

PAS3- Clone PC6 Phono Preamp

assembly and installation instructions

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Overview

This is our clone PC6 pcb upgrade kit, a direct drop in replacement for the old original Dynaco PC6 pcb assembly.

The circuit is identical to the original, the only exception is that we changed some parts values in the RIAA circuit to improve it.

C5 has been changed from 2750pF to 2700pF and R10 has been changed from 4.7M to 2.2M

As with all our PAS3 upgrade pcb's, this PC6 has a ground plane on both the upper and lower layer, this will add additional 'screening' and will ensure a very low level noise environment.

PCB Assembly

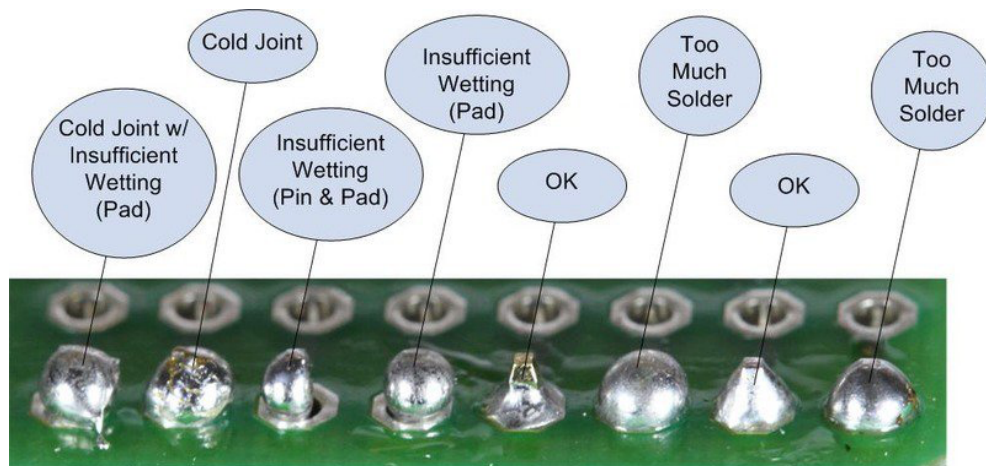
First, solder all the resistors in place, and then the smaller capacitors, and then the larger capacitors. Be sure to confirm all the electrolytic capacitor orientations, as a reversed polarized capacitor can easily vent (or even explode) when presented with high-voltage.

Confirm twice, solder once.

Follow the attached circuit diagram and parts list to stuff the pcb.

All connections to our PC6 are again identical to the original Dynaco PC6, and all the connection pcb pads also have identical ID numbers.

