

# SERVICE BULLETIN No. 281 for members of RADIO MANUFACTURERS SERVICE

A PHILCO Service Plan

## **Electrical Specifications**

TYPE CIRCUIT: An eight tube A.C. operated superheterodyne circuit is incorporated in these receivers with features, such as Philco foreign tuning system; a high gain R.F. amplifier; two tuning ranges; iron core adjusted I.F. transformers; automatic volume control; bass compensation, and a pentode push-pull audio output circuit.

Model 38-C4 employs the Philco Cone-Centric Automatic Tuning System; Type "H29" dynamic speaker unit and is assembled in a console cabinet type "XX."

POWER SUPPLY:	Voltage	Frequency	Consumption
	110 110	60 cycle 25 to 40 cycle	95 watts 95 watts
	115/230	50 to 60 cycle	95 watts

Different transformers are required for operation on the frequencies listed above. The part numbers of these transformers are listed on page 3.

INTERMEDIATE FREQUENCY: 470 K.C.

TUNING RANGES: Two—Range one: 540 to 1720 K.C. Range two: 5.7 to 18.2 M.C.

UNDISTORTED OUTPUT: 5 watts.

TUBES USED: Eight—6U7G, R. F. amp.; 6A8G, Det. Osc.; 6K7G, I. F. amp.; 6J5G, 2nd Det., A. V. C.; 6K5G, 1st audio; two 6F6G, audio output; and one 5Y4G rectifier.

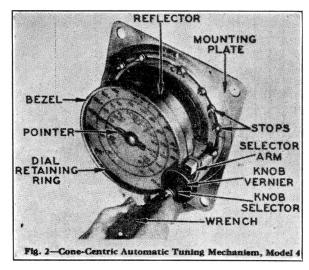


Fig. 2-Cone-Centric Automatic Tuning Mechanism, Model C4

TONE CONTROL: Four positions.

SPEAKER: XX Cabinet—H29.

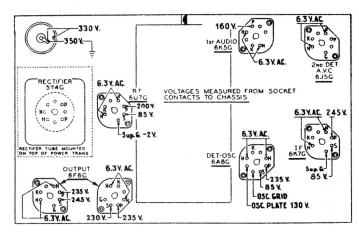


Fig. 1-Socket Voltages-Underside of Chassis View

The Voltages indicated by arrows were measured with a Philco 025A Circuit Tester which contains a sensitive voltmeter. Volume Control at minimum, range switch in broadcast position, line voltage 115 A.C.

#### Service Data

#### FOR CONE-CENTRIC TUNING MECHANISM—MODEL C4

Complete information for setting the stations on the Cone-Centric Tuning mechanism of Model 38-C4 will be found in the instruction sheet (Form No. 39-5533A) which is supplied with each set.

The locations of a few assemblies of the Cone-Centric, Automatic Tuning mechanism is illustrated in Fig. 2. The part numbers of these assemblies are listed on page 3. A complete list of replacement parts and detailed service data for the mechanism will be found in bulletin 282.

#### **Aerial Connections**

To obtain the full advantage of the sensitivity of these receivers, the Philco High Efficiency Aerial Part No. 40-6112 must be used.

For attaching the aerial to the receiver a terminal panel is provided at the rear of the chassis. This panel contains three screw terminals marked "Red," "Blk" and "Gnd." Connect the red and black wires of the Philco High Efficiency Aerial transmission line to the "Red" and "Blk" terminals respectively.

If you use a temporary aerial, connect it to the "Red" terminal.

A good ground connection is necessary for best reception. The terminal mark "Gnd" should be connected to a water pipe or any other good ground source.

