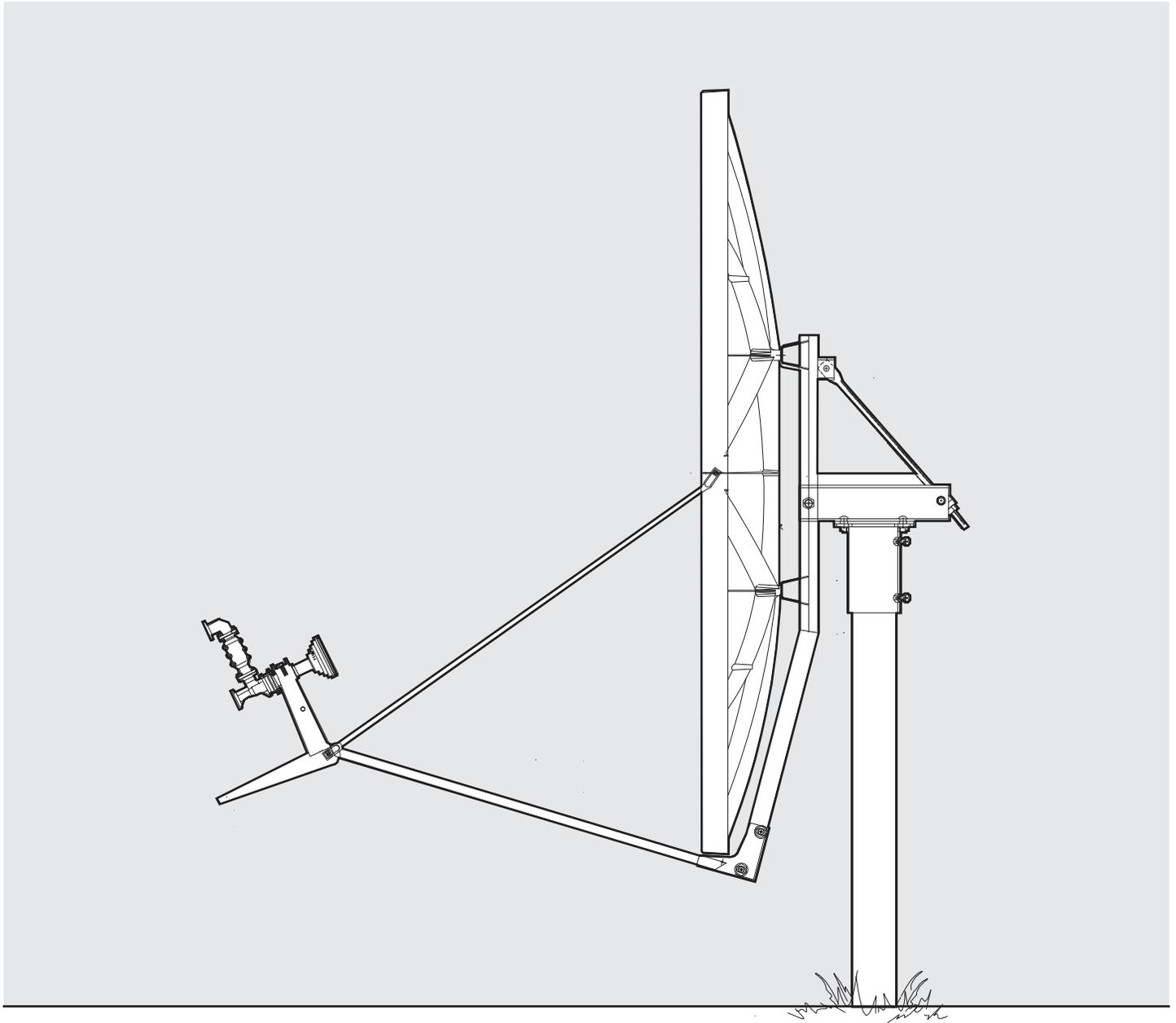


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## 1.8 Meter Transmit Receive Antenna System

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## WARRANTY

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

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SELLER MAKES NO WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OTHER THAN AS SPECIFICALLY STATED ABOVE. EXPRESSLY EXCLUDED ARE ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THE FOREGOING SHALL CONSTITUTE ALL OF SELLER'S LIABILITY (EXCEPT AS TO PATENT INFRINGEMENT) WITH RESPECT TO THE VSAT PRODUCTS. IN NO EVENT SHALL SELLER BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS OF PROFITS OR REVENUE, LOSS OF USE, INTERRUPTION OF BUSINESS, OR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES OF ANY KIND AS A RESULT OF THE USE OF THE PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED BY SELLER, WHETHER USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS OR NOT. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL SELLER'S LIABILITY TO BUYER EXCEED THE ACTUAL SALES PRICE OF THE VSAT PRODUCTS HEREUNDER.

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#### DO NOT DISCARD CONTENTS

The product in this packaging was placed in the market after August 13, 2005. Its components must not be discarded with normal municipal or household waste.

Contact your local waste disposal agency for recovery, recycling, or disposal instructions.

## 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.** ANDREW 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. ANDREW will not accept liability for any damage caused by a satellite system due to the many unknown variable applications.

## PRE INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS

### DESCRIPTION:

The 1.8 Meter Transmit-Receive Antenna System is designed for two-way satellite communications, and is suitable for commercial or consumer use.

### TOOLS REQUIRED:

Compass	19 mm or 3/4 in Deep Socket (1/2 in or 13 mm Drive)
Clinometer	Ratchet Wrench (1/2 in or 13 mm Drive)
228 mm or 9 in Magnetic Bubble Level	10 mm Nut Driver
Torque Wrench (Capacity 5 - 237 N-m) (4 - 175 ft-lb)	10 mm Box/Open End Wrench
30 mm ( 1.25 in) Adjustable Crescent Wrench	10 mm Socket (For Torque Wrench)
24 mm or 15/16 in Deep Socket (1/2 in or 13 mm Drive)	30 mm Deep Socket (1/2 in or 13 mm Drive)

### ADDITIONAL INSTALLATION MATERIALS (Not Included with Antenna)

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 required).

RG-6 Coaxial Cables from antenna to indoor unit(s).

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.

## 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.

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 (see page 4). To assist in the foundation design, refer to "Antenna Wind loads" in the Appendix "B" on page 11.

