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Subject: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base

Posted by [Rod Cooper](#) on Tue, 10 Jan 2006 19:39:04 GMT

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Does any body have an idea what might cause this? Could it be that the needle is just worn out. I bought the turntable used but it plays nicely but just does not have much base sound to it. Please help me.

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 11 Jan 2006 14:22:23 GMT

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Maybe you need a phono stage, or maybe the preamp is just set for the wrong type of input. Confirm that the input settings of your preamp match the cartridge you're using.

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base

Posted by [Rod Cooper](#) on Wed, 11 Jan 2006 14:34:21 GMT

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Not sure what you mean as I am a bit of a novice when it comes to this. The only thing I know is where to replace the needle and where the cables that come out of the turntable plug into the amplifier. What do I use to check this out. My turntable is a Pioneer PL-660 direct drive fully automatic turntable. Any help you can give will be appreciated. Thanks Rod Cooper

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 11 Jan 2006 17:42:40 GMT

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Set the tracking force higher.

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base

Posted by [Rod Cooper](#) on Wed, 11 Jan 2006 17:53:35 GMT

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Will this damage the records? I have ordered a new needle for it. I am hoping this will make a difference as well. Thanks for the tip.

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 11 Jan 2006 19:39:25 GMT  
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If the needle is worn than it will possibly do some damage. However; in and of itself high tracking force does not damage the groove; low tracking force does that.

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base  
Posted by [Rod Cooper](#) on Wed, 11 Jan 2006 19:56:33 GMT  
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Thanks for your valuable information. The needle that was in my turntable is at least 12-15 years old while it was packed away in a box. I will adjust the tracking force with the new needle when it comes.Thanks againRod

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Thu, 12 Jan 2006 01:13:18 GMT  
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My pleasure; good luck.

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base  
Posted by [john doe](#) on Wed, 01 Feb 2006 07:43:08 GMT  
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it needs a phono pre amp stage RIAA curve is doing it...record has boosted highs and cut lows(bout 1khz is the middle point.) phono input swaps that back boosts lows and cuts highs.pluging into line level will sound terriblepeace.

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base  
Posted by [Rod Cooper](#) on Wed, 01 Feb 2006 13:13:15 GMT  
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Can you recommend where I can buy on and can I put it in on my own? What is a good one to buy? What should I look for for my turntable? I am a novice at this so your suggestions are greatly appreciated. Thanks Rod

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Subject: Re: Turntable sounds tinny or metallic without much base  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 01 Feb 2006 14:56:19 GMT  
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There are several options. You might try a Google search:  
"Phono Stage" on Google

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Subject: Phono Preamp  
Posted by [Paul C.](#) on Tue, 07 Mar 2006 05:05:19 GMT  
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