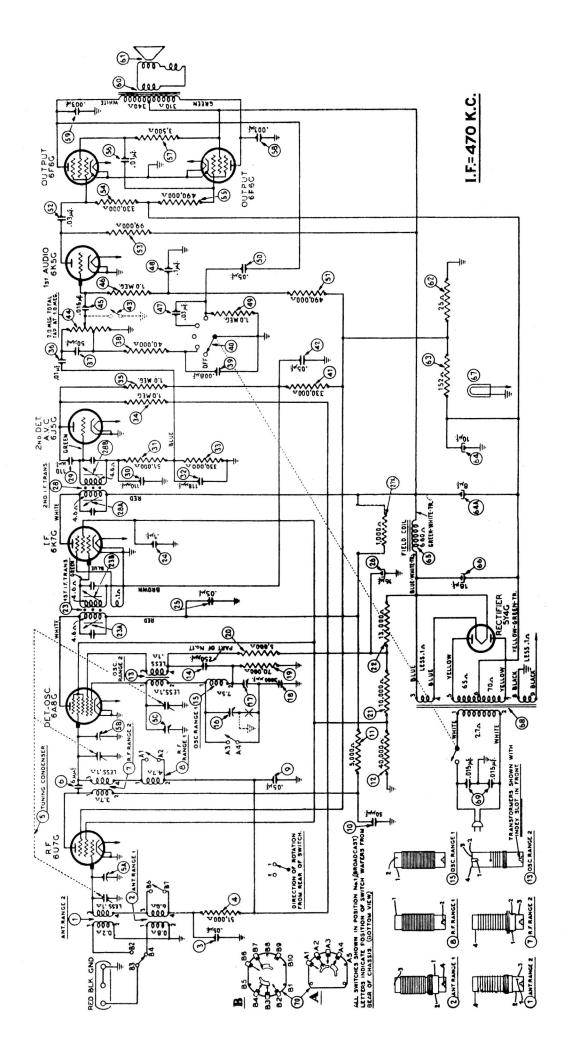


Fig. 3 — SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM Model 38-C4; Code 121