## BOLT TORQUE

DIN CLASS 5.6						DIN CLASS 8.8		
M6	M8	M12	M16	M20	M22	M8	M12	M16
5 N-m	15 N-m	51 N-m	125 N-m	168 N-m	230 N-m	24 N-m	90 N-m	203 N-m
4 ft-lb	11 ft-lb	38 ft-lb	92 ft-lb	24 ft-lb	170 ft-lb	18 ft-lb	66 ft-lb	150 ft-lb

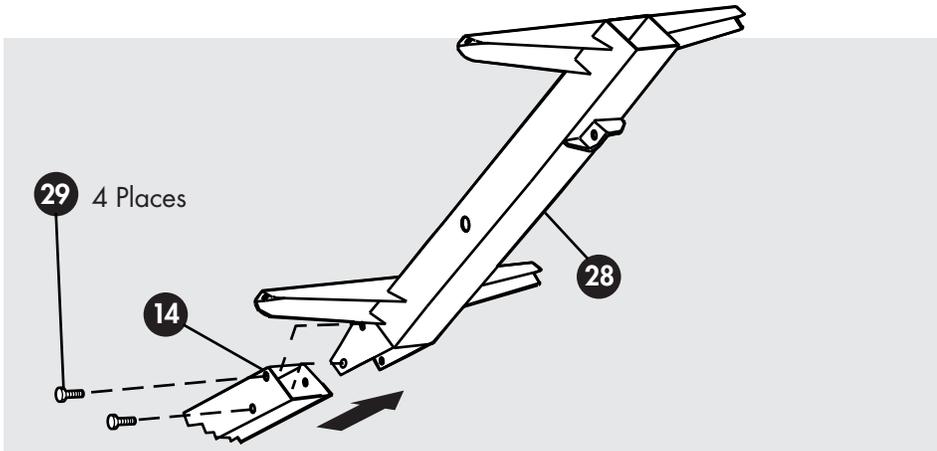
Head marking 5.6 or 8.8, if no head marking use DIN Class 5.6 values in above chart.

### EXCEPTIONS TO ABOVE CHART:

- M12 x 100 mm round head square neck bolts securing antenna to mount. Torque to 27 N-m (20 ft-lb).
- M12 x 130 mm hex head bolts securing feed support to backframe tube. Torque to 47 N-m (35 ft-lb).



## ASSEMBLY AND INSTALLATION



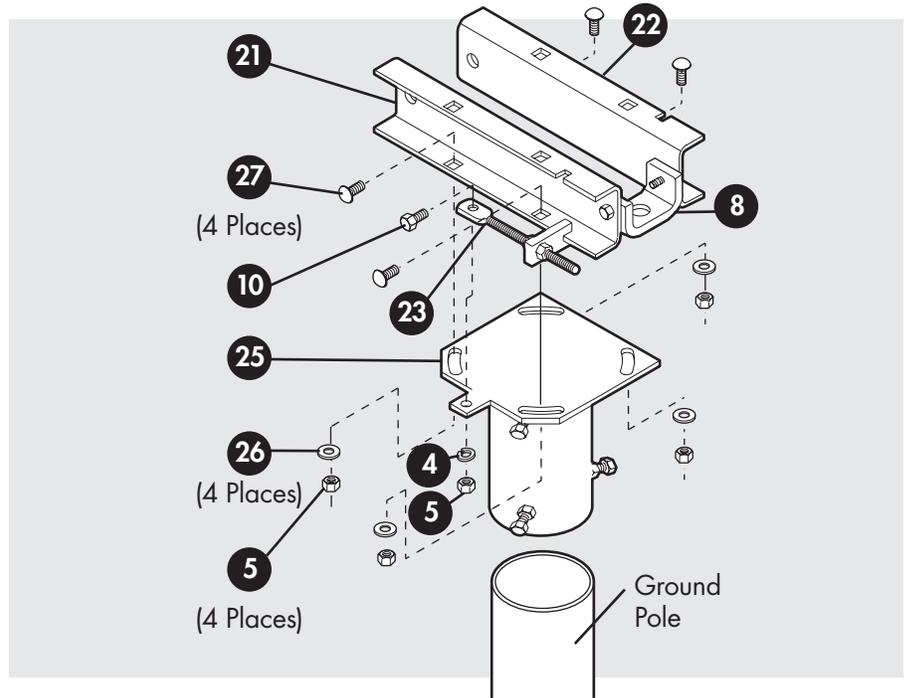
### Backframe Tube

Assemble bottom tube (14) to backframe (28) with four M12 x 19 mm hex bolts (29), as shown.

Torque to 47-54 N-m (35-40 ft-lb).

### Yoke Cap Assembly

Place yoke cap assembly (25) onto ground pole. Assemble channel and assembly to yoke cap assembly with (4) M12 x 35 mm round head square neck (Item 27), flat washers and hex nuts (5 & 26) as shown. Loosen trunnion bolts. Secure azimuth adjusting bolt (23) to yoke cap assembly with M12 x 30 mm hex bolt, lock washer and hex nut (4, 5 & 10).



M12 x 35 mm  
Round Square Neck Bolt  
with Flat Washer  
Lock Washer  
and Hex Nut  
(4 Places)

M12 x 30 mm  
Hex Head Bolt  
with Hex Nut and  
Lock Washer

Azimuth  
Adjustment Screw

M12 x 35 mm  
Round Square Neck  
Pivot Bolt with  
Lock Washer  
and Hex Nut

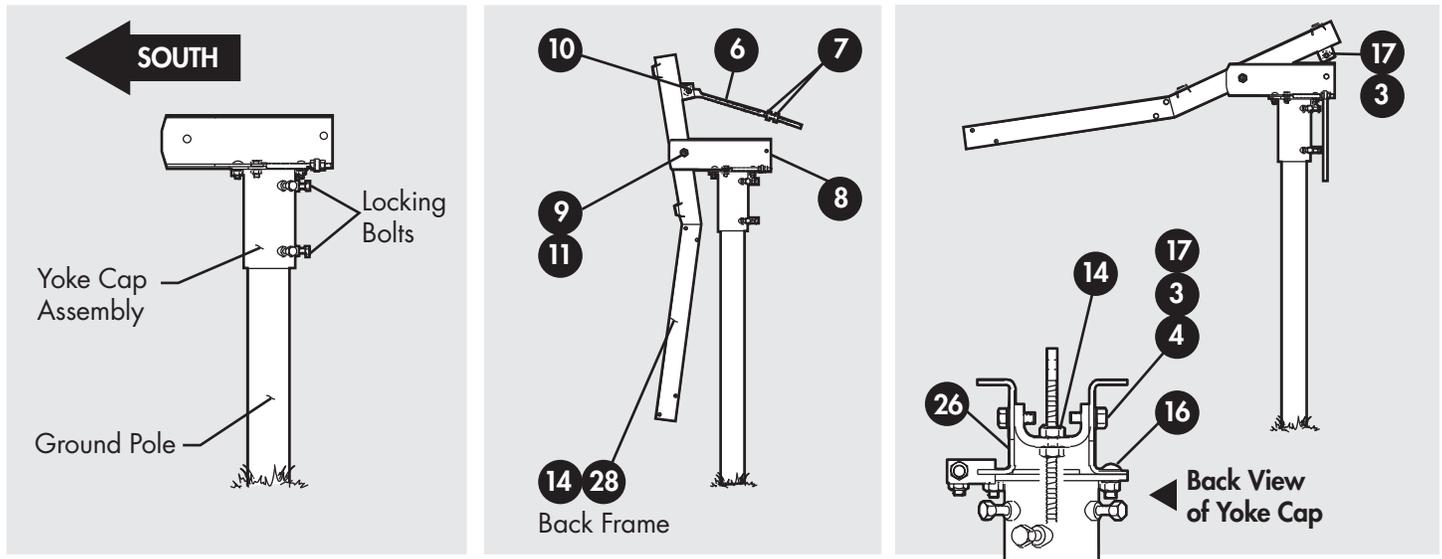
M12 x 35 mm  
Pivot Bolt

M12 x 35 mm  
(4 Places)