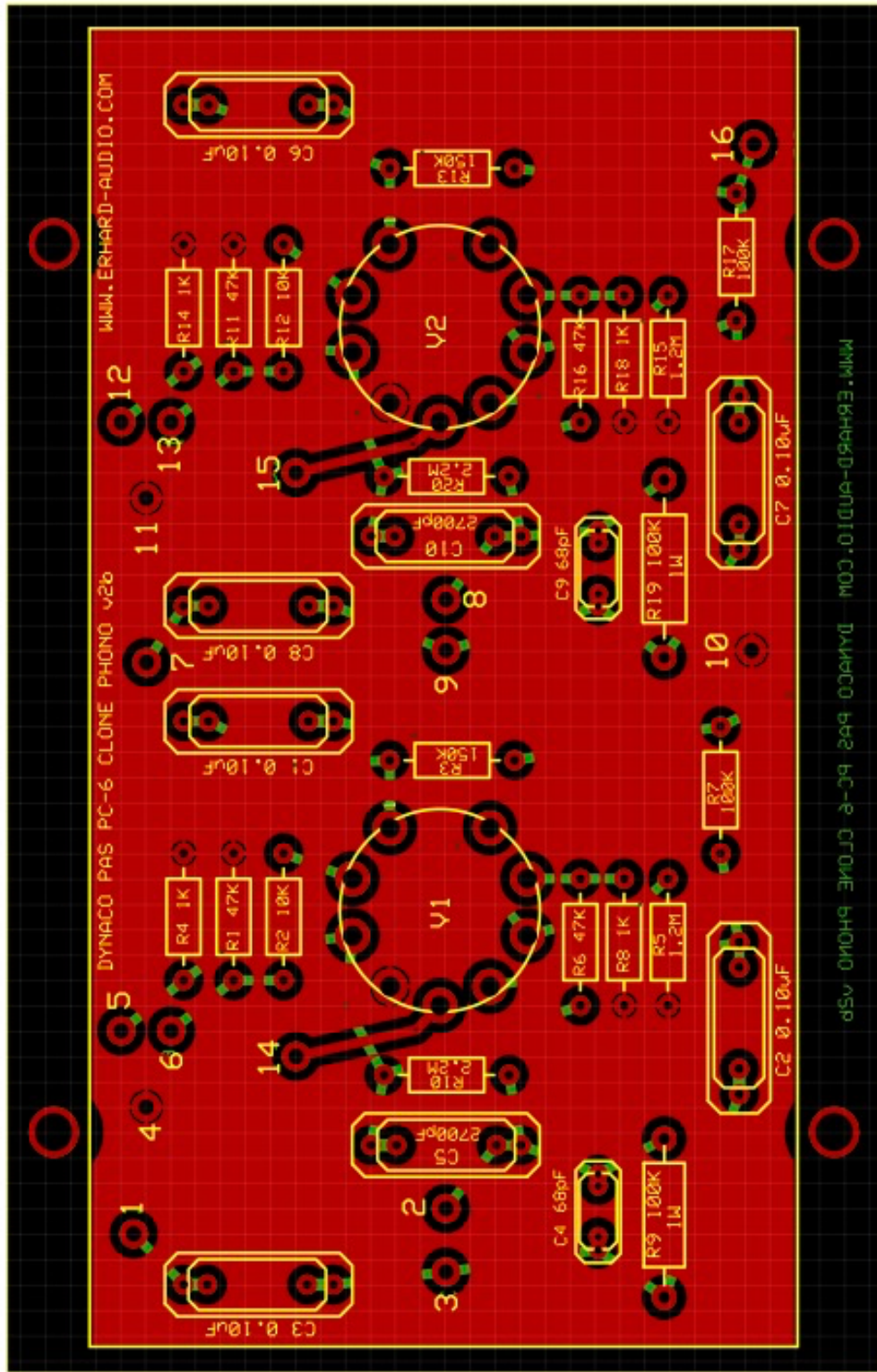
You can re use the original wires, but we do recommend that you use 24gauge hookup wire, either multi strand or solid, the choice is up to you.



A note about resistors:

Some 1/2W resistors look like the size of 1/4W, but they are in fact 1/2W and can generally be told apart from 1/4W as they tend to have thicker gauge leads. They are perfectly fine to be used in 1/2W placings. Also, a 1W resistor may be the size of a 1/2W resistor, with modern and different materials, manufacturers are able to decrease the size of a component.

