

# COMPETITION SERIES Amplifier

<u>Owner's Manual</u>

# GZCA 3.0SPL-M1 GZCA 3.0SPL-M2

Features

- 1-ohm (model M1) / 2-ohms (model M2) stable full range amplifier
- High efficient class D technology
- Power status, clipping and protection LED
- Up to 12 dB adjustable bass boost (@ 35 to 70 Hz)
- Adjustable high-pass filter
- Adjustable low-pass filter
- 1x Mono RCA input
- 1x Mono RCA output
- Adjustable input sensitivity
- Thermal / short circuit / overload protection

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## Recommended wiring and fuse value

| Model  | GZCA 3.0SPL-M1 / -M2  |  |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Speaker wire                                     | min 2.5 mm² / 13 AWG  |  |
| Power supply wire                                | min 25.0 mm² / 4 AWG  |  |
| Remote wire                                      | min 0.75 mm² / 20 AWG |  |
| Recommended fuse value<br>for music reproduction | 160 A (2x 80 A)       |  |

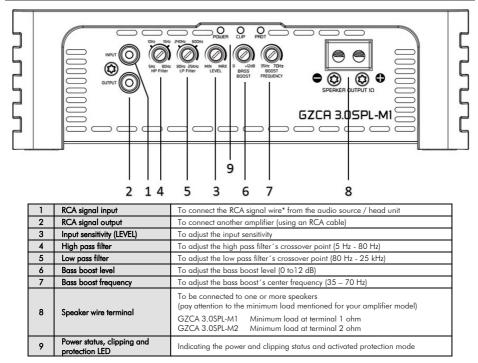
#### General installation notes

- As a precaution, it is recommended to disconnect the vehicles battery before mounting the amplifier. (Note: For new vehicles, disconnecting the battery might cause various errors in your vehicle's electric system that can be cleared only by authorized service partners of your vehicle's manufacturer! Please ask your service partner first before disconnecting the battery!)
- The power supply wire (+12 V) has to be protected within max. 20 cm / 8" by a main fuse holder with a fuse value matching the recommendation for your amplifier (Note: If there is more than one amplifier connected using this power wire, the main fuse value must be equal to the sum of the recommended fuses of all connected devices. However, make sure the diameter of your power wire will be sufficient for the required current!)
- If necessary, replace a defective fuse by a fuse with identical quality and value
- Never drill a hole to the vehicles gas tank or brake lines, to wirings or any other important vehicle parts!
- Never pass wires over sharp edges or vehicle parts due avoid any kind of damage
- Keep the wiring away from the antenna and electronic devices contributing to radio reception
- Lay the power supply wiring always separated from speaker wiring to avoid disturbance
- The amplifier contains a temperature protection circuit that turns the device off in case of overheating. After a certain cooling time, it will turn on automatically. To avoid heat build-up, sufficient air supply for cooling must be provided. Never cover the surface of the amplifier's heatsink entirely
- The amplifier should NEVER be mounted onto a vibrating part or surface such as a subwoofer enclosure. This might lead to malfunction due to loose electrical parts inside the amplifier.
- Some amplifiers offer a high-level input option, however if a pre-amplified output (RCA) is available (at the head unit), it is strongly recommended to make use of them.

#### WARNING!

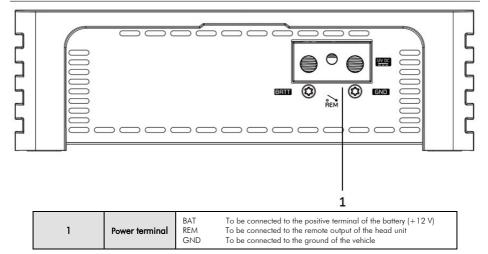
Powerful car audio systems are capable to create an extremely high SPL level comparable to live concert levels. Permanent exposure to excessively high sound levels may cause damage to or loss of the hearing. Furthermore, operation of a motor vehicle while listening to audio equipment at high volume levels may impair your ability to concentrate on road traffic and external sounds such as horns, warning signals or emergency vehicles. In the interest of general and own safety, it is recommended to listen to music at appropriately low volume levels while driving.

