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# 1.2M TYPE 127 ANTENNA SYSTEM

with Factory Assembled 2 7/8" Az/El Cap Mount

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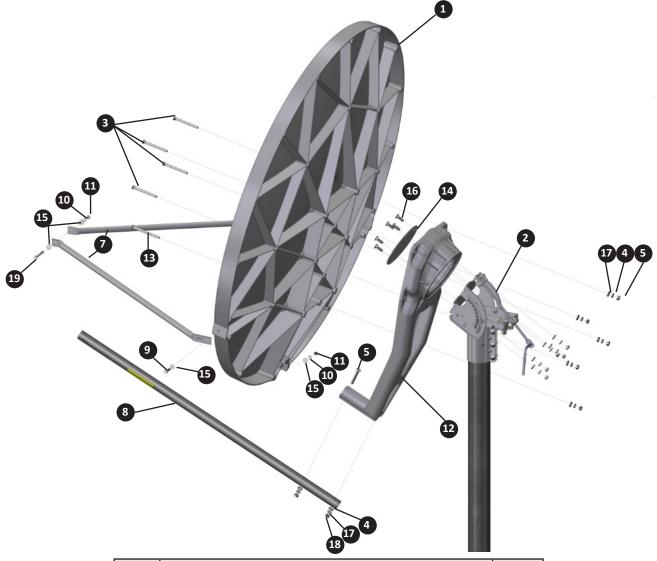
# **ASSEMBLY MANUAL**

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# **PARTS LIST**



NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	1.2m Reflector	1
2	Azimuth/Elevation Assembly	1
3	5/16-18 x 3 1/2" Plow Bolt	4
4	5/16 Stainless Steel Lock Washer	12
5	5/16-18 Hex Head Nut	12
6	Plug Cap	2
7	1.2m Side Feed Leg	2
8	1.2m Bottom Boom Arm	1
9	1/4-20 x 1" Steel Hex Head Bolt	2
10	1/4-20 Stainless Steel Lock Washer	3
11	1/4-20 Hex Head Nut	3
12	Back Bracket	1
13	5/16-18 x 4" Plow Bolt	1
14	Skew Plate	1
15	1/4 Flat Washer	6
16	5/16-18 x 1" Carriage Bolt	5
17	5/16 Flat Washer	12
18	5/16-18 x 2 1/4" Carriage Bolt	2
19	1/4-20 x 2 1/4" Steel Hex Head Bolt	1

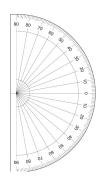
# 1.1 **TOOLS REQUIRED**

Compass



9" Magnetic Level

Clinometer



#1 or #2 Phillips Screwdriver

**Torque Wrench** 



3/8" Drive Ratchet Wrench



7/16" Nut Driver



7/16" Socket (3/8" Drive)



7/16" Combination Wrench



1/2" Deep Socket (3/8" Drive)



1/2" Combination Wrench





ADDITIONAL INSTALLATION MATERIALS (Not Included with Antenna)

Installation Mount (Ground Pole, King Post, Wall Mount or Roof Mount)

 $Grounding\ Rod,\ Clamp\ \&\ Grounding\ Block\ -\ As\ required\ by\ National\ Electric\ Code\ or\ local\ codes.$ 

Ground Wire - #10 solid copper or #8 aluminum as required by National Electric Code or local codes (length as required).

RG-6 Coaxial Cables from antenna to indoor units.

Concrete: See "Ground Pole" section for quantity

M10 or #3 Rebar: See "Ground Pole" section for quantity. Deformed steel per ASTM A615, Grade 40 or 60.

