



# **USER'S MANUAL**



## Master Series Amplifiers

DA-120M (120 watts)
DA-60M (60 watts)
DA-30M (30 watts)

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WARNING: DO NOT CUT OR REMOVE THE GROUND PIN ON THE AC POWER CABLE. DO NOT USE AC TWO PIN ADAPTER UNLESS IT IS GROUNDED BY AN EXTERNAL GROUND WIRE. CHECK THE AC WALL RECEPTACLE TO CONFIRM THE PROPER GROUND IS PRESENT.

WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK, DO NOT REMOVE THE COVER. NO USER SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.

WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRICAL SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS UNIT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

#### I - UNPACKING AND INSPECTION PROCEDURES

This unit was carefully checked and packed before leaving the factory. However, the shipping container and unit should be inspected for indications of improper handling. If the unit has been damaged in transit, make an immediate claim to the carrier for their inspection. Returning the freight to J.W. Davis & Company will void your claim with the carrier.

#### **II - PRODUCT FEATURES**

The features and benefits listed below make this series of amplifiers unique. They have been designed with the user's needs in mind to be products that fit many applications without modifications or additional equipment.

- 7 Major Application Interfaces
- 6 Switchable Microphone, Line, AUX, or CD/DVD Modules
- 15 Special Signal Inputs
- 7 Signal Outputs
- Power (rated by specific model selected)
- 4~16 Ω, 25 and 70 Volt System Outputs
- 24 VDC Alternate Power Source
- Multiple Music-On-Hold Options
- A switch to activate the 400Hz roll off circuit to protect horn drivers
- Tape out for recording
- Pre-out, Main-In for insertion of signal conditioning equipment such as equalization
- Booster out provides a signal for power amplifiers to expand the system
- FIVE-YEAR WARRANTY





#### **III - OPERATING SUMMARY**

The JWD Master Series of monaural amplifiers provide the combination of interface, signal control and extended mixer capacity required by professional audio system integration. In addition to traditional commercial sound applications such as paging and background music, the Master Series extends the scope of capabilities to include integration with telephone communications, audio-visual, security, sound masking and the analog output of digital devices that previously have been available only in more complex modular amplifiers. All features are inclusive without requiring additional accessories or modifications.

The **front panel** has nine controls (six volume controls plus master, treble and bass) and eleven LEDs (monitoring the presence of a signal on the six volume controls plus the status of the Telephone, SystemOverRide, Signal Out, Peak and Power circuits). Each of the six volume controls attenuate one of the six dip switch modules located on the back panel. In addition, each microphone input has a related recessed Trim Control located on the back panel that can adjust any selected MIC input's signal level to the front level control (especially useful when using consumer type equipment that does not have an adjustable signal control).

The **back panel** contains six dip switchable modules (example below) that provide the desired signal inputs by simply setting the indicated dip switches up or down.

SWITCH NUMBER	1	2	3	4	<b>I</b> 5	6	7 (MODULE 1 ONLY)
UP	RCA Jacks (Unbalanced)	CD/DVD/PC (Hi-Z)	Terminal Connection	MIC	Phantom Power	Off	Mute Send
DOWN	XLR / Terminal (Balanced)	AUX Level (Hi-Z)	XLR Connection	LINE Level (Low-Z)	OFF	High Pass Filter	Off



Module 1

**Switch 1** selects the balance of the incoming signal.

**Switch 2** selects either an unbalanced CD/DVD or AUX input. The two RCA jacks electronically combine stereo to a mono signal out. Either RCA jack may be used to input a single mono signal.

**Switch 3** connects either the phoenix-type terminal or XLR connector to the input source.

Switch 4 selects either a balanced (Lo - Z) MIC or Line level signal input.

**Switch 5** activates the Phantom Power (+24VDC) to use with condenser or electret microphones. Phantom power is available on either XLR or Terminal inputs.

**Switch 6** activates a High Pass Filter on the XLR or Terminal inputs. This filter will roll off frequencies lower than 150Hz to reduce the "popping" sound of a MIC switch or of consonants in human speech.

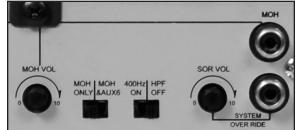
**Switch 7** (available only on Module 1) activates a Mute Send function. When activated, the MIC source connected to either the XLR or Terminal input will VOX mute the other five modules.

