



**AUDIOVOX®**  
ELECTRONICS CORP.

# XM® Satellite Radio Receiver XMC10 Car Cradle

## INSTALLATION GUIDE





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## ***Congratulations***

Thank you for purchasing the Audiovox Xpress XM<sup>®</sup> Satellite Car Kit. You are one step closer to experiencing the latest innovation in XM<sup>®</sup> Satellite Radio. XM<sup>®</sup> Satellite Radio will revolutionize your vehicle or in-home entertainment.

XM<sup>®</sup> features over 170 digital channels — the most commercial-free music, over 30 channels of news, sports, talk and entertainment, over 20 dedicated channels of XM<sup>®</sup> Instant Traffic & Weather, and the deepest play-list in the industry with access to over 2 million titles!

XM<sup>®</sup> Satellite Radio service gives you the power to choose what you want to hear - wherever and whenever you want it. XM<sup>®</sup> is America's #1 Satellite Radio provider with over 4 million customers.

Your Audiovox Xpress XM<sup>®</sup> receiver must be used with an accessory kit, such as the Audiovox Home Kit, Boom Box or Vehicle Kit as required by your specific installation needs. These kits are available at retailers where Audiovox main units are sold.

Required subscription for service sold separately.

Installation costs and other fees and taxes may apply, including a one-time activation fee. All fees and programming subject to change. College sports games subject to availability. Subscriptions subject to Customer Agreement included with the XM Welcome Kit and available at [www.xmradio.com](http://www.xmradio.com). Only available in the 48 contiguous United States.

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## ***FCC Information***

**NOTE:** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

The user is cautioned that changes or modifications not expressly approved by XM<sup>®</sup> Satellite Radio, Inc. can void the user's authority to operate this device.

Please note that the power cable supplied with your XMC10 Car Cradle has permanently attached ferrite beads. It is the responsibility of the user to use the power cable with these ferrite beads.

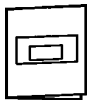
By adhering to these warnings and safety considerations, stated in the manual and by XM<sup>®</sup>, accidents.



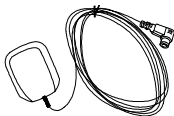
## ***Cautions and Warnings***

1. Do not install the XMC10 car cradle in a position that hinders your view through the windshield, or obstructs viewing of the dashboard indicators and displays.
2. Do not install the unit where it may obstruct the operation or deployment of safety devices, such as airbags, etc.
3. Do not allow operation of the unit to detract from safe driving practices; remember that you are responsible as the vehicle operator to adhere to all safe driving and traffic regulations.
4. By adhering to these warnings and safety considerations, serious accidents and/or personal injury can be avoided.

## Contents *XMC10*

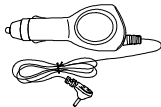


**Install Manual**



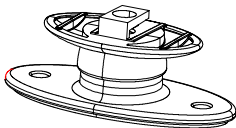
**Antenna**

1 pc.



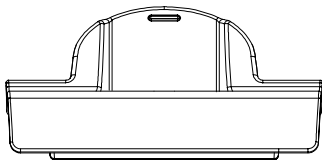
**12 Volt-to-5 Volt  
DC Power Adapter**

1 pc.



**Swivel Bracket**

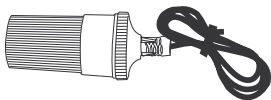
1 pc.



**Cradle XMC10**

1 pc.

## Contents XMC10 (Cont)



**CLA Female Socket**  
1 pc.

**ACCESSORY KIT**  
Alcohol Cleaning Pad,  
Surface Cleaning Pad,  
Instruction Sheet,  
Antenna Cable Exit Plug

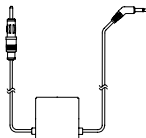
### OPTIONAL



**Audio Cable**  
(P/N SAT-RCA)



**Cassette Adapter**  
1pc.



**FM Direct Adapter**  
(P/N XMFM-1)



## ***Installation/Wiring Precautions***

1. To prevent a short-circuit, be sure to turn off the ignition and remove the negative (-) battery cable prior to installation. Connect power wires last.
2. Do not install the unit in the locations exposed to direct sunlight or, in areas subject to extreme temperatures.
3. Incorrect installation may cause damage to the system. Mount the unit firmly in place, using the supplied hardware.
4. Be careful not to damage the vehicle wiring.
5. Be sure to use the supplied screws and washers.
6. Be careful not to snag any wires when tightening screws.
7. Use only the 12 Volt-to-5 Volt DC Power Adapter supplied. Use of an alternative power adapter may damage the Xpress XM<sup>®</sup> unit and/or the XMC10 cradle.