# 2.0 **ASSEMBLY AND INSTALLATION**

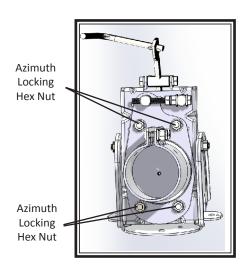
## Step 0 - Site Selection and Ground Pole Installation

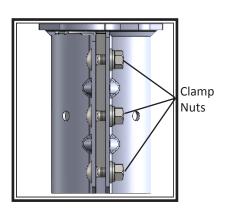
A site with a clear, unobstructed view is preferred. Also consider onstruction that may occur in the future such as the growth of trees.

>See section 4.0 and 4.3 for more details.

## Step 1 - Install Az/El Cap Mount Onto Pole

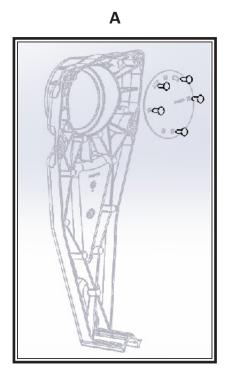
Loosen (3) az/el locking nuts on pipe clamp. Install az/el clamp onto pole. Position the az/el cap in approximate azimuth setting and equally tighten (3) clamp nuts so that cap is held stationary on pole, but can be swiveled with slight pressure. Tighten to approximately 2.7 N-m (2 ft-lb).

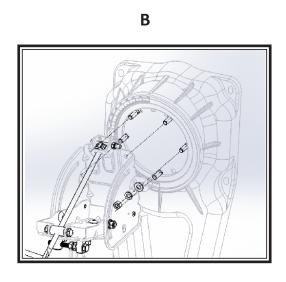




Step 2 - Assemble Completed Az/El to Back Bracket

- A) Install (5) 5/16-18 x 1" carriage bolts into skew plate holes; three on the top, two on the bottom.
- B) Insert exposed portion of bolts into Back Bracket and align vertically with the Az/El assembly. Proceed to add the 5/16 Flat Washer, 5/16 Lock Washer, and 5/16-18 Hex Nut to each bolt. Semi-tighten these nuts.

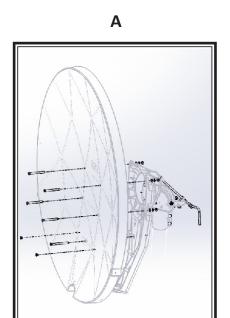


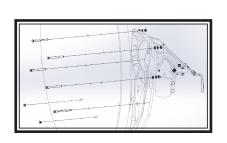


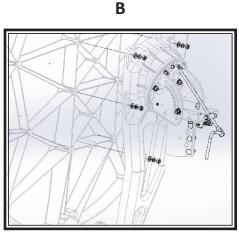
# 2.0 **ASSEMBLY AND INSTALLATION**

# Step 3 - Assemble Reflector to Back Bracket

- A) Install (4)  $5/16-18 \times 3.5$ " and (1)  $5/16-18 \times 4$ " plow bolts into holes in reflector face.
- B) Insert exposed portion of bolts into back bracket, add 5/16 Flat Washer, 5/16 Lock Washer and 5/16 Hex Nut to the bolts. Semi-tighten these nuts.

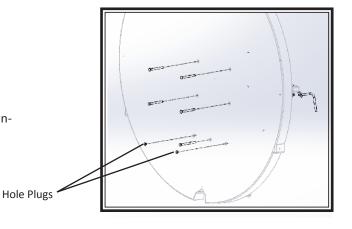






# Step 4 - Insert (2) Plugs into Reflector

Press fit (2) hole plugs into remaining unused holes in reflector surface.



## Step 5 - Attach Feed Leg to Back Bracket

Attach the feed leg to the Back Bracket using (2)  $5/16-18 \times 2 \, 1/4$ " Carriage Bolts. Feed both bolts thru base of back bracket and thru boom arm then add (2) 5/16 Flat Washers and (2) 5/16 Lock Washers and (2) 5/16 nylon hex nuts. Tighten the nuts to 3 ft-lbs of torque.

