

Build Your Own Clone Blue Overdrive Kit Instructions



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1. A detailed explanation of what the problem is. (more than, "It doesn't work, help")
2. Pic of the topside of your PCB.
3. Pic of the underside of your PCB.
4. Pic that clearly shows your footswitch/jack wiring and the wires going to the PCB
5. A pic that clearly shows your wiring going from the PCB to the pots and any other switches(only if your kit has non-PC mounted pots and switches)
6. Is bypass working?
7. Does the LED come on?
8. If you answered yes to 6 and 7, what does the pedal do when it is in the "on" position?
9. Battery or adapter (if battery, is it good? If adapter, what type?)

Also, please only post photos that are in focus.

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This is what your kit should look like when it's complete. Your kit may come with different color capacitors, switches etc. Don't be alarmed by this. They all still do the exact same thing.



Parts Checklist for the Blue Overdrive Kit

Resistors:	Metal Film (5-bands)	Carbon Comp (4-bands)
1 - 1k	(Brown/Black/Black/Brown/Brown) /	(Brown/Black/Red/Gold)
1 - 1k2	(Brown/Red/Black/Brown/Brown) /	(Brown/Red/Red/Gold)
1 - 1k5	(Brown/Green/Black/Brown/Brown) /	(Brown/Green/Red/Gold)
6 - 2k2	(Red/Red/Black/Brown/Brown) /	(Red/Red/Red/Gold)
3 - 4k7	(Yellow/Purple/Black/Brown/Brown)/	(Yellow/Purple/Red/Gold)
1 - 5k6	(Green/Blue/Black/Brown/Brown) /	(Green/Blue/Red/Gold)
1 - 6k8	(Blue/Gray/Black/Brown/Brown) /	(Blue/Gray/Red/Gold)
6 - 10k	(Brown/Black/Black/Red/Brown) /	(Brown/Black/Orange/Gold)
1 - 15k	(Brown/Green/Black/Red/Brown) /	(Brown/Green/Orange/Gold)
1 - 22k	(Red/Red/Black/Red/Brown) /	(Red/Red/Orange/Gold)
1 - 33k	(Orange/Orange/Black/Red/Brown) /	(Orange/Orange/Orange/Gold)
3 - 100k	(Brown/Black/Black/Orange/Brown) /	(Brown/Black/Yellow/Gold)
1 - 220k	(Red/Red/Black/Orange/Brown) /	(Red/Red/Yellow/Gold)
1 - 330k	(Orange/Orange/Black/Orange/Brown)	(Orange/Orange/Yellow/Gold)
2 - 470k	(Yellow/Purple/Black/Orange/Brown)/	(Yellow/Purple/Yellow/Gold)
3 - 1M	(Brown/Black/Black/Yellow/Brown)/	(Brown/Black/Green/Gold)

Visit www.byocelectronics.com/resistorcodes.pdf for more information on how to differentiate resistors.

Capacitors:

- 2 - 47p Ceramic Disc (May say '47' on the body)
- 2 - 100p Ceramic Disc (May say '101' on the body)
- 1 - 220p Ceramic Disc (May say '221' on the body)
- 2 - 222/ .0022uF film cap (may say "222" on the body)
- 1 - 562/ .0056uF film cap (may say '562' on the body)
- 1 - 682/ .0068uF film cap (may say '682' on the body)
- 2 - 183/ .018uF film cap (may say '183' on the body)
- 3 - 473/ .047uF film cap (may say "473" on the body)
- 2 - 563/ .056uF film cap (may say '563' on the body)
- 2 - 104/ .1uF film cap (may say "104" or "u1" on the body)
- 1 - 154/ .15uF film cap (may say '154' on the body)
- 1 - 1uF Aluminum Electrolytic
- 2 - 10uF Aluminum Electrolytic
- 2 - 47uF Aluminum Electrolytic
- 2 - 100uf Aluminum Electrolytic

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Diodes:

- 1 - 1N4001
- 6 - 1N4148

Sockets:

- 1 - 8-pin IC socket

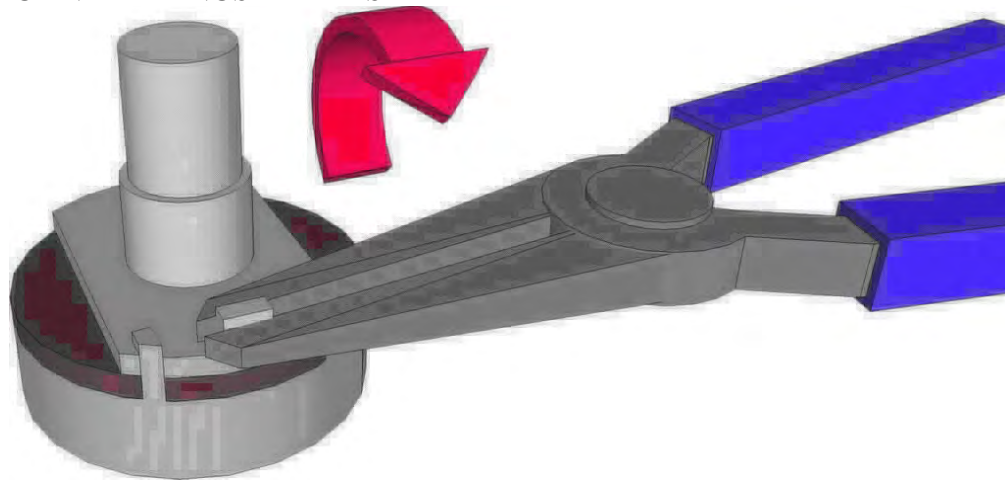
Transistors:

- 3 - 2N3904, 2N5088, or similar NPN transistor with similar pinout
- 2 - 2N3906, 2N5087, or similar PNP transistor with similar pinout
- 5 - 2N5457, J113, or similar JFET with similar pinout

IC:

- 1 - TL072, TL082, 4558, or similar dual op amp

Potentiometers: SNAP THE SMALL TABS ON THE TOP OF THE POTS OFF WITH A PAIR OF NEEDLE NOSE PLIERS



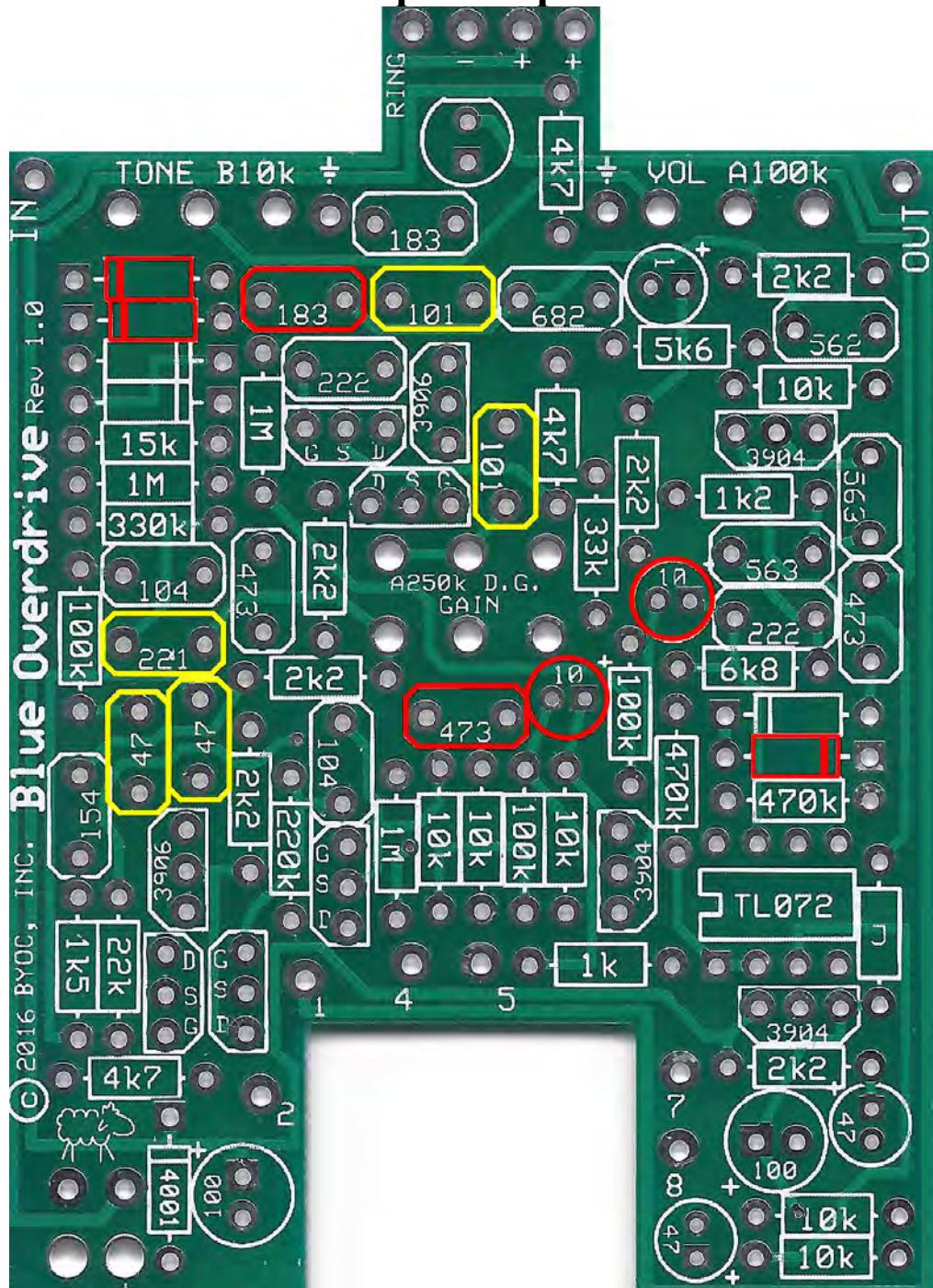
- 1 - A100k (Volume)
- 1 - B10k (Tone)
- 1 - A250K Dual (Drive)

Hardware:

- 1 - predrilled enclosure w/ 4 screws
- 1 - Blue Overdrive circuit board
- 1 - 3pdt footswitch
- 1 - AC adaptor jack
- 1 - 1/4" stereo jack
- 1 - 1/4" mono jack
- 1 - battery snap
- 4 - rubber bumpers
- 2 - lock washers (for in and out jacks)
- hook-up wire

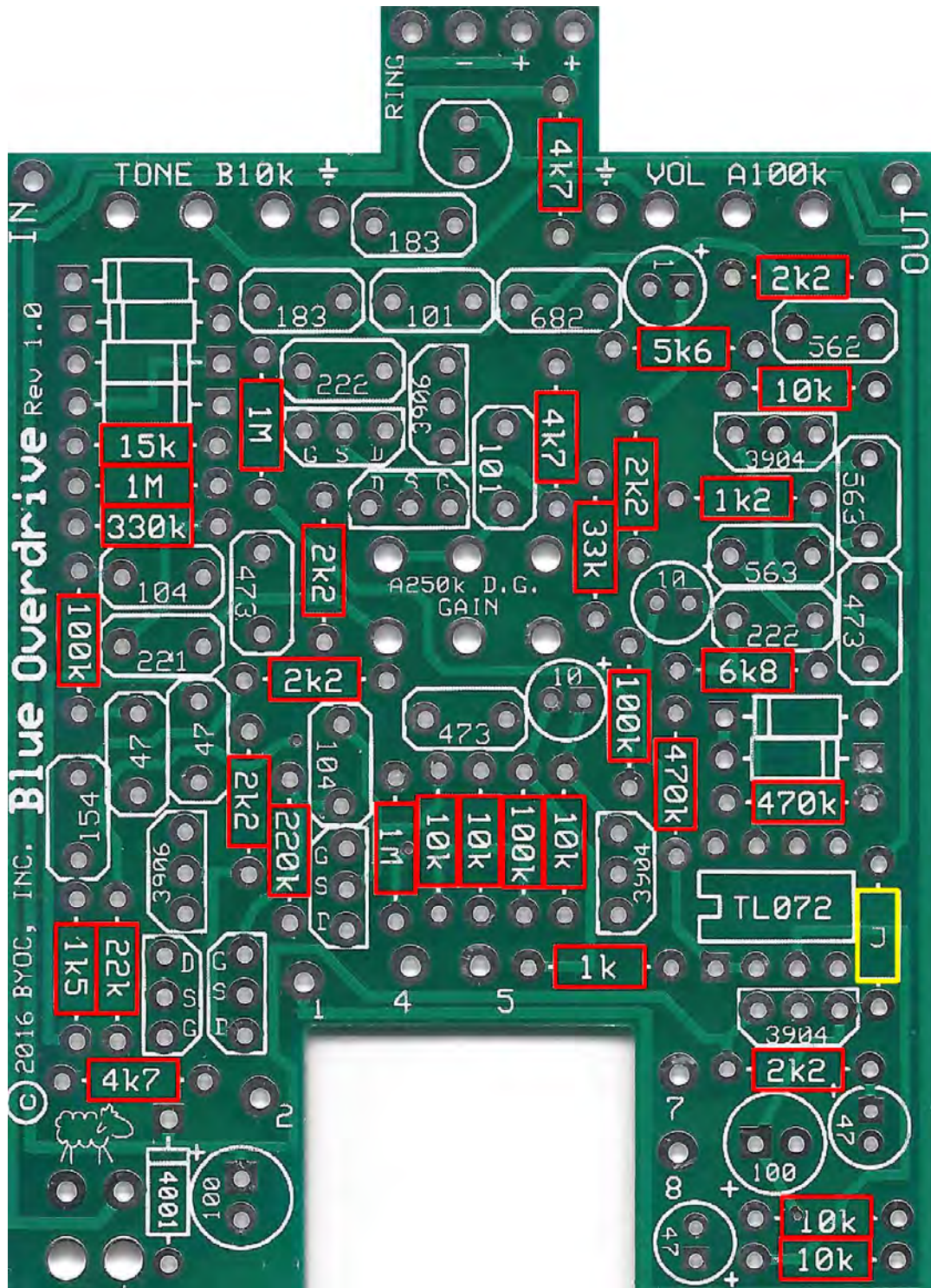
Before you begin:

If you will be using the Mod Pack, leave the following components off the PCB, and follow the link on page 14 for the Mod Pack component placement instructions.

