

AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD

Installation Instructions



Required Tools & Accessories

Drill and 0.1 IN Drill Bit
Phillips Screwdriver
1.5 IN Hole Saw
SMA Wrench

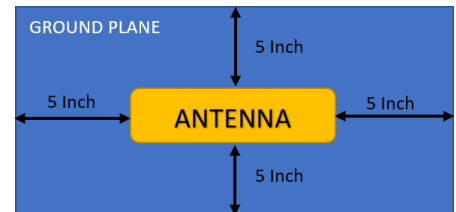
Mounting Instructions

Antenna Mounting Location Directions

When selecting the location of an antenna, consider the following factors:

1. **Conductive Panel** – The ground plane is a part of the antenna. If no ground plane/metal surface is used, the antenna may radiate in undesirable locations and may also result in bad return loss and poor efficiency.

Parsec suggests using a **20" x 20" ground plane** for all our **mobile antennas** (PTA0587) for best performance. If this much space is not available, use a ground plane/metal surface large enough such that it is at least 5 inches from each side of the antenna.



2. **Antenna Directionality** – the direction of the signal is limited by the directionality of the antenna.

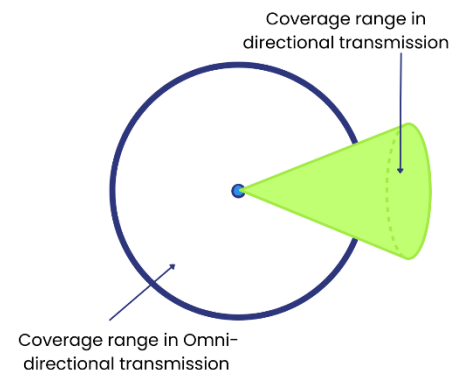
Omni-directional antennas provide a 360-degree horizontal radiation pattern, allowing for coverage in all directions horizontally with varying degrees of vertical coverage.

When selecting the location of an omni-directional antenna, ensure that the antenna can be mounted in the proper orientation relative to the horizontal plane.

3. **Signal Path Loss** – signal strength is greatly affected by the materials that the signal passes through.

Severe signal loss can be caused by concrete and brick walls. Metals can absorb and/or reflect the signal, affecting the signal path. **For best antenna performance, select an antenna location with minimal obstructions between the antenna and the signal source(s).**

4. **Reflection & Diffraction** – the signal will bounce off certain materials and bend around obstacles. For best antenna performance, the antenna should be installed in a location where the signal path is not interfered with by materials like Low E glass, Metal, Tinted glass, etc., that reflect RF Energy.



5. **Interference** – electrical devices and appliances interfere with the antenna’s signal.

Electrical devices and appliances, such as refrigerators, microwaves, AC units, and cameras, can cause electromagnetic interference with the antenna signal.

Select a location that is as far as possible from electrical devices and appliances and minimizes the amount of such devices between the antenna and the signal source(s). For best antenna performance, install antennas as far away as possible from each other and other devices. In general, separate antennas by at least 24 inches (61 cm).

6. **Cable Loss** – signal strength is lost as RF waves travel through cables.

The longer the cable, the more electrical energy is lost as heat and the higher the signal loss.

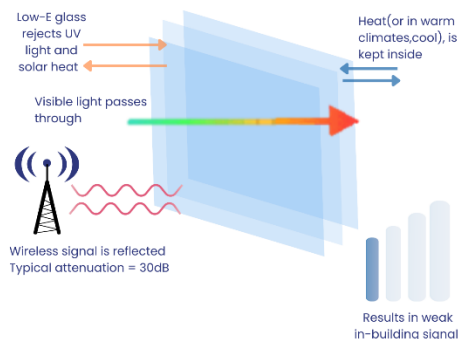
Therefore, it is best to select a location for the antenna that allows the cables to be as short as possible and still reach the router.

The size of the cable also affects cable loss; coaxial cables with higher center conductor diameters have less cable loss compared to thinner coaxial cables.

It is critical to avoid bending coaxial cables sharply to avoid shearing of the Aluminum foil shield, which can result in a significant or complete loss of antenna functionality.

Coaxial cables should not be bent sharply; they have a minimum bend radius which varies depending on the size of cable.

