the section: *Setting up FX & FX³ Effects On Function Outputs*.

Function Remapping

Function remapping allows you to program the function outputs of your decoder to be controlled by selected function keys on your throttle. Please consult the Digitrax Decoder Manual or website for information on function remapping.

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Caution: To prevent damage to your decoder and locomotive, track voltage used during operation must not exceed the operating parameters of the locomotive and its lighting system in which the decoder is installed (typically this is 12V DC). For most N scale layouts, Digitrax recommends using 14 volts DCC or less for operation to avoid damage to the locomotive shell, lamps and decoder.

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