



## User Guide

**Stratus 5**

Satellite Radio





## Here's your new SIRIUS® Stratus 5 Plug & Play Radio

Your new SIRIUS Stratus 5 Plug & Play Radio comes with everything you need to enjoy SIRIUS® in your car. With available SIRIUS Universal Docking accessories you can use your Stratus 5 just about anywhere.

Your new Stratus 5 gives you powerful features:

- » Easy-to-read 3-line display.
- » Built-in wireless FM transmitter so you can listen to SIRIUS through your car's FM stereo. An FM Presets button makes transmitter frequency changes quick and easy.
- » Jump button that lets you jump to and from your local traffic and weather report channel with the touch of just one button

Use this manual to familiarize yourself with all of your SIRIUS Stratus 5's features and capabilities. For the latest information about your Stratus 5 and other SIRIUS products and accessories, visit <http://www.siriuscanada.ca>.

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# Warning & Safety Information



## Warning

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

## Canadian Compliance

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

## IC STATEMENT

Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device. For product available in the Canada market, only channel 1~11 can be operated. Selection of other channels is not possible. This device and its antenna(s) must not be co-located or operation in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p) is not more than that permitted for successful communication. IC Radiation Exposure Statement: This equipment complies with IC RSS-102 radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator & your body.

# General Precautions

## Liquid Crystal Precautions

If the LCD screen on the radio is damaged, do not touch the liquid crystal fluid. If any of the following situations happen, take the action indicated:

1. If the liquid crystal fluid comes in contact with your skin, wipe the skin area with a cloth and then wash the skin thoroughly with soap and running water.
2. If the liquid crystal fluid gets into your eye, flush the eye with clean water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical care.
3. If the liquid crystal fluid is ingested, flush your mouth thoroughly with water. Drink large quantities of water and induce vomiting. Seek medical care.



## Safety Precautions

Be sure to observe the following warnings. Failure to follow these safety instructions and warnings may result in a serious accident.

- Do not operate your Stratus 5 in a way that might divert your attention from driving safely. As a driver, you alone are responsible for safely operating your vehicle in accordance with traffic safety laws at all times.
- Do not install the unit where it may obstruct your view through the windshield, or of your vehicle's indicator displays.
- Do not install the unit where it may hinder the function of safety devices such as an airbag. Doing so may prevent the airbag from functioning properly in the event of an accident.
- Be sure the unit is installed as described in the installation instructions which accompany each accessory kit. SIRIUS Satellite Radio is not responsible for issues arising from installations which were not installed according to the instructions.
- To avoid short circuits, do not open the unit, and never put or leave any metallic objects (coins, tools, etc.) inside the unit.
- If the unit emits smoke or unusual odors, turn the power off immediately, and

- disconnect the unit from any power source.
- Do not drop the unit or subject it to strong shocks.
  - If the unit doesn't seem to be working properly, turn the unit off, wait 10 seconds and then turn it on again.
  - The installation and use suggestions contained in this manual are subject to any restrictions or limitations that may be imposed by applicable law. The purchaser should check applicable law for any restrictions or limitations before installing and/or operating this unit.



## Warnings

### Operating Temperature

The Stratus 5 is designed to operate between -20° to +85° C (-4° to +185° F). Avoid leaving the radio in a vehicle or elsewhere where the temperature may fall outside this range. Extreme temperatures or extreme temperature fluctuations can degrade the performance of the LCD display screen, and possibly damage it.

### Cleaning and Maintenance

If the radio or accessories become dirty, turn the power off and wipe it clean with a soft cloth. Do not use hard cloths, strong cleaning fluids, paint thinner, alcohol, or other volatile solvents to clean. These may cause damage to the radio.

### Cigarette Lighter Adapter

The Vehicle Dock cannot be powered directly from a vehicle's 12VDC power system. It must be powered from the vehicle's cigarette lighter or similar power port using the included Cigarette Lighter Adapter or an equivalent DC power adapter (see your local electronics dealer). Connecting the Vehicle Dock directly to the vehicle's 12VDC power system may result in damage to the Vehicle Dock or SIRIUS radio, or both.

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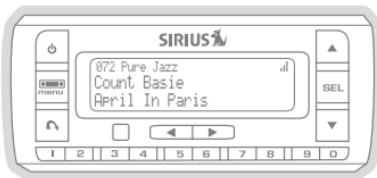
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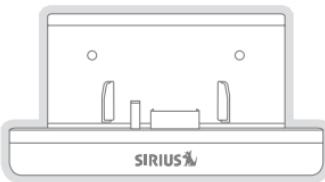
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# Package Contents

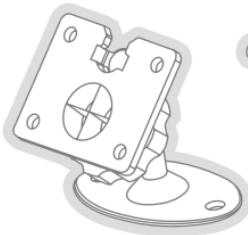
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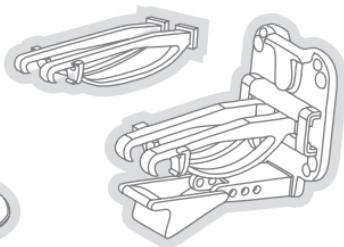
Stratus 5 Radio



Vehicle Dock



Adhesive Dash Mount



Vent Mount &  
Extended Vent Hooks



Cigarette Lighter  
Adapter



Unpack your SIRIUS Stratus 5 radio carefully and make sure that everything shown is present. If anything is missing or damaged, or if your the radio fails to operate, notify your dealer immediately. We recommend that you retain the original carton and packing materials in case you need to ship your radio in the future.

# Installation

SIRIUS suggests that you have your Stratus 5 professionally installed in your vehicle. Professional installation provides an experienced technician to install this product in your vehicle, advice for selecting a suitable mounting location for the Vehicle Dock, installation of the antenna, and proper routing of all the necessary wires and cables. If the locations of your SIRIUS radio and your vehicle's FM antenna make the performance of the SIRIUS radio's built in FM transmitter within your vehicle poor, a professional installer will have the necessary accessories to install an optional FM Direct Adapter or audio cable to connect the audio output of the Vehicle Dock directly to your vehicle's audio system. Ask your SIRIUS retailer if they provide professional installation services or can recommend a professional installation service.

## Location

When installing the Vehicle Dock in your vehicle, choose a location in your vehicle where it will not block your vision, interfere with the vehicle controls, or obstruct the air bag. The location should be easily accessible and provide good visibility of the display, and should not be located where it will be in direct sunlight which will affect the visibility of the display screen.

*Figure 1* shows two examples of the Stratus 5 mounted in a vehicle: **A** is the dash mount method, and **B** is the vent mount method using the vent mount clip.

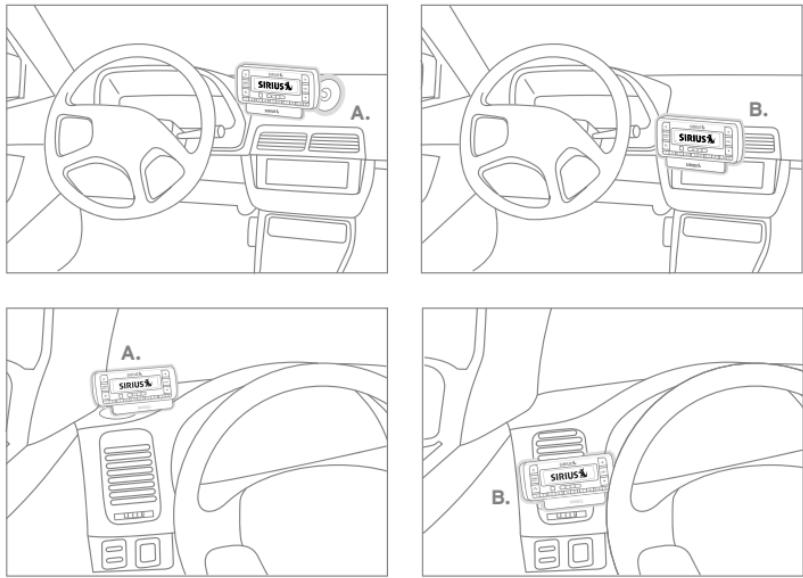


Figure 1

# Mounting the Vehicle Dock

## Dash Mount Method (A)

Attach the dash mount to the vehicle dock using the provided screws (see *Figure 2*).

