The distinct, unmistakable sound of a Spector bass can be heard on some of the biggest, and most memorable records in modern music. The premium materials and time-honored techniques used to craft these instruments provides players with unprecedented levels of stability and sustain, and a level of definition no other bass can compete with. All of the natural tone of a Spector bass is enhanced with our proprietary active circuitry. The coveted Spector “HAZ 9V” pre-amp is the source of this famous sound, providing the famous “Spector growl” when paired with your favorite amplifier and effects.

Over our nearly 45-year history, Spector has relied upon its relationship with HAZ Laboratories to produce our proprietary pre-amps. Spector and HAZ is proud to debut an updated version of this classic circuit. Because of the scarcity of the now obsolete components used in the original design, Spector and HAZ Labs have elected to begin using surface mount components in the manufacturing process. This allows us to replicate the exact sound, response, and feel of the original pre-amp, but with more accurate and efficient components. It also provides the opportunity for players to custom tailor their sound, with the inclusion of some internal voicing switches that carefully adjust the frequency range of the 2-band EQ. Most importantly, it allows us to preserve this iconic sound & circuit for decades to come.

The new HAZ 9V has been thoroughly tested over the last year by those closest to our instruments, including some of our longest-running artists, to ensure that our iconic sound has been preserved. The original “Classic HAZ” circuit will now be reserved for special projects at the Spector USA workshop. All production models of the Spector NS will feature the updated HAZ 9V circuit beginning in November of 2020.