Subject: Can you Patch the Hole in a Speaker? Posted by GuitarStrings on Tue, 04 Jan 2011 00:54:13 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

It's sad but true. I accidentally ripped apart the front of one of my stereo speakers while I was rearranging furniture. Miraculously, the speaker still works, though a bit warped.

Is there any way I can patch the hole or should I just spend my hard-earned cash to buy a new set?

Subject: Re: Can you Patch the Hole in a Speaker? Posted by Adveser on Wed, 05 Jan 2011 03:32:40 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

why not just replace the driver?

Subject: Re: Can you Patch the Hole in a Speaker? Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 05 Jan 2011 15:28:06 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Yeah, it probably doesn't make sense to recone the lesser expensive drivers. If it has a pressed basket, it probably makes more sense to just replace the whole driver. In fact, that's probably your only option for most drivers like that.

But there are recone kits available for the more expensive drivers. In my experience, it's best to buy from the manufacturer, not a third-party. The best example I can think of are the JBL Professional Series parts. The recone kits from JBL are genuine replacement parts, and make the driver as-new. Aftermarket stuff is not nearly as good.

Subject: Re: Can you Patch the Hole in a Speaker? Posted by Adveser on Wed, 05 Jan 2011 20:01:52 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

To add to Wayne's point: replacing Sony parts are not cheap, but that is mostly because their pro gear has a lifetime warranty and they want to fix it themselves, for free.

For example, I think ordering two new drivers for the MDR-7506 actually exceeds the retail price of the whole unit.