

TASCAM

TEAC Professional Division

MH-40B

Multi Headphones Unit



OWNER'S MANUAL

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Introduction

The MH-40B is a 4-channel headphone amplifier unit which is designed to allow you to enlarge your musical creativity without restricting headphone applications. The 1.5 W output capacity of each channel is more than sufficient to guarantee that you won't be bothered by annoying external sounds. The placement of input jacks on the front panel which accepts the direct connections of electronic instruments make the MH-40B unique in its own right. Besides recording studio applications, the MH-40B can be used for private monitoring purposes also. We, here at TASCAM, invite you to read through this manual thoroughly to familiarize yourself with its operation flexibilities.

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WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS APPLIANCE TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

Environmental Considerations

These conditions apply to the MH-40B as well as to the other TASCAM equipment being used.

- Avoid temperatures beyond the range of 5°C to 30°C (40°F to 87°F).
- Avoid extremely dirty or dusty environments.
- Avoid using AC power inputs that fluctuate greatly.
- Avoid areas where there is extremely high humidity.

Note:

If you notice any differences, either on the outside or the inside of the unit from the illustrations and descriptions in this manual, talk to your dealer. He may have revision sheets that will show manufacturing changes, or notifications of how to deal with any changes in set-up procedures.

Save this manual, refer to it when necessary, and good luck with your MH-40B.

This unit has a serial number located on the rear panel. Please record the model number and serial number and retain them for your records.

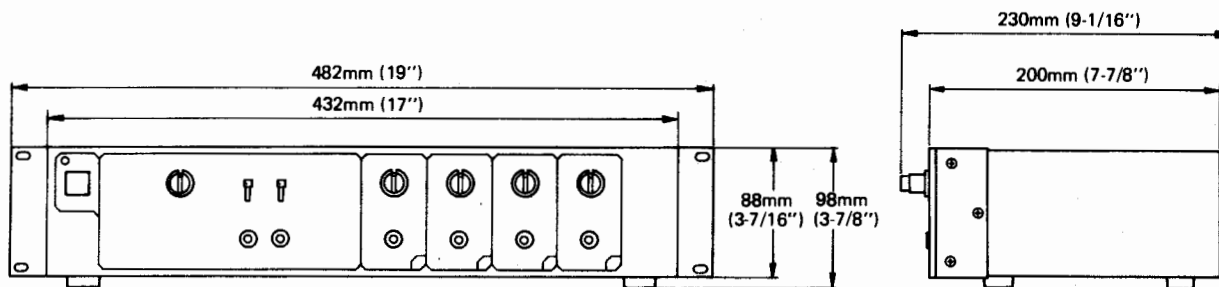
Model Number _____

Serial Number _____

Specifications

Input (Rear and Front)	
Input Impedance:	50 k ohms (MODE at STEREO)
Nominal Input Level:	-10 dBV (0.3 V)
Output	
Nominal Load Impedance:	200 ohms (LOAD IMPEDANCE at HIGH) 10 ohms (LOAD IMPEDANCE at LOW)
Nominal Output Level (One channel, stereo):	10 dBV (1 W) (load impedance 10 ohms) 20 dBV (0.5 W) (load impedance 200 ohms)
Maximum Output Level (5 % T.H.D.):	Greater than 1.5 W (load impedance 10 or 200 ohms)
Frequency Response:	20 Hz – 20 kHz $^{+0.5}_{-1}$ dB
Signal-To-Noise Ratio (Nominal output level):	90/94 dB (DIN AUDIO/IHF "A" WTD, load impedance 10 ohms) 96/100 dB (DIN AUDIO/IHF "A" WTD, load impedance 200 ohms)
Total Harmonic Distortion (1 kHz, nominal output level):	Less than 0.1% (load impedance 10 ohms) Less than 0.01 % (load impedance 200 ohms)
Crosstalk (between L and R):	Better than 45 dB (1 kHz, maximum output level)
Power Requirements:	100/120/220/240 V AC, 50/60 Hz, 60 W (General Export Models) 120 V AC, 60 Hz, 45 W (U.S.A./Canada Models) 220 V AC, 50 Hz, 40 W (Europe Models) 240 V AC, 50 Hz, 40 W (U.K./Aus. Models)
Dimensions (W x H x D):	482 x 98 x 230 mm (19" x 3-7/8" x 9-1/16")
Weight:	4.5 kg (9-15/16 lbs.) net

