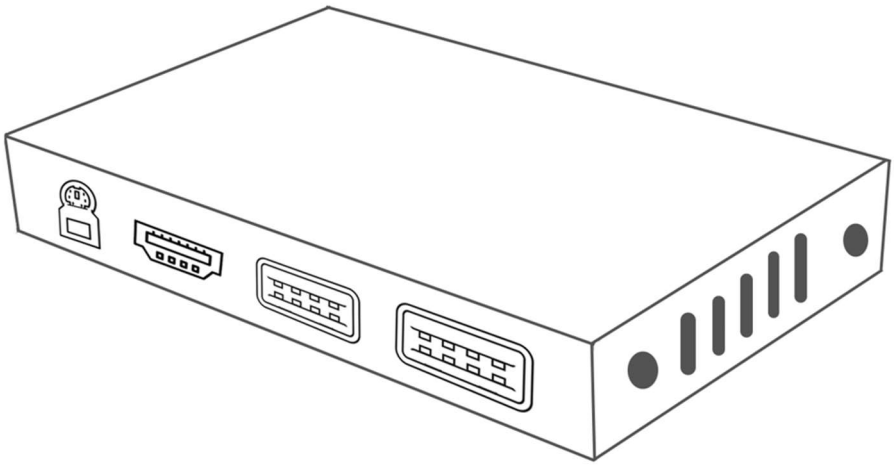
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For CIC



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1. Toggle Switch Setup

1.1 Choose the toggle switch setup by the size of your car's screen

Car Model	6.5 inch screen	8.8 & 10.2 inch screen
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5 & 7 Series		
3 & 5 Series		
6 Series		

X1		
X3		
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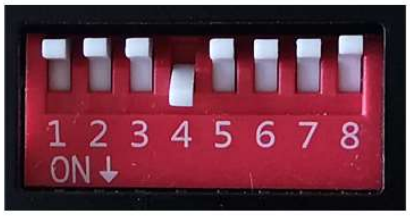
1.2 Where to find the toggle (DIP) switches?



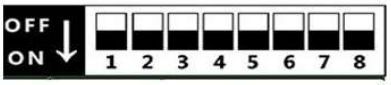
1.3 Set the toggle switch settings according to the size of your car's screen.

for 6.5 inch screen

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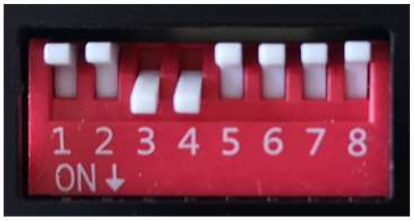
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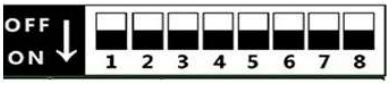
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for 8.8 / 10.2 inch screen

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2. Dashboard Removal

Please scan QR code, view the detail via YouTube video on dashboard removal guidance.

For 3 & 5 & 7 Series	For Series 1/3/6	For X1 X3 X5 X6
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3. Cable Connection

3.1 Cables and accessories

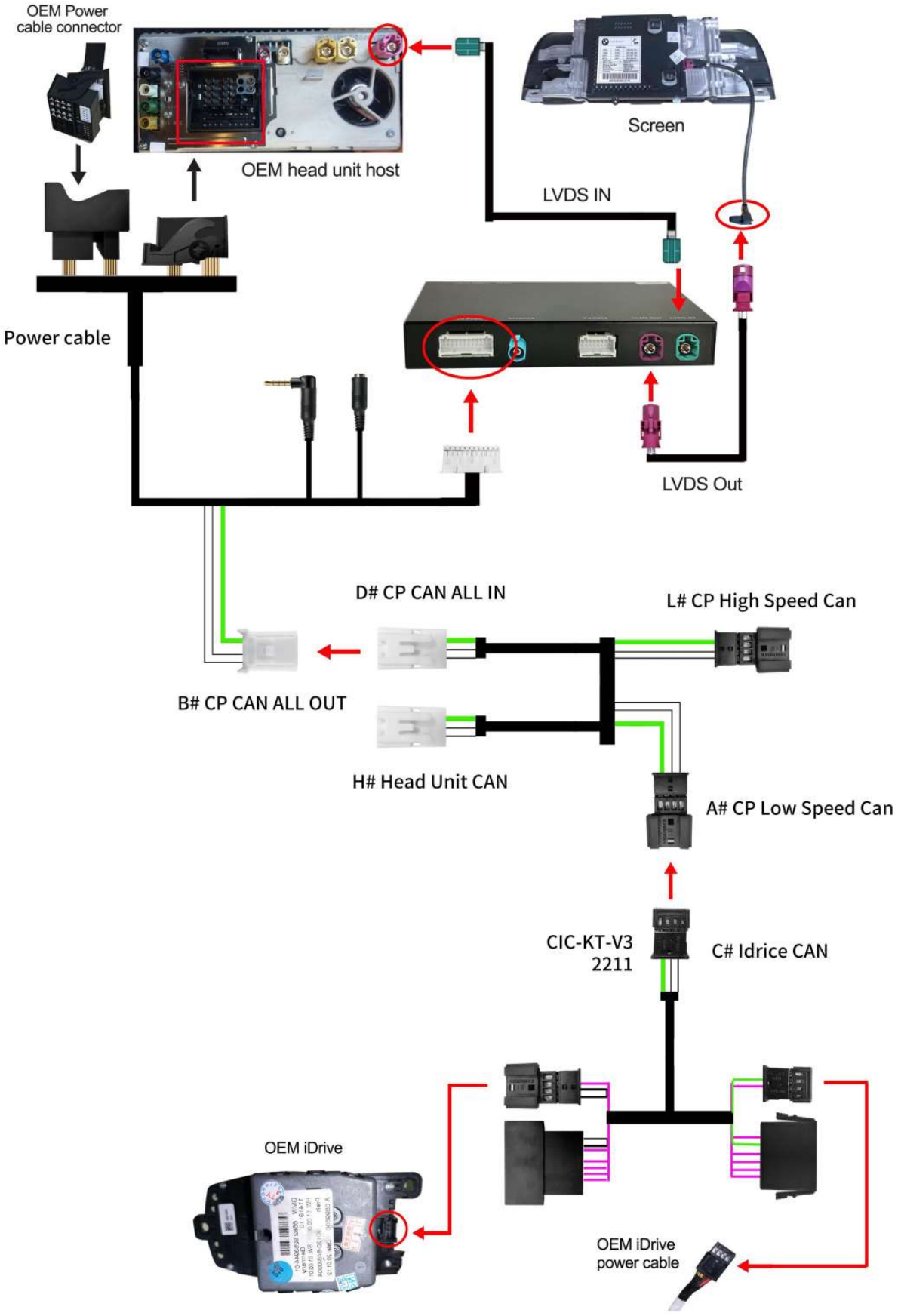


3.2 System switch button

After the cables are all connected, you will be able to switch between the original BMW and the CarPlay interfaces by long pressing the "MENU" or "BACK" button on the iDrive knob.

