Installation Tips for your Add-on Remote Start (for Ford Vehicles) v3.2 Updated 3/4/2013

Thank you for purchasing your remote start from MyPushcart.com - an industry leader in providing remote starts to do-it-yourself installers since 1999. We've put this tip sheet together to help you with your installation.   The purpose of this sheet is to help you organize your installation - not to replace your installation manual. You will still need to refer to that.

If you provided us with your vehicle model/year at the time of purchase, you will have a wiring chart for your particular vehicle.   We're going to refer to that a lot.   If you do not have the wiring chart, email us at sales@mypushcart.com so we can send you a copy.   Be sure to include the model/year of your vehicle, your name and your sales order number.

Three very important things before you get started:

- Read the entire installation manual. There are several safety tips in there that you need to know before you start
- Avoid using a test light to probe wires.   Test lights can set off air bags if you probe the wrong wire.   Your vehicle wiring chart will identify the correct wires that you'll be tapping on to in your car.   If you must probe, use a digital multi-meter. They're inexpensive and won't set off air bags.
- You will need to have TWO valid ignition keys to program your bypass. If you do not have two keys, you will need to get a coded key from your Ford dealer.   ALL Ford bypasses require two keys for programming.

Overview

There are 5 basic steps to this remote start installation. We're going to address each of these:

1. Make your wiring connections for the remote start & bypass
2. Program the bypass
3. Test the system
4. Connect the activation wire
5. Button it up!

❷ Need to know where all the components go? See Installer's Tip #1 on page 9

Step 1 – Wiring

When you open up your remote start, you're going to see a whole bunch of wires.   You're not going to use all of them. The remote starts are designed with wiring options for a variety of cars and no car is going to use all of them.   We're going to break the wiring down into three parts – your main power connections, what we'll call your 'secondary' connections for your remote start, and connections for the bypass module.

Your wiring chart will help you locate the wires that you're going to need in your car.   Don't be intimidated by all the different wires listed on the chart – you're only going to be using a few of them.

You also have an antenna, a small pushbutton and a status LED.   The antenna should be mounted near the top of the windshield, at least 1" away from metal. Route the antenna cable underneath the headliner, down the windshield pillar and around the end of the dash.   Carefully tuck the cable in behind the trim panels. The pushbutton is typically mounted in the driver's kick panel (that's the area forward of the door), the driver's side of the center console, or the underside of the dash.   Installation requires drilling a small hole in the plastic.   The LED is not required for operation, but is helpful for programming or diagnostics. It also requires a hole and can be placed either near the pushbutton or on top of the dash.

Reading your wiring chart

Each line of the wiring chart contains 3 pieces of information that you will need (continued on next page):

- The "Circuit" or "Wire/Function"
- The color of the wire in the car
- The location of the wire in the car

*Some wiring charts will include a column titled "Available Kits".   Disregard the information in this column.   The information in this tip sheet is more concise.

The sample below will show you where to find that information on your chart.

Wire function	Wire color in vehicle	Wire location in vehicle
Ignition 12 volts	BLUE/GREEN	IGNITION SWITCH HARNESS
Starter	RED/BLUE	IGNITION SWITCH HARNESS
Dome Light	BLACK/BLUE (+)	DRIVER KICK PANEL

Making your wiring connections

The table on the following page will show you where to connect the wires from your remote start into the car. Any wires on your remote start that are NOT listed in the table are NOT USED.

Helpful Hint: In most cases, the wires on the remote start are way longer than needed.   Trim off excess wire when you make your connections, but leave some slack - this will allow you a little flexibility when it comes time to stow the remote start module after the installation is completed.

