

 **BISHOP'S MISCELLANY**  
DUAL STEPPED CV/GATE RECORDER

# BUILDING GUIDE



**Shakmat**  
MODULAR

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# 01. Components List + Tools

## Resistors

### 6,8 k $\Omega$

X14 – Pack 1/5  
x12 on V2 kit

### 100 k $\Omega$

X6 – Pack 2/5

### 1 k $\Omega$

X4 – Pack 1/5

### 1 M $\Omega$

X2 – Pack 1/5

### 22 $\Omega$

X1 – Pack 1/5

### 33 k $\Omega$ (V2 kit only)

X2 – Pack 2/5

## Capacitors

### 22 pF

X2 – Pack 2/5  
C1, C2

### 100 nF

X1 – Pack 1/5  
C3

## Diodes

### 1N4148

X9 – Pack 2/5  
D1 → D9

### 1N4742 Zenner

X1 – Pack 1/5  
D10

## Quartz

### 16 MHz

X1 – Pack 2/5  
Q1

## LEDs

### Green LED

X2 – Pack 2/5  
L1, L2

## IC's

### 8 Pin IC Socket

X1 – Plastic Tubbing or bag  
IC3

### LM358 OpAmp

X1 – Plastic Tubbing  
on IC3

### 14 Pin IC Socket

X1 – Plastic Tubbing or bag  
IC4

### MCP4922

X1 – Plastic Tubbing  
on IC4

### 28 Pin IC Socket

X1 – Plastic Tubbing or bag  
IC1

### ATMEGA328

X1 – Plastic Tubbing  
on IC1

### 78L05

X1 – Pack 2/5  
IC2

## Miscellaneous

### Power Supply Header

X1 – Pack 2/5  
PSH

### Jack Connectors

X16 – Pack 3/5  
J1 → J16

### Jack Knurled Nuts

X16 – Pack 4/5  
on jack connectors

## Switches

X4 – Pack 3/5  
S1 → S4

## Switches Nuts

X4 – Pack 4/5  
On switches

## Potentiometers

X2 – Pack 3/5  
P1, P2

## Potentiometers Nuts

X2 – Pack 4/5  
on potentiometer

## M3 Screws

X4 – Pack 4/5  
on panel

## Chroma Caps Knobs

X2  
on potentiometers

## PCB

X1 – Pack 5/5

## Aluminum Panel

X1 – Pack 5/5

## Power Ribbon Cable

X1

## Tools

## Soldering Iron

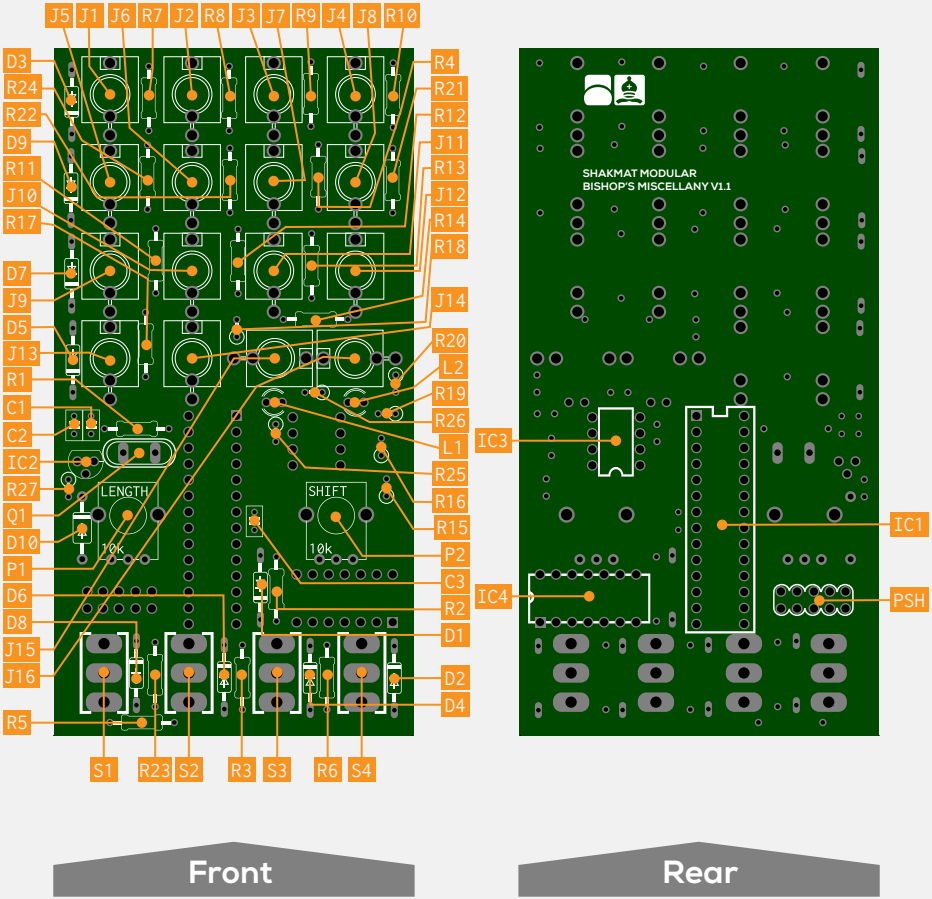