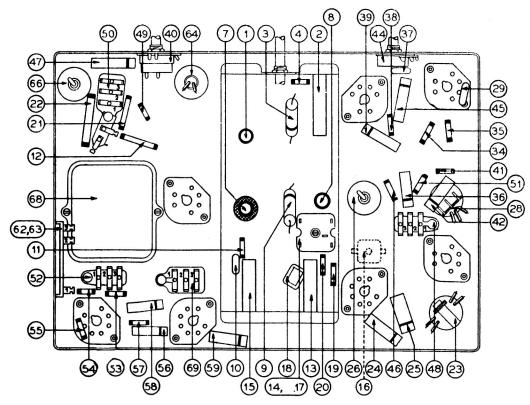


Fig. 4-Locations of Parts, Underside of Chassis

## REPLACEMENT PARTS—Model 38-C4

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1 2 3 4	Antenna transformer (range 2)       32-2         Antenna transformer (range 1)       32-2         Condenser (.05 mfd. tubular)       30-4         Resistor (51,000 ohms, ½ watt)       33-3	629 36 444 37 51344 38	Condenser (50 mmfd., Resistor (40,000 ohms,	tubular)	69 C 70 R B	ower Transformer, 115/230V, 50/60 cycles ondensers (0.015 mfd., dual bakelite) ange Switch	3793 DG 42–1340 28–5119
5 6 7	Tuning Condenser Assembly	632 41	Tone Control Switch at Resistor (330,000 ohms	, tubular)	C	able (Speaker) able (Power) lip (R. F. Transformer)	L-2778
9 10	R. F. transformer (range 1). 32-2 Condenser (.05 mfd., tubular). 30-4 Condenser (50 mmfd., mica). 30-1 Resistor (5000 ohms, ½ watt). 33-2	444 43 029	comment (oros milar)	, section of 45–2476	D	ial (Supplied by Distributor in each district)	38-8925
12 13	Resistor (40,000 ohms, 1 watt)	40434 45	Resistor (1.0 megohms,	tubular)	G K	ear (Small) Cone-Centricear (Large) Cone-Centricnob Assembly Vernier (Large)	45–2491 45–2477
15 16	section         32-2           Compensators (air type, 1500 K. C.         31-6	196 50	Resistor (1.0 megohms, Condenser (.05 mfd., )	bakelite) 4989 SG ½ watt) 33–510344 pakelite) 8326 SU	K M	nob Assembly Selector (Small)nob (Tone and Volume)  itg. Plate Assembly, Cone-Centric Tuning	27-4332
18 19	Compensator (580 K. C., condenser 14 is part of this unit).         31-6           Condenser (3000 mmfd., mica).         30-1           Resistor (70,000 ohms, ½ watt).         33-3	028 53	Condenser (0.03 mfd., Resistor (99,000 ohms,	, ½ watt)	M M		27-4571 27-4599
20 21 22	Resistor (5000 ohms, ½ watt)     33-2       Resistor (10,000 ohms, 1 watt)     33-3       Resistor (13,000 ohms, 2 watts)     33-3	10434 56 13534 57	Resistor (490,000 ohms, Condenser (0.01 mfd., Resistor (3500 ohms, 1	. ½ watt)	R Se	tz. Corners (Chassis) effector Assembly Cone-Centric Mechanism elector Arm Assembly (Cone-Centric) elect (7 prong)	45-2476
23 24 25 26	First I. F. transformer	455 59 123 60	Condenser (0.003 mfd. Output transformer (H	tubular) 30–4469 tubular) 30–4469 (29) 32–7754	So To	ocket (6 prong)ocket (6 prong) Power Tubes	27-6057 38-8746
	\( \text{Resistor (1000 ohms, \( \frac{1}{2} \) watt) \) \( \frac{33-2}{2} \) \( \text{Resistor (11000 ohms, \( \frac{1}{2} \) watt) \) \( \frac{32-2}{2} \) \( \text{Condenser (110 mmfd., mica)} \) \( \frac{30-1}{2} \)	10344 62 645 63	Bias resistors (25 ohm Part of 62, 152-ohm 8	ssembly (H29)	T:	ube Shield (Square)	28-5031 28-2725
30 31 32	Condenser (110 mmfd., mica)       30-1         Resistor (51,000 ohms, ½ watt)       33-3         Condenser (110 mmfd., mica)       30-1	031 65 51344 66 031 67	Field Coil and Pot As Electrolytic Condenser	sembly (H29)	W	rench (Station, Setting)	45-2475 45-2481
33 34	Resistor (330,000 ohms, ½ watt)			5V, 50/60 cycles 32–7837 5V, 25/40 cycles 32–7598	$\mathbf{B}$	ezel Gasket Deaker H29	27-8893

## **Alignment of Compensators**

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED: (1) Signal Generator, having a fundamental frequency range covering the tuning and intermediate frequencies of the receiver. Philoo Model 088 Signal Generator which has a fundamental frequency range from 110 to 20,000 K. C. is the correct instrument for this purpose; (2) Output meter, Philoo Model 025A circuit tester incorporates a sensitive output meter and is recommended; (3) Philoo Fibre Handle Screw Driver, part No. 27-7059, and Fibre Wrench, part No. 3164.

OUTPUT METER: The 025A output meter is connected to the plate and cathode terminals of one of the 6F6G tubes. Adjust the meter to use the (0-30) volt scale and advance the attenuator control of the generator until a readable indication is noted on the output meter after signal is applied.

DIAL CALIBRATION: In order to adjust the receiver correctly the dial must be aligned to track properly with the tuning condenser. To adjust the dial proceed as follows:

- 1. Loosen the tuning condenser shaft coupling set screws (use Wrench part No. 45-2481), and turn the tuning condenser to the maximum capacity position (plates fully meshed). Turn the selector knob until the dial pointer is on the small black dot at the low frequency end of the Range One scale. With condenser and pointer set in this position tighten set screws.
- Now turn the selector knob clockwise until the dial pointer moves \(\frac{1}{8}\) of an inch to the left of the small dot and the first straight line on the scale (See Fig. 6). Hold pointer and condenser in this position, and carefully loosen shaft coupling set screws.

