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Subject: JC55 ROLAND / ultra compressed sound  
Posted by [snowtiger](#) on Fri, 22 Sep 2006 07:19:28 GMT

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Hello, A few years ago, the sound of my JC55 became sometimes very distorted and ultra compressed, and at all, it was like an amplifier with 2 or 3 watts... The amp was repaired but after a few months, the problem came back. I didn't receive any explanation about which problem was involved. I didn't use this amplifier during one year or two. The problem was away, and then once again it happened again. At the beginning I had only some variations with the output level, and after an ultra compressed sound (a sound that you can not use to play with). My question is the following: do you think that this is a big problem or not? A new amplifier like a Cube 60 or a Peavey don't cost too much, so sometimes the price of the repair is so big that you can almost afford a new amp. Thank you for your arguments.

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Subject: Re: JC55 ROLAND / ultra compressed sound  
Posted by [Biggizmo54](#) on Mon, 25 Sep 2006 09:53:02 GMT

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Sounds like it is a transformer overheat problem...or possibly a condenser meltdown. Either way, you punch your wallet into the shop time with no guarantee it won't happen again. A multiple minor problem due to a malfunction of a simple diode may prove to be costly. I suggest an alternate amplifier would be more feasible. Depending on your sound desire, Peavey would be a good compromise at present, but there are far better lines to choose from.