

# TP 118/800 A active subwoofer



user manual

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## 1 General notes

This manual contains important instructions for the safe operation of the unit. Read and follow the safety instructions and all other instructions. Keep the manual for future reference. Make sure that it is available to all those using the device. If you sell the unit please make sure that the buyer also receives this manual.

Our products are subject to a process of continuous development. Thus, they are subject to change.



## 1.1 Further information

On our website (<u>www.thomann.de</u>) you will find lots of further information and details on the following points:

| Download              | This manual is also available as PDF file for you to download.                                    |
|-----------------------|---|
| Keyword search        | Use the search function in the electronic version to find the topics of interest for you quickly. |
| Online guides         | Our online guides provide detailed information on technical basics and terms.                     |
| Personal consultation | For personal consultation please contact our technical hotline.                                   |
| Service               | If you have any problems with the device the customer service will gladly assist you.             |

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## **1.2 Notational conventions**

This manual uses the following notational conventions:

Letterings

The letterings for connectors and controls are marked by square brackets and italics. **Examples:** [VOLUME] control, [Mono] button.

## **1.3** Symbols and signal words

In this section you will find an overview of the meaning of symbols and signal words that are used in this manual.



| Signal word   | Meaning  |
|---------------|--|
| DANGER!       | This combination of symbol and signal word indicates an immediate dangerous situation that will result in death or serious injury if it is not avoided.                |
| WARNING!      | This combination of symbol and signal word indicates a pos-<br>sible dangerous situation that can result in death or serious<br>injury if it is not avoided.           |
| CAUTION!      | This combination of symbol and signal word indicates a pos-<br>sible dangerous situation that can result in minor injury if it<br>is not avoided.                      |
| NOTICE!       | This combination of symbol and signal word indicates a pos-<br>sible dangerous situation that can result in material and<br>environmental damage if it is not avoided. |
| Warning signs | Type of danger   |
|               | Warning – high-voltage.  |

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| Warning signs | Type of danger            |
|---------------|---------------------------|
|               | Warning – suspended load. |
|               | Warning – danger zone.    |



## 2 Safety instructions

#### Intended use

This device is intended to be used in a sound reinforcement system. Use the device only as described in this user manual. Any other use or use under other operating conditions is considered to be improper and may result in personal injury or property damage. No liability will be assumed for damages resulting from improper use.

This device may be used only by persons with sufficient physical, sensorial, and intellectual abilities and having corresponding knowledge and experience. Other persons may use this device only if they are supervised or instructed by a person who is responsible for their safety.

Safety



#### DANGER!

#### Danger for children

Ensure that plastic bags, packaging, etc. are disposed of properly and are not within reach of babies and young children. Choking hazard!

Ensure that children do not detach any small parts (e.g. knobs or the like) from the unit. They could swallow the pieces and choke!

Never let children unattended use electrical devices.







#### DANGER! Electric shock caused by high voltages inside

Within the device there are areas where high voltages may be present. Never remove any covers.

There are no user-serviceable parts inside.



#### DANGER!

#### Electric shock caused by short-circuit

Always use proper ready-made insulated mains cabling (power cord). Do not modify the mains cable. Failure to do so could result in electric shock/death or fire. If in doubt, seek advice from a registered electrician.





### CAUTION!

#### Possible hearing damage

The device can produce volume levels that may cause temporary or permanent hearing impairment. Over an extended period of time, even levels that seem to be uncritical can cause hearing damage.

Decrease the volume level immediately if you experience ringing in your ears or hearing impairment. If this is not possible, keep a greater distance or use sufficient ear protectors.



#### NOTICE!

#### **Risk of fire**

Do not cover the device nor any ventilation slots. Do not place the device near any direct heat source. Keep the device away from naked flames.

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#### NOTICE!

#### **Operating conditions**

This device has been designed for indoor use only. To prevent damage, never expose the device to any liquid or moisture. Avoid direct sunlight, heavy dirt, and strong vibrations.