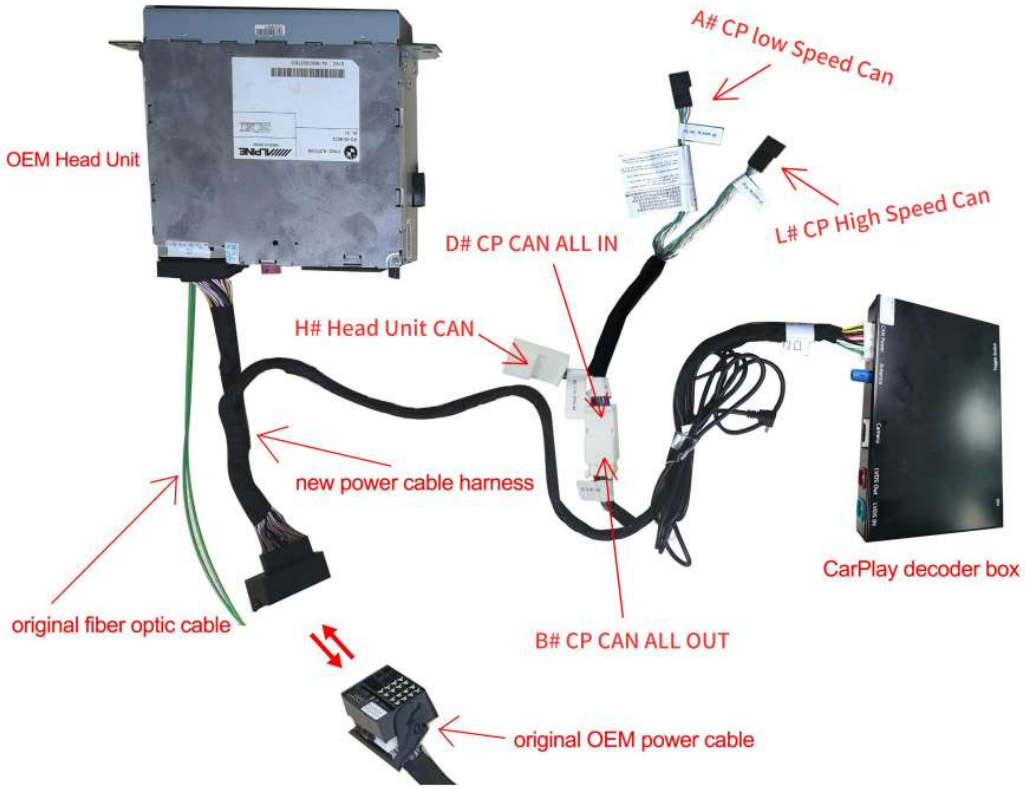


3.3 Cable connection chart

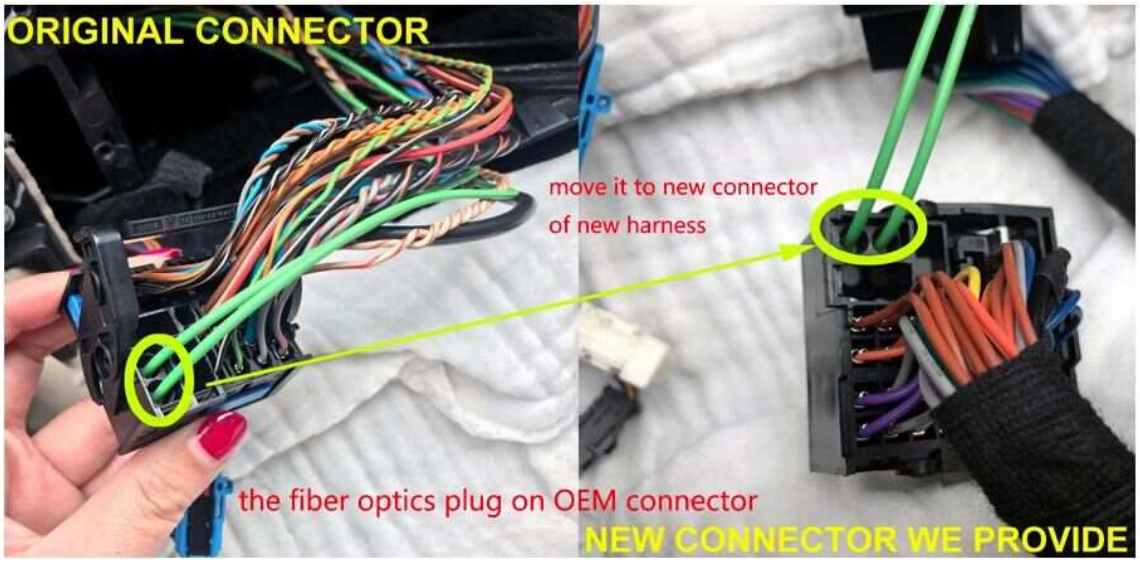


3.4 Power cable connection

1) Connect the new power cable to the ORM original power cable and the head unit.



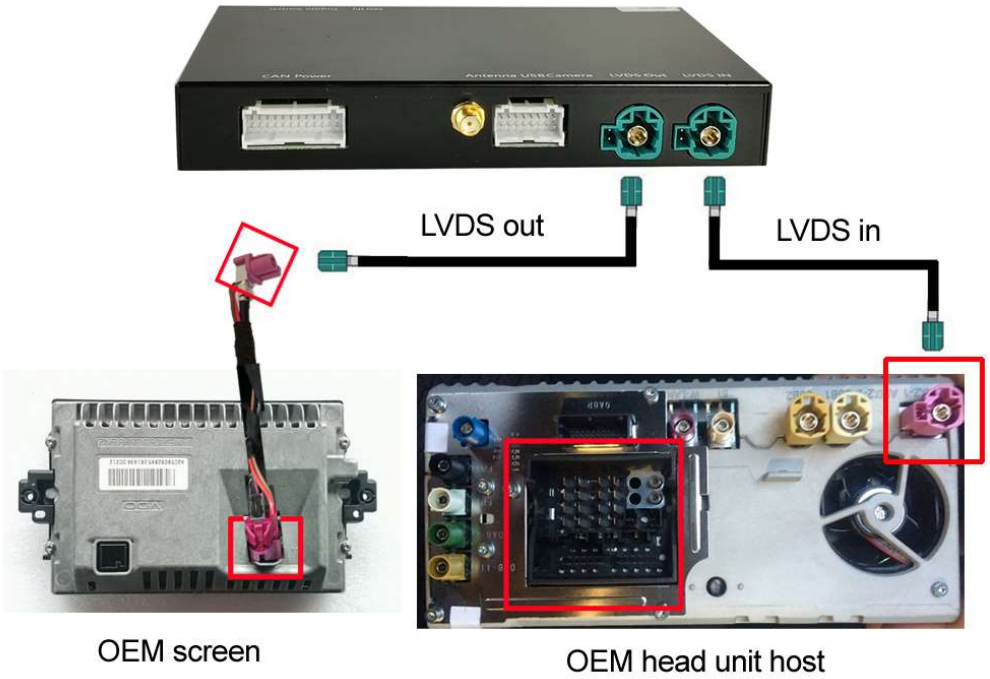
2) If your car has fiber optic cable, you will need to move the original fiber optic cable to the new harness.

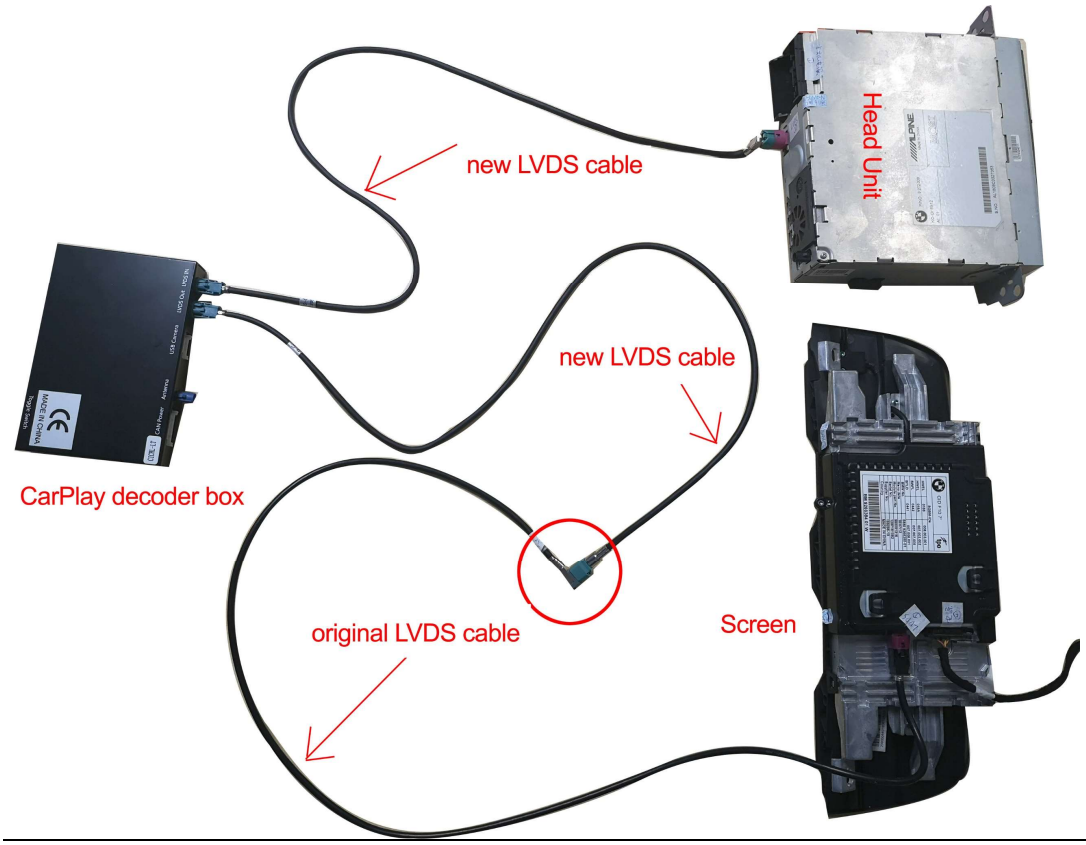


3.5 LVDS cable connection

1) The NEW LVDS cable 1 goes to the ORIGINAL LVDS from "LVDS OUT" of the CarPlay box.
2) The NEW LVDS cable 2 goes to HEAD UNIT from the "LVDS IN" of the CarPlay box.

