## FM 3 Stereo Tuner Service Manual

# QUAD FM 3 TUNER service supplement

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#### ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE - 1

#### General

To achieve the specified performance this alignment procedure should be followed closely. Alignment should not be attempted without the equipment listed below.

#### Equipment required

- 1 10.7 MHz wobbulator with a maximum output of 100mV rms.
- 2 Oscilloscope with a maximum Y sensitivity of 10mV/cm and D.C. coupled Y amplifier.
- 3 VHF signal generator covering the range 88-108MHz, with AM and FM modulation facilities and an attenuator accurate at signal levels of 2μV. (e.g. the Radiometer MS27).
- 4 Stereo signal generator with both multiplexed audio and multiplex RF outputs (e.g. the Radiometer SMG1).
- 5 Harmonic distortion meter or 19KHz notch filter.
- 6 Detector probe (a suitable circuit is shown in fig. 1).



Fig. 1 Suggested Circuit of Detector Probe

### 2

#### Filter coding

Two versions of the ceramic filter have been used and can be interchanged providing the necessary alignment adjustments are made. The original type CFP10.7MA has a black body and is colour coded to indicate centre frequencies as follows:

Green	10.62	± .03MHz	White	10.74	$\pm$ .03MHz
Blue	10.66	± .03MHz	Yellow	10.78	$\pm$ .03MHz
Red	10.70	$\pm$ .03MHz			

The later types SFG10.7MA (chromium plated body) and SFJ10.7MA2 (plastic coated body) are colour coded:

Black 10.64  $\pm$  .035MHz Blue 10.67  $\pm$  .035MHz Red 10.70  $\pm$  .035MHz Orange 10.73  $\pm$  .035MHz White 10.76  $\pm$  .035MHz

Note that types CFP and SFG carry the colour code spot at their input end but type SFJ carries it at its output end. The lead-out wires of SFJ are in line but may be bent to fit without redrilling board for service replacement.

#### HT Voltage adjustment

From serial number 5885 onwards no HT voltage adjustment is provided. On earlier models positive and negative supplies were adjusted to 14 volts by means of RV102 and RV104 respectively.

#### IF Alignment-before serial no. 10,000

Connect the detector probe to test point D, inject a wobbulated 10.7MHz signal at test point C, and observe the probe output on the oscilloscope. Throughout the following procedure progressively reduce the wobbulator output as necessary to maintain an oscilloscope display amplitude of approximately 50mV peak to peak.

If a 10.7MHz crystal oscillator is available it may be injected at the appropriate probe terminals to provide a marker. Adjust both cores of IFT1 simultaneously for a maximum response.

Adjust the core of L5 for maximum response.

Make small adjustments to IFT1 and L5 cores as necessary to obtain the response shown in fig. 2.

Remove detector probe from test point D and transfer oscilloscope input lead to point B (Pink interconnecting lead). Adjust core of discriminator coil L6 for maximum slope of the centre portion of the discriminator characteristic.

Transfer probe to test point A and unsolder the filter input pin (pin 1). This is necessary since the response at this point (fig. 5) is dominated by the filter input impedance. It should be noted that the peak response at this point does not correspond with the filter centre frequency.

The response at test point A with filter removed is *IFT 1* shown in fig, 4 and should show no signs of double humping. If it does it will be necessary to replace IFT1.

IFT 1

L5

L6

IF responses: As a rough check of performance after completing the IF alignment, increase the input signal to obtain the amplitude shown in fig 4, when the amplitudes shown in figs 2, 3, and 5 should also be obtained.





Fig. 2 Response at output of IC1 (Test point D)

Fig. 3 Discriminator response (Test point B)









#### IF Alignment-serial no. 10,000 onwards

Connect an oscilloscope to Test Point Q (pin 13 of CA3089), and inject a wobbulated 10.7MHz signal at test point P. Adjust the core of IFT1 for maximum amplitude at test point Q. Fine adjustment of the core will then enable the maximum width of the flat top to be obtained as shown in fig. 2, with a minimum of generator output.

Transfer oscilloscope lead to test point R and adjust core of L6 for maximum slope of the linear centre portion of the discriminator characteristic.

#### RF Circuit Alignment—before serial no. 10.000

After completing IF alignment remove wobbulator input but leave detector probe at test point A.

