

TWIN RELAY SWITCH



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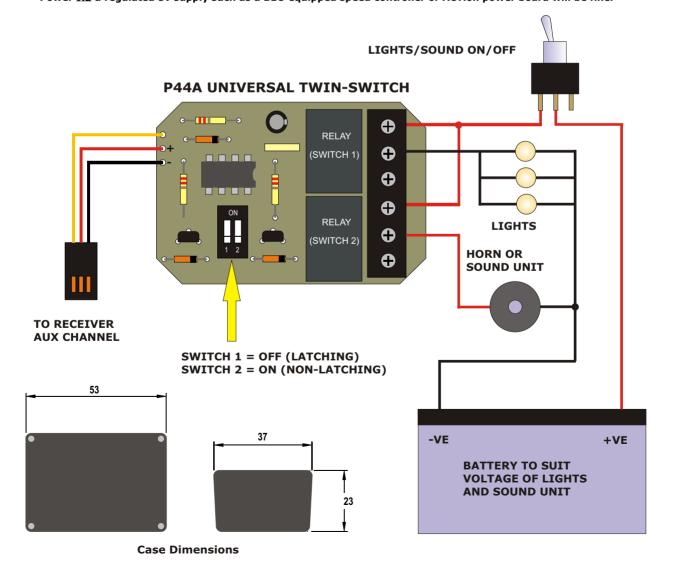
MICROCOMPUTER & MOSFET DESIGN

Number of switch functions
Radio control channels required
Latching or non latching selection
Switching points
Maximum receiver voltage
Minimum receiver voltage
Maximum load current (each relay)
Output connections

2
1
PCB switches
Fixed, no adjustment
6 volts*
4.8 volts
3 amps
Screw connectors

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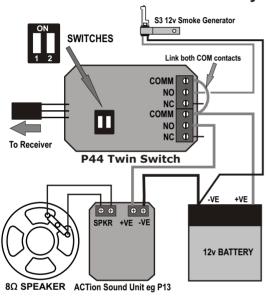
Latching or non latching selection PCB switches

Switching points Fixed, no adjustment Receiver voltage 4.8v to 6 volts* Maximum load current (each relay) 3 amps

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Two loads with the same battery



CONNECTION/OPERATION

The setting of the two switches will depend on the type of load and the use. Example of the types of load are shown on the diagrams. Generally, any item that you wish to run for a long period (e.g. lights) should be set on latching, while any momentary function (e.g. whistle/ horn) should be set on nonlatching. The 'ON' position of each of the switches gives non-

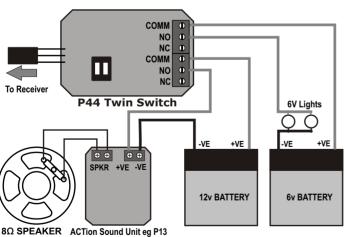
- 1. Plug lead into a spare r/c channel (i.e. not steering or speed)
- 2. Switch on transmitter then receiver in that order.
- 3. Moving the stick up and down (or left and right); you will hear the relays clicking.
- 4. Switch off receiver and transmitter.
- 5. Connect to whatever load you wish to drive.

RECOVERY SERVICE

A recovery or repairs service ensures that you will not be left with a dead unit for any reason. The service charge for this kit is £13.00 including parts (including return shipping cost in UK).

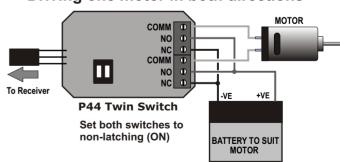
All returns should include Full Credit Card details (Name and Address of cardholder, Card Number, Expiry date and 3-digit Card Security Number)

Two loads with different batteries



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Driving one motor in both directions