Note: Connecting the LVDS cables incorrectly will result in a black screen!





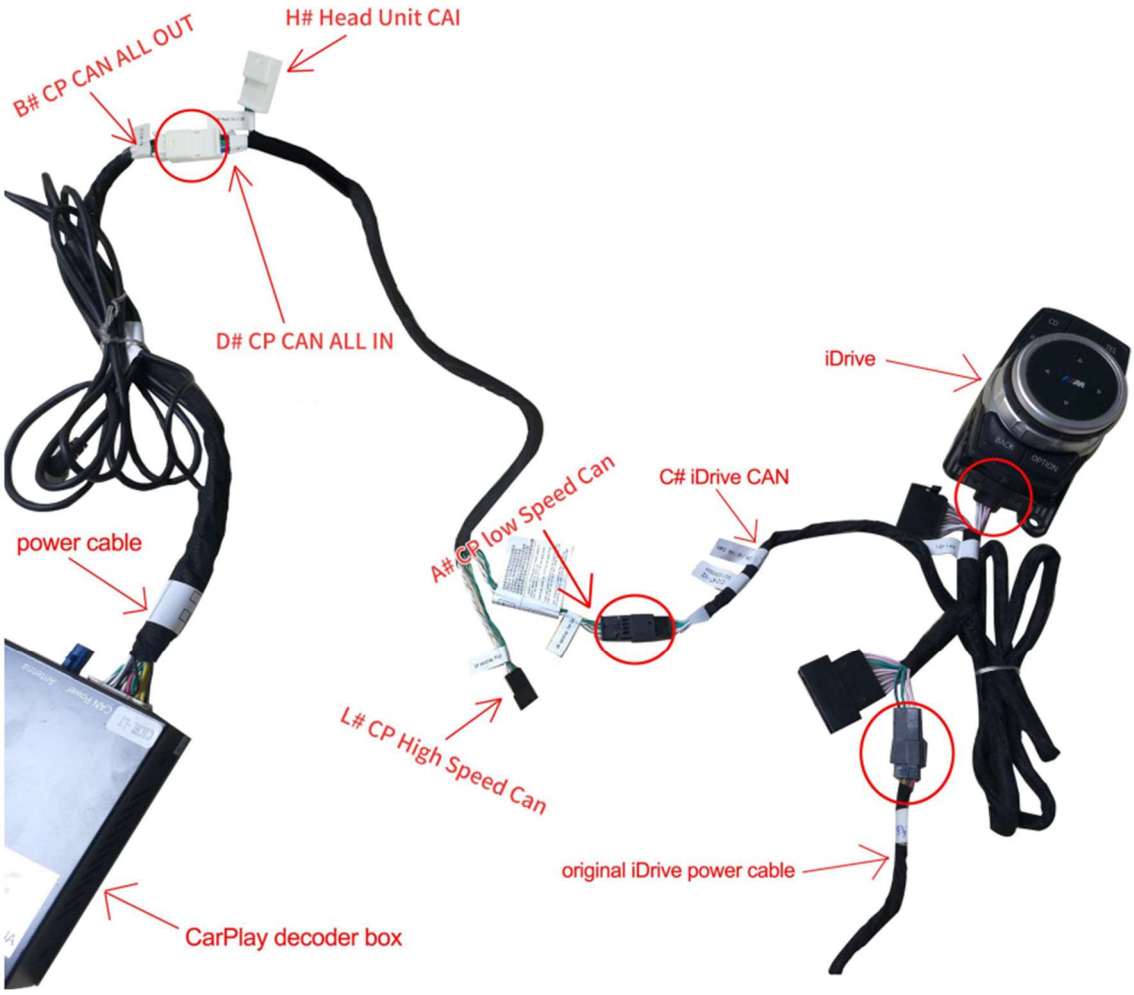
3.6 iDrive CAN cable connection

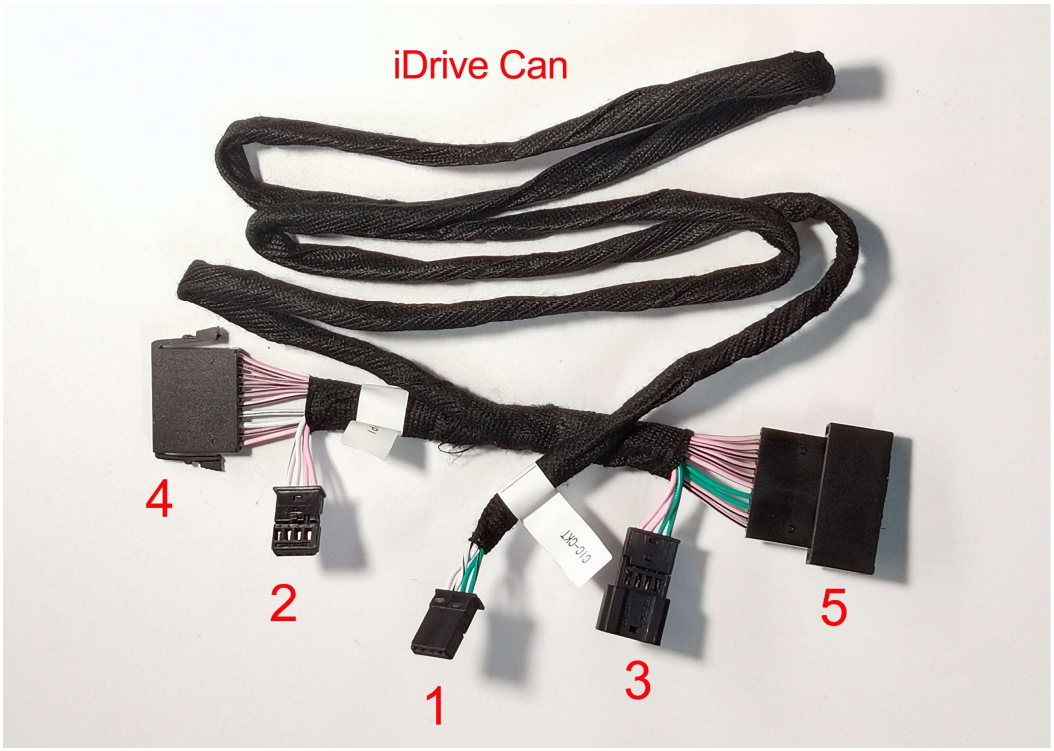
1) "B # CP CAN ALL OUT" connect to "D# CP CAN ALL IN"

2) "A# CP Low Speed Can" connect to "C# iDrive CAN"

3) Unplug the OEM original iDrive power cable from the iDrive and reconnect it to the new iDrive CAN harness. Then plug the new cable into the iDrive.

