
Subject: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [slk854](#) on Mon, 19 Jan 2015 04:31:27 GMT
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Has anyone found a replacement for the blue power switch for the 150 amps.

Steve

Subject: Re: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [steve](#) on Mon, 19 Jan 2015 11:22:53 GMT
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We have tried for many years with no success, I assume yours has snapped off where the shank passes thru the mounting bracket, if so the only thing you can do is to use a cable tie to pull and hold the switch portion up to the rear of the mounting bracket and then use a clay type epoxy to hold the shank portion onto the face of the bracket.

Your only other option is to mount a long bat handle a DPDH toggle switch onto the stock mounting bracket.

Subject: Re: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [slk854](#) on Mon, 19 Jan 2015 14:26:15 GMT
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Honestly I do not know what happened to it. I just picked up this amp and the only thing non original is the power switch, which has been replaced with a small toggle switch. I have not opened it up to see how it was done, but it works and looks ok for now but I would like to get something original back in place.

How about those ones from Mouser electronics
<http://www.mouser.com/ProductDetail/NKK-Switches/UB15KKW016G-JB/?qs=RKlwSMC2eouGvao4r/Xs6g==>

steve

Subject: Re: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [Iowa Boy](#) on Mon, 19 Jan 2015 16:21:14 GMT
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I have also spend hours searching for replacement switches for my amp heads as well. There just isn't anything out there that matches. I hate seeing the switch replaced with something non-stock. It takes away from the original look of the amp. I've even debated buying amp heads for parts but the switches are usually all broken on them.

I know most of the hard core Kustomites will argue with me on this but, no matter what you do,

your no longer going to have an original amp head anyway. What I have been doing is to repair the @\$%& plastic switch the best I can and glue it together with a new light bulb in it. I don't care if the switch is functional or not I just want the blue light on when the amp is powered up. I install a toggle switch in the back of the amp like is on the plex amps and that now powers the amp and of course I replace the power chord with a grounded one. The blue light switches are now just power indicators. In the event the switch is totally shot but the blue lens cover is still there, I have glued the lens in place, bypassed the switch all together, and installed just a light under the lens. Original....no, but from the outside it sure looks like it.....and I now am not doing any further damage to the plastic switch that is deteriorating anyway. Just an option to consider until the day comes that someone makes a switch that is comparable to the original....if ever.

Subject: Re: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [chicagobill](#) on Mon, 19 Jan 2015 17:34:40 GMT
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slk854 wrote on Mon, 19 January 2015 08:26How about those ones from Mouser electronics
<http://www.mouser.com/ProductDetail/NKK-Switches/UB15KKW016G-JB/?qs=RKIwSMC2eouGvao4r/Xs6g==>

steve

This switch is a momentary action one, It will only be turned on while you press the button in.

Subject: Re: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [steve](#) on Thu, 22 Jan 2015 13:13:52 GMT
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I did some really deep digging the last 4 days (some 12 + hours on the lap top!) and I have found us a rectangle blue illuminated switch that is a drop in for these switches at least physically wise,but man they are not cheap!!
I have 6 of these in hand and when all is said and done with the cost of the separate blue lens and bulb they are going be about 60 bucks each, but at least WE NOW HAVE SOMETHING THAT WORKS THANK THE LORD!!!
These are rated at 5 amps and 250 volts, but are of the DPDT type so a current handling level for what we need even say for example in a K600 head will not be a issue.
Another good thing about this new switch is that you need to do a small wiring change to the Amp due to the bulb in this switch being a 12 volt one.
This change means you can un- power those two big 400 ohm resistors and free up some more spare current to have more clean head room and less heat inside the amp!

For those of you who want to see what they look like PM me and I will be able to by this week end send you a picture of what one looks like in a amp.
Time to rejoice folks!!!

Subject: Re: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [oren hudson](#) on Fri, 23 Jan 2015 03:41:57 GMT
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Good work! I don't need one at the moment, but I know the difficulty associated with replacement.

Subject: Re: Power switch for Kustom 150
Posted by [Iowa Boy](#) on Fri, 23 Jan 2015 04:16:10 GMT
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Appreciate you doing the leg work to find a replacement for us. Price is a shocker for sure and the extra work to make it work, but for anyone with a totally toasted switch, we now have an option. You the MAN!