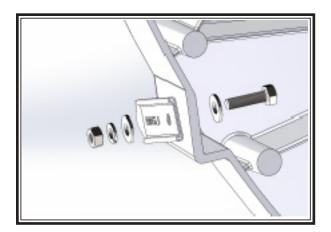


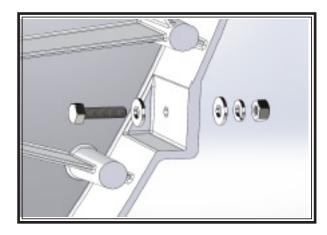


# 2.0 **ASSEMBLY AND INSTALLATION**

### Step 6 - Attach Side Struts to Reflector

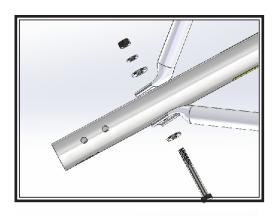
Attach the long flat portion of the side strut to the reflector, using the  $1/4-20 \times 1''$  hex head bolt and 1/4 Flat Washer. Add a 1/4 Lock Washer and 1/4 nut. Semi-tighten the bolt. Do this on both sides of the reflector.





**Step 7 - Attach Feed Leg to Side Struts** 

Attach the short flat portion of the side strut to the boom arm using  $1/4-20 \times 2 \cdot 1/4$ " hex bolt, 1/4 Flat Washer. Add a 1/4 Flat Washer, 1/4 Lock Washer and 1/4 Hex Nut. Semi-tighten the bolt.



## Step 8 - Tightening the Assembly

Tighten the bolts attaching the backstructure to the reflector. Tighten to 10 ft-lbs of torque.

Tighten the bolts attaching the side struts and feed leg (in that order) to 7 ft-lbs of torque. Please lift and support the sidestruts and feed leg before tightening these bolts.

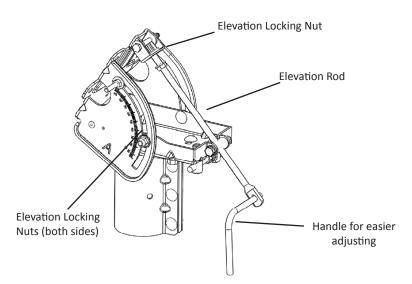
#### 2.1 ANTENNA ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

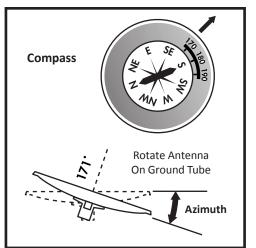
# **Satellite Alignment**

Alignment with the satellite is obtained by setting polarization, elevation and azimuth. Charts are provided in this manual to determine the values for your earth station antenna site. " $\Delta L$ " is the difference between the earth station antenna site longitude and the satelite longitude. Use " $\Delta L$ " and your earth station lattitude to obtain polarization, elevation or azimuth setting.

### Step 1 - Initial Elevation Setting

- A) Use Elevation Chart on page 9 and determine your elevation setting.
- B) Loosen elevation locking bolts located in curved slots, on both sides. Also loosen Elevation Locking Nut on Elevation Rod. Turn elevation adjustment bolt clockwise to decrease elevation or counterclockwise to increase elevation.
- C) Position elevation arrow with the appropriate mark on the housing at the desired elevation reading. Scale is in 1 degree increments. This will be an approximate setting.
- D) Snug tighten elevation locking bolts (finger tighten only).

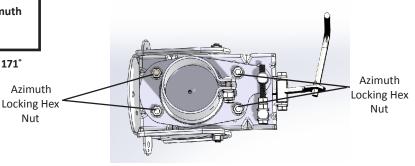




Example Depicts Azimuth Heading To 171° (Azimuth ± Magnetic Deviation) Azimuth

# Step 2 - Initial Azimuth Setting

- A) Refer to the Azimuth value determined on the Azimuth Chart on page 10. Values in chart must be adjusted for magnetic deviation for your location for correct compass reading.
- B) Rotate the reflector and Az/El mount, on the pipe, pointing it to the compass reading for your location and satellite.
- C) Sweep in azimuth for signal. If desired signal is not located, increase or decrease elevation setting and repeat the azimuth sweep.
- D) Tighten progressively (1.8 turn each) all three pipe clamp nuts. Repeat until 24 N-m (18 ft-lb) torque is reached.

