## <u>Android car stereo or WinCE</u> <u>car stereo ?</u>



Android and WinCE are different kinds of operating systems. Android is based on a modified version of the Linux kernel and other open-source software, designed primarily for touchscreen mobile devices such as smartphones and tablets. WinCE is an operating system subfamily developed by Microsoft as part of its Windows Embedded family of products.

Android car stereo supports to install the apps whatever you want, like the media players/streaming apps (Pandora, Google Play Music, etc). PUMPKIN Android car stereo also supports phone mirroring, so you can control your phone on the car stereo.

WinCE OS can easily adapt to the hardware and it will not update any time soon. WinCE OS is relatively stable and there is little scope for problems and bugs.

The hardware of Android car stereo is often more powerful than WinCE counterparts, which makes the general cost to build is higher. That's why the Android car stereo is often more expensive than the WinCE car stereo.

## How to Install a Car Stereo Steering Wheel Control Adapter

Many cars come with controls installed on their steering wheels to operate the car stereo. This allows the driver to drive safely without taking his hands off the wheel to operate the stereo. If you want to install an <u>aftermarket Android stereo</u> in your car, then it's necessary to adapt the wiring from the steering wheel to the stereo. This may require removing the lower dash panel underneath the steering wheel.



## Things You'll Need

Steering Wheel Control Adapter

## **Steps**

- 1. Examine your vehicle manufacturer's instructions for the color of wire that you will be looking for on the stereo wiring harness. Remove any parts of the dashboard that you need to and take out the stereo from the dashboard housing.
- 2. Locate the stereo harness. Follow manufacturer's instructions to connect the correct wires from the adapter to the corresponding wire on the <u>car stereo</u> wiring harness. This will differ model by model.
- 3. Plug the connector from the adapter wiring into the port on the back of the stereo, labeled "Steering wheel control".
- 4. Leave the stereo outside the dashboard. Turn on the ignition. An LED on the adapter should flash rapidly. Press the volume up button on the steering wheel until it stops flashing for two seconds. This will be followed by a series of flashes, culminating in the LED flashing nine times. The LED will then constantly be lit. Test the buttons with the stereo.
- 5. Reinsert the stereo into the dashboard housing. Reassemble the dashboard. Enjoy the added safety benefits of the steering wheel controls.

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