#### NOTICE!

#### **Power supply**

Before connecting the device, ensure that the input voltage (AC outlet) matches the voltage rating of the device and that the AC outlet is protected by a residual current circuit breaker. Failure to do so could result in damage to the device and possibly injure the user.

Unplug the device before electrical storms occur and when it is unused for long periods of time to reduce the risk of electric shock or fire.

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## 3 Features

- Active powerful bass with 750 W (RMS) for touring applications
- Frequency response from 45 to 200 Hz
- Maximum SPL: 129 dB
- Adjustable high cut
- Phase reverse switch
- Connection options
  - XLR input/output and XLR top output
  - powerCON<sup>®</sup> input/output
- Top flange adapter (2 × M20)
- Protective cover (not included) available as item numbers 250075 and 278185
- Wheels (not included) available as item number 243578

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# 4 Installation

Unpack and carefully check that there is no transportation damage before using the unit. Keep the equipment packaging. To fully protect the device against vibration, dust and moisture during transportation or storage use the original packaging or your own packaging material suitable for transport or storage, respectively.

Establish all connections as long as the unit is switched off. Use the shortest possible highquality cables for all connections.



## WARNING!

#### Risk of injury caused by falling objects

Make sure that the installation complies with the standards and rules that apply in your country. Always secure the device with a secondary safety attachment, such as a safety cable or a safety chain.

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#### CAUTION! Risk of injury due to heavy weight

Due to the heavy weight of the device, at least two persons are required for transport and installation.



#### NOTICE!

#### Possible property damage by magnetic fields

Loudspeakers produce a static magnetic field. Therefore, maintain an appropriate distance to devices that can be adversely affected or damaged by an external magnetic field.

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## 4.1 Tips on handling speakers

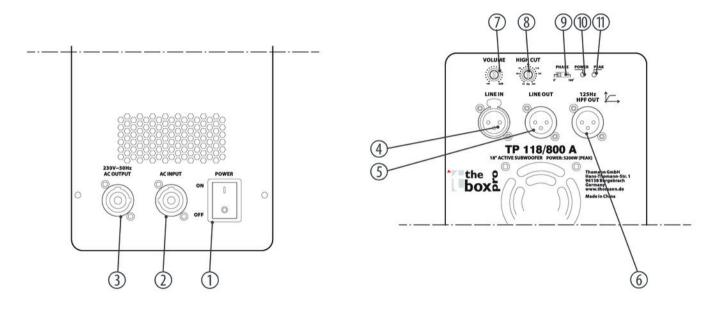
We recommend you to set up the speakers in a way, that the sound signals can reach the audience unobstructedly. It will often be helpful to mount the speakers on tripods. Thus, the sound will be evenly spread with maximum range throughout the audience area.

Always use high grade cable to connect your equipment. Otherwise you won't reach maximum sound quality.

If you notice distortion during operation, the active speaker is overloaded. This may permanently damage the device. Always reduce the volume as soon as you hear distortion.



# 5 Connections and controls



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| 1 | [POWER ON / OFF]   |
|---|--|
|   | Mains switch to turn the device on/off.  |
| 2 | [AC INPUT]   |
|   | Blue lockable powerCON® input socket (NAC3FA).   |
| 3 | [AC OUTPUT]  |
|   | Grey lockable powerCON <sup>®</sup> output socket (NAC3FCB). This output is looped through from the blue input socket <i>[AC INPUT]</i> . You can use it to feed the power supply to the blue powerCON <sup>®</sup> input sockets <i>[AC INPUT]</i> of further elements. |
| 4 | [LINE IN]  |
|   | Line signal input, designed as XLR chassis socket.   |
| 5 | [LINE OUT]   |
|   | Line output for connecting further speakers, designed as XLR chassis plug.   |