Partial End View

## Yoke Cap and Backframe Assembly

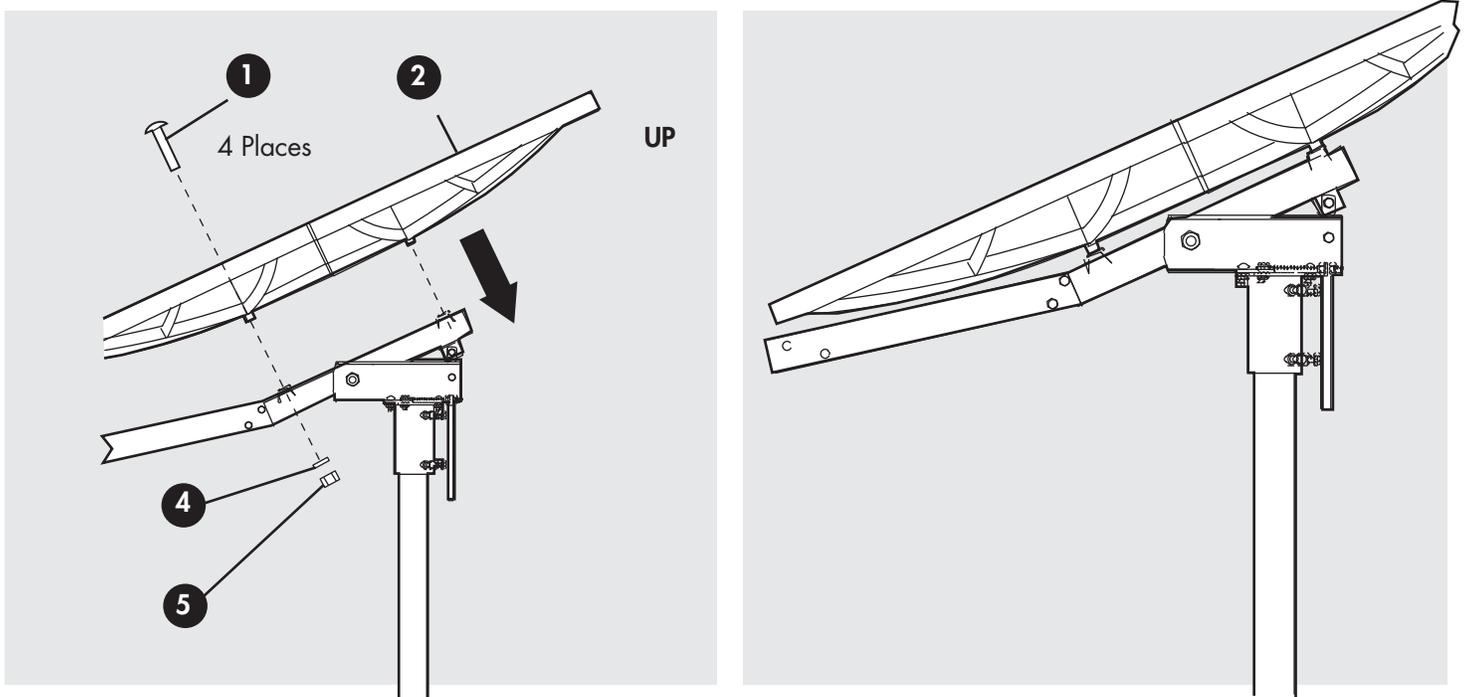
Point yoke cap assembly south and temporarily secure to ground pole with locking bolts. Push M12 x 35 mm round head square neck pivot bolt through center square hole in cap top plate and attach channel assembly. Secure with M12 hex nut and lock washer. Torque to 11-15 N-m (8-11 ft-lb). Assemble bottom tube (14) to backframe (28) as shown. Torque M12 x 19 mm special bolt (29) to 47-54 N-m (35-40 ft-lb). Install backframe assembly onto yoke cap assembly. Secure with M20 x 140 mm hex bolt and hex nut (9 & 11). Loosen M12 hex bolt (10) and remove one M22 hex nut (7) from elevation adjusting screw (6) and insert into trunnion (8). Trunnion (8) in position shown is for 12° and above elevation. If elevation is less than 13°, pivot trunnion 180 degrees. Reinstall M22 hex nut (7). Do not tighten. Run up M22 hex nuts (7) on elevation screw (6) and place backframe in birdbath position.



## Antenna Installation

Insert four M12 x 100 mm round head square neck bolts (1) into reflector (2) and place reflector onto backframe. Secure reflector to backframe with four M12 lock washers and hex nuts (4 & 5). Tighten and torque to 27 N-m (20 ft-lb). Torque cross arm bolts (12) 4 places to 58 N-m (40-45 ft-lb).

**IMPORTANT:** "UP" arrow on reflector must be as shown. Make sure round head square neck bolts are seated correctly before securing reflector to backframe. Pre-torque (4) M12 x 35 mm round head square neck bolts (Item 27) to 12 N-m (8-10 ft-lb).



## Feed Support Tube

Install M6 x 40 mm hex bolt (15) with flat washer (16) into bottom hole in reflector rim (2) and secure with M6 flat washer and M6 hex nut (16 & 17). (Refer to Figure 1.1)

**IMPORTANT:** M6 x 40mm hex bolt (15) in bottom of reflector rim, fits into hole on top of support tube lower end for positioning.

