

How to Use Jumper Cables

Step 1

Park the vehicle with the fully charged battery next to the vehicle with the dead battery. It is important that the two batteries are close enough for the jumper cables can reach, but not touching

Step 2

Attach one of the jumper cable red clips, also known as the positive terminal of the dead battery. A "+" sign will indicate which terminal is positive. The clip should be attached to the metal part of the terminal nub.

Step 3

Attach the other red clip to the positive terminal of the fully charged battery.

Step 4

Then attached the black clip next to the red one you just attached in the fully charged battery. Attach this black clip to the negative terminal, which will be indicated by a "-" sign on the battery. The clip should be attached to the metal part of the terminal nub.

Step 5

With the last black clip remaining you will want to "Ground" the black clip to an unpainted metal surface on the engine of the car with the dead battery.

Step 6

First start the vehicle with the fully charged battery and let it idle for a minute.

Step 7

Start the vehicle with the dead battery. It should start right up, and let it idle with the two cars connected. If it doesn't, check the connections on your jumper cables, or it might be a sign of a different car issue

Step 8

Once the dead vehicle is started and running smoothly, disconnect the jumper cables in the reverse order that they were connected. Start with the black clip that was grounded, then black clip of charged battery, next the red clip on the charged battery. Finally, remove the red clip that was on the dead battery.

Step 9

Make sure to take the revived car to the service department to make sure it doesn't need to be replaced.