

Tech Tips and Notes

Connecting Your Wires the Hopkins Way

Strip back about 1 inch of insulation on the vehicles wire you wish to attach to.



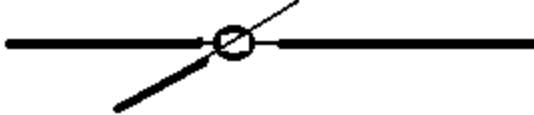
Separate the strands of copper so they form a circle. Your wire will now look something like this:



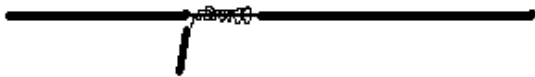
Then strip back 2 inches or so of insulation from the remote starts wire:



Thread the remote starts wire through the hole, just like you would thread the eye of a needle:



Squeeze the O flat, and then wrap the remote starts wire around the vehicles wire as tightly as possible, ending something like this:



If at all possible, it is best to solder the connection at this point.

Tape the connection with high quality electrical, such as "33+", being sure to overlap the tape a minimum of twice. Extend coverage of the tape a minimum of 1 inch to either side of the connection you have made.

Under no circumstances can we recommend any type of plastic connector. Over the years, they have simply proven to be too unreliable for a high current application like remote start...

If you have any ideas for a future tip, please feel free to contact techsupport@hopkinsmfg.com.