- In these specifications, 0 dBV is referenced to 1.0 Volt.
- Improvements may result in features and specifications changing without notice.
- Photos and illustrations may differ slightly from production models.

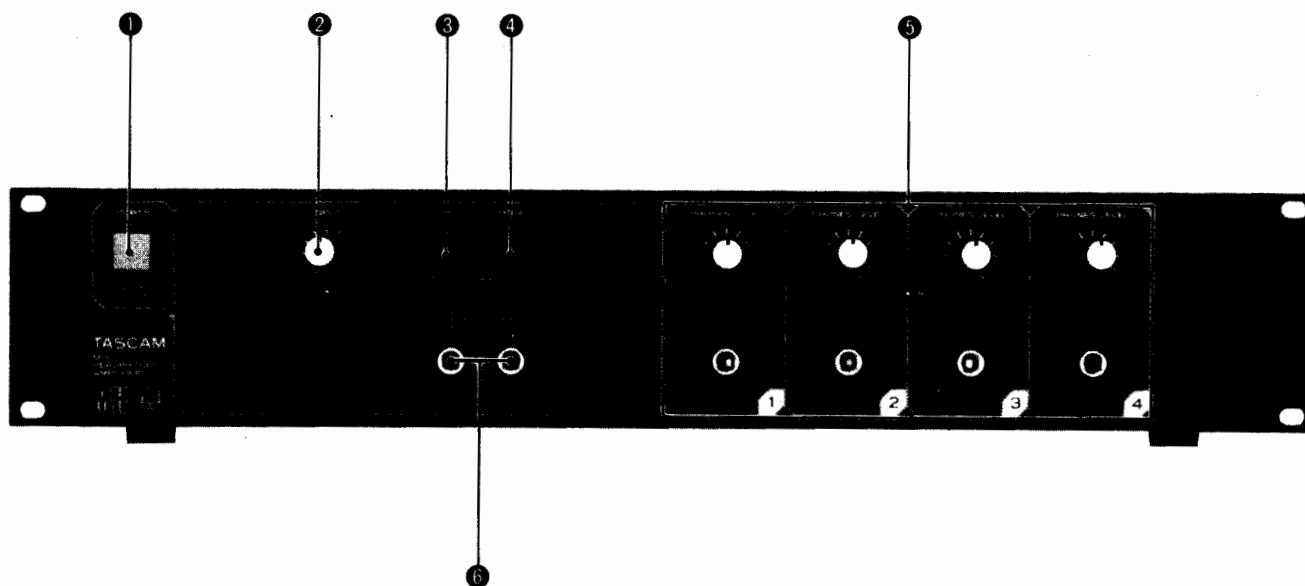


Rack Mounting

The MH-40B is designed to be mounted on an EIA standard 19-inch rack, preferably the TASCAM CS-607B Console Rack. For this purpose, mounting holes are provided on both the left and right sides of the front

panel to which the appropriate screws and washers, each two, are to be inserted. The panel height of the MH-40B is the equivalent to 2 EIA standard units (88 mm, or 3-7/16").

Features and Controls



❶ POWER Switch

This switch controls the on-off operation of the unit. When pressed to ON (\equiv), an LED lights in red indicating that the power circuit has been activated. Press a further time to deactivate the power circuit.

❷ INPUT Control Knob

This dual concentric control knob permits the adjustment of the overall input level of the signals sent in from the control room, etc. The inner knob is for control of the left channel and the outer is for control of the right channel.

