

Re: Pioneer XR-P560F Stereo

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On some of the older Pioneer units, they had a problem where the lens would fall off of the laser. If the tech was able to find it, he would try to carefully glue it back on with some good quality epoxy. The key is to do it and maintain the accuracy, and at the same time, not obstruct the optical path.

If this cannot be done, then the complete laser unit has to be replaced. This involves the work of removing and installing the new one, and then going through the complete alignment procedure to adjust it to track properly. This can easily involved an hour to two hours of work, if all goes smoothly.

I would not bother with a used laser assembly. These are taken out of scrapped units. The laser, and some of the transport parts are usually the things that generally fails in these units, and there is a chance that the one you put in may have some type of defect, or not last very long. Then you would be at greater loss.

Personally, I would get a new more up to date radio with a full new warranty. There are new models that will play MP3 music files. The older CD players cannot play MP3 music files.

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news:1104344880.769304.12300@z14g2000cwz.googlegroups.com...
I have Pioneer Stereo above (all-in-one w/25 disc changer). It no longer plays CD's; picks them up and everything, but can not read them. Took it to a shop. They say that the CD lens is missing. Sounds plausible. Part is \$100, difficult to put in so labor \$100. Couple of questions:
1) Part is AEA-7004 CD lens and pick-up assy. It is used on several other 25 disc models. Any ideas on where I could pick up a used lens or buy a unit for parts? Ebay doesn't have much.
2) Anyone have experience replacing this? How much knowledge/skill does it take? I.e. if I bought the part, would it make sense to try it myself.
The unit is several years old now, but I like the sound quality, features, etc. Still not sure if it is worth putting \$200 into though.
Thanks for any advice.
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