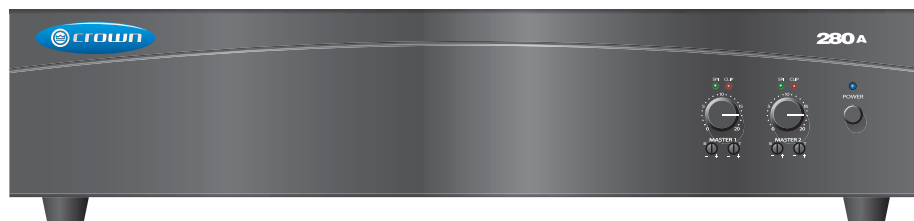


**COMMERCIAL AUDIO SERIES**

**180A  
280A  
1160A**



The Crown® 180A, 280A, and 1160A are high-value amplifiers for commercial and industrial audio. They provide 4-ohm and constant-voltage outputs (70V and 100V). The amps are part of Crown's Commercial Audio Series, which also includes mixers and mixer-amps. These low-cost units provide all necessary features in a simple building-block format.

The amplifiers vary in their number of inputs, number of outputs, and power range:

- 180A has 1 input and one 80W power amplifier for single-zone systems.
- 280A has 2 inputs and dual 80W power amplifiers for two-zone systems.
- 1160A has 1 input and one 160W power amplifier for single-zone systems.

Some applications include schools, hospitals, factories, restaurant/retail, houses of worship, fitness facilities, A/V boardrooms, prisons, and small offices. Typical uses are paging, background music, security and evacuation instructions.

The sound system can be upgraded as a facility expands. For example, you can add more mixers for more inputs, or add more power amps (or mixer-amps) to handle more zones.

## Specifications

### Performance

**Frequency Response** (at 1 watt from 4-ohm tap): 70 Hz to 19 kHz +/- 1 dB.

**Frequency Response** (at line out): 20 Hz to 20 kHz +/- 1 dB.

**Power Bandwidth** (at 4-ohm tap, 2 dB below maximum 1 kHz power): 50 Hz to 20 kHz with < 0.5% THD

**Signal to Noise Ratio** (ref. to rated power, master volume at minimum): 85 dB.

**DC Output Offset:** < ±5 mV.

**THD:** Less than 0.5% at rated power at 1 kHz.

**Input Sensitivity** (for full output at maximum gain): 800 mV.

**Input Impedance (nominal):** 100 kilohms.

**Minimum Load Impedance:**

100V output: 160 ohms.

70V output: 80 ohms.

4-ohm output: 4/8 ohms.

**Crosstalk (all controls at "10"):** -70 dB at 1kHz.

**Line Output Level (nominal):** 1V into 10 kilohms.

**AC Line Voltages Available:**

100V 50/60 Hz

120V 60 Hz

220V 50/60 Hz

230V 50/60 Hz

240V 50/60 Hz

## Features

- 1 or 2 inputs, 1 or 2 amplifier output channels.
- Ideal for commercial and industrial use
- Balanced Phoenix-type line inputs; touch-proofed screw-terminal speaker outputs
- Advanced protection system includes output current limiting, DC protection, circuit breaker/fuse, and thermal protection; details available online at [www.crownaudio.com](http://www.crownaudio.com)
- Three-Year, No-Fault, Fully Transferable Warranty completely protects your investment and guarantees its specifications

## 180A

\*1 kHz Power

Minimum guaranteed power into 4 ohms or 70V/100V output **80W**

\*1 kHz Power: refers to maximum power in watts at 1 kHz with 0.5% THD.

## 280A

\*1 kHz Power

Minimum guaranteed power per channel into 4 ohms or 70V/100V output **80W**

\*1 kHz Power: refers to maximum power in watts at 1 kHz with 0.5% THD.

## 1160A

\*1 kHz Power

Minimum guaranteed power into 4 ohms or 70V/100V output **160W**

\*1 kHz Power: refers to maximum power in watts at 1 kHz with 0.5% THD.