Assemble feed support tube (19) onto backframe and secure with two M12 x 130 mm hex bolts (12) with M12 tooth lock washer. (13)

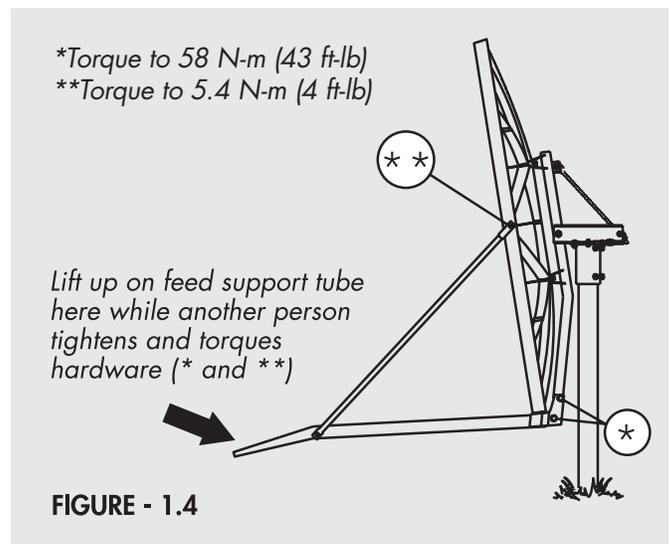
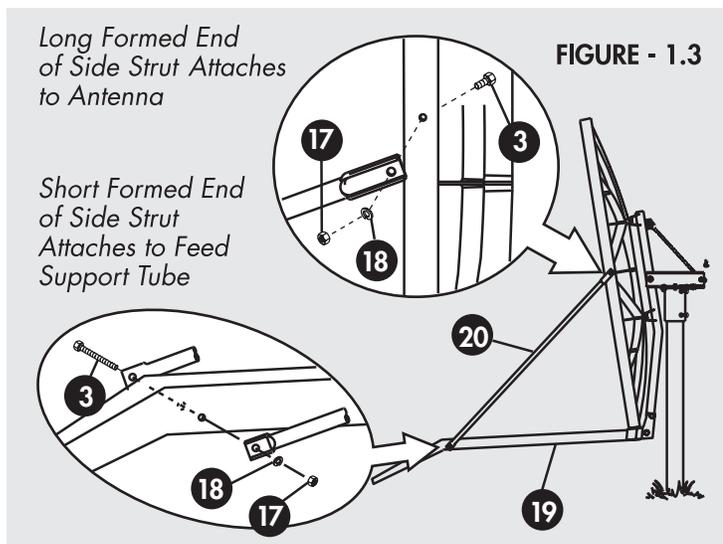
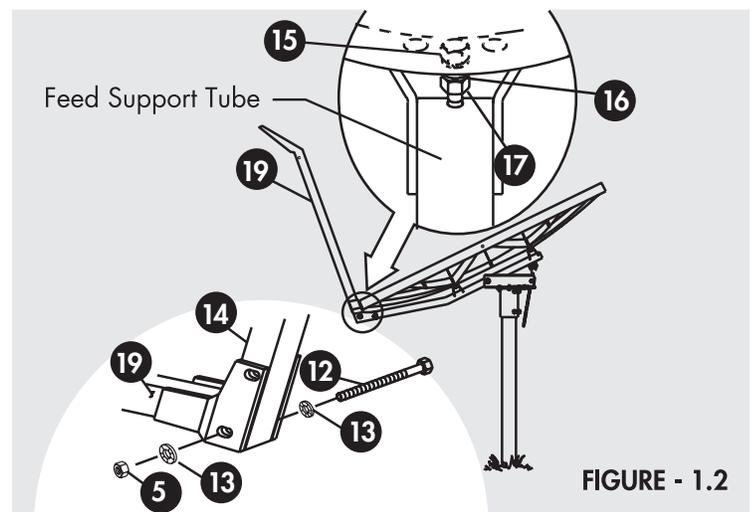
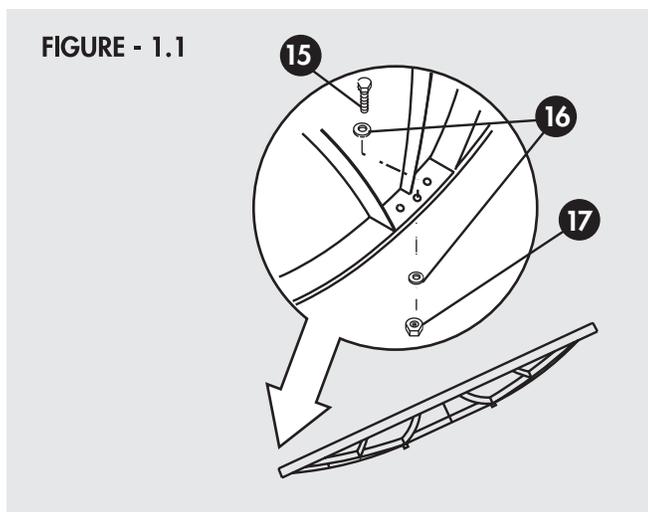
**NOTE:** M12 tooth washer (13) must be assembled on bolts (12), with one under head of bolts and one under hex nuts (4). (Refer to Figure 1.2) Leave these bolts loose.

Swing reflector down by loosening nuts (7) on elevation screw (6). When reflector is in a convenient position, (approximately 20 degrees), snug tighten nuts on elevation screw.

Install left and right side struts (20) onto reflector as shown in Figure 1.3. Attach long formed end of side strut (20) to reflector rim by inserting M6 x 20 mm hex bolt (3) thru inside of rim and secure snug, but free to pivot with M6 lock washer and hex nut (18 & 17). Attach short formed end of side struts (20) to feed support tube using M6 x 20 mm hex bolt, lock washer and hex nut (3, 18, 17).