Connect the RF generator to the aerial socket and inject a 300µV, 75% amplitude modulated signal at 90MHz. Preset the cores of L1, L2, L3 level with the tops of the formers, and the trimming capacitors C1, C9, C20 approximately three threads out. Check that pointer travel is symmetrical about end scale markings, and that pointer is fixed to string. (If necessary secure with spot of Durofix or similar adhesive).

Set the tuner to 90MHz and adjust the cores of L3, L2, L1 in that order for maximum amplitude of oscilloscope display. If the front end of the tuner is badly misaligned it may be necessary temporarily to increase the generator output slightly. Caution should be exercised since it is possible to align to a spurious response if too high an input level is used. It should be possible to obtain about 10mV peak to peak at the probe output for an RF input of  $300\mu$ V or less. Necessity to apply an input signal greater than 1mV should be treated as a fault condition.

Retune generator and tuner to 104MHz and adjust C1 L6 C20, C9 and C1 in that order for maximum C9 C20 response.

Repeat adjustment of cores and trimmers until no further improvement is possible.

Remove probe, resolder filter pin 1 and connect oscilloscope to test point B, together with valve voltmeter. Inject 2µV 90MHz 30% FM at aerial socket.

C1 С9 Retune tuner to 90MHz observing the oscilloscope.

L1

L2

L3

C20 The correct tuning point occurs with noise just showing in equal amounts on positive and negative peaks of the audio output.

> Make small adjustments to the core of L6 to obtain maximum audio output level as observed on the RV2 LPIvoltmeter. Set RV2 for equal brilliance of the LP2 tuning lamps.

L6

## RF Circuit Alignment—serial no. 10,000 onwards

Since a demodulated output is available at test point Q, no detector probe is required with these sets unless a fault is suspected prior to the CA3089. RF circuit alignment then follows the procedures outlined above as for earlier models.

#### Adjustment of Noise sensing coil L4

Adjustment of this core should be unnecessary unless it is not possible to mute signals below  $100\mu$ V.

If alignment is necessary, connect a suitable amplifier to the audio output socket and the FM generator to the aerial socket. Unscrew the core of L4 until level with top of can.

Inject an FM signal of  $10\mu$ V and advance the mute control to the point just prior to muting. Screw the core of L4 in until muting occurs. Increase the signal level until the tuner comes out of muting and re-adjust L4. Repeat adjustments of L4 progressively increasing signal level until no further improvements are possible.

This completes the RF board alignment with the exception of L7 which must be aligned in conjunction with the decoder.

#### Decoder-before serial no. 5885

Remove the pink inter-board lead from the decoder and inject a 19KHz pilot tone at a level of 30mV from the multiplex generator. Connect the valve voltmeter by means of unscreened cable, to the tap on L101. Adjust the core of L101 for maximum output. L102 and L103 are aligned in a similar manner with the valve voltmeter connected to their respective taps.

Connect the distortion meter input to the output socket Pin 5 and tune the distortion meter to 19KHz. Observe the distortion meter output on the oscilloscope which will show the residual 38KHz switching components together with smaller quantities of harmonics. Adjust the core of L104 for minimum display amplitude. Similarly connect the distortion meter to Pin 3 and adjust L105.

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L7

L104

L105

With the distortion meter still connected to Pin 3, apply a stereo signal modulated with 1KHz on right channel only and adjust RV101 for minimum crosstalk. Slight adjustments of L101 in conjunction with RV101 should now enable the crosstalk to be reduced to a small second harmonic component. Remove the multiplex input and reconnect the pink interconnecting lead. Inject at the aerial an FM stereo signal carrying right channel modulation at 1KHz.

Again observing the distortion meter output adjust the core of L7 for minimum crosstalk.

As a check on these last three separation adjustments apply 10KHz right channel modulation and measure crosstalk which should be better than -30dB.

#### Decoder-serial no. 5885 onwards

The decoder now fitted uses a phase-locked loop integrated circuit providing improved stereo separation and lower distortion.