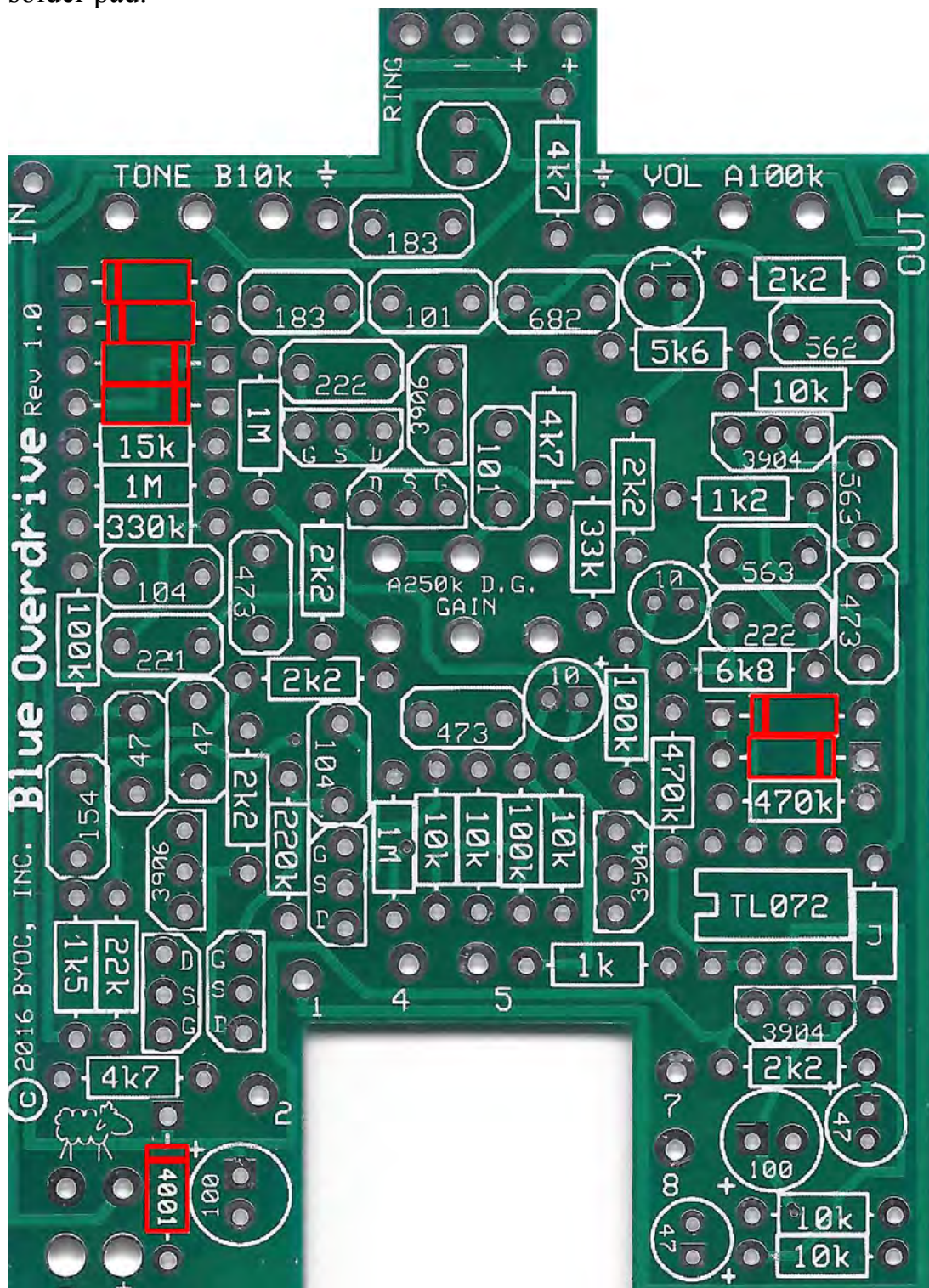


Populating the Circuit Board

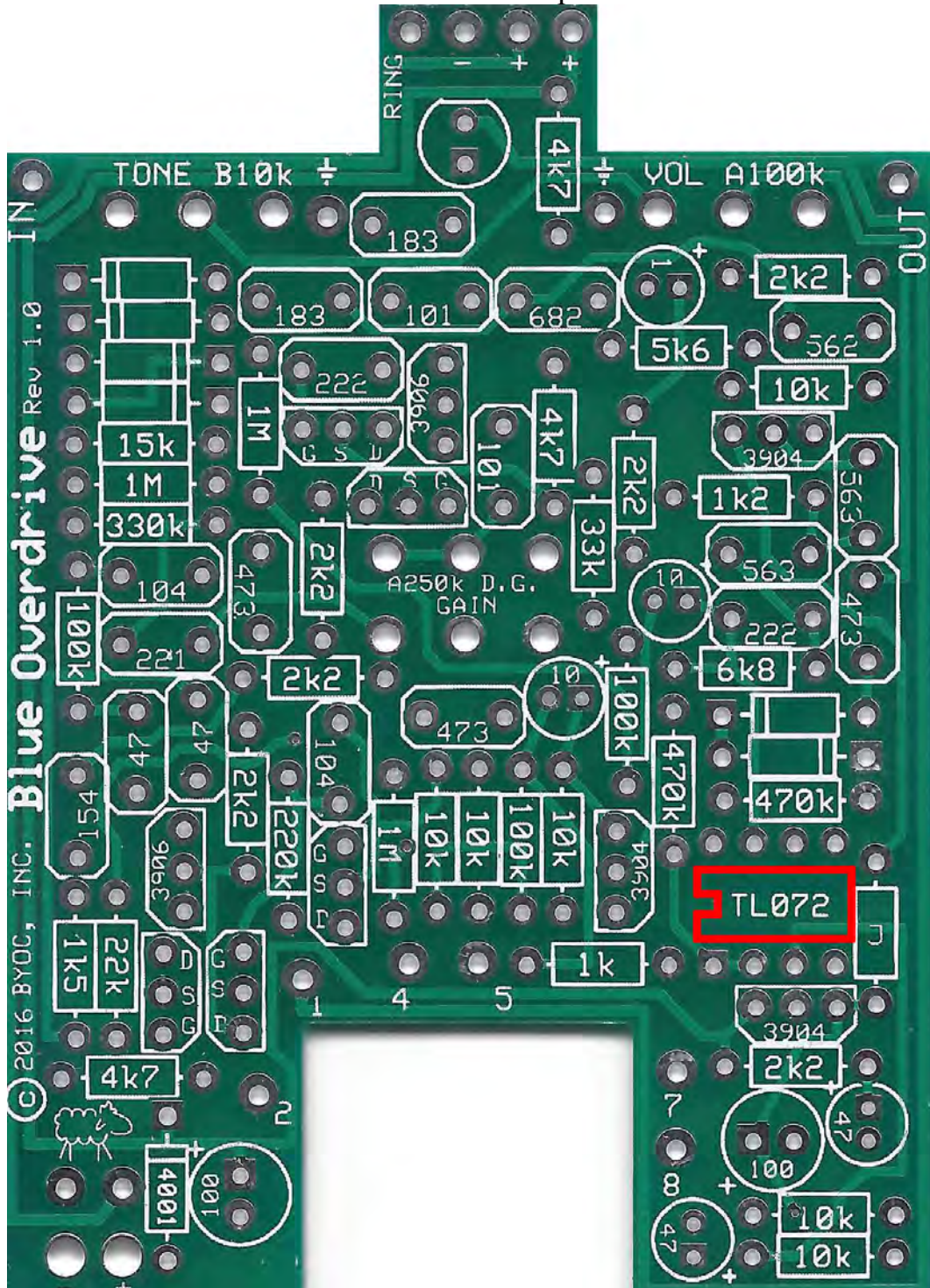
Step 1: Add all the resistors. Resistors are not polarized and can be inserted in either direction. The spot highlighted in yellow is a jumper spot. Use a piece of wire or clipping.



