Subject: turntable surface noise in right channel
Posted by daniel on Wed, 01 Feb 2006 14:27:36 GMT
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hello, I recently bought a technics SL 1200 MK2. When I play records on it, and there is any surface noise, the noise is always much louder in the right channel, often like a constant crackle, while in the right there will only be a few pops. I thought it was the old cartridge, but I got a new one (a shure cartridge) and the problem persists. any ideas as to the problem? thanks, daniel

Subject: Re: turntable surface noise in right channel
Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 02 Feb 2006 14:33:09 GMT
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Maybe check the wiring between cartridge and output jacks.

Subject: Re: turntable surface noise in right channel
Posted by daniel on Fri, 03 Feb 2006 00:39:29 GMT
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how can I do that? would that involve taking apart the turntable? thanks

Subject: Re: turntable surface noise in right channel
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 03 Feb 2006 19:11:26 GMT
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Yeah, you'll have to fish the wire out through the tone arm and out the body and replace it with new wire. Do a test first - Disconnect the wires at the cartridge and run new wires externally along the tone arm, taping them to the outside. Put an RCA plug on them at the end of the tone arm and connect your preamp cables there. It will be a makeshift jury rig that will allow you to test without going through too much trouble. If the new makeshift wires sound clean, then the problem is in the wires or connections on the existing wires run inside the arm. You'll want to fish them out and replace them. But if the problem persists even after you've run external wires, you'll know that the problem isn't with the internal wires or connections.