❸ INPUT Select Switch

This switch selects which of the two input lines that will feed the monitoring headphones.

REAR: Selects the RCA pin jacks on the rear panel.

FRONT: Selects the 1/4" mono-phone jacks on the front panel.

❹ MODE Select Switch

This switch selects either the stereophonic or monophonic mode of operation. In the MONO position, the stereo input signal is evenly combined and distributed to form a monophonic effect. On the other hand, when a monophonic signal is input through either the L(ef) or R(ight) input jacks, the monophonic signal will be evenly distributed to both channels to produce a centered acoustic image on output at the headphones.

❺ PHONES LEVEL Control Knob/Phones Output Jacks (1 - 4)

This dual concentric control knob controls the monitoring level at the headphones. The adjustment of this control knob is made by making balance comparison against the setting of the INPUT control knob ❷. The inner knob is for control of the left channel and the outer is for control of the right channel.

Connect only headphones which are rated 8 ohms or higher.

❻ ❷ INPUT Jacks

The signal originating from the control room, etc. is connected to the RCA INPUT jacks provided on the rear panel. The 1/4" mono-phone jacks on the front panel serve the purpose of providing a means to connect electronic instruments directly to the MH-40B without having to bother with interfacing auxiliary equipment.

❸ FOLDBACK Terminals

Since these terminals are connected in parallel to the rear INPUT jacks, the signals which are fed through these INPUT jacks can be "folded back" out the FOLDBACK terminals to feed auxiliary equipment.

Voltage Conversion (General Export Model Only)

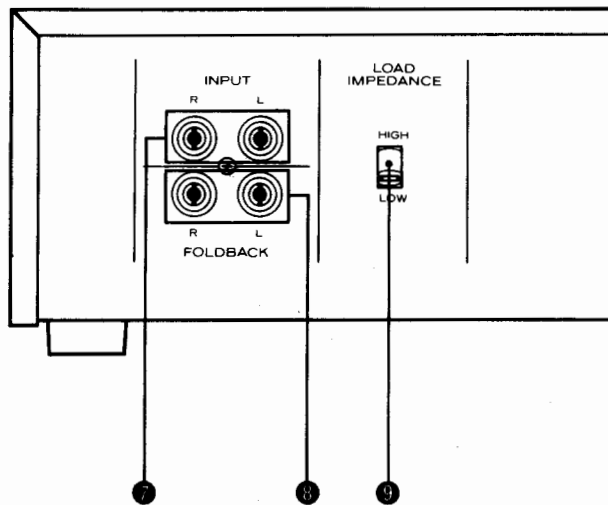
④ LOAD IMPEDANCE Select Switch

Set to **LOW** for headphones whose impedance is lower than 100 ohms and **HIGH** for headphones with a higher impedance. The setting of this switch determines the performance of the circuitry for all four channels of the unit.

AC Power Cord

If your unit is a General Export model, see "Voltage Conversion".

U.K. customers are requested to refer to "Note for U.K. Customers".



This unit is adjusted to operate on the electric voltage specified on the unit and packing carton. **Note:** This voltage conversion is not possible on model sold in the U.S.A. and Canada, UK, Australia or Europe.

For general export units, if it is necessary to change the voltage requirements of the MH-40B to match your area, use the following procedures. Always disconnect Power Line Cord before making these changes.

1. Remove the bonnet panel of the unit by removing the screws.
2. Locate the voltage selector plug near the transformer inside the unit.
3. Pull out the plug and reinsert it so that the desired voltage appears in the cut-out window of the plug.

Note for U.K. Customers

U.K. Customers Only:

Due to the variety of plugs being used in the U.K., this unit is sold without an AC plug. Please request your dealer to install the correct plug to match the mains power outlet where your unit will be used as per these instructions.

IMPORTANT

The wires in this mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

BLUE:	NEUTRAL
BROWN:	LIVE

As the colours of the wires in the mains lead of this apparatus may not correspond with the coloured markings identifying the terminals of your plug, proceed as follows.