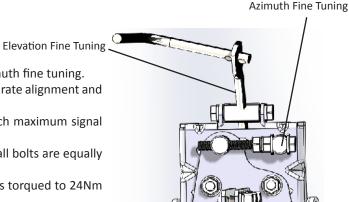


# Step 3 - Elevation and Azimuth Fine Tuning

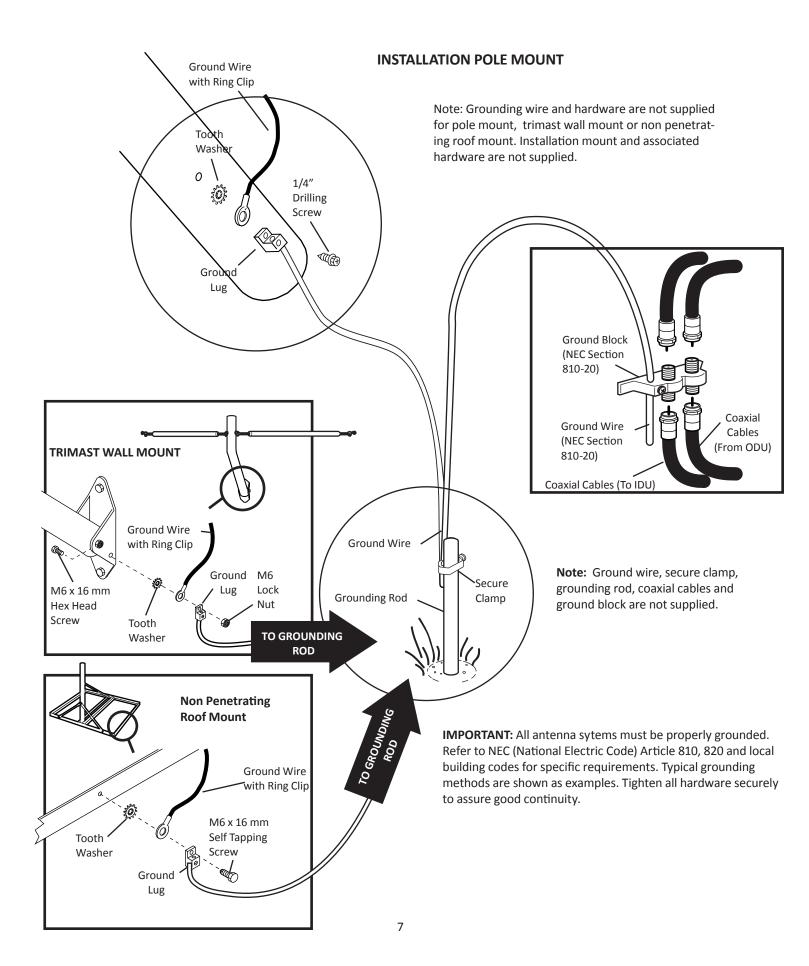
- A) Loosen (4) azimuth locking nuts.
- B) Turn the fine tune bolt clockwise or counterclockwise for azimuth fine tuning.
- C) Use a signal strength measuring device to obtain the most accurate alignment and maximum antenna performance.

