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BT3-FORD

QUICK START BLUETOOTH INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR 1995-06 FORD CHARGER CONTROLLING RADIOS

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READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE INSTALLING, FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY OR DAMAGE TO PRODUCT AND/OR PROPERTY

- This installation guide is provided as a GENERAL installation guide, some vehicles vary and may require additional steps. We do not accept responsibility for third party labor charges or modifications. Exercise due-diligence when installing this product.
- We do not accept any responsibility for vehicle damage or personal injury resulting from the installation of this product.
- Careless installation and operation can result in equipment damage.

Requirements:

Radio with "CD" button and 20-pin CD port

Introduction

Many Ford, Lincoln, Mercury owners are adamant about keeping car audio system as stock possible, will be thrilled with the BT3-FORD kit which adds modern Bluetooth features without changing the look and feel of dashboard components. The BT3-FORD features **Bluetooth Hands-Free, music streaming and charging** for any Smartphone with A2DP and HFP support and allows users to track up/down, pause, increase and decrease volume, answer/end calls and more using the radio and/or steering wheel "SEEK" buttons. The BT3-FORD music streaming solution is applicable to select 1995-05 Ford radios with "CD" button on faceplate and 20-pin CD port (See Fig. 4). A direct connection guarantees the best possible sound on car speakers and replaces Ford remote CD changer (if present).

Note: This module requires a remote CD changer for operation. The 6-CD changer built-into some radios remains functional.

For more details, see **Frequently Asked question** at the end of this guide.

Installation

1. Remove radio to gain access to the connector
2. A Ford radio removal tool or similar (See Fig. 1) is required (**not included**)



Fig. 1

3. If present, disconnect 20-pin plug from radio (See Fig. 2)



Fig. 2

4. Connect installation harness 20-pin plug (See Fig. 2) to radio 20-pin socket vacated in step 2



Fig. 3

5. Connect factory 20-pin plug to 20-pin socket on harness (See Fig. 4)



Fig. 4

- 6. Secure microphone to headliner or visor using included clip (See Fig. 5)
- 7. Route microphone cable (10 ft. long) down side pillar, under steering column and into radio cavity,
- 8. Connect microphone right angle plug to module "MIC" input. (See Fig. 6)
Wind noise will negatively affect phone audio. Users are advised to install microphone away from wind/ventilation ducts etc.



Visor microphone
Fig. 5



Fig. 6

9. Connect installation harness 16-pin plug (See Fig. 7) to module 16-pin connector (See Fig. 8)

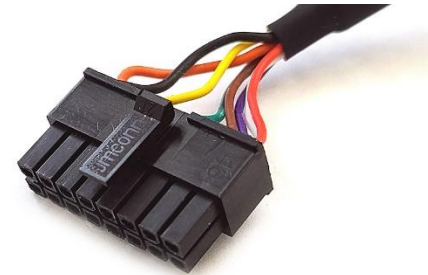


Fig. 7



Fig. 8

10. Tap install harness RED wire to 12V Accessory (switched) supply. e.g. GREEN/PURPLE wire on radio harness (See Fig. 9)

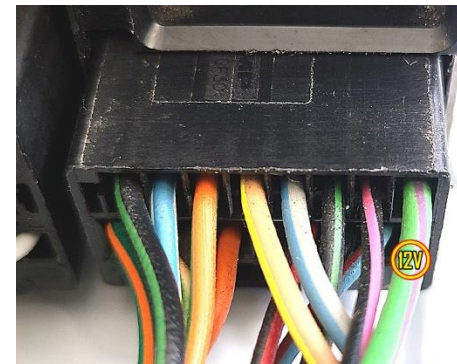


Fig. 9

Optional USB extension cable installation

Note: 1. Optional 6 ft. USB dash mount extension cable is not required for operation, however it extends USB charging port (See Fig. 12) to dashboard, glovebox etc.