See Installer's Tip # 2 on Page 9 for tips on how to make your wiring connections

Remote Start Wire		Connect to the wire for the circuit on the vehicle chart labeled:
Red		Constant 12 Volts
Red/White		Constant 12 Volts
Violet		Starter
Pink		Ignition
Pink/white		Ignition 2
12 Pin Harness		
White/Blue		Remote Start Activation (connect to lock motor wire)(see NOTE 1)
Black (12-pin harness)		System Ground – connect this to a solid metal ground in the car
Brown/Red (12-pin harness)		Brake Light (also called "Brake Switch")
Black/White (12-pin harness)		Neutral Safety – if you have an automatic transmission, ground this wire
Grey (12-pin harness)		Hood Input (See NOTE 3)
White		+ parking light output (see NOTE 2)
White/Black		- parking light output (see NOTE 2)
3 Pin Satellite Relay Port (RED)		
Blue (3-pin harness)		Blue wire on Key-Override-All 6-pin harness
		The connections below MAY be needed
Light Green/Red (12-pin harness)		OEM Alarm Disarm – *connect this if your car has a factory alarm system*
Violet/White (12-pin harness)		Tach Signal (See NOTE 4)
Green/Red (12-pin harness)		OEM Alarm Arm – *connect this is your car has a factory alarm system*

- **NOTE 1**   This wire goes to the LOCK MOTOR wire in the vehicle – **Wait until the end of the installation to make this connection**
- **NOTE 2**   The remote start has two parking light wires. <u>*You will only use one of them*</u>.   On your vehicle wiring chart, look up the wire for the parking lights.   Next to the wire color will be either a "+" or a "-".   If yours has the "+", then use the white wire. If it has a "-", use the white/black wire.
- **NOTE 3** The Grey wire is used with a pin switch (included in your kit) to prohibit the remote start from activating while the hood is open.   This is an important safety feature!
- **NOTE 4** Most vehicles will not require this connection.   The remote start has a 'tach sensing' circuit built in.   The purpose of that circuit (or the tach wire if you need it) is to enable the remote start to detect when the engine has started so it will stop cranking the starter.   When you test your system, if the starter keeps cranking after the engine has started, you'll need to connect the tach wire.   Once the wire is connected, take two additional steps: 1) Change "Installer Programming Option # 2 to the 'tach wire' setting (see page 11 in the installer's manual). 2) Program the tach circuit as shown on page 10 of the installation manual.

Your kit also includes a programming button. Plug the button into the remote start.   For tips on where to install the button, see Installer's Tip #1 on Page 9
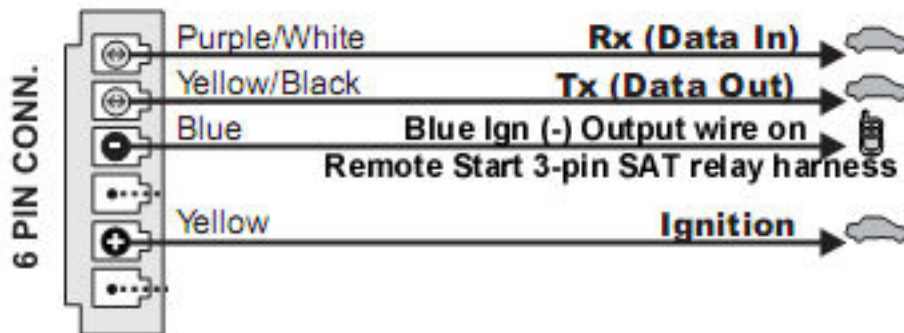
Wiring your bypass

- Make the below connections using the Key-Override-All's black 4-pin DATA-LINK connector, but do not connect it to the bypass yet (you will do this during the bypass programming sequence).