The only adjustment provided is RV100 which sets the free run frequency of the oscillator contained within IC100. For this adjustment either connect a digital frequency meter to test point S (pin 10 of IC100) where the 19KHz square waveform appears, or if an accurate 19KHz source is avail- *RV 100* able, such as the pilot tone from a stereo generator, connect this to the X amplifier of an oscilloscope, test point S to the Y amplifier, and use the resultant Lissajous figure. It will be found advantageous to remove the audio input to the decoder by muting the set, for this adjustment only.

With a distortion meter connected to the output socket pin 3, apply an FM stereo signal carrying pilot tone only to the aerial socket. Tune the distortion meter to remove the 19KHz from the output signal so enabling crosstalk to be measured when applying a 1KHz signal on the Right channel only. The core of L7 is then adjusted for minimum crosstalk. Alternatively this adjustment may be performed with comparable accuracy by listening to the output.

#### ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE – 2 USING SOUND TECHNOLOGY 1000 TEST EQUIPMENT

Alignment is in three parts: RF, discriminator and decoder.

#### Part 1

Connections

Sound Technology 1000 HORIZ to X–Y1 Sound Technology 1000 RF out to tuner aerial input

Test Paint O to X XQ size alia land

Test Point Q to Y-Y2 via clip lead

Crystal marker generator loosely coupled to tuner aerial input via  $47\Omega$  Resistor

Mains to tuner

Controls SCOPE TO XY X—5v/cm DC coupled Y—0.2v/cm DC coupled Sound Technology 1000 FUNCTION—DUAL SWEEP SWEEP WIDTH—700 to 800kHz RF Level—30µV

- L7 Input-Mono
  - (a) Tune tuner to 90MHz Tune Sound Technology 1000 to 90MHz

Adjust L3 to locate IF response Adjust L2 for maximum gain Adjust L1 for maximum gain Adjust IFT1 for optimum shape and gain Switch on 90MHz marker, and adjust L3 to centre marker on peak of IF response Switch off 90MHz marker

- (b) Tune tuner to 106MHz Tune Sound Technology 1000 to 106MHz Switch on 106MHz marker Adjust C17 to centre marker on peak of IF response Switch off 106MHz marker Adjust C10 for maximum gain Adjust C1 for maximum gain
- (c) repeat a
- (d) repeat b
- (e) repeat a

When it is clear that alignment is correct and gain is optimum at both frequencies, reduce sweep width to 200kHz and confirm that sweep is centred accurately; Part 2 deals with the discriminator alignment and it is essential that the tuner and the generator are both tuned to exactly the same frequency before discriminator alignment is carried out.

#### Part 2

Connections

Sound Technology 1000 HORIZ to X–Y1 Sound Technology 1000 VERT to Y–Y2 Test Point R to RCVR via clip lead Right channel audio out to voltmeter input

Controls

Scope X 5v/cm DC Scope Y 0.5v/cm DC Sound Technology 1000 FUNCTION—DUAL SWEEP SWEEP WIDTH—200kHz RF level—1000µV VOLTMETER—500mV

- (a) Adjust L6 to give symmetrical display Adjust RV2 to obtain equal brightness of tuning lamps
- (b) Reset controls Sound Technology 1000— FUNCTION MONAURAL Sound Technology 1000—INPUT MONO Sound Technology 1000—OSC LEVEL TO 75%

Adjust RV3 to obtain 250mV rms audio output

Check level is the same for left channel and mono outputs.

(c) Signal to noise check

Controls

Sound Technology 1000 RF LEVEL 4µV FUNCTION—CW Output level should drop by 40dB

#### Part 3

Connections Sound Technology 1000 19kHz to Y1 Test point S to Y2 via clip lead Right channel audio to voltmeter input

Controls

Sound Technology 1000	FUNCTION—STEREO
	OSC LEVEL MINIMUM
	RF LEVEL 1000µV
	PILOT LEVEL MINIMUM
Scope	Y1 2v/cm
	Y2 2v/cm
	TIMEBASE 10µS/cm
	TRIGGER Y1

(a) Adjust RV100 to obtain 19kHz signal on Y2

- (b) Increase PILOT LEVEL on Sound Technology 1000 and confirm that 19kHz signals lock and stereo lamp illuminates at 3 to 5% pilot level.
- (c) Set PILOT LEVEL to 9%
- (d) Reconnect—Y2 to voltmeter output via clip lead Y1 to left channel audio.

