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Model: HFX12D4 | Brand: Hifonics

## INTRODUCTION

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This manual provides essential information for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your Hifonics HFX12D4 12-inch subwoofer. Please read these instructions thoroughly before attempting installation or use to ensure optimal performance and safety. The HFX12D4 is designed to deliver deep, powerful bass for car and powersports audio systems, featuring an 800W peak power and 400W RMS handling capability.

## SAFETY INFORMATION

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- **Electrical Hazards:** Always disconnect the vehicle's battery before performing any electrical work. Improper wiring can lead to electrical shock, fire, or damage to your equipment.
- **Hearing Protection:** Prolonged exposure to high sound pressure levels can cause permanent hearing damage. Use caution when adjusting volume levels.
- **Secure Mounting:** Ensure the subwoofer is securely mounted within its enclosure and the enclosure is firmly secured in the vehicle to prevent movement during driving or in the event of an accident.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure adequate ventilation around the subwoofer and amplifier to prevent overheating.

## SETUP AND INSTALLATION

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Proper installation is crucial for the performance and longevity of your subwoofer. The HFX12D4 features dual 4-ohm voice coils, allowing for flexible wiring configurations to achieve desired impedance levels.

### Wiring Instructions (Parallel Configuration for 2 Ohms)

To achieve a 2-ohm load, which is common for many monoblock amplifiers, you will wire the dual 4-ohm voice coils in parallel. Each voice coil has a positive (larger spade connector) and a negative (smaller spade connector) terminal.

1. Prepare two short lengths of speaker wire, each with spade connectors on both ends.
2. Connect one end of the first wire to the positive terminal of the first voice coil and the other end to the positive terminal of the second voice coil.
3. Connect one end of the second wire to the negative terminal of the first voice coil and the other end to the

negative terminal of the second voice coil.

- Now, connect your amplifier's positive output to one of the subwoofer's positive terminals (where the two positive wires meet) and the amplifier's negative output to one of the subwoofer's negative terminals (where the two negative wires meet).

# High-Quality Build & Durability

Heavy-Duty Powder-Coated Steel Frame

Vented Aluminum Former and Back Venting System

1" NBR Reinforced Rubber Surround & Poly-Cotton Spider

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Image: Rear view of the HFX12D4 subwoofer, highlighting the dual voice coil terminals for wiring connections.

## Wiring Demonstration Video

Video: Official Hifonics wiring demonstration for the HFX12D4 subwoofer, showing how to connect the dual voice coils in parallel to achieve a 2-ohm load.

## Enclosure and Mounting

The HFX12D4 is versatile and suitable for various enclosure types. It performs well in small sealed enclosures or medium to large vented (ported) enclosures. The optimal enclosure size will depend on your specific audio preferences and vehicle acoustics.

- **Mounting Depth:** 5.61 inches

- Cutout Diameter: 10.94 inches



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**Subwoofer Enclosure  
Recommendation**

Small Sealed or  
Medium - Large Vented

**Compatible Vehicles**

Universal



**5.63 inch mounting depth**

**87.25 dB sensitivity rating**

**(L) 12" x (W) 12" x (H) 5.63" |  8.9 lbs**

Image: Side profile of the HFX12D4 subwoofer, illustrating its physical dimensions and mounting depth.



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Image: Two HFX12D4 subwoofers mounted in a custom enclosure within a vehicle's trunk, demonstrating a typical installation scenario.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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Once installed, proper operation involves matching the subwoofer's capabilities with your amplifier and head unit settings.

- **Power Handling:** The HFX12D4 handles 400 Watts RMS and 800 Watts Peak power. Ensure your amplifier's output matches these ratings to prevent damage.
- **Tuning:** Adjust your amplifier's gain, crossover frequencies (Low-Pass Filter), and your head unit's equalizer settings to achieve balanced and clear bass output. Incorrect tuning can lead to distortion or premature failure.
- **Break-in Period:** Allow a break-in period of several hours of moderate listening before operating the subwoofer at maximum levels. This allows the suspension components to loosen and perform optimally.

## MAINTENANCE

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Regular maintenance helps ensure the longevity and consistent performance of your subwoofer.

- **Cleaning:** Keep the subwoofer cone and surround free from dust and debris. Use a soft, dry cloth for cleaning. Avoid harsh chemicals or excessive moisture.
- **Connection Checks:** Periodically inspect all wiring connections to ensure they are secure and free from corrosion. Loose connections can cause intermittent sound or damage.
- **Environmental Factors:** Protect the subwoofer from extreme temperatures, direct sunlight, and moisture, which can degrade materials over time.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your HFX12D4 subwoofer, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No Sound from Subwoofer	Loose wiring connections, amplifier off/faulty, incorrect head unit settings, blown fuse.	Check all wiring for secure connections. Verify amplifier power and settings. Inspect fuses. Ensure head unit subwoofer output is enabled.
Distorted Sound	Amplifier gain too high, incorrect crossover settings, damaged voice coil, enclosure issues.	Reduce amplifier gain. Adjust low-pass filter. Inspect subwoofer cone and surround for damage. Ensure enclosure is sealed properly.
Rattling Noise	Loose components within the subwoofer or enclosure, foreign objects, damaged voice coil.	Check for loose parts on the subwoofer (e.g., plastic bits on the magnet structure). Inspect the enclosure for loose panels or objects. If the voice coil is damaged, professional repair or replacement may be necessary.
Subwoofer Overheats	Underpowered amplifier, improper impedance match, inadequate ventilation.	Ensure amplifier power matches subwoofer RMS rating. Verify correct impedance wiring. Provide sufficient airflow around the subwoofer and amplifier.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	Hifonics
Model Number	HFX12D4
Subwoofer Diameter	12 Inches
Peak Power Handling	800 Watts
RMS Power Handling	400 Watts
Voice Coil Configuration	Dual 4 Ohms
Frequency Response	43 Hz
Mounting Depth	5.61 Inches

Feature	Specification
Cutout Diameter	10.94 Inches
Enclosure Material	Steel, Foam
Item Dimensions (D x W x H)	7"D x 14.8"W x 14.5"H
Item Weight	7.8 Pounds
Compatible Vehicle Type	Car
Power Source	DC

## WARRANTY INFORMATION

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The Hifonics HFX12D4 subwoofer comes with a **Limited 1-Year Warranty**. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal use. Please retain your proof of purchase for any warranty claims. For specific terms and conditions, refer to the warranty card included with your product or contact Hifonics customer support.

## CUSTOMER SUPPORT

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If you have any questions regarding the installation, operation, or troubleshooting of your Hifonics HFX12D4 subwoofer that are not covered in this manual, please contact Hifonics customer support. You can typically find contact information on the official Hifonics website or on the product packaging.