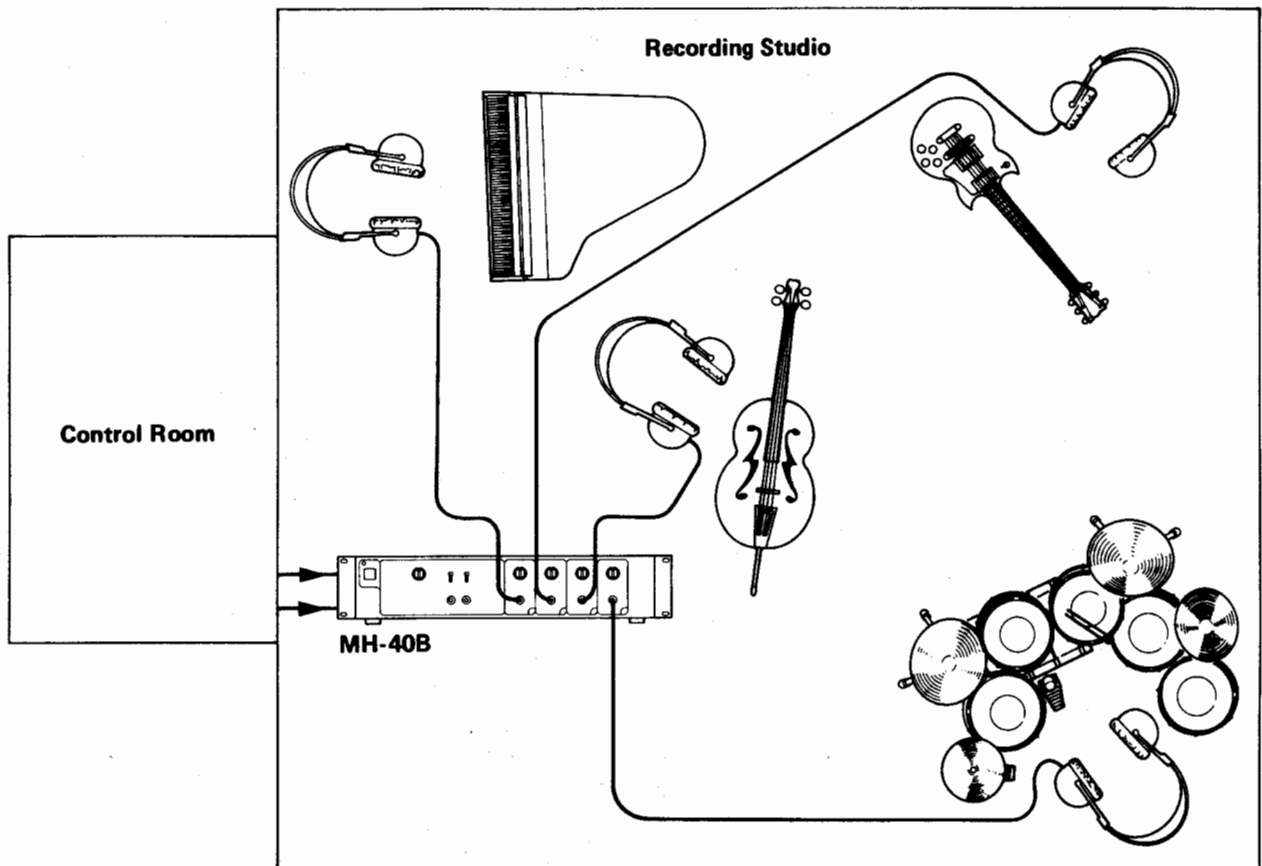
The wire which is coloured **BLUE** must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter **N** or coloured **BLACK**. The wire which is coloured **BROWN** must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter **L** or coloured **RED**.

Applications

This illustration shows an example of a recording situation in a recording studio. In this set-up, there are four players, each playing a musical instrument and simultaneously monitoring the overall harmonics through headphones interfaced with the MH-40B.

