
Subject: JBL 2226H question

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I've been listening to my 7 and 4 pi speakers for a few months now. I have finally calmed down a bit so I listening at low volume occasionally. I am getting a lot of distortion out of one of the woofers. It's not that noticeable at moderate to high volume but definitely shows up when playing softly. I bought the 2226 drivers used so would not be too shocked if one was bad.

I've reached out to the local JBL rebuilder. Have not heard back yet. Guitar Center has an open box unit for about \$500 (no return allowed).

I could swap the good driver out of my 4 pi center to replace the bad unit in the 7 pi corner horn. If I were to do that would the 4 pi be OK with Eminence Omega Pro 15-2KW-8 15" Professional Series Speaker 8 Ohm from Parts Express? Any crossover changes required?

Or should I just grab the one from Guitar Center and get the failed driver rebuilt as a spare? Or are there any other sources for this driver?

As a sanity check I connected the woofer directly to the receiver to eliminate a possible crossover problem. The mid and tweeter sound fine, so that eliminates an amplifier problem.

The speakers sound great otherwise.

EDIT

I found an open box 2226H at Parts Express, and they allow returns if it's defective for some reason.