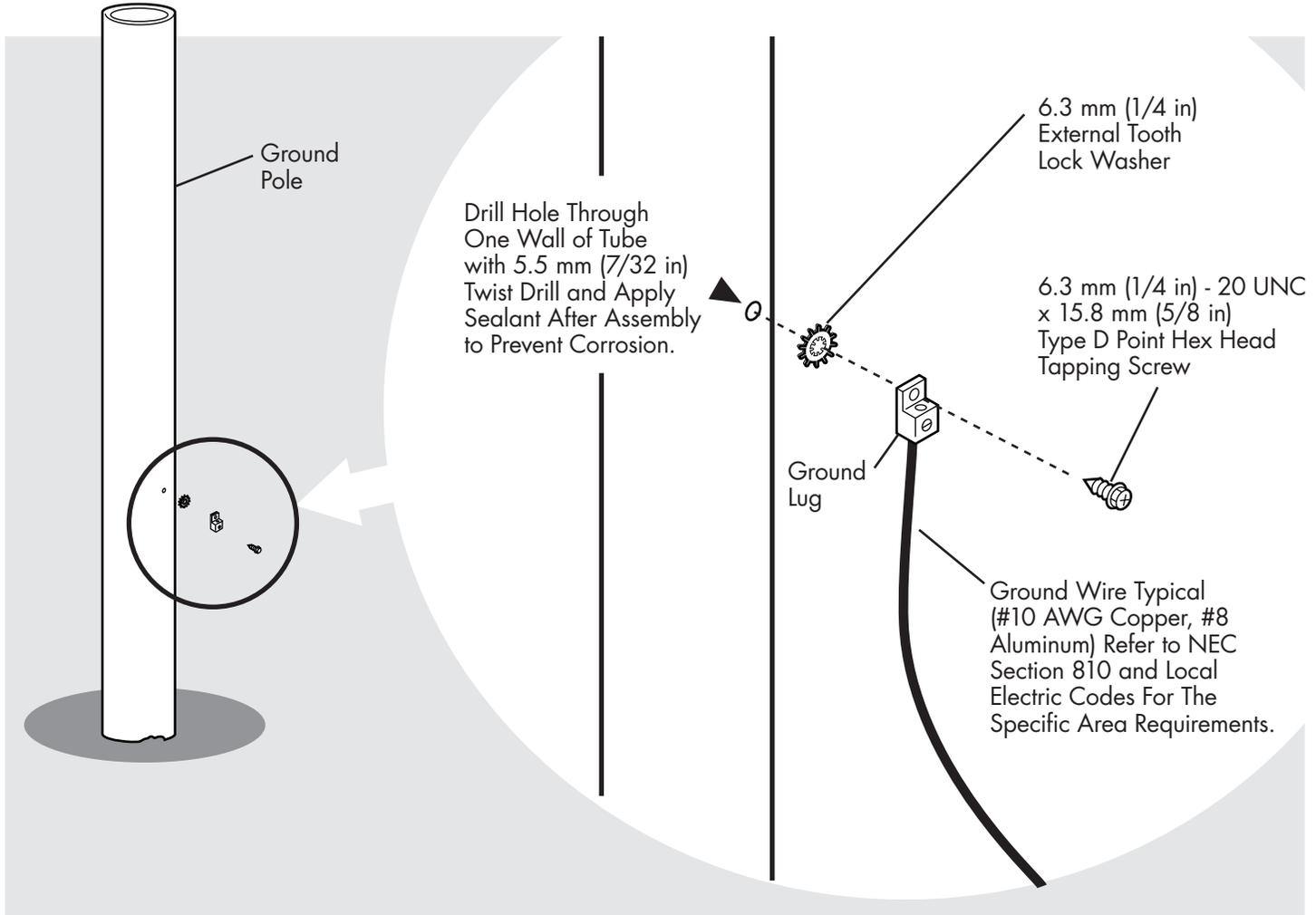
**IMPORTANT:** Without using excessive pressure, lift feed support tube vertically, just enough to relieve all loads off side struts, while another person tightens and torques M12 hex bolts (\*) securing feed support tube to backframe to 47 N-m (35 ft-lb) and M6 hex head bolts (\*\*) securing side struts to reflector to 5.4 N-m (4 ft-lb). (Refer to Figure 1.4)

Install feed/feed horn per instructions provided with these items.



## GROUNDING INSTRUCTION FOR GROUND POLE

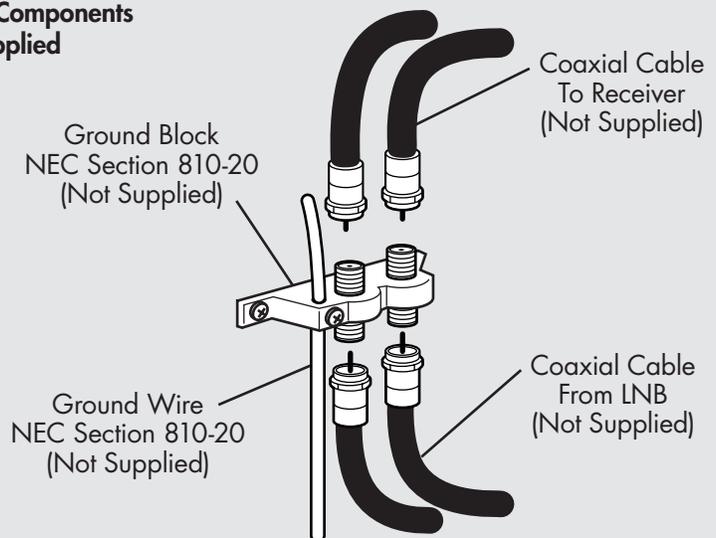
**NOTE:** All installations to conform to the latest issue of the National Electric Code and local codes.



**NOTE:** All installations to conform to latest issue of National Electrical Code. Ground antenna mount assembly and feed cables in accordance with current National Electrical code and local codes.

These illustrations depict typical grounding methods for the ground pole and feed cables. Clamps that provide a solid connection between ground wire and ground source should be used. Tighten and torque all hardware.

### Cable Grounding Components Are Not Supplied



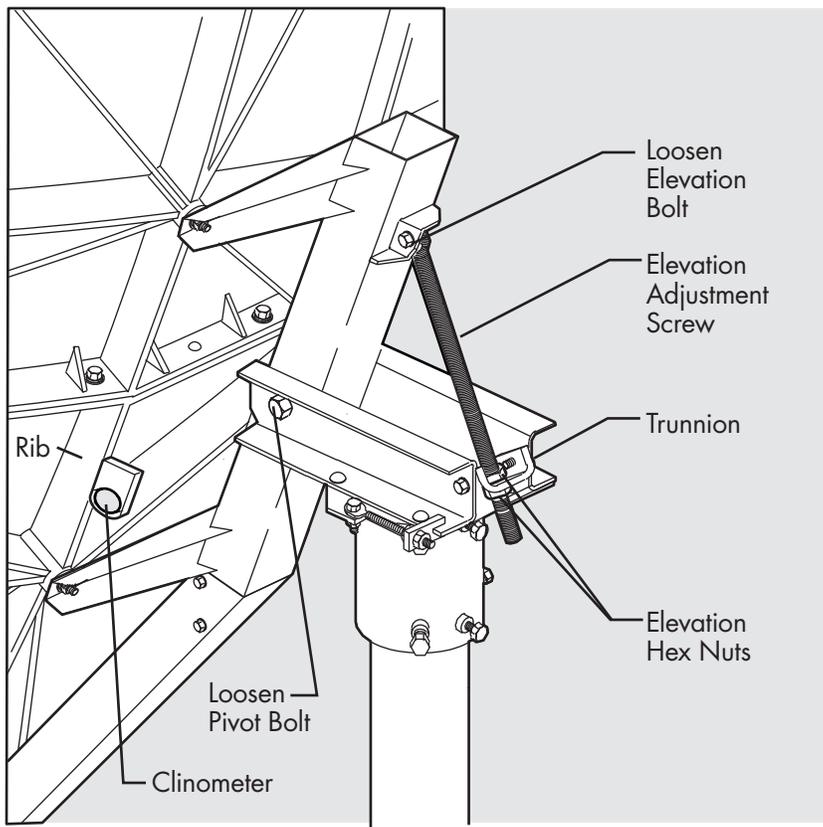
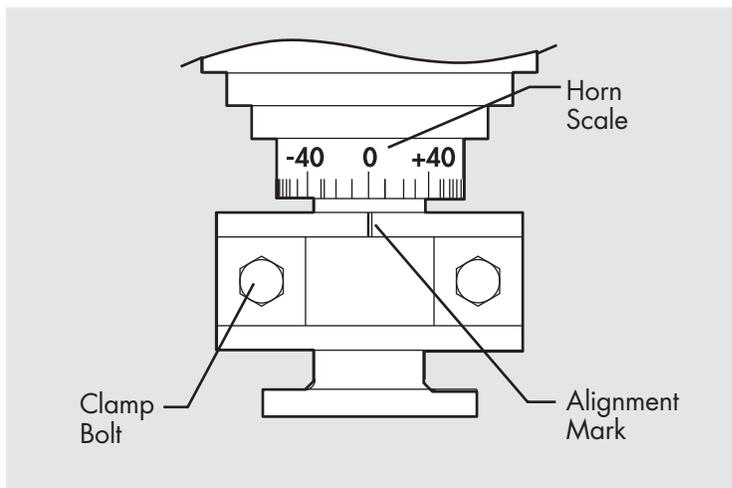
# ANTENNA ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

