Solar Panel Top-of-Pole Mounting Kit For Panels Over 100 Watts Including CMP Panels

Thank you for purchasing the top-of-pole solar panel mounting kit.

This mounting system is designed to enable the solar panel to be easily rotated and tilted so that an optimum angle to the sun can be achieved.



Solar Panel Tilt Mount Assembly

Parts included in the mounting kit

Qtv Description **Solar Panel Tilt Mount Assembly** 3 1/4" 1/4-20 Bolt, washer, lock nut 1 1/2" 1/4-20 Bolt, washer 1/4-20 Bolt, washer, nut 3 1/4" 3/8-16 Bolt, washer, lock nut 1 1/2" 3/8" Bolt, washer 10-24 Bolt, washers, nut 4" X 2" Tilt block Tilt plate Tilt plate base 1" Cross beam 1" Lateral beam Spring linchpin **Pole Assembly** 1.5" X 66" pole (60" pole optional) 1" (or 7/8") Stern rail jaw clamp Pole sleeve with rotation lock Pole sleeve Pole swivel base (ball) Pole base insert

Solar Panel Top-of-Pole Mounting Kit For Panels Large Panels Including CMP 150-200 Watt Panels Assembly Instructions

Note: We recommend applying an anti-corrosion product such as **Tef-Gel** by Ultra Safety Systems to all points where stainless steel and aluminum come into contact. This includes all bolts and the polemount connection. Tef-Gel can be purchased from many chandleries including fisheriessupply.com. If your system is preassembled, we have applied the Tef-Gel for you.

If you are using the solar panel mounting system for a panel other than a CMP (Custom Marine Products) panel, go to the next page.

Instructions – Solar Panel Mounting Assembly – CMP Panels

Refer to Diagram 1

- 1. Remove all components from the packaging and identify using Diagram 1.
- 2. Attach *Tilt Plates* to the *Tilt Block* using 2 3½" ½-20 bolts, washers and nuts. (Note: Don't tighten fasteners until unit is assembled and components are lined up properly.)
- 3. Attach *Tilt Plate Base* to *Tilt Plates* using a 3 ½" 3/8 bolt, washers and nuts
- 4. Line up *Tilt Plate* holes with *Tilt Plate Base* hole and insert *Linchpin*.
- 5. Tighten all fasteners.

Heavy Duty Solar Panel Top-of-Pole Mounting Kit For Large Panels - Assembly Instructions

If you purchased a CMP solar panel and the mounting kit, go to previous page.

Instructions - Solar Panel Mounting Assembly - Generic Solar Panel

Refer to Diagram 1

- 1. Remove all components from the packaging and identify using Diagram 1.
- 2. Attach *Tilt Plates* to the *Tilt Block* using 2 3½" ½-20 bolts, washers and nuts. (Note: Don't tighten fasteners until unit is assembled and components are lined up properly.)
- 3. Attach Cross Beams to the Tilt Block using 1½" ¼-20 bolts and washers.
- 4. Cut the Lateral Beams to the proper length on each end so they easily slide under the solar panel frame.
- 5. Attach Lateral Beams to the Cross Beams using 3/8" bolts and washers.
- 6. Drill 4 holes in the solar panel frame using a 3/16" or #11 drill bit and using the panel mounting assembly as a guide.
 - Set the solar panel on a clean flat surface.
 - Mark the center of the panel frame on the long sides of the frame.
 - Set the mounting assembly on top of the solar panel centering it in all directions.
 - If the *Lateral Beams* are predrilled, use these holes to mark the position of the holes to be drilled in the panel frame. Otherwise, the holes should be about 3/4" from the edge of the frame.
 - Drill 4 holes in the panel frame (and the *Lateral Beams* if not predrilled). Place a block under the spot where the drill will come through to prevent the drill from damaging the back of the panel.
- 7. Secure the panel mounting assembly to the solar panel using 4 1" 10-24 bolts.
 - Remove one Lateral Beam from the mounting assembly.
 - Slide a 10-24 nut and lock washer into the *Lateral Beam* slot closest to the back of the pael and line it up with the hole. Repeat on other 3 holes.
 - Slide the Lateral Beams under the panel frame with the slot containing the nuts nearest the back of the panel.
 - Bolt the *Lateral Beams* to the back of the panel placing a fender washer between the head of the bolt and the panel frame.
 - Reattach the Lateral Beams to the Cross Beams.
- 8. Attach Tilt Plate Base to Tilt Plates using a 3 1/4" 3/8 bolt, washers and nuts
- 9. Line up *Tilt Plate* holes with *Tilt Plate Base* hole and insert *Linchpin*.
- 10. Tighten all fasteners.

