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Subject: potentiometer

Posted by [Guitpicky](#) on Sat, 11 Apr 2009 18:31:31 GMT

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Have a touchy pot on a Fender hot rod deville. 2 is not enough, 2.2 will rip your head off. How do I dumb down the pot? I'll NEVER use anything above 4. I need less sensitivity, more sweep.  
Thanks

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Subject: Re: potentiometer

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Mon, 13 Apr 2009 18:50:56 GMT

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Was it always this touchy? Sometimes the substrate on a potentiometer will crack and make these symptoms. Heat cycling and age both contribute to this, and I see old tube radios and other gear with cracked pots. On the low side of the crack, the volume is low but instead of increasing gradually as the knob is turned, it immediately goes to a much higher volume as soon as the wiper is moved across the crack.

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Subject: Re: potentiometer

Posted by [Guitpicky](#) on Wed, 15 Apr 2009 04:06:36 GMT

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I've had three Devilles, and they've all been that way from new to when I trade them.

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