Classic SESSION 120

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The **EBS Session120** is a solid-state amplifier combo, extremely easy to dial-in. The Session120 is a downscaled design from the Classic450 head to perform extremely well in all styles and situations. The sound is a combination of vintage bass sound and the transparent 'EBS' sound that let your playing style and the character of your instrument speak. Versatility is provided by a carefully designed EQ with a wide range of possible settings. By using the built in auxiliary input in stereo, you can use this combo for practicing at home with headphones. These brief tutorials will help you to become acquainted with some of the features of the **EBS Session120** combo.

### GETTING STARTED...

1. Carefully unpack the bass combo.

2. Check that the Volume and Gain controls are set to zero, fully counter clockwise. Set all the other controls to mid position and make sure that the switches marked **Character** and **Enh.Filter** are in their outer position. Now the EBS Session120s' settings are "zeroed" and ready to be personalized.

3. Power up the combo and plug in your bass.

4. While plucking the strings as hard as you would during your hardest playing, adjust the GAIN knob until the PEAK led starts to flash only at highest peaks.

5. Move over to the VOLUME knob and adjust for the desired output volume.

6. The filters are basically the boost/cut design. This means that the level controls marked with + and - signs, either boost or cuts the selected frequency band.

7. Gradually increase or decrease the level and vary the frequency of the various filter sections. Notice how the sound is affected.

8. Repeat as above by trying out the *preshape* filter **Character**.

9. If you have a CD player or other sound source, you may connect this to the *Aux In* input and control the amount of volume with the associated knob.

This was a brief tutorial of **EBS Session120**. As you go on further in this manual, you will learn how to use and utilize all of the useful features that the **EBS Session120** offers you.

### BUILDING THE SOUND...

Your **EBS Session120** features an enhanced tone shaping circuit that will enable you to create a variety of bass sounds.

8. If you have a CD player or other sound source, you may connect this to the *Aux In* input and control the amount of volume with the associated knob.

### INPUT:

- **Input Impedance**: 2 Mohms // 100 pF

### GAIN:

- **Gain Range**: min/max -∞/+28 dB
- **Gain Peak LED**: +10 dBv
- **Frequency Response**: +0 / -3 dB
- **Range**: 35 - 20 kHz

### CHARACTER:

- **Filter**: Type
- **Gain**: Shelifng High/Low Pass
- **Range**: +6 dB @ 75 Hz
- **Gain**: -2.5 dB @ 800 Hz
- **Freq. Range**: +3 dB @ 9 kHz

### FILTER SECTION:

- **Bass Filter**: Type
- **Gain**: 12 db/oct. Shelving
- **Middle**: +/- 15 dB @ 100 Hz
- **Gain Range**: +/- 12 dB
- **Freq. Range**: 150 - 3300 Hz
- **Q**: 1.0
- **Treble Filter**: Type
- **Gain Range**: Shelving
- **Range**: +/- 15 dB @ 10 kHz

### AUX INPUT:

- **Type**: Two RCA jacks (stereo)
- **Impedance**: 10 kohms unbalanced
- **Sensitivity**: -10 dBv
- **Aux Gain**: 15 dB

### BALANCED OUTPUT:

- **Output Level**: nominal
- **XLR Connections**: -10 dBv
- **Options**: 1-GND, 2-Hot, 3-Cold
- **GND Lift**: 120 W RMS

### PHONES OUT:

- **Recommended Impedance**: 32 - 200 ohms

### POWER AMP:

- **Continuous Output Power**: 120 W RMS

### CABINET:

- **Impedance**: 8 ohms
- **Frequency Response Volume**: 45 Hz – 18.000 Hz
- **Range**: 35 liters

### AUXILIARY INFO:

- **Power Requirements**: max
- **Mains Protection**: 200 W
- **T1A Fuse (230V)**
- **T2A Fuse (100/120V)**
- **Outer Dimensions (WxHxD)**: 435 x 455 x 402 mm
- **Weight**: 17.1 x 17.9 x 15.8"
- **Weight**: 21 kg (47 lbs.)

**GOOD LUCK!**

**Specifications are subject to change without notice!**
**INPUT** - A low noise, high impedance instrument input for all types of instruments, active and passive.

**CHARACTER** - The Session120 provides a *preshaping* filter, *character*, which operates independently from the filter section. This gives the user the opportunity to preshape the sound before the final processing with the filters.

When pressed to its inner position, a boost is achieved in both the bass and treble ranges, while the midrange is being slightly cut.

**GAIN** - Control to adjust the instruments’ signal strength to the right operating level in the Session120. For optimum basic signal level, turn up the GAIN knob until the PEAK led starts flashing from the strongest signal from the instrument.

*Note: A correctly set GAIN is vital for the signal processing to work properly in the Session120.*

**AUX IN** - The two RCA inputs gives you the option of mixing in an external source such as CD player or similar to the Session120. Set the desired mix level with the associated knob.

If you only have a mono source connect to the input marked *mono*. Both channels will only be monitored when using headphones.

**VOLUME** - The VOLUME knob controls all volume in the unit, controlling the poweramp/speakers and headphones output. The balanced output (XLR) is not effected by the setting of this knob.

**HEADPHONES** – Connect your favorite headphones here. By connecting the headphones the speakers will automatically be muted.

**BALANCED OUTPUT** - Is a high quality balanced output that functions as a line box for connecting to PA mixing consoles or to studio or broadcast recording units. Lifting ground is a great aid in many occasions. When required, set the *Gnd Lift* switch to inner position to disconnect the ground from the output.

**POWER** – Powers the unit on or off.
FILTERS - The filter section contains two versatile filters:

**BASS** is a 'shelving' type 12dB/oct slope phase compensated bass filter with a wide gain range.

**TREBLE** is a 'shelving' type filter controlling the higher mids and treble registers, giving presence and ambiance to the sound.

**MIDDLE FILTER** – The middle filter controls precisely the midrange frequencies ranging from 150 Hz to 3.3kHz. Smooth, yet defined bandwidth allows for good definition throughout the entire sweep.

POWERAMP - The internal poweramp is of highly integrated design giving natural sound reproduction and output with exceptional clarity. The incorporated soft clip system provides tube-alike distortion characteristics, protects the power amp from saturation and increases its output performance and sound quality.

**FRONT PANEL DETAILS:**

CABINET - The cabinet is formed by one 12” together with a piezo tweeter for fullrange operation. In addition, the cabinet is tuned for extended low frequency response. It is recommended that the combo is set to straight angle for best bass response.

EBS will not take responsibility for eventual hearing damages caused by the powerful Session120.

IMPORTANT: Make sure not to cover the ventilation holes on the rear of the combo.