RCA VICTOR MODEL 5T

Five-Tube, Two-Band, A-C, Superheterodyne Receiver TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Electrical Specifications

	Frequency Ranges	Alignment Frequencies						
	"Standard broadcast" (A) 540-1,820 kc.	"Standard broadcast" (A)						
	"Short wave" (B)1,820-6,600 kc.	"Short wave" (B)						
	Intermediate Frequency							
	RADIOTRON COMPLEMENT (1) RCA-6A7First Det.—Oscillator (2) RCA-6D6Intermediate Amplifier	(3) RCA-75 Second Det., A-F Amp. and A.V.C. (4) RCA-42 Audio Power Amplifier (5) RCA-80 Full-Wave Rectifier						
	Pilot Lamps (3)							
	Power Supply Ratings Rating A	105-125 voits, 25-60 cycles, 60 watts						
	POWER OUTPUT RATING Undistorted	LOUDSPEAKER Type Electrodynamic Voice Coil Impedance 2.2 ohms at 400 cycles						
Mechanical Specifications								
	Height Width Depth Weight (Net) Weight (Shipping) Chassis Base Dimensions Over-all Chassis Height Operating Controls Tuning Drive Ratio	18½ inches 13¼ inches 13¼ inches 77/8 inches 21 pounds 26 pounds 12 inches x 7 inches x 2½ inches 7½ inches —Tone, (2) Tuning, (3) Volume, (4) Range Selector						

General Features

This receiver is of the superheterodyne type and has many distinctive features. Its design includes magnetite core adjusted if transformers and wave trap, aural compensated volume control, tone control, resistance coupled audio system, phonograph terminal board, band selective illumination of dial scales, and an 8-inch dust-proof electrodynamic loudspeaker.

Tuning is continuous through the "Standard broadcast" and "Short wave" bands (including 49 meters).

The "Short wave" position of this extensive range also includes channels assigned for police, amateur, and aviation communication. Trimming adjustments are located at accessible points. Their number is reduced to the least that is consistent with efficient operation. The tuning dial ratio of ten to one permits ease of tuning, especially in the "Short wave" band.

Circuit Arrangement

The first detector and oscillator functions are accomplished in a single tube, an RCA-6A7. The input of this tube is coupled to the antenna through a tuned transformer. A shunt (magnetite core adjusted) wave trap is connected across the primary of

this transformer to prevent signals of intermediate frequency (460 kc.) from being introduced into the first stage as interference. The two-section gang condenser, which tunes the antenna transformer secondary and the heterodyne oscillator coil, has adjustable

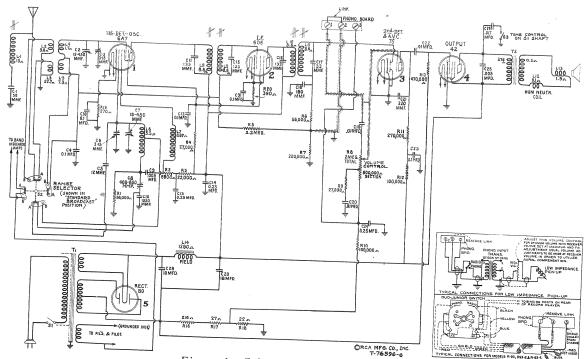


Figure 1—Schematic Circuit Diagram

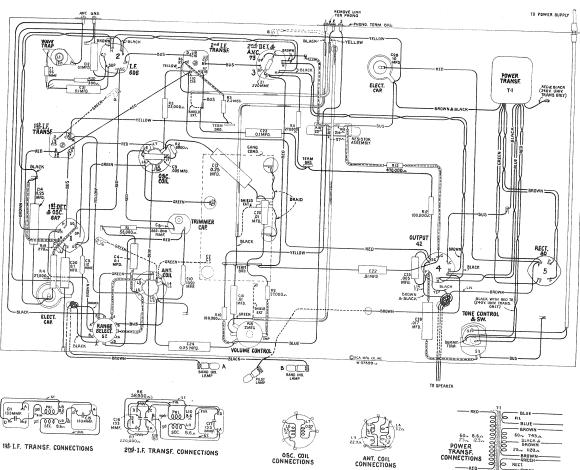


Figure 2—Chassis Wiring Diagram

trimmers for obtaining exact alignment. Each of these coils is tapped so that the range switch increases the range of tuning by decreasing the amount of inductance.