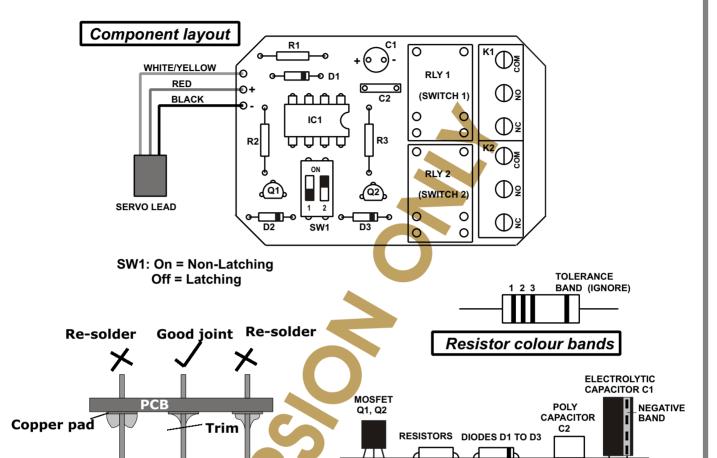


Sound units are polarity-critical! Take care to connect the battery correctly!

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P44A UNIVERSAL TWIN SWITCH Instructions for Kit version



Component mounting details

PARTS LIST 12C508 (programmed) MICROCONTROLLER IC (CARE WHEN HANDLING) IC1, 2N7000 FET (CARE WHEN HANDLING) Q1,2 D1,2,3 1N4148 SIGNAL DIODE (NOTE DARK BAR) 220 OHMS 1/4 WATT RESISTOR (RED/RED/BROWN) R1,2,3 C1 2.2 uF ELECROLYTIC CAPACITOR (marked 2.2 uF) 0.22uF POLY CAPACITOR (marked .22 63) C2 SW1 TWIN PCB SWITCH RELAY 1,2 5 VOLT COIL (3 AMP) **PCB** TYPE P44A CON1,2 3-WAY SCREW CONNECTOR BLOCKS Type RX2008 supplied with 4 self tapping screws CASE

Soldering Tips

SERVO LEAD

Futaba generic type supplied, with alternative HiTec/JR type plug
WIRE

Not supplied with kit. Will depend upon the item to be switched.

P44A KIT INSTRUCTIONS

TOOLS

For construction you will require a soldering iron (anything between 15 to 30 Watts with a thin pointed bit) and flux cored solder (22 SWG recommended). A small screwdriver for screw connectors, a small pair of wire cutters to trim wires and a small file to work on the case covers all the tool requirements, plus a good level of lighting.

The PCB for this project is fully prepared and requires no further work.

PARTS

DO NOT HANDLE ITEMS IN BLACK CONDUCTIVE FOAM UNTIL INSTRUCTED. (MOS DEVICES)

- The PCB has an insulated (Component Side) and a tinned track side. Components are mounted on the insulated side and soldered on the track side.
 - The resistors are the two-wire items with colour bands. All three, R1, 2, & 3 are the same value in this kit. The colour code can be read with reference to the Parts List, and the drawing shows the order in which the colour codes are read. The layout drawing shows the mounting positions and Component Mounting Detail shows how they are bent before insertion.
 - The 8-pin integrated circuit IC1 has a type code printed on it. The black moulded 8-pin IC socket supplied with the kit enables the builder to mount the IC by soldering in the socket then fitting the IC as the last operation in construction. Both the IC and the IC socket have a notch moulded in to determine which way round they are fitted. The IC is a CMOS device, supplied mounted on conductive foam (together with O1 & O2 Mosfets). These components should be left attached to the foam for protection against static electricity until they are required at the
 - The tiny glass diodes D1.2 & 3 have a dark bar at one end (shown on drawing as a black band). This band determines which way round they are fitted. The layout drawing shows the orientation of these components on the
 - The cylindrical electrolytic capacitor C1 has a band marked down one side with a (-) negative or minus sign on it; this signifies the negative (-) lead. The long lead is the positive (+). The + & - signs are marked on the layout
 - Component Mounting Detail drawing should help in the identification.
 - The small, square, white component with 2 pins is marked 22 J 63. This is a poly capacitor. It can be fitted either
 - The twin miniature switch SW1 is marked 1 & 2 (for switch 1 & 2) and the ON position is marked. SW1 has four pins.
 - The small block components with 6 short solder pins are relays RL1 & RL2.
 - FET devices Q1 and Q2 (marked BS170P) have three legs, the shape of the case is the key as to which way round they are fitted. The layout drawing shows this shape clearly.