Red   12V Battery (+)
Black   Ground (-)
Blue
White
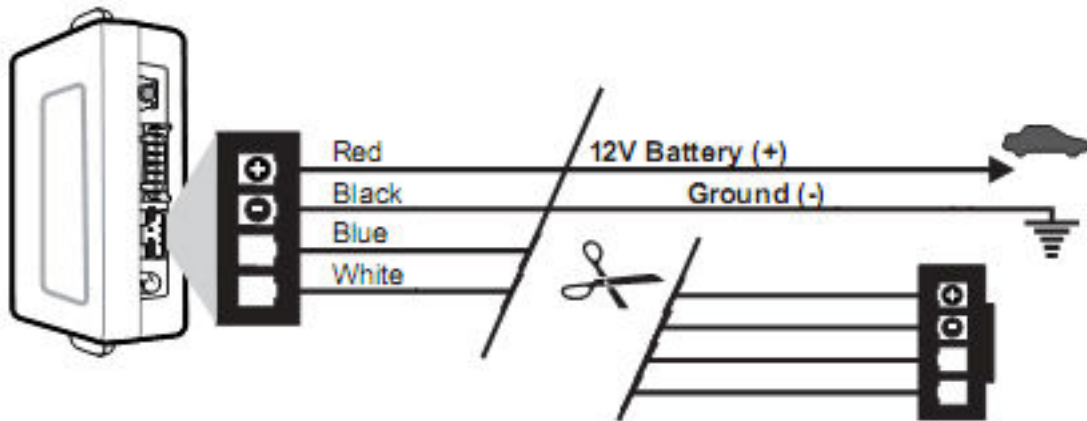
1 Cut off one plug of the 4 Pin Data-Link connector

2 Connect the Red wire to +12V

3 Connect the Black wire to Ground

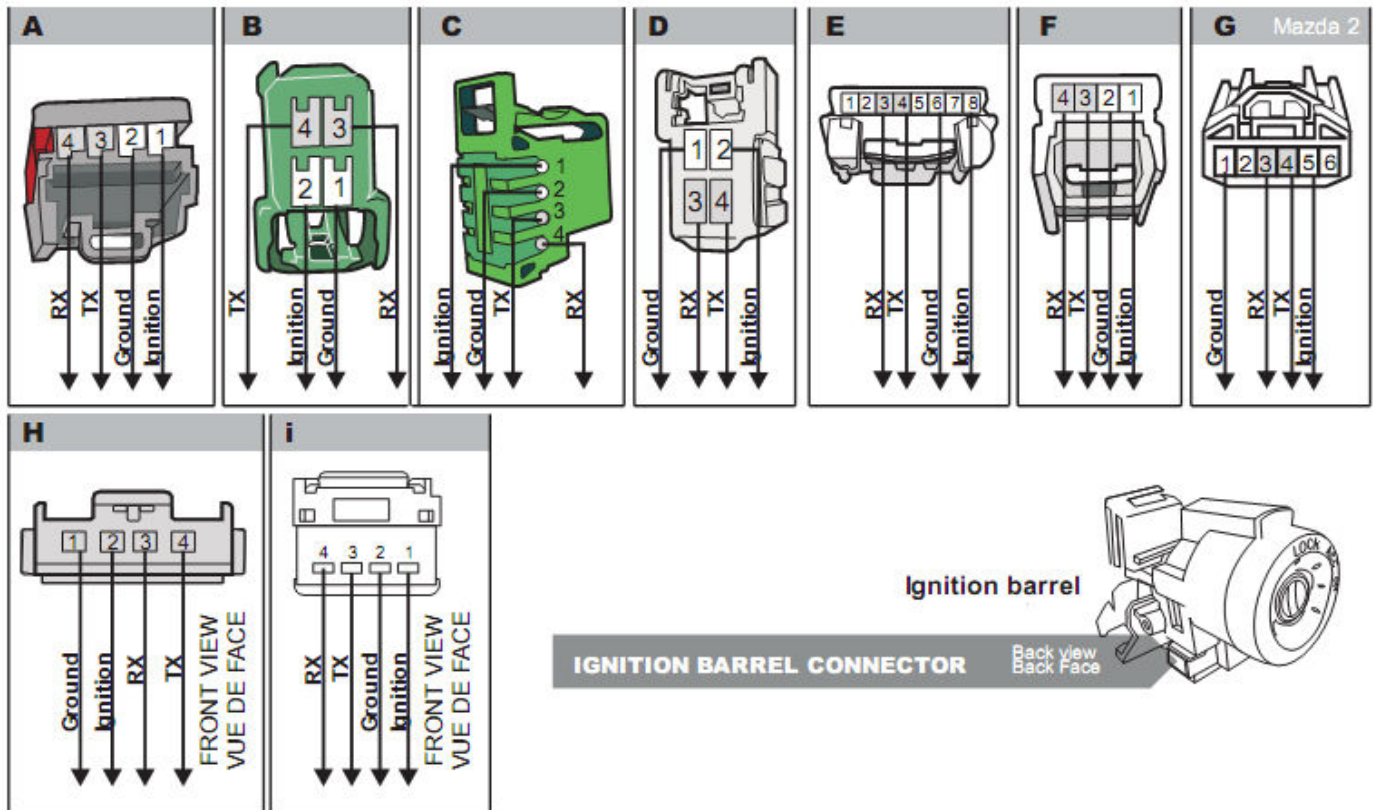- Make the following connections from the Key-Override-All's white 6-pin connector

