# TIMBERWOLF Installation Instructions

# **Required Tools & Accessories**

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

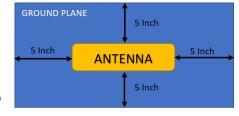


# **Mounting Instructions**

## **Antenna Mounting Location Directions**

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

 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.



Coverage range in directional transmission

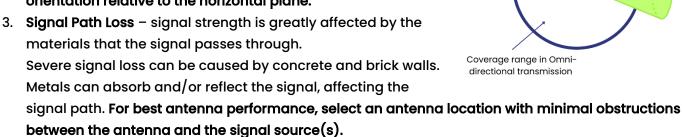
Parsec suggests using a **20" x 20" ground plane for all our mobile antennas** (PTA0587) for best performance. If this much space is

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.

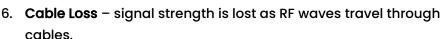


4. **Reflection & Diffraction** – the signal will bounce off certain materials and bend around obstacles. For best antenna performance, the antenna should be installed in a location where the signal path is not interfered with by materials like Low E glass, Metal, Tinted glass, etc., that reflect RF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



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

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.

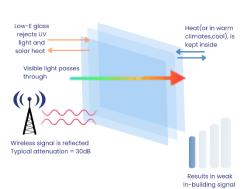
Coaxial cables should not be bent sharply; they have a minimum bend radius which varies depending on the size of cable.

#### **Hardware Accessories**

possible and still reach the router.

Accessory	Part Number
Pole Mount Bracket, Heavy Duty, High Vibration	PTA0721
Roof Mount Kit - Gasket, Nut, Washer	PTA0610
Replacement Rooftop Gasket	PTA0187
3M Double Sided Adhesive Gasket	PTA0187
Hardware Kit for 1.5" Shaft - Nut/Washer	PTA0761
1.5" Star Washer	PTA0257
Ground plane with adhesive back, 20in x 20in, can be cut to size	PTA0587
Surge Arrestor - SMA(F) to SMA(F)	PTA0476
Surge Arrestor - N(F) to N(M)	PTA0736
SMA Wrench, Key Chain	PTA0194
Service: Cable Sleeving (priced per ft)	Cable Sleeving

<sup>\*</sup>Lightning Arrestors are recommended for outdoor installations



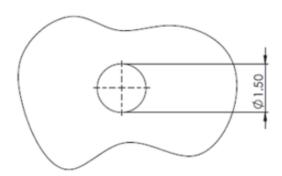
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# **Roof Mounting Instructions**

#### **Preparing the Hole**

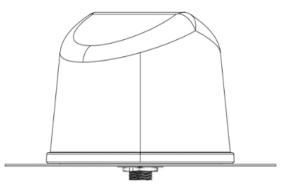
- After selecting the location to mount the Antenna, mask the mounting location to avoid paint damage. Mark the hole center with ink or scribed cross hairs.
- Use a center punch to make a dimple on the marked location to avoid drill bits from walking across the sheet metal. Use a Twist drill of diameter 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**

- 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 and then mark the desired antenna orientation by placing the antenna flat on the vehicle surface.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.
- 5. A split flat washer and a split hex nut are provided in the kit for easy installation. (Star washer is optional and not supplied. Part Number: PTA0251)
- 6. On the inside of the vehicle, thread the flat washer over the cable, followed by star washer (if applicable) and then hex nut.
- 7. Slide the washers and nut to the threaded flange of the antenna and tighten the hex nut until antenna compresses flat with the surface of the vehicle.





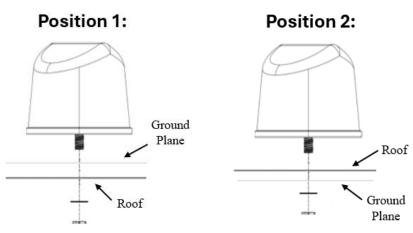
Hex Nut

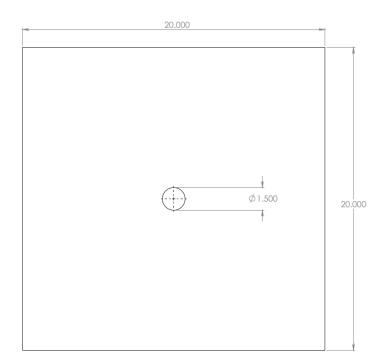


## **Fiberglass Roof Mounting**

Due to the non-metallic nature of fiberglass, Parsec suggests using a 20" by 20" ground plane for fiberglass roof mounts. The ground plane can be placed either above the roof (Position 1) or below the roof (Position 2).

