



CLEANING ZU/DL-103 PICKUPS

FACTORY RECOMMENDED STYLUS CLEANING TECHNIQUE

How To Clean Zu/DL-103 Phono Pickups Using Mr. Clean® MagicEraser

This technique is quick and easy, allowing you to clean your stylus after each side of play—since you are up flipping wax anyway. This will keep the stylus fresh and ready, and prolong the life of the stylus and your records.



We do not recommend the use of any special cleaning fluids.

We do not recommend the use of cleaning brushes.

Because you don't play your records in a clean room and no matter how clean you think your vinyl is, junk will still collect on your stylus when records are played and a filthy stylus will reduce the quality of playback. If you did play your records in a clean room, and you yourself were also clean-room clean, and your vinyl, there would be little reason to clean the stylus, and your records and your stylus would perform for tens of thousands of hours. But in the real world, even being religious about cleanliness, junk is going to collect on your records and on your stylus. Even Satan's music favors a clean pickup.

Zu/DL-103 phono cartridges feature a housing that safeguards the stylus' cantilever from damage if the mounted pickup is accidentally dropped on the record. The housing also safeguards the cantilever from damage when roughly bump cleaned. The following technique should be considered a bit rough.

1. Get yourself some Mr. Clean® Magic Eraser.
2. Cut a few one-inch cubes from the pad.
3. You can lightly spritz the held cube of Magic Eraser with distilled water to reduce the breakdown dust produced by handling. The water also gives the ME surface higher dirt adhesion. But dry is totally effective.
4. Place your tone-arm in its holder and hold onto it with your non-dominant hand—your hold the arm and pickup assembly steady. With your dominant hand take the cube of Magic Eraser and lightly bump-bump-bump from below the stylus. **ONLY IN A STRAIGHT UP AND DOWN MOTION, THE CANTILEVER IS NOT PROTECTED FROM EXCESSIVE SIDE LOADS.**
5. Cue and play, your stylus is clean.