**NOTE:** If the Amplifier is frequently moved to different locations, or used as a portable system, the XLR connectors should be used. The action of plugging and unplugging the connector maintains a good connection. If the amplifier is installed in a permanent location, the phoenix-type screw terminals should be used for a better long-term connection.



Three other dedicated inputs, described below, have independent volume controls located on the amplifier's back panel. Neither the Master Volume Control nor the Bass and Treble Controls will affect these inputs.

- (1) **Telephone Page** input. This shielded, balanced input accepts the signal directly from the page port out on the telephone system.
- (2) **Music-On-Hold** ("MOH") input. This input operates through a separate, dedicated internal one-watt amplifier that permits close control of volume levels. The music-on-hold RCA-type input accepts the signal from music, tape messages, company advertisements or other audio sources. The MOH signal also can be routed to the main amplifier for distribution to the entire sound system.



Music-on-Hold Input

(3) **SystemOverRide** ("SOR") input. This independent input is not affected by any other amplifier control. Its purpose is **Priority signaling**, **sound masking** and other applications that must not be interrupted by the regular functions of the amplifier. The default SOR setting is for sound masking applications.

**Paging with VOX muting** is accomplished either from the MIC input on Module 1 or through the telephone input. This feature is particularly desirable in installations such as hospitals, airports and auto dealerships where paging may be required from multiple locations. VOX muting of modules 2 thru 6 is available using MIC 1.

A wide range of **background music and audio/visual programming** applications are supported through the RCA-type inputs which can easily be switched to CD/DVD or AUX level; located on each of the six modules. For applications requiring recording of program material, a special "REC OUT" jack is available that is located on the back panel.

System **expansions requiring greater power** are accommodated through the "BOOSTER OUT" jack which allows the signal from the Master Series amplifier to be connected to the aux input of an additional amplifier.

An **equalizer or other signal modifying devices** may be easily inserted using the "PRE OUT" and "PWR IN" jacks. This feature is especially useful when equalizing a difficult acoustical or reverberant room.

The Master volume control permits overall attenuation of the six modules. Bass and Treble controls allow equalization of the voice and music signals.

A **400Hz high pass filter** circuit is included to help protect the phenolic diaphragms used in paging horns from excursion damage caused by low frequencies.

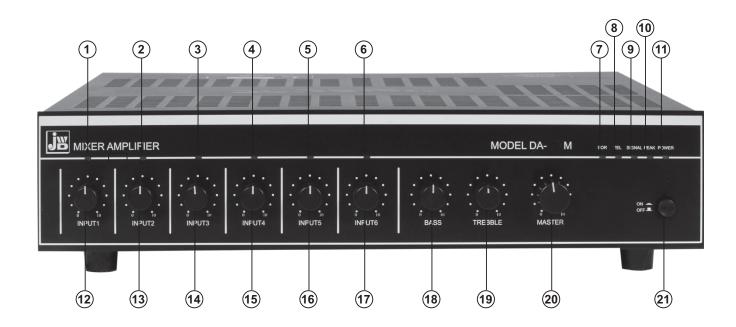
Input-to-output **comparator**, **thermal and overload protection** circuits provide warnings of potential load and input-output issues. If the amplifier senses unstable conditions resulting from overload or signal clipping on the input or output, the peak LED will remain on with no output from the amplifier.

Rack (RAK-M) or wall (WM-M) mounting kits are available as optional accessories.





#### **IV - FRONT PANEL DETAIL**

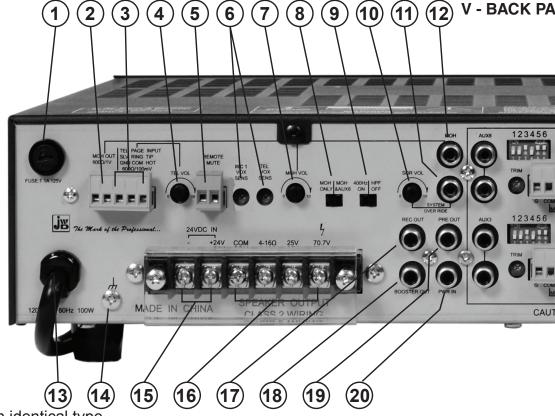


- 1) Input 1 Signal LED
- 2) Input 2 Signal LED
- 3) Input 3 Signal LED
- 4) Input 4 Signal LED
- 5) Input 5 Signal LED
- 6) Input 6 Signal LED
- 7) System Over Ride Signal LED
- 8) Tel/Page Input Signal LED
- 9) Amplifier Output Signal LED
- 10) Amplifier Peak/Protect LED
- 11) Amplifier Power LED