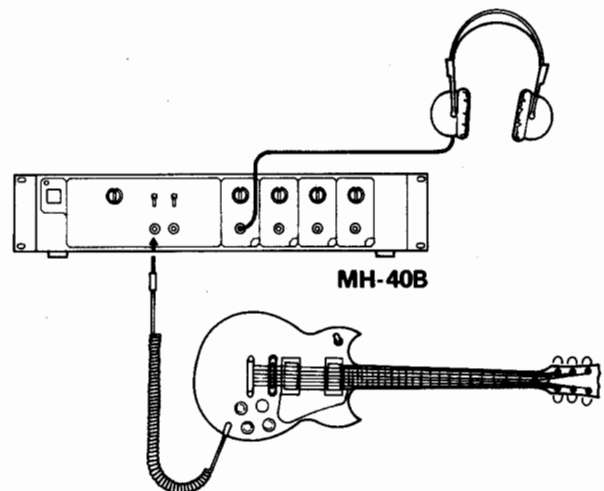
The input signal flow follows this basic path: It comes into the MH-40B via the rear or front

INPUT jacks. From here, it flows on to the REAR/FRONT INPUT select switch and then on to the MONO/STEREO MODE select switch for routing to the INPUT level control and internal amplifier. Finally, it's sent through the PHONES LEVEL control (correctly set the LOAD IMPEDANCE switch.) and output at the headphones jacks (1 - 4).

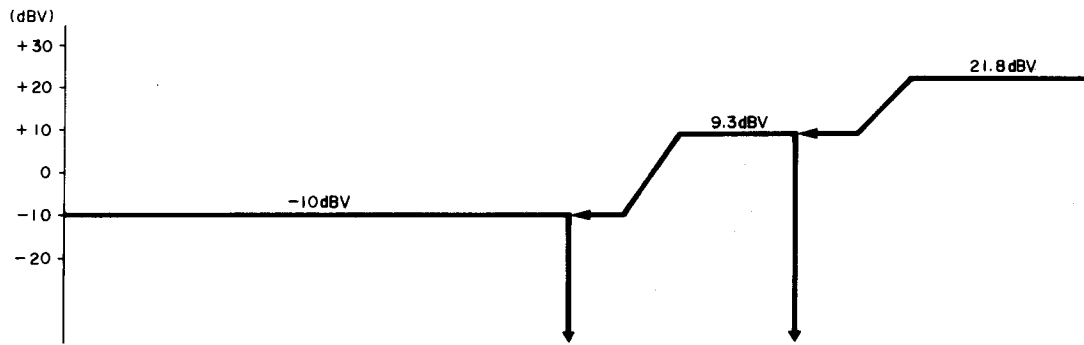
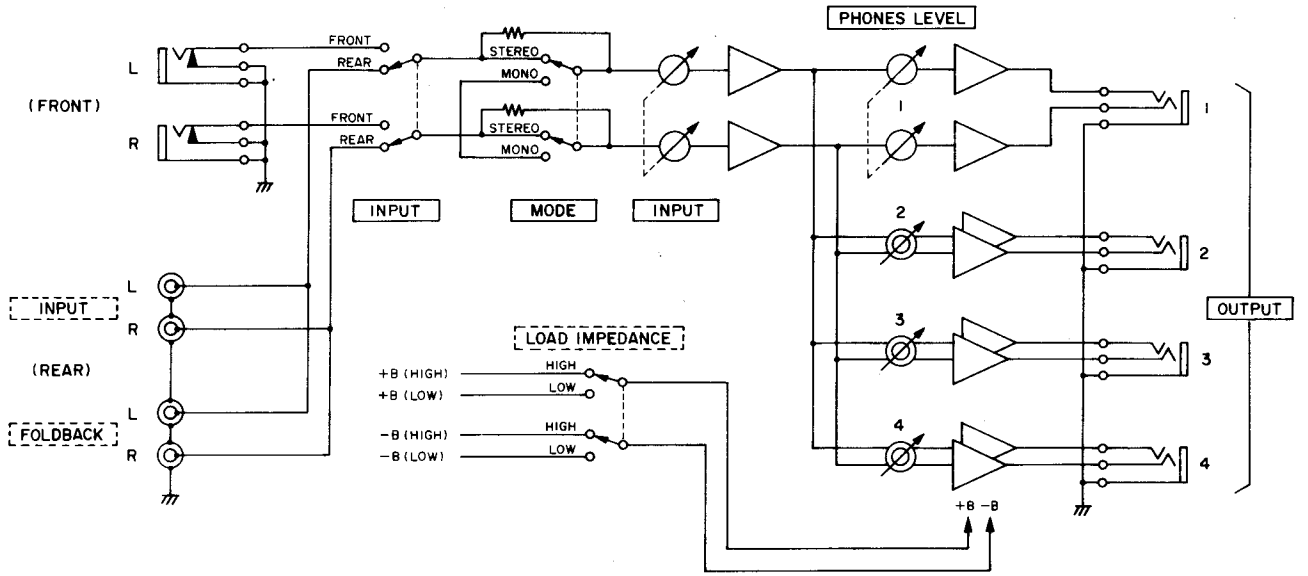