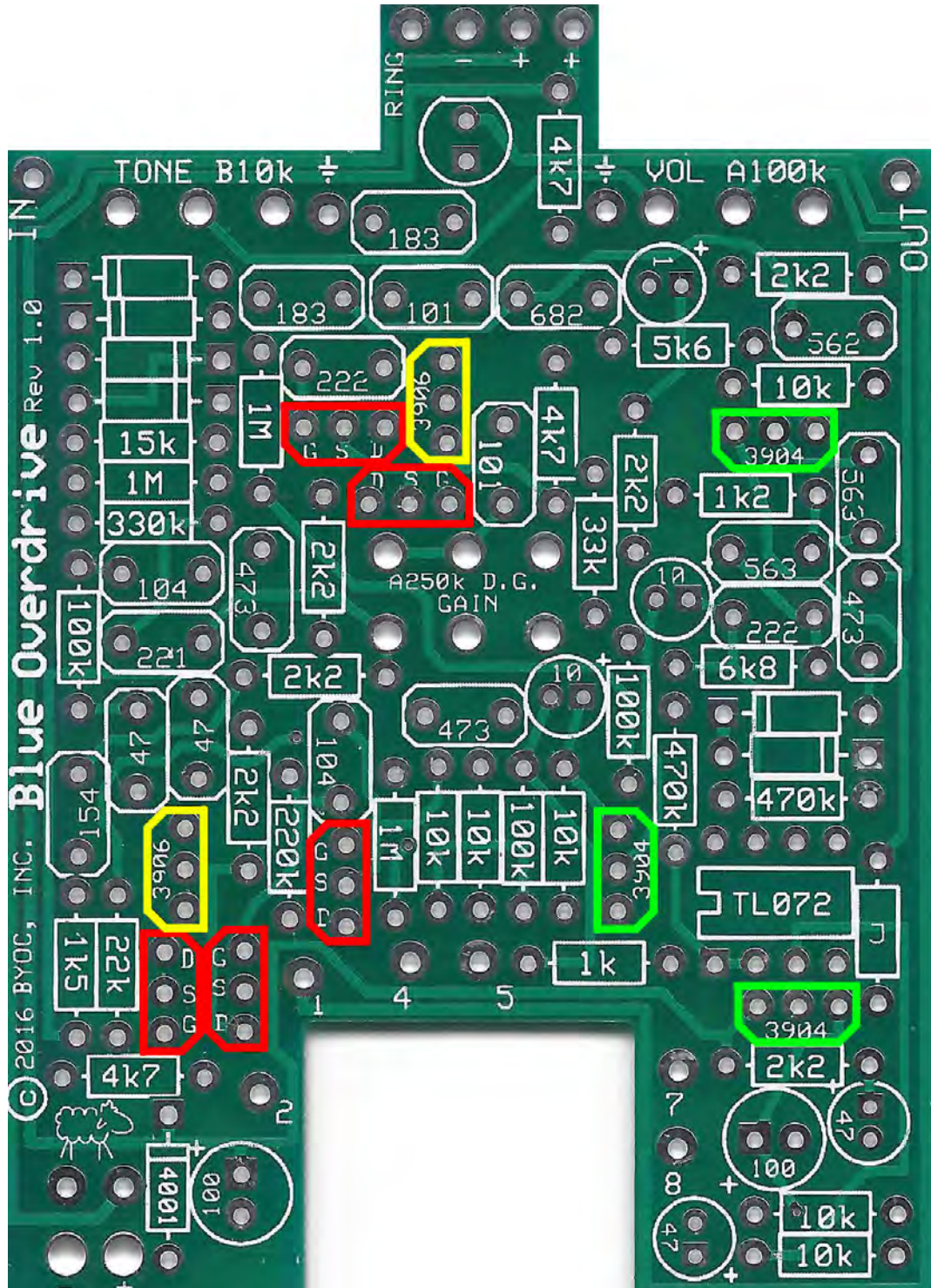
Step 2: Add the diodes. Be sure to match the end of the diodes with the stripe to the layout on the PCB. The striped end should go in the square solder pad.



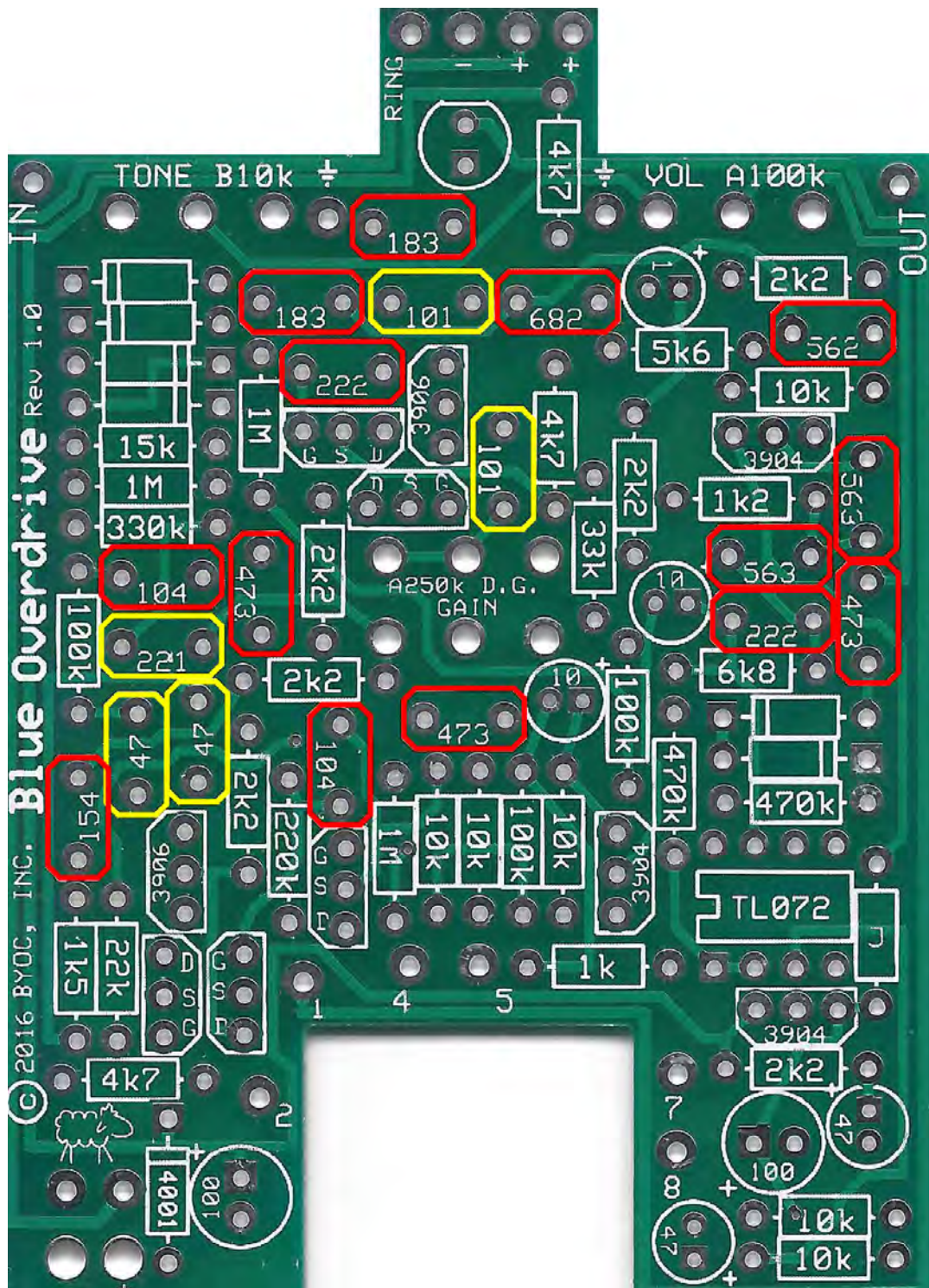
This is a socket. The socket gets soldered to the PCB. The IC gets inserted into the socket. The actual IC will never get soldered. You will insert the IC into the socket after the entire pedal has been built.



