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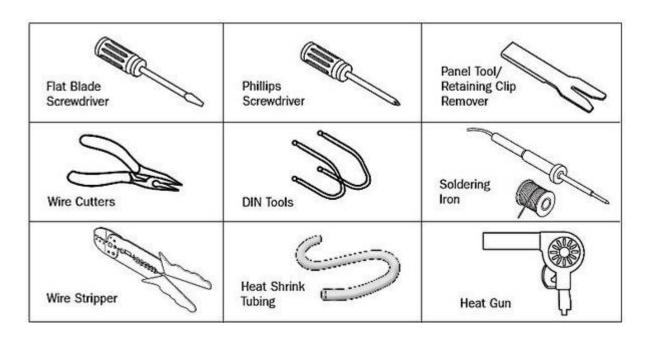


Car Stereo Installation Guide



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This installation guide walks you through the process of installing a new Android car stereo. Please read over these guidelines before beginning the installation in order to give yourself an idea of what to expect.



## Remove the factory stereo

When installing a new stereo in your car, your first step will be to remove the old stereo. Pay close attention to the steps involved, for the process for installing your new stereo will be the same, but in reverse.

For detailed information on how to remove the factory stereo in a specific vehicle, refer to your Crutchfield MasterSheet™ instructions, if available. They will walk you through the process step-by-step. Otherwise, you may use the general guidelines below.

Before you begin, start by setting the parking brake and removing the negative cable from the car battery to prevent accidentally short circuiting something.



Disconnect your battery's negative terminal before any install ation job to protect your electrical system..

Your factory stereo will be mounted in one of two ways:

- secured in a metal mounting sleeve by spring clips
- bolted to the dash with brackets

### Spring clip mounting

If the stereo is held in by spring clips, you'll need a pair of DIN tools. Insert the DIN tools into the holes on eitter side of the unit until a click is heard. The tools serve to release the spring clips and also hook onto the sides of the stereo so that you can pull it out easily. Spread the tools apart slightly then pull the stereo out of the dash.



These DIN tools are used to remove the factory stereo from a 2 000 Ford Expedition.

# **Bolted in place**

Sometimes, accessing the stereo requires the removal of one or more trimpanels from the dash. You may have to (carefully) pr y the plastic trim away from the dash (which is often secured by hidden pressure clips), or locate and remove bolts to disas semble other pieces of panel. Once you have gained access to the factory stereo, removal should be obvious. The <a href="mailto:audio player">audio player</a> will almost always be secured by four screws, sometimes bolted directly to the front of the dash, other times secured to side brackets. Remove the screws and pull the stereo from the dash.



Four bolts and a pair of side brackets attach the stereo to the e dasgh in a 1998 Toyota Sienna.

American cars built before the early 1980s often came with a "shaft-

style" stereo, which secured to the dash via nuts and washers to the right and left knobs. A shaft-style stereo must be installed from behind the dash. Getting i t into position is the tricky part, since your vehicle's wirin g,heater controls, and ductwork may be in the way.



## Unplugging the factory stereo

If your vehicle has (or once had) a factory stereo, or if it w as pre-

wired with a "stereo prep" package, there should be at least o ne plastic wiring harness behind the stereo opening. This plug (s) connects the stereo to your vehicle's electrical system, a nd also makes the speaker connections. You will need to unplug the factory stereo from the wiring harnesses, and unplug the antenna to complete the removal process.

# Connect the wiring

If Crutchfield carries a custom wiring harness for your vehicle, you can use it to connect your new stereo to your vehicle's factory wiring harnesses. This will ensure that everything works seamlessly, just like the factory stereo did.



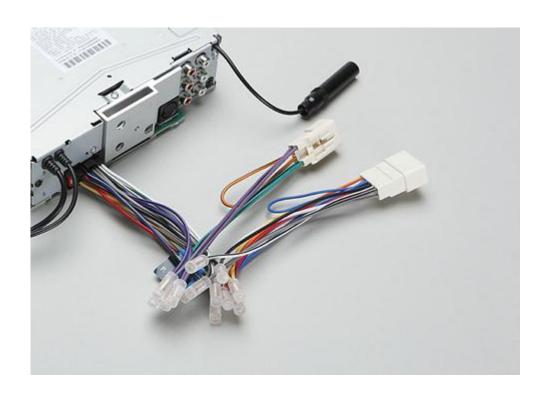
A custom wiring harness makes installing a new stereo much eas ier.

If a harness is not available for your vehicle or if the facto ry stereo plug was cut off, you'll need to identify each of th e stereo wires and connect them to the corresponding wires of your new stereo.

### Crimping, Posi-Product™ connectors, and soldering

Decide how you want to connect the wires together. Crimping is fast and fairly simple. If you crimp the wires together, be sure to use the correct size crimp connector — typical indash stereo wires are 18-gauge, but a few use heavier gauge power and ground wires. The re are several types of crimp connectors, including bullet connectors, butt connectors, or crimp caps.