Note: Incorrect iDrive CAN cable connections will result in a red screen





Number 4 and 5 connectors are for the big iDrive
Number 2 and 3 connectors are for the small iDrive and MINI iDrive



small iDrive

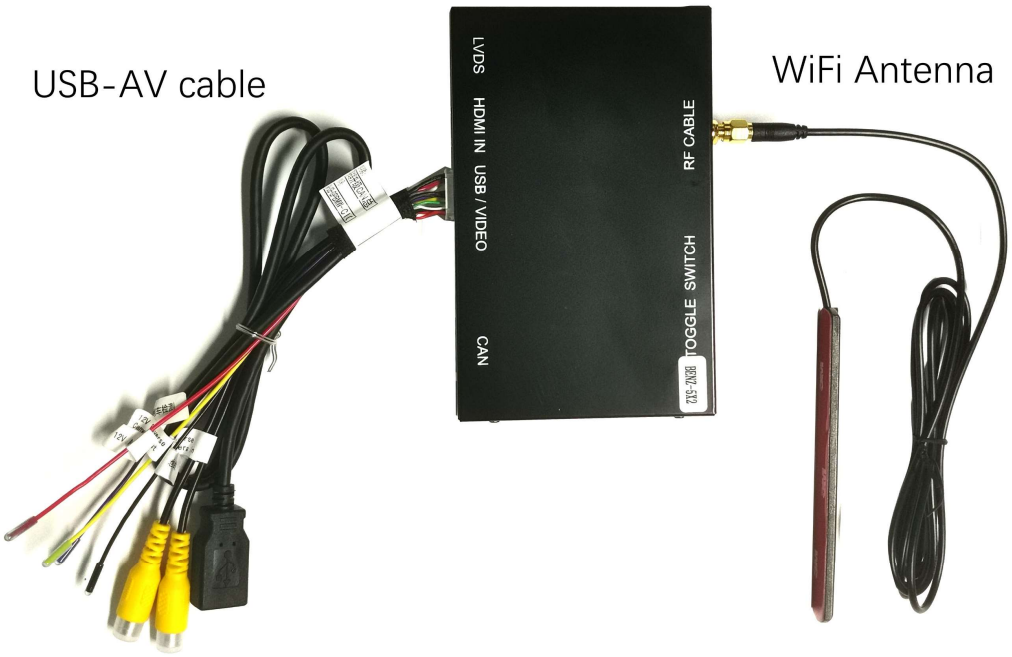


big iDrive



MINI iDrive

3.7 WiFi antenna and USB-AV cable connection



Note:

1) To avoid losing the WiFi signal, make sure the antenna is not placed close to metal objects.

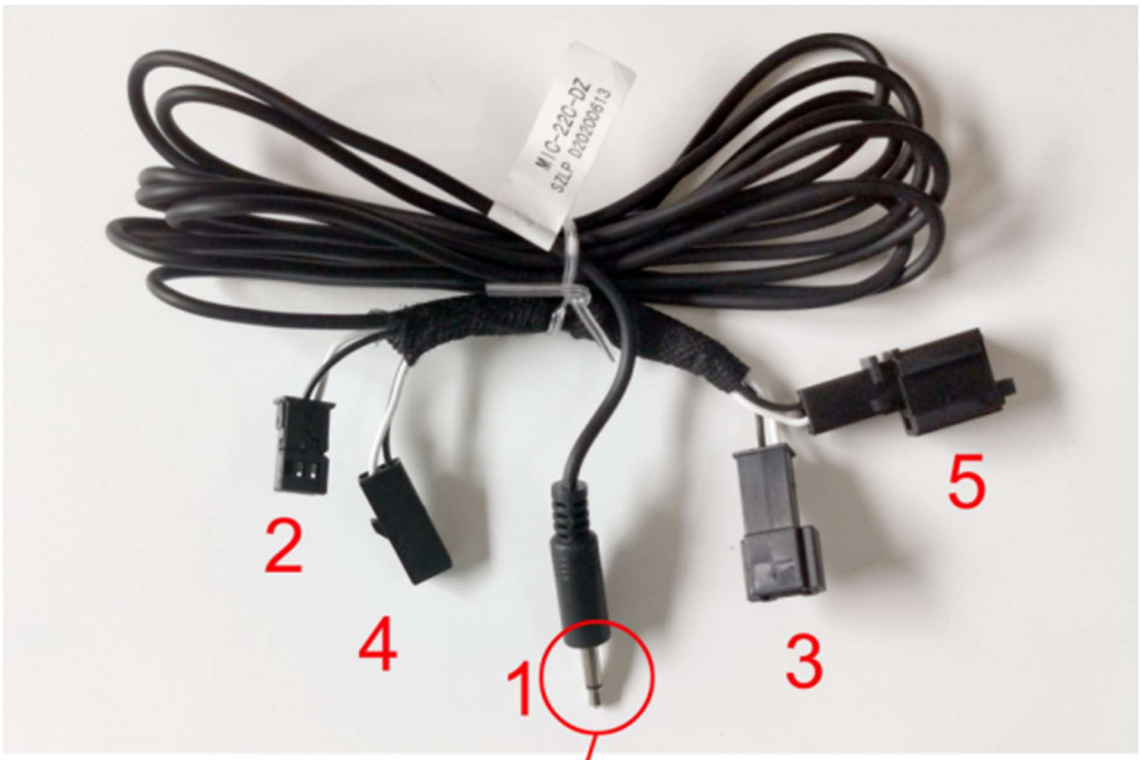
2) The USB port in the USB-AV cable is used for software updates.



3.8 Mic cable connection

3.8.1 for Cars with original OEM mic

If your car is with original mic function, you need to use our mic extend cable and connect it to your car original mic.





number 2: connect to the female plug of OEM Mic

number 3: connect to OEM Mic male cable

number 4: No connection

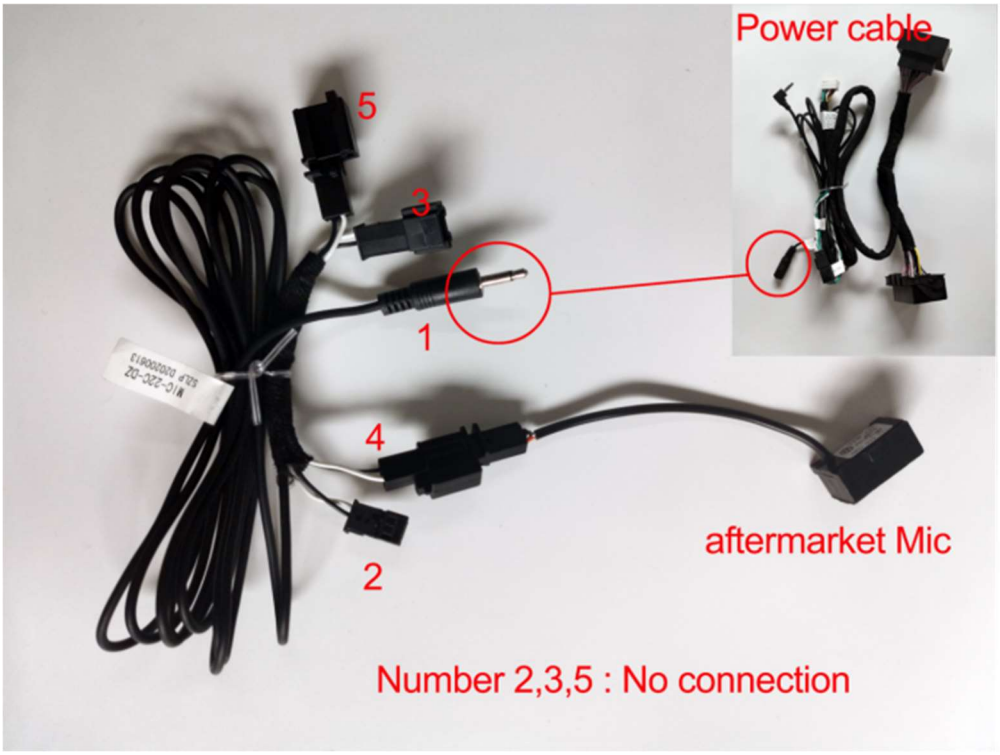
number 5: No connection



Please scan the QR code, directly enter into YouTube video demo on how to connect the Mic extend cable to the factory OEM Mic.

3.8.2 for Cars without original OEM mic

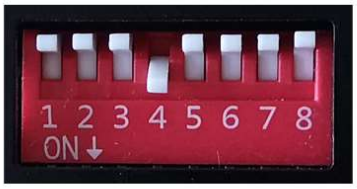
If your car doesn't have factory Mic, you can use the aftermarket Mic.



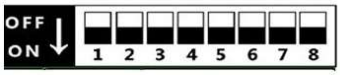
The code Number 7 of the toggle switch need to be set as "ON" for the aftermarket Mic.

for 6.5 inch screen

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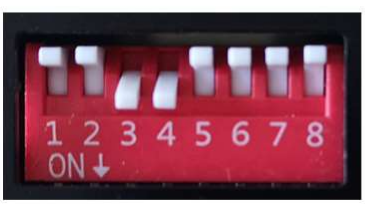
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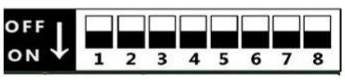
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for 8.8 / 10.2 inch screen

dial setup 1



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Aftermarket mic should be installed near to the driver position.



