Instruction Manual, Wide Profile Panel Antennas

General

This instruction manual contains all necessary information required to assist in the correct installation of the Wide Profile Panel Antennas. These antennas can be supplied with either fixed beam downtilt, manually adjustable electrical downtilt or AISG-compatible remotely controlled electrical downtilt. Mechanical downtilt is also available if required, depending on the type of mounting kit selected.

Following symbols can be found next to text outlining important information.

⚠️ Please follow the procedure marked with this symbol precisely. Non-compliance may lead to damage of the product.

 Handy tips when installing product.

Unpacking

Make sure that the antenna and the accessory items listed below are provided and have not been damaged during transport.

- Antenna
- Mounting kit (mounting kit components for each configuration are shown in Figures 2 and 3).
- Hex key 6mm AF (supplied with adjustable downtilt antennas only).

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<tr>
<th>Mounting Kit Type</th>
<th>600mm – 870mm (23.6” – 34.3”) Antennas</th>
<th>870mm – 1200mm (34.3” – 47.3”) Antennas</th>
<th>1200mm – 1575mm (47.3” – 62”) Antennas</th>
<th>1575mm – 2700mm (62” – 106.3”) Antennas</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tilt range</td>
<td>0° -15° in 3° steps</td>
<td>0°, 2° -10° in 1° steps</td>
<td>0° - 12° in 2° steps</td>
<td>0° - 8° in 1° steps</td>
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<td>Mounting Bracket Spacing Dim A (Fig 4)</td>
<td>480mm (18.9”)</td>
<td>716mm (28.2”)</td>
<td>976mm (38.4”)</td>
<td>1400mm (55.1”)</td>
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Table 1: Mounting Kit Part Numbers for Different Antennas
Installation Instructions

Ensure a torque spanner is used when tightening fasteners, see the mounting kit diagrams on the following pages for the correct torque recommendations.

Ensure antenna is installed with the connectors at the bottom.

DO NOT STACK UNPACKED ANTENNAS

DO NOT PLACE POINT LOADS ON ANTENNA RADOME

DO NOT USE ROPE OR CHAIN OR SLING ATTACHMENT AROUND ANTENNA FOR LIFTING
Installation Instructions – Adjustable Downtilt Mounting Kit


Assemble mounting kits as per Figure 2 and 3 of this document.

1. Attach the mounting kit assembly to the antenna, before trying to clamp the brackets to the pole.
2. Downtilt can be achieved by aligning the corresponding hole in the tilt arm to the pivot bracket which mates against the mounting pole, as shown in Figure 4
   a. T-029-GL-E - The first hole is for 1° downtilt, with each consecutive hole resulting in an increased inclination of 1°.
   b. T-041-GL-E - The first hole is for 2° downtilt, with each consecutive hole resulting in an increased inclination of 2°.
   c. T-045-GL-E - The first hole is for 2° downtilt, with each consecutive hole resulting in an increased inclination of 1°.
   d. T-095-GL-E - The first hole is for 3° downtilt, with each consecutive hole resulting in an increased inclination of 3°.
3. For finer downtilt angle adjustments the distance in between the top and bottom mounting bracket on the pole can be adjusted.
4. For 0° downtilt the tilt arm may be stowed as show in Figure 4.
5. An inclinometer or other angular measuring device may be used to verify downtilt angle as required.
For typical installations of antennas up to 1575mm (62”) long the minimum recommended pipe diameter is 60mm (2.4”). For antennas over 1575mm (62”) long the minimum recommended pipe diameter is 75mm (3”).

**Figure 1:** Correctly Assembled Mounting Kit Using Clamp Bracket for Mechanically Adjustable Downtilt Antenna

![Correctly Assembled Mounting Kit Using Clamp Bracket for Mechanically Adjustable Downtilt Antenna](image)

**Figure 2:** Typical Exploded Assembly for Upper Mounting Bracket using Clamp Bracket

![Typical Exploded Assembly for Upper Mounting Bracket using Clamp Bracket](image)
Figure 3: Exploded Assembly for Lower Mounting Bracket using Clamp Bracket
(This configuration should also be used for the upper Mounting Bracket when 0° tilt is required)

Figure 4: Typical Example of Upper Bracket Placement for Various Downtilts

Operation of Antennas

Fixed Downtilt Antennas
The beam downtilt is factory set.
Manual Electrically Adjustable Downtilt Antennas

The beam downtilt below the horizon is adjusted by rotating the hex socket located at the bottom of the antenna. Turning the hex socket in a clockwise direction increases the beam downtilt below the horizon. Turning the hex socket in an anti-clockwise direction decreases the beam downtilt below the horizon. Beam downtilt setting in degrees below boresight can be read off the scale at the base of the antenna. The downtilt setting is read from the face of the antenna bottom end cap at the point where the scale protrudes.

AISG Compliant RET Antennas

AISG Compliant antennas are compatible with AISG compliant control unit equipment. For operation of downtilt using AISG compliant controllers see the controller documentation. Where manual override of RET control is provided at the antenna bottom end cap, operation is identical to that described above for MET antennas.

WARNING: During downtilt adjustment ensure the hex socket is not turned past the minimum and maximum positions as shown on the downtilt indicator scale. Forcing the hex adjustment beyond this point may lead to damage of the downtilt mechanism. Using power drills and electric screwdrivers to adjust downtilt may also lead to damage of the downtilt mechanism.

Port and Band Identification

Each RF and/or AISG port on the antenna is numbered and identified in accordance with AISG Standard “AISG Antenna Port Color Coding”.

Remote Electrical Tilt Connection

The AISG connector fitted to the antenna is designed to accept any AISG compliant cable assembly. After ensuring both connectors are dry, push in the mating connector, then hand tighten. Using excessive torque may damage the AISG connection in the antenna.

RF Cable Connection

The RF female connectors fitted to the antenna are designed to fit jumper cables with a corresponding male connector. After ensuring both mating connectors are dry push the male connector in and tighten the connector coupling to the correct torque setting. If needed or as required by local procedures a weatherproofing kit may then be fitted to the connection. If the RF connectors are tightened beyond the recommend torque the RF connection to the antenna may be damaged.
ADJUSTING MECHANICAL DOWN TILT AFTER INSTALLATION

1. Use a tether to secure the antenna’s hoisting eye to the mounting structure. The tether can be a rope, wire rope, chain, or similar material. The tether should be short enough to prevent the antenna from tilting beyond its maximum downtilt range. This will prevent the antenna from tilting away from the mounting structure when the adjusting bolts are removed.

![Figure 8: Upper Mounting Bracket Assembly](image)

Installed cables or the antenna may be damaged if they are allowed to strike the mounting structure when the antenna mechanical downtilt is changed.

2. Loosen the fasteners holding the bottom antenna bracket to the bottom pivot bracket. Do not remove them.

![Figure 9: Lower Mounting Bracket Assembly](image)
3. Remove the M12 bolts, washers, and nuts from the pivot bracket. The antenna may tilt down to the extent allowed by the tether installed in step 1.

![Figure 10: Upper Mounting Bracket Assembly](image)

4. The desired downtilt angle may be obtained with the correct adjustment of the tilt arm bracket. See the installation instructions above for detailed information.

5. Adjust the antenna downtilt to the desired angle and reinstall the M12 bolts, washers, and nuts between the upper pivot bracket and the tilt arm.

6. Tighten all four M12 nuts to 38Nm (28 ft.lb).

7. Remove the tether.