## Subject: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by rodak on Fri, 22 Mar 2013 13:54:04 GMT

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I really need to get the power cords on my Kustoms converted to 3-wire. Is there a source for 3-wire cords that are as long as the originals, or nearly so, approximately the same cord thickness, and (ideally) have the little clip on the plug that allows it to secure itself to another cord wrap?

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by C4ster on Fri, 22 Mar 2013 15:33:39 GMT

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I have used the Bissell Deep Cleaner cords. They are 33' long with a molded cord clip. I believe I bought from this place, http://www.vacpartswarehouse.com/Bissell-Cord-Set-33-3-wire-17-GA-p/2102895.htm This is a perfect replacement as it is a small enough gauge to fit in the original cord restraint with no modifications. There is a molded piece that is on the wire end that fits into the cleaner but that can be cut off and still have plenty of cord length left. Just wind it on the cord wraps in reverse with the plug somewhere in the middle between the wraps. Then get the length you want, you may have to cut off a few feet, so you know where it goes into the amp. The Bissell part number is 2102895.

Conrad

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by Kustom\_Bart on Fri, 22 Mar 2013 15:59:41 GMT

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I go to True Value hardware store and they have different ones and I buy the 12' black one and it is about 8.00 If you don't need a 20 ft. chord, but having a nice solid grounded cable that is black and no hum or shock to the lips if you are singing and touch the mic...lol! Make sure you remove the cap of death when you do this.

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements
Posted by conductortom on Mon, 01 Apr 2013 13:53:06 GMT
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I have been ordering from Monoprice.com. The 15' 18 ga power cord is 3.37 ea, pn 5281. The 15' 16 ga power cord is 5.05 ea, pn 5287.

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by rodak on Fri, 26 Apr 2013 01:56:19 GMT

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Hi, Conrad, thanks for the link. Unfortunately, it shows as "No Longer Available" Searching that site turns up this one:

http://www.vacpartswarehouse.com/Bissell-Power-Cord-p/203106 7.htm

Which looks exactly like the one my local vacuum store had for \$25. They're on eBay too:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=25121 4835762

If this is the same cord you have (and I suspect it is, since they're so common and all look the same), will it fit very well into my existing strain relief? It appears to be 18ga, which I assume is what the original was, so I would suspect the 3rd wire would make it larger, just wondering how much so. I'll probably just buy the one locally, and deal with the strain relief as needed.

50ft! My goodness, I don't think I've ever seen a vacuum with a cord that long! (I will, of course, be shortening it!)

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by stevem on Fri, 26 Apr 2013 11:37:12 GMT

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If you go to a well stocked music store they carry 12 ft IEC cables in 18 and 16 gauge, they just do not have the plug end molded clips, which I must admitt is nice to have!

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by rodak on Fri, 26 Apr 2013 15:51:02 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Oh, I've got access to tons of IEC cables. I work in the IT department for a hospital, and we literally throw away boxes of them because we get new ones in with every server, but we buy our own separately (the Dell-supplied cables are too long).

Anyway, I like the vacuum cord idea because of the cord clip, and also the ribbed texture is more like the original.

I'm going to try to go buy one today. I'll report back on how well it fits, especially the strain relief.

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by C4ster on Fri, 26 Apr 2013 19:50:23 GMT

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If using the Bissell cord, it will fit into the original strain relief. Just use a pair of Channelocks and

you can get it to slip back in easily. Conrad

Subject: Re: Sources for power cord replacements Posted by rodak on Sat, 27 Apr 2013 21:33:48 GMT

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Picked it up yesterday at the local vacuum store. \$23(ouch!). Works great, looks as much like the original as you could ask for, and did indeed fit in the strain relief with a bit of help from channel-locks (definitely the best tool for the job).

Thanks, guys!