***CAUTION:*** *You could drain the vehicle battery if the DC power adapter remains plugged in after the ignition is turned off. Unplug the adapter to prevent this possibility.*





## **Setting Up and Installing Your Kit**

**NOTE:** *The XM signal can be received and processed virtually anywhere as long as there are no obvious satellite signal obstructions such as nearby buildings, high terrain, parking garages or tunnels.*

### **1. Cabling Interconnections**

You can begin to enjoy XM<sup>®</sup> Satellite Radio as soon as the Xpress XM<sup>®</sup> Receiver and Vehicle Kit installation are complete. Set up your Audiovox Xpress XM<sup>®</sup> System using the following installation instructions, or enlist the help of a professional installer:

### **2. Installing the Cradle Mount Base Assembly**

- a. Interconnect all of the components as shown on the adjacent page to verify that the system operates normally.
- b. Locate a firm, reasonably flat surface within your car to permit optimum viewing and line-of-sight access by the supplied remote control unit.

## Interconnect Diagram

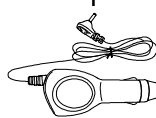
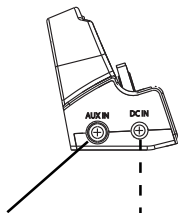
### NOTE:

1. IF THE XMC10 IS INSTALLED USING THE OPTIONAL XMFM-1 FM DIRECT ADAPTER, DO NOT CONNECT AN AUDIO CABLE TO THE LINE OUT CONNECTOR OF THE CRADLE.

2. THE FM TRANSMITTER OPTION MUST BE SET TO "FM ON" IN THE XPRESS XM USER MENU. (REFER TO THE OWNER'S MANUAL, PUBLICATION NO.128-7454C.)

AUX AUDIO INPUT TO AUDIO OUTPUT OF EXTERNAL PLAYBACK DEVICE. THIS PERMITS AUDIO FROM AN EXTERNAL DEVICE SUCH AS A PORTABLE CD PLAYER OR MP3 PLAYER TO BE PLAYED THROUGH THE XPRESS XM WIRELESS FM TRANSMITTER.

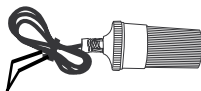
### XMC10 CRADLE (LEFT SIDE VIEW)