Low-E Windows and Wireless Signal Inside LEED-Certified Buildings



Hardware Accessories

Accessory	Part Number
Pole Mount Bracket	PTA0638
Customizable Pole Mount Bracket	PTA0640
Roof Mount Bracket Assembly with L Bracket	PTA0641
Magnetic Boot Mount – Black	PTA0329
Replacement Rooftop Gasket	PTA0592
Rooftop Gasket – Curved Roofs	PTA0766
Hardware Kit for 1.5" Shaft – Nut/Washer	PTA0761
1.5" Star Washer	PTA0257
Ground Plane with Adhesive Back, 20 in x 20 in, Can Be Cut to Size	PTA0587
Lightning Arrestor – SMA(F) to SMA(F)	PTA0476
Lightning Arrestor – N(F) to N(M)	PTA0736
SMA Wrench, Key Chain	PTA0194
Service: Cable Sleeve (Priced Per Ft)	Cable Sleeve

***Lightning Arrestors are recommended for outdoor installations**

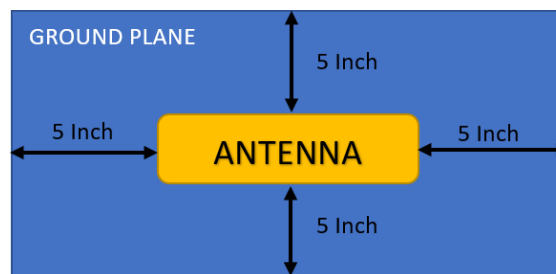
Roof Mounting Instructions

Note: Roof Flatness

1. Ensure that the antenna is installed **at least 24"** from the edge of the roof on a flat section.



2. The optimum position will be where there is a 24" space on all sides, as shown below:



3. Place a flat ruler on the Roof to check if the roof section is flat or curved.



Curved Rooftop Gasket Required (shown above)

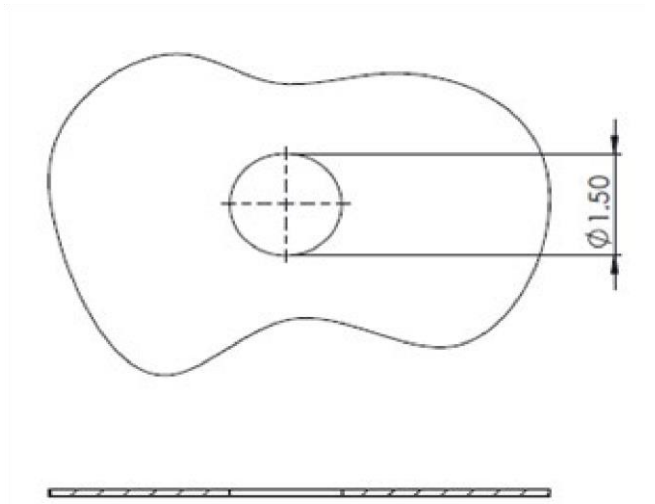


Regular Gasket (installed on Australian Shepherd) can be used

If installing the antenna on a curved roof, the **PTA0766 Curved Rooftop Gasket** is required.

Preparing the Hole

1. After selecting the location to mount the Antenna, mask the mounting location to avoid paint damage. Mark the hole center with ink or scribed cross hairs.
2. Use a center punch to make a dimple on the marked location to avoid drill bits from walking across the sheet metal. Use a Twist drill of diameter about 0.1" and drill a pilot hole. Using a 1.5" diameter sheet metal hole saw, drill the hole.
3. The hole saw will cut the required diameter hole with less risk of stretching and distorting the vehicle surface.
4. Clean up any metal shavings around the mounting location.



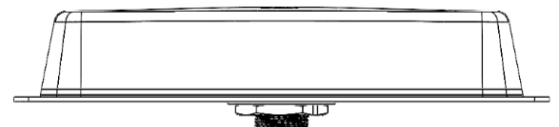
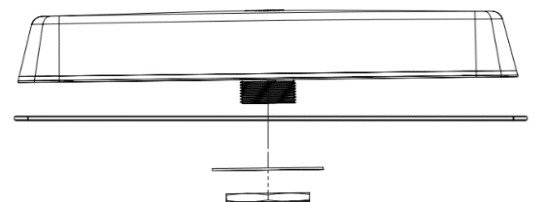
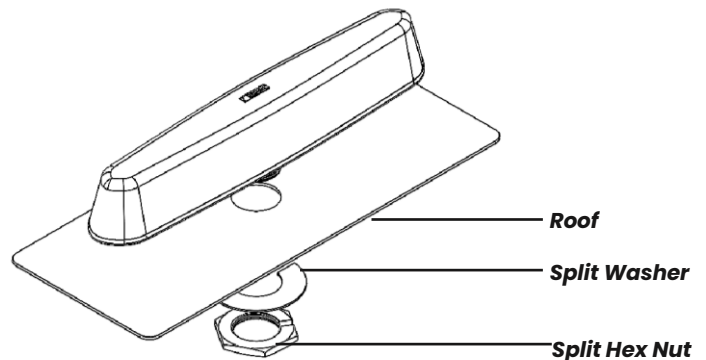
Mounting the Antenna

1. Feed the coaxial cables from the antenna through the hole from the outside surface to the inside surface and thread the entire length of the cable through the hole.
2. Clean debris off the vehicle surface with isopropyl alcohol and let dry for 1-2 minutes.