PCB Layout

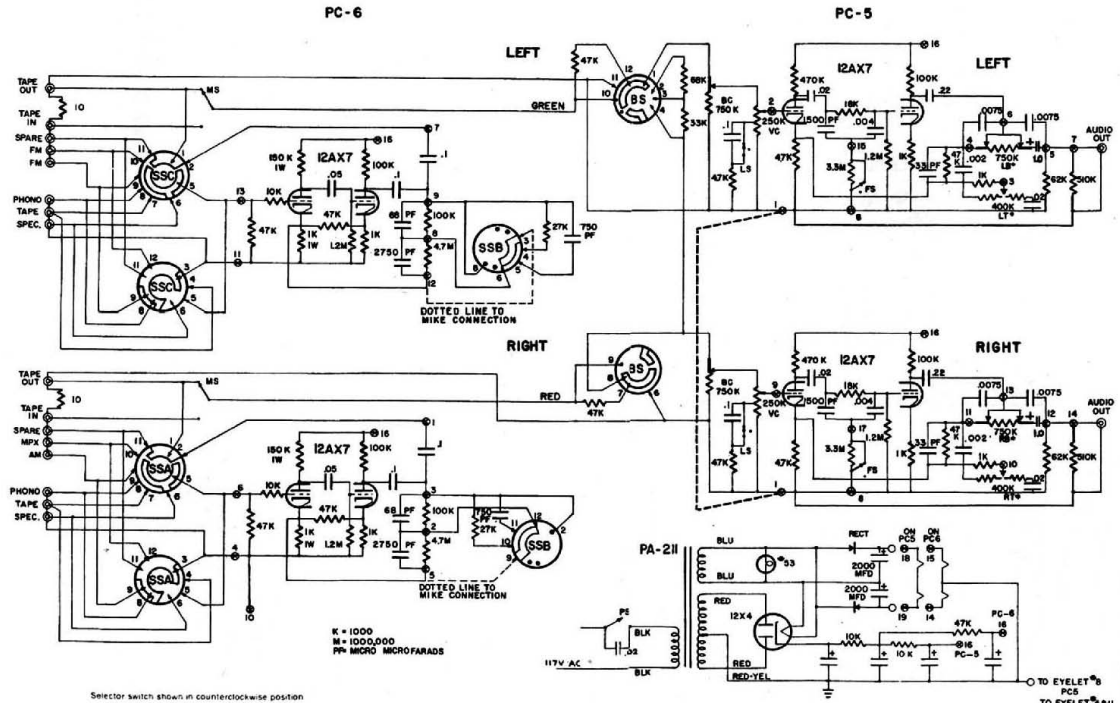
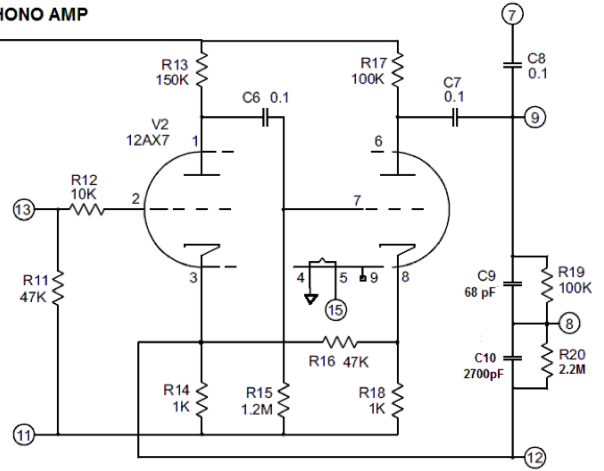
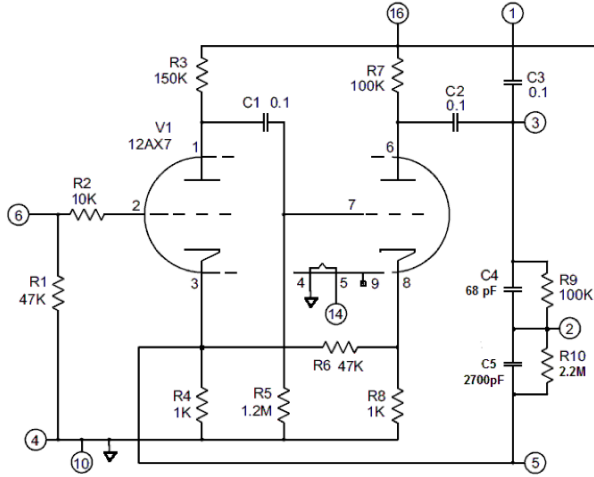


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Parts List

| Dynaco PC-6 2b Phono Clone | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----|--------------|--|--|
| | | | | | |
| Resistors | | Qty | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 1K 1/2W | R4,8,14,18 | 4 | | | |
| 10K 1/2W | R2,12 | 2 | | | |
| 47K 1/2W | R1,11 | 4 | | | |
| 150K 1/2W | R3,13 | 2 | | | |
| 100K 1W | R9,19 | 2 | | | |
| 100K 1/2W | R7,17 | 2 | | | |
| 1.2M 1/2W | R5,15 | 2 | | | |
| 2.2M 1/2W | R10,20 | 2 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Capacitors | Type | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 68pF 250V | C4,9 | 2 | Film 5/10mm | | |
| 2700pF 250V | C5,10 | 2 | Film 5/10mm | | |
| 0.1uF 250V | C1,2,3,6,7,8 | 6 | Film 10/15mm | | |
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| PCB | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| PC6 | | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Tube Socket | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| 9 pin | | 2 | | | |
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PC-6 PHONO AMP



