

Tech Support

This Section is for articles and questions on and about Car Audio and Security Systems

Wiring..Pros and Cons

There are many ways to connect 2 wires.

1. Twist them together and tape them.....these usually corrode and make lousy long term connections, and if not done well can fall apart and shot out.
2. Twist wires together with twist caps....Better the just twisting them but not very neat and space conserving.
3. Crimp connectors, Crimps are a good form of connection if done well and if you use the butt style instead of the cap style they can be neat and space saving.
4. Solder and tape or heat shrink wrap is the best way to make connections they are permanent and neat.
5. Scotch Locks are a poor connection they connect the wires with the least amount of actual wires touching and can easily corrode and vibrate loose. Maybe they would be ok in Arizona where it is dry but not down here in the Hot and Humid South.

Here at Precision Performance depending on the application we will use either Crimps or Solder to connect wires We find them the most reliable way to install in South Florida.

A customer Writes I have a factory radio with a 6 disc cd changer built in and it is jammed can you fix it? Answer: There are a few repair centers that work on factory radios but they will need to be sent out and the repairs are costly.. An alternative way to deal with a bad in-dash changer is to leave it alone and add a ipod adaptor to your radio. It has digital quality sound and many radios will control the ipod from the actual radio so you won't have to reach for your ipod to change a song. Leave it in the glove box and you will have dozens to hundreds of hours of music at your finger tips Another thing to do is to add a Bluetooth adapter to your radio, they work on many cars post year 2000 and you can stream audio from your phones applications thru your car stereo, like Itune, Pandora, iHeart Radio and Spotify. Some interfaces can give you Hands Free phone service too. If your car is older you can add a Wired FM mod. Bluetooth system with good sound quality and no FM interference. How do I update my old car radio to new tech?

There are many ways to update your factory radio I mentioned a few in the article before this one. There are Add Ons that include Smart Phones wired and Bluetooth. There are ways to add HD tuners, and XM/Sirius Radio that can work through your factory radios controls and Display. iPhones, iPads, Androids and USB drives can all work through certain Factory Radios. Some Brands we carry to do this are iSimple, and Grom So give us a call and let's upgrade! Can I Change my Radio if it is built into my Dash and AC controls Fear not, there are many new Radio installation Kits that can help with that. Some come with a whole new Dash Panel where you relocate your AC controls and it has a place for your new Radio. Other Panels come with a new AC controller and a space for your Radio. There are many electronic interfaces to keep your steering wheel controls, Onstar, Bose Systems and factory Bluetooth and XM/Sirius. So if you are tired of your outdated factory Radio Call us and we can find a good fit for you. If you have any Questions on Car Audio and Security Systems you Can Email me at rick@precisionperformanceonline.com