CONSTRUCTION

Construction is very straight forward, the components being easy to fit in any order. For those who would prefer an order of building, the following should help:

- Fit and solder the 8-pin IC socket, noting the direction of the notch. The IC will be inserted into this socket as a later operation.
 - Fit the resistors in any order, into the right position with reference to the layout drawing, having bent them as shown. Each component when fitted and soldered, should have its spare lead length cut off. Solder in diodes D1,D2 & D3 ensuring that the dark bars are positioned as per the layout drawing.

 - The switch SW1 can now be fitted. Make sure that the printing looks as per the drawing.
 - The electrolytic capacitor C1 can be fitted and soldered now, ensuring that + and are correct in accordance with the drawing. After soldering, clip off the spare wire. C2 can now be soldered in; it can go either way round.
 - The two 3-way screw connector blocks will join together; the ridge on the side of one matches the recess on the side of the other. Join the two by sliding the ridge into the recess until the two 3-way blocks form a 6-way block. Now fit it. Ensure that the holes for the wires face the <u>outside</u> edge of the PCB.
 - Solder in the two Relays at this point; they will only fit one way round.
 - NOTES ON CMOS DEVÍCE HANDLING. USE A SHÉET OF ALUMINIUM, COOKING METAL FOIL WILL DO.
 - Place it on the work surface. Place the PCB, solder side down on it. Place the BLACK CONDUCTIVE FOAM on it and
 - rest your hands on it, holding them there while you read through this part of the instructions. The PCB, MOS ICs and you are now all at the same potential, i.e. any static voltage difference is now neutralised.
 - Fit and solder the two BS170 (or 2N7000) MOSFET transistors Q1 and Q2, cutting off the spare ends. Insert the I/C into its socket, noting that the 'notch' on the IC is as per the drawing. Ensure that it is correctly seated.
 - A 3-wire ribbon lead is supplied for the connection to the receiver. Connect the Positive + lead (Red) and Negative lead (Black) to the + and holes as per the drawing. The third lead is the pulse signal lead (White) and is connected to the middle hole as per the drawing.

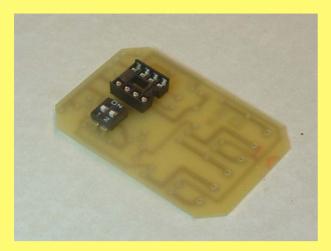
TESTING (Listen for the Clicks)

Each of the two outputs are what it termed a single pole double throw (SPDT) contact. When a relay is off, the (COM) common connection is connected to the (NC) Normally Closed connection. When the relay is on, the (COM) common is connected to the (NO) Normally Open. The COM and NO contacts then become a simple switch and can be wired as such. The switch SW1 can be used for the selection of the mode of operation of each switch. OFF is latching while ON is nonlatching action.

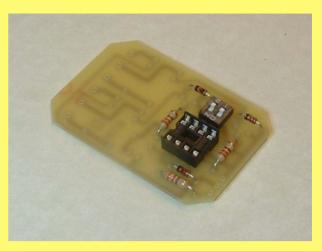
The unit can be tested for relay "Click" even when no outputs are connected, because the relay coils get their voltage from the receiver battery. If the servo lead is connected to your radio receiver and your receiver and transmitter are switched on, the unit will be heard to click as you reach the switching points each side of neutral (centre stick).

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PHOTOGRAPHIC BUILD SEQUENCE FOR KIT VERSION ONLY



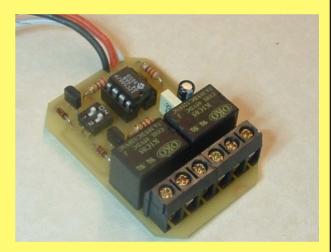
PICTURE 1: PCB with I/C socket and 2-way DIP switch fitted



PICTURE 2: Resistors and diodes added



PICTURE 3: Capacitors and MOSFETs added



PICTURE 4: Fit relays, screw terminals and I/C. NOTE! ANTI-STATIC PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED. Add Rx lead.



PICTURE 5: Finished unit, cased with sticker. Each pair of white wires is COM and NO for one of the relays.