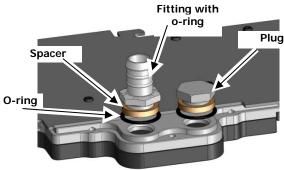
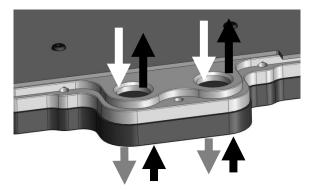
## Installation and mounting manuals for EK-FC260/275/285 GTX GAINWARD water block:

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The barb hose fittings require only a small amount of force to screw them in; otherwise the high flow fittings might break. These fittings do not need to be tightened with much force because the liquid seal is made using o-rings.





Picture 1: Sample picture of fitting installation

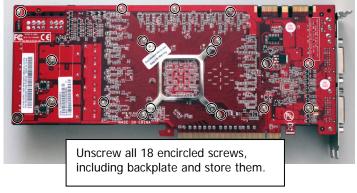
*Picture 2:* Any of 4 holes can be used as inlet hole, and any hole can be used as outlet hole. Hole on opposite side has to be plugged with enclosed G1/4 plug.

Step 1. Remove the graphic card from computer.

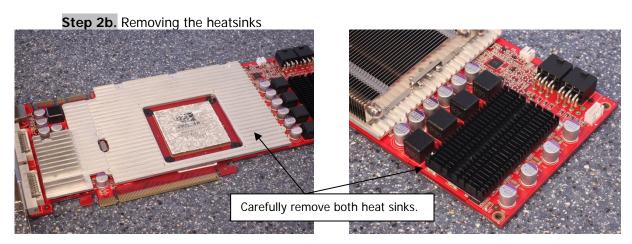
**Step 2.** Carefully detach the original heat sink after removing all fasteners securing it to the board and bracket. Remove the remains of the original thermal compound until the components and circuit board are completely clean.

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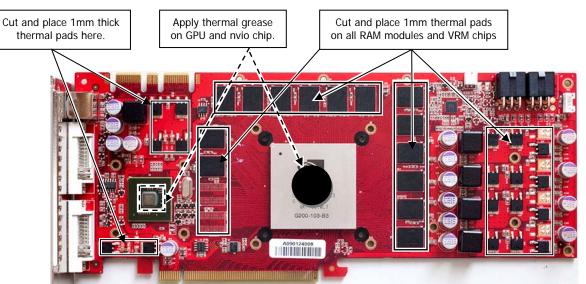
Step 2a. Removing the stock cooler







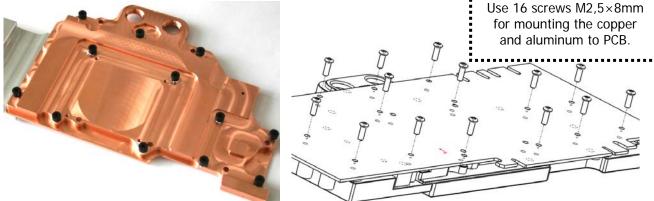
**Step 3.** Apply thermal compound: lightly coat the GPU, RAMs and with for example Céramique<sup>™</sup> thermal compound. Follow this link http://www.arcticsilver.com/ceramique\_instructions.htm for detailed instructions. EK Water Blocks recommends non-conductive Arctic Silver Céramique<sup>™</sup> or MX-2.



Picture 3: Applying thermal compound on Graphic card GeForce 275 GTX GAINWARD or PALIT

**Step 4.** Place the graphic card on the inverted water block and attach it with enclosed screws as shown in picture 4. For perfect thermal contact, the block does not use a spring mounting system; therefore when attaching without standoffs be very careful to tighten all screws equally. If the screws are tightened too much, when not using standoffs, the graphic card board will bend and could get damaged.

To prevent warping of card please use enclosed standoffs and apply them as shown on pictures bellow. Prior aligning standoffs with mounting holes, please apply small amount of thermal grease around the thread to fix the standoffs.



Picture 4: Placing/fixing the standoffs (only for copper)

Picture 5: Mounting the water block with enclosed M2,5 screws.

**Step 5.** Start tightening the enclosed screws from the GPU (M2,5x8 screws) and continue outwards. Please make sure that spacers are well positioned and aligned with the holes.

**Step 6.** Remove the block and check for contact surface. Then repeat steps from 3 to 6. If you are not using standoffs apply more or less pressure on area where you find it necessary.

If you are using stock backplate, we recommend you use 1 to 2 mm standoffs or washers between backplate and PCB.

**Step 7.** Attach the liquid cooling tubes and connect the water-block(s) into the cooling circuit. With EK-260/275/285GTX GW series water blocks we recommend use of high flow fittings. To ensure that the tubes are securely attached to the barb/fittings, please use hose clamps or an appropriate substitute. The use of an algaecide is always recommended for any liquid cooling system.

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