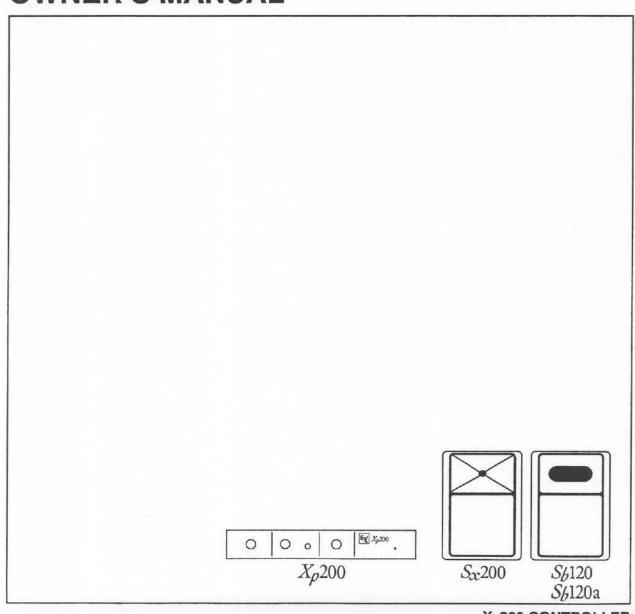


## **OWNER'S MANUAL**



X<sub>p</sub>200 CONTROLLER AND ITS USE WITH THE Sx200, Sb120a and Sb120 SPEAKER SYSTEMS

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WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS EQUIPMENT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

#### Xp200 SYSTEM CONTROLLER SPECIFICATIONS

## Measurement conditions and notes:

- 1. Measurements at 1,000 Hz unless otherwise specified.
- 2. All level controls full clockwise.
- 3. O-dBu input voltage.
- 4. 18 V ac maintained at power input.
- 0 dBu = 0.775 V rms.
- 0 dBm = 1 mW.

#### **Number of Channels:**

Two

#### Front-Panel Controls and Indicators:

Input level (stereo rotary)

Low-frequency profile (stereo rotary) Low-frequency profile in/out switch

Subwoofer level (rotary)

Power on/clip LED

#### Low-Frequency Profile:

Side-chain equalization circuit summed with direct signal, with up to 12 dB of enhancement at 60 Hz

#### Left and Right Main Inputs,

Electronically balanced differential

Impedance:

30 kilohms

#### Maximum Input Level:

+22 dBu (9.8 V)

#### Nominal Input Level:

0 dBu (0.775 V)

#### Connectors:

1/4-in. tip-ring-sleeve (TRS) phone jacks

#### Left and Right Outputs,

Type:

Electronically balanced, cross-coupled output topology

#### Source Impedance:

150 ohms

#### Load Impedance, Recommended/Minimum:

>1,500 ohms/600 ohms

#### Bandwidth:

40-20,000 Hz (40-Hz, 24-dB-per-octave high-pass filter for infrasonic speaker protection)

#### Maximum Output,

Power:

+19 dBm (79 mW)

#### Voltage (15,000-ohm load):

+22 dBu (9.8 V)

#### Nominal Output Power (low-frequency profile switched out):

0 dBm (1 mW)

#### Clipping Indication:

Green power-on LED interrupted by flashing red at outputs above +19 dBm

#### Connectors:

1/4-in. tip-ring-sleeve (TRS) phone jacks Subwoofer Output (monaural, sum of left and right inputs).

#### Type:

Electronically balanced, cross-coupled output topology

#### Source Impedance:

150 ohms

#### Load Impedance, Recommended/Minimum:

>1,500 ohms/600 ohms

#### Bandwidth:

37-134 Hz, typical (24-dB-per-octave filters, 37-Hz high pass for infrasonic speaker protection and 134-Hz low pass for crossover)

#### Maximum Output,

Power:

+19 dBm (79 mW)

#### Voltage (15,000-ohm load):

+22 dBu (9.8 V)

#### Nominal Output Power (low-frequency profile switched out),

0-dBu Signal Applied at 70 Hz to Left and Right Inputs:

+3 dBm (2 mW)

## 0-dBu Signal Applied at 70 Hz to Left

or Right Input:

0 dBm (1 mW)

