A report on old and new packaging

by **The_Doc** » 02 Aug 2013, 16:10

So....an old football injury is playing up today, making walking and getting around very tricky for me a

I can't do much else today, so with time on my hands and my camera close by....I got busy. I have morphed into a mega-geek - it was only a matter of time according to Mrs_The _Doc.

I've just bagged the three new Boss pedals and I noticed how much cr*pola came in the TE-2 box with the pedal and wondered how it compared with my DM-2 bought in 1982...here are my observations for Boss geeks everywhere

DM-2 purchased from Soho Soundhouse (London) 24 Nov 1982
TE-2 Purchased from PMT (Bristol) 26 July 2013

Price

DM-2 £64.35 + VAT (@15%) of £9.65 = £74.00
TE-2 £135.00 + VAT (@20%) of £27.00 = £162.00

Stuff in the box with the pedal

DM-2 1 x Instruction Manual (small)
TE-2 1 x Instruction Manual (large), 1 x 'Safety' leaflet, 1 x Boss sticker, 1 x Boss Product Line Up Catalogue 2011

Bag size ... Boss haven't skimped on the plassy bag over the last 31 years...

DM-2 = 25.5cm x 13cm
TE-2 = 27.5cm x 14cm

Box lid and base ... the DM-2 and TE-2 boxes are of almost identical dimsensions
Lid = 14.5cm (L) x 9cm (W) x 5.6cm (H)
Base = 14.3cm (L) x 8.8cm (W) x 5.8cm (H)

Can I go to sleep now please ? I bet you have

The_Doc

Re: A report on old and new packaging

by **BearBoy** » 02 Aug 2013, 16:30

You are, indeed, a mega-geek

I couldn't resist a quick look at my two newest pedals though

The DD-7 came with instructions, Boss product lineup (2011), sticker and two safety leaflets (one white and one yellow).
The RC-3 came with a massive instruction book (so thick that the box sticks up about a centimetre higher than all the others), Boss product lineup (2011), sticker and safety leaflet.

I think I need a lie down now after all that excitement.

BearBoy

Re: A report on old and new packaging

by **bossarea** » 05 Aug 2013, 21:11

Over the years I thought every aspect of differences between pedals had been discussed, but the size of the plastic bag That's new.

bossarea

Re: A report on old and new packaging

by **fernieite** » 05 Aug 2013, 21:55

Definitely Geek approved!

BTW, do you like the TE-2? Is it any good?

fernieite

Re: A report on old and new packaging

by **visserman** » 06 Aug 2013, 13:47

It is a great observation Doc.

Cutting down on all of this could bring down prize of pedal, but then one could agrue that they trow in all of this paperwork more or less for free.

It is interesting, when you look at those cheaper, smaller pedals, what kind of packing they use, and even how the casing looks like. Some of these pedals are just for bedroom use. Some of them are even that small that you cannot put a battery in there. "Heh, who uses a battery here?", That may have been the thinking, so cut down on these cost to make pedal cheaper.

visserman

Re: A report on old and new packaging

by **The_Doc** » 09 Aug 2013, 22:31

Thanks bossarea - my thoughts exactly - it just had to be done !

Not sure about the TE-2 yet fernieite. It didn't have the same impact on me as the DA-2 did - I couldn't put that one down - but then it is a dirt pedal and I like dirt pedals

The TE-2 sure makes some interesting noises but I think it needs much more of my time and attention for me to really understand it and get the best out of it.

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