
Subject: Fender Performer 1000 problem

Posted by [Chris McDonald](#) on Mon, 25 Aug 2008 16:31:52 GMT

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I own a fender performer 1000 guitar amp, the problem is that when i have the amp swithed on for a few minutes, the gain channel selector jumps between the 2 gain channels by itself, then it settles on one gain channel with no sound being produced. I understand that the amp is old, and may have many problems with it, but i was wondering if anyone had experienced this problem before. What could the problem be?Any ideas would be a big help.ThanksChris McDoanld

Subject: Re: Fender Performer 1000 problem

Posted by [Rinus Roltoetur](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2009 13:56:21 GMT

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Chris,I do have the same problem. The first time I noticed I used contact cleaner on the switches and the footswitch plug-in. Of course, this works for a while.... Then it becomes worse. This means, in my opinion a "machanical" problem. I just exchanged the footswitch plug-in. And because you need to be on the bottom of the PCB, I soldered all points again. I read many forum and this evil will happen at more p1000 users. And between the lines some did the same to solve. I'm now trying to find out if the solutions works. Sometimes it need some hours strumming to reproduce.Do you have experience with connection cabinets? Which specification it may have and so on?groeten,Mark

Subject: Re: Fender Performer 1000 problem

Posted by [James](#) on Wed, 04 Feb 2009 00:49:56 GMT

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hey man i ran across this while looking for an owners manual for this amp. cool. anyway:i had the same problem. heres what i did. i got a 30 watt soldering iron from radio shack. took the "head" out of cabinet and soldered all the terminals that belonged to the knobs only. be careful of the switches. if you wind up soldering those terminals together, youll have a ground problem like I did. But I was able to unsolder them so it works. This I did last night after it sitting up for quite a few months.What happens is the solder points crack from either being used alot, being slammed around carelessly or the weather factors, i.e. humidity, extreme cold or heat. Dont need to hold the iron there long as it wont take but a second or two to melt the solder. you dont need to put more solder on terminals. good luck man. i hope this helps you.ATTENTION: THERE ARE ONLY TWO WIRES I HAD TO REMOVE. THE ARE THE LEFTMOST BLACK AND WHITE WIRES IF THE POWER CORD IS ON YOUR RIGHT. ALL OF THE KNOBS SHOULD BE FACING YOU. IF YOU ONLY REMOVE THESE, YOU NEED TO BE SURE THAT YOU PUT THEM BACK ON RIGHT. (I did this and wound up with a weird buzz/hum and no sound of guitar.)ATTENTION #2:

UPLUG THIS BABY AND LET IT SIT FOR AN HOUR BEFORE YOU EVEN THINK ABOUT TAKING AMP OUT CHASSIS.(They say a capacitor can hold an electric charge for up to 30 minutes. Something like 50,000 volts of electricity. I dont know how true this is but I have been shocked by the inside of an amp after I let it sit for only 5 minutes.)There was enough length on the other two black and white wires and the red ones to just flip it over onto the edge of the chassis.Its worth it do it. It s a good amp in my opinion. Dont let it slip away. It doesnt take long. Only took about 1 hour. I took longer as I didnt realize the amp was going to have the weird noise. I had already put it back together before I turned it back on.ill check back here once in a while to see what you did. let me know if it works for you!

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