3.9 Where to put the CarPlay interface decoder box?

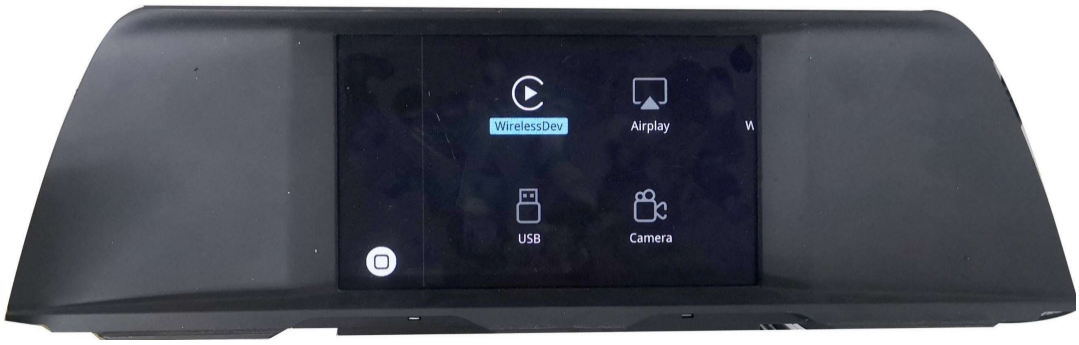
The CarPlay interface decoder box should be installed in an appropriate space near, or on, the OEM head unit. Or in the glove box.

on the OEM head unit	Beside the OEM head unit
	

In the glove box	In the glove box
	

3.10 Problem about red screen, black screen, half-screen, flash screen

Please contact us for the correct toggle switch setup code and the correct iDrive CAN cable connection if you meet problems as in the follow chart

Red screen	Black screen
	
Half-screen	
	
Flash screen	
	

4. CarPlay Decoder Sound Setup

Two ways optional for sound transmission to car audio: AUX output and phone Bluetooth output.

4.1 AUX output

4.1.1 If your phone already has a bluetooth connection to your car, disconnect it.

4.1.2 Connect the EXT-AUX cable to your car AUX port



4.1.3 Set AUX

Before using the CarPlay system, you need to set the sound input on your OEM interface to "AUX", otherwise the CarPlay /Android Auto system will have sound!

1) On the original BMW System, navigate to the "Multimedia" menu and click "External devices"



2) Click on "AUX front" to activate it.



3) Keep the setting in the original BMW system on "AUX front"

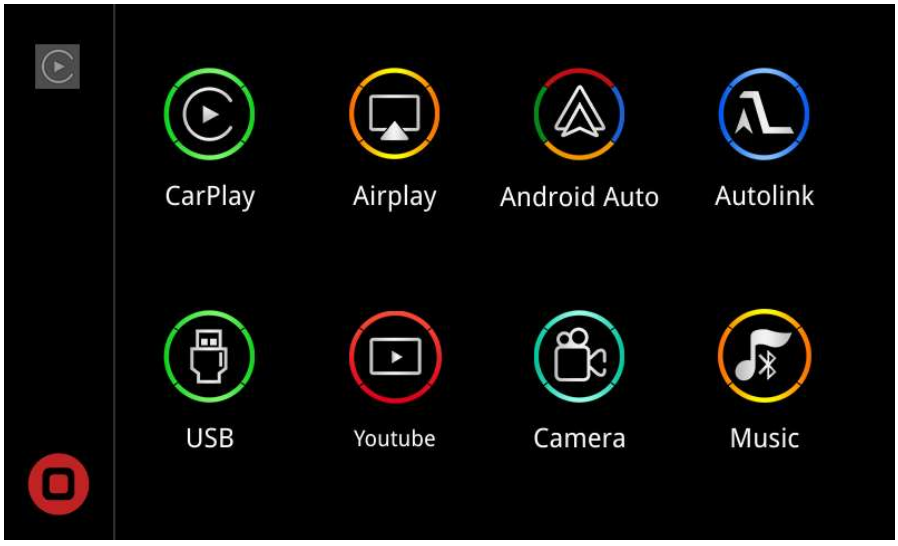


4.1.4 After finish the AUX setting, long press the “MENU” or “BACK” button from iDrive knob, you can switch the system between the original BMW system and the CarPlay system.



Scan the QR code to view sound setting guidance on our YouTube channel.

CarPlay Decoder main interface

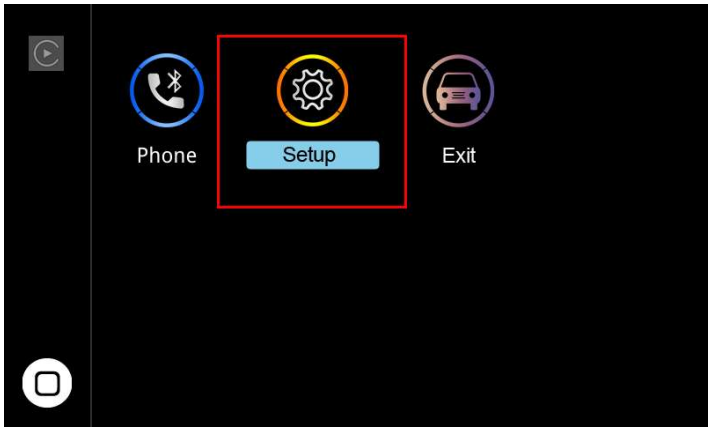
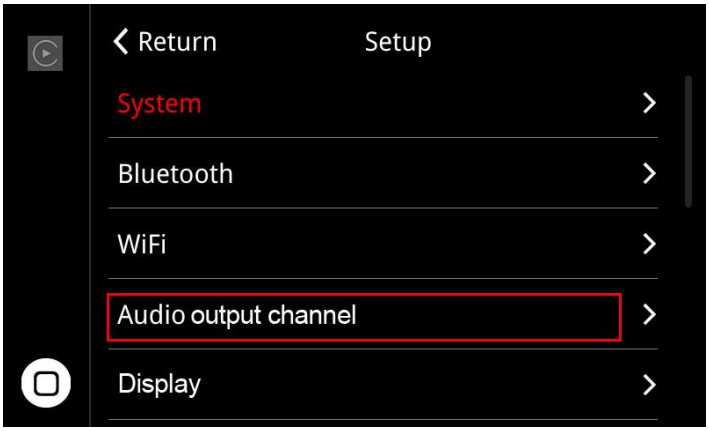
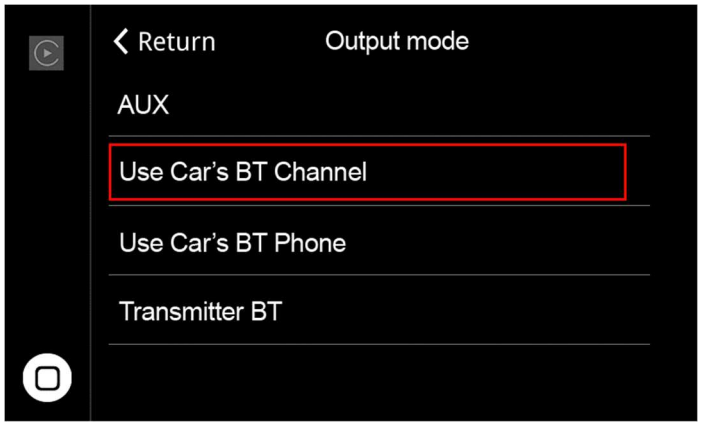
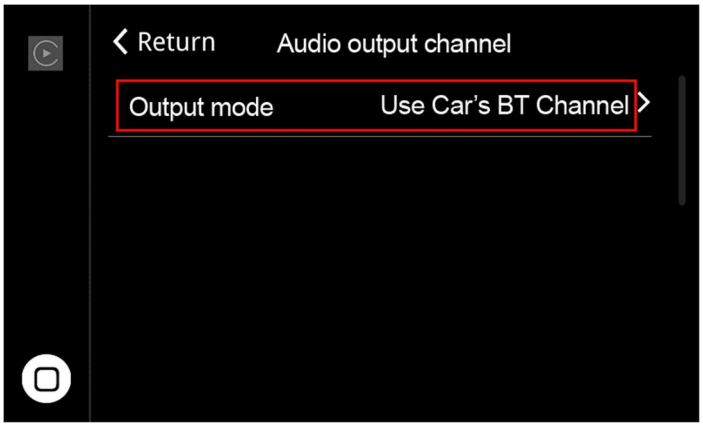


4.2 Phone Bluetooth output

Note: This sound connection mode only supports Carplay and Android Auto, as well as Bluetooth calls. USB/SD card music video sound output is not supported. Mirrored sound output is not supported.

