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Subject: Earth Wire

Posted by [Shabba](#) on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 08:29:49 GMT

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Hi, Ive just bought a second hand belt driven turntable. However it has come with an earth wire and as my amplifier doesn't have a connector for this what do I do with it? If I connect up my record player without the earth wire will it work, be dangerous or damage my system in any way? Sorry if these questions seem stupid but I'm a bit new to this and any help would be appreciated.Thanks

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Subject: Re: Earth Wire

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 17:42:05 GMT

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If you don't connect the ground wire, then you'll hear a lot of hum when the phono input is selected. You can connect it directly to the chassis of the amp, but if there isn't a specific chassis ground connection, then chances are your amplifier doesn't have phono inputs. If that's true, you'll need to get a phono stage preamp. Otherwise, volume will be very low - You'll barely hear the record even at full volume.

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Subject: Re: Earth Wire

Posted by [randle](#) on Tue, 08 May 2007 19:28:07 GMT

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Oh oj so would you say that it would be better if you hooked up the wire to the chassis rather than the preamp?