
Subject: Need info/advice: K250-1 and K400-1
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Hi all, been stalking the page for a while since I fell into my Kustom K250-1 and 118 cab. I've got questions about that one, but I'm about to pick up a K400-1 with the 2 triple 15" cabs.

On the K250, it has the 3 prong cord done but I'm a little worried about the "death cap" I've heard mentioned. Also, the polarity switch on the front no longer moves, not that I've had a need to move it, but I've read conflicting things about when the cord upgrade gets done something is done to that button to disable it and others have said that's not the case etc. Just looking for some clarity.

Also, this amp (I use it for bass) seems to get "over driven" in tone fairly quickly. I'm not an amp tech but I was wondering if this is something I could dial in better to mitigate?

Lastly with this amp: A while back I was doing some a/b testing between 2 different heads/cabs and unplugged the cab from the head, but forgot to turn the power off. When I went to grab the guitar cable from the front I got a very mild shock. Is that normal? Doesn't happen any other time when things are plugged in as normal.

On to the K400-1. I'm picking this up in the morning, I know nothing about it aside from it works and has the older 2 prong cord (which I plan on updating). I've looked thru the literature and pics but can't seem to find quite this exact model number listed anywhere, but I can see similar looking setups.

Would love info on both of these, if there's a how to guide I haven't come across yet on what to do to update these to make them safe please let me know. I love these amps and feel like I'm in a downward spiral of a rabbit hole on these...

Subject: Re: Need info/advice: K250-1 and K400-1
Posted by [stevem](#) on Tue, 07 May 2024 10:39:45 GMT
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These amps want a 4 ohm speaker load to produce their full 125watts of clean output, is your 18" speaker the original?
In terms of volume and clean punch the amp may need to have its two main power supply filters replaced, especially if the amp has sat for long periods without being powered up.

When the mod is done to add a grounded power cable all that needs to be done is to cut the death cap lead off at the switch and bolt down the ground wire from the new power cable to the chassis.

This assumes that the hot and neutral of the new cable are hooked up right, as in white to white and black to black

Why you got the shock would lead me to think that one of the two amps is not grounded right, or the outlet one of them was plugged into was not grounded .

What does the K400 have 4 channels or just two?