+12V to +5V  
DC POWER  
ADAPTER

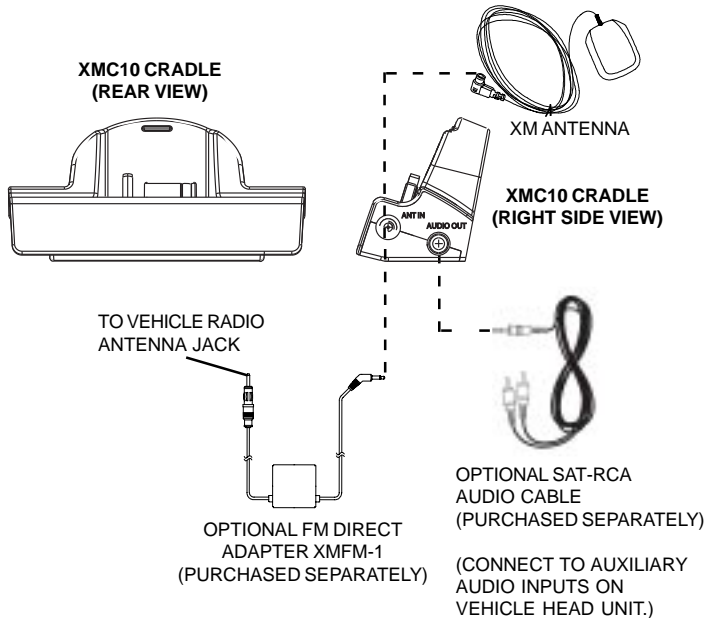
OR


TO VEHICLE  
+12 VDC POWER  
RECEPTACLE



CLA FEMALE SOCKET WIRES  
TO VEHICLE +12 VDC POWER  
RECEPTACLE

## Interconnect Diagram (Cont)

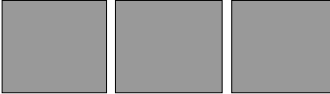




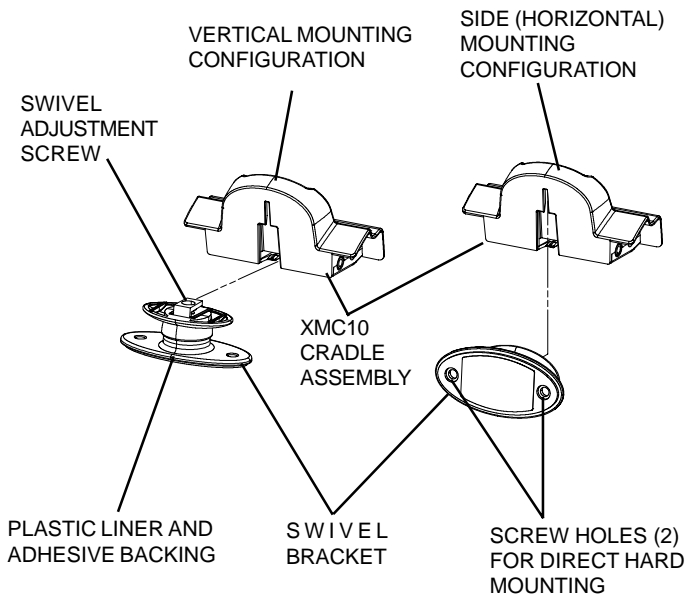
**CAUTION:** *Do not install the swivel bracket on a leather or fabric surface, or in a position that could impair your vision, block air bag(s) or obstruct vehicle dashboard controls and/or radio CD/cassette operational displays.*

**NOTE:** *The adhesive backing on the bracket will not permit easy repositioning once it has been mated to the surface; use extreme care and planning when selecting the mounting location. If the bracket is to be screwed to the surface, make sure the area in back of the mounting surface is clear of wires or other items to prevent unintentional damage.*

- c. Using the alcohol swab supplied with your kit, clean the mounting surface and thoroughly wipe the area dry with a clean lint-free cloth.
- d. If the outside air temperature is cold, it may be beneficial to warm the adhesive backing on the bracket using a portable hair dryer, or by holding the backing surface in front of a vehicle heater vent.

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- e. Remove the plastic liner from the adhesive backing on the bracket, and fix the base in position on the surface; make sure the mounting pad is accurately positioned on the first try, since repositioning may be difficult, if not impossible.
  - f. If the bracket is to be screwed in place, do not remove the plastic liner from the adhesive backing. Use appropriate sheet metal or machine screws for this purpose.
  - g. To mount the XMC10 cradle atop the swivel bracket, line up the slot at the rear of the cradle with the bracket retainer tab, and slide the cradle down so that the slot and tab mesh together in a locked position.

**NOTE:** *Allow a 72-hour period for the adhesive backing to cure completely.*





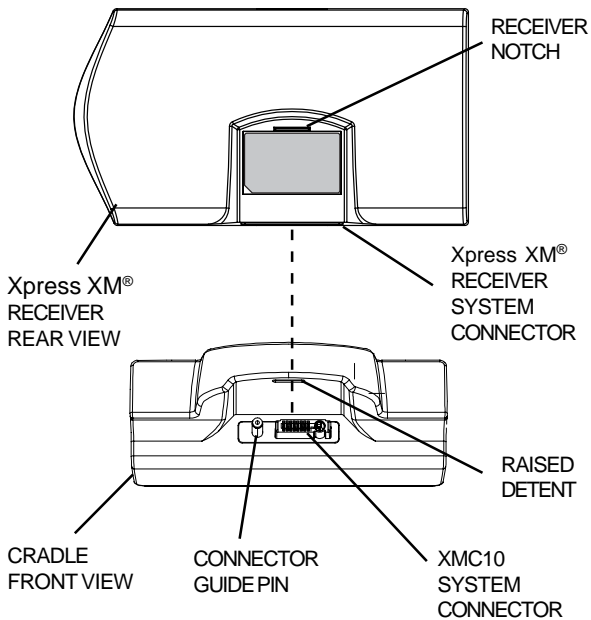
### **3. *Using Other Manufacturer's Mounts***

The XMC10 Cradle can also be installed using other manufacturer's mounts; the mounting plate provisions on the rear and bottom of the cradle provide you with two mounting options within the vehicle using various vehicle-specific aftermarket brackets.