The L(ef) and R(ight) mono-phone jacks located on the front panel permits the direct connection of electronic equipment, etc. and can be used as a facility for allowing the musician to enjoy private instrumental play without having to worry about annoying anyone around.

For this type of application, set the INPUT and MODE switches to the FRONT and MONO positions and use the PHONES LEVEL control knob to adjust the volume level of the headphones.



Block and Level Diagrams



SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION

- BEFORE OPERATING APPLIANCE, read and understand all the following Safety Instructions as well as operating instructions in the Owner's Manual.
- HEED all WARNINGS and FOLLOW all INSTRUCTIONS – in these Safety Instructions, in the Owner's Manual, and on the appliance itself.
- RETAIN the INSTRUCTIONS for reference when needed.

LOCATION AND HOOKUP

- Appliance should not be used near water or in areas of high humidity – for example, near a swimming pool or in a damp basement.
- Appliance should not be used near heat sources such as heat radiators, stoves, direct sunlight.
- Appliance should be located so that its position does not interfere with proper ventilation. Make sure that air vents on the appliance are not blocked from air by such objects as other appliances, draperies, walls, or carpets.
- Appliance should not be suspended from ceilings or walls except as specifically recommended by the manufacturer.
- Similarly, appliance should not be used with a cart or stand except as specifically recommended by the manufacturer.
- Appliance should be used only on power line sources as indicated in the Owner's Manual and as marked on the appliance itself.
- If appliance requires grounding, or polarization of power source, follow instructions in the Owner's Manual for proper connections.
- If appliance is to be used with an Outdoor Antenna, be sure the antenna system is grounded so as to provide some protection against voltage surges and built-up static charges. Section 810 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA No. 70-1984, provides information with respect to proper grounding of the mast and supporting structure, grounding of the lead-in wire to an antenna discharge unit, size of grounding conductors, location of antenna-discharge unit, connection to grounding electrodes, and requirements for the grounding electrode. The example shown on the back is for an FM/TV antenna installation. However, the basic grounding circuit and conductor size will also apply to external AM antenna installations.
- The Outdoor Antenna should be located as far as possible away from power lines.
- Power supply cords of the appliance should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them, paying particular attention to cords at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the points where they exit from the appliance.