#### Clipping Indication:

Green power-on LED interrupted by flashing red at outputs above +19 dBm

#### Connectors:

Two paralleled 1/4-in. tip-ring-sleeve (TRS) phone jacks

#### Total Harmonic Distortion Plus Noise at 0-dBm Output (40-20,000 Hz):

< 0.1%

#### Output Noise, A-Weighted:

<-90 dBm

### Channel Separation (output on one channel when the other channel is driven at 0 dBu):

<-85 dBm

#### Power Requirements (provided by external plug-in transformer, supplied):

18 V ac, 200 mA

#### Supplied Items and Accessories:

Owner's manual; rack-mount ears and hardware kit (mounted); pad of rubber feet; external plug-in power supply (120-V, 50/60-Hz PS10 supplied with U.S. units; Xp200 Export supplied to the customer with an appropriate alternate supply)

#### Chassis Construction:

Painted steel

#### Colors,

Overall:

Gray

#### Nomenclature,

Front Panel:

## Pearlized light gray

Top and Rear Panel:

White

## Dimensions (less rack ears),

Height: 4.37 cm (1.72 in.) Width: 30.5 cm (12.0 in.) Depth: 15.2 cm (6.0 in.)

#### Net Weight (rack ears attached):

1.56 kg (3.45 lb)

#### Shipping Weight:

2.31 kg (5.10 lb)

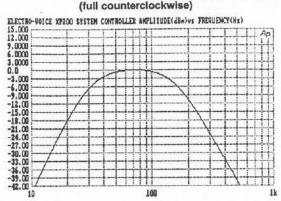
### SYSTEM 200™ MODULAR PRO AUDIO

## FIGURE 1 — X<sub>p</sub>200 Frequency Response, Left and Right Outputs, Profile Control Off

# (full counterclockwise) ELECTRO-VOICE XP200 SYSTEM CONTROLLER AMPLITUDE(dBm)vs FREDUENCY(Hz) 15.000 12.000 9,0000 6,0000 3,0000 0,0 -3,000 -6,000 -9,000 -12,00 -15,00 -21,00 -21,00 -21,00 -30,00 -33,00 ------36.00 -39.00 -42.00

## Frequency and Beamwidth Response Curves

FIGURE 2 -X<sub>p</sub>200 Frequency Response, Subwoofer Output, Profile Control Off (full counterclockwise)



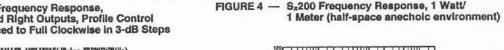
X<sub>p</sub>200 Frequency Response, Left and Right Outputs, Profile Control FIGURE 3 -Advanced to Full Clockwise in 3-dB Steps

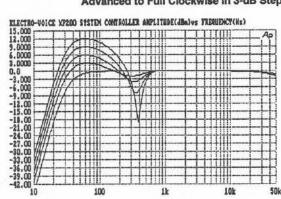
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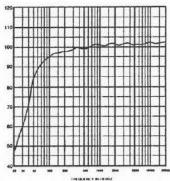
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100







S<sub>b</sub>120 Frequency Response, 1 Watt/ FIGURE 5 -1 Meter (half-space anechoic environment)

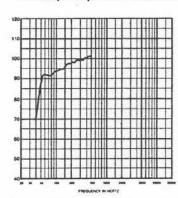


FIGURE 6 -S<sub>b</sub>120a Frequency Response, 1 Watt Into Woofer, 1 Meter (half-space anechoic environment)

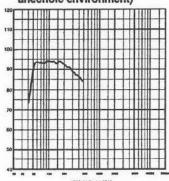
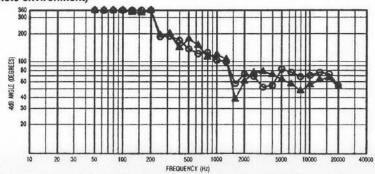
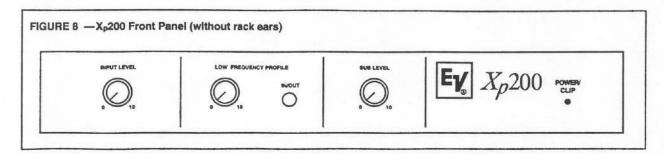


FIGURE 7 -Sx200 Beamwidth vs. Frequency (anecholc environment)





## OPERATION AND INSTALLATION FRONT-PANEL INDICATORS AND CONTROLS

The front-panel layout is shown in Figure 8 and described below:

- INPUT LEVEL CONTROL: this control attenuates the left and right inputs, and thus affects the left, right and subwoofer outputs.
   Attenuation is zero in the full-on, clockwise position (unity gain). Normally, for best overall system signal-to-noise ratio, this control would be set in the unity-gain position with level reductions made at other points in the signal chain, most likely at the power amplifier.
- 2. LOW-FREQUENCY PROFILE CONTROL: this control adjusts the degree of low-frequency enhancement, from a minimum of zero or off (full counterclockwise) to a maximum of +12 dB (full clockwise). The setting of this control is a matter of taste and is dependant on a variety of factors, including speaker performance characteristics and placement, room acoustics and program material. Feel free to experiment. A good starting point is a midway setting of the control.
- LOW-FREQUENCY PROFILE IN/OUT SWITCH: this switch switches the low-frequency enhancement in and out. It makes it easy to asses the effect of changes in the low-frequency profile control.
- SUB LEVEL CONTROL: this control attenuates the subwoofer output. (Keep in mind that the sub level is also affected by the Input

Level control.) With both the sub and input level controls set full on (clockwise) and the profile control off (counterclockwise), overall gain through the Xp200 is unity when a signal is present at **either** the left or right input. For stereo program with common signals in the subwoofer range (a common condition), the sub output will offer 6 dB of gain in the full-on (clockwise) position. (This gain characteristic results because the sub output is derived from a sum of the left and right inputs.)

There is no "correct" setting of the Sub Level control. Adjust until the bass level and impact are right for your ears/application. The setting may be less than full on, especially if the Low Frequency Profile control is advanced.

**NOTE:** the S<sub>b</sub>120a powered bass module has a System Gain control on its back panel which attenuates the input signal and thus reduces speaker output much as the X<sub>p</sub>200's Sub Level control does.

 POWER/CLIP INDICATOR: when constant green, this LED indicates power on and undistorted operation. If clipping occurs (+19 dBm output power), the constant green is interrupted by flashes of red.

When clipping is indicated, for best sound quality, one or more X<sub>p</sub>200 rotary controls should be turned down until undistorted operation is once again indicated. For the usual program material, the following sequence is probably best: (1) Low Frequency Profile, (2) Sub Level and (3) Input Level.

#### MOUNTING/INSTALLATION

The  $X_p200$  is supplied with rack-mount ears attached, ready to install in 1 rack unit (1.75 in. high) of an EIA 19-in. rack. While the overall depth behind the front panel is about 15.2 cm (6.0 in.), about 5.1 cm (2.0 in.) of additional depth must be provided for typical connector/cable clearance.

For stand-alone mounting, each rack ear may be dismounted, by removing four Phillips-head screws. The two bottom screws must be reinstalled, since they help hold the cover to the chassis. The four rubber feet supplied may be installed on the bottom of the  $X_p200$ .

### TYPICAL SYSTEM 200™ MODULAR PRO AUDIO CONFIGURATIONS

The  $X_p200$  controller will enhance the performance of one or more pairs of  $S_x200$  full-range speaker systems used alone, or the performance of  $S_x200$ 's used in combination with one or more  $S_b120a$  (powered) or  $S_b120$  (nonpowered) bass modules.

#### **Amplifier Power Recommendations**

The power amplifiers shown in Figures 10 through 13 are typical, relatively conservative choices: different output power ratings are quite workable, including larger ratings:

 To use a speaker system to full capacity, skilled experts in sound system installation and operation will obtain the best results if the power amplifier is 2.0 to 4.0 times the longterm average noise power rating of the speaker system. For the S<sub>b</sub>120 and S<sub>x</sub>200 systems, this is 600 to 1,200 watts. The caution cannot be made strongly enough, however, that this arrangement is only for experts or for those who can discipline themselves against "pushing" the system for ever-higher sound levels and who can avoid "accidents" such as catastrophic feedback or dropped microphones.

- 2. A more conservative, "nominal" amplifier size, which will produce audible results nearly equal to those of the "expert" recommendation, is 1.0 to 1.4 times the long-term average noise power rating of the speaker. For the Sb120 and Sx200 speaker systems, this is 300 to 420 watts.
- To be very conservative, one can use an amplifier rated at 0.5 to 0.7 times the long-term average rating of the loudspeaker. For the Sb120 and Sx200 speaker systems, this is 150 to 210 watts.

Request P.A. Bible Addition No. Two ("Power Handling Capacity") for more background on these recommendations.

#### **Configurations Shown**

Figure 10 shows the most basic setup: a pair of S<sub>x</sub>200's. In this setup, the X<sub>p</sub>200 provides low-frequency enhancement and infrasonic speaker protection for the S<sub>x</sub>200's.

Figure 11 shows how to add one or two S<sub>b</sub>120a powered bass modules. (The second module and its connection are shown in grey.)

Figure 12 shows how to add one  $S_b120$  nonpowered bass module.