**Operating Temperature/Humidity:** 0° C to 40° C at 95% relative humidity (non-condensing).

**Storage Temperature:** -20° C to 85° C.

## Front Panel Controls and Indicators

**Power Switch:** Pushbutton on-off switch. The power switch does not affect the 24V DC auxiliary power input.

**Power Indicator:** Blue LED indicates power on.

**Output Signal Presence Indicator:** Green LED, one for each output channel, illuminates when output signal level exceeds 100 mV (45 dB below full power) from the 4-ohm tap.

**Clip Indicators:** Red LED, one per output channel. Illuminates at threshold of audible distortion.

**Master Volume Controls:** One per output channel. Detented potentiometer with knob.

**Tone Controls:** Bass and Treble non-detented potentiometers on each channel. Bass ±10 dB at 100 Hz, Treble ±10 dB at 10 kHz.

## Back Panel Controls and Connectors

**Reset Switch:** Resets the circuit breaker that protects the power supply. 220/230/240V units have a fuse instead.

**AC Power Inlet:** Detachable IEC.

**Auxiliary Power Input:** 2-position terminal strip for 24 VDC (±10%) backup power. Accepts up to 14 AWG terminal forks.

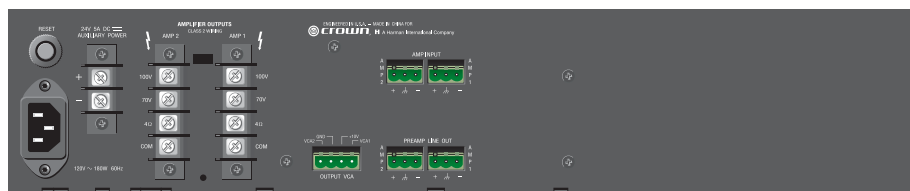
**Amplifier Outputs Connectors:** One per channel, 4-position terminal strip with COM (Common), 4 ohms, 70V and 100V terminals. Accepts up to 10 AWG terminal forks. Non-touch cover included.

**Output VCA Connector:** One for every two channels, 4-pin Phoenix-type connector for two VCA control lines of +10 VDC and ground. Compatible with Crown 1-VCAP and 4-VCAP modules.



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**180A**  
**280A**  
**1160A**



**280A back panel. 180A and 1160A are similar except for the number of channels.**

**Line Out Connector:** One 3-pin balanced Phoenix-type connector per output channel. Post master, pre-VCA. Level controlled by master volume control.

**Amp Input Connector:** 3-pin Phoenix-type, high-impedance balanced, one per amplifier channel.

**Cooling**  
Convection cooled.

**Protection**

**Current Limit Protection:** Included.

**Thermal Limit Protection:** Over-temperature thermal cutout.

**DC-Fault Load Protection:** Included.

**Included Accessories**

- Power cord
- Detachable rack ears
- Screws for rack ears
- Non-touch cover for output connectors
- Phoenix-type connectors
- Spade lugs

**Optional Accessories**

- 1-VCAP remote volume control for one channel.
- 4-VCAP remote volume control for four channels.

**Dimensions**

EIA Standard 19-inch (48.3-cm) rack mount width (EIA RS-310-B) with rack ears, 3.5-inch (8.9-cm) height and 12.2-inch (31.0-cm) depth behind the mounting surface (not including non-touch cover). 4.1 inches (10.5 cm) high including feet. 13.9 inches (35.2 cm) deep from front of knobs to back of non-touch cover.

**Weight**

**Net Weight:**

- 180A: 21.0 lb (9.5 kg)
- 280A: 25.3 lb (11.5 kg)
- 1160A: 25.3 lb (11.5 kg)

**Shipping Weight:**

- 180A: 26.0 lb (11.8 kg)
- 280A: 30.3 lb (13.7 kg)
- 1160A: 30.3 lb (13.7 kg)



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