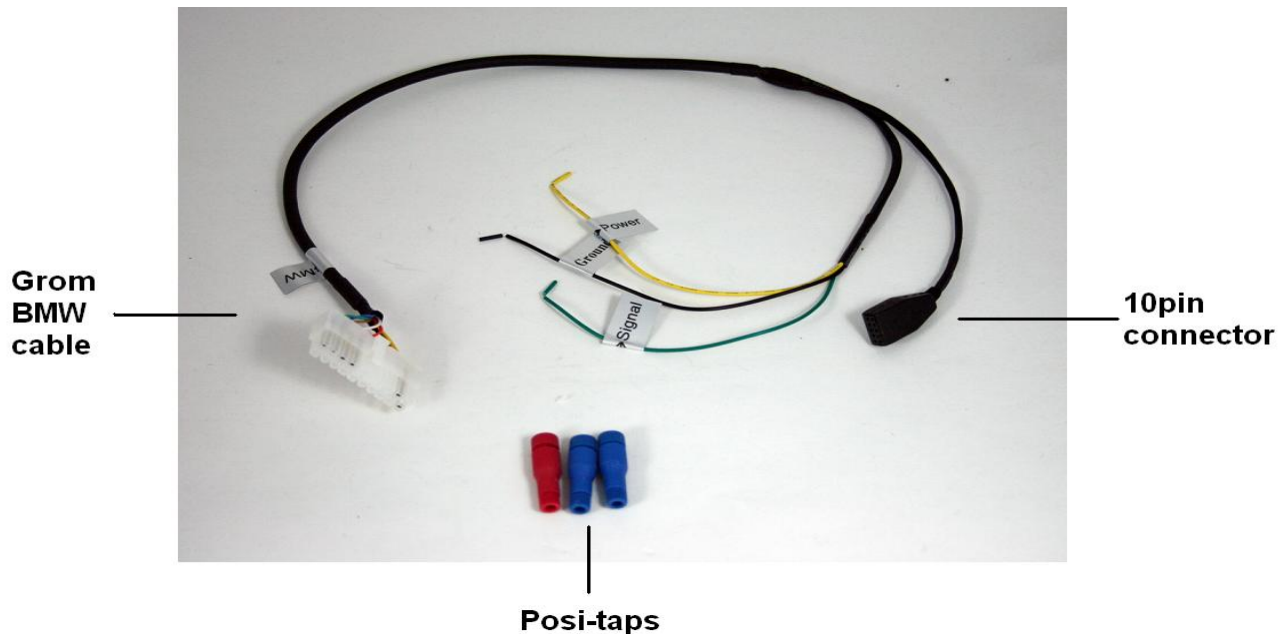


## GROM Interface Installation into BMW cars

### Dashboard Mounting Instructions



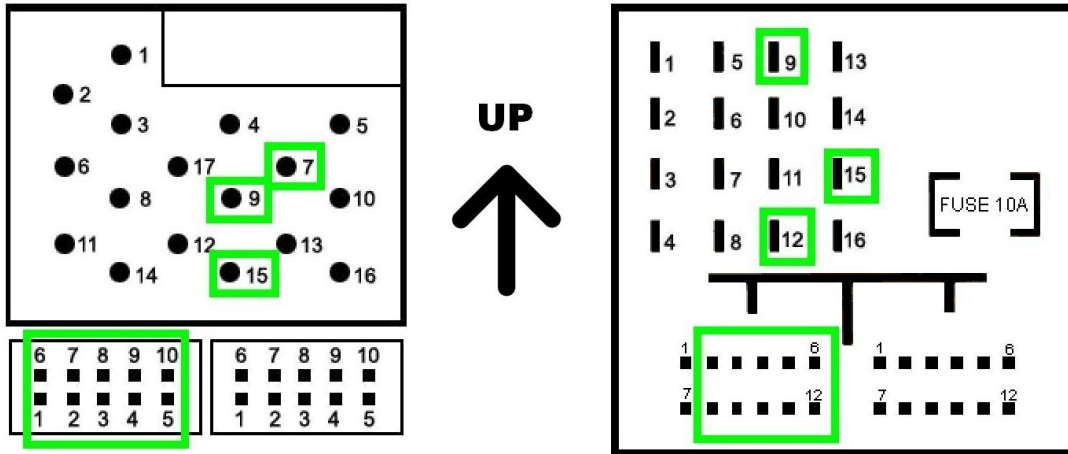
Picture 1

### ***Tools needed***

1. A wire strip tool (optional)

### ***Preparation***

1. Turn off the car engine and remove the key from the ignition
2. Using the stereo removal tools carefully remove the radio from the dashboard
3. Locate the vehicle specific cable and Posi-Tap clips that came with your adapter (picture 1).
4. At the back of the stereo locate the harness that connects your radio to the car. It should have pins like those shown on next page (either of two shown) in Diagram 1.
5. The 3 (three) wires coming out of adapter's vehicle specific cables are color coded: BLACK, YELLOW, and GREEN. You will need to connect those wires to the appropriate car stereo wires, following Diagram 1 on top of next page.



**Black 15 -GND**  
**Yellow 9 – BATT**  
**Green 7 – BUS**

**Black 12 – GND**  
**Yellow 15 – BATT**  
**Green 9 - BUS**

**\*These are GROM wire colors. You need to match to corresponding PIN of your factory Wire.**

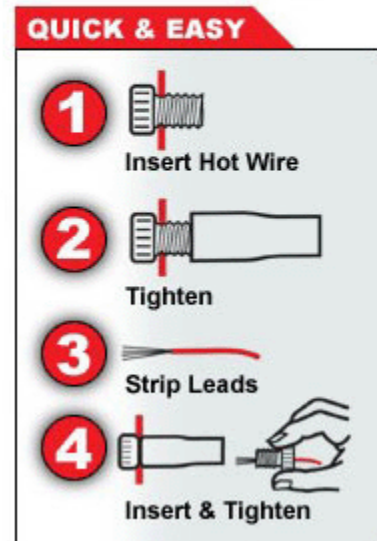
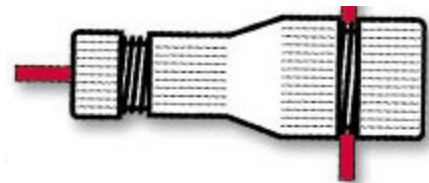
Diagram 1

6. To simplify the installation, 3 Posi-Tap clips have been included with the adapter: one red and two blue.

Use **the RED posi-tap to connect the BUS wire**, and the BLUE posi-taps to connect BATT and GND wires. Please refer to the picture for the proper wire connection.

**Adapter installation**

- 7. Locate appropriate wires on the car stereo harness (refer to the diagram 1 above)
  - 8. Connect the wires using Posi-taps provided according to the harness diagram and the color of the adapter wire.
  - 9. The wires that come from your stereo are “HOT” wires referring to the picture 2.
- Attention: Don't forget to strip the free hanging wires from your vehicle specific harness (picture two).



Picture 2

10. If you have any problems with using posi-taps please see the installation demonstration here: <http://gromaudio.com/docs/posi-tap.pdf> or contact us for the help.