Figure 13 shows how to add two S<sub>b</sub>120 nonpowered bass modules.

FIGURE 11 — Hookup of an X<sub>p</sub>200 Controller with a Pair of S<sub>x</sub>200 Full-Range Speakers and One or Two S<sub>b</sub>120a Powered Bass Modules

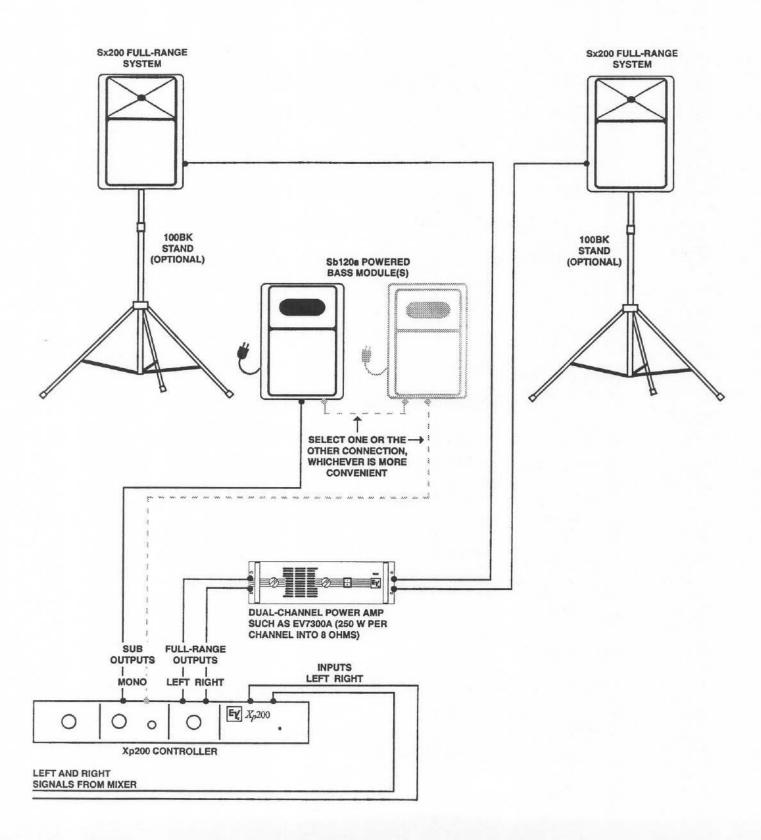
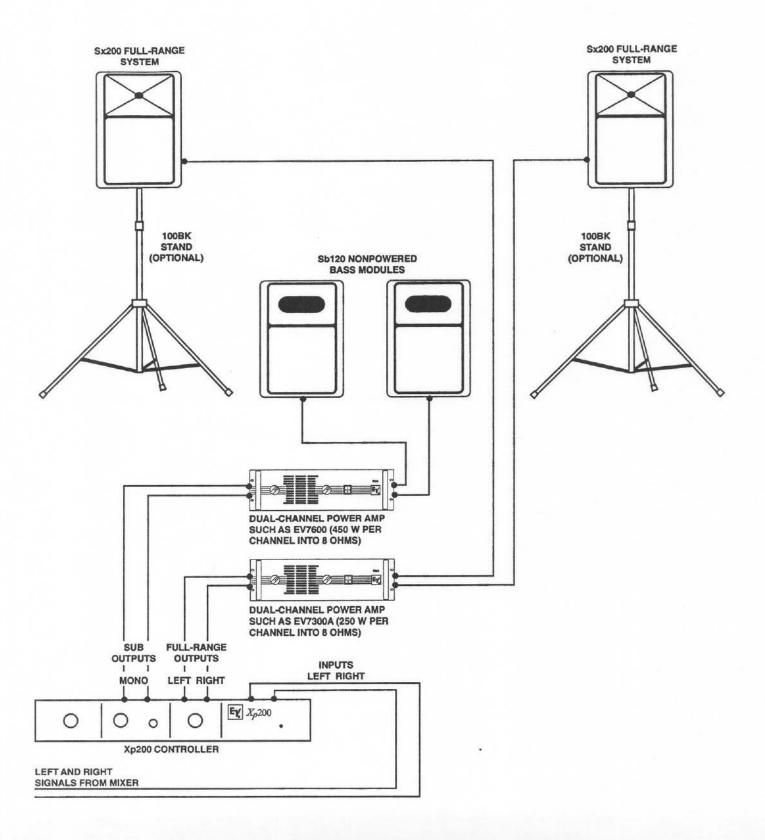


FIGURE 13 — Hookup of an X<sub>p</sub>200 Controller and a Pair of S<sub>x</sub>200 Full-Range Speakers and Two S<sub>b</sub>120 Nonpowered Bass Modules



selected for their ability to reliably deliver to the speaker components the high currents delivered by high-wattage power amplifiers. An NL4FC mating connector is supplied with each system. The NL4FC is a four-pin connector, and Figure 16 shows how the usual two-conductor speaker cable should be wired to pins 1+ and 1-. Two typical connectors at the power amplifier end of the cable are shown: banana and 1/4-inch phone plugs. (The banana plug provides the more reliable connection.)