- 12) Input 1 Level Control
- 13) Input 2 Level Control
- 14) Input 3 Level Control
- 15) Input 4 Level Control
- 16) Input 5 Level Control
- 17) Input 6 Level Control
- 18) Bass Control
- 19) Treble Control
- 20) Master Volume Control
- 21) Power Switch (Push-Button)



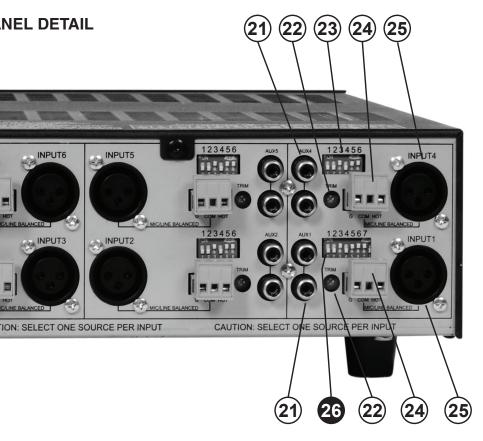




- 1) A/C Fuse: Replace with identical type.
- 2) Music-On-Hold Output: transformer balanced, 600  $\Omega$ , 1 V (adjustable).
- 3) Telephone-Page Input: transformer balanced, 600  $\Omega$ , 100 mV. See page 7.
- 4) Tel-Page Volume Control: Controls the level of Tel/Page input independent from front volume, bass and treble controls. See page 7.
- 5) Remote Mute (normally open): Used with Module 1 (MIC), allows for a switch to mute Modules 2 thru 6.
- 6) VOX Controls: Variable resistor that controls the VOX-Mute sensitivity; one for TEL input and one for Module 1 (MIC).
- 7) Music-On-Hold volume control: Controls level to on-hold circuit of a phone system.
- 8) MOH Switch: Allows for the MOH input signal to be shared with AUX input 6. See page 7.
- 9) HPF Switch: Activates the 400Hz Low-Cut Filter (high pass filter) to protect horns. Effects main speaker output only.
- 10) SystemOverRide Volume Control: Controls the level of SOR input independent from front volume, bass and treble controls. See page 7.
- 11) SystemOverRide Input: Used for noise masking applications, bypasses front volume and tone controls. Board level jumper can activate it for priority input, muting Modules 2 thru 6. See page 7
- 12) Music-On-Hold Input: Input for MOH source. Can be shared with Aux input 6. See pages 3 and 7.
- 13) 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> ft. Power Cord: 120 VAC/15 Amp.
- 14) Chassis Equipment Ground: Used in electronic equipment rack. Do not ground to A/C line.
- 15) 24 VDC In: The +24 VDC allows the amplifier to be used with emergency backup power supplies. For portable use or where 120 VAC is not available.

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- Speaker Output Terminals: The available screw terminal outputs are  $4\sim16~\Omega$ , 25 V and 70.7 V. 16)
- REC OUT: Connects signal to a recording device, Unbalanced, 600  $\Omega$ , 1 V. 17)
- 18) BOOSTER OUT: Connects signal to additional power amplifier, Unbalanced, 600  $\Omega$ , 1 V.
- (19) & (20) PRE OUT/PWR IN: The two RCA jacks offer an opening between the pre amp and the power section of the amplifier. This allows the insertion of an equalizer or other signal conditioning equipment. Unbalanced, 600  $\Omega$ , 1 V.

### MODULE SECTIONS 2-6

- 21) Auxiliary Input: Two channel input will electronically sum stereo signals to mono output of amplifier.
- Input Trim Control: Recessed variable resistor for adjusting source signal integrity to pre-amp stage. 22)
- 23) Six-Control Switch Bank: (1) Up=RCA, Down=XLR/TERM; (2) Up=CD/DVD, Down=AUX; (3) Up=TERM, Down=XLR; (4) Up=MIC, Down=LINE; (5) Up=Phantom Power (+24 VDC), Down=Off; (6) Up=Off, Down=High Pass Filter On.
- MIC/LINE BALANCED level input: Removable Phoenix Connector. 24)
- 25) MIC/LINE BALANCED level input: XLR-Female.