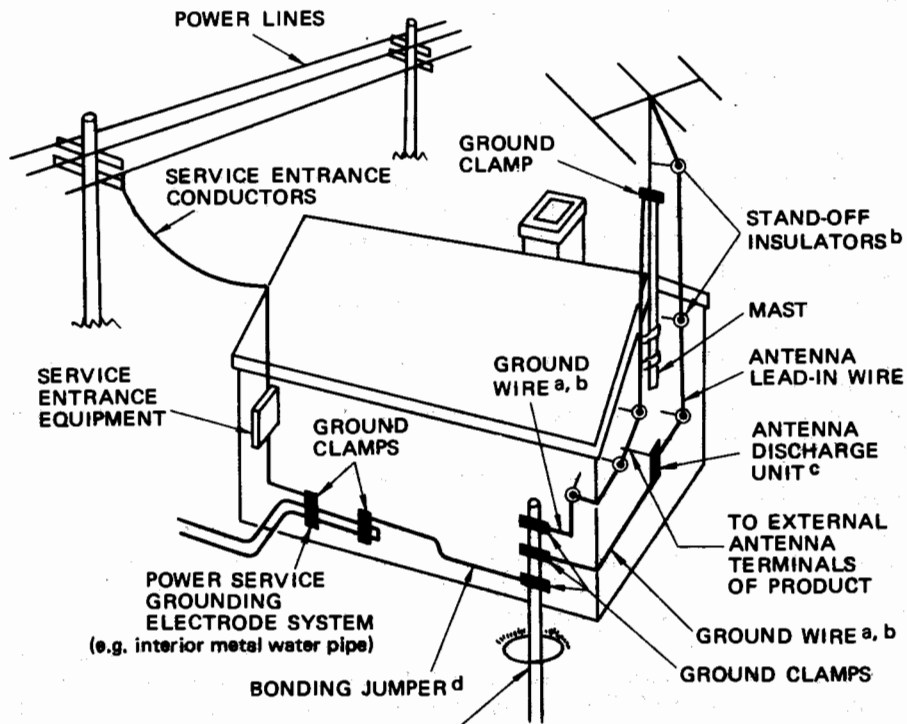
MAINTENANCE

- Cleaning of the appliance should be done only as recommended by the manufacturer.
- In extended periods of non-use, the appliance should be unplugged from the power line source.
- Care should be taken so that objects do not fall and liquids are not spilled into the enclosure through openings.
- The appliance should be serviced by qualified service personnel when:
 - A. The power supply cord or the plug has been damaged;
 - B. Objects have fallen, or liquid has been spilled into the appliance;
 - C. The appliance has been exposed to rain;
 - D. The appliance does not appear to operate normally or exhibits a marked change in performance;
 - E. The appliance has been dropped, or the enclosure damaged.

SERVICING

The user should not attempt to service the appliance beyond that described in the operating instructions. All other servicing should be referred to qualified service personnel.

**EXAMPLE OF ANTENNA GROUNDING ACCORDING
TO NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE INSTRUCTIONS
CONTAINED IN ARTICLE 810 - "RADIO AND
TELEVISION EQUIPMENT"**