Posi connectors offer a quick and secure twiston connection for wires, and they can be reused. Like crimping, you'll want to make sure you have the rig ht wire gauges for the job.



Posi-

Product connectors provide secure connections for your wiring.

Soldering creates a permanent, professional connection that en sures maximum current transfer. We strongly recommend that you use heat-

shrink tubing and a heat gun to insulate the soldered connecti on. Avoid taping the wires together — the tape will dry out an d fall off, exposing the wires and making it only a matter of time before something shorts out.



#### **Power**

Usually, it is best to make all of the <u>new stereo</u>'s wiring con nections via the wiring harness, but if you have to make a dir ect power connection, you'll need to know the difference betwe en "switched" and "constant" power.

A switched power source is only on when the ignition is keyed — connect your new stereo's main (switched) power lead to a switched power source, so that the stereo will turn off when you turn off the car, and not drain your vehicle's battery.

A **constant power** source is always on — connect your new stereo 's memory lead to a constant power source, so that you don't l ose your stereo preset, sound shaping, and clock settings ever y time you turn off the vehicle.

A rare few highpowered stereos require you to make a direct constant power co
nnection at the positive terminal of your vehicle's battery. T
his requires a heavier gauge power wire, an inline fuse (usually included), and a ring terminal to connect t
he power wire to the battery clamp. You will have to route the
power wire through the vehicle firewall and into the engine c
ompartment in order to make the connection at the battery.

#### **Ground**

A good ground connection is vital for proper stereo performance. If you are not using a custom wiring harness, look for a bolt, screw, or wire that contacts the bare metal of your vehicle's chassis. Loosen the bolt, slip the ground wire underneath (this is almost always a black wire), then tighten the bolt. If your ground wire doesn't contact bare metal, your stereo won't operate. A loose or weak ground connection can result in signal noise interfering with your music.

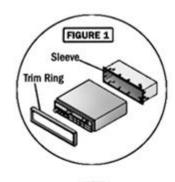
## In-dash video wiring

If your new <u>Android car DVD</u> player has a video monitor built in, you will also need to con nect a wire to your emergency brake wire. This wire acts as a switch to turn on the video monitor when the parking brake is engaged. Follow the instructions included with your indash monitor to locate the emergency brake ground wire.

## Install the new stereo

If the original stereo was bolted into the dash, you might nee d to remove the mounting brackets from the sides of it and att ach them to the sides of your new stereo. More likely, you wil l need a mounting kit (which may include a trim ring, a dash i nsert, brackets, a faceplate, and/or a metal mounting sleeve) to install the stereo (Figure 1).

If a mounting kit is required, install it first. Then slide the new stereo's metal mounting sleeve (if included) into the kit. Secure the metal sleeve by using a screwdriver to bend the sleeve's metal tabs into place (Figure 2).





Once the dash opening is ready for the new stereo, hold the st ereo near the opening. Connect the stereo wiring adapter to th e vehicle's wiring harness and plug in the antenna cable.

Slide the <u>car</u>
<a href="mailto:stereo Bluetooth">stereo Bluetooth</a> into the dash opening, but don't fasten it do
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wn just yet. First, test the stereo to make sure everything is working properly. It's easier to fix a problem while everything is still exposed. Turn on the power and try each source (AM, FM, CD, USB, etc.). Then adjust the balance and fader settings to check that each speaker is working. Once you're sure the stereo is wired and working properly, finish securing it in the dash and reinstall any pieces of dash trimpanel that you re moved.

## **Installing a backstrap**

A mounting bracket - or backstrap - is often included with new

stereos. For most installations, a backstrap usually is not a necessary part of the installation process. However, it can be useful to help support the stereo in your dash; it also help s reduce vibration. One end of the backtrap attaches (with a s crew) to the rear of the stereo. The other end attaches to an existing bolt or screw behind the dash. Just bend and shape the backstrap as necessary to enable mounting.

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You might need to use a backstrap to support the rear of your new stereo.

# Can you do it?

If your vehicle has an upgraded version of the factory sound s ystem or an integrated stereo/climate control panel, you will probably need a special "OEM integration" adapter in order to install a new stereo. An adapter allows you to use a new stereo with your existing speaker system.



This adapter allows you to install an aftermarket stereo in a 2010-

up Chevy Camaro's dash panel, while maintaining all heating, ventilation, and air conditioning controls.

#### **Evaluation**

By now you should have some idea of what is involved in replacing your factory stereo with a <u>new</u>, <u>better</u>, <u>aftermarket stereo</u>. The next step is to see if Crutchfield has a MasterSheet™ for your vehicle. That's a set of installation instructions cust om designed for your specific vehicle. It will describe every step of the process and tell you where to find every screw you need to remove for the installation. A MasterSheet™ takes all the guesswork out of the installation.

Even without a Crutchfield MasterSheet™, most people can install an indash stereo without much trouble, using just the tips in this article. This in turn leads to a savings in installation fees (\$50 is common, and often it's more). But if you would rather not tackle the task, there are competent and highly trained professional stereo installers in every town where you'd find te enagers and cars.

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