## Solder

## Cutting Pliers

## Masking Tape

## Multimeter

## 02. Panel Sides



The front of the PCB is the one with the switches, jack connectors and potentiometers on it. The top of the board is the connectors side, the bottom is the switches side. Almost all the components goes to the front of the PCB. Here is a list of the components that goes to the rear side :

- 1 x 8 pin socket + IC
- 1 x 14 pin socket + IC
- 1 x 28 pin socket + IC
- Power supply header

### 03. Important Note

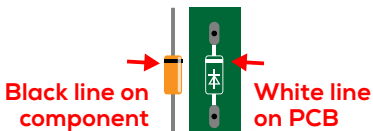
If you feel you're going to build this kit without looking at the steps, just remember this : **don't solder the switches without placing them into the front panel first**. If you don't want the final PCB & front panel assembly becoming a real pain, do this, seriously. We also strongly recommend to have a look to the step 04\_10 that require unexpected cuts on the potentiometers.

### 04. Step by Step Assembly

#### 04\_1. Diodes

There's two kind of diodes : 9 tiny ones (1N4148) and a bigger one (Zener 1N4742) that goes to the left of LENGTH potentiometer.

Diodes orientation has to match the PCB silkscreen. The white line on the silkscreen has to match the black bar on the component, as show here :



X9

Pack 2/5

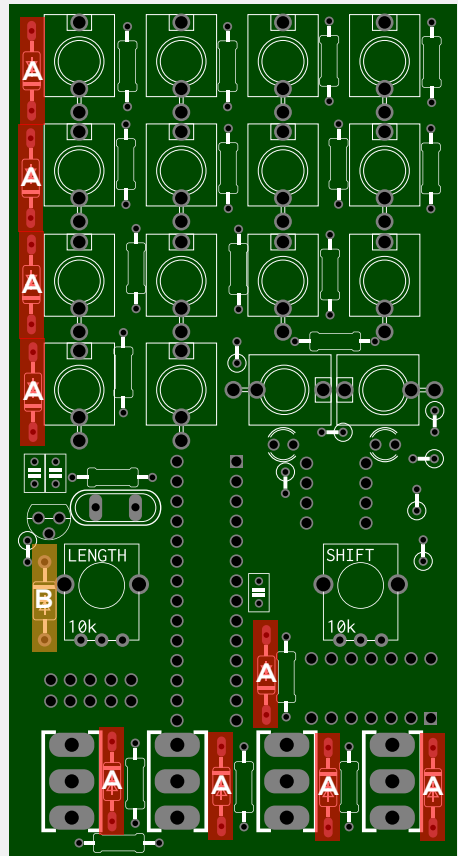
1N4148 A



X1

Pack 1/5

Zener B



## 04\_2. Flat Resistors

Here's a picture of the PCB with placement of the flat resistors by value. There's no polarity to observe with resistors, so you can solder them no matter the way. Once soldered, you've to cut the excess of the resistor legs with a pair of cutting pliers. This has to be done for most of the build's components.