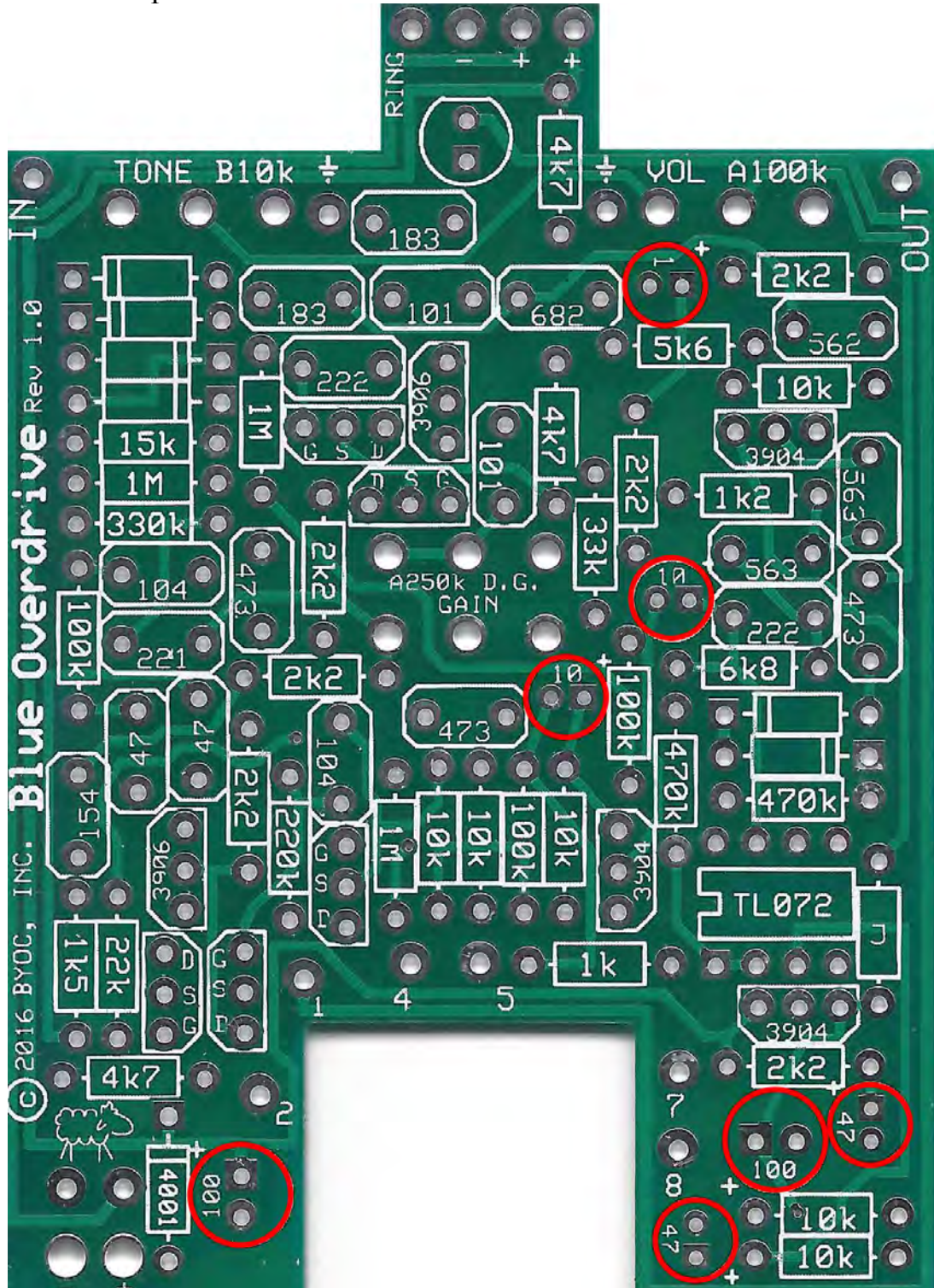
Step 4: Add the silicon transistors. Orient them so that the flat side matches up with the flat side on the PCB layout. 2N5457/J113 are highlighted in red. 2N3904/5088 are highlighted in green. 2N3906/5087 are highlighted in yellow.



Step 5: Add the film and ceramic disc capacitors. These are non-polarized so they can go in either direction. The ceramic disc caps are highlighted in yellow