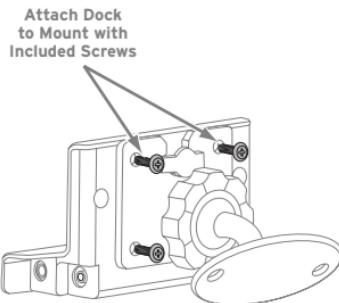


Figure 2

Select the mounting position carefully before adhering the mount to your vehicle. Once the mount has been adhered to a surface, it will not be possible to remove it and adhere it again.

Once you've selected a mounting location, clean the mounting surface area in the vehicle with the provided alcohol swab. Peel the protective material off the adhesive on the foot and press the foot firmly against the vehicle surface.

Allow the adhesive to adhere for a minimum of 2-4 hours before using the mount. The best adhesion occurs after 24 hours.

## Vent Mount Method (B)

To mount the vehicle dock using the vent mount, install the vent mount as follows:

1. If the vent louvers in your vehicle are recessed, you may need to use the supplied longer vent hooks with the vent mount. Refer to *Figure 3* and install the longer vent hooks into the vent mount. Be sure to observe the orientation of the vent hooks as shown.

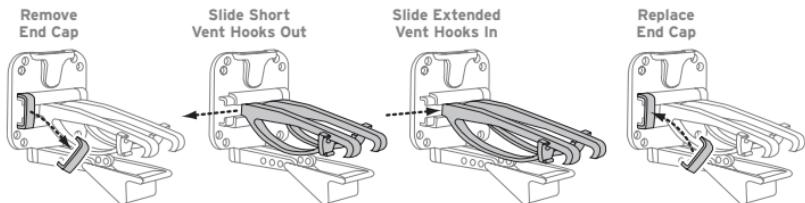


Figure 3

2. Attach the vent mount to the vehicle dock using the provided screws (see *Figure 4*).

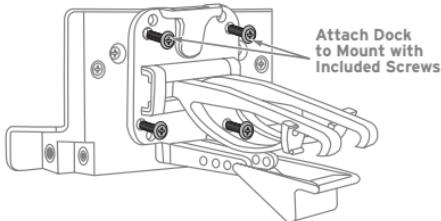


Figure 4

3. Refer to *Figure 5* and attach the vent mount to a heating/air conditioning vent in your vehicle. Position the two tension springs A against a vent louver B. Then push the vent mount into the vent, far enough so that the hooks C drop down and hook the rear of the vent louver (see *Figure 6*). Once you are sure that the hooks have grasped a vent louver, the tension springs A will keep the vent mount hooked to the louver.

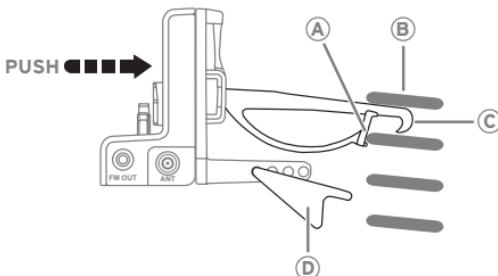


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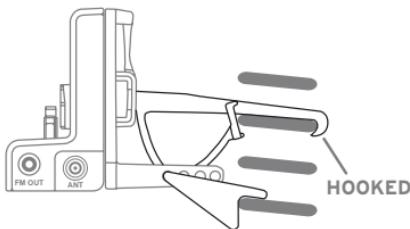


Figure 6

4. The angle of the docking station may be changed by changing the position of foot D on the vent mount to a different adjustment hole (see *Figure 7*).

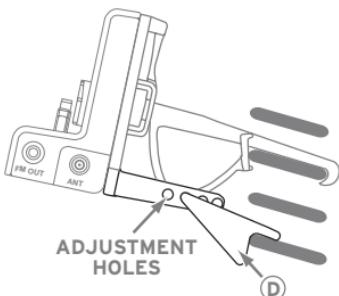


Figure 7

# Installing the Magnetic Antenna

## Caution

Because adhesive is used in the installation of the Rubber Antenna Cover/Tail, we recommend that you install the antenna at or above room temperature (68° F). The adhesive on the Rubber Cover/Tail may not adhere properly to the vehicle roof at temperatures lower than this. Warmer temperatures will also make it easier to route of the antenna cable through the rubber molding around the windows and in other areas in the vehicle. Maximum adhesion usually occurs within 72 hours at room temperature, so you should avoid car washes as well as other contact with the antenna and Rubber Cover/Tail during this 72 hour period.



## Warning

Be sure not to cut, damage, or puncture the external jacket of the antenna cable during the installation procedure. Damage to the antenna cable can degrade the SIRIUS signal or make it unavailable, and can also cause water to intrude via the cable into the antenna causing the antenna to fail.

Do not lengthen or shorten the antenna cable by cutting it. Doing so will cause the antenna to not function properly.

## Installation

Installing the magnetic antenna consists of two steps:

- Mounting the magnetic antenna and Rubber Antenna Cover/Tail on the vehicle
- Routing the antenna cable through the vehicle to the Vehicle Dock

## ANTENNA MOUNTING

The SIRIUS Magnetic Mount Vehicle Antenna has a strong magnetic mount designed to hold it in place during normal driving conditions (highway/city). This also makes the antenna easy to remove for transferring it to other vehicles.

*Figure 8* shows the optimal mounting location for the antenna on several types of vehicles. These mounting positions should be observed when installing the antenna:

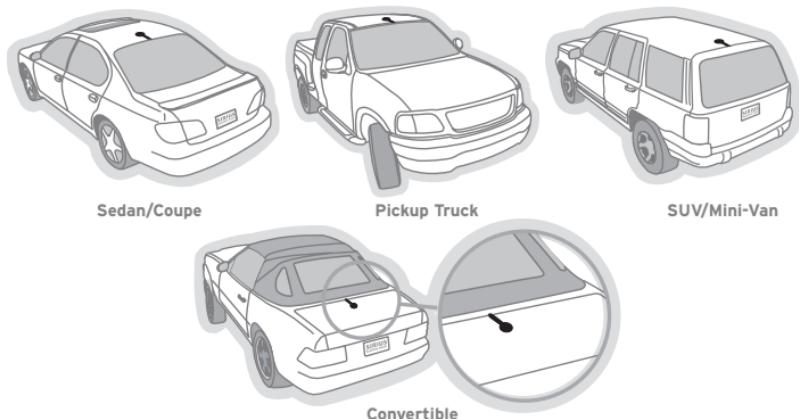


Figure 8

- **Sedan/Coupe/SUV/Mini-Van:** Install the antenna at the rear center of the roof, near the rear window.
- **Pickup Truck:** Install the antenna at the front center of the roof, near the windshield.
- **Convertible:** Install the antenna at the front center of the trunk lid, near the rear window.

The SIRIUS antenna needs to have an unobstructed area of 3 inches by 3 inches around it. It is important to mount the antenna where no obstructions will block the antenna from receiving the SIRIUS signal. Objects which can obstruct the antenna could be a roof rack, a sunroof, a roof-mounted cargo container, another antenna, etc. If your vehicle has a potential obstruction, be sure that the SIRIUS antenna is mounted at least 3 inches away from it (but no closer than 3 inches from the roof edge, or trunk lid in the case of a convertible).

**NOTE: READ THE *DO* AND *DO NOT* INSTALLATION TIPS BEGINNING ON PAGE 30 FOR ADDITIONAL ANTENNA INSTALLATION INFORMATION.**

Follow this procedure to mount the antenna:

1. Select an appropriate mounting position for your type of vehicle that has an unobstructed area of 3 inches by 3 inches around the antenna.
2. Attach the Rubber Cover/Tail to the antenna, as shown in *Figure 9*, and press the antenna cable into the rubber cover/tail. The Rubber Cover/Tail will help to position the antenna the correct distance from the edge of the roof or trunk lid.

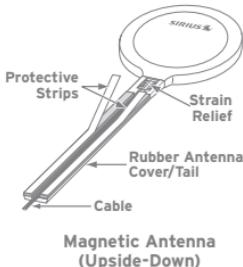


Figure 9

3. Clean the surface area of the vehicle where you will be installing the antenna with the alcohol prep pad.

4. Peel the protective material from the adhesive strips (see *Figure 9*) and press the Rubber Cover/Tail firmly into place on the vehicle.
5. Double check that the location of the antenna and Rubber Cover/Tail are correct, and continue to press firmly down on the Rubber Cover/Tail for another 30 seconds. At room temperature (68° F), maximum adhesion usually occurs within 72 hours. During this period, avoid car washes and other contact with the antenna and the Rubber Cover/Tail.