X12

6.8k $\Omega$  A



Pack 1/5

X1

1k $\Omega$  B



Pack 1/5

X2

1M $\Omega$  C



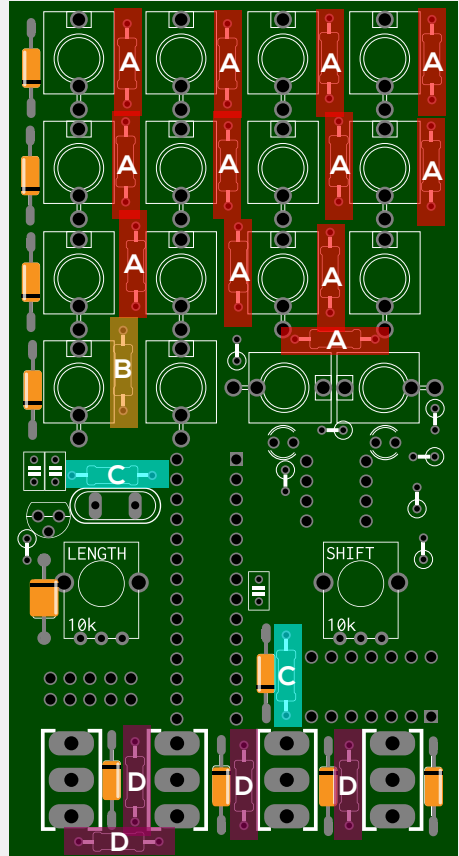
Pack 1/5

X4

100k $\Omega$  D



Pack 2/5



## 04\_3. Capacitors

Quite simple, Two 22pf, in red on the picture, and one 100nF in blue.

X1

100nF A



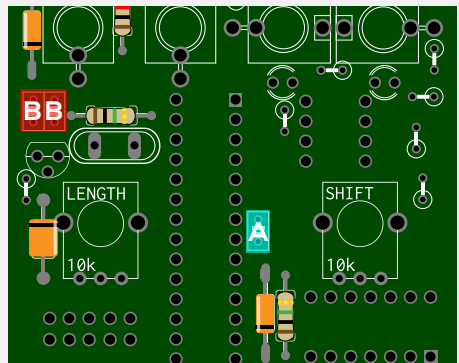
Pack 1/5

X2

22pF B



Pack 2/5

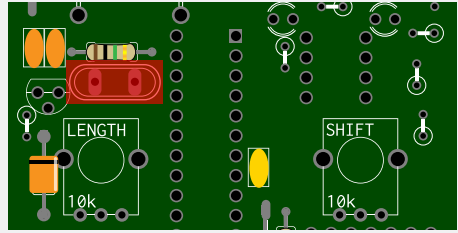
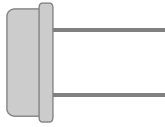


## 04\_4. Quartz

The quartz has to lay flat and fits the shape on the PCB silkscreen.

**X1 Pack 2/5**

**16 MHz**



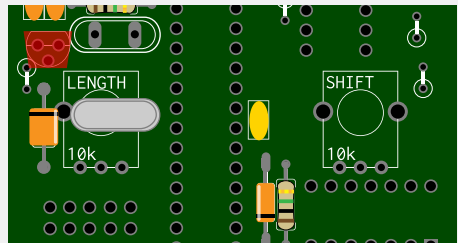
## 04\_5. 78L05

Bend the middle leg of the 78L05, then place the component on the PCB, like shown on the silkscreen.

**X1**

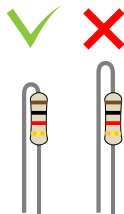
**Pack 2/5**

**78L05**



## 04\_6. Standing Resistors

Only one leg of the resistor have to be bent before soldering. Don't bend the leg too high or it will cause short-circuit with the panel :