The intermediate frequency stage is coupled to the RCA-6A7 and to the RCA-75 by means of tuned transformers. These transformers resonate with fixed capacitors and are adjusted by molded magnetite cores to tune to 460 kc.

The modulated signal as obtained from the output of the i-f system is detected by one of the diodes of the RCA-75 tube. Audio frequency secured by this process is passed on to the control grid of this same tube for amplification before final reproduction. The d-c voltage, which results from detection of the signal, is used for automatic volume control. This voltage, which develops across resistor R7, is applied as automatic control grid bias to the first detector and i-f tubes through a suitable resistance filter. Minimum operating bias for the RCA-6A7 and RCA-6D6 tubes

is developed across resistors R19 and R20 respectively.

Manual volume control is effected by means of an acoustically tapered potentiometer connected as a variable coupling element between the output of the second detector and the first audio control grid. After amplification by the RCA-75, the audio signal is transmitted by resistance-capacitance coupling to the input of the RCA-42 power output stage, which, in turn, is transformer-coupled to the dynamic speaker. High-frequency tone control is provided by means of a shunt capacitor across the plate circuit of the output tube, which may be cut in or out of the circuit with a control switch S3.

The power supply system consists of an RCA-80 rectifier tube which is supplied from an efficiently designed power transformer and which works into a suitable filter. The various potentials required for the plate, screen, control grid, and cathode circuits are obtained from the output of the filter. The electrodynamic loudspeaker field coil is used as a filter reactor.

SERVICE DATA

The various diagrams of this booklet contain such information as will be needed to isolate causes for defective operation if such develops. The ratings

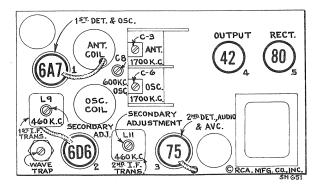


Figure 3-Radiotron, Coil, and Trimmer Locations

of the resistors, capacitors, coils, etc., are indicated adjacent to the symbols signifying these parts on the diagrams. Identification titles, such as R3, L2, C1, etc., are provided for reference between the illustrations and the Replacement Parts List. The coils, reactors, and transformer windings are rated in terms of their d-c resistances only. Ratings of less than one ohm are generally omitted.

Alignment Procedure

There are three alignment trimmers provided in the antenna transformer and oscillator coil tuned circuits. The i-f transformer adjustments are made by means of screws attached to molded magnetite cores. All of these circuits have been accurately adjusted during manufacture and should remain properly aligned unless affected by abnormal conditions or altered during servicing. Loss of sensitivity, improper

tone quality, and poor selectivity are the usual indications of improper alignment.

The correct performance of this receiver can only be obtained when the aligning has been done with adequate and reliable apparatus. The manufacturer of this receiver has available, for sale through its distributors and dealers, a complete assortment of such service equipment as may be needed for the alignment operation.

. A test oscillator, such as the RCA Stock No. 9595, is required as a source of the specified alignment frequencies. Visual indication of receiver output during the adjustment is necessary and should be accomplished by the use of an indicator such as the RCA Stock No. 4317 Neon Output Indicator.

The procedure outlined below should be followed in adjusting the various trimmer capacitors and molded cores:

I-F Core Adjustments

The four adjustment screws (attached to molded magnetite cores) of the two i-f transformers (one on top and one on bottom of each i-f transformer) are located as shown by figures 3 and 7. Each circuit must be aligned to a basic frequency of 460 kc. To do this, attach the output indicator across the loud-speaker voice coil or across the output transformer primary.

Connect the output of the test oscillator to the control grid of the RCA-6A7 through a .05 mfd. capacitor. Connect the test oscillator ground terminal to the ground terminal of the receiver chassis. Range selector should be in "Short wave" position. Tune the oscillator to 460 kc. Advance the receiver volume control to its full-on position and adjust the receiver tuning control to a point, within its range, where no interference is encountered either from local broadcast stations or from the heterodyne oscillator. Increase the output of the test oscillator until a slight indication is present on the output indicator. Adjust

the two magnetite core screws of the second if transformer to produce maximum (peak) indicated receiver output. Then, adjust the two magnetite core screws of the first if transformer for maximum (peak) receiver output as shown by the indicating device. During these adjustments, regulate the test oscillator output so that the indication is always as low as possible. By doing so, broadness of tuning due to a.v.c. action will be avoided. It is advisable to repeat the adjustment of all if magnetite core screws to assure that the interaction between them has not disturbed the original adjustment.