WARNING: Do not use extra primers/activators/second-stage epoxy/promoters as it will negatively impact the installation by causing a chemical reaction.

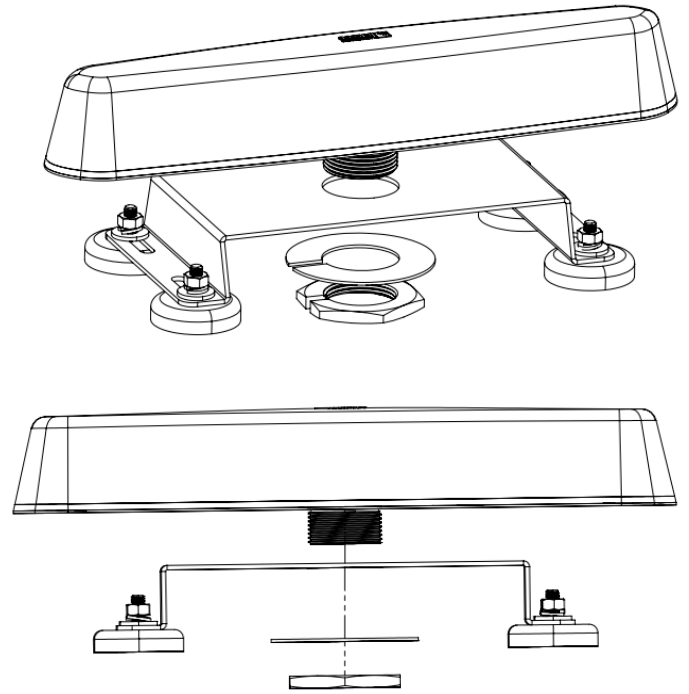
3. Mark the desired antenna orientation by placing the antenna flat on the vehicle surface.
4. Lift the antenna and remove the protective backing from the underside of the antenna and place the antenna back in the desired position. Apply downward pressure on the antenna to stick it to the panel. This step is optional if you plan to mount the antenna magnetically.
5. To avoid the gap between the antenna and panel, it is recommended to use neutral cure silicon sealant around the base of the mounting boot to fully compress the antenna to the mounting panel.
6. A split flat washer and a split hex nut are provided in the kit for easy installation.
7. On the inside of the vehicle, thread the flat washer over the cable, followed by the PTA0257 Star Washer (if applicable) and then hex nut.
8. Slide the washers and nut to the threaded flange of the antenna and tighten the hex nut until the antenna compresses flat with the surface of the vehicle.

Note: Allow 24 hours for the adhesive to cure and set, and do not touch/move the antenna/gasket in the meantime.



Magnetic Mounting Instructions

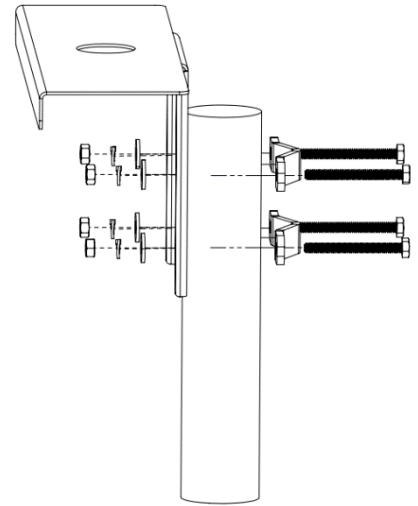
1. Select the mounting location.
 - A. A horizontal, ferrous metallic surface is required for mounting the antenna. Check that the magnetic mount base has sufficient magnetic attraction to the mounting surface.
 - B. To avoid de-tuning or interference issues, install the antenna as far away as possible from other electrical devices (minimum 24 inches), including light bars, AC units, fans, cameras, routers, and other antennas.
2. Feed the antenna cables through the hole in the magnetic mount base.
3. Fasten the antenna to the magnetic mount base.
 - A. Guide the provided flat washer and hex nut onto the antenna cables. Using a star or lock washer is optional and not provided.
 - B. Thread the flat washer, star washer (if applicable), and hex nut onto the antenna shaft, and tighten the hex nut using a 7/16 inch wrench.
4. Place the antenna with the magnetic mount base onto the mounting location in the desired orientation.
5. Route the antenna cables towards the router.
 - A. Route the cables from the antenna to the router, maintaining a minimum bend radius of 0.5 inches. Avoid sharp bends.
 - B. Route the antenna cables adjacent to existing wiring as much as possible.