#### Controls

Sound Technology 1000 INPUT—Left OSC LEVEL—100%

VOLTMETER 5mV, 10Hz to 10kHz SCOPE Y1 0.2v/cm Y2 0.2v/cm TIMEBASE 0.2mS/cm TRIGGER Y1

Adjust L7 for minimum crosstalk signal in right channel (less than 3mV)

Alignment is now complete but several checks still have to be made.

 Having checked left to right crosstalk, check right to left by connecting left channel audio to voltmeter input right channel audio to scope Y1 switching Sound Technology 1000 INPUT to RIGHT

- (2) Check the mono output connect mono output to voltmeter input switch Sound Technology 1000 INPUT to L + R confirm that mono output level is approx 330mV at 100% modulation switch Sound Technology 1000 INPUT to L - R confirm that mono output level is less than 5mV
- (3) Check muting function With the muting control on the tuner turned to maximum, reduce RF level on Sound Technology to 200μV and adjust L4 so that the tuner just mutes.

#### MODIFICATIONS

#### **RF Board**

From Serial No. 540 onwards

- 1 New L6 coil coded yellow.
- 2 L5-modified\* and mounted with colour spot to R16.
- 3 MR4, MR5 removed and replaced by 4K7 resistors.
- 4 C11 removed.
- 5 R32 removed.
- 6 C32 changed from 33pF to 18pF.
- 7 R12 changed from  $680\Omega$  to 1K.
- 8 R21 changed to 2K2.
- 9 C34 changed to 47pF.
- 10 C47 .47μF added.

#### From Serial No. 1500 onwards

Issue 4 printed circuit board M12248

- 1 R37 added.
- 2 L5 unmodified\* as pre 540.
- 3 R32 restored (see parts list re value).

\* Modification to coil L5 comprised cutting off the unused centre legs to permit re-orientation.

The following modifications have been made at various stages in production from serial no. 3000 onwards.

- 1 Panel lamp series resistor changed from  $10\Omega$  to  $68\Omega$  to improve lamp life.
- 2 TR4 changed from 40244 to BFX44 or BF357K.
- 3 C13 and C15 changed to 100pF—a modification which results in improved background noise.
- 4 C26 changed from 3.3pF to 4.7pF consequent upon change of TR4 to BF357K.
- 5 TR1 may be 3N201.
- 6 TR2 may be 3N205.
- 7 TR10 and 11 may be MPSA12.

#### M12248 Issue 6 Printed Circuit Board

- 1 Tuning gang changed from Wingrove & Rogers CG80 to DAU 338/30.—N.B. These gangs are not inter-changeable and when ordering spares note should be made of the tuning scale fitted. With Wingrove & Rogers gangs the legend MHz appears centrally and with DAU gangs it is at the right end of the scale.
- 2 Chassis changed from Issue 6 to Issue 7.
- 3 Tuning drive changed.
- 4 Scale changed from B12233 to B12297 (see above).
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- 5 Variable Resistor RV3 added.
- 6 R38 10K added.
- 7 Oscillator configuration altered resulting in:---
  - (a) L3 changed from 2 terminal to 3 terminal
  - (b) C25 changed from .002 to .001  $\mu$ F
  - (c) C18 changed from 20pF to 18pF.
- 8 Cores of L1, L2, L3, changed from 2 Neosid 900 and 1 Neosid 910 (L3) to 3 type 900.
- 9 L4 and L7 changed from G.B. Stock No. 750G to Toko type CAN 1980 BX. Stock No. 750Q.
- 10 C7 changed from 15pF to 13pF.

#### M12248 Issue 7 Printed Board

As issue 6 except tuning gang is Wingrove & Rogers CG80, Scale is B12233, C7 is 15pF and C18 is 20pF. Metalwork and tuning drive is as issue 4.

#### M12248 Issue 8 Printed Board

As issue 6 except TR10 and TR11 are each changed from 1 2N5306 to 2 BC109B or BC184K.

## M12327 Issue 1 Printed Circuit Board, Serial No. 10,000 onwards

IC1, IC2, TR3 are removed and replaced by CA3089E as shown on relevant circuit diagram. If necessary the audio output from this board may be increased by modifying as issue 2 and setting RV3 for 100mV rms output at 22.5kHz deviation.