#### **CABLE ROUTING**

After you have mounted the antenna you can route the antenna cable to the SIRIUS Vehicle Dock. Separate antenna cable routing procedures are provided for each type of vehicle: Sedan/Coupe, Pickup Truck, SUV/Mini-Van and Convertible.

Note that additional breakout illustrations for each step of the antenna cable routing procedures can be found on the SIRIUS website at <http://www.siriuscanada.ca>. Click on the Install/Activate link and then follow the link for the Car Installation Tips.

## Sedan/Coupe Antenna Cable Routing Procedure

Figure 10 shows how the antenna cable should be routed from the antenna to your SIRIUS radio in a sedan/coupe.

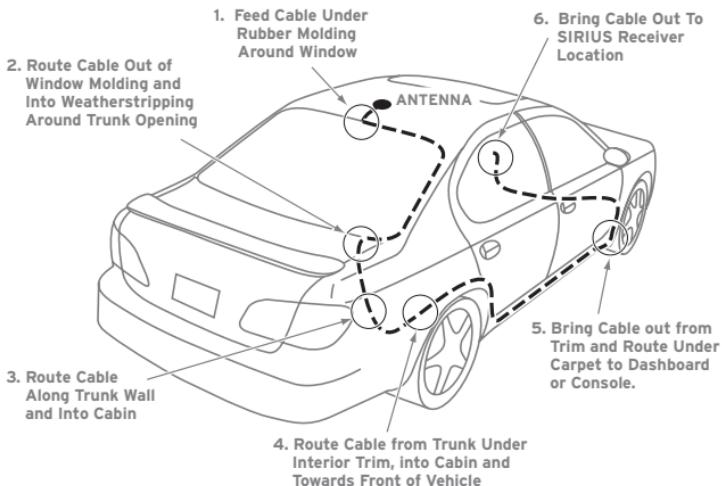


Figure 10

Follow these detailed cable installation instructions:

1. Feed the cable from the antenna underneath the rubber molding around the rear window. Use a plastic putty knife or similar object to lift the rubber molding around the rear window and tuck the antenna cable underneath the molding. Route the antenna cable around and down the window to the lowest point. If your rear window does not have rubber molding, SIRIUS recommends consulting with a professional installer.
2. Route the antenna cable out of the window molding and into the rubber weather stripping around the trunk opening. Lift the weather stripping from the opening and tuck the cable inside it, then replace the weather stripping. To avoid sharp bends in the cable, run the cable inside of the weather stripping for a few inches, then remove the cable from the weather stripping inside of the trunk. Keep the cable away from hinges, gears, etc., that could damage it.
3. Route the cable out from the rubber weather stripping and along the trunk wall. Continue routing the cable into the cabin through a conduit or along an existing wiring harness.
4. Route the cable through the main cabin area under the interior trim, towards the front of the vehicle. Use the plastic putty knife to lift the plastic trim just enough to tuck the cable under underneath. Avoid side airbag locations on back pillars and above the doors. (Airbag locations are marked with "SRS" logos.) Be careful not to crimp or cut the cable.
5. Bring the cable out from the trim near the firewall and route it under the carpet toward the dashboard or console. Coil any excess cable in a hidden location, such as under the carpet, keeping it away from any vehicle pedals or controls. Secure the excess cable with wire ties.
6. Bring the end of the cable out at the SIRIUS Vehicle Dock location. Leave yourself enough cable so you can easily connect it to the antenna connector on the Vehicle Dock.

## Pickup Truck Antenna Cable Routing Procedure

Figure 11 shows how the antenna cable should be routed from the antenna to your SIRIUS radio in a pickup truck.

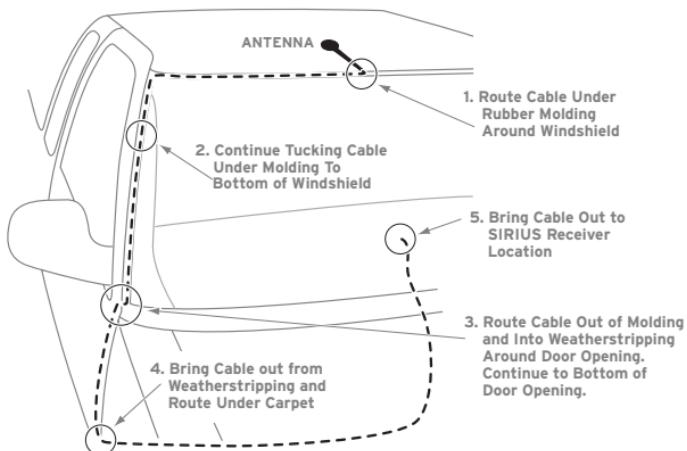


Figure 11

Follow these detailed cable installation instructions:

1. Use a plastic putty knife or similar tool to lift the rubber molding around the windshield and tuck the antenna cable underneath it.
2. Continue tucking the cable underneath the windshield molding around the windshield to the lowest corner.
3. At the lowest corner of the windshield, route the cable out of the windshield molding and into the rubber weather stripping around the door opening. Lift the weather stripping from the opening and tuck the cable inside it, then replace the weather stripping. Run the cable inside of the weather stripping to the bottom of the door opening.
4. Pull the cable out of the weather stripping at the bottom of the door opening and route it under the carpet toward the dashboard. Coil any excess cable in a hidden location, such as under the carpet, keeping it away from any vehicle pedals or controls. Secure the excess cable with wire ties.
5. Bring the end of the cable out at the SIRIUS Vehicle Dock location. Leave yourself enough cable so you can easily connect it to the antenna connector on the Vehicle Dock.

## SUV/Mini-Van Antenna Cable Routing Procedure

Figure 12 shows how the antenna cable should be routed from the antenna to your SIRIUS radio in an SUV or a Mini-Van.

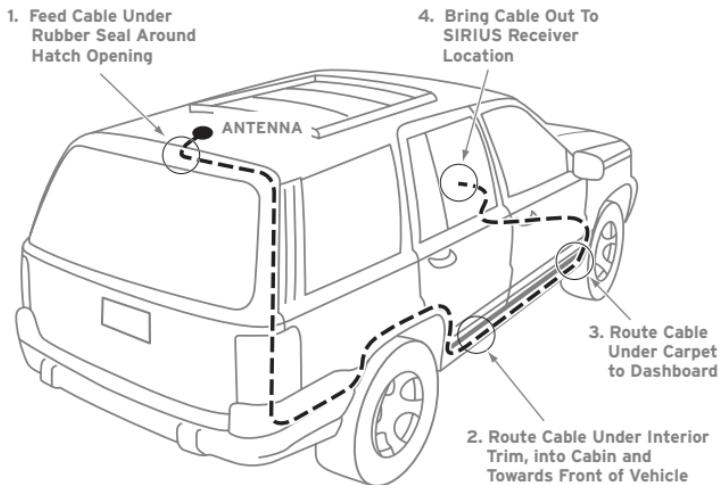


Figure 12

Follow these detailed cable installation instructions:

1. Feed the antenna cable underneath the rubber weather stripping of the rear tailgate window/door and route the cable along the rear hatch. Lift the weather stripping from the opening and tuck the cable inside it, then replace the weather stripping. Pull the cable out from weather stripping and route it into the cabin under the interior trim. Avoid hinges or gears that could crimp or cut the cable.
2. Route the cable through the SUV's main cabin area under the interior trim, towards the front of the vehicle. Use a plastic putty knife to lift the plastic trim just enough to tuck the cable under underneath. Avoid side airbag locations on back pillars and above the doors. (Airbag locations are marked with "SRS" logos.) Be careful not to crimp or cut the cable.
3. Bring the cable out from the trim near the firewall and route it under the carpet toward the dashboard or console. Coil any excess cable in a hidden location, such as under the carpet, keeping it away from any vehicle pedals or controls. Secure the excess cable with wire ties.
4. Bring the end of the cable out at the SIRIUS Vehicle Dock location. Leave yourself enough cable so you can easily connect it to the antenna connector on the Vehicle Dock.