4.2.1 Set the CarPlay decoder box sound output mode into “Use Car’s BT Channel”

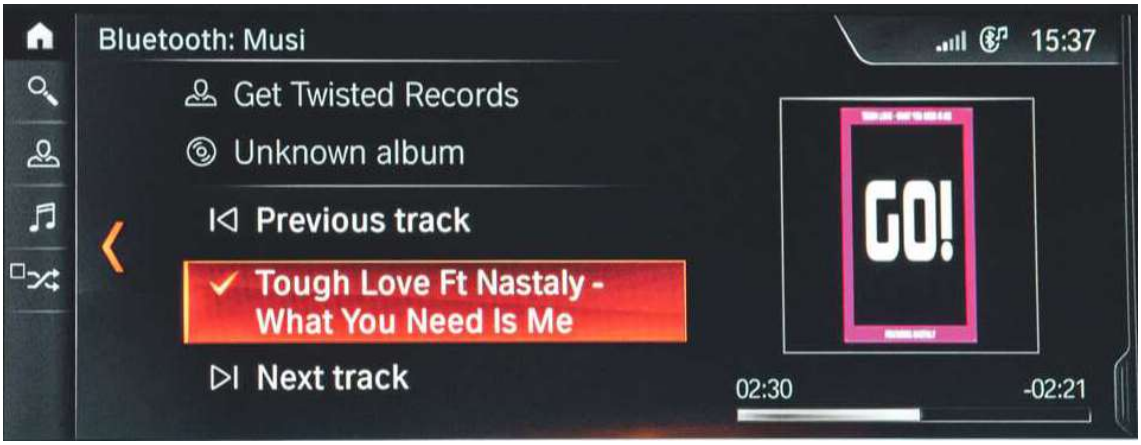
Enter the “Setup” menu from the decoder main menu , Set the “Audio output channel” into “Use Car’s BT Channel” .

Step 1	Step 2
	
Step 3	**Step 4**
	

4.2.2 Pair the Phone Bluetooth to the OEM BMW Bluetooth

4.2.3 After the phone Bluetooth is paired successfully, Keep the original OEM BMW system into Bluetooth audio page, long press the “MENU” or “BACK” button from iDrive knob to enter into the CarPlay decoder interface and enjoy the CarPlay/Android auto.





Long press the “MENU” or “BACK” button from iDrive knob to enter into the CarPlay decoder interface and enjoy the CarPlay/Android auto.



5. Reverse and Front Cameras

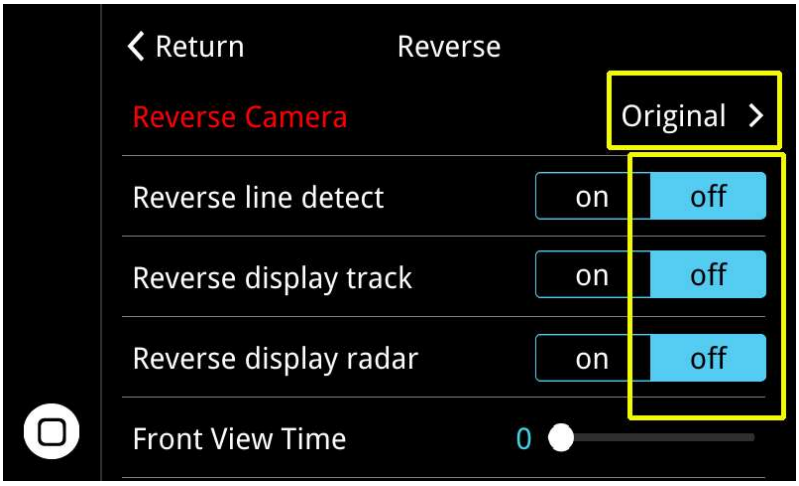
5.1 Original OEM camera

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5.1.1 Setup for Automatic Transmission car with original OEM camera

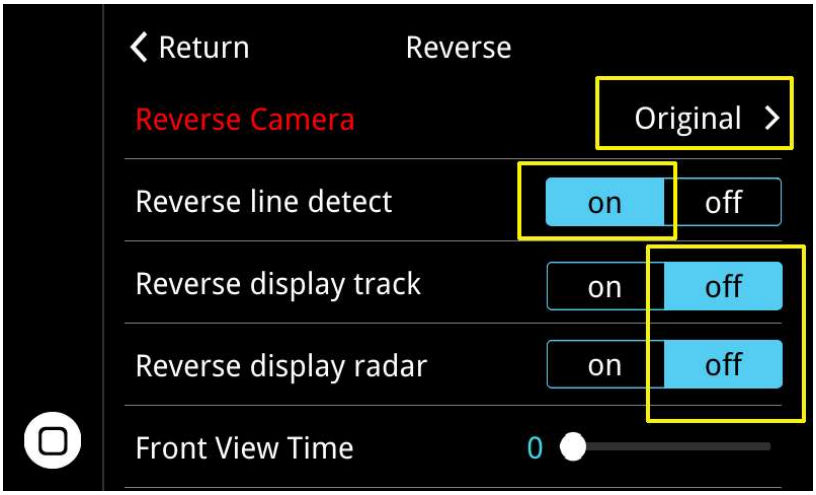
Enter the “Setup” menu from the decoder main menu, choose “Reverse”, then make sure the “Reverse Camera” option is set to “Original”.

Make sure that the following three options are all set to “off”.



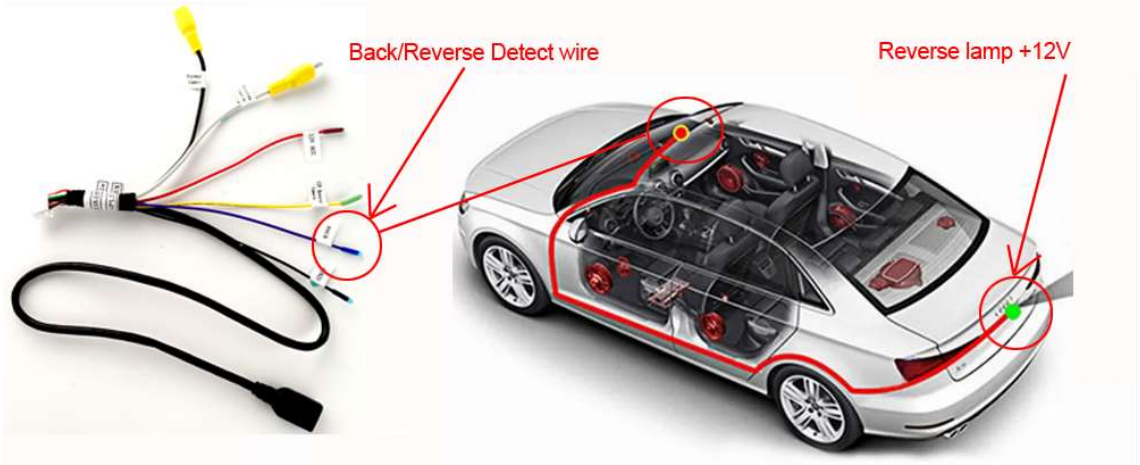
5.1.2 Setup for Manual Transmission car with original OEM camera

Enter the “Setup” menu from the decoder main menu, choose “Reverse”, then make sure the “Reverse Camera” option is set to “Original”, and set the “Reverse line detect” into “on”, the others are set to “off”



After set the “Reverse line detect” into “on”, for the Manual Transmission car, you need to connect the “Back/Reverse detect” wire to your car reverse lamp positive (+12V).

You manage to get a wire long enough to connect it (connect the Reverse detect wire to your car reverse lamp +12V), because it doesn’t come with the package.