**X3 Pack 1/5**

**1kΩ A**



**X2 Pack 2/5**

**100kΩ C**



**X2 Pack 1/5**

**6.8kΩ B**



OR

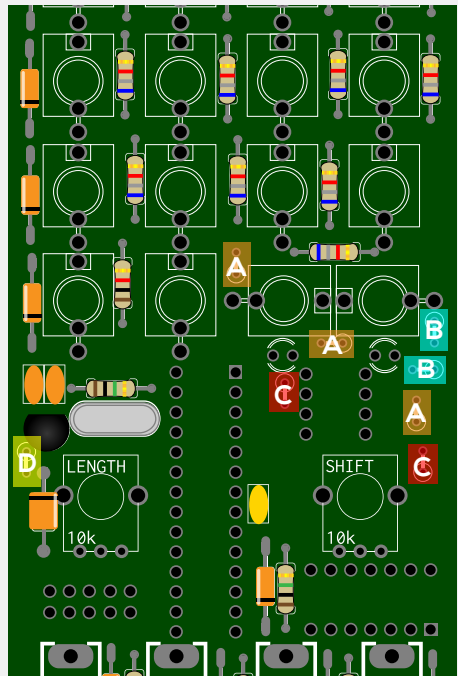
**X2 Pack 2/5**

**33kΩ B**



**X1 Pack 1/5**

**22Ω D**



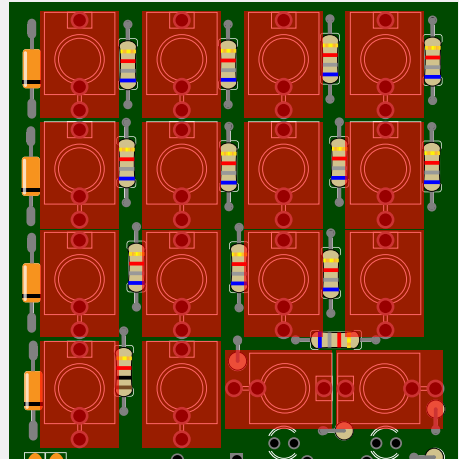
## 04\_7. Jack Connectors

There are 16 jack connectors, that have to sit tight and flush with the PCB. Be sure to push them all the way through before soldering. A good way to do so is by pushing the PCB from behind on your table while all the jack connectors are in place but unsoldered.

X16

Jack

Pack 3/5

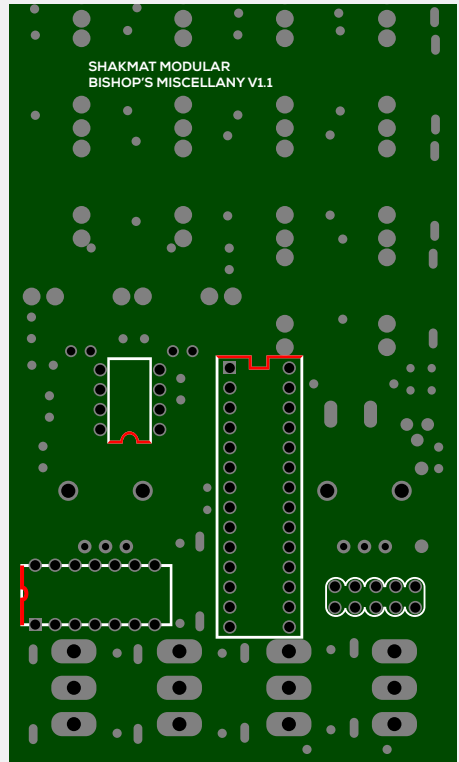
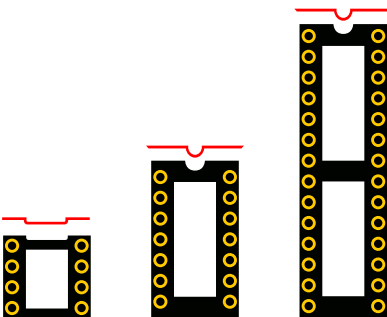


## 04\_8. IC Sockets

Now, let's flip the PCB and solder the three IC's sockets. Be attentive to their orientation. The notch on the silkscreen (marked in red on the picture) as to match the notch on the socket. Be careful not to miss any of the tiny socket legs or to bridge two of them with solder.

X3

Plastic tubing





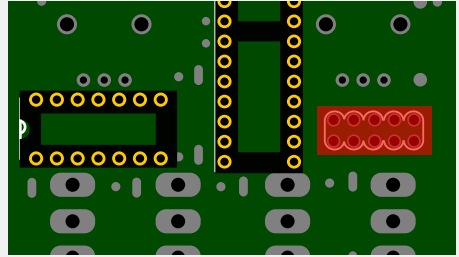
## 04\_9. Power Supply Header

Solder only one leg of the header, verify that it's flush with the PCB & then solder the 9 other legs.