Nut

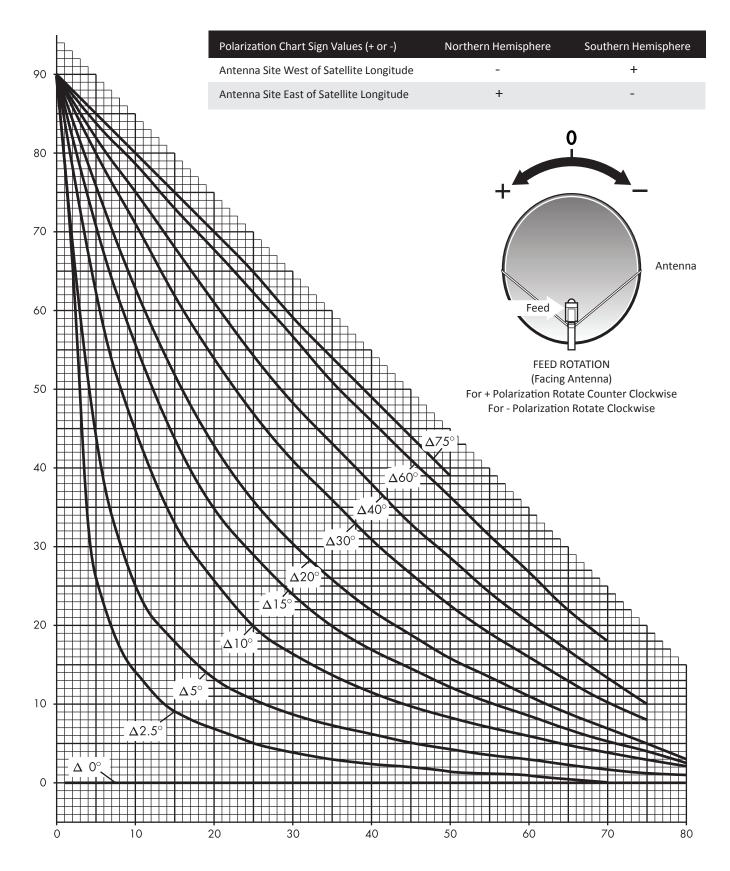
- D) Alternate between elevation and azimuth fine tuning to reach maximum signal strength, until no improvement can be detected.
- E) Tighten and torque all hardware, alternating sequence, until all bolts are equally torqued to 24 N-m (18 ft-lb).
- F) Tighten Elevation Locking Nut on Elevation Rod until the nut is torqued to 24Nm (18ft-lb). This will help prevent slippage at high wind speeds.