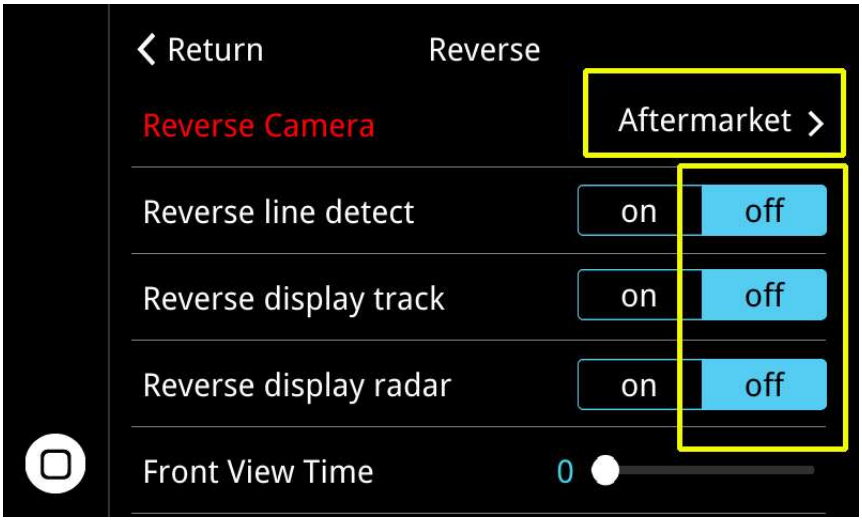
5.2 Aftermarket reverse camera

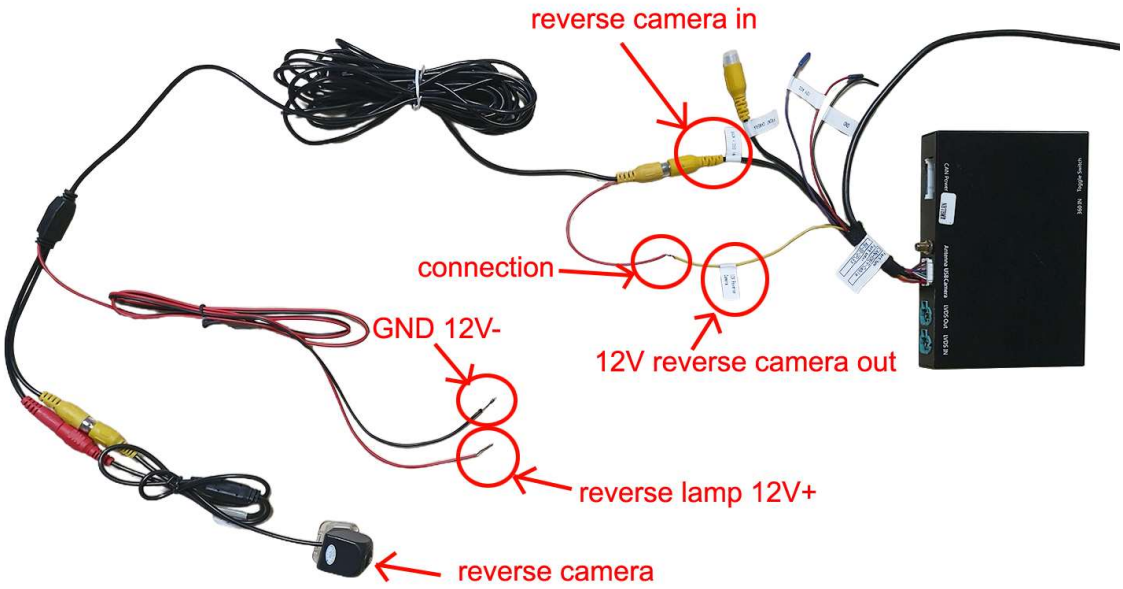
Setting is different for the Automatic Transmission car and the Manual Transmission car.

5.2.1 Setup for Automatic Transmission car with aftermarket camera

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Make sure that the following three options are all set to “off”.

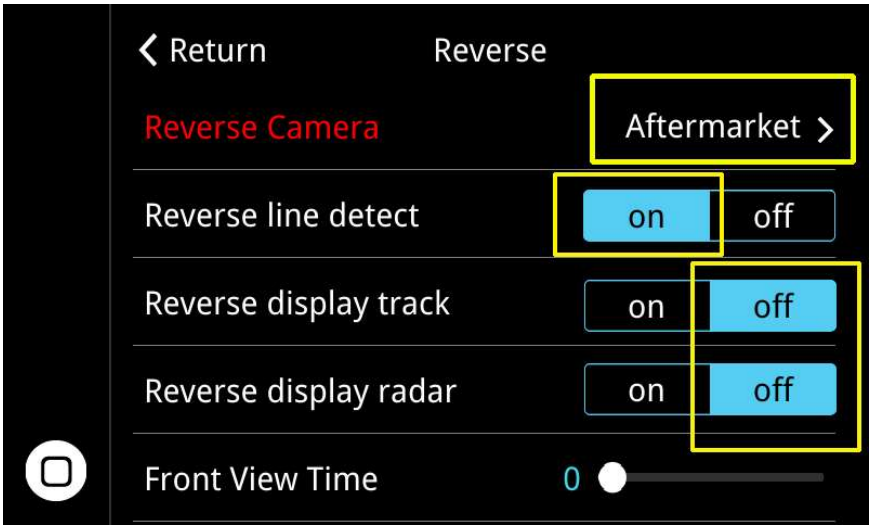


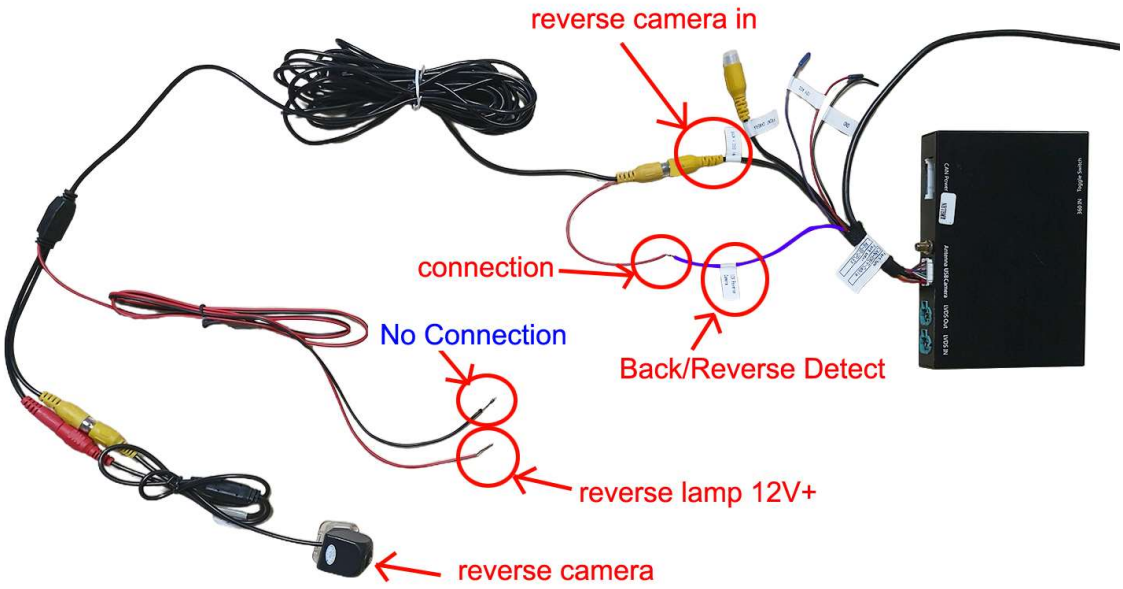


Aftermarket rear view camera cable connection for Automatic Transmission car

5.2.2 Setup for Manual Transmission car with aftermarket camera

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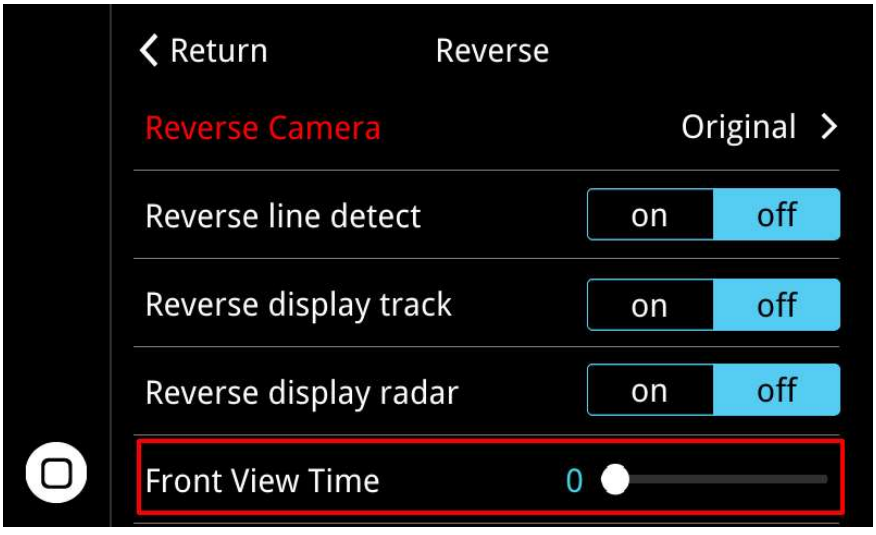




