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PULSE C8A

PULSEC8A-V4

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Compact Active Bass Enclosure

Owners Manual

Congratulations on purchasing your VIBE enclosure. Please read this manual in order to fully understand how to get the best results from this product and ensure that all advice on how to look after the product is followed.

Thank you for buying VIBE, we hope you enjoy listening to your product as much as we enjoyed creating it.

Attention

An aftermarket audio amplifier will place an additional load on the vehicles charging system.
Most modern vehicles have sufficient capacity in the charging system as not all the electrical components of the vehicle will be switched on at once.

Check the fuse rating of the amplifier and use this as the peak current requirement.

Generally the continuous current draw will be a third of the peak current.

Warning

During the normal use of this enclosure, the heatsink may become very hot.
Please do not touch during or immediately after use.
Please ensure that when installing this product the heatsink will not come into contact with any materials that may be damaged by heat such as upholstery or plastics.

Limited Warranty

All VIBE products carry a full 12 month warranty, valid from the date of the original receipt and proof of purchase. The online warranty card should be completed within seven days of the original purchase date. The original receipt and packaging should be retained for this twelve month period. If the product develops a problem any stage during the warranty period, it should be returned to the point of purchase in it's original packaging, and complete with no items missing. If the store is unable to repair the product it may have to be returned to VIBE.
A full description of VIBE's warranty information can be found on our website:
www.vibeaudio.co.uk

What Is Not Covered

- Damage to product due to improper installation.
- Subsequent damage to other components.
- Damage caused by exposure to moisture, excessive heat, chemical cleaners and / or UV radiation.
- Damage through negligence, misuse, accident or abuse. Repeated returns for the same fault may be considered abuse.
- Any cost or expense related to the removal and / or re-installation of the product.
- Damage caused by amplifier clipping or distortion.
- Items repaired or modified by any unauthorised repair facility.
- Return shipping on non defective items.
- Products returned without a returns authorisation number.
- Damage to product due to use of sealant.

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Warning

VIBE equipment is capable of sound pressure levels that can cause permanent damage to your hearing and those around you. Please use common sense when listening to your audio system and practice safe sound.

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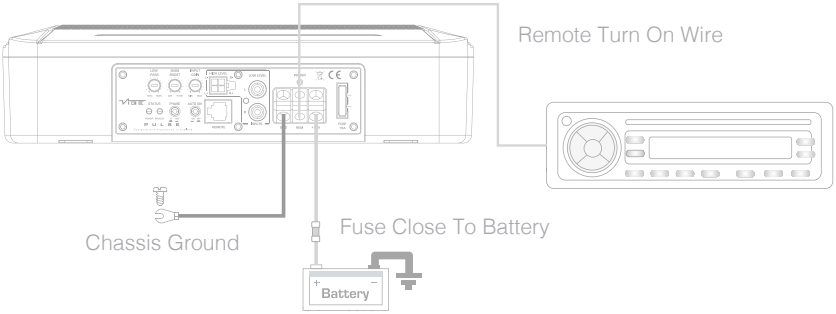
Mounting Guidelines

Your VIBE enclosure is designed with a swift installation routine in mind.

Please mount the enclosure in a dry location on a solid surface.
NEVER mount the enclosure upside down as this will cause the amplifier to over heat and will eventually damage the amplifier.

Before fixing the enclosure in place please ensure that there is sufficient air flow around the exterior of the casing, at least two inches is sufficient to allow effective cooling.

Power Connections



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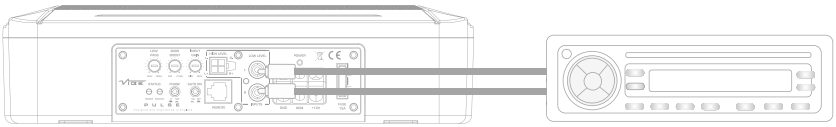

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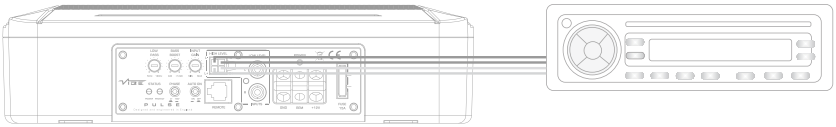


NOTE : When using high level input it is not necessary to connect the remote turn on wire. Do not connect both high level and low level input at the same time.

Power Cable

- At least 10 gauge cable should be used for the power connection to the amplifier.

- The power cable should be taken directly from the battery. Rubber grommets should be used when passing through any bulkheads to prevent the cable from becoming chaffed or cut.

- It is vital that a fuse / circuit breaker (of at least equal value to the one fitted in the amplifier) is placed inline with the power cable and is no further than 18 inches away from the battery.

