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Subject: Re: Hot power transformers

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I would consider a chassis getting so hot that it is a safety issue to be a defect. That said, I wouldn't worry about it. The only advice I have is the same thing they tell you with every electronic. Just give it enough space and ventilation on each side of the chassis so that it isn't accumulating heat.

Tubes and the metal heatsinks they use ARE a concern, but transformers shouldn't be getting quite that hot. I mean in generally tube people know that stuff is gonna be hot, but it is not expected that the residual heat from transformers to be such a burn hazard so any decent company is gonna make it impossible without opening the case to be burned or shocked.

I don't know, there may be companies that don't but the above is based on my experience only. This solid state amp is the closest I have ever seen to a transformer getting "too hot." My laptops' transformer gets about as warm.

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