## Convertible Antenna Cable Routing Procedure

Figure 13 shows how the antenna cable should be routed from the antenna to your SIRIUS radio in a convertible.

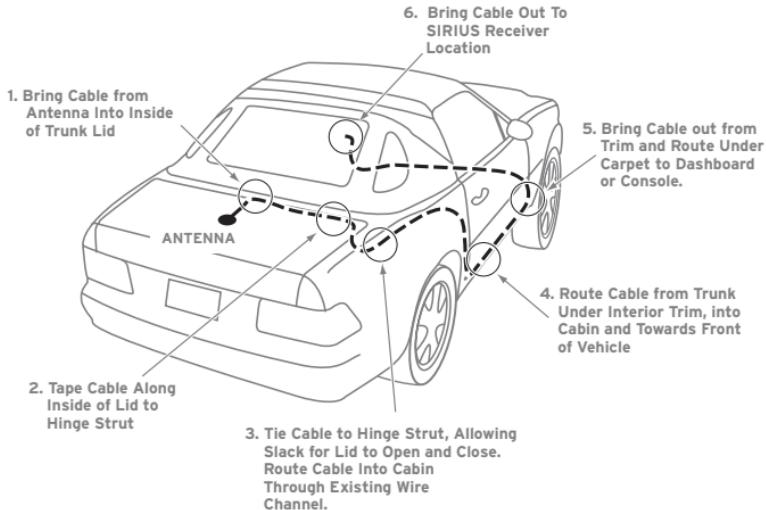


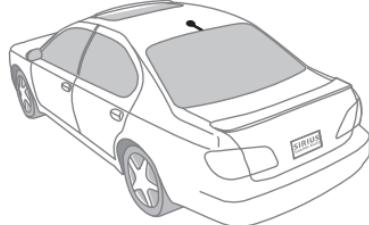
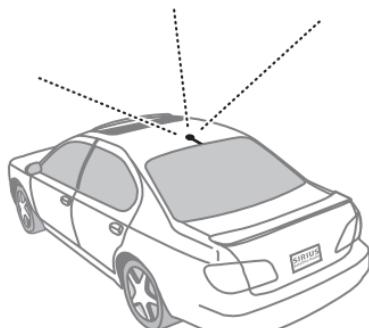
Figure 13

Follow these detailed cable installation instructions:

1. Bring the cable from the antenna into the trunk at the front edge of the trunk lid. Keep any bends in the cable loose.
2. Tape or tie the cable along the inside of the trunk lid to the trunk lid hinge strut. Allow enough slack in the cable so the trunk lid can easily open and close and keep the cable away from hinges, gears, etc., that could crimp or cut it.
3. Route the cable along the trunk wall and into the cabin through a conduit or along an existing wiring harness.
4. Route the cable through the main cabin area under the interior trim, towards the front of the vehicle. Use a plastic putty knife to lift the plastic trim just enough to tuck the cable under underneath. Avoid side airbag locations on back pillars and above the doors. (Airbag locations are marked with "SRS" logos.) Be careful not to crimp or cut the cable.
5. Bring the cable out from the trim near the firewall and route it under the carpet toward the dashboard or console. Coil any excess cable in a hidden location, such as under the carpet, keeping it away from any vehicle pedals or controls. Secure the excess cable with wire ties.
6. Bring the end of the cable out at the SIRIUS Vehicle Dock location. Leave yourself enough cable so you can easily connect it to the antenna connector on the Vehicle Dock.

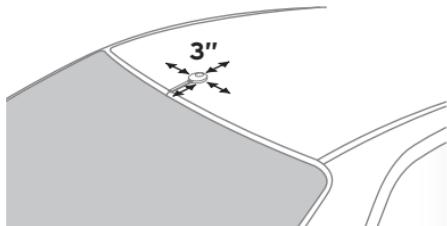
## TIPS

The following DO and DO NOT antenna mounting tips illustrate how to install the antenna for optimal performance, and also illustrate where the antenna should not be installed.

DO	<p>Mount the antenna on the roof, at least 3 inches from the edge.</p>	
DO	<p>Mount the antenna on the roof where it has a clear view of the sky in all directions.</p>	

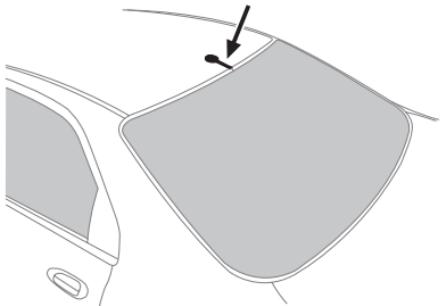
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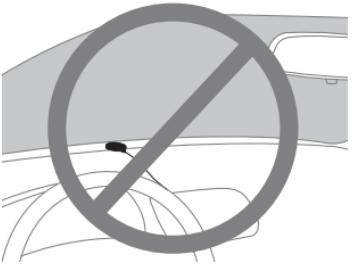
Mount the antenna on the roof where it has at least 3 inches of clear space around it.

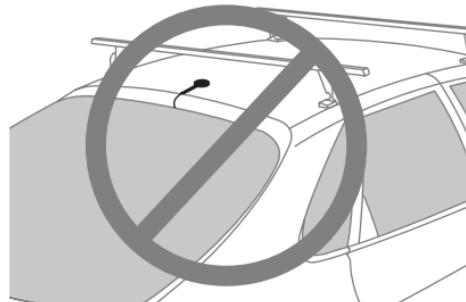
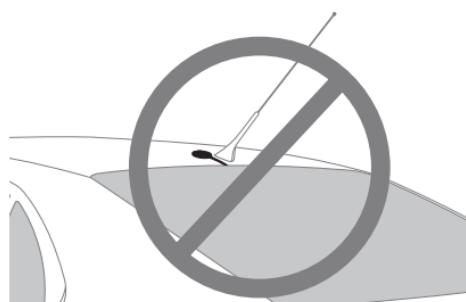


**DO**

Use the supplied Rubber Tail Cover to protect the antenna cable.



<b>DO NOT</b>	Don't mount the antenna inside the vehicle, for example, on the dashboard.	
<b>DO NOT</b>	Don't mount the antenna on any of the vehicle's front, back or side pillars.	

<b>DO NOT</b>	<p>Don't mount the antenna close to a roof rack. Adjust the rack so it's further away from the antenna or move the antenna closer to the center of the roof.</p>	
<b>DO NOT</b>	<p>Don't mount the antenna close to another antenna. Mount it at least 3 inches away.</p>	

<b>DO NOT</b>	<p>Don't mount the antenna closer than 3 inches from the edge of the roof. Use the supplied rubber tail/cover as a guide for judging proper length and correct positioning.</p> 
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After you've routed the cable to the SIRIUS Vehicle Dock, connect the antenna cable to the ANT connection on the right side of the Vehicle Dock. (See *Figure 14*.)

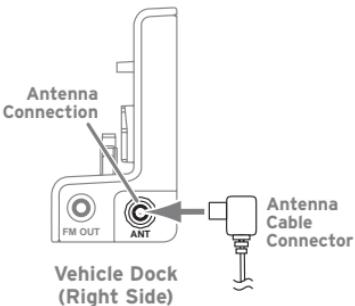


Figure 14

## Connecting the Cigarette Lighter Adapter

Connect the provided cigarette lighter adapter to the 5VDC connector on the back of the Vehicle Dock. (See *Figure 15*.)

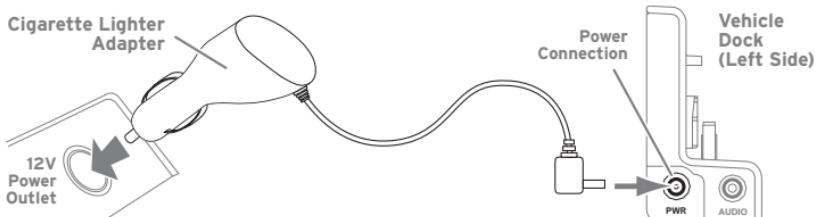


Figure 15

**NOTE:** DO NOT POWER THE VEHICLE DOCK DIRECTLY FROM YOUR VEHICLE'S 12VDC POWER SYSTEM WITHOUT USING THE CIGARETTE LIGHTER ADAPTER. THIS COULD DAMAGE THE VEHICLE DOCK, YOUR SIRIUS RECEIVER OR BOTH.