Pole Mounting Instructions

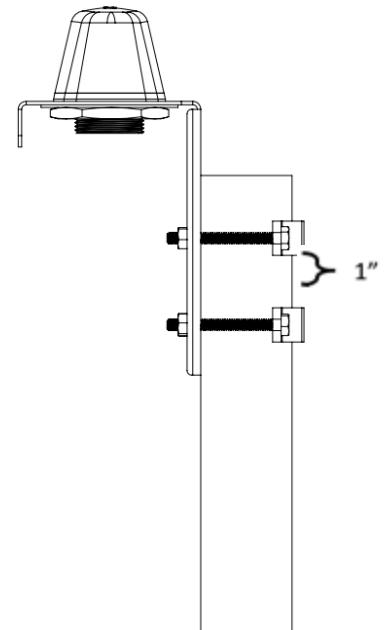
Mounting the Pole Mount Bracket on the Pole

1. Select the mounting location on a vertical pole.
 - A. To avoid de-tuning or interference issues, install the antenna as far away as possible from other devices (minimum 24 inches), including lights, AC units, routers, and other antennas.
 - B. The diameter of the pole must be between 1 inch and 2.18 inches, and the pole must be vertical.
 - C. Alternatively, this bracket can also be installed on a rectangular post up to 3 inches wide.
2. Remove the flat washer and hex nut from the antenna shaft.
3. Install the pole mount bracket onto the pole.
 - A. Insert the bolts through the pole bracket.
 - B. Feed the bolts around the pole and into the Pole Mount Bracket.
 - C. Install the flat washers and lock washers onto the bolt.
 - D. Tighten the nuts onto the bolts until finger tight. Ensure that the nuts are tightened equally on both bolts.
 - E. Using a 7/16" wrench, tighten the nuts one additional full turn to compress the lock washers.



Mounting the Antenna

1. Feed the coaxial cables from the antenna through the hole from the outside surface to the inside surface and thread the entire length of the cable through the hole.
2. Feed the antenna cables through hole in the pole mount bracket.
3. Adhere the antenna to the mounting surface.
 - A. Remove the backing from the adhesive pad on the base of the antenna.
 - B. Carefully place the antenna onto the pole mount bracket, inserting the antenna shaft into the hole.
 - C. Apply pressure on the antenna to ensure strong adhesion.
4. Fasten the antenna to the pole mount bracket.
 - A. Guide the provided flat washer and hex nut onto the antenna cables. Using a star or lock washer is optional and not provided.
 - B. Thread the flat washer, star washer (if applicable), and hex nut onto the antenna shaft.



Routing the Cables

1. Route the cables from the antenna to the router, maintaining a minimum bend radius of 1.5 inches. Avoid sharp bends. Run the cables adjacent to existing wiring.
2. Waterproof the RF connectors using electrical tape or heat shrink tube, if required.

Cable Connection Instructions

1. Use a canned air and/ or isopropyl alcohol to clean all the connectors to ensure that there is no dust in the terminals.
2. Connect the antenna cables to the router. Use the table below for reference; different routers may have different terminal names. Use a 5/16" wrench to carefully tighten the connectors on the cables to the router terminals. It is recommended to use a 5 in.-lb. torque wrench to prevent overtightening.

Note: Do not apply more than 5 in.-lbs. of torque to SMA Connectors.

Note: Do not apply more than 9.7 in.-lbs. of torque to N Connectors.

S. No	Cable from Antenna	Connector on Router
1.	CELL 1	MAIN 0
2.	CELL 2	MAIN 1/ MIMO 1
3.	CELL 3	AUX 1/ MIMO 2
4.	CELL 4	AUX 0/ DIV 0
5.	WIFI 1	2.4/5GHz
6.	WIFI 2	2.4/5GHz
7.	WIFI 3	2.4/5GHz
8.	WIFI 4	2.4/5GHz
9.	BLUETOOTH (optional)	BT
10.	GPS	GNSS

For best MIMO performance use the following in pairs:

CELL 1 & CELL 4

CELL 2 & CELL 3

WIFI 1 & WIFI 2

WIFI 3 & WIFI 4

Commission and Testing

Check each coaxial cable connector and confirm that it cannot be easily loosened. Visually inspect the coaxial cables to ensure that they are not sharply bent and are sufficiently secured and supported between the antenna and the router.

Use a cellular device's built-in diagnostics to confirm the RSSI is higher than -75dB. Confirm the cellular connection supports communications at required data rates.

Connect the GPS/GNNS cable to the GPS/GNNS receiver and check for satellite acquisition.

Connect the cellular/LTE & WLAN/Wi-Fi cables to the router and stow any unused coaxial cables to avoid damage.



CAUTION

To comply with FOC RF Exposure requirements in section 1.1310 of the FCC Rules, antennas used with this device must be installed to provide a separation distance of at least 20 cm from all persons to satisfy RF exposure compliance.



DO NOT:

- Do not operate the transmitter when someone is within 24 inches of the antenna
- Do not install the antenna or mast assembly on a windy day
- Do not install the mast close to power lines as it can cause serious injuries or death



WARNING

Watch out for overhead power lines. Check the distance to power lines before beginning installation.



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