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Subject: Car Stereo getting hot?

Posted by [MusicJunkie](#) on Thu, 05 May 2011 22:35:14 GMT

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My truck has the factory stereo in it but it is constantly running hot. I have burned my fingers going to turn the station. Does anyone have any idea what might cause this?

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Subject: Re: Car Stereo getting hot?

Posted by [Adveser](#) on Fri, 06 May 2011 01:03:31 GMT

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It is possible that the dashboard does not have enough room to cool the unit.

You should take it to a mechanic (not a "car audio" shop) that specializes in electrical immediately to make sure it isn't a fire hazard.

It really sounds like a short, which generally emits infinite voltage (I think) and unpredictable AC current.

Go unplug the thing NOW.

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Subject: Re: Car Stereo getting hot?

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Fri, 06 May 2011 01:41:15 GMT

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You might also swing by the dealership and compare it with another truck just like yours. I've noticed a lot of factory (and aftermarket units, for that matter) that just run hot. Some are disturbingly hot, if you asked me.

Then there's also the matter of sunlight heating. On a hot summer day, if you don't use a sun visor, sometimes the steering wheel will burn you when you get into a car that was parked in the sun.

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