## Docking Your SIRIUS Radio

To place your Stratus 5 into the Vehicle Dock, align the radio against the rear of the Dock so that the rails on the Dock fit into the mounting slots in the back of the radio (see *Figure 16*). Slide the radio all the way down onto the Dock so that it fits firmly.

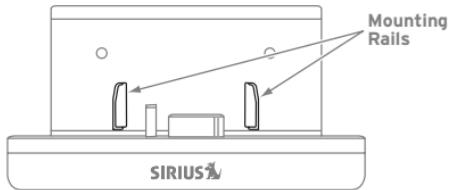


Figure 16

# Cable Separation and Routing



## FCC Information

The satellite antenna cable, FM Transmitter Antenna (FMTA) cable and cigarette lighter adapter (CLA) power cable must be appropriately separated and routed for your radio to be compliant with federal regulations.

### Step 1

The connections on your vehicle dock are clearly marked. Install your vehicle dock and connect the antenna cable into the connection labeled "ANT", the CLA power cable into the power connection marked "PWR" (or 5VDC) and the FMTA cable into the connection marked "FM OUT". (See *Figure 17*.)

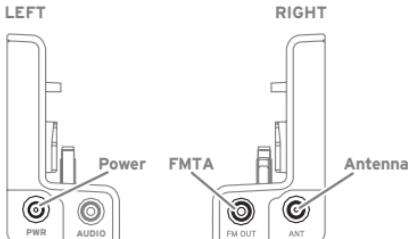


Figure 17

### Step 2

It is important that you keep the three cables as separate from each other as possible and that you keep the two antenna cables away from the vehicle dock and from the CLA power cable. The cables must not be bundled together as they exit the dock (see *Figure 18*, on page 37).

As a guide, you can follow the diagram in *Figure 18*, adapting the example to suit your own vehicle's configuration. For example, if you cigarette lighter socket is to the left of the vehicle dock, route the two antenna cables towards the passenger side of the vehicle. If your cigarette lighter socket is on the right-hand side of the vehicle dock, route the two antenna cables towards the driver's door. The CLA cable and antenna cables MUST be routed in opposite directions. Safely conceal all antenna cables within door, carpet or dash panels to prevent snags and interference.

## Step 3

Coil any excess cable between the cigarette lighter socket and vehicle dock, keeping it away from vehicle pedals or controls to prevent any slack which might interfere with the safe operation of your vehicle. Secure the excess cable with wire ties. If possible, tuck the coiled part in a hidden location, such as in between the carpet and plastic panel of the front console (see *Figure 19*).

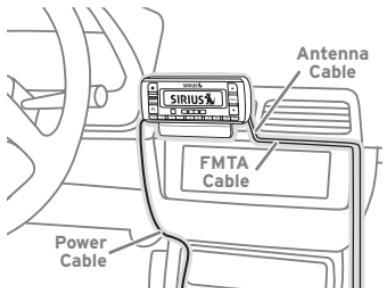


Figure 18

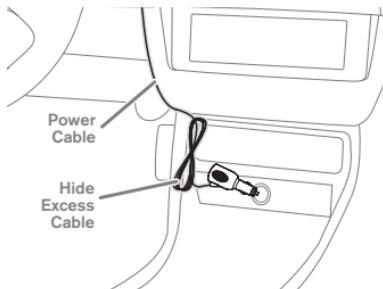


Figure 19

## Step 4

Follow the instructions in this manual to install, route and hide the antenna cable and the FMTA cable. Be sure to coil and secure any excess cable in a hidden location, such as under the carpet on the passenger side, keeping it away from vehicle pedals and controls. The bundled cables should be as far away from the CLA power cable as possible (see *Figure 20*).

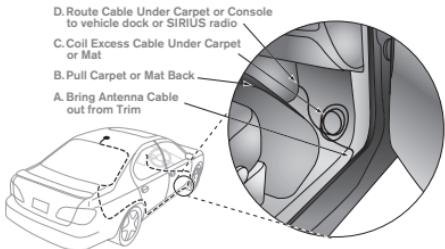


Figure 20

# Connecting Your Stratus 5 to Your Vehicle's Audio System

There are two ways to connect your SIRIUS Stratus 5 to your vehicle's audio system: Direct Connection or Wireless Connection. Which one will perform best in your vehicle depends on your vehicle's audio system.

For the latest information go to <http://www.siriuscanada.ca/en/install/vehicle.aspx>.

## Direct Wired Audio Connection

If your vehicle's audio system has an "AUX IN" or "LINE IN" jack it is the best quality audio connection you can use for your SIRIUS radio. (And if the AUX IN or LINE IN connector is located somewhere on the front of your vehicle radio or elsewhere in the cabin, this is also the easiest way to connect your SIRIUS receiver.)

1. Purchase an audio cable that matches the connection type of your vehicle's audio system and your SIRIUS Vehicle Dock at your local electronics retailer.
  - The Vehicle Dock requires a male 1/8" stereo connector.
2. Plug the cable's male 1/8" stereo connector into the Audio jack on the left side of the Vehicle Dock. Plug the other end into the Aux IN/LINE IN connector on your vehicle's audio system. (See *Figure 21*.)

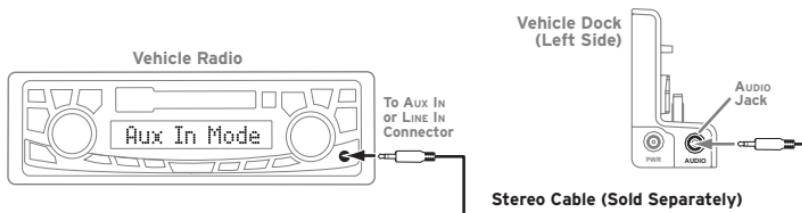


Figure 21

## Direct FM Audio Connection

If your vehicle's audio system does not have an AUX IN/LINE IN connection, a SIRIUS FM Direct Adapter (sold separately) will provide the next best quality connection between your Stratus 5 and your vehicle radio. You will listen to your Stratus 5 through your car radio's FM tuner, but the SIRIUS FM Direct Adapter connects your vehicle's FM radio directly to the Vehicle Dock's FM OUT jack, eliminating the outside static and interference you sometimes experience when using a wireless FM connection. (See *Figure 22.*)

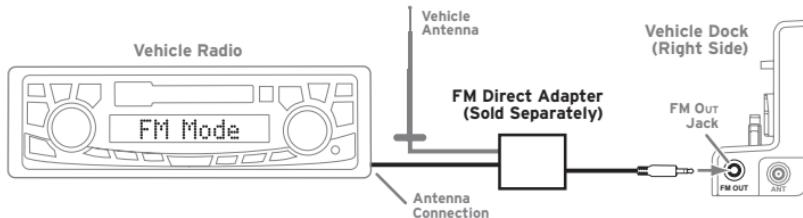


Figure 22

**NOTE:** PROFESSIONAL INSTALLATION MAY BE REQUIRED. SEE YOUR LOCAL SIRIUS RETAILER. THE SIRIUS FM DIRECT ADAPTER IS AVAILABLE AT YOUR LOCAL SIRIUS RETAILER OR AT <HTTP://SHOP.SIRIUSCANADA.CA>. FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED WITH THE FM DIRECT ADAPTER.

## Cassette Adapter

If your vehicle's audio system has a cassette player you can purchase a cassette adapter from your local electronics retailer or from SIRIUS at <http://shop.siriuscanada.ca>. Plug the adapter's connector into the Audio jack on the left side of the Vehicle Dock, and insert the adapter into your vehicle's cassette player. (See *Figure 23*.)

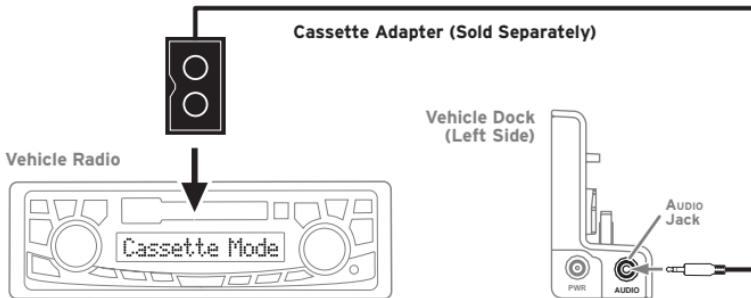


Figure 23

NOTE: REFER TO THE CASSETTE ADAPTER'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR CORRECT USE.