#### M12327 Issue 2 Printed Circuit Board

Link between pins 7 and 10 of CA3089E removed and pins 6 and 7 linked instead. R29 and R31 changed to 22k. This board was also redrilled to accommodate Jackson type C21 gang from serial no. 18900.

#### M12327 Issue 3 Printed Circuit Board

Drilling changed to accommodate Toko filter SFJ10.7 MA2.

#### Decoder

From Serial No. 540 onwards R103 removed. C105 changed to  $.015\mu$ F L102 modified R126 changed to  $180\Omega$ 

From Serial No. 900 onwards R101 changed to  $150\Omega$ 

#### M12247 Issue 2 Printed Board

1 L101–5 changed from G.B. Stock No. 750G to Toko type CAN1980BX Stock No. 750Q—these are not interchangeable.

- 2 C105 changed from .015 to  $.01\mu$ F.
- 3 Diode type IS920 added between pin 2 of IC101 and Black interboard lead. (Anode of diode to pin 2). This reduces background noise when set is muted.
- Alternative Transistors
   TR103—BC143 changed to BC461 or BC303.
   TR102—BC184K or BC109C.
   TR103—BC154 or BC214C.
   TR105—BC184K, BC109C or E5270.
   IC101—MC1305P or SN76105.

#### M12307 Issue 2 Printed Board

From Serial No. 5885 onwards.

- 1 IC101 changed to MC1310P or SN76115.
- 2 No coils.
- 3 Power supply altered to eliminate HT setting pots.

#### Alternative transistors

Early tuners used type 40673 for both TR1 and TR2. For replacements use type 40822 for TR1 and 40823 or 3N205 for TR2.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPLACING DRIVE CORD

See Fig. 6A for tuners fitted with Wingrove & Rogers tuning capacitors or Fig. 6B for tuners with Dau or Jackson tuning capacitors.

Use nylon braided glass cored cord such as Finlayson size 20. Ensure that it does not come into contact with lubricant on pulley spindles.

Remove front panel (4 screws) and tuning drum (2 grub screws). For tuners with Wingrove and Rogers capacitors take 16 inches (40 cm) OR for those with Dau capacitors take 26 inches (66 cm) of cord, knot one end and trim, then thread through hole (2).

Take another length of cord, 30 inches (76 cm) long for Wingrove and Rogers OR 12 inches (30 cm) for Dau, knot one end and trim, then thread through hole (6) to outer edge of tuning drum (1) and through hole (7). Turn tuning capacitor to fully closed position and replace tuning drum in position shown in Fig. 6. Lay the shorter length of cord around drum one turn in clockwise direction to pulley 3 for Wingrove and Rogers OR in anticlockwise direction for Dau, towards pulley (5). Attach free end of cord to spring (4), so that spring is approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from pulley (5). Remove surplus cord and loop free end of spring temporarily to pulley (5) spindle.

Take the other length of cord, and lay around tuning drum,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  turns in anticlockwise direction for Wingrove and Rogers OR  $1\frac{1}{2}$  turns in clockwise direction for Dau, to capstan (8), then 2 turns around capstan in clockwise direction to pulley (9), and around pulleys (10) and (5). Attach cord to free end of spring, extending spring about 25% and remove surplus cord.

Replace front panel, then with tuning capacitor fully closed, replace pointer (11) so that it lies at tuning knob end of scale line.



Fig. 6A



Fig. 6B



Description	Stock No.
Circlip	752/K
Pulley	748/Q
Pulley Spindle	A12208
6BA Nut	16/B
Station Marker Support	A12193
Station Marker	A12199
Tappet	A12234
6BA Grub Screw	7/G
Bush	752/L
Lampholder	691/H
Bulb	690/M
6BA Screw	80/D
Lampholder	691/K
4BA Screw	63/D
Friction Washer	103/D
Tappet Spring	12833
Tuning Drum	A12198
Support	A12168/3
Capstan Spring	31275
Capstan	A12168/2
Circlip	748/N-A
Knob	A12168/1
4BA Grub Screw	7/D



Circuit changes may be made from time to time without

FM3 Before serial no. 5885





Tuners between serial number 5885 and 10,000 have the phase locked loop decoder (Board type M12307) with the RF board M12248.





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