X1

Pack 3/5

Header

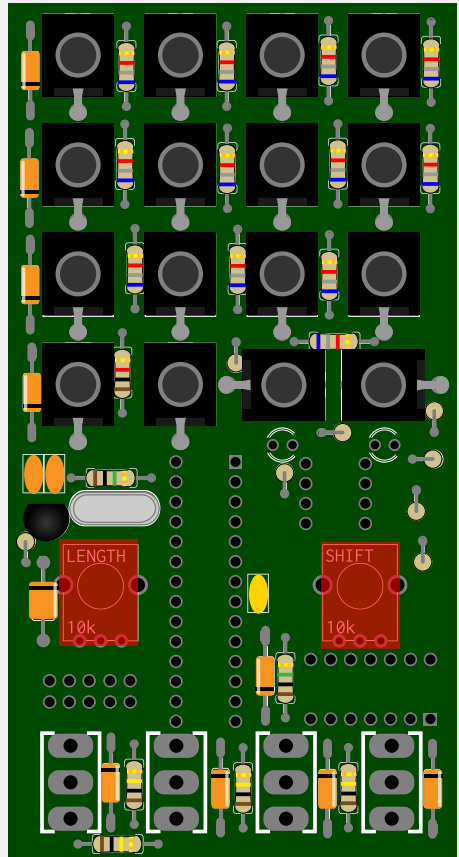
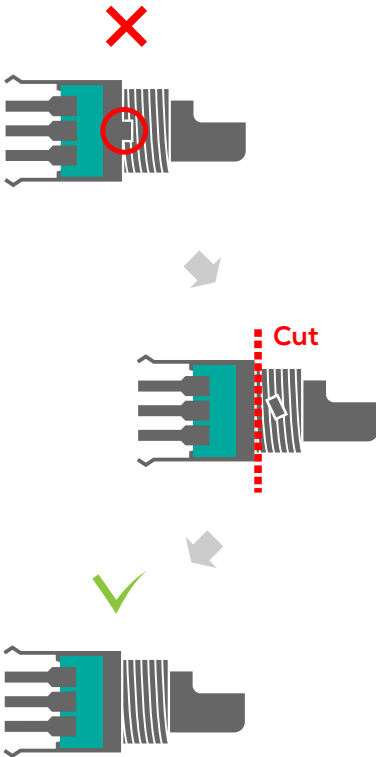


## 04\_10. Potentiometers

Let's go back to the front side. First you'll have to remove a little bit of metal on the potentiometer as shown in the picture. Then you can solder them.

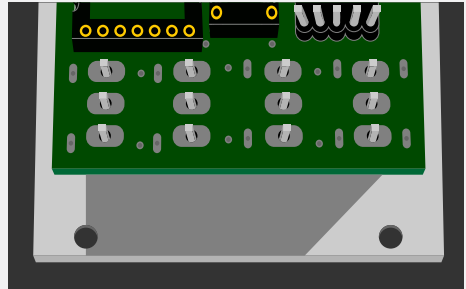
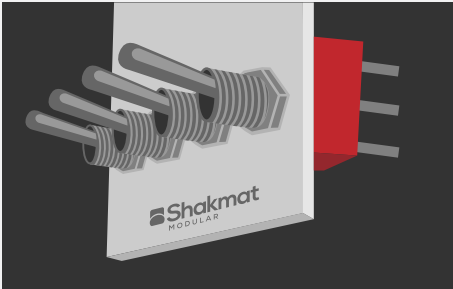
X2

Pack 4/5



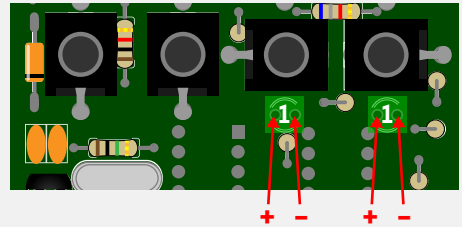
## 04\_11. Switches

First, finger tighten the switches on the panel with their nuts. Then assemble the panel with the PCB while the switches are mounted. Finally solder the legs.

