

Classé CA-M600 Monaural Amplifier

How to clean the air intake filter

General instructions

To clean the air intake filter on a Classé CA-M600 amplifier, disconnect the amplifier from the AC mains, remove the air intake cover, and use a vacuum cleaner with a non-scratching nozzle to carefully vacuum dust from the filter. Replace the air intake cover, then reconnect the amplifier to the AC mains.

How to remove the air intake cover

The air intake cover is a 3.5" x 4" black aluminum plate located below the Classé logo on the front panel of the amplifier. The cover is surrounded by a black aluminum frame with curved inner edges that form an air intake duct.

In preparation for removing the air intake cover from the front panel, place a folded towel or other soft material over any hard surface in the area immediately below the front panel. The purpose of the towel is to prevent scratching the cover or a hard surface below the amplifier if the cover slips and falls from your hands as it comes free from the front panel.

The air intake cover is attached to the front panel by a rectangular array of four shouldered split-pins that mate with four small holes in the back of the cover. The pins fit tightly in the holes, so you may have to apply some force to free the cover from the pins.

Use your fingertips to pull the air intake cover straight away from the front panel and free from the pins. Again, you may have to apply some force.

If the air intake cover does not come free, move your fingers to different locations and try again. It will come free.

How to replace the air intake cover

To replace the air intake cover, align the four small holes in the back of the cover with the four pins on the front panel. Push the cover firmly onto the pins until it snaps in place.

To keep the CA-M600 from sliding backward as you reattach the cover, you may need to hold the back of the amplifier in place with one hand while you push on the face of the cover with your other hand.