# 2.2 **GROUNDING PROCEDURE**

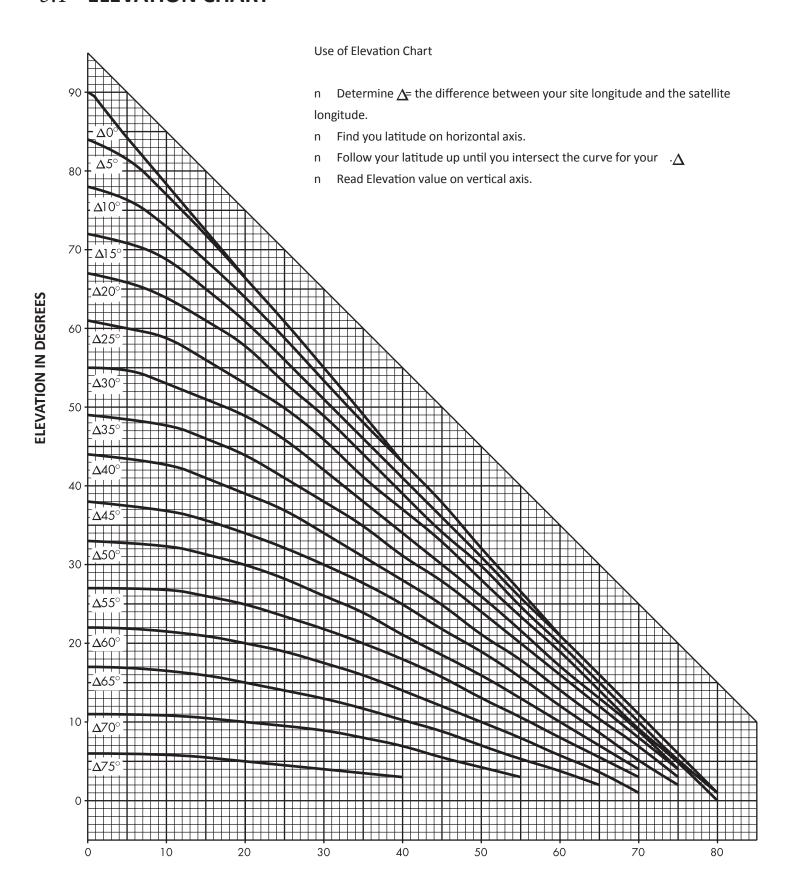


# 3.0 **POLARIZATION CHART**



EARTH STATION LATITUDE IN DEGREES NORTH OR SOUTH OF EQUATOR

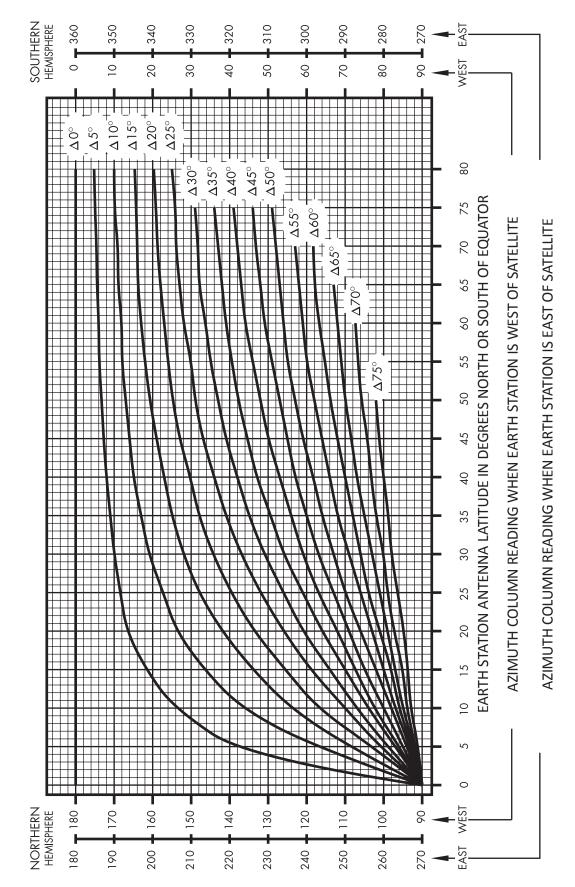
# 3.1 **ELEVATION CHART**



# 3.2 **AZIMUTH CHART**

▲ "IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE EARTH STATION
ANTENNA SITE LONGITUDE AND THE SATELLITE LONGITUDE

### EARTH STATION ANTENNA AZIMUTH IN DEGREES



EARTH STATION ANTENNA AZIMUTH IN DEGREES

# 4.0 SITE SELECTION

The first and most important consideration when choosing a prospective antenna site is whether or not the area can provide an acceptable "look angle" at the satellites. A site with a clear, unobstructed view is preferred. Also consider obstruction that may occur in the future such as the growth of trees. Your antenna site must be selected in advance so that you will be able to receive the strongest signal available. To avoid obstructions, etc., conduct an on-site survey with a portable antenna. The satellite antenna can be installed on a ground pole, wall/ roof mount, or non-penetrating roof mount with 2-7/8" outside diameter mast. The chosen mount type should be assembled and in place before installing the antenna. Refer to instructions packed with mount for its proper installation. The mast pipe must be vertical and plumb to insure ease of alignment.

As with any other type of construction, a local building permit may be required before installing an antenna. It is the property owner's responsibility to obtain any and all permits.

Before any digging is done, information regarding the possibility of underground telephone lines, power lines, storm drains, etc., in the excavation area should be obtained from the appropriate agency.

Because soils vary widely in composition and load capacity, consult a local professional engineer to determine the appropriate foundation design and installation procedure. A suggested foundation design with conditions noted is included in this manual for reference purposes only.