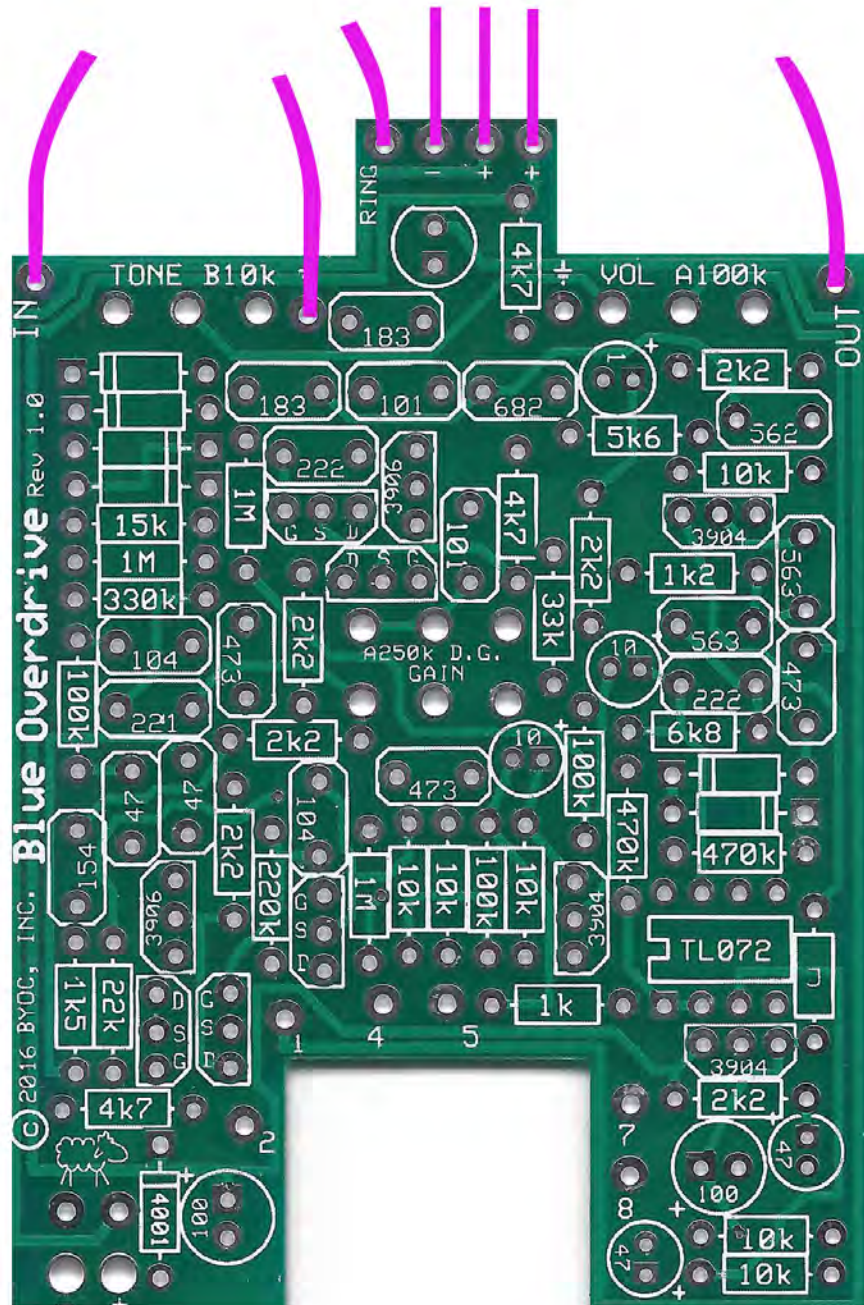


Step 6: Add the aluminum electrolytic capacitors. These ARE polarized, meaning there is a positive and negative end. The positive side will have a longer lead and goes in the square solder pad. The negative side will have a shorter lead and a stripe running along the body of the cap, and goes in the round solder pad.



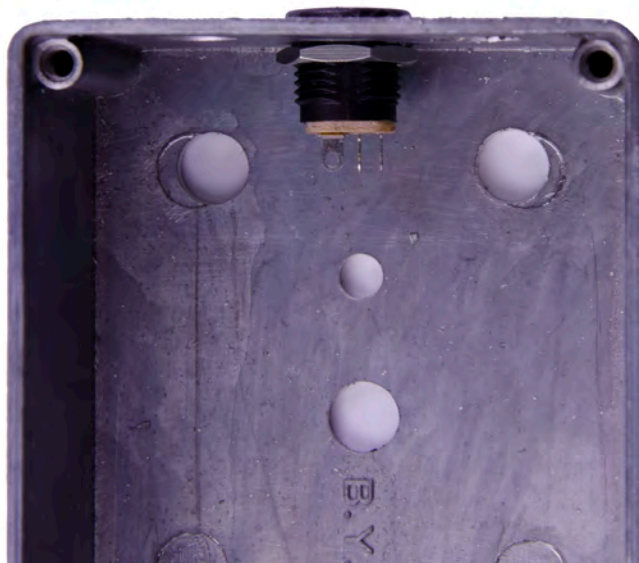
Here is where we recommend adding the mod components. Follow the link to learn what to change.