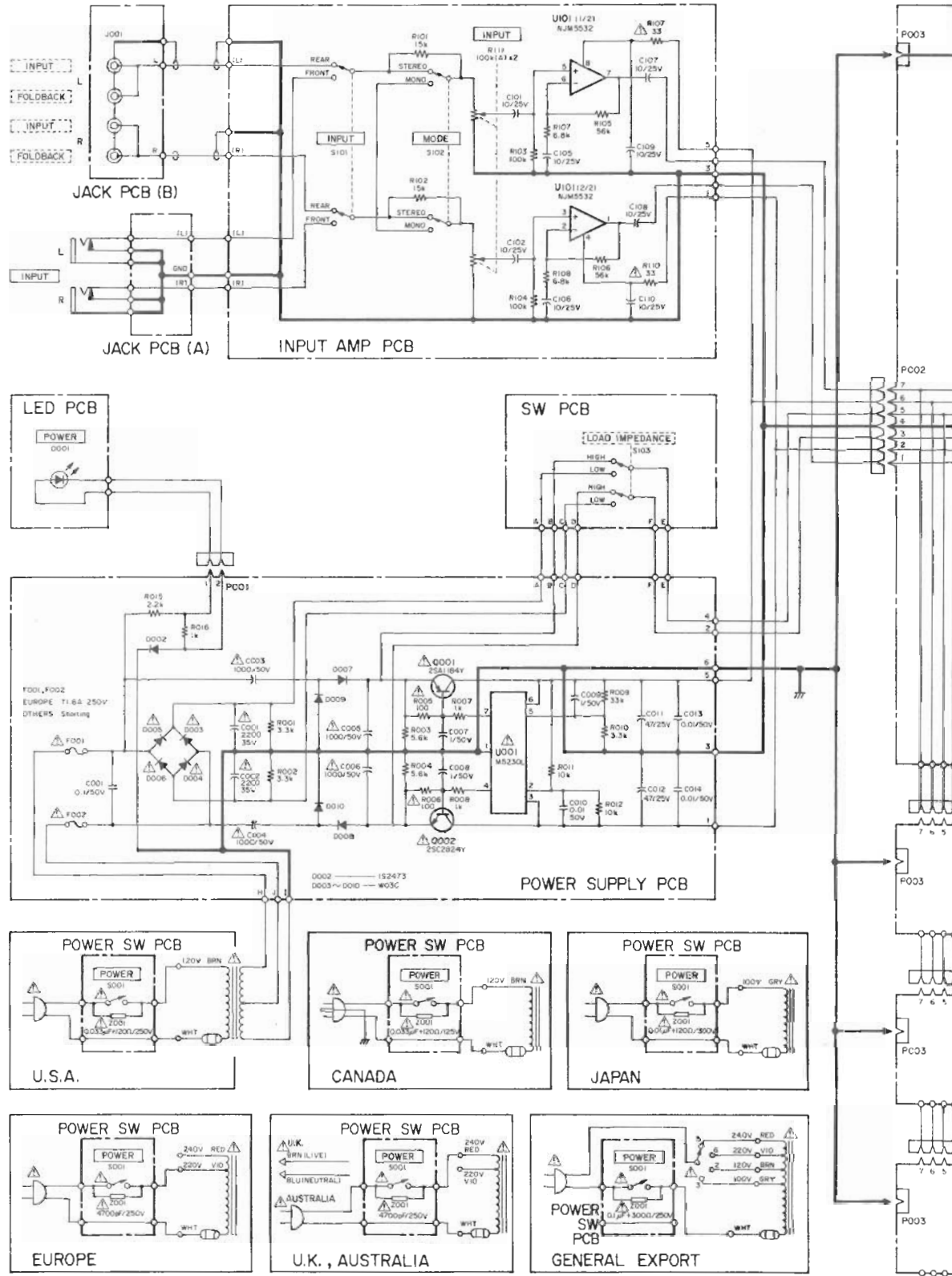
OPTIONAL ANTENNA GROUNDING ELECTRODE DRIVEN 8 FEET (2.44 m) INTO THE EARTH IF REQUIRED BY LOCAL CODES. SEE NEC SECTION 810 - 21 (f).

a
Use No. 10 AWG (5.3 mm²) copper or No. 8 AWG (8.4 mm²) aluminum or No. 17 AWG (1.0 mm²) copper-clad steel or bronze wire, or larger, as ground wire.

b
Secure antenna lead-in and ground wires to house with stand-off insulators spaced from 4-6 feet (1.22-1.83 m) apart.

c
Mount antenna discharge unit as closely as possible to where lead-in enters house.

d
Use jumper wire not smaller than No. 6 AWG (13.3 mm²) copper, or the equivalent, when a separate antenna-grounding electrode is used. See NEC Section 810-21(j).



INSTRUCTIONS FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL

BEFORE RETURNING APPLIANCE TO THE CUSTOMER, MAKE LEAKAGE-CURRENT OR RESISTANCE MEASUREMENTS TO DETERMINE THAT EXPOSED PARTS ARE ACCEPTABLY INSULATED FROM THE SUPPLY CIRCUIT.

Δ Parts marked with this must always be replaced with insulated alternatives. Refer to the appropriate parts list for details.

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