- Please ensure that the fuse is not fitted until the entire installation procedure is complete.

Ground Cable

- At least 10 gauge cable should be used for the ground connection to the amplifier.

- The amplifier ground should be connected directly to the chassis of the vehicle, to bare metal.

- The cable length should be kept to an absolute minimum.

- It is not recommended that you connect the ground cable to the vehicles seatbelts anchor point.

Auto Turn On (High level Input Only)

- The Pulse C8 features an auto turn on circuit called Autosense.

- This circuit allows the amplifier to switch on and off without a remote turn on wire when using high level input, for low level input (RCA) it will still be necessary to connect the remote turn on wire from the headunit.

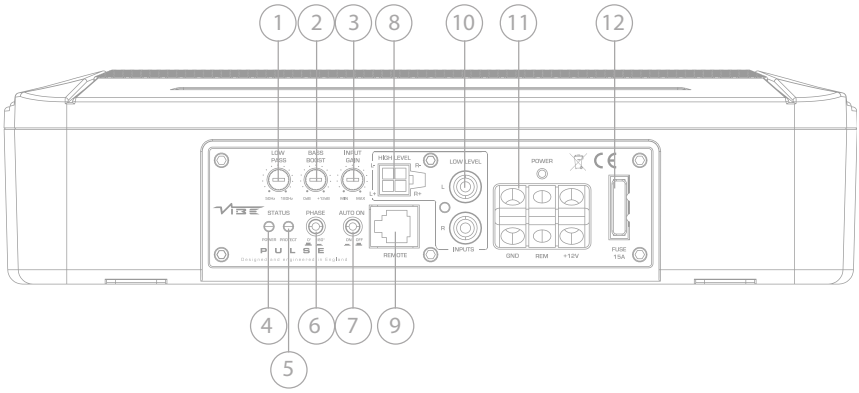
- When the connected source (headunit) is turned on the amplifier will turn on automatically, after the connected source (headunit) is turned off the amplifier will shut down (Auto on button needs to be engaged)

RCA Cables

- Please take extra care when running these cables from the source to the amplifier. Ensure that they are placed away from all items that can generate any interference, wiring harnesses etc.

- It is recommended that the RCA cables should be run on opposite sides of the car to the previously installed power cables if possible, to avoid the cable picking up interference.

Terminals And Connections



1. Low Pass Filter (LPF)
This control is used to set the crossover frequency for the amplifier when LPF is selected. The frequency is adjustable between 50Hz and 180Hz.
2. Bass boost control
This control is used to add bass boost to the amplifier centred at 45Hz and is adjustable between 0 and +12dB.
3. Gain control
This control is used to match the input signal of the source to the amplifier. See the setup section for more details.
4. Power LED
If the amplifier is operating normally, the GREEN LED will illuminate.
5. Protection LED
If the amplifier is in protection mode the RED LED will illuminate.
6. Phase switch
This switch is used to set the phase of the amplifier and is adjustable between 0° (off) or 180° (on).
7. Auto turn on switch
This switch is used to set the auto turn on of the amplifier if using high level input.
8. High level input
For connection to the speaker output of your source (head unit). This is to be used if the source (headunit) does not have a low level output.
9. Remote level control port
For connection to the supplied remote level control for the amplifier.
10. Low level input
For connection to any source (head unit) with a low level output to the rear channels of the amplifier. This is your RCA output from the source (headunit).
11. Power terminals
Used to connect DC power to the amplifier. See the power connections section for more details.
12. Fuse
Replace with only the same value ATC fuse : 15A

Set Up Section

To correctly set the gain control of the amplifier to match that of the source (headunit) use the following setup routine:

- Turn the gain control to minimum on the amplifier.
- Ensure the bass boost is set to 0 dB.
- Set all crossovers on the headunt (if applicable) to flat and both bass and treble to zero.
- Turn up the source (headunit) to approx 3/4 volume.
- Very slowly turn up the gain on the amplifier until distortion can be heard in any of the speakers or until the volume reaches an uncomfortable listening level when this is reached turn the gain control down slightly.

The gain control is now set.

For a subwoofer it is recommended that the crossover is set to low pass and the frequency is set to match that of the speakers specifications, or your preferred frequency - this is usually around 60 - 120 Hz

By using the crossovers correctly you will not only lengthen the life of your speakers but you will also get better performance from them.

To optimise your setup seek the advise of a professional installation engineer or visit your local VIBE audio dealer.

Specification

Model	PULSEC8A-V4
Driver	PULSE 8
RMS Power	80W
Peak Power	240W
Impedance	4Ω
Dimensions (H x W x D)	2.8" x 11.4" x 8.3" (72mm x 290mm x 208mm)
Configuration	2nd order acoustic suspension
Enclosure Type	Active Slim Fit Bass Enclosure

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