

Replacing 2005 F250 and F350 Stereo Head Unit

The first step is to remove the dash. The best way to do this would be by removing the steering wheel and gear selector; However, you can do still do a great job without removing them. You just have to be careful and take your time. This guide is offered as help, but I take no responsibility for any damage done during your installation.

1. Tilt steering column as low as you can get it.
2. Make sure your emergency brake is on well. Turn your ignition on and put the gear selector in low so that the selector is down as far as it will go.
3. Use some foam or a rag to wrap around the gear selector. This area will be tight and will touch the dash. You want to protect it from doing damage to the dash.



4. Now gently pull on the seam between the front portion and back portion of the dash. It will pop off. Work your way around the dash. The area around the gauge display will be tight. Use your fingers to pull the dash off in that area.





5. Now your dash should be free but still have wires connected in a lot of spots. Carefully disconnect all of the wiring plugs. Don't worry about where they are being unplugged from. They are all different and you can't plug them in the wrong spot.
6. Now you should be able to carefully remove the entire dash and put it some place safe.
7. Now just remove the 4 screws holding in the stereo.



8. Gently pull out the stereo and unplug it.



9. Now wire up your new unit and install it. You can use a '04 F150 after market plug. They are the same plug and these are easier to find right now.
10. Mount the stereo. You may have to test the fit with the dash a few times to get it right. Don't bother with plugging it any of the dash wiring until your sure the fit is perfect. You can again use an aftermarket bezel kit for a '04 F150. It may have to change slightly, but should fit pretty well.
11. Now test everything before you put the dash back in. I know, you maybe thinking that you know that you wired everything correctly, but are you sure the stereo doesn't have anything wrong with it? It sucks to have to do all of this again because the stereo has something wrong with it. Trust me... I learned this the hard way.



12. Now place your dash back in position but do not snap it in. Make sure your gear selector still has the foam on it.
13. Now plug all of your dash switches back in and test everything. Make sure you got them all.
14. Now gently push the dash back into place. Push on it gently all around and on both sides if the gauge display. It will snap back into place.



This is the install of a Kenwood DDX7015

Hope this helps and good luck!