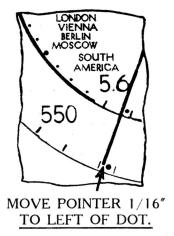


Fig. 6-Dial Calibration

After set screws are loose, turn the selector knob until dial pointer is again on the small black dot at the low frequency end of Range One scale.

Be careful when turning the selector knob that the position of the tuning condenser is not disturbed.

Tighten shaft coupling set screws with condenser and dial pointer in this position.

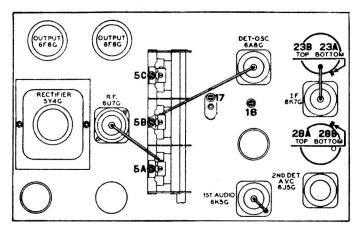


Fig. 5—Locations of Compensators—Top of Chassis INTERMEDIATE FREQUENCY CIRCUIT

Insert the signal generator shielded output lead into the "Med" jack on the panel of the generator. Connect the other end of the output lead through a .1 mfd. condenser to the grid of the 6A8G, det. osc. tube and the ground connection of the signal generator to the chassis. Set the signal generator and receiver controls, and adjust the I.F. compensators as follows:

- Set Signal Generator at 470 K.C. Turn "Multiplier" Control to 1000 and the "Attenuator" for maximum output.
- 2. Turn the receiver dial to 580 K.C.
- 3. Receiver Volume Control maximum.
- 4. Range Switch Broadcast Position.
- 5. Adjust compensators (28B), (28A), (23B) and (23A) for maximum output. If the output meter goes off scale when adjusting the compensators retard signal generator attenuator.

## RADIO FREQUENCY CIRCUIT

Tuning Range: 5.7 to 18.2 M.C.

Range

Volume

- 1. With one end of the shielded lead of the signal generator output lead in the "Med" jack, connect the other end through the .1 mfd. condenser to the "Red" terminal of the aerial panel of the receiver. The output lead ground must be connected to the black terminal or to the chassis.
- Set the controls and adjust the R. F. compensators as follows:

Signal Generator

Control	Switch	and Receiver Dial	in Order
Max. Tuning Range	. 530 to	18 M. C.	(5C) See Note A
runing reange	Range	Signal Generator	Compensators
	Switch	and Receiver Dial 1500 K. C.	in Order
	1	580 K. C.	(16), (5B), (5A) (17)
	1	1500 K. C.	(16), (5B), (5A)

NOTE A—To accurately adjust the high frequency oscillator compensator to the fundamental instead of the image signal, turn the oscillator compensator to the maximum capacity position (clockwise). From this position slowly turn the compensator counter-clockwise until a second maximum peak is obtained on the output meter. Adjust the compensator for maximum output using this second peak. The first peak from maximum capacity position of the compensator is the image signal and must not be used in adjusting the compensator.

If the above procedure is correctly performed, the image signal will be found (much weaker) by turning the receiver dial 940 K.C. below the frequency being used on this high frequency range.

### PHILCO PRODUCTS LIMITED

Compensators

## MODEL 38-C4 Supplementary Service Bulletin to Bulletin #281

Shown on this bulletin are corrections to the original service bulletin #281, together with changes that were made during the various production runs of this model.

#30-4289 Condenser .1 mfd., is added across the speaker field. This is not shown in Bulletin #281.

Run #2 (16) #31-6196 Osc. Padder 1500 K.C. changed to #31-6206,

- #31-6227 Thermal Compensating Condenser added to eliminate frequency drift due to thermal effects. This condenser wired in parallel with the 1500 K.C. padder #31-6206.
- (67) #34-2184 pilot lamp is used in place of #34-2064 as shown in the bulletin.
- (40) #42-1349 Tone Control Switch & On-Off Switch is used instead of #42-1341 as shown in the bulletin.