

# Mazda 626 | 1993-1998 Car Radio Removal



**STEP 1:**

The Mazda radio is snapped into the vehicles dash. With the proper tool, known as Mazda radio removal keys, the Mazda radio can be pulled forward out of the dash. A clothes hanger can be used instead of actual Mazda radio removal keys. Cut the clothes hanger and bend 2 pieces into a "U" shape as shown in the photo above or the diagram below. For more information on how to remove the radio, see the diagram below.

**Note:** Many Mazda radios have small rubber plugs that are inserted into the holes on the side of the radio. Before the radio removal keys can be inserted into the holes, these rubber plugs must be removed. A sharp pointed tool can be used to remove the rubber plugs.

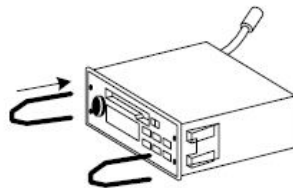


**STEP 2:**

Pull the radio from the dash. Unplug the antenna cable from the rear of the radio. Unplug the 2 white wire harness connectors from the rear of the radio. Unplug the brown ground wire connector from the rear of the radio.

## Removing Mazda Radios Using "U" Shaped Removal Keys

Insert the "U" shaped keys into the holes as shown in the diagram. Coat hangers can be cut and bent into shape for a quick, cheap replacement or alternative when Mazda keys are not available.



In order for the radio to be removed, clips attached to the side of the radio must be moved inward so the radio can slide out of the dash. Insert the keys and push each key out, away from the radio. The ends of the keys will press into the clips. While pushing the keys outward, pull and the radio should slide forward out of the dash.