# 4.1 **WARNINGS**

**LAW:** Installation and installer must meet local codes and ordinances regarding safety! Installation of this product should be performed only by a professional installer and is not recommended for consumer Do-It-Yourself installations.

**DANGER:** WATCH FOR WIRES! Installation of this product near power lines is extremely dangerous and must never be attempted. Installation of this product near power lines can result in death or serious injury! For your own safety, you must follow these important safety rules. Failure to follow these rules could result in death or serious injury

- 1. Perform as many functions as possible on the ground
- 2. Watch out for overhead power lines. Check the distance to the power lines before starting installation. Stay at least 6 meters (20 feet) away from all power lines.
- 3. Do not install antenna or mast assembly on a windy day.
- **4.** If you start to drop antenna or mast assembly, move away from it and let it fall.
- 5. If any part of the antenna or mast assembly comes in contact with a power line, call your local power company. **DO NOT TRY TO REMOVE IT YOURSELF!** They will remove it safely.
- **6.** Make sure that the mast assembly is properly grounded.

WARNING: Assembling dish antennas on windy days is extremely dangerous and must never be attempted. Due to the surface area of the reflector, even slight winds create strong forces. For example, this antenna facing a wind of 32 km/h (20 mph) can undergo forces of 269 N (60 lb). BE PREPARED TO SAFELY HANDLE THESE FORCES AT UNEXPECTED MOMENTS. ATTEMPTING TO ASSEMBLE, MOVE OR MOUNT A DISH ON WINDY DAYS COULD RESULT IN DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY. Skyware Global is not responsible or liable for damage or injury resulting from antenna installations.

**WARNING:** Antennas improperly installed or installed to an inadequate structure are very susceptible to wind damage. This damage can be very serious or even life threatening. The owner and installer assumes full responsibility that the installation is structurally sound to support all loads (weight, wind and ice) and properly sealed against leaks. Skyware Global will not accept liiability for any damage caused by a satellite system due to the many unknown variable applications.

# 4.2 PERIODIC INSPECTION & MAINTENANCE

To ensure peak performance of the antenna system and to maintain validity of the warranty, the user should perform a periodic inspection every 6 months or following any severe weather event, As a minimum the following items should be inspected.

#### 1. Installation Mount

Check for loose hardware - tighten if necessary.

Check integrity of anchor bolts or hardware securing mount to the building or foundations

Check ballast of Non-Penetrating Roof Mounts - cracked or broken blocks must be replaced.

Check hardware and structural members for signs of corrosion - repair or replace as needed

### 2. Antenna Back Structure or Az/El Mount

Check for loose hardware - tighten if necessary.

Check for signs of structural damage such as bending or cracking

Check hardware and stuctural members for signs of corrosion - repair or replace as needed

### 3. Reflector

Check intergrity of bolts securing reflector to back structure or az/el mount. Tighten any loose hardware. Check for signs of damage such as cracking. Inspect reflector face for impact damage. Check hardware for signs of corrosion - repair or replace as needed.

### 4. Feed Support Structure

Check for loose hardware - tighten if necessary.

Check for signs of structural damage such as bending. Check hardware and stuctural members for signs of corrosion - repair or replace as needed

#### 5. Feed & RF Components

Check for loose hardware - tighten if necessary.

Check hardware for signs of corrosion - repair or replace as needed.

Check feed lens or window for damage or signs of leaking.

Check waveguide connections between feed and RF electronics

#### 6. Electrical

Check for loose cables and connectors - tighten if necessary Check for tight grounding connections Check cables for weathering or cracks

# 4.3 GROUND POLE INSTALLATION

### Pier Foundations 7 3 cm (2.88" O.D.) 25 mm to 51 mm (1" to 2") slope .4 cm max. for water run-off 182.9 cm (36") (72")Grade 102 cm (40")#3 rebar Minimum Below x diameter Frost Line Diameter of pier. Insert through hole in tube and center.