## Wireless Audio Connection

If you cannot connect your SIRIUS Stratus 5 directly to your vehicle's audio system, your SIRIUS Stratus 5 contains an FM transmitter that will 'broadcast' its audio to your vehicle's FM radio.

To use this you need to tune the Stratus 5's FM transmitter to an FM frequency that's not being used in your area (See *Figure 24*). If you use an FM channel that is being used by a local broadcaster, it will interfere with the performance of your SIRIUS radio.

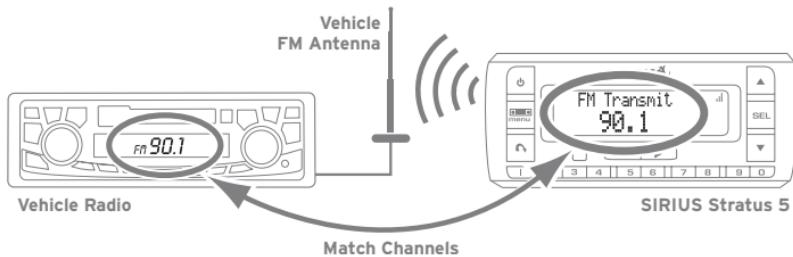


Figure 24

1. Tune through your vehicle radio's FM channels to find an FM channel (between 88.1MHz and 107.9MHz) that is not broadcasting in your area.
  - If you're not sure which FM channels are not broadcasting in your home or travel cities, you can also go to <http://www.siriuscanada.ca/fmchannel> and search for a suggested FM channel based on your zip code.
2. Once you have located an FM channel that is not broadcasting in your area, save it as a preset on your vehicle radio. This will become your SIRIUS preset.
3. Dock your Stratus 5 and turn its power ON. Wait for the Channel Update to finish before pressing any buttons.

4. Press and hold the FM Presets/MENU button (see *Figure 25*, left). The MENU OPTIONS screen will appear. Press the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to highlight FM TRANSMITTER and press the Select button to select it.

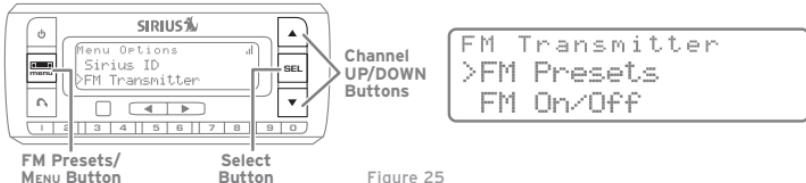


Figure 25

5. The FM TRANSMITTER screen will appear (see *Figure 25*, right). Press the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to highlight FM PRESETS and press the Select button to select it.
6. The FM PRESETS screen will appear (see *Figure 26*, left). FM1 will be highlighted. (FM1 is factory-set to 88.1MHz. This may not be the best frequency for your area.)



Figure 26

7. Press the Select button to select FM1. The FM FREQUENCY screen will appear (see *Figure 26*, right).
8. Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to highlight the FM frequency that matches the channel that you preset on your vehicle radio in *Step 2* on page 41, then press the Select button to select it. (See *Figure 27*.)



Figure 27

To listen to SIRIUS, turn your SIRIUS Stratus 5 **ON**, then turn your vehicle's FM radio **ON** and press the SIRIUS preset you set in *Step 2*, on page 41. You should hear your SIRIUS Stratus 5 through your vehicle's FM radio.

**Tip**

**TIP:** If you regularly travel between cities with different active FM channels, you may need to find channels that are not broadcasting in each city. Your SIRIUS Stratus 5 can store 5 different preset FM transmitter channels so you can easily switch to the best FM channel for each city.

## Installing the FM Transmitter Antenna

Note: You will only need to install the FM Transmitter Antenna (FMTA) if you are using the wireless connection option. The use of the FMTA is highly recommended to improve your audio quality.

The FMTA brings the FM signal transmitted by your SIRIUS radio closer to your vehicle's FM antenna to provide a strong FM signal for good reception. To install the FMTA:

1. Connect the FMTA to the vehicle dock. Insert the FMTA 2.5 mm plug into the FM OUT connector of the vehicle dock. (See Figure 28, left.)
2. Position FMTA inside the vehicle. The FMTA wire should be run with the power adaptor wire, and placed on the dash board or even placed under the dash pad (if possible). (See Figure 28, right.) If your Stiletto is mounted to the center console, the FMTA wire should be run along console.
3. Hide the wires. Depending on the position of your Stiletto, hide the wires by tucking them into the seams in the dash board or the console seams where possible.

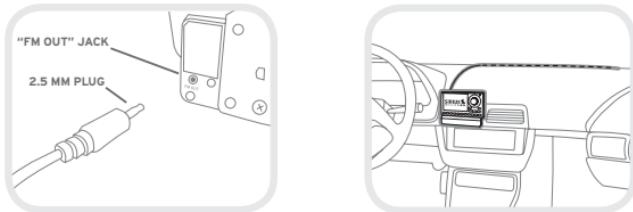


Figure 28

## Subscribing to the SIRIUS Service

Before you can listen to the SIRIUS service, you need to subscribe to the SIRIUS Satellite Radio service. To subscribe, do the following:

1. Be sure that your SIRIUS Stratus 5 is correctly installed, is properly docked in the Vehicle Dock, and that the antenna is oriented to receive the SIRIUS signal.
2. Turn on the Stratus 5. After the startup sequence, it will update the SIRIUS channel line-up (see *Figure 29*, top). Wait until the channel updates have completed before pressing any buttons.
3. Once the channels have been updated, the radio will automatically tune to channel 184 and the display will change to Call 1-888-539-SIRIUS to Subscribe (see *Figure 29*, second from top). You will not be able to listen to any other channels until you activate your SIRIUS subscription.
4. Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to tune to channel 0 to display your Stratus 5's unique 12-digit SIRIUS ID Number (SID). See *Figure 29*, third from top. Write the SID number down.
  - The SID number is also available on your Stratus 5's packaging, and may also be accessed by pressing the FM Presets/MENU button and selecting SIRIUS ID.
5. Have your credit card handy and contact SIRIUS on the Internet at: <https://home.siriuscanada.ca/> and follow the prompts to activate your subscription. You can also call SIRIUS toll-free at: 1-888-539-SIRIUS (1-888-539-7474).
6. When you have successfully subscribed to the SIRIUS service your Stratus 5 will display an alert message (see *Figure 29*, bottom). To continue, press any button.

You are now ready to begin enjoying SIRIUS Satellite Radio's digital entertainment, and can tune to other channels!

Channel Updates  
20% Completed

184 Weather      |||  
To Activate Call 1  
1-888-539-SIRIUS

000 SiriusID      |||  
SID  
12345678912

184 Weather      |||  
Sub Updated  
Press Any Key

Figure 29

# Controls

## SIRIUS Stratus 5 Front Panel

Figure 30 and the section following identify and describe the SIRIUS Stratus 5's buttons and controls.

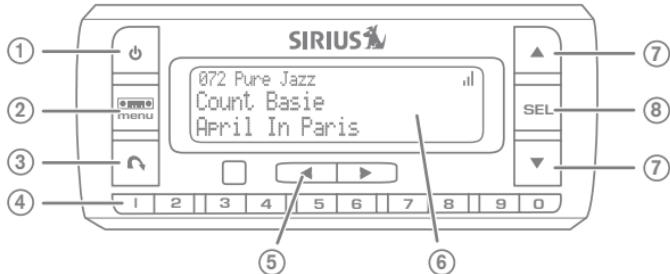


Figure 30

1. Power Button: Turns the Stratus 5's power ON and OFF.
2. FM Presets/MENU Button: Selects between different preset frequencies used by the built-in wireless FM transmitter. Press and hold to access MENU OPTIONS to make setup and feature changes.
3. Jump Button: Jumps to a pre-selected channel.
4. Preset/Direct Tune Buttons (0 – 9): Sets and selects preset channels. Also lets you directly tune channels by entering the channel number.
5. Category < > Buttons: Navigates through the Category List screen which displays SIRIUS channel categories.
6. LCD Display: Displays information about the Stratus 5's operation and about the program that is playing.
7. Channel UP/DOWN Buttons: Navigates through channels and display screens.
8. Select (SEL) Button: Selects items highlighted on the display screen. When at the Default display screen, a press-and-release will display a prompt to enter a channel number.