#### MODULE SECTION 1 ONLY

Seven-Control Switch Bank: (1) Up=RCA, Down=XLR/TERM; (2) Up=CD/DVD, Down=AUX; 26) (3) Up=TERM, Down=XLR; (4) Up=MIC, Down=LINE; (5) Up=Phantom Power (+24 VDC), Down=Off; (6) Up=Off, Down=High Pass Filter On; (7) Up=MUTE SEND, Down=OFF.

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WARNING: Amplifier must be <u>powered off</u> before changes are made to Switch Banks.



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#### VI - SETTINGS FOR ADDITIONAL FEATURES

#### TELEPHONE VOX MUTING

The Telephone Page Input (3) will mute inputs one through six. This is a default feature of the M-Series and cannot be modified. Adjust the sensitivity of the VOX mute using a mini-blade screwdriver to access the recessed variable control, TEL VOX SENS (6). The transformer-coupled telephone input terminals will accept either a balanced (3-Wire) or unbalanced (2-Wire) line direct from the telephone page port out (talk battery without ring). It also accepts a TEL-PAGE output from a digital phone system: (Switch) G=Sleeve, COM=Ring, HOT=Tip. A  $600\Omega$  shielded balanced input transformer is used to aid in the rejection of RF and EFI.

#### **ACTIVATION OF MICROPHONE 1 VOX MUTING**

To activate MIC 1 VOX muting of modules two thru six, simply move switch number 7 up to Mute Send (26). Adjust the sensitivity of the VOX mute using a mini-blade screwdriver to access the recessed variable control, MIC 1 VOX SENS (6). This works in conjunction with the TRIM control (22), a recessed variable input level control. Muting issues may be experienced with certain sources like wireless microphone receivers. For these situations, use the Remote Mute terminal input (5). Simply add an external switch to mute modules two through six.



WARNING: The following changes should be made only by a qualified technician to avoid the risk of electrical shock and of voiding the warranty due to static electricity. The unit must be unplugged from AC or DC power source prior to making changes.

# ACTIVATION OF THE SystemOverRide INPUT TO BECOME A PRIORITY INPUT

To activate the SOR to become a priority input, remove the cover to gain access to the board level jumper. Facing the back of the amplifier, the jumper is located on the back left hand side of the circuit board. It is numbered JP700. (See Figure 3) To activate, move jumper to **short** the ON and middle pin.

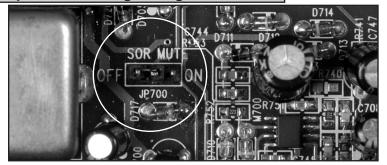


Figure 3

#### NOTE: THE FOLLOWING INPUTS ARE UNIQUE IN THEIR FUNCTIONALITY

The Telephone, System Over Ride, and Music-On-Hold inputs have their own volume controls and bypass the amplifier's Master Volume, Bass and Treble controls, which permits the volume levels to be tailored to the specific use. Typically, telephone paging needs to be set for best intelligibility while adjusting the front Master volume control for background music.

SystemOverRide is designed for sound masking systems. Call J.W. Davis tech support for this application. Another option for the SOR is for signal notification. Activating the board level jumper will allow the SOR to mute inputs two through six for use as a signaling device such as a tone generator, or alarm signal.

The Music-On-Hold input/output does not require tone adjustment due to the limited frequency response of telephone handsets.

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### **VII-TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