2. **The USB port supports charging only**

1. Drill a $\frac{3}{4}$ " hole to dash or panel using a step drill bit or equivalent (See Fig. 10)



Fig. 10

2. Fish USB cable terminal (See Fig. 11) through hole created in step 1 and plug into USB port on module (See Fig. 12)



Fig. 11
USB cable



Fig. 12

3. Snap header (See Fig. 13) to surface until flush (See Fig.14)



Fig. 13



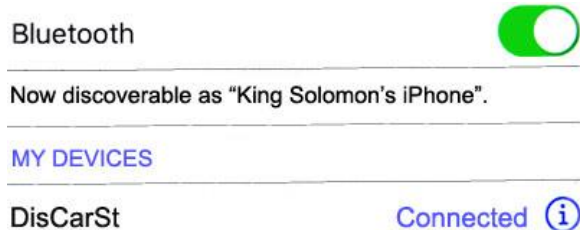
Fig. 14

Tuck and secure any extra wires from moving parts and proceed to next step

Pairing module

Pairing varies among devices but basic steps are the same. This process is done upon initial install and will not have to be repeated

1. Turn Ignition and radio "ON"
LED (through peephole) will flash Red (pairing mode)
2. On A2DP device: go to **Settings, Wireless & Networks, Bluetooth Settings**
3. Select **Bluetooth** and turn on, select Bluetooth settings
4. Tap **Scan for devices**.
5. Wait for Bluetooth device name (See Fig. 15) to appear and select it.



Bluetooth operation:

1. Turn ignition to ACC and radio "ON"
2. Press the "CD" button to enter CD changer (Bluetooth) mode. See Fig. 16



Fig. 16

3. Launch smartphone music streaming application
4. **To skip tracks:** Press the "SEEK UP" or "SEEK DOWN" buttons on radio or steering wheel (See Fig.17)

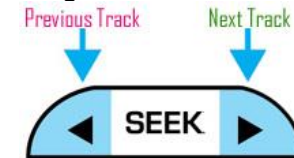


Fig. 17

5. Place test phone call or ask someone to call.
Alert: Ensure radio is in "CD changer" mode otherwise press "CD" button
6. To accept, press "SEEK DOWN" on radio or steering wheel (See Fig. 18)
7. To reject, press "SEEK UP" on radio or steering wheel (See Fig. 18)



Fig. 18

8. Adjust call volume with radio VOL knob or steering wheel control.
9. If correct operation is confirmed go ahead and reinstall radio.

Warning: Playlist, Artist, caller ID etc. is *NOT* displayed on Ford radio

Notes:

Adding additional load to electrical system in older vehicles can result in alternator whine or similar noise. We recommend purchasing and installing this [noise filter](#)

Frequent ask questions & troubleshooting

- 1. What's the difference between BT3-FORD and BT6-FORD?**
In addition to Bluetooth hands-free, music streaming, charging; the BT6-FORD support AUX input and media card.
- 2. Does the BT3-FORD work on all Ford radios?**
NO; works only on Ford, Lincoln, Mercury 20-pin CD controlling radios (**non-CD changer controlling radios are not supported**)
- 3. Can I control Smartphone from radio buttons?**
YES; use radio seek buttons to change tracks and to accept/reject phone call.
- 4. Can I pair or save more than one device to the BT3-FORD?**
YES; supports more than one device, but only pair to one device at a time.
- 5. What happens if I receive a call while streaming?**
Streaming will mute, press SEEK button to accept call. To end call press, SEEK button. Streaming resumes.
- 6. Can I connect module to the CD changer plug in trunk/hatch?**
NO; Trunk/hatch location is not ideal for connecting this Hands-free kit in addition, the plug at the CD changer is different (12-pins)
- 7. Pressing "CD" button on radio does not switch radio to (CD) Bluetooth mode. What can I do to resolve?**
If the battery is ever disconnected; you will need to disconnect 8-pin module plug from radio for 2-3 seconds. Doing so will re-initialize module after which the "CD" "CHGR" button should function.
- 7. I'm experimenting annoying engine noise (alternator whine that increases with engine speed) Is there a fix for this?**
We recommend installing our in-line BT63-NF (See **Fig. 19**) noise filter. This plug-n-play noise filter fits between the radio harness and module. [Click here](#) to purchase.



Fig. 19

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