## Vehicle Dock Reference Guide

Figure 31 and the section following identify and describe the Vehicle Dock's features and connectors.

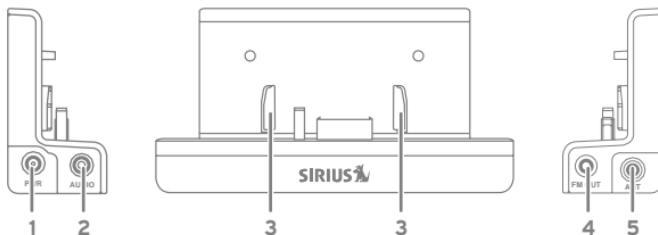


Figure 31

1. DC5V Power Connector: Power connection for the supplied cigarette lighter adapter (see page 37).
2. Audio Out (AUDIO) Connector: Audio output for directly connecting to your vehicle's audio system (see pages 40 & 42).
3. Docking Rails: Fit-into slots in the back of the Stratus 5 to secure it while it is docked (see page 37).
4. FM OUT Connector: FM output for use with the optional FM Direct Adapter (see page 41).
5. Antenna (ANT) Connector: Connection for the supplied magnetic antenna (see page 36).

# Operation

## Display Screen Information

Whenever you power your Stratus 5 **ON**, the previously-selected channel will automatically begin playing, and the Stratus 5's display screen will show the currently-tuned channel, the song or show being played, the artist name and other information. This screen is referred to as the Default screen in this manual. *Figure 32* identifies the information displayed when listening to a typical broadcast.



Figure 32

You can choose to have the channel name, category name, or the time displayed on the Default display screen (see *Figure 33*). To change the display, press-and-hold the FM Presets/MENU button, use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons and Select button to highlight and select **SETTINGS > DISPLAY OPTIONS > MODE**, and then choose the desired display option. (See **MODE**, on page 58.)



Figure 33

## Changing Channels and Categories

Pressing the Channel UP or DOWN button will cause the Stratus 5 to immediately tune to the next or previous channel.

Pressing the Category < or > button once will display a list of the channels in the current category, highlighting the currently-tuned channel (see *Figure 33*). Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to navigate through the list, and press the Select button to choose a selected channel. Press the Category < or > buttons to scroll through all the different categories (see *Figure 34*).



Figure 34

## Selecting Channels Directly (Direct Tuning)

You can directly tune to any channel by entering its channel number. Momentarily press and release the Select button. At the display prompt (*Figure 35*), use the Preset/Direct tune (0 - 9) buttons to enter the channel's three-digit number.



Figure 35

# Channel Presets

You can store up to 10 of your favorite channels as presets for quick access by pressing the 0 - 9 buttons.

## Storing Channel Presets

To store a favorite channel as a preset, do the following:

1. Tune the Stratus 5 to the channel you want to store as a preset.
2. Press and hold for 1 second the numbered preset button (0 - 9) in which you want to store the channel. You will hear an audible beep and the display will confirm that the channel has been stored as a preset (see *Figure 36*).

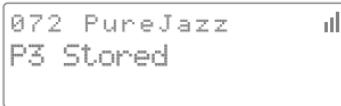


Figure 36

**NOTE: IF THE PRESET BUTTON ALREADY HAS A CHANNEL STORED IN IT, THE NEWLY-STORED CHANNEL WILL REPLACE THE ORIGINAL PRESET.**

## Selecting Presets

To tune to a preset channel, press and release one of the 0 - 9 buttons. If you press a preset button in which no channel has been saved, the PRESET EMPTY message will be displayed (see *Figure 37*).

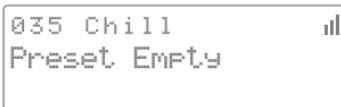


Figure 37

## FM Presets/MENU Button

If you are using a wireless connection between your Stratus 5 and your vehicle's audio system (see page 41), you can easily select between the five different preset FM transmitter frequencies without having to go through the Menu Options (see page 53).

To quickly access the FM Transmitter menu, press the FM Presets/MENU button.

If the FM Transmitter is set to ON: Each press of the FM Presets/MENU button will switch to the next preset FM Transmitter frequency (see *Figure 38*).

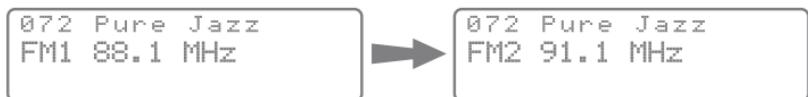


Figure 38

If the FM Transmitter is set to OFF: The FM ON/OFF screen appears (see *Figure 39*). Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to highlight ON, and press the Select button.



Figure 39

After selecting ON, the FM PRESETS screen will appear. Each press of the FM Presets/MENU button will switch to the next preset FM Transmitter frequency (see *Figure 38*).

## Jump Button

Your Stratus 5 has a special preset button called the Jump button that lets you quickly tune to a channel that you want to access frequently, such as a music channel or a sports channel. Pressing the Jump button 'jumps' to the specific channel you have programmed into the Jump button; pressing the Jump button again 'jumps' back to your original channel.

# Menu Options

Menu Options allows you to set and/or change the various features and settings of your SIRIUS Stratus 5. Press and hold the FM Presets/Menu button to display the MENU OPTIONS screen (see *Figure 40*).

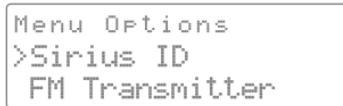


Figure 40

Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to highlight selections in the menu lists and press the Select button to select them. To exit a menu, press the FM Presets/Menu button. If you don't make a selection within 10 seconds the Stratus 5 will exit the MENU OPTIONS screen and revert to the last active display mode. You can exit any Menu Options screen by repeatedly pressing the FM Presets/MENU button.

## SIRIUS ID

This displays your Stratus 5's 12-digit SIRIUS ID (SID) number (see *Figure 41*).

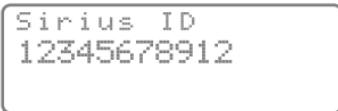


Figure 41

The SID is unique to each SIRIUS radio, and is required to activate your service. We recommend that you write this number in the space provided near the end of this user guide. No adjustments are allowed in this mode. To exit, press the FM Presets/MENU button or the Select button.

## FM Transmitter

The FM Transmitter menu option allows you to enable or disable the Stratus 5's built-in FM transmitter, and select up to 5 different preset FM transmitter frequencies (see *Figure 42*).

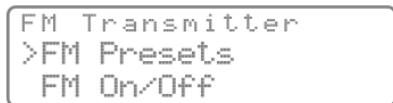


Figure 42

### FM PRESETS

You can select from the 5 preset FM transmitter frequencies:

1. On the FM TRANSMITTER screen (*Figure 42*), highlight and select FM PRESETS. The FM PRESETS screen will appear (see *Figure 43*, left).

Two side-by-side rectangular boxes representing screen displays. The left box contains the text "FM Presets" at the top, followed by ">FM1 88.1 MHz" and "FM2 <EMPTY>". The right box contains the text "FM Frequency" at the top, followed by "88.1 MHz".

Figure 43

2. Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to highlight the FM preset you want (FM1 - FM5), and press the Select button. The FM Frequency screen will appear, showing the currently-selected frequency for that preset (see *Figure 43*, right).
3. To select the FM Preset: Press the Select button. To change the FM Preset's FM frequency: Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to change the FM frequency, then press the Select button.

To exit, press the FM PRESETS/MENU button 3 times.

## **FM ON/OFF**

You can turn the Stratus 5's FM transmitter ON and OFF:

1. From the FM Transmitter screen (see *Figure 42*, on page 55), highlight and select FM ON/OFF. The FM ON/OFF screen will appear (see *Figure 44*).



Figure 44

2. To turn the FM transmitter ON, highlight and select ON; to turn the FM transmitter OFF, highlight and select OFF.

To exit, press the FM PRESETS/MENU button twice.

## Settings

The SETTINGS menu lets you access the DISPLAY OPTIONS, AUDIO LEVEL, TONES, CLOCK, JUMP SETTINGS and CHANNEL LOCK menu options (see *Figure 45*).