6 PIN CONN.

Purple/White   **Rx (Data In)**
Yellow/Black   **Tx (Data Out)**
Blue   **Blue Ign (-) Output wire on Remote Start 3-pin SAT relay harness**
Yellow   **Ignition**

Identifying your RX and TX wires

Find your vehicle on the grid below and locate the letter (A-H) in the "Connection #" column. That letter correlates to the ignition barrel connector diagrams on the following page which show you the shape of the connector in your vehicle and the locations of your RX, TX, and ignition wires. (Ignore the page #'s on the grid, it was pulled from the Key-Override-All user manual)

VEHICLE | VEHICULES	YEARS | ANNÉES	Connection # (Page X)	Programming # (Page X)
Contour	1998-2000	1C (P.7)	1 (P.15)
Crown Victoria	1997-2002	1H (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2003-2004	1B (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2005-2011	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Econoline · E Series	2008-2012	1B (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Edge	2007-2010	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Escape	2001-2007	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2008-2011	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Escape Hybrid	2005-2007	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2008-2011	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Excursion	2000-2002	1H (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2003	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2004-2005	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Expedition	1997-2001	1H (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2002	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2003-2006	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2007-2012	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Explorer	1998-2000	1H (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2001	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2002-2005	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2006-2010	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Explorer Sport Trac	2001	1B (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2002-2005	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2006-2010	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Fiesta	2011-2013	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
F150	1999-2002	1H (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2003	1B (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2004-2008	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2009-2010	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)

VEHICLE | VEHICULES	YEARS | ANNÉES	Connection # (Page X)	Programming # (Page X)
F250 / F350 / F450	2007-2010	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Five Hundred	2005-2007	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Flex	2009-2012	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Focus	2000-2007	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2008-2011	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Freestar	2004-2007	1B (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Freestyle	2005-2007	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Fusion	2006-2012	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
GT	2005-2006	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Mustang	1999-2002	1A (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2003-2004	1A (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2005-2013	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Ranger	1999-2000	1B (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2001-2006	1D (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2007-2012	1B (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Taurus	1996-1999	1D (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2000-2007	1B (P.7)	2 (P.16)
	2008-2010	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Taurus X	2008-2009	1A (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Thunderbird	2002-2005	1C (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Transit Connect	2010-2012	1i (P.7)	2 (P.16)
Windstar	1999-2000	1B (P.7)	1 (P.15)
	2001-2003	1B (P.7)	2 (P.16)

A — RX, TX, Ground, Ignition (4 3 2 1)

B — TX, Ignition, Ground, RX (4 3 / 2 1)

C — Ignition, Ground, TX, RX (1 2 3 4)

D — Ground, RX, TX, Ignition (1 2 / 3 4)

E — RX, TX, Ground, Ignition (1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8)

F — RX, TX, Ground, Ignition (4 3 2 1)