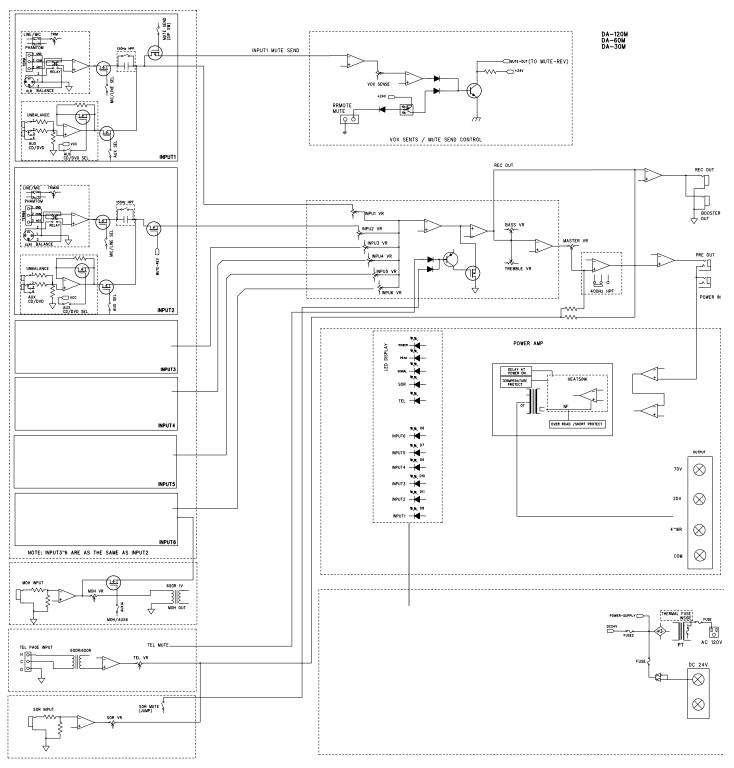
Model Number		DA-30M	DA-60M	DA-120M		
Power Rating		30 Watts	60 Watts	120 Watts		
Frequency Response		50Hz ~ 15kHz (±3dB); TEL: 250Hz ~ 15kHz (±3dB)				
S/N Ratio (Tone Controls at Center Detent)		> 60dB				
T.H.D.		< 0.8% at 1 kHz, & at Rated Power				
	Balanced	MIC XLR-F (1 - 6): 150 $\Omega$ , 1 mV, or Line XLR-F (1 - 6): 10k $\Omega$ , 100 mV (MIC TRIM Adjustable)				
	Balanced	MIC Phoenix (1 - 6): 150 $\Omega$ , 1 mV, or Line Phoenix (1 - 6 10k $\Omega$ , 100 mV (MIC TRIM Adjustable)				
Inputs	Balanced	Telephone/Page: Shielded Transformer, 600 $\Omega$ , 100 mV				
	Unbalanced	Aux (1 - 6): 2-Channel Audio Electronically Summed to Mono Output, 47k Ω, 100 mV, or DVD/CD (1-6): 2-Channel Audio Electronically Summed to Mono Output, 47k Ω, 360 mV				
	Unbalanced	MOH: 47k Ω, 100 mV				
	Unbalanced		SOR: 47k Ω, 100 mV			
	Unbalanced		Power-In: 47k Ω, 1 V			
Microphone Phanto	m Power	(Switcha	ble on Modules 1 thru 6): +	+24 VDC		
·		4 ~ 16 Ω, & 25 V, & 70.7 V (Any Combination Not To Exceed Rated Power)				
		MOH: Transformer-Isolated 600 Ω, 0 ~ 1 V (Adjustable)				
Outputs		Rec (Tape) Out: 600 Ω, 1 V, Pre Tone Controls				
		Booster Out: 600 Ω, 1 V, Pre Tone Controls				
		Pre-Out: 600 Ω, 1 V, Post Tone Controls				
		Telephone VOX Mute: -40dB, VOX Sensitivity Adjustable				
VOX (Voice) Mute	Circuits	MIC 1 VOX: -37dB (Via Switch # 7 "Mute Send"), VOX Sensitivity Adjustable				
, ,		SOR VOX: -40dB (Via Circuit Board Jumper # 700)				
		Remote Mute Terminal (Use w/ MIC 1), -37dB				
Tone Controls		Bass: ± 10dB at 100Hz Treble: ± 10dB at 10kHz				
High Pass Filter HPF	(Switchable)	400Hz, -6dB/Octave (4 ~ 16 Ω, 25 V, & 70.7 V Outputs Only)				
Indicators		Inputs 1 thru 6, Tel, SOR, Signal Output, Peak Signal Output (Steady On = Amp Protect), & Power LEDs				
Power Source		120 VAC				
		+24 VDC				
Power Consumption		100W	200W	300W		
Protection		Built-In Signal Clip Comparator on Input to Output to Speaker Load, Thermal, Overload and Short Circuit Protection				
Dimensions		16.5" W x 13.5" D x 4.3" H (2 RU w/o feet)				
Weight		16 Lbs.	19 Lbs.	27 Lbs.		
Shipping Wei	<u> </u>	21 Lbs.	24 Lbs.	33 Lbs.		
Available Acces	sories	RAK-M: 19" Rack Mount Kit, WM-M: Surface Wall Mount Kit				

Specifications subject to change without notice.





