

Dynaco PAS 2, 3 & 3X Tone Control Removal Instructions

PAS Preamplifier PC-5 Rev 0

This document describes the specific instructions and steps associated with the removal of the tone controls (BASS & TREBLE) in the Dynaco PAS series of vacuum tube preamplifiers (PAS 2, 3 & 3X).

This procedure requires basic soldering skills and tools outlined in the following documents (available from our web page www.curcioaudio.com):

- a. Soldering Tutorial (CAE Tech Note # 2)
- b. Recommended Tools & Test Instruments (CAE Tech Note # 3)

Please take the time to familiarize yourself with all of these documents in particular Tech Note # 2.

Refer to figure 1 and proceed with the following steps.

- 1. Disconnect your PAS preamplifier from the AC mains and allow the internal voltages possibly stored in the electrolytic capacitor to discharge over a 20 minute period.
- 2. Remove the four screws holding the top cover and remove the top cover.
- 3. Next remove the bottom plate exposing the foil side of both printed circuit cards (PC-5 & PC-6).

We will begin with the Left Channel.

- 4. Refer to figure 1 and connect a jumper from terminal 4 to terminal 6 on the foil side of PC-5.
- 5. Connect another wire jumper from terminal 6 to terminal 7 of PC-5.
- 6. De-solder the wire connected to terminal 3. You will find that it is connected to the center lug of the Left Treble Control and once desoldered from PC-5 terminal 3, you may cut it at the connection to the Left Treble control.

Next we will make the same changes to the Right Channel.

- 7. Refer to figure 1 and connect a jumper from terminal 11 to terminal 13 on the foil side of PC-5.
- 8. Connect another wire jumper from terminal 12 to terminal 13 of PC-5.
- 9. De-solder the wire connected to terminal 10. You will find that it is connected to the center lug of the Right Treble Control and once desoldered from PC-5 terminal 10, you may cut it at the connection to the Right Treble control.
- 10. The tone controls are now removed from the circuit.
- 11. Replace the bottom plate and top cover and secure with the four screws.



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Figure 1 – PAS Bottom View