G — Mazda 2 — Ground, RX, TX, Ignition (1 2 3 4 5 6)

H — Ground, Ignition, RX, TX (1 2 3 4) FRONT VIEW VUE DE FACE

i — RX, TX, Ground, Ignition (4 3 2 1) FRONT VIEW VUE DE FACE

Ignition barrel

IGNITION BARREL CONNECTOR — Back view / Back Face

Step 2 – Program the Bypass

- Instructions for programming your bypass are on the following two pages. Make sure you have both of your keys and your remote fob handy, as the programming actions MUST be done within only a few seconds - as detailed in the instructions.
- *Read through the instructions first* before actually doing the programming! It will help enable you to complete the steps within the specified time.
- Use the chart on the previous page to determine whether you will use Program 1 (Page 6) or Program 2 (Page 7). Ignore the page #'s on the grid, it was pulled from the Key-Override-All user manual
- Make sure to have your activation wire (Blue/White in the remote start 12-pin harness) handy.
- When you get to the step in the programming sequence that says "Activate the Remote Starter", touch the Blue/White wire to ground 3 times quickly in succession leaving the wire 'ungrounded' when you're done.   This should start the car, and the bypass is programmed.   You can shut it down by pressing the brake pedal.
- The programming instructions say to "Insert Connector 3 (4-pin – If required)", you DO NOT need to make this connection for your installation

PROGRAM. 1

🔑 1 key required 1

Vehicle equipped with SMART KEY	**Remove** all keys from key remotes.	**Keep** all cards at least 3 meters (10 feet) away from the vehicle.

1

Press and hold the programming button:	**Insert** connector 2. (6-pin)	**Insert** connector 3. (4-pin - if required)	**Insert** the 4-pin (Data-Link) connector.	The RED LED will turn ON.	**Release** the programming button.

2

	3 sec.	5 sec. max	3 sec.	**3**	3 sec.
KEY#1 **Turn** the first key to the ON/RUN position.	**Wait** 3 seconds or until the security light turns OFF.	**Turn** the key to the OFF position and **remove** the first key.	**Wait** 3 seconds.	**KEY#1** **Turn** the first key to the ON/RUN position.	**Wait** 3 seconds or until the security light turns OFF.

	5 sec. max AUTOMATIC Transmission			
Turn the key to the OFF position and **remove** the key.	**Activate** the remote starter.	The RED LED will flash ten (10x) times.	If the LED is solid RED disconnect the 4-pin connector (Data-Link) and go back to step 1.	The module is now programmed.

OR

5 sec. max MANUAL Transmission				
Press and release the programming button.	The RED LED will flash once (1x).	Using a jumper wire, apply **power** (12v) to the vehicles ignition.	The RED LED will flash ten (10x) times.	If the LED is solid RED disconnect the 4-pin connector (Data-Link) and go back to step 1.	**Remove** the jumper. The module is now programmed.

PROGRAM. 2

2 keys required   2 clés requises

Vehicle equipped with SMART KEY	**Remove** all keys from key remotes.	**Keep** all cards at least 3 meters (10 feet) away from the vehicle.
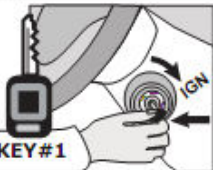
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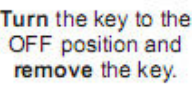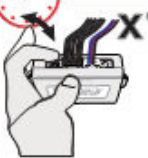|					
Press and hold the programming button:	**Insert** connector 2. (6-pin)	**Insert** connector 3. (4-pin - if required)	**Insert** the 4-pin (Data-Link) connector.	*The RED LED will turn ON.*	**Release** the programming button.

2

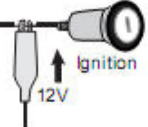|	3 sec.	5 sec. max	3 sec.	3	3 sec.
KEY#1 — **Turn** the first key to the ON/RUN position.	**Wait** 3 seconds or until the security light turns OFF.	**Turn** the key to the OFF position and **remove** the first key.	**Wait** 3 seconds.	**KEY#2** — **Turn** the second key to the ON/RUN position.	**Wait** 3 seconds or until the security light turns OFF.