### **VIII - MASTER SERIES BLOCK DIAGRAM**



NOTE: A detailed schematic may be obtained by contacting our Customer Service Department.



#### **IX - TECH NOTES**

#### **HIGH IMPEDANCE OF 25 AND 70.7 V SYSTEMS**

The high impedance or constant voltage method of impedance matching uses a high impedance amplifier output which is transformed down to 8 Ohms by an impedance matching transformer at each individual speaker. The big advantages of this approach as compared to low impedance are:

- (1) Reduced line losses and ability to use smaller wire gauges. This is due to the higher voltage and reduced current in the speaker lines.
- (2) Much simpler impedance matching procedures and connections.

Constant voltage is a misnomer in that the amplifier does not always produce 70 V. Rather, the amplifier output impedance is set at such a level that, irrespective of its rated power, it will produce 70.7 Volts output at full power. Thus a 10 Watt amplifier optimum load would have an impedance of 500 Ohms ( $P = 70.7^2/500$ ), a 40-Watt amp would be 126 Ohms and 120-Watt amp, 42 Ohms.

Multiple transformer taps allow the impedance at each speaker to be adjusted individually to give a total matched load. Because of the high impedance arrangement, the system is easier to impedance match and is also inherently less susceptible to problems caused by mismatching.

The transformer taps are marked in W=watts instead of Ohms (usually 4, 2, 1, 1/2). Again, it should be born in mind that these levels of power output are only achieved when the transformer is working at 70.7 Volts. The transformers are connected in parallel. A good match is obtained by ensuring that the total of all tap settings fits into the range of 40-80% of rated amplifier output. 80% is chosen to allow for transformer insertion loss. Also, It is good practice not to drive the amplifier to 100% of its capacity.

Examples are shown below. For simplicity, it is assumed that all tap settings are the same at each speaker. For a 120-Watt amplifier, the range 40-80% is equivalent to 48-96 Watts. Therefore:

18 speakers x 4 Watt taps each = 72W ...... Good match

12 speakers x 1 Watt taps each = 12W ...... Poor match

60 speakers x 1 Watt taps each = 60W ...... Good match

60 speakers x 4 Watt taps each = 240W ...... Very poor match – overload

90 speakers x 1 Watt taps each = 90W ...... Good match

#### POWER LOSS IN LONG LINES

For long lines, the power loss in watts becomes a significant factor. The power supplied by the amplifier is effectively reduced by the line loss. For a 0.5 dB loss in sound pressure the total wire resistance must be limited to 6% of speaker impedance. The table below shows the calculated two-wire cable lengths permissible for a number of wire sizes in feet. For a 1 dB loss, the lengths may be doubled. For 2 dB loss, multiply by 4.4.

		Low-Impedance			High Impedance Systems			
AWG Size	Resistance (ohms/1000 feet)	4 ohms	8 ohms	16 ohms	100W/70.7 V 12.5W/25 V (50 ohms)	50W/70.7 V 6.25W/25 V (100 ohms)	25W/70.7 V 3.5W/25 V (200 ohms)	
14	2.5	48	96	190	600	1,200	2,400	
16	4.20	30	60	90	370	740	1,500	
18	6.39	19	38	76	230	460	920	
20	10.1	12	24	48	150	300	600	
22	16.2	7	14	28	93	190	380	

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Thank you for selecting a J. W. Davis Master Series Amplifier. Since 1933, it has been our goal to produce a complete line of quality products and to offer a FIVE YEAR WARRANTY on most J.W. Davis items. You will not see our products advertised in a discount catalog or other consumer venues since we limit our sales to qualified professionals. Having bought through a professional, you may use J.W. Davis & Company products with confidence and pride.

For your next installation please consider the other fine J.W. Davis products such as power amplifiers, pre-Amplifiers, mixers, microphones, speakers, speaker systems, horns, lecterns, baffles, transformers, volume controls, and accessories.

Also, be sure to check our web site (www.jwd.com) for additional manufacturers' products that we distribute.

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