Wave-Trap Adjustment

Attach the output of the test oscillator to the receiver "Antenna" terminal through a 200 mmfd. (important) capacitor. The ground connections remain connected together. Leave the test oscillator adjusted to 460 kc. and range selector in "Short wave" position as before. Then adjust the wave-trap screw to the point which causes maximum suppression of the 460 kc. signal.

R-F Trimmer Adjustments

Calibrate the tuning dial by setting the pointer to a horizontal position (53 on "Standard broadcast"

scale) with the two-gang tuning condenser in full mesh. The output indicator should be left connected to the system. Connections for the test oscillator remain the same as for "Wave-trap adjustment." Adjust the test oscillator to 1,700 kc. and set the receiver tuning control to a dial reading of 1,700 kc. Leave the volume control of the receiver at its maximum position. Make sure that the range selector is at its broadcast position. Regulate the output of the test oscillator until a slight indication is perceptible at the receiver output. Then adjust the two trimmers, C6 and C3, of the oscillator and antenna transformer coils (mounted on the variable condenser) so that each produces maximum (peak) receiver output. After this maximum has been accurately obtained, shift the test oscillator to 600 kc. Tune the receiver to pick up this signal, disregarding the dial reading at which it is best received. Then, adjust the receiver oscillator series trimmer, C8, simultaneously rocking the tuning control backward and forward through the signal until maximum receiver output results from these combined operations. The adjustment at 1.700 kc. should then be repeated to correct for any change which may have been caused by the oscillator series trimmer adjustment.

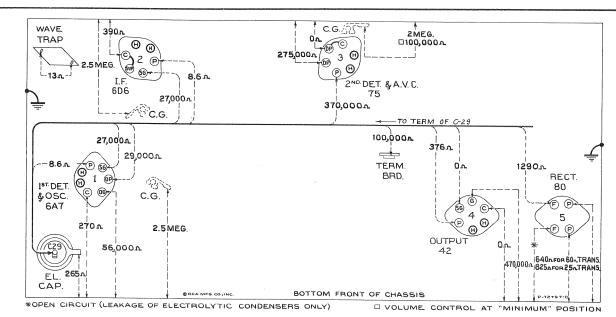


Figure 4—Resistance Diagram

Power supply disconnected—Radiotrons in sockets—Tuning condenser in full mesh— Volume control maximum

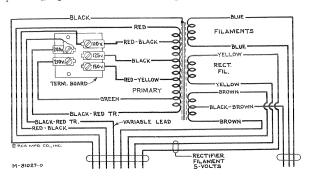
Resistance Measurement

The resistance values shown between Radiotron socket contacts, grid caps, resistors, terminals, and receiver chassis ground, on figure 4, have been carefully selected so as to facilitate a rapid continuity check of the circuits. The use of this diagram in conjunction with the Schematic Circuit Diagram, figure 1, and Chassis Wiring Diagram, figure 2, will permit the location of certain troubles which might otherwise be difficult to ascertain. Each value as specified should hold within $\pm 20\%$. Variations in excess of this limit will usually be indicative of trouble in cir-

cuit under test. Resistance values were measured with the Radiotrons in sockets; tuning condenser in full mesh, and volume control set at maximum except where otherwise noted. In all cases of measuring the resistance between points of the circuit and ground, it will be necessary to connect the negative terminal of the resistance meter to chassis ground. If the polarity of the resistance meter is not known, it may be readily ascertained by connecting a d-c voltmeter of indicated polarity across the terminals of the device.

Phonograph Attachment

A terminal board is provided for connecting a phonograph into the audio amplifying circuit. Typical



Primary Resistance—24.5 ohms Total Secondary Resistance—760 ohms Total

Figure 5--Universal Transformer

methods of connecting a low-impedance pick-up, or the RCA Victor Models R-93, R-93-2, and R-93S phonographs are shown on the schematic diagram (figure 1).