## Satellite Alignment

Alignment with the satellite is obtained by setting polarization, elevation, and azimuth. Charts are provided on page 11, 12 and 13 to determine the values for your earth station antenna site. " $\Delta L$ " is the difference between the earth station antenna site longitude and the satellite longitude. Use " $\Delta L$ " and your earth station latitude to obtain polarization, elevation or azimuth setting.

## Polarization of Feed

Loosen feed horn clamp bolts and turn feed clockwise or counter clockwise, depending on being east or west of the satellite as shown in Polarization Chart on page 11. Align marks on the horn clamp and appropriate mark on the horn scale. Polarization chart assumes antenna system polarization is transmit vertical and satellite vertical Pol is perpendicular to plane of geostationary arc. For horizontal transmit of antenna, feed must be rotated 90° from values shown. (Starting point for polarization adjustment is 0°).



## Elevation Alignment

Use Elevation Chart on page 12 and determine your elevation setting. Using a clinometer, adjust the elevation by turning the elevation screw adjusting nuts until the desired elevation is obtained.

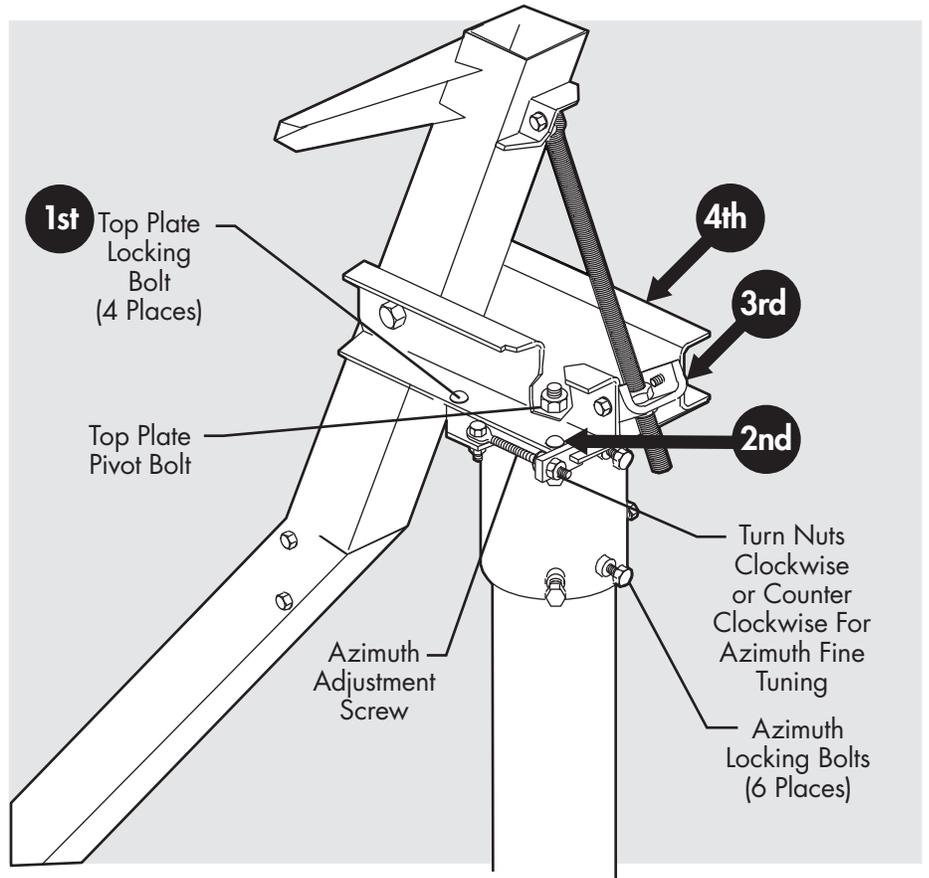
**Note:** Degree values shown on the clinometer are mechanical. When the reflector face is vertical, mechanical elevation is 90° or axis is 0°, while the beam elevation (signal) axis is 22.62°. Therefore, as the reflector is tilted, remember to compensate for the 22.62° offset angle to get the correct beam elevation. (See Appendix A, Outline Drawing, Page 18). This is an approximate setting. Optimum setting will be achieved during the fine tuning.

## Azimuth

Use Azimuth Chart on page 13 and determine your azimuth setting. Values in chart must be adjusted for magnetic deviation for your location for correct compass reading.

Equally tighten the six azimuth locking bolts until snug. This will allow the reflector to rotate with slight resistance.

Rotate reflector and mount, pointing to the compass reading for your location. Slowly sweep the reflector in azimuth until signal is found. If desired signal is not found, increase or decrease elevation setting and repeat the azimuth sweep. Tighten locking bolts.



