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MagLite TT42P, TT15S1, TT221 Compatible Cartridge

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Brand: MAG

Model: TT42P, TT15S1, TT221 Compatible

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your new Moving Magnet Cartridge with Diamond Stylus. Designed for compatibility with Marantz TT42P, TT15S1, and TT221 turntables, this cartridge offers excellent sound quality and strong tracking ability, enhancing your audio experience.

SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The cartridge is designed for easy installation. Please follow these steps carefully to ensure proper setup and optimal performance. Mounting bolts are included with your purchase.

1. **Preparation:** Ensure your turntable is powered off and unplugged. Carefully remove any existing cartridge from the tonearm.
2. **Wiring Connection:** Connect the four color-coded wires from the tonearm to the corresponding pins on the new cartridge. Typically:
 - Red (Right Channel Hot)
 - Green (Right Channel Ground)
 - White (Left Channel Hot)
 - Blue (Left Channel Ground)

Ensure connections are secure and free from short circuits.

3. **Mounting:** Align the cartridge with the headshell. Use the provided mounting bolts to secure the cartridge to the headshell. Do not overtighten.
4. **Alignment and Tracking Force:** Adjust the cartridge alignment using a protractor (not included) for optimal sound. Set the tracking force to the recommended 3.0g (range 2.5g - 3.5g) using your turntable's tonearm counterweight. Refer to your turntable's manual for specific instructions on balancing the tonearm and setting tracking force.
5. **Anti-Skate Adjustment:** Set the anti-skate mechanism on your tonearm according to the tracking force. This helps prevent the stylus from skipping or favoring one side of the groove.

Important: If you require further assistance or fitting advice, please contact our support team.



Figure 1: Front view of the cartridge and diamond stylus, showing the main body and the included mounting bolts. This image illustrates the

overall appearance of the product.



Figure 2: Side view of the cartridge, providing a clearer look at the diamond stylus tip and its housing. This perspective is useful for

understanding the stylus's profile.



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Figure 3: Rear view of the cartridge, displaying the four color-coded connection pins for wiring to the tonearm. This view is crucial for correct electrical connection during installation.

OPERATION

Once installed and properly aligned, the cartridge operates as part of your turntable system. Ensure the stylus is clean before each use to prevent damage to your records and maintain optimal sound quality.

- Playing Records:** Gently lower the tonearm onto the record's lead-in groove. The cartridge's diamond stylus will track the grooves, converting mechanical vibrations into electrical signals.
- Sound Quality:** This moving magnet cartridge is designed to deliver excellent sound quality with a superb soundstage and strong tracking ability, ensuring accurate playback of your vinyl collection.
- Stylus Care:** Avoid touching the stylus tip with your fingers. Use a soft brush or specialized stylus cleaning fluid and brush to remove dust and debris.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and performance of your cartridge and stylus.

- Stylus Cleaning:** Clean the stylus regularly using a dedicated stylus brush, brushing gently from back to front (away from the cantilever). This removes dust and debris that can accumulate during playback.
- Cartridge Body Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry, lint-free cloth to wipe the cartridge body. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- Stylus Inspection:** Periodically inspect the stylus tip for wear or damage. A worn stylus can damage records and degrade sound quality. Replace the stylus if it appears bent, chipped, or excessively worn.
- Storage:** When not in use for extended periods, consider using a stylus guard (if available) to protect the stylus.

TROUBLESHOOTING

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

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No sound or very low sound from one channel.	Loose or incorrect wiring connection; damaged stylus.	Check all four wire connections to the cartridge pins. Ensure they are secure and correctly matched (Red/Green for Right, White/Blue for Left). Inspect stylus for damage.
Distorted or muffled sound.	Dirty stylus; incorrect tracking force; worn stylus; improper alignment.	Clean the stylus. Verify tracking force is set to 3.0g. Check stylus for wear. Re-align the cartridge if necessary.
Skipping or jumping.	Incorrect tracking force; insufficient anti-skate; dirty or damaged record; damaged stylus.	Adjust tracking force. Adjust anti-skate. Clean the record. Inspect stylus for damage.
Humming or buzzing noise.	Grounding issue; interference from other electronics.	Ensure the turntable is properly grounded to your amplifier/receiver. Move the turntable away from other electronic devices.

If the problem persists after attempting these solutions, please contact customer support for further assistance.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Below are the detailed technical specifications for your Moving Magnet Cartridge with Diamond Stylus:

Feature	Specification
Cartridge Type	Moving Magnetic Cartridge
Stylus Tip	Stereo Spherical Diamond Tip
Output Voltage (at 1kHz, 5 cm/sec)	5.5 mV ± 3dB
Channel Balance (at 1kHz)	Below 1 dB
Channel Separation (at 1kHz)	More than 15 dB
Frequency Response	20 Hz ~ 20 kHz
Tracking Force	3.0g (Recommended range: 2.5g ~ 3.5g)

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Your Moving Magnet Cartridge with Diamond Stylus comes with a comprehensive warranty and return policy to ensure your satisfaction.

- Return Policy:** We offer a 14-day "any reason" return policy from the date of purchase. If you are not completely satisfied, you may return the product within this period.
- Warranty:** The product is covered by a 6-month warranty against manufacturing defects from the date of purchase. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.
- Exclusions:** The warranty does not cover damage caused by misuse, accident, unauthorized modification, or normal wear and tear of the stylus.
- Customer Support:** For any questions, technical assistance, warranty claims, or fitting advice, please contact the seller directly through the platform where you purchased the product.

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