Turn the key to the OFF position and **remove** the key.	**5 sec. max** AUTOMATIC Transmission — **Activate** the remote starter.	✖ X10 *The RED LED will flash ten (10x) times.*	If the LED is solid RED disconnect the 4-pin connector (Data-Link) and go back to step 1.	*The module is now programmed.*
	5 sec. max MANUAL Transmission MANUEL — **X1** **Press and release** the programming button.	*Flash* ✖ X1 *The RED LED will flash once (1x).*	Ignition 12V Using a jumper wire, apply **power** (12v) to the vehicles ignition. *Flash* ✖ X10 *The RED LED will flash ten (10x) times.*	If the LED is solid RED disconnect the 4-pin connector (Data-Link) and go back to step 1. Ignition — **Remove** the jumper. *The module is now programmed.*

OR

Step 3 –Test the System

Make sure everything is working properly before you connect the activation wire and close up the installation.

Once you've completed your wiring and have programmed the bypass, test the system by touching the blue/white activation wire to ground three times in succession.   The ignition should turn on and shortly thereafter the car should start.   Stop the engine by depressing the foot brake.

Step 4 – The Activation Wire

The blue/white activation wire takes a ground signal from your door lock motors and uses that as a trigger to engage the remote start.   That's how pressing 'lock' on your OEM remote 3 times starts the car.   We've devoted a separate section to this wire, as it is the part of the installation that is most commonly done incorrectly.

Use your wiring chart to locate the "Driver Lock Motor" wire in the vehicle. On most Fords, it is a Pink/Black wire found in the driver's kick panel.   Confirm this with your wiring chart!   A good place to actually locate the wire is at the bottom edge of the trim piece that covers the kick panel – just below the hood release lever. See photo below.   In some vehicles, there is more than one Pink/Black wire in the harness, so you may need to test for it.   The correct wire will momentarily show ground when the door lock button on the door is pressed.

Connect the remote start's blue/white activation wire to the "Driver Lock Motor" wire in the car. Test the system again, this time pressing the 'Lock' button on your fob three times in succession.

Helpful Tip: Do not confuse the "Driver Lock Motor" wire with the regular "Lock" wire on your wiring chart!
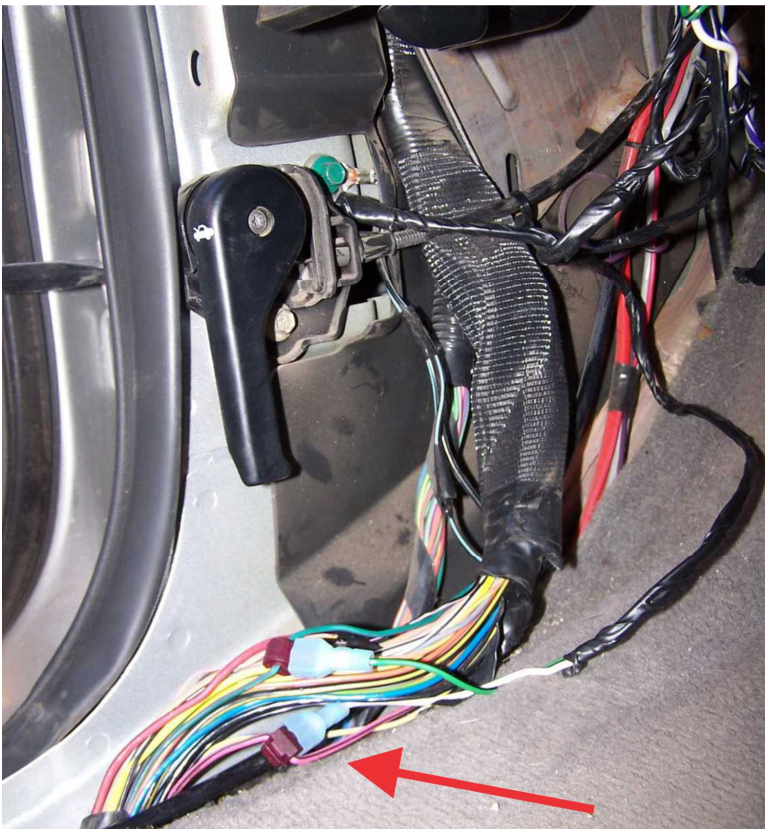
Step 4 – Close it Up!