<http://byoceletronics.com/blueoverdrivemodinstructions.pdf>

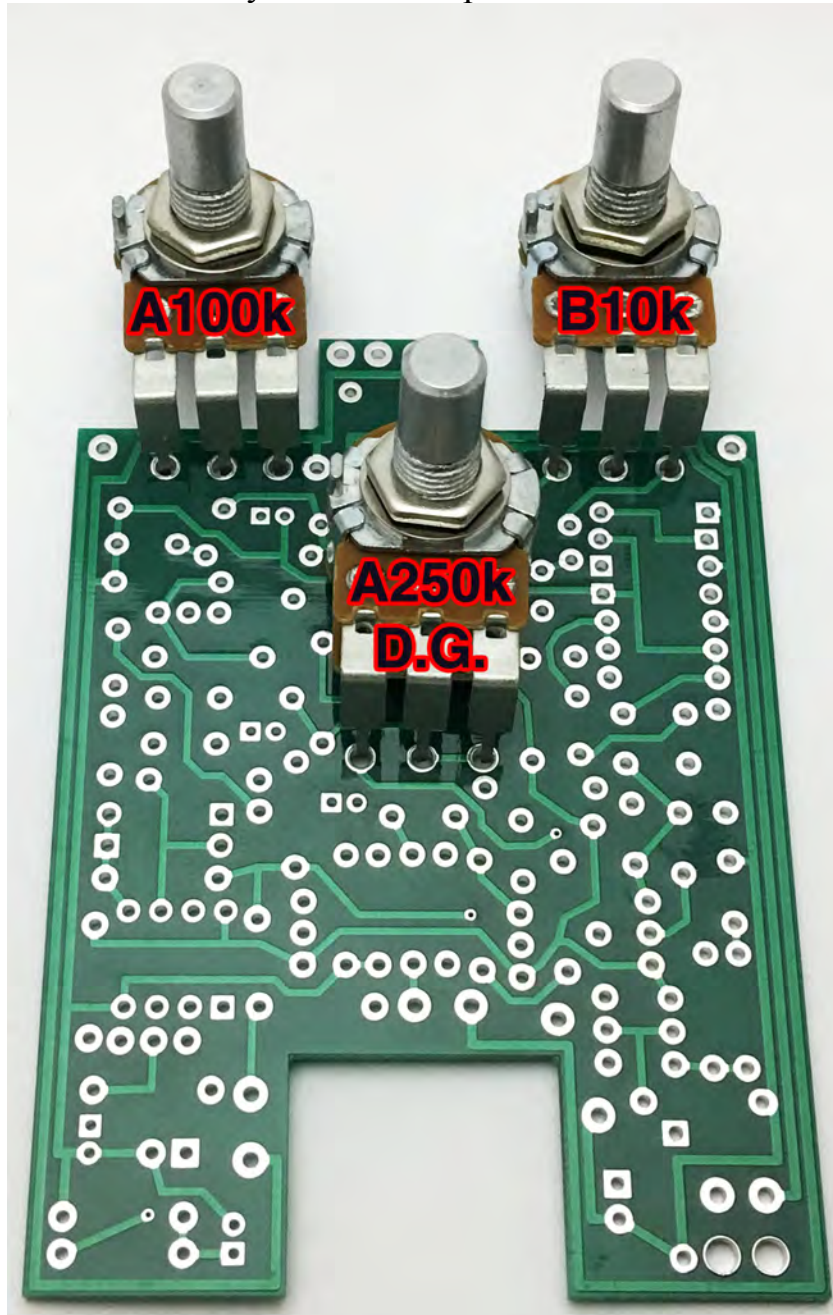


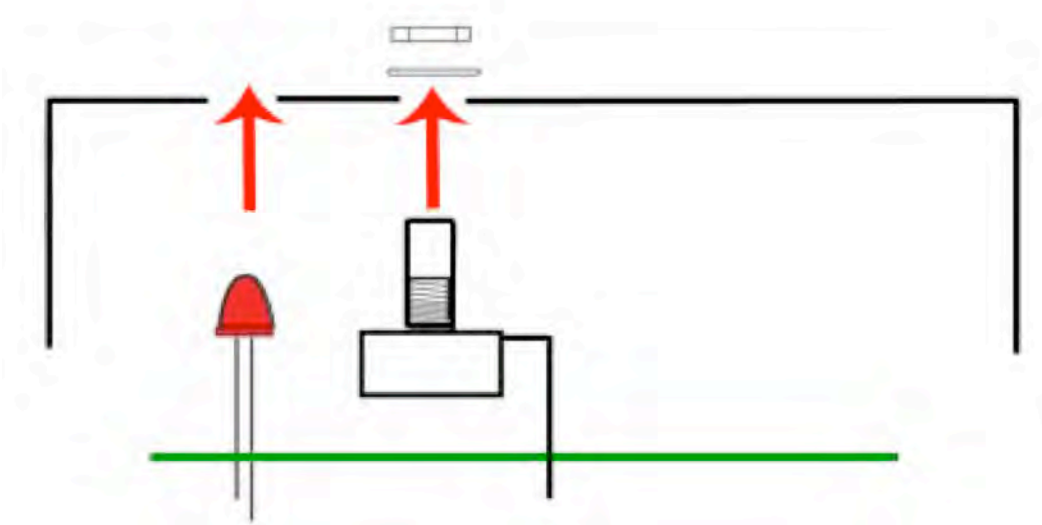
Main PCB Assembly

Step 1: Mount the DC adapter jack to the enclosure. Your kit may come with either an external thread or internal thread. Don't get confused by this. They still function exactly the same. You just thread the external nut on the outside and the internal nut on the inside. The picture below is of an internal nut jack.



Step 2: Flip the PCB over so that the bottom or solder side is up. Insert the three potentiometers, and the LED into the bottom side of the PCB. **DO NOT SOLDER ANYTHING YET!!!** The LED will have one lead that is longer than the other. **THIS WILL GO INTO THE SQUARE SOLDER HOLE.** Don't forget to remove the nuts and washers from the pots and also to snap off the tabs before you do this step.





Step 3: Hold the PCB in one hand so that the component side of the PCB is in the palm of your hand and the bottom side with the pots and LED are facing up. Now use your other hand to guide the predrilled enclosure onto the PCB assembly so that the pots and LED all go into their respective holes. Once the PCB assembly is in place, secure it by screwing on the washers and nuts for the pots. Only tighten them with your fingers. **You do not want them very tight yet.** Make sure you've removed the nuts and washers from the pots and that you've also snapped the tabs off the pots as well before installing.

Step 4: Turn the entire pedal over so that the component side of the PCB is facing up. Lift the PCB up off the pots about 2mm just to make sure that the back of the PCB does not short out against the pots. Make sure the PCB is level and symmetrically seated inside the enclosure.

Step 5: Solder the pots and LED. You will solder these parts on the component side of the PCB. After you have soldered them in place, be sure to tighten up their nuts. Be careful not to burn any of the components on the PCB. If you do, it won't harm anything, but it will look ugly.

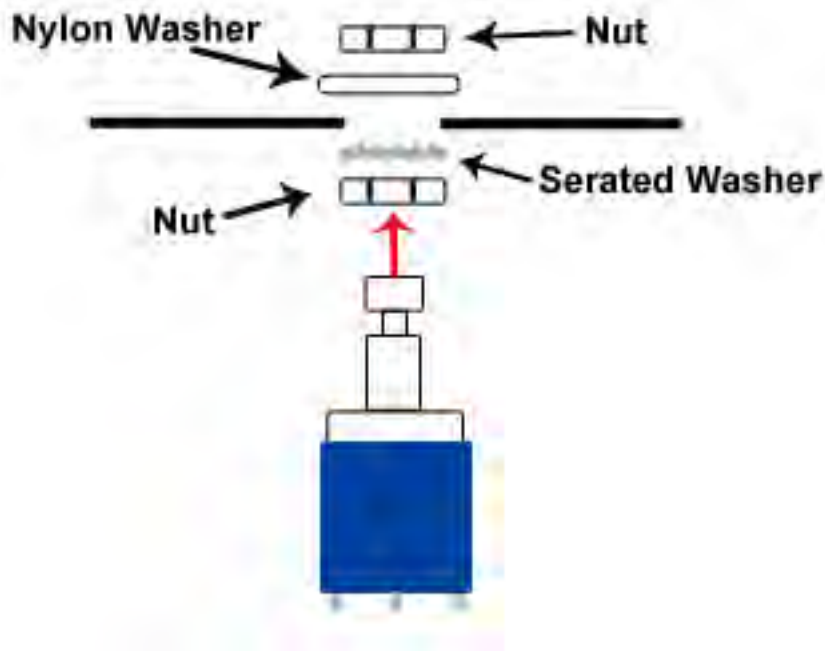
Stereo (Input) Jack



Mono (Output) Jack



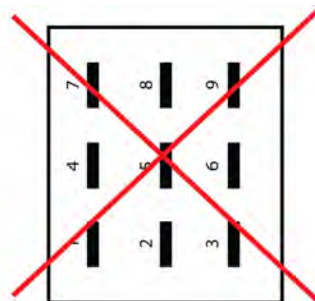
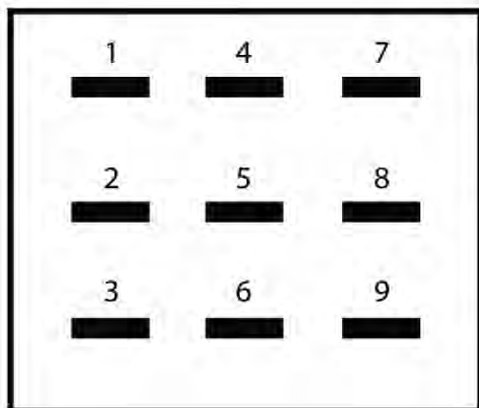
Step 2: Install the 1/4" jacks to the enclosure.



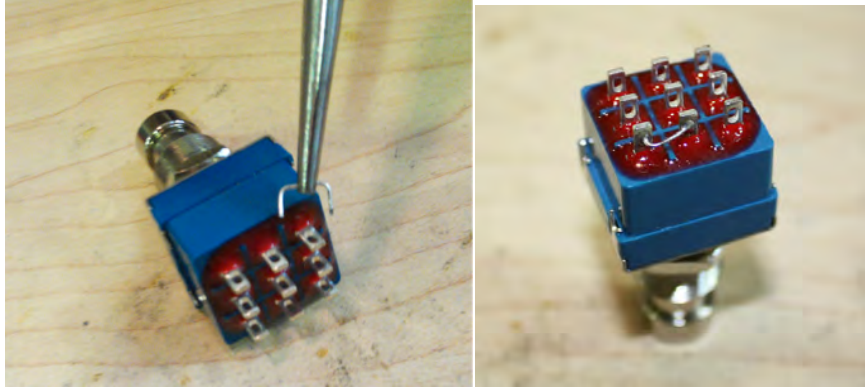
Step 3: Install the footswitch. Orient the footswitch so that the flat sides of the solder lugs are like the diagram below.

NOTE: There are no actual number markings on the footswitch. There are two correct ways you can orient the footswitch. They are both 180 degrees of each other. Either way is fine. It does not matter as long as the flat sides of the solder lugs are running horizontal, not vertical.