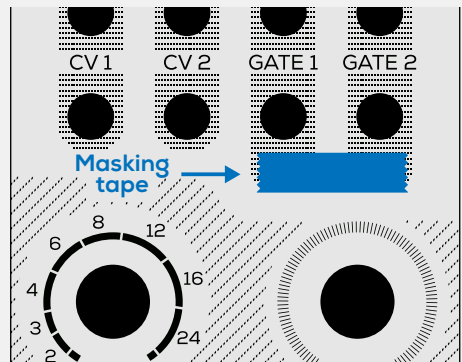


## 04\_12. LEDs

Remove the front panel, put the LEDs into place in the PCB. Be very careful to get them the right way around. The longer leg goes into the hole marked with a plus in the picture.



Before soldering the legs, put the front panel on. Finger tighten the nuts on the jack, switches and pots. Put the LEDs into place pointing through the holes in the front panel, and align them flush. A good way to do this is to stick a small piece of masking tape covering the LEDs holes helping them to stay in place.



X2

LED 1

Pack 2/5

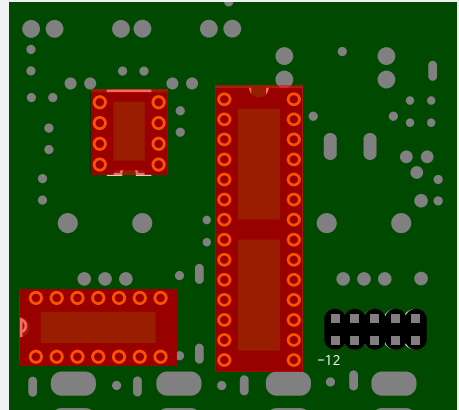
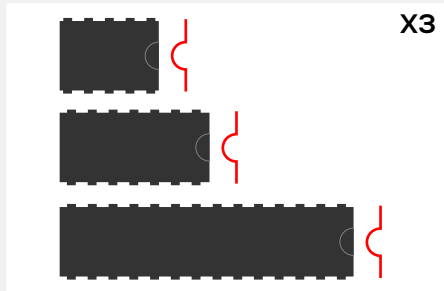


LED  
POLARITY



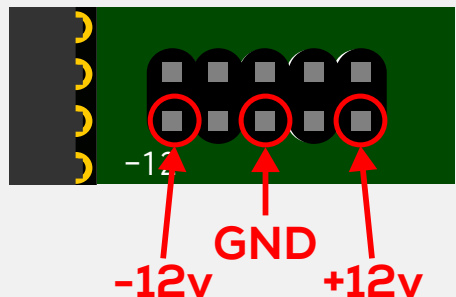
## 04\_13. ICs

Plug the IC's in their sockets, make sure their orientations matches the socket orientation.

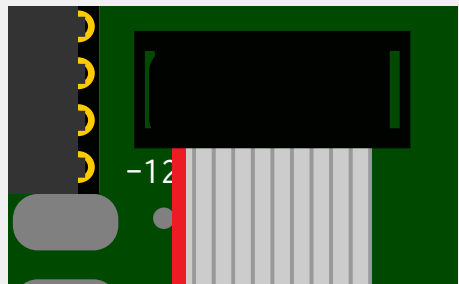


## 04\_14. Testing

Now let's have a visual test : is everything correctly soldered ? Are the diodes orientation right ? Are the IC's orientation OK ? Is there any shape on the PCB silkscreen that is not covered by a component ? Take some minutes to carefully check everything.



Now take a multimeter and check if there's no shortcut between the ground, 12V and -12V pins on the power header. If nothing's wrong, you're good to go ! Plug the power cable and make sure the red stripe of the cable matches the -12V on the PCB silkscreen. Don't forget to add the nuts on the connectors, switches and potentiometers, finally add the knobs. Now let's plug the module in your system and test it. The module LEDs doesn't blink if the module isn't running. So don't panic if the modules seems quiet when nothing is connected to it. A fast and easy way to check if the module is working is to feed the clock input with a trig gate signal, turn the REC and RNDM switch ON (that's to say down) & both LEDs should be randomly blinking.



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