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Noise Spectrum Analysis of the Thorens TD 124



| TestPoint A: | For this test-point the transducer is resting directly on the surface of TD 124 chassis at the corner of the motor suspension fix points. |
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| TestPoint B: | The transducer is resting on top of the motor suspension rods. This means directly measuring the motor noise spectrum. |
| TestPoint C: | The arm for the idler wheel is the resting point for the transducer in a measurement to analyse the noise spectrum of the bearing and the rubber idler wheel surface. |

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Test setup

PC: Asus



The transducer: B&O SP6/7 pickup





The noise spectrum

For the test setup - the transducer is without any contact to a surface

Key setup figures Amplifier Gain: 30dB TrueRTA: number of averages = 100

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The Result

TD 124 MK-II before and after restoration – at Schopper AG.



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Diagnostic 1

TestPoint B



TestPoint C



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Diagnostic II

TestPoint A



This spectrum is interesting.

This is a spectrum measured at TestPoint A – the chassis of the TD 124. The green spectrum: **The main platter is removed** The light blue spectrum: **The main platter is in place This means the difference is the noise spectrum of the main platter bearing.** Remark: The test object here is a non restored TD 124-II



This spectrum is the same as above, but for at TD 124-II restored by Schopper AG The result is clear The overall noise (rumble and audible noises) is reduced very much.

Specifically is the result of the main platter bearing restoration very visible in the spectrum and very audible.

The blue spectrum: **The main platter is removed** The yellow spectrum: **The main platter is in place**