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**INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

**ORDER NO. 500**

CB Antenna
The Penetrator
PN 801366-2

General Description

The Penetrator is a full-size %-wave, omnidirectional antenna. A full-sized radiator with a lower radiation angle concentrates power closer to the ground. The antenna accepts AM, SSB and DSB signals. It can be fed by any standard 52 ohm coaxial cable such as RG-8/U and RG-58/U. For runs over 50 feet, RG-8/U or RG-213/U is recommended.

The Penetrator fits any masting material up to 1½" O.D.. A 1¼" plumbers pipe is highly recommended for a mast due to its low cost and high strength.

**WARNING**

*Installation of this product near powerlines is dangerous.*

Specifications

- Gain: 5.3 dB
- SWR (at resonance): less than 1.2:1
- Nominal input impedance: 52 ohms
- Lightning protection: DC ground

- Height: 22'6" (6.85 m)
- Radial length: 8'9" (2.66 m)
- Wind (survival): 80 mph (129 kmph)
- Accepts mast: 1¼" to 1½" (3.2 cm to 4.1 cm)

Installation Instructions

Unpack the antenna and check the parts against the Parts List.

Select the base assembly (Item 12), the two radial plates (Item 1), the M1 assembly (Item 13), and the upper insulator (Item 11).

Refer to Figure 1 and loosely assemble these parts as shown, using the ¼" x 1" screws and associated hardware. Do not tighten at this time.

**NOTE:** Make certain the end of the M1 assembly (Item 13), which contains two holes, is orientated with the holes down to align with the holes in the insulator (see Figure 2). Remember to point the two smaller holes (located 5½" and 13" from the bottom end) away from the base bracket. These will be used to attach the matching rod assembly (see Figure 3).

Fasten the M1 assembly to the insulator with the #10 x 1¾" screw (see Figure 2, Item 26) and associated hardware (Items 35 and 41). Tighten SECURELY.

Referring to Figure 2, assemble the ½" x 55" R1 tubes (Item 4) into brackets, align the holes and fasten with ¼" x 1½" screws, nuts and lockwashers (Items 24, 34 & 40). Do not tighten nuts.

Tighten the ¼" x 1" screws holding the base brackets and radial plates.

Remove the two rod support insulators (Item 21) and the two #10 x ½" Type T screws (Item 29) from the parts pack and attach them to the M1 assembly as shown in Figure 3.

Attach the matching rod and beta rod exactly as shown in Figure 3.
Tighten all hardware in the base assembly.

Refer to Figure 6 and assemble radiator tubes, M2, M3, M4, the top radial assembly and the radial elements. Refer to the compression clamp detail for their proper assembly.

**NOTE:** The slot in the compression clamp should be aligned with the slot in the tubing (see Figure 5).

Make sure all the compression clamps are tightened securely.
NOTE: Compression clamp orientation with respect to the slot in the tube, is the same for both the vertical and horizontal axes.

**Figure 5**

When assembling the tubes in either the radiator or the radials, slip the smaller tube inside the larger tube to lengths shown in Figure 6. This is necessary for proper operation of the antenna.

Assemble the top hat radials as shown in Figure 7. They should be spaced 90 degrees apart.

Attach the four (4) \( \frac{3}{8}'' \) caplugs on the end of the top hat radials and the \( \frac{7}{8}'' \) caplugs on the end of the R2 tubes.

**Figure 6**

**Figure 7**
Check all hardware and tighten securely.

Loosely assemble the $\frac{3}{8}$" U-bolts on the bracket as shown in Figure 3.

Mount the antenna on your mast and tighten the U-bolts securely.

Attach your coax to the connector, located on the bottom of the base bracket and hook to your transceiver.

This completes your installation.

### PARTS LIST

**NOTE:** Item numbers may not necessarily be in numerical sequence and may appear more than one time, depending on how often a part is used, or identical parts being placed in different parts packs.

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#### Converting English Measurements to Metric

Use this scale to identify lengths of bolts, diameters of tubes, etc. The English inch (1") and foot (1') can be converted to centimeters in this way.

- 1 inch (1") = 2.54 cm
- 1 foot (1') = 30.48 cm

Example:

$$42" \times 2.54 = 106.7 \text{ cm}$$