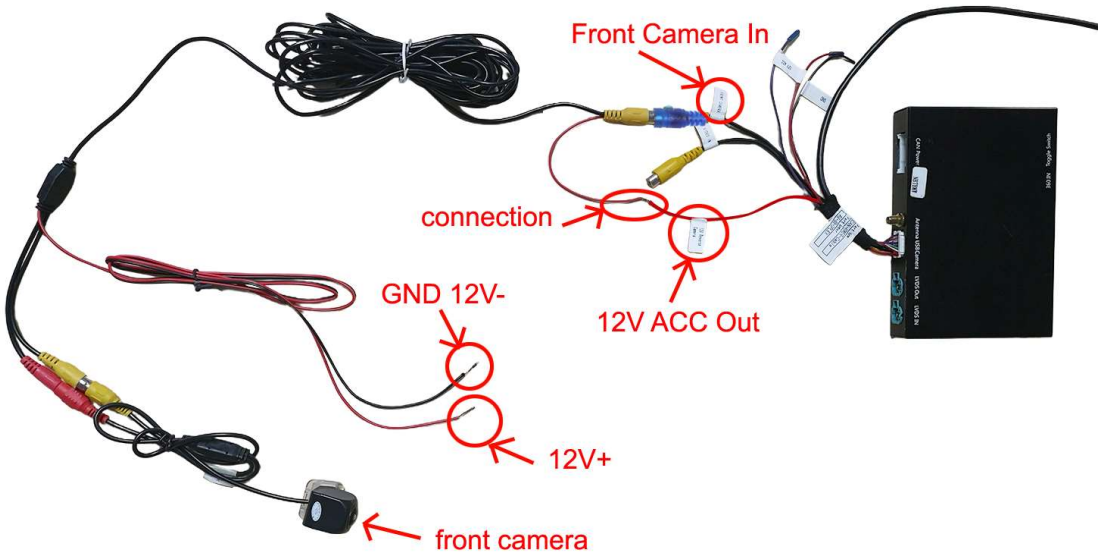
Aftermarket rear view camera cable connection for Manual Transmission car

5.3 Front view cameras

Front view camera settings: enter into the “Reverse” setting interface, and set the front view time between 1 to 15 seconds.



Tip: if your car doesn’t install the front view camera, please set the front view time into 0 seconds.



Front view camera cable connection

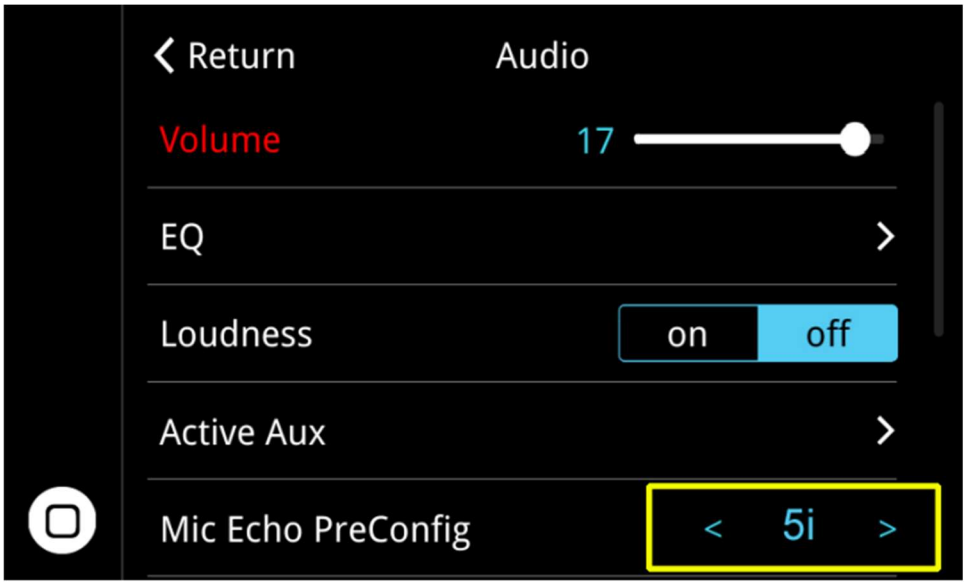
6 FAQ

1. Why is there no sound during the call?

You need to move the original fiber optic cable to CarPlay source power cable. Please view the page 7 of the user manual for detail.

2. There is an Echo during a phone call

Solution: in the Audio setting, set the “Mic Echo PreConfig“ into “5i”, then restart the engine.

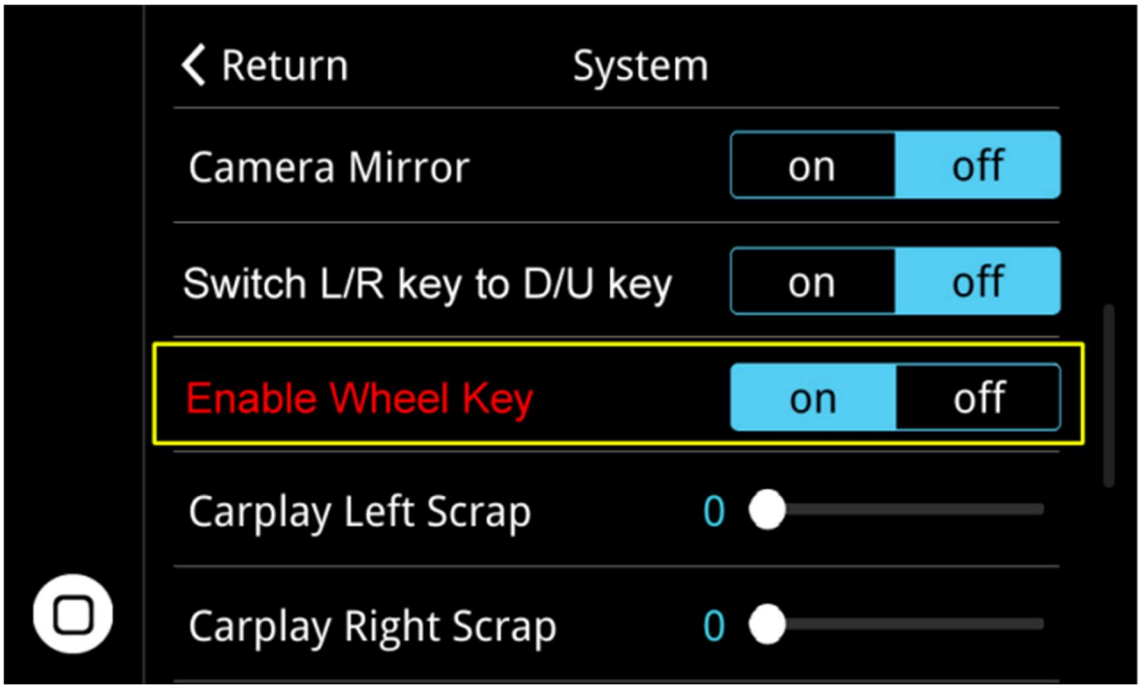


3. Which steering wheel control buttons work?

The CarPlay interface decoder box supports the Voice Control button, the Telephone button, and the volume "+" and "-" buttons. The other buttons are not supported.



If the steering wheel control buttons are not working, activate the option "Enable Wheel Key", in the "System" menu found in the "Settings" menu.



4. How do I activate Siri?

There are two ways to activate the Siri function:
1) Use the Voice Control button on the steering wheel or
2) Long press the confirm button on the iDrive controller





7 Contact Us

Please contact us via purchase platform, mail or the WhatsApp if you need any help.

Tip:
before contacting us, please help us to collect the following information.

1. the order ID
2. the car model
3. the year of the car
4. screen size of the car
5. the toggle switch setup
6. pictures about the LVDS cable connection
7. the software version (in the CarPlay decoder menu, enter into the “Setting”, choose the “System Version”, you will see the software version.)