Now gather up all your wiring and neatly bundle it together using zip ties or electrical tape. Find a secure place to put the remote start module and use zip ties to secure it.   **Make sure that the remote start wires are not near any moving parts on the steering wheel, pedals or emergency brake!**

Installer's Tips

Tip #1 – Where Everything Goes
There are 4 parts to your system:
1. *Remote start module* – the wiring for the module is done under the dash on the driver's side, so you'll want to install the module in that general area.   Before you start wiring, look for a location where there's some open space that will fit the module. Pay attention to moving parts like the pedals, e-brake and steering column.   Be sure to route your wiring away from those areas.
2. *Bypass module* – can be stowed along with the remote start.
3. *Valet Switch* – Requires a small screw hole.   Usually put in the driver's kick panel (that's the area forward of the door), the driver's side of the center console, or the underside of the dash.
4. *Hood Pin Switch* – An important safety component!   Requires a 3/8" hole.   Find a location in the engine compartment to mount the switch where the closed hood will keep the plunger in the switch depressed. This is what prevents the car from starting when the hood is open.

Tip #2 – How to make your wiring connections

It's very important that all your wiring connections be solid and secure.   All remote start connections are "tap on" connections. This means that you do not need to cut the wires in the car. You simply need to "tap on" to the wires in the car to make your connections.   Here are three different ways to do this:

Method 1 – Solder and tape

This is the method preferred by the best professional installers.   It makes for the most reliable connections, but it is also the most difficult to do.   Sometimes there isn't enough room in the wiring harness to safely solder a wire without damaging adjacent wires, but if you have the soldering skills, go for it.   To make a connection, strip back a section of the insulation on the wire in the car. On heavy gauge wires, 1" is about the right amount.   On lighter gauge wires, ½" is fine. Strip 1" of insulation off the end of the remote start wire.   Tin the bare section of wire in the car. Wrap the remote start wire around the tinned section and then carefully solder it in place.   Wrap the splice tightly with electrical tape.

Method 2 – Wrap and tape

This is the most popular method and is also very reliable.   Strip back a section of the insulation on the wire in the car. On heavy gauge wires, 1" is about the right amount.   On lighter gauge wires, ½" is fine. Strip 1" of insulation off the end of the remote start wire.   Separate the strands of the wire like this:

Pass the wire from the remote through the opening as shown below

Wrap the remote start wire around both sides of the car wire, then back around itself as shown below

Use electrical tape to wrap the connection and secure the wires together.   A wire tie will help prevent the tape from unraveling in the future.

Wire Tie   Electrical Tape

Method #3 – "T-Taps"

T-taps are plastic clips that are squeezed onto the wires in the car.   The wire from the remote start goes into the tap and the whole thing is crimped together.   T-taps come in different sizes for different size wires. Use yellow t-taps for the larger wires in your main power harness.   Red t-taps are good for the smaller wires.   Tape and wire tie the connections as shown in the "wrap and tape" section above – that will prevent the t-taps from ever opening up.

Using T-Taps

Use a pair of pliers to attach the quick-connects to the wires in your car. Hold the quick connect as shown below in Figure 1, then clamp it on to the wire as shown in Figure 2. There is a locking tab at the front of the connector (Figure 3) – make sure it is secure and locked in place when you are done.

Figure 1

Figure 2

Figure 3

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