



Thank you for your purchase of a spec.dock iPod solution for your vehicle. Audio connections may vary according to your particular setup. For any clarification on your particular vehicle, please email [info@2point5.com](mailto:info@2point5.com) or call 770-414-6038 with any further questions.

## spec.dock BMW e46 v.2 Installation Instructions



Begin by grasping the back edge of the shift boot with your fingers. The shift boot and its plastic former simply snap up out of the shifter trim as shown...



Underneath the shift boot and its former are two Philips-head screws. Remove these to allow removal of the shifter trim.



Once these screws are removed, lift up on the back edge of the shifter trim and slide it toward the back of the vehicle slightly. This will allow you to flip the piece up and unplug the wiring connectors.



These connectors are removed by squeezing the locks found on their sides and gently pulling to unplug them from their respective switches.



Under the shifter trim are two more Philips-head screws that need to be removed to allow the ashtray carrier to be accessed.



Next, use a plastic dash trim tool to release the clips on the storage pocket below the climate controls. Make sure not to use too much pressure, as the dashboard itself can be damaged if great care is not used. Usually, once one side is freed, the pocket can simply be slid out.





Behind this pocket are two final Philips-head screws that will need to be removed.



The ashtray carrier can now be removed by pulling toward the back of the vehicle while lifting up on the back of the piece to clear the shifter.



There are a variety of optional switches in this panel. They will all need to be unplugged - including the cigarette lighter wiring - to allow complete removal of the ashtray carrier.



The ashtray lift needs to be removed to keep it from trying to pop the spec.dock out of position, and to allow the ashtray door to open more to accommodate the iPod when docked. Using only your fingers, gently pull this piece toward you. It unclips from the ashtray carrier itself.



The wiring from the spec.dock will exit through this factory opening. Using your finger, push the tab outward to snap it off. This tab performs no locking or cosmetic function, so the factory ashtray can still be reinstalled at a later date.



Depending on which interface cable is installed, it may be necessary to cut a small amount of plastic out of the way to allow the spec.dock to drop into the ashtray well.

Test fit the spec.dock before proceeding to this step. If it will not drop into the well, proceed with small cuts to allow more room for the connector to slide through. The cut shown is the maximum that can be removed without being able to see the modification from the topside after the spec.dock is installed.



Remove the backing from the pre-installed double-sided tape, and clean the bottom of the ashtray well with denatured alcohol or a similar high-quality degreaser. The double-sided tape will not adhere to the plastic if it is not thoroughly cleaned first.



Pass the wiring from the spec.dock through this opening, feeding the cable through until the spec.dock is ready to be pressed into place.



Once the spec.dock is in position, press down firmly on either side of the dock to ensure full adhesion.



The ashtray carrier can now be reinstalled and the wiring routed to the necessary location. Reassembly of the rest of the console is the opposite of disassembly. Make sure to test all functionality before reassembling the vehicle.