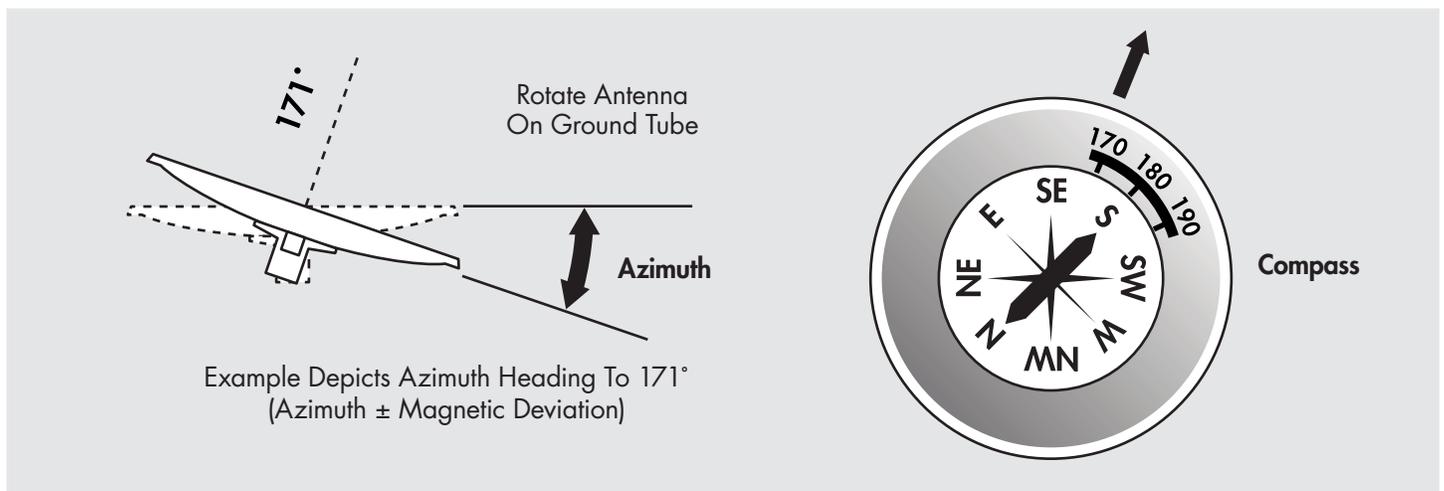
## Fine Tuning

Progressively tighten and torque azimuth locking bolts to 100-115 N-m (75-85 ft-lb). The four top plate locking bolts are pre-torqued to 11-15 N-m (8-11 ft-lb). Maintain this torque until after azimuth is fine tuned.

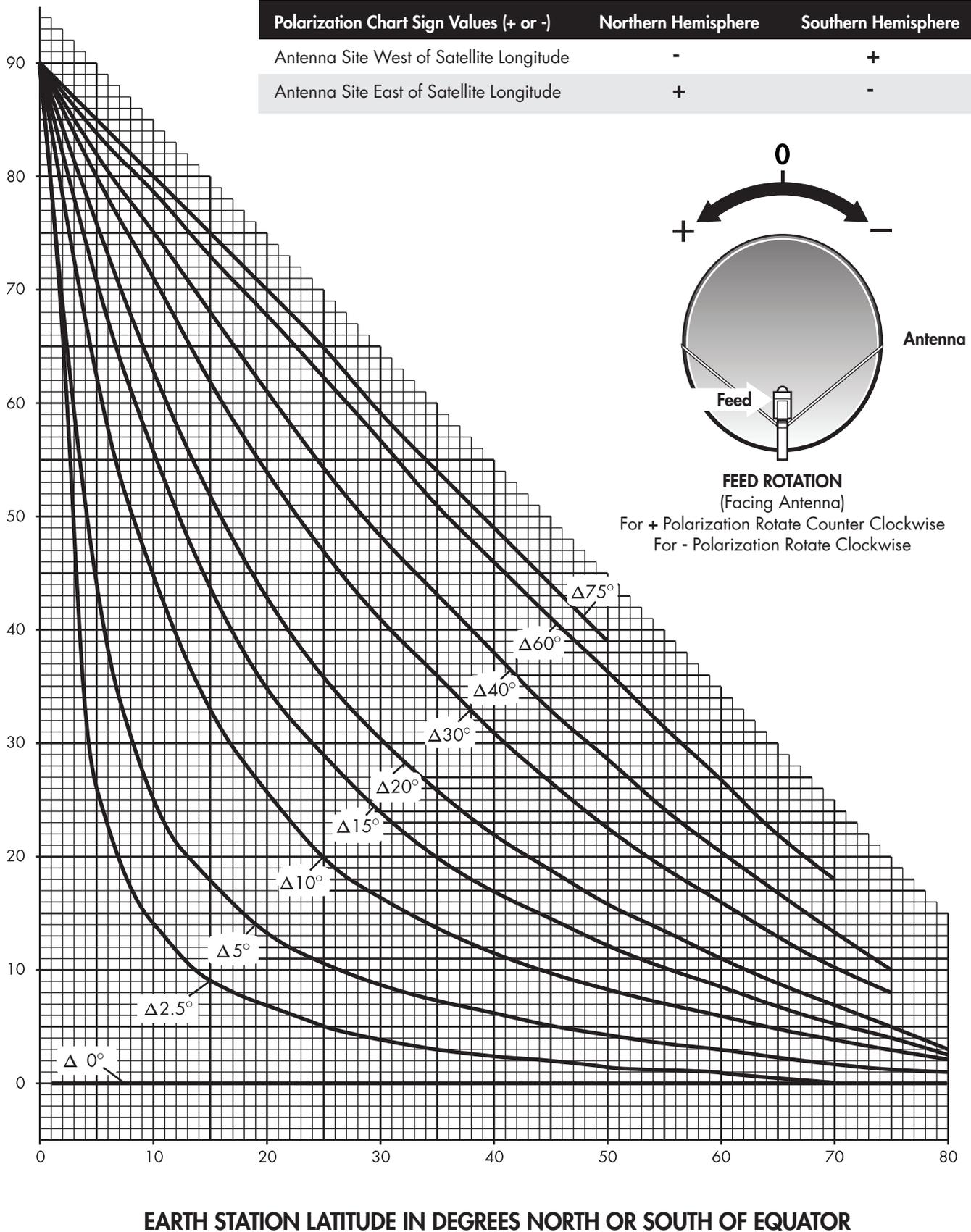
Use a signal strength measuring device for final adjustments to obtain maximum antenna performance. Alternate between elevation and azimuth fine tuning to reach maximum signal strength, until no improvement can be detected. Gradually tighten (1/8 turn increments max.) top plate bolts in sequence 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th to 100 N-m (75 ft-lb). Observe for maximum signal strength as elevation screws M22 locking nuts are tightened.

Polarization tune may be checked by slowly rotating feed assembly in clamp. When maximum signal strength is found, gradually tighten clamp bolts. If a signal on the opposite polarity is available, this signal should be minimized.

Tighten and torque all hardware. Refer to Torque Chart on Page 3.



