

IEM Fit, Seal & Care Quick Guide

Get the best sound from your QoA Ryusei — and keep it performing for years.

Why Fit Matters More Than Anything

With in-ear monitors, the seal is the sound. A poor seal leaks bass, thins out vocals and makes even a great earphone sound cheap. The Ryusei ships with two eartip families — Final Audio Type E tips (5 pairs) and white normal-bore tips (3 pairs) — because the right tip is a personal fit, not a guess. Spend ten minutes on the steps below before judging the sound.

Step 1 — Pick the Right Eartip

- Start with the Final Audio Type E tips in the middle size. They are designed to sit a little deeper and give a stable seal.
- Try one size up and one size down as well. The correct size feels snug without pressure, and the bass stays full when you gently tug the shell.
- If vocals sound sharp or the bass feels light, your seal is leaking — go one size larger before changing anything else.
- Mixed ears are normal: many people use a medium on one side and a large on the other.

Step 2 — Insert Without Pressure Build-Up

Some listeners feel pressure when an IEM seals tightly. Insert the Ryusei slowly, with a slight twist, and do not push it deep in one motion. If you feel pressure, gently pull your earlobe down and forward while easing the shell out a fraction — this lets trapped air equalise. Never force through discomfort, and take breaks during long sessions.

Step 3 — Cable and Connector Care

- The Ryusei cable uses standard 0.78mm 2-pin connectors. Always pull the connector straight out — never pull by the cable itself.
- Coil the cable loosely (over-under) and store it in the supplied case. Tight coils and pocket storage shorten cable life.
- The cable is replaceable and upgradeable — if it ever wears out, the earphones themselves are not lost.
- Choose the 3.5mm version for phones and laptops, or the 4.4mm balanced version for DACs and players with a balanced output.

Step 4 — Cleaning and Storage

- Wipe eartips with a dry or slightly damp cloth after use; wash silicone tips in lukewarm water (removed from the shells) and dry fully before refitting.
- Keep wax out of the nozzle mesh — a soft brush held mesh-down works best. Never poke anything into the nozzle.
- Store the Ryusei in its case, away from humidity. Silica gel in the case helps in damp climates.