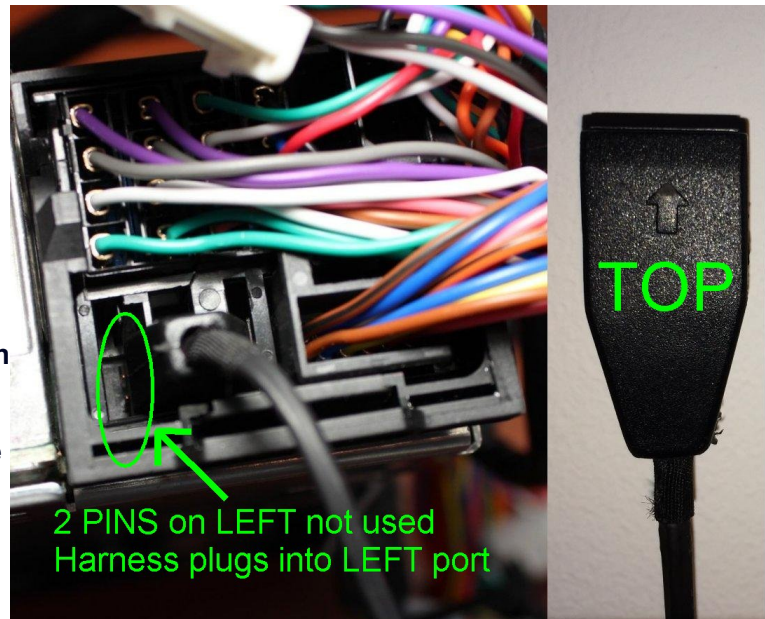
**WARNING! DO NOT CUT ANY WIRES THAT COME FROM YOUR STEREO!**

11. Use the 10-pin black connector (audio cable) coming out of adapter's vehicle specific harness and attach it as shown on diagram 1 to the car stereo (shown as marked with GREEN RECTANGLE).

**Note: Make sure you insert 10-pin connector with arrow on top, skip 1<sup>st</sup> column of pins if you have 12pin port (as in Diagram 2)!**

If your radio has a 12 pin connector, skip the first column of pins (pins 1 & 7) and connect 10 pin Grom connector as shown in Diagram 2.

The arrow on 10-pin connector, it should be facing up as shown in Diagram 2



**Diagram 2**

12. Find a place for the GROM. In all BMW/Mini there is enough room inside the dash to place the GROM.

**Note: Make sure you put the GROM in the place with enough room so when you mount the car stereo back you do not break the adapter**

13. You may use glove box or other spaces in the dash to direct the cables out

14. Mount your car stereo back into the dash, make sure its clips are securely fastened

15. Now you can turn your car stereo on and switch it over to CD Changer mode. It should show "CDC X-XX" on a display. If it is not - see Troubleshooting section.

16. Congratulations! You have installed GROM adapter and you may use it right now with your portable player.



## ***Troubleshooting***

### **Stereo not recognizing GROM / Loose wire connections**

Sometimes the wiring may not have a good connection. Please make sure that all wires are securely attached and the posi-taps are tightened. Please make sure that the wires coming from the vehicle specific harness are stripped. Make sure posi-tap connector pierced the wiring and has good connection. Pay extra attention to **BUS** wire connection and make sure PTAP pierces wire fully to have good connection. there are times it misses the wire entirely and have no connection at all. Unscrew Ptap to check. (See step 6)

### **Audio is not coming from the speakers**

The 10 pin audio connector on the vehicle specific harness is not inserted properly. Make sure that the audio connector is inserted properly. It should be connected with arrow on top (see Diagram 2). If radio has 12 pin connector, be sure to skip 1<sup>st</sup> column of pins when connecting 10 pin GROM connector. Make sure you have 10 pin connected to port on the LEFT.

**Still No Sound?** Does stereo have DSP button or DSP option in Menu? if yes, then you will have to install GROM with BMW5 harness at the factory CD changer location with DSP adapter instead.  
(Contact Technical support for further Information)

### **Sound comes only from 1 channel or No Sound**

The 10 pin sound connector (picture 4) is not aligned correctly. Make sure that the 10-pin sound connector on the vehicle cable is aligned correctly and arrow is on top.

### **"No CD Magazine" message**

If vehicle is equipped with factory CD changer in the trunk, Make sure that the CD changer is completely unplugged at the CD changer trunk location so that the GROM can function properly and then try again. The BUS wire going to the CD changer is still allow it to communicate with the stereo and causing it to not work properly with GROM.