Subject: Stylus for Shure M111E, HE, Rat Shack RXT5, 6
Posted by Paul C. on Thu, 22 Jun 2006 01:52:36 GMT
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I have a Shure/Radio Shack RXT6, which was a rebadged M111HE. The N105E and N111E will both fit this cartridge, but are nearly impossible to find now. There are non-Shure substitutes, but no genuine Shures left.After a lot of studying of the replacement charts it seemed to me that since the N97xE (in current production) would replace the N94E, and the N94E could interchange with the N92E, both could be upgraded with the N104E, which was replaced with the N105E, etc... well, it only seemed logical that the N97xE would work.Ordered one, plugged it into my RXT6 cartridge, and have been listening to it this afternoon. I went back and forth between a new N111E (last one from Garage-a-Records) and the N97xE, and I absolutely can't tell the difference.So, it looks like the N97xE will work in place of the N111E, N111HE, N105E, N104E, as well as N92E and N94E.

Subject: Re: Stylus for Shure M111E, HE, Rat Shack RXT5, 6
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Great info, Paul, thanks!

Subject: Re: Stylus for Shure M111E, HE, Rat Shack RXT5, 6
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Like the current M97xE, the N111HE, N111E, N105E also had the stabilizer brush. The N104E did not. (N105E replaces N104E)It appears that the real difference is the N97xE has an aluminum cantilever and blue brush assy, whereas the N111E has a boron cantilever and black brush assy.The brush is not just a dust brush. It stabilizes the arm and helps the cartridge track light warps, damping what would otherwise be subsonic signals that would really push your woofer cones around.Since generics lack this stabilizing device I do not find them suitable replacements.Ed Saunders (ebay ID edsaunders) who has the V15 replacement stylii (and they get good reviews) told me in an email that he will very soon have a N111E replacement.Since I have found the N97xE works, I'll use it and hoard, I mean "archive" my N111E's for a rainy day.