Subject: Speaker keeps cutting in and out
Posted by DaBase on Tue, 02 Mar 2010 22:37:09 GMT
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I have one speaker in my door that keeps cutting in and out and it's driving me nuts. Does this mean I'm going to have to replace the speaker or could there possibly be a loose wire in there? Any help would be much appreciated.

Subject: Re: Speaker keeps cutting in and out
Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 03 Mar 2010 03:00:57 GMT
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That symptom normally does indicate a loose connection. Check the connectors and tighten if necessary. They are usually just friction fittings, and often times they aren't tight enough to provide any real friction. If they slide on and off real easy, they aren't tight enough. Remove the connector and gently squeeze it with pliers, just enough to make it a little bit hard to put back on. Be sure to support the lug when re-installing, because the lug is sometimes on a pretty flimsy piece of fiberboard or cardboard, and you can easily break it by applying too much pressure.

That's just one place where there are mechanical connections. The friction fitting is most likely crimped onto the wire. This can sometimes be a problem too. Check to make sure the wire is firmly held in place, and if not, either recrimp or solder. There are also connections at the other end, usually under the dash. Those are usually a little better, but sometimes not. So if you find the connectors on the speaker end are fine, check the amplifier end, preamp and all others. But start with the speaker end because that's where the trouble usually is.

Subject: Re: Speaker keeps cutting in and out
Posted by Mavare on Wed, 17 Mar 2010 03:32:01 GMT
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I saw a speaker wire once in a car a buddy had that had been barely cut into. It would be fine for a while and then it would start cutting in and out. We had the hardest time finding that little nick in the wire. But when we did, that fixed it. They can be really hard to find sometimes.

Subject: Re: Speaker keeps cutting in and out
Posted by Maxie on Mon, 03 May 2010 14:46:49 GMT
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Unfortunately, mine is never usually an easy fix. My brother just finished working on mine and, of course, he had to get under the dash in order to fix the problem.

Subject: Re: Speaker keeps cutting in and out
Posted by DaBase on Mon, 10 May 2010 17:11:31 GMT
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I had that happen in my car and it was a loose wire but you won't know until you get in there. If the car is older then it could possibly be that your speaker needs to be replaced. Do you play your music real loud? If you do that then you could possibly have blown your speaker out.