Note also that Neutrik Speakon® cables, connectors and wiring accessories are available from Pro Co Sound, Inc., and Whirlwind Music Distributors, Inc. To find your local Pro Co, Whirlwind or Neutrik dealer, contact:

Pro Co Sound, Inc. 135 E. Kalamazoo Ave. Kalamazoo, MI 49007 616/388-9675

Whirlwind Music Distributors, Inc. P.O. Box 1075 Rochester, NY 14603 716/663-8820

Neutrik USA, Inc. 195-S3 Lehigh Ave. Lakewood, NJ 08701 908/901-9488

Connecting the Xp200 Controller to Power Amplifiers and the Sb120a **Powered Bass Modules** HI(+) BALANCED BALANCED **AMP INPUT** OUTPUT OR Sb120a (Xp200) LO(-) HI(+ BALANCED BALANCED AMP INPUT OUTPUT OR Sb120a (Xp200) NOT RECOMMENDED FOR RUNS OVER 100 FEET BALANCED UNBALANCED OUTPUT COM AMP INPUT (Xp200) NOT RECOMMENDED FOR RUNS OVER 6 FEET BALANCED UNBALANCED D OUTPUT AMP INPUT (Xp200) FIGURE 16 -Two-Conductor Cable Configurations for S<sub>x</sub>200 and S<sub>b</sub>120 Speaker Systems Using Four-Pin Neutrik Speakon® NL4FC Connector CABINET **BANANA PLUG** GROUND INDICATOR OR INPUT TO 1/4-IN. PHONE PLUG SPEAKER SYSTEM

PIN DIAGRAM

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## SERVICE/WARRANTY INFORMATION SHIPPING DAMAGE

Inspect the shipping carton for possible damage. If damage is found, notify the transportation company immediately. Save the carton as evidence for the carrier to inspect. If damage occurs during shipping, it is the responsibility of the consignee to file a claim with the carrier. If the carton is in good condition but the unit is damaged, call Electro-Voice.

Included in the box with the X<sub>p</sub>200 controller are rack-mount ears and hardware kit (mounted), pad of rubber feet, an external, plug-in power supply, Product Evaluation Questionnaire and this manual.

#### FIELD SERVICE

#### **Controller Power Inspection**

If the  $X_p200$  power indicator does not light, check the power supply connections.

#### WARRANTY (Limited)

Electro-Voice products are guaranteed against malfunction due to defects in materials or workmanship for a specified period, as noted in the individual product-line statement(s) below, or in the individual product data sheet or owner's manual, beginning with the date of original purchase. If such malfunction occurs during the specified period, the product will be repaired or replaced (at our option) without charge. The product will be returned to the customer prepaid. Exclusions and Limitations: The Limited Warranty does not apply to: (a) exterior finish or appearance; (b) certain specific items described in the individual product-line statement(s) below, or in the individual product data sheet or owner's manual; (c) malfunction resulting from use or operation of the product other than as specified in the product data sheet or owner's manual; (d) malfunction resulting from misuse or abuse of the product; or (e) malfunction occurring at any time after repairs have been made to the product by anyone other than Electro-Voice or any of its authorized service representatives. Obtaining Warranty Service: To obtain warranty service, a customer must deliver the product, prepaid, to Electro-Voice or any of its authorized service representatives together with proof of purchase of the product in the form of a bill of sale or receipted invoice. A list of authorized service representatives is available from Electro-Voice at 600 Cecil Street, Buchanan, MI 49107 (616/695-6831 or 800/234-6831) and/or Electro-Voice West, at 8234 Doe Avenue, Visalia, CA 93291 (209/651-7777 or 800/825-1242). Incidental and Consequential Damages Excluded: Product repair or replacement and return to the customer are the only remedies provided to the customer. Electro-Voice shall not be liable for any incidental or consequential damages including, without limitation, injury to persons or property or loss of use. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. Other Rights: This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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