



AUX-FRDW

Auxiliary input jack

Installation Guide for Select 1995-06 FORD with CD Changer

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Introduction:

Many Ford owners with optional CD Changers in trunk, hatch and even the center dash will be pleased to know that with the AUX-FRDW they can connect a portable audio device without having to disconnect the Changer. **The AUX-FRDW auxiliary input requires and retains the External CD Changer**** to provide a 3.5mm (1/8") Audio jack to which the user can connect and play all kinds of audio devices including Smartphones, MP3 Players, iPod, Zune etc. while retaining use of the CD Changer. The AUX-FRDW is compatible with all Ford, Lincoln, and Mercury external CD Changers that has the **12-way connector** as Seen in **Fig. 1** including vehicles with Navigation Systems.

Installation: (At the CD Changer)

This adapter connects to the **12-way connector** on the external CD Changer at Changer location (**not to Radio or RCU**) which means radio removal will not be required.

1. Locate CD Changer

Note: Cable length for Changers in center armrest, under front seat, glove box etc. (Front) is 6 ft. and 10 ft. for Changers in hatch, trunk (Rear)

2. Remove any panels or carpet surrounding the Changer and disconnect factory 12-way plug (See **Fig. 1**) from the CD Changer (See **Fig.2**)



Fig. 1
Ford 12-way plug



Fig. 2
Ford CD Changer

3. Connect factory 12-way plug removed from CD Changer to 12-way connector on adapter (See **Fig. 3**).



Fig. 3
12-way connector

4. Connect the 12-way plug from Adapter harness to 12-way connector on CD Changer vacated in step 2 (See **Fig. 4**)

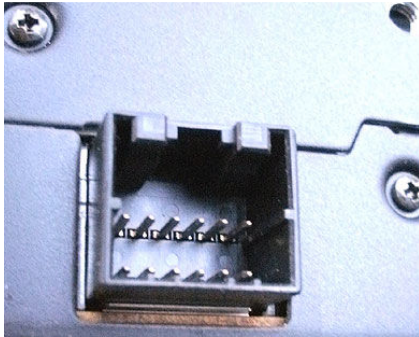


Fig. 4

12-way Changer connector

5. Carefully route the audio jack (See **Fig. 4**) to a location on the dash or nearby panel where it will be mounted (**within 6 or 10 ft.**) This location will vary based on vehicle and customer's preference



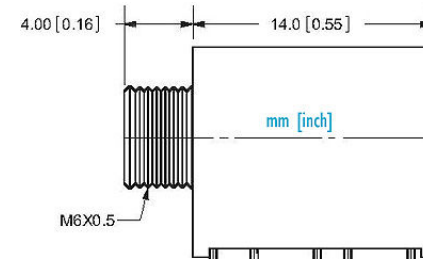
Fig. 4

Audio Jack

6. Drill a 1/4" hole in the dash, push the aux jack threaded end through the hole and secure to panel with nut (See **Fig. 5**)



Fig. 5



Warning! Should you decide to mount the jack, make sure the panel is no thicker than 1/8" otherwise the jack threads won't protrude enough to engage the nut. (If necessary use a dremel or sander to thin the panel). Mounting the jack is not necessary but doing so makes for a stock appearance and easier to connect and disconnect your audio device.

Test Operation:

1. Turn the Radio “ON”
2. Press the “CD” button to enter CD Changer Mode
Note: At least one disc must be loaded in Changer
3. Music from the Changer will begin to play
4. Connect your Audio device to jack using supplied 3 ft. Audio cable (See **Fig. 6**) or similar. CD Changer playback is interrupted and music from Audio device is heard.



Fig. 6
3.5mm Male audio cable

5. Use the radio volume control to set the playback level

Warning! Playlist and Track selection is **NOT** possible from the Ford radio. You must use the audio devices built-in controls to access music files.

6. To listen to the CD Changer, simply disconnect the 3.5mm audio cable from jack and operate CD Changer as customary
7. If correct operation is confirmed go ahead and reinstall the access panels around the CD Changer

Frequently asked questions

1. **Is the AUX-FRDW compatible with the in-dash 6-CD Changer radio?**
YES; but an External (remote) CD Changer usually installed in the arm rest, hatch or trunk areas **is also required** otherwise this adapter is not compatible.
2. **My vehicle has a CD Changer, but it does not work. Will the AUX-FRDW still function**
NO; In order for the adapter to work, the radio must retain a CD Changer connection. Defective Changers do not retain that connection.
3. **My vehicles CD Changer is in the trunk but I would rather not have to run such a long cable back into the cabin. Is there another adapter that connects to the radio?**
YES; Our AUX-FRDN connects to the 20-way CD Changer connector on select Ford Radios. The AUX-FRDW works on all CD Changers with 12-way connectors. Changer location varies by vehicles and because of that we offer a 6 and 10 ft. cable.

** External or remote CD Changer refers to the optional Changer installed on the lower dash, center armrest, hatch, trunk etc. (external CD Changer is not the Changer built-into the head unit)

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