Subject: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Sat, 05 Aug 2006 10:25:37 GMT

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Hey guys.

I found a 15" Kustom speaker(I think its a PA speaker) and a Fi-Sonic Head at my local music shop, and when I play them together the speaker rattles. I've tested both the Head and the Speaker on other equipment, and they sound ok, but together it makes a crackling noise.

I am pretty new to sound equiptment, so would anyone know what the problem would be?

Any advice would be very appreciated! Thankyou.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by stevem on Wed, 09 Aug 2006 11:29:36 GMT

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What are you playing thru the set up, guitar or bass? If its a PA speaker its probibly got a horn that may be blown if its not the 15" its self that is on its way out. Maybe if you are sitting the head on top of the speaker the vibration from the speaker is making a bad connection in the head show up, it could be a bad input jack on the amp or a bad jack on the speaker. I really need more info it pin it down better.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Fri, 18 Aug 2006 12:02:09 GMT

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Thanks for the info, but I think it was the speaker that was on its way out. I was playing on it with pretty normal volume a couple of days ago and the speaker fuzzed out, whick makes me pretty sad. Thankfully my music shops ordering me a new 15" Celestion speaker, but I don't know how it'll be without the speaker, which had a beautiful sound.

It could be the input or output jacks the amp, I don't know. But thats for your help, you've given me some ideas that could really make a difference.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by stevem on Fri, 18 Aug 2006 16:58:48 GMT

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Hi, if the bad speaker came out of a tuck n roll type kustom cabinet then its worth holding on to the vintage speaker that came out of it and get it re-coned. If its the original driver from the tuck n roll cab, and the original jack plate is still on the back of the cab, that will say on it who the original

driver manufacturer was. Their was 5 different make 15 inch speakers that kustom used. 3 where standard drivers and 2 where optional top of the line speakers. The standard bass driver was a CTS brand, and can be IDed by the number 137 stamped on the magnet. one upscale brand could be altec, a model 421 with a ID number of 391 on the mounting lip. The other brand would be JBL, their model D140 driver, JBL uses no ID number. The standard guitar driver would be jensen. with a ID number of 220 then 3 other digets, and model C15L. Top of the line drivers would be the altec model 418b or the JBL D130. Some of the last of the 70s tuck n roll cabs may come with eminence made drivers with 038 number on the magnet. Any of these drivers are worth holding onto, even more so if its one of the top of the line drivers.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Sat, 19 Aug 2006 04:32:14 GMT

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Its actually a Pro-15, I don't really know if its from the Tuck and Roll series.

Here it is here:

The PRO-15P.

Its in a bit better condition than this one, and at the moment I'm running it through what can be closely described as this, but as a head:

I don't know if this is the wrong combination. Please let me know, I'm just a newbie and may have ruined a brilliant speaker!

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by stevem on Sun, 20 Aug 2006 00:49:43 GMT

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That model kustom is a late one and would have come with a eminence made driver.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Sun, 20 Aug 2006 06:26:57 GMT

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Alright, my local music store was offering me one of those. Thanks mate, you've been an incredible help.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by stevem on Mon, 21 Aug 2006 11:43:40 GMT

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Eminence makes a whole S load of different types of drivers, if you liked that speakers tone so much when it was working I would get the info off of the white sticker on the magnet, and call up eminence and get their input on what replacement they have to get you back to that tone.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Thu, 24 Aug 2006 06:23:03 GMT

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Thats what I was thinking.

I know Celestions have a nice sound (which was the other 15" they were offering me), but if I could get that Eminence tone back I would be very thankful.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Sun, 03 Sep 2006 09:28:48 GMT

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Anyway, (sorry for the double post) I was wondering If you knew what the retail price for the actual speaker and box is worth in its original state, and what it would be worth now. I want to see if my dealer ripped me off.

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Posted by stevem on Tue, 05 Sep 2006 11:33:50 GMT

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With a working driver, and that it is not a tuck & roll model, maybe 100 to 120 dollars.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Wed, 06 Sep 2006 11:55:01 GMT

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In American Dollars? This is in Australia

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by stevem on Thu, 07 Sep 2006 11:17:01 GMT

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Yea, sorry I did not know you where down under. How did people ever confirm that north is up for

gods sake? For all I know I could be down under!My band just relearned that MEN AT WORK tune 2 weeks ago and we where having that same talk and pondering session.

Subject: Re: 15" Incompatible?

Posted by Gugo on Thu, 07 Sep 2006 11:18:50 GMT

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Haha, and the guy out of that band was from England too, so he fails