#### Controls and features – GZCA 3.0SPL-M1/M2

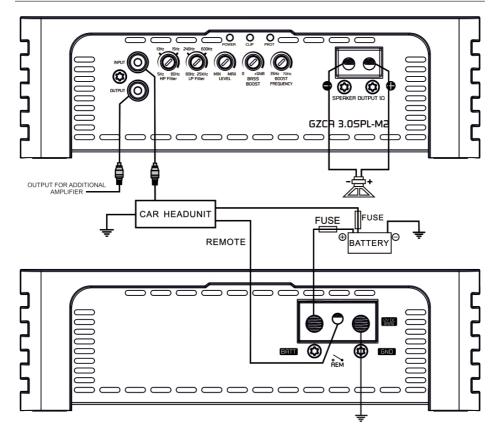


\* to avoid any kind of malfunction, it is strongly recommended to use high quality RCA wires!

#### Connections – GZCA 3.0SPL-M1/M2



Wiring - GZCA 3.0SPL-M1/M2



## Specifications

| Model                          | GZCA 3.0SPL-M1                                 | GZCA 3.0SPL-M2                                  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Amplifier type                 | 1 ohm stable mono full range class D amplifier | 2 ohms stable mono full range class D amplifier |
| RMS Power<br>measured @ 14.4 V | 1x 1800 W @ 2 ohms                             | 1x 1800 W @ 4 ohms                              |
| RMS Power<br>measured @ 14.4 V | 1x 3400 W @ 1 ohm                              | 1x 3400 W @ 2 ohms                              |
| RMS Power<br>measured @ 12.6 V | 1x 3000 W @ 1 ohm                              | 1x 3000 W @ 2 ohms                              |
| S/N ratio                      | 84 dB (nominal power)                          |   |
| THD+N                          | 0.1 % (@ nominal power / 100 Hz)               |   |
| Damping factor                 | >1000 (@100 Hz / nominal power)                |   |
| Low pass filter *              | 80 Hz - 25 kHz                                 |   |
| High pass filter *             | 5 Hz - 80 Hz                                   |   |
| Frequency response             | 10 Hz - 20 kHz (± 3 dB)                        |   |
| Input sensitivity              | 500 mV - 8 V                                   |   |
| Operation voltage              | 9 V - 16 V                                     |   |
| Fuse                           | 160 A (2x 80 A) / available separately         |   |
| Dimensions<br>w x h x l (mm)   | 227.5 x 70 x 236                               |   |
| Dimensions<br>w x h x l (inch) | 9.0 x 2.8 x 9.3                                |   |
| Weight                         | 2.9 kg / 6.4 lbs                               |   |
| Recommended<br>battery current | min 160 A / ideally 320 A                      |   |

#### Trouble shooting guide

| Symptoms                  | Check / Cause   | Action  |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| No audible sound          | Does the power LED turn on? No? Probably there is no power supply             | Check the power line fuse(s)<br>Check remote wire connection to the head unit<br>Check + 12 Volt power supply wire connection<br>Check ground wire connection |
|                           | There might be no audio input signal  | Check the RCA wiring to the head unit   |
|                           | Speaker wires might be interrupted  | Check the speaker wiring  |
| Device does not turn on   | Does the power LED turn on? No? Probably there is no power supply             | Check the power line fuse(s)<br>Check remote wire connection to the head unit<br>Check + 12 Volt power supply wire connection<br>Check ground wire connection |
| Distorted audio signal    | Input level (gain) might be set too high                                      | Decrease the amplifier level (level control) or<br>Decrease the volume level of the head unit   |
| Amplifier is working, but | Does the power LED blink frequently? Yes?<br>The battery voltage might be low | Check and load the battery  |

Side panels

Both side panels can be detached for wiring purpose. First, lift the side panel upwards. Subsequently, pull it away from the heat sink attachment. The installation has to be done in reverse order.



Terms of warranty

The limited warranty for this product is covered by Ground Zero's local distribution partners and their terms and conditions. For further information contact your local retailer or distributor.

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