#### **Deep Frost Line Foundations Ground Pole Must Be** 7 3 cm Vertical in All Directions (2.88" O.D.) at Top 25 mm to 51 mm (1" to 2") slope for water run-off Bubble 91.4 cm max. Level (36'')182.9 cm Grade NOTE: 127 cm (50") may be increased to frost line. Concrete and 127 cm length of rebar will (50") (See Note) increase Approx. accordingly. 51 mm (2") #3 rebar x .46 m (18") Insert through $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ 51 mm hole in tube and center. Minimum Below (2'')Diameter Frost Line #3 rebar x .6 m (24") at 60° apart (See note) **Bottom View**

#### **Pier Foundations Deep Frost Line Foundations EXPOSURE B EXPOSURE B EXPOSURE C EXPOSURE C** DIME D GROUND WIND VEL CONC VOL DIM D CONC VOL DIM D CONC VOL DIM D CONC VOL km/h (mph) $m^{3}$ (ft<sup>3</sup>) $m^3$ (ft $^3$ ) m<sup>3</sup> (ft<sup>3</sup>) cm (in) $m^3$ (ft $^3$ ) POLE cm (in) cm (in) cm (in) 0.05 (1.6) 161 (100) 30 (12) 0.08 (2.9) 46 (18) 0.18 (6.5) 20 (8) 33 (13) 0.12 (4.2) A.B 1.2 m Antenna 201 (125) 43 (17) 0.17 (5.9) 61 (24) 0.33 (11.5) 30 (12) 0.10 (3.6) 48 (19) 0.25 (9.0) В

#### POLE SPECIFICATIONS:

Ground Pole "A" 2-1/2 Schedule 40 Steel ASTM A53 Pipe (73 mm x 5 mm Wall/2.88" OD x .203" Wall)
Ground Pole "B" 2-1/2 Schedule 80 Steel ASTM A53 Pipe (73 mm x 7 mm Wall/2.88" OD x .276" Wall)

#### NOTE:

- Poles are not supplied (purchase locally to above specifications) and must be field drilled 5/8" diameter for M10 #3 rebar, drilled 5.55 mm
- (.218") for 1/4-20 self tapping grounding screw and galvanized or painted for protection.
- 2. Pole and foundation design based on the following criteria:
  - a. Uniform building code Exposure B or C wind loading.
  - b. Vertical soil pressure of 13790 kPa (2000 pounds per square foot).
  - c. Lateral soil pressure of 2758 kPa (400 pounds per square foot).
  - d. Concrete compressive strength of 17.2 MPa (2500 pounds per square inch) in 28 days.
- 3. See page 6 for grounding recommendations.

CAUTION: The foundation design shown does not represent an appropriate design for any specific locality. Soil conditions vary and may not meet design criteria given in Note 2. Consult a local professional engineer to determine your soil conditions and appropriate foundation.

# 4.4 WARRANTY

## **Skyware Global**

# VERY SMALL APERTURE TERMINAL (VSAT) PRODUCTS TWELVE (12) MONTH LIMITED WARRANTY

Seller warrants that all Skyware Global manufactured VSAT products are transferred rightfully and with good title; that they are free from any lawful security interest or other lien or encumbrance unknown to Buyer. Seller also warrants that for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of shipment from Seller's factory, all its VSAT products shall be free from defects in material and workmanship which arise under proper and normal use and service. Buyer's exclusive remedy hereunder is limited to Seller's correction (either at its plant or at such other place as may be agreed upon between Seller and Buyer) of any such defects by repair or replacement at no cost to Buyer, except for the costs of any transportation in connection with the return of the defective VSAT products to be replaced or repaired, and the costs to remove and/or reinstall the products, which shall be borne by Buyer. The limited warranty period shall not be extended beyond its original term with respect to any part or parts repaired or replaced by seller hereunder.

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