Loudspeaker

Centering of the loudspeaker voice coil is made in the usual manner with three narrow paper feelers

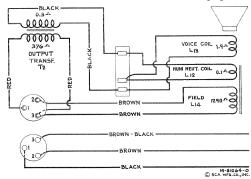


Figure 6-Loudspeaker Wiring

after first removing the front paper dust cover. This may be removed either permanently by cutting it away with a sharp knife, or by softening its cement with a very light application of acetone using care not to allow the acetone to flow down into the air gap. The dust cover may be cemented back in place with ambroid upon completion of adjustment.

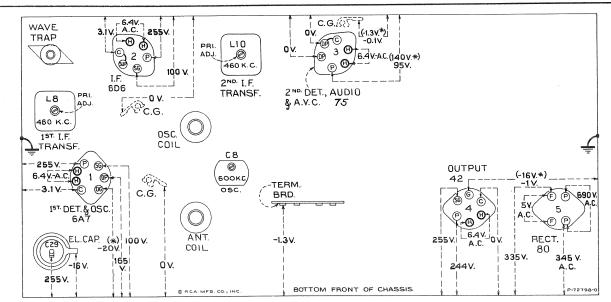


Figure 7—Radiotron Socket Voltages, Coil and Trimmer Locations

Measured at 115 volts, 60 cycle supply—Tuned to approximately 1,000 kc. ("Standard broadcast")—
No signal being received—Volume control minimum

Radiotron Socket Voltages

Note: Two voltage values are shown for some readings. The higher value shown in parenthesis with asterisk (*) indicates operating conditions without voltaneter loading. The lower value is the actual measured voltage and differs from the higher value because of the additional loading of the voltmeter through the high series circuit resistance.

The voltage values indicated from the Radiotron socket contacts, grid caps, resistors, and terminals to receiver chassis ground on figure 7 will assist in locating cause for faulty operation. Each value as specified should hold with-

in ±20% when the receiver is normally operative at its rated line voltage. Variations in excess of this limit will usually be indicative of trouble in the basic circuits. These voltages were measured with receiver tuned to approximately 1,000 kc., no signal being received and volume control set at minimum. To duplicate the conditions under which the voltages were measured requires a 1,000 ohmper-volt doc meter, having ranges of 10, 50, 250, and 500 volts. Use the nearest range above the voltage to be measured. AcC voltages were measured with a corresponding acc meter.

REPLACEMENT PARTS

Insist on genuine factory tested parts, which are readily identified and may be purchased from authorized dealers.

