



DCS-GM1 (V 1.24)

QUICK START AUXILIARY INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR SELECT 1995-05 GM CD CHANGER CONTROLLING RADIOS

Created June 9, 2010

Revised December 6, 2024

PRODUCT SAFETY & DISCLAIMER

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

REQUIREMENT

1995-05 GM THEFLOCK RADIOS

Introduction

Many GM owners are looking for an aux input solution as means to connect and listen to portable audio device. In order to do that an auxiliary input adapter is required. Enter the DCS-GMI. The DCS-GMI connects to 9-pin **port on select 1995-05 GM Theftlock radios and takes the place of the remote CD changer, slave or separate unit.** Connecting an Aux adapter to most GM's usually requires disconnecting slave or **separate unit** (e.g. Cassette player, CD player or **multi-disc CD changer****), but if vehicle has a CD changer or separate slave unit; purchase our [AUX-GMI](#) or [A2D-GMI](#) instead.

Warning: 1995-99 radios with "CD/AUX" button on faceplate are NOT capable or recognizing this adapter and therefore **NOT compatible**. 2000-05 radios with "CD/AUX" button on faceplate are compatible as well as 1995-05 radios with "TAPE/AUX" button on faceplate.

Installation

1. Remove factory radio from dash (Vehicle specific radio removal procedure is not part of this guide but may be available upon request)
2. If vehicle is equipped with separate player; disconnect 9-pin plug from radio (See. **Fig. 1**)—slave unit remains disconnected and will no longer play.

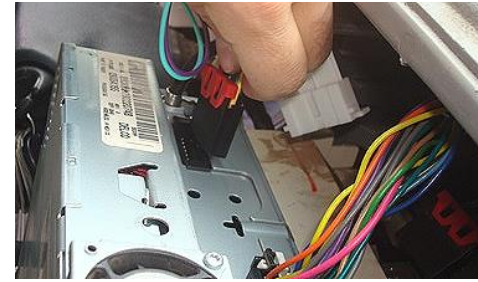


Fig. 1

Radio 9-pin port

3. Connect installation harness 9-pin plug (See **Fig. 2**) to radio (See **Fig. 1**)

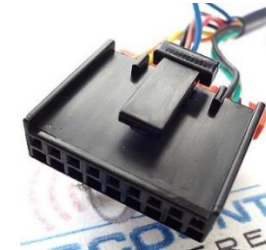


Fig. 2

9-pin plug

4. If vehicle has "BOSE", reconnect factory 9-pin plug to 9-pin socket (white) on install harness
5. Connect audio cable (not included) to module AUX jack (See **Fig. 3**) and route the other end to front of dashboard or wherever audio device will reside.



Fig. 3

6. Route audio cable to where audio device will reside (within 6 ft.)

Operation

1. Turn ignition and radio "ON"
2. Press "**AUX**" button on radio to enter "CD" mode (See Fig.4)



Fig. 4

3. Connect 3.5mm audio cable to your audio device (See Fig. 5)



Fig. 5

4. Place device in play mode and ensure volume is set to 80% or more.
5. Use radio volume control button to set playback level.

Warnings!

1. Playlist and Track selection is ***NOT*** possible from the GM radio. You must use the audio devices built-in controls to access audio files.
2. Digital "clicking" sound may be heard if audio device is not in play mode. This is normal and disappears as soon as audio is detected.

****** External or remote CD changer refers to optional changer installed in lower dash, center armrest, hatch, trunk etc. (external CD changers are not built-into the radio)

Feature comparison

You may have seen or heard of the different cables and adapters we offer for your car and the following table is intended to break down each product feature we hope will help figure out which solution works best based on your individual need. The following adapters work with 1995-05 GM radios with changer controls

Feature	AUX-GMI	DCS-GMI	A2D-GMI	BLU-GMI	A2DIY-GMI
Retains separate/slave unit*	✓	X	✓	X	X
Auxiliary input (3.5mm plug)	✓	✓	X	X	✓
Requires separate/slave unit*	✓	X	✓	X	X
Music streaming	X	X	✓	✓	✓
Supports Hands Free Calls	X**	X**	X	X	✓
Wireless connection	X	X	✓	✓	✓
Connects to radio 9-pin port	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Plug-n-play installation	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

*separate/slave units (single CD, Tape player or CD changer) installed in lower dash or below climate controls. (separate/slave unit is not to be confused with main Theftlock AM/FM radio in upper dash – see Fig. 7)

** Speakerphone possible by which the caller can be heard on car speaker



Fig. 7

Works on 2000-05 radios with CD/AUX button

Not for 1995-99 radios with CD/AUX button

Frequently asked questions

1. **Why are 1995-00 radios with CD button on faceplate are not compatible with the DCS-GM?**

It appears GM did not program earlier (e.g. 1995-99) CD radios (See Fig.8) to control a separate CD or Tape player; however, this feature was added to 2000-05 CD radios. If your 1995-99 CD radio happens to have a separate single CD player or Tape player attached, then it will support the DCS-GM. All 1995-05 radios with "TAPE" button are compatible with the DCS-GM.



Fig. 8

2. **My 1999 Silverado truck has a CD player/radio in upper dash plus separate Tape player below climate controls. Will the DCS-GM work?**
YES. Any vehicle with separate unit has been programmed to control this adapter and therefore compatible. 1995-99 radios with CD button on faceplate without separate/slave unit in lower dash **are not compatible.** **This restriction applies only to 1995-99 radios with CD button.**
3. **My vehicle has a separate Tape player in lower dash, will the DCS-GM work?**
YES; but separate Tape player must be disconnected and will no longer function.
4. **My vehicle has a separate single CD player below climate controls, will the DCS-GM work?**
YES; but separate CD player must be disconnected and will no longer play.

5. **I want music streaming and be able to keep separate player (CD or TAPE) in lower dash. Do you offer a solution by which I will not have to disconnect the separate player?**
YES; Purchase our [A2D-GM1](#) which requires and retains separate player (cassette, CD or CD Changers in lower dash)
6. **When I decide to remove the DCS-GM1, will I have any troubles with the factory wiring?**
NO; the DCS-GM1 plug-n-play harness does not interfere with the factory wiring integrity. Once disconnected, the system will function as it did prior.
7. **My vehicle has two separate players; one in lower dash and a CD changer in armrest. Will the DCS-GM1 work?**
YES, but both separate units must be disconnected. See our [AUX-GM1](#) or [A2D-GM1](#) to retain separate players.

*Separate/Slave units (CD or Tape) installed in lower dash or below climate controls must be disconnected. Theftlock AM/FM Radio resides in upper dash.

Disclaimer

- This product has no affiliation with GM
- There are no warranties expressed or implied by purchase of this product
- We're not liable for misuse of this product.
- We recommend professional installation.

email support@discountcarstereo.com

© 1995-Dec-24 Discount Car Stereo, Inc. All rights reserved. Information in this document is subject to change without notice. Other products and companies referred to herein are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective companies or mark holders.