### **4. *Installing the Xpress XM® Receiver into the Cradle***

Install the Receiver as follows:

- a. After making sure the connectors and guide pin hole are properly lined up, gently lower the Xpress XM® Receiver into the cradle and press down on the Xpress XM® Receiver to mate the connectors together. The raised detent on the cradle will enter the notch on the rear of the Receiver, indicating the Xpress XM® is properly seated.
- b. The Xpress XM® Receiver should now be secured in the cradle





## 5. *Connection Options*

The Xpress Receiver and Cradle provide an audio output signal in three ways:

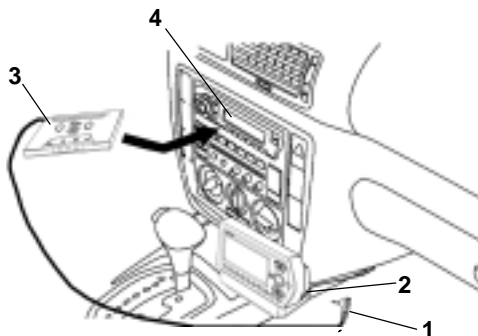
- a. **FM Modulator** - When using the XMC10 cradle with the FM modulator option, the XM audio signal can be received through your vehicle radio on selectable FM frequencies using the menu options included in your Xpress Receiver. (Refer to the Receiver owner's manual.) The XM audio signal can then be played through your vehicle radio when the car radio is tuned to one of the available frequencies.
  
- b. **FM Direct Wiring** - If the FM modulator does not provide satisfactory performance in your vehicle, use the optional FM Direct Adapter, Part # XMFM-1, which provides a hard-wired FM output.
  
- c. **Low-Level Audio Output** - For vehicles equipped with radio head units with auxiliary audio inputs, the audio signal can be routed through an optional audio cable (Part No. SAT-RCA) and applied to the auxiliary inputs of a radio or entertainment system. In this case, it is best to turn the Xpress Receiver FM modulator option off to avoid interference.



## Xpress Cassette Adapter Installation.

Installation is simple.

- 1.) Plug the end jack (1) into the XM7 Xpress Car Cradle's audio output (2).
- 2.) Insert the cassette adapter (3) in the vehicles in-dash cassette slot (4).

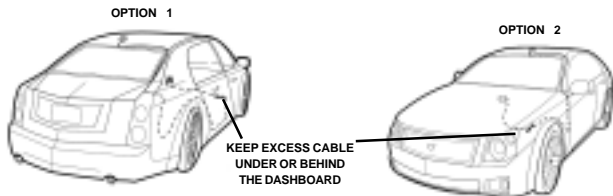


## 6. Installation Guidelines

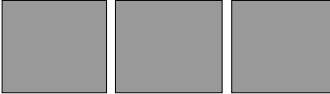
### Step 1.

First, determine the proper location for your satellite radio antenna based on the following criteria for your specific vehicle:

- a. You must locate the satellite radio antenna on the top of the roof either in front of the rear window (option 1) or behind the windshield (option 2). The satellite radio antenna will perform best if magnetically attached to a steel surface with an unobstructed view of the open sky and minimum of 3 to 6 inches of metal surrounding the antenna.



- b. When routing the antenna cable along the windshield or rear window, tuck the antenna cable under the window seal to maintain a professional looking installation and to avoid loose wires on the exterior of the vehicle which are susceptible to damage. Follow the interior cable routing diagram depicted by dashed lines in the illustration above where possible.

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- c. Avoid kinking, crimping, twisting or chafing the cable. Use pre-existing wire channels when possible.
  - d. For option 1 and rear mounting locations, route the cable into the trunk as shown in the previous illustration. Always cross the weather seal at the lowest part of the trunk to reduce water leaks. From the trunk, route the cable into the passenger compartment through available wire channels and then along the floor under the door jam trim or under the carpet to the front of the passenger compartment. Do not leave the cable loose in the passenger compartment where it is likely to be damaged.
  - e. For option 2 and front mounting locations, route the cable along the door jam and into the vehicle as shown. Route the cable across the weather seal near the bottom of the door to reduce water leaks.

### **Step 2.**

Once you have plugged the power and antenna jacks into the car cradle, use the included cable organizer as shown in the illustration at right to improve the overall appearance of the installation.

### **Step 3.**

Re-use the cable twist ties that were provided with the power adapter and car antenna cables and always be sure to gather, bundle, twist-tie, and secure any excess cable remaining after determining the best location for your satellite radio installation.



For example, secure the excess cable up under your dash board, between the seat and the console, or on the floor under a seat or floor mat. This will help to prevent the excess cable from interfering with the everyday use of your vehicle, improve the appearance of the installation, and avoid any undesirable accidental damage to the cables that might result in loss of power or satellite signal.

Be sure to choose a location carefully by taking notice of how doors and trunks open and close, as well as how seats move when they are adjusted so you can be certain there is ample clearance provided for the cables.



## NOTES



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## **12 MONTH LIMITED WARRANTY**


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