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Stock No.	DESCRIPTION	List Price	Stock No.		LIST PRICE
	RECEIVER ASSEMBLIES		11172	Resistor—470,000 ohm, carbon type, 1/4	
5237	Bushing Variable as 1			Watt—Package of 5 (R13)	1.00
	Bushing — Variable condenser mounting bushing assembly—Package of 3	1 40 42	11626	Resistor—2.2 megohm, carbon type 1/	1.00
11591	Dutton—Chassis plug button.	\$0.43	12004	Watt-Package of 5 (R5)	1.00
12118	Cap-Grid contact can-Package of 5	.15	12004		
11465	Capacitor—Adjustable capacitor (Cg)	.48		prising one 216 ohm, one 27 ohm and one 22 ohm sections (R16, R17, R18).	
12659 12661	Capacitor—12 Mmfd, (C5)	.20	12650	Shield—Antenna coil shield	.45
12946	Capacitor—56 Mmfd. (C1)	.20	12735	Onield—Dial lamp shield—Package of 5	.25
	C17)	20	12607	Shield—First I.F. transformer shield ton	.30
12406	Capacitor—180 Mmfd. (C18)	.20	12008	Shield—First or second I.F. transformer	
12662	Capacitor—220 Mmfd. (C21)	.20	12651	shield	.28
12660 4868	Capacitor—1.350 Mmfd (C10)	.28	12581	Shield—Second I.F. transformer shield top	.22
4858	Capacitor—005 Mfd. (C9, C25)	.20	3950	Shield—6D6 Radiotron shield	.36
11451	Capacitor—.01 Mfd. (C19, C20, C22) Capacitor—.017 Mfd. (C26)	.25	3682	1 Shield—6A7 or 75 Radiotron shield	.20
4841	Capacitor—.1 Mfd. (C4, C12, C23, C30,	.18	4794	Socket—4-contact rectifier Radiotron	.22
	(31)	.22	4786	socket	.15
4840	Capacitor,25 Mtd. (C13 C24)	.30	7/00	Socket—6-contact 42, 75 and 6D6 Radio-	
5170 11240	Capacitor—.25 Mfd. (C14)	.25	4787	tron socket	.15
5212	Capacitor—10 Mfd. (C28)	1.08	11199	Socket—Dial lamp socket	.15 .14
12648	Capacitor—18 Mfd. (C29) Coil—Antenna coil—less shield (L2, L3,	1.16	12007	Spring—Retaining spring for core Stock	.17
	L4, L5)	1.35	11460	Nos. 12006 and 12664—Package of 10 1	.36
12649	Coll—Oscillator coll—less shield (16 17)	1.20	11460 13106	Tone Control and Switch (S1, S3)	.95
12643	Condenser—Legang variable tuning con-	1.20	13100	Transformer—First I.F. transformer, complete (L8, L9, C11, C15)	
5119	denser $(G2, G3, G6, G7)$	3.46	12644	Transformer—Power transformer, 115 volt,	1.60
2119	Connector—3 contact female speaker cable			00 cycle (11)	4.00
12006	connector	.25	12645	Transformer—Power transformer 115 volt	4.00
	1 Ior I.F. transformer, Stock Nos 12652	ı	12646	25 Cycle (T1)	5.90
12664	and 12653	.22	12040	Transformer—Power transformer, 240	I
12664	Core—Adjustable core and stud assembly		13107	210-150-125-110 volts, 60 cycle (T1) Transformer—Second I.F. transformer,	6.88
12658	for wave trap, Stock No. 12654	.22		complete (L10, L11, C16, C17, C18,	
12656	Dial—Station selector dial	.65		(Ko, R/)	2.06
ĺ	pinion	.58	12654	IrapWave trap (L1)	.75
12655	Gear-Large gear located on variable con-	.56	13144	Volume Control (R8)	1.00
12657	denser shaft	.34		REPRODUCER ASSEMBLIES	10000000
5226	Indicator—Station selector indicator	.20	12641	Board—3-contact reproducer terminal	1
12663	Lamp—Dial lamp—Package of 5	.70		board	1.5
1	red and green colored screen	.30	12640	Dracket — Output transformer mounting	.15
12647	Range Switch (S2)	.68	12012	bracket	.18
12206	Resistor—270 ohm, carbon type 1/2 watt	.00	12012 11469	Coll—Field coil (L14)	1.85
12261	rackage of 5 (R19)	1.00	12642	Coil—Neutralizing coil (L12)	.20
12201	Resistor—390 ohm, insulated, 1/4 watt— Package of 5 (R20)			(L13)	0.4
8070	Nesistor—22,000 ohm, carbon type 1/	1.00	5118	Connector—3 contact male speaker cable	.94
		1.00	0.000	connector	.25
11400	Resistor—27,000 ohm, carbon type 1/.	1.00	9699 11253	Reproducer, complete.	6.38
12011	watt—Package of 5 (RO)	1.00	11253	Transformer—Output transformer (T2)	1.56
12011	Resistor—27,000 ohm, carbon type 1		11000	Washer—Spring washer to hold field coil securely—Package of 5	
11282	watt—Package of 5 (R4)	1.10	ĺ	l l	.20
1	wall—rackage of 5 (RK)	.75		MISCELLANEOUS ASSEMBLIES	
5029	1/csistor—Jo,000 ohm, carbon type 1/.	.13	12639	1	Management
I I	watt—rackage of 5 (R1)	1.00		Escutcheon—Station selector escutcheon and crystal assembly	100
11734	Trestatul U. GUU Onm Carbon type 1/ 1		12638	NOD—Station selector knoh — Package	1.02
5145	watt—Package of 5 (R2)	1.00		OI 5	.58
	wall—Package of 5 (RIO RI2)	1.00	11347	Knob—I one control, volume control or	
11398	Nesistor—220,000 ohm, carbon type 1/10 l	1.00	11586	range switch knob—Package of 5	.75
	watt—rackage of 5 (R7)	.75	11200	Screw—Chassis mounting screw No. 14x1	
11323	Resistor—270,000 ohm, carbon type 1/.		11349	in.—Package of 10	.22
	watt—Package of 5 (R11)	1.00		Nos. 11347 and 12638—Package of 5.	.15
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