FOOT SWITCH SOLDER LUG DESIGNATIONS



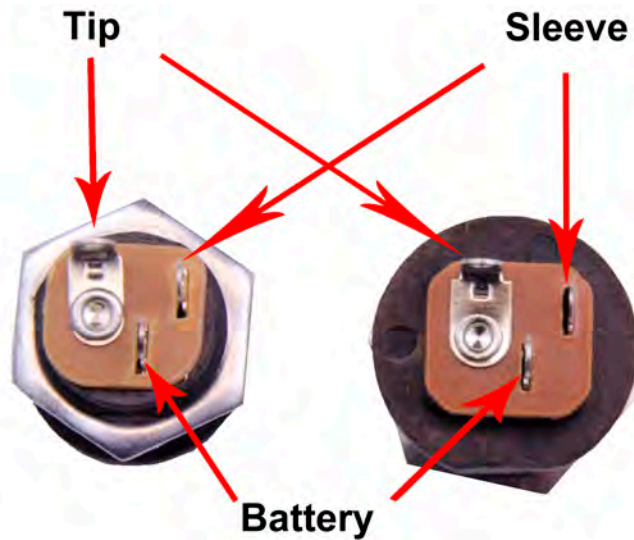
Step 3a: Make a jumper between lugs 3 & 6 from clippings from the resistors. Simply use your needle nose pliers to make a U shape & insert into lugs 3 & 6, then solder.



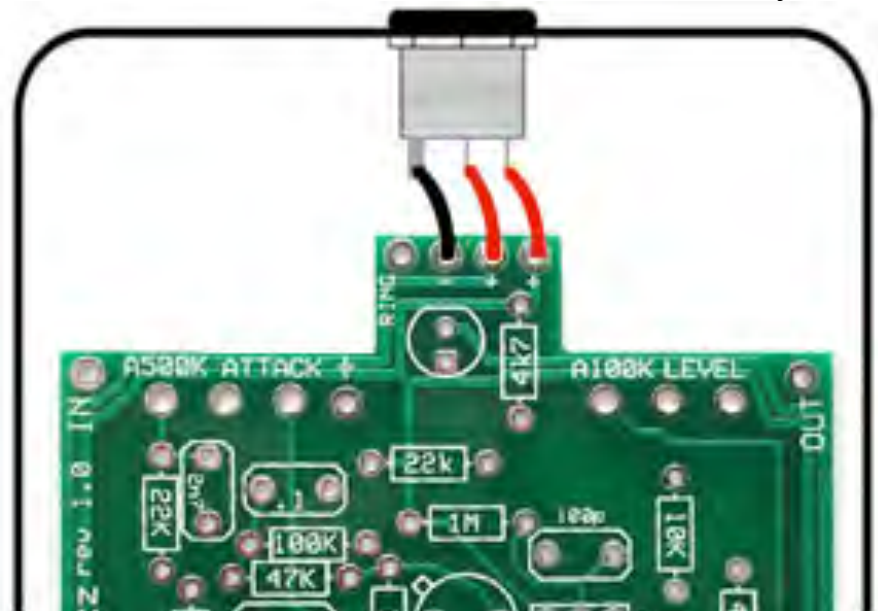
Step 3b: Connect a wire to LUG 4 that also jumpers to LUG9. Strip about 1" off one end. Make sure there is enough insulated wire to make the connection to the TIP of the in jack. Carefully tin the stripped end. You may want to twist the wire strands together tightly before tinning. Thread the stripped end through LUGs 4 and 9. This can be a little tricky. If this part is too frustrating for you, you can just run a separate wire to connect LUGs 4 and 9. Just be sure to solder the two wires at LUG 4 at the same time so you only need to make one solder joint.



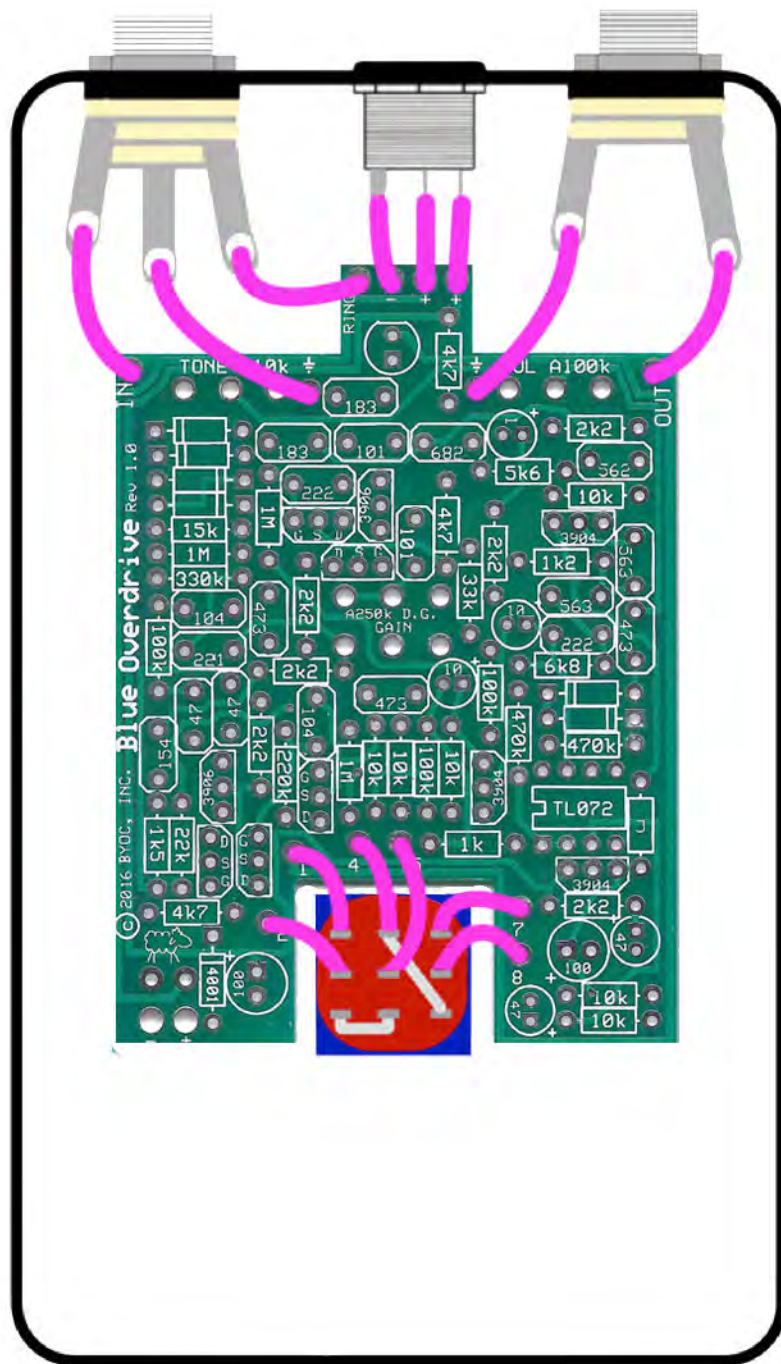
Wiring



Step 1: Connect the TIP (negative) terminal of the DC adapter jack to the eyelet on the PCB labeled “-”. Connect the SLEEVE of the DC adapter jack to the eyelet on the PCB labeled “+” farthest to the right. Connect the battery disconnect terminal of the DC adapter jack to the second eyelet on the PCB labeled “+” located in the middle of the other two eyelets .



Step 2: Wire the PCB to the foot switch and jacks as shown.



Operating Overview



Volume: Controls the overall output level.

Tone: Controls the tone.

Drive: Controls the amount of distortion.

Power supply: 9V battery or 2.1mm negative tip.

Current Draw: 7.5mA

Input Impedance: 4.7K ohms

Output Impedance: 100k ohms



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