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Subject: ohms in bottoms

Posted by [rockbob](#) on Sat, 31 Dec 2005 13:12:32 GMT

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Hi all/I just picked up 2 old black tuck kustom bass bottoms in fair shape. One bottom has 2 JBL d140's in it. They are 16ohms speakers so the cab is 8 ohms. The others has JBL M1-15 in it. They are 8 ohms each. So the cab is wired to 4 ohms. Is there any way to make that cab 8 ohms. I hear it is not good to run 2 different cabs that have different ohms is it. Thanks for any help. ROCKBOB

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Subject: Re: ohms in bottoms

Posted by [voided3](#) on Sat, 31 Dec 2005 21:34:29 GMT

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Hello. This situation depends on what you are going to be powering them with. If you are using a K200, then you may run into a few problems. If you use a K400 or a modern stereo power amp, you should be just fine if each cabinet is on its own independent channel.

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Posted by [rockbob](#) on Sun, 01 Jan 2006 19:39:14 GMT

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I am using a 200-a kustom head and or acoustic 140 bass head also. If one bottom is 8 ohms and the other 4 ohms using both would make it what. I did a quick try and the 4 ohm bottom is louder. Seems it would not be good for the head. THANKS ROCKBOB

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Subject: Re: ohms in bottoms

Posted by [stevem](#) on Sun, 01 Jan 2006 22:16:18 GMT

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Hi, the only thing you can do to run 2 cabs off the kustom head would be to put one 8 ohm and one 16 ohm in each cab wired in parallel, to get 5.3 ohms each, then you need to make a cord to put both cabs in series and get 10.6 ohms. make note of one thing, on JBL speakers you need to test the polarity of them with a nine volt battery to confirm which terminal is the positive one. The small terminal of a 9 volt is the positive, so which ever hook up on the speaker makes the cone move out is the way to place the hot lead. most JBLs are non-standard so just make sure.

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Subject: Re: ohms in bottoms

Posted by [rockbob](#) on Mon, 02 Jan 2006 00:54:55 GMT

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Thanks for your tips. ROCKBOB

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