VOLTAGE CHART
 Tube pins numbered clockwise viewed from the bottom.
 All readings taken from pin to chassis (except #3 and #4 of 12AX7) using a vacuum tube voltmeter.

Either tube PC-6

| | |
|---|------------|
| 1 | 115 V DC |
| 2 | 0 |
| 3 | 7 V DC |
| 4 | 0 |
| 5 | ± 11 V DC |
| 6 | 135 V DC |
| 7 | 0 |
| 8 | 8 V DC |
| 9 | ± 5.5 V DC |

Either tube PC-5

| | |
|---|------------------|
| 1 | 175 V DC |
| 2 | 0 |
| 3 | 1.45 V DC |
| 4 | Less than 1 volt |
| 5 | ± 11 V DC |
| 6 | 200 V DC |
| 7 | 0 |
| 8 | 1.25 V DC |
| 9 | ± 5.5 V DC |

12X4

| | |
|---|-----------|
| 1 | 335 V AC |
| 2 | 0 |
| 3 | 10.5 V AC |
| 4 | 0 |
| 5 | 0 |
| 6 | 335 V AC |
| 7 | 405 V DC |

Quad Filter Capacitor

- 405 V DC
- ▲ 355 V DC
- 330 V DC
- ◐ 210 V DC

* special potentiometers—patent pending

5 Band Resistor Color Coding

| COLOR | 1ST BAND | 2ND BAND | 3RD BAND | MULTIPLIER | TOLERANCE |
|--------|----------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|
| BLACK | 0 | 0 | 0 | x1Ω | |
| BROWN | 1 | 1 | 1 | x10Ω | ±1% |
| RED | 2 | 2 | 2 | x100Ω | ±2% |
| ORANGE | 3 | 3 | 3 | x1000Ω | |
| YELLOW | 4 | 4 | 4 | x10000Ω | |
| GREEN | 5 | 5 | 5 | x100000Ω | ±0.5% |
| BLUE | 6 | 6 | 6 | x1000000Ω | ±0.25 |
| VIOLET | 7 | 7 | 7 | x10000000Ω | ±0.10 |
| GREY | 8 | 8 | 8 | | ±0.05 |
| WHITE | 9 | 9 | 9 | | |
| GOLD | | | | | ±5% |
| SILVER | | | | | ±10% |

How to read Capacitor Codes

Large capacitor have the value printed plainly on them, such as 10.μF (Ten Micro Farads) but smaller disk types along with plastic film types often have just 2 or three numbers on them?

First, most will have three numbers, but sometimes there are just two numbers. These are read as Pico-Farads. An example: 47 printed on a small disk can be assumed to be 47 Pico-Farads (or 47 pF as some like to say)

Now, what about the three numbers? It is somewhat similar to the resistor code. The first two are the 1st and 2nd significant digits and the third is a multiplier code. Most of the time the last digit tells you how many zeros to write after the first two digits, but the standard (EIA standard RS-198) has a couple of curves that you probably will never see. But just to be complete here it is in a table.

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Third digit | Multiplier (this times the first two digits gives you the value in Pico-Farads) |
|-------------|---|

| | |
|------------|---------|
| 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 10 |
| 2 | 100 |
| 3 | 1,000 |
| 4 | 10,000 |
| 5 | 100,000 |
| 6 not used | |
| 7 not used | |
| 8 | .01 |
| 9 | .1 |