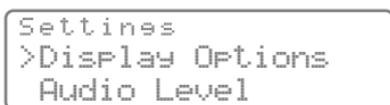


Figure 45

## Display Options

The DISPLAY OPTIONS menu (*Figure 46*) lets you adjust the Stratus 5's LCD display to improve its visibility in different lighting conditions, and to display different types of information.

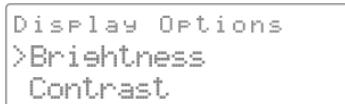


Figure 46

## BRIGHTNESS AND CONTRAST

Brightness adjusts the overall intensity of the LCD display to help with viewing in different lighting conditions. Contrast adjusts the relationship between the background and the text on the LCD display.

Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to adjust the brightness and contrast. The bar graphs will indicate the change (see *Figure 47*).



Figure 47

## Mode

The MODE screen (*Figure 48*) lets you change the default display screen to display either the channel name, category name, or the time. See *Figure 49* for examples. Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to select the desired mode and press the Select button to set your choice.

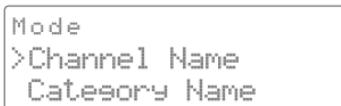


Figure 48



Channel Name

Category Name

Time

Figure 49

## Audio Level

The AUDIO LEVEL screen lets you use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to adjust the Stratus 5's audio output level (see *Figure 50*). The bar graph will indicate the change.



Figure 50

## Tones

You can select whether to hear an audible confirmation tone as you navigate menus and lists. To turn the tones ON or OFF, use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to select your choice and press the Select button to set your choice (see *Figure 51*).



Figure 51

## Clock

The CLOCK screen (see *Figure 52*) allows you to setup the clock that appears on the Default screen, based on the format desired and the time zone in which you reside. The actual time is provided via the SIRIUS satellite signal, and will automatically update your Stratus 5.



Figure 52

### Format

Displays the time in either 12-hour (default) or 24-hour format (see *Figure 53*).



Figure 53

### Time Zone

Since the clock adjusts the time automatically, it is important to specify your time zone. Select your time zone from the list of the available time zones (see *Figure 54*).

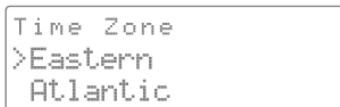


Figure 54

## **Daylight Savings Time**

Select ON if your area observes Daylight Savings Time; select OFF if your area does not (see *Figure 55*).

DST Observed
>Yes
No

Figure 55

## Channel Lock

Your SIRIUS Stratus 5 has the ability to lock channels you do not want others (such as children) to access without your permission. Locked channels will not appear on the Channel List screen, or when browsing channels with the Channel UP/DOWN buttons. When anyone tries to access a locked channel using the Direct Tuning function (see page 49), an ENTER CODE screen will be displayed and the channel won't be accessed until the correct code is entered.

### Locking and Unlocking Channels

1. Select the CHANNEL LOCK menu option. The CHANNEL LOCK screen will appear (see *Figure 56*, left).



Figure 56

2. Select Lock/UNLOCK. You will need to enter a lock code to proceed. Refer to *Setting the Lock/Unlock Code*, on page 63 for information on how to set the lock code.
3. Once you enter the lock code the Lock/UNLOCK screen will appear (see *Figure 55*, right). Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to highlight the channel you wish to lock or unlock from the channel list. Pressing the Select button will either add a padlock icon next to the channel name to indicate that the channel will be locked, or unlock a locked channel by removing the padlock icon.

## **Setting the Lock/Unlock Code**

To set the lock code:

1. Select the CHANNEL LOCK menu option. The CHANNEL LOCK screen will appear (see *Figure 56*, left, on page 62)
2. Select the EDIT CODE menu option. The NEW CODE screen will be displayed (see *Figure 57*). Enter a four-digit code using the 0 - 9 number buttons. You will then be prompted to enter the new code again to confirm.



Figure 57

3. When the lock code is confirmed, the lock code is set.

You can use this same procedure to change the lock code after you have set it.

**NOTE: IF YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN YOUR CHANNEL LOCK CODE, CALL SIRIUS CUSTOMER SERVICE FOR HELP.**

## Signal

When using the optional Home Docking Station or boombox indoors, it is important to aim the antenna for maximum signal reception. The Signal screen (see *Figure 58*) visually shows the strength of the satellite and terrestrial signals being received by the Stratus 5. (Refer to the Home Docking Station installation guide for more information about properly orienting the antenna.)

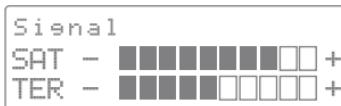


Figure 58

The SAT bar graph indicates the strength of the satellite signal strength; the TER bar graph indicates the strength of the terrestrial signal strength (if available).

## Factory Default

The Factory Default menu option will restore most every feature of the radio to the original factory settings. The following is a list of all features affected by the Factory Default option:

- All Channel Presets are cleared
- Radio set to Normal Tuning Mode
- Display brightness set to 50%
- Display Contrast set to 50%
- FM Transmitter set to ON
- FM Transmitter Preset #1 set to 88.1 MHz
- Jump setting is cleared
- Top line display mode set to Channel Name
- Audio level set to -3dB
- Confirmation Tone set to ON

Note that the Parental Control feature is not affected by the Factory Default option. This prevents someone from circumventing the Channel Lock feature. Channels that have been locked will remain locked.

To activate the Factory Default feature, and restore the above features to their factory defaults, do the following:

1. Highlight and select FACTORY DEFAULT from the Menu Options screen. The RESTORE? screen will appear (see *Figure 59*, left).



Figure 59

2. Highlight and select YES to restore the above settings to their factory default settings, or select No to leave them as-is and return to the MENU OPTIONS screen.
3. If you select YES, a confirmation screen appears (see *Figure 58*, right). Use the Channel UP/DOWN buttons to select YES to restore all settings to the settings from the factory, or select No to leave them as-is and return to the Menu Options menu.
4. If you select YES, the Stratus 5 will restore the original factory settings (see *Figure 60*).



Figure 60

5. When the Restore is complete, the Stratus 5 will tune to the last channel that was active before the Factory Default was begun.

# Troubleshooting

Symptom	Solution
The Stratus 5 does not power ON	Blown fuse, or the power cable is not properly connected. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check for a bad fuse and check power cable connection</li></ul>
Display reads: No Antenna	The satellite antenna is not connected to the radio. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the satellite antenna connection to the radio.</li></ul>
Display reads: Acquiring Signal	No satellite signal is being received. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check for obstacles over or around the satellite antenna.</li><li>• Change the vehicle location to eliminate nearby obstacles (bridges, overpasses, tress, buildings, etc.).</li></ul>
Audio static or loss of clarity	The FM frequency contains static. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Locate a quiet FM frequency on your vehicle radio and set the FM transmitter frequency of the SIRIUS radio to match.</li><li>• If using the Vehicle Dock AUDIO OUT connector, check the cable connections.</li></ul>
No sound	The audio cables are not connected, or the FM radio is set to the wrong frequency. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the audio cables at the SIRIUS radio and the vehicle's audio system.</li><li>• Tune the vehicle's FM radio to the same FM frequency the SIRIUS FM transmitter is tuned.</li></ul>

# Specifications

Satellite Frequencies .....	2322.293/2330.207 MHz
Terrestrial Frequencies.....	2326.250MHz
Radio Power Requirements .....	4.9 - 5.6 Volts, Negative Ground, DC
Audio Output.....	700mVrms (+/- 50mVrms)
Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) .....	<0.2%
Signal-to-noise (S/N) .....	Greater than 73dB
Fuse Requirement .....	2A ATC
Radio Dimensions (Length x Width x Depth) .....	114mm x 48mm x 15mm (4.5" x 1.9" x 0.6")
Radio Weight .....	85g (3.0 oz.)
Cigarette Lighter Adapter Power Requirements .....	9 -16 Volts, Negative Ground, DC
Antenna Type.....	Low Profile Magnetic
Antenna Cable Length.....	21' (single micro-cable)
Antenna Connector Type .....	SMB (right-angle)
Audio Out Interface.....	1/8" / 3.5mm Stereo Jack
FM Out Interface.....	2.5mm Jack

NOTE: FEATURES AND SPECIFICATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

# SIRIUS ID

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