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Solar Panel Top-of-Pole Mounting Kit Solar Pole Assembly Instructions

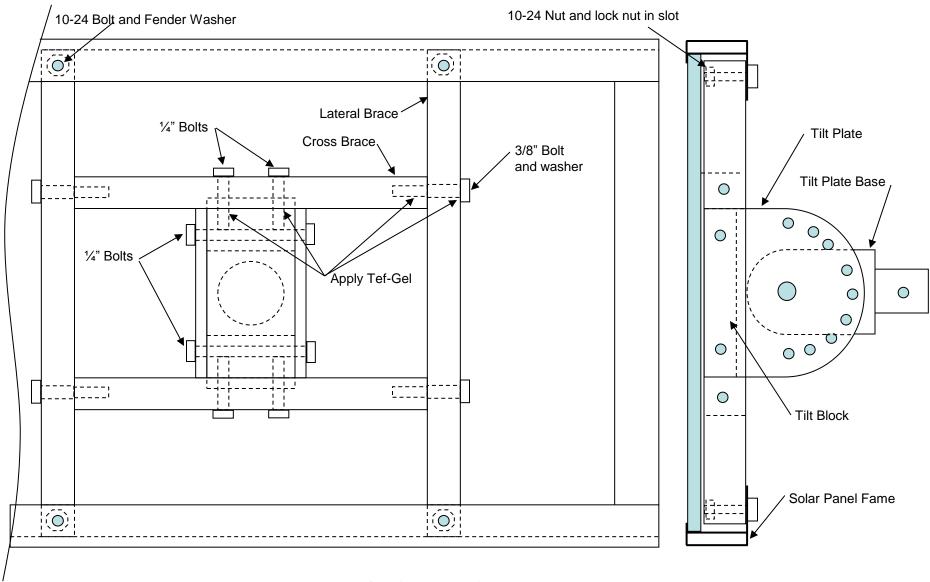
Instructions - Solar Pole Assembly

Refer to Diagram 2

- 1. Determine where the pole will be mounted relative to the stern rail(s) by sighting down from above the stern rails. Determine where the pole will set on the deck or transom.
- 2. Attach the Stern Rail Split Jaw Clamps to the stern rails. Do not tighten.
- 3. Attach the *Pole Sleeves* to the *Stern Rail Split Jaw Clamps*. **Note that each** *Pole Sleeve* **can be mounted in one of three positions depending on the desired distance from the** *Pole* **to the stern rail.**
- 4. Insert the *Pole Base Insert* into the pole base. It may be necessary to drop the Pole on a smooth surface several times to pound the insert into the *Pole*.
- 5. Slide the Pole into the Pole Sleeves and set the Pole on the Ball Swivel Base.
- 6. Adjust the position of the *Stern Rail Clamps* and the *Pole Sleeves* such that the *Pole* rotates freely and is vertical.
- 7. Tighten the Stern Rail Clamps and the Pole Sleeves. If the pole binds in the sleeves, adjust the position of the stern rail clamps and retighten. **Be sure the pole rotates with minimal binding.**
- 8. Attach the *Ball Swivel Base* to the deck or transom using three fasteners or VHB double sided tape.
- 9. Insert the panel mounting assembly into the Pole and secure with bolt and Nylock nut.
- 10. Tighten the Pole Sleeve rotation lock as necessary to adjust ease of pole rotation

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Diagram 1



Drawing not to scale

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