- After preparing the hole at the desired mounting location, repeat the same procedures for making an identical hole in the center of the ground plane.
- Feed the coaxial cables from the antenna through the ground plane first (Position 1) or roof first (Position 2) depending on desired ground plane position, reference the images at the bottom of this page for clarification.
- 3. Clean debris off the roof and ground plane surfaces, then place and orient the antenna flat on the ground plane surface (Position 1) or roof surface (Position 2) to the desired antenna orientation.
- 4. Lift the antenna and remove the protective backing from the underside. Place the antenna back in the desired position on the ground plane (Position 1) or roof (Position 2) depending on ground plane location.
- 5. To avoid the gap between the antenna and its mounting surface, it is recommended to use neutral cure silicon sealant around the base of the mounting boot to fully compress the antenna to the mounting surface.
- 6. A split flat washer and a split hex nut are provided in the kit for easy installation. (Star washer is optional and not supplied. Part Number: PTA0251)
- 7. On the inside of the vehicle, thread the flat washer over the cable, followed by 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 ground plane (Position 1) or the surface of the roof (Position 2).





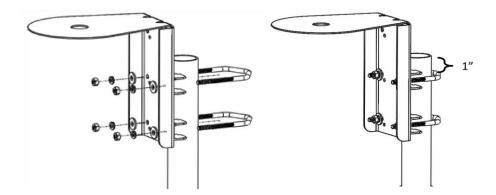


# **Pole Mounting Instructions**

## **Installing the Pole Mount Bracket**

Note: Make sure there are no metal obstructions above the antenna. Mount the antenna at the top of the pole for best performance.

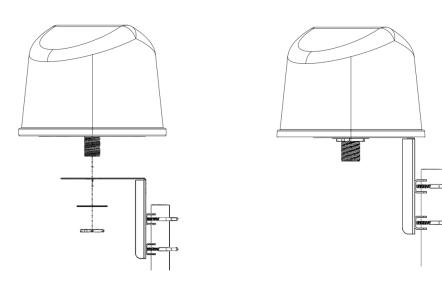
- 1. Select a mounting location on a pole with a diameter between 1.5" and 2.5". Ensure that the pole is vertical, stable, and rigid.
- 2. Install the pole mount bracket onto the pole with the provided hardware. Around the pole, insert the V-bolt through the clamp saddle then through the pole mount bracket. Fasten the V-bolts with flat washers, lock washers, and nuts. Ensure that at least 1" of the pole extends above the upper clamp saddle.



3. Tighten the 4 nuts until finger tight, making sure equal lengths of thread extend past the nuts.

## Mounting the Antenna on the Pole Mount Bracket

- 1. Feed the coaxial cables from the antenna through the hole in the bracket. Thread the entire length of cable through the hole.
- 2. Remove the backing from the adhesive pad on the underside of the antenna and place the antenna on the bracket. Apply downward pressure on the antenna to ensure strong adhesion.
- 3. Fasten the antenna on to the bracket by threading the washers and nut through the cable. Fasten the hex nut such that the lock washer compresses flat with the washer surface.



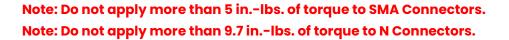


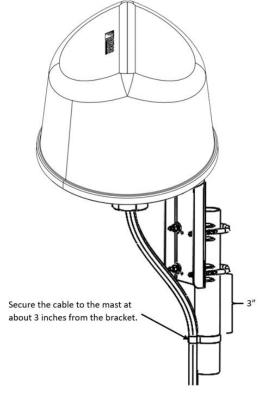
# **Routing the Cables**

- 1. Route the cables from the antenna to the router, maintaining a minimum bend radius of 1.5." Avoid sharp bends. Run the cables adjacent to existing wiring.
- 2. Clamp the cables to the mast about 3 inches away from the bracket. If long cables are used, secure the cable to the mast using zip ties, Velcro, or tape.
- 3. Waterproof the RF connectors using electrical tape or heat shrink tube, if required.

#### **Cable Connection Instructions**

- 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.





S. No	Cable From Antenna	Connector on Router
1	CELL 1	MAIN
2	CELL 2	DIV
3	CELL 3	MIMO1
4	CELL 4	MIMO2
5	GPS	GPS/GNSS
6	WIFI 1	2.4/5GHz, LEFT GOLD
7	WIFI 2	2.4/5GHz, RIGHT GOLD
8	AM/FM	AM/FM
9	TV	TV

For best MIMO performance use the following in pairs:

CELL 1 & CELL 2
CELL 3 & CELL 4
WIFI 1 & WIFI 2



# **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 FCC 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

- Operate the transmitter when someone is within 20 cm of the antenna
- Install the antenna or mast assembly on a windy day
- 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.



#### WARNING

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