| 6  | [125 Hz HPF OUT]  |
|----|---|
|    | Top output for connecting satellite speakers, designed as XLR chassis plug. This output transmits audio signals with a frequency above125 Hz.             |
| 7  | [VOLUME]  |
|    | Volume control.   |
| 8  | [HIGH CUT]  |
|    | Controller for adjusting the frequency of the high pass filter in a range of 55 to 200 Hz.  |
| 9  | [PHASE]   |
|    | If necessary, this switch shifts the phase of the subwoofer signal by 180°. This avoids unwanted cancellation effects in combination with other speakers. |
| 10 | LED [POWER]   |
|    | Power indicator. This LED lights up continuously during normal operation and turns off when the subwoofer is turned off.                                  |
| 11 | LED [PEAK]  |
|    | Indicates overload. If the LED flickers or is lit, the input signal level is too high.  |
|    |   |



# 6 Technical data

| System                 | Active subwoofer  |
|------------------------|---|
| Configuration          | 1 × 18 in. woofer   |
| Output power           | 750 W (RMS)   |
|                        | 3000 W (Peak)   |
| Maximum SPL            | 129 dB  |
| Frequency range        | 45 Hz 200 Hz  |
| Distortion             | < 0.5 % at 100 Hz   |
| Input                  | LINE IN designed as XLR chassis plug                      |
| Outputs                | LINE OUT and 125 Hz HPF OUT designed as XLR chassis plugs |
| Mains power supply     | 230 V ~ 50 Hz   |
| Dimensions (W × H × D) | 550 mm ×618 mm ×680 mm                                    |
| Weight                 | 38 kg   |



# 7 Plug and connection assignment

| Introduction                              | This chapter will help you select the right cables and plugs to connect your valuable equip-<br>ment in such a way that a perfect sound experience is ensured.   |
|---|--|
|   | Please note these advices, because especially in 'Sound & Light' caution is indicated: Even if a plug fits into the socket, an incorrect connection may result in a destroyed power amp, a short circuit or 'just' in poor transmission quality!   |
| Balanced and unbalanced trans-<br>mission | Unbalanced transmission is mainly used in semi-professional environment and in hifi use.<br>Instrument cables with two conductors (one core plus shielding) are typical representatives of<br>the unbalanced transmission. One conductor is ground and shielding while the signal is trans-<br>mitted through the core.                          |
|   | Unbalanced transmission is susceptible to electromagnetic interference, especially at low levels, such as microphone signals and when using long cables.   |
|   | In a professional environment, therefore, the balanced transmission is preferred, because this<br>enables an undisturbed transmission of signals over long distances. In addition to the conduc-<br>tors 'Ground' and 'Signal', in a balanced transmission a second core is added. This also transfers<br>the signal, but phase-shifted by 180°. |

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Since the interference affects both cores equally, by subtracting the phase-shifted signals, the interfering signal is completely neutralized. The result is a pure signal without any noise interference.

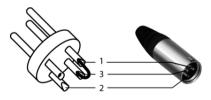
#### XLR plug (balanced)



| 1 | Ground, shielding        |
|---|--------------------------|
| 2 | Signal (in phase, +)     |
| 3 | Signal (out of phase, –) |

#### XLR plug (unbalanced)

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|   | Ground, shielding |
|---|-------------------|
| 2 | Signal            |
| ; | Bridged to pin 1  |

# 8 Protecting the environment

Disposal of the packaging material



#### Disposal of your old device



For the transport and protective packaging, environmentally friendly materials have been chosen that can be supplied to normal recycling.

Ensure that plastic bags, packaging, etc. are properly disposed of.

Do not just dispose of these materials with your normal household waste, but make sure that they are collected for recycling. Please follow the notes and markings on the packaging.

This product is subject to the European Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive (WEEE). Do not dispose with your normal household waste.

Dispose of this device through an approved waste disposal firm or through your local waste facility. When discarding the device, comply with the rules and regulations that apply in your country. If in doubt, consult your local waste disposal facility.





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