Now for an example: A capacitor marked 104 is 10 with 4 more zeros or 100,000pF which is otherwise referred to as a .1uF capacitor. Most kit builders don't need to go further, but I know you want to learn more. Anyway, Just to confuse you some more there is sometimes a tolerance code given by a single letter. I don't know why there were picked in the order they are, except that it kind of follows the middle row of keys on a typewriter. So a 103J is a 10,000 pF with +/-5% tolerance

| | Tolerance of capacitor |
|---|------------------------|
| D | +/- 0.5 pF |
| F | +/- 1% |
| G | +/- 2% |
| H | +/- 3% |
| J | +/- 5% |
| K | +/- 10% |
| M | +/- 20% |
| P | +100% , -0% |
| Z | +80% , -20% |

| Picofarad (pF) | Nanofarad (nF) | Microfarad (uF) | Code | Picofarad (pF) | Nanofarad (nF) | Microfarad (uF) | Code |
|----------------|----------------|-----------------|------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|------|
| 10 | 0.01 | 0.00001 | 100 | 4700 | 4.7 | 0.0047 | 472 |
| 15 | 0.015 | 0.000015 | 150 | 5000 | 5.0 | 0.005 | 502 |
| 22 | 0.022 | 0.000022 | 220 | 5600 | 5.6 | 0.0056 | 562 |
| 33 | 0.033 | 0.000033 | 330 | 6800 | 6.8 | 0.0068 | 682 |
| 47 | 0.047 | 0.000047 | 470 | 10000 | 10 | 0.01 | 103 |
| 100 | 0.1 | 0.0001 | 101 | 15000 | 15 | 0.015 | 153 |
| 120 | 0.12 | 0.00012 | 121 | 22000 | 22 | 0.022 | 223 |
| 130 | 0.13 | 0.00013 | 131 | 33000 | 33 | 0.033 | 333 |
| 150 | 0.15 | 0.00015 | 151 | 47000 | 47 | 0.047 | 473 |
| 180 | 0.18 | 0.00018 | 181 | 68000 | 68 | 0.068 | 683 |
| 220 | 0.22 | 0.00022 | 221 | 100000 | 100 | 0.1 | 104 |
| 330 | 0.33 | 0.00033 | 331 | 150000 | 150 | 0.15 | 154 |
| 470 | 0.47 | 0.00047 | 471 | 200000 | 200 | 0.2 | 254 |
| 560 | 0.56 | 0.00056 | 561 | 220000 | 220 | 0.22 | 224 |
| 680 | 0.68 | 0.00068 | 681 | 330000 | 330 | 0.33 | 334 |
| 750 | 0.75 | 0.00075 | 751 | 470000 | 470 | 0.47 | 474 |
| 820 | 0.82 | 0.00082 | 821 | 680000 | 680 | 0.68 | 684 |
| 1000 | 1.0 | 0.001 | 102 | 1000000 | 1000 | 1.0 | 105 |
| 1500 | 1.5 | 0.0015 | 152 | 1500000 | 1500 | 1.5 | 155 |
| 2000 | 2.0 | 0.002 | 202 | 2000000 | 2000 | 2.0 | 205 |
| 2200 | 2.2 | 0.0022 | 222 | 2200000 | 2200 | 2.2 | 225 |
| 3300 | 3.3 | 0.0033 | 332 | 3300000 | 3300 | 3.3 | 335 |

We cannot take ANY responsibility for mains, and for that matter, ALL high voltage AC and DC wiring you carry out. We have described in this, and all of our other manuals, as best as we can, on how to wire up these high voltage connections.

You MUST take EXTREME care, that no wires are shorted together, or to the chassis, or any other part of the assembly and pcb's.

All these high voltages can be life threatening, and can hurt you or others if carried out incorrectly.

Use your meter in the continuity setting to make sure no high voltage wires are shorted together or to chassis ground.

Apart from bodily harm, incorrect high voltage wiring can and will damage components!

You are totally and solely responsible for all high voltage wiring and the general assembly of this kit!

We have wired our prototype amp exactly as described in this and all of our other manuals, so we know that the amp will work as designed and intended!

If you are unsure of how to carry out some of our instructions, PLEASE contact us via e-mail, we provide, as part of our service, full support for this and all of our kits!

No question is stupid. The ONLY stupid question is the one you do not ask!