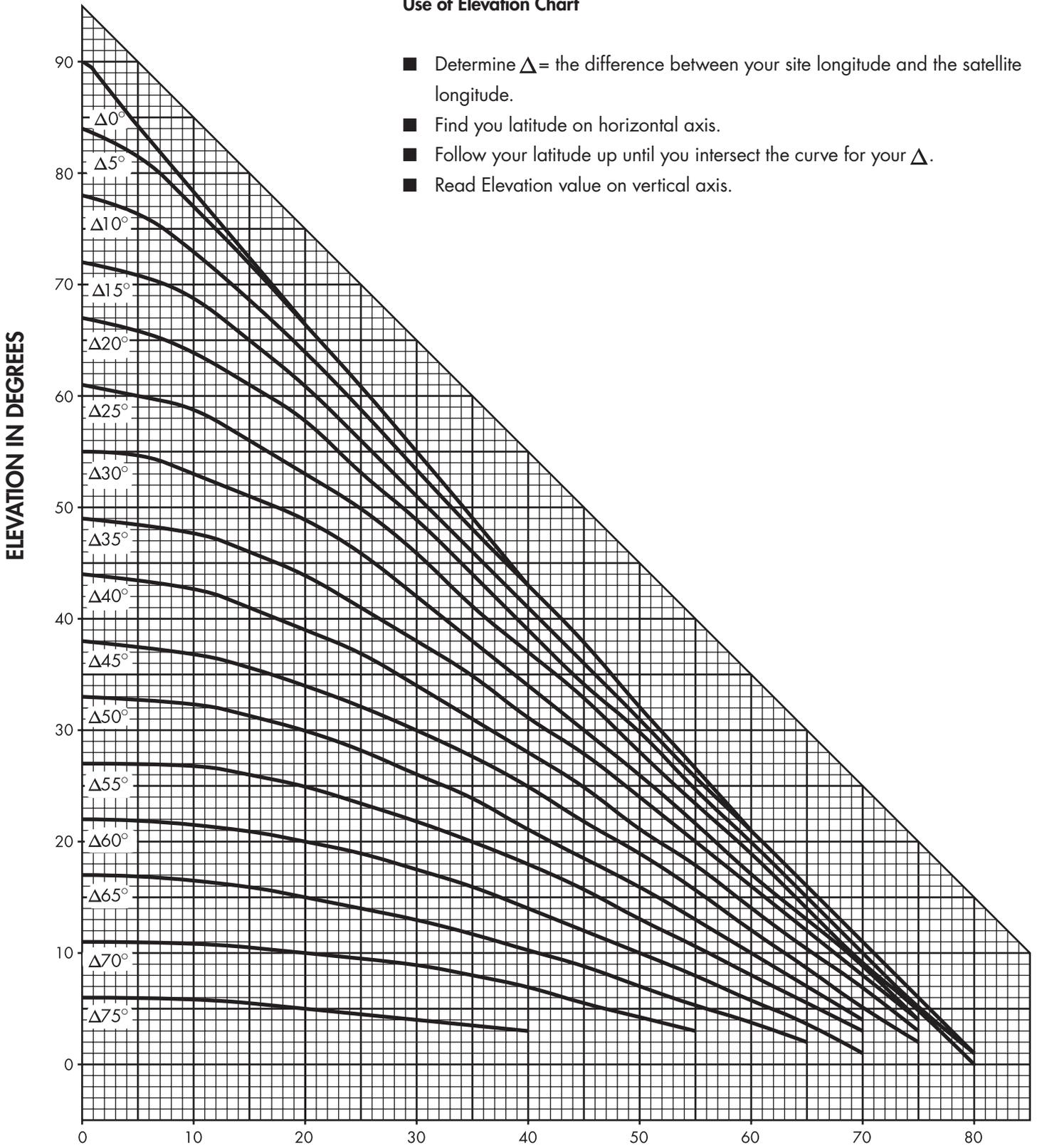
# POLARIZATION CHART



# ELEVATION CHART

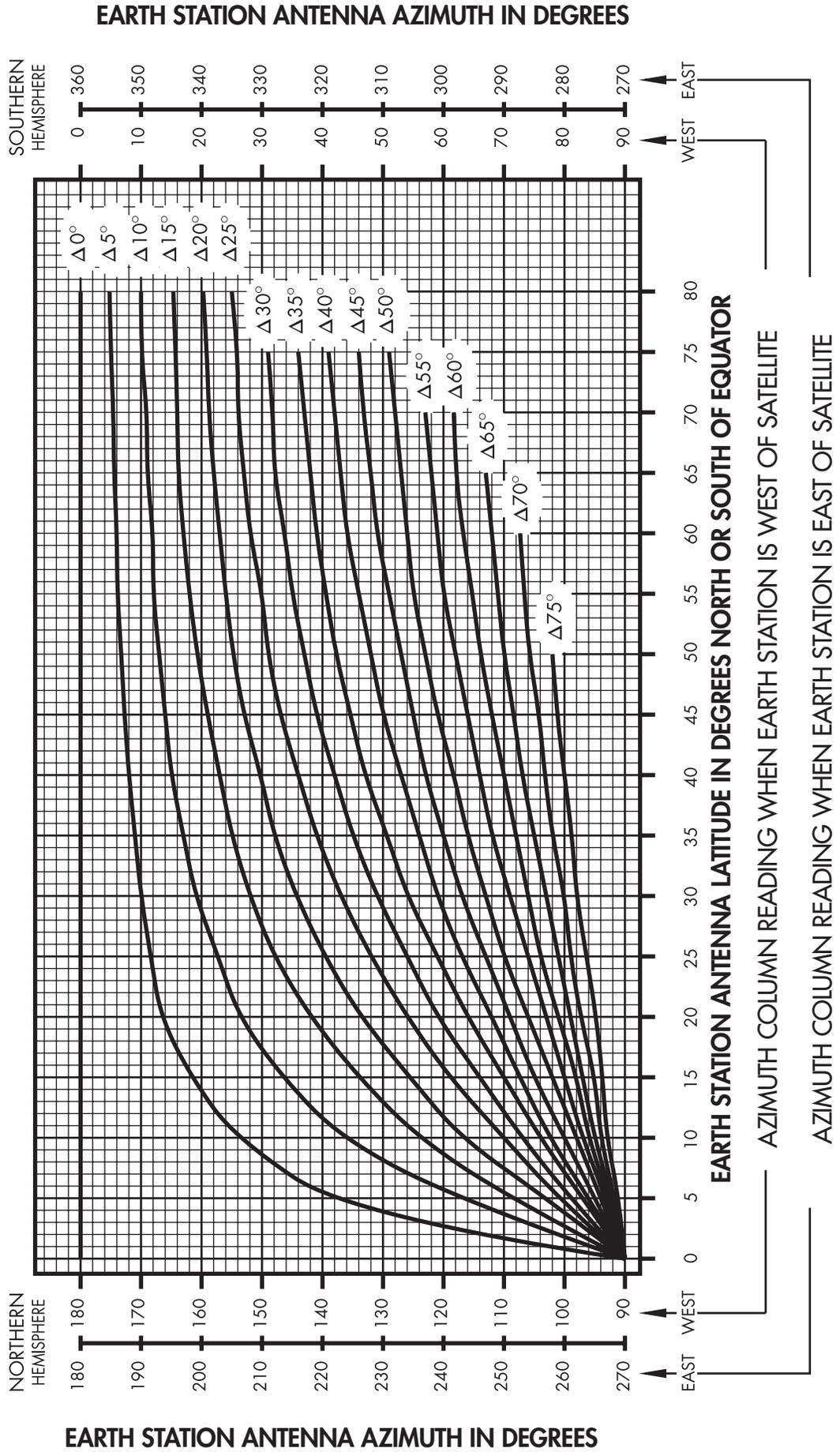
## Use of Elevation Chart

- Determine  $\Delta$  = the difference between your site longitude and the satellite longitude.
- Find your latitude on horizontal axis.
- Follow your latitude up until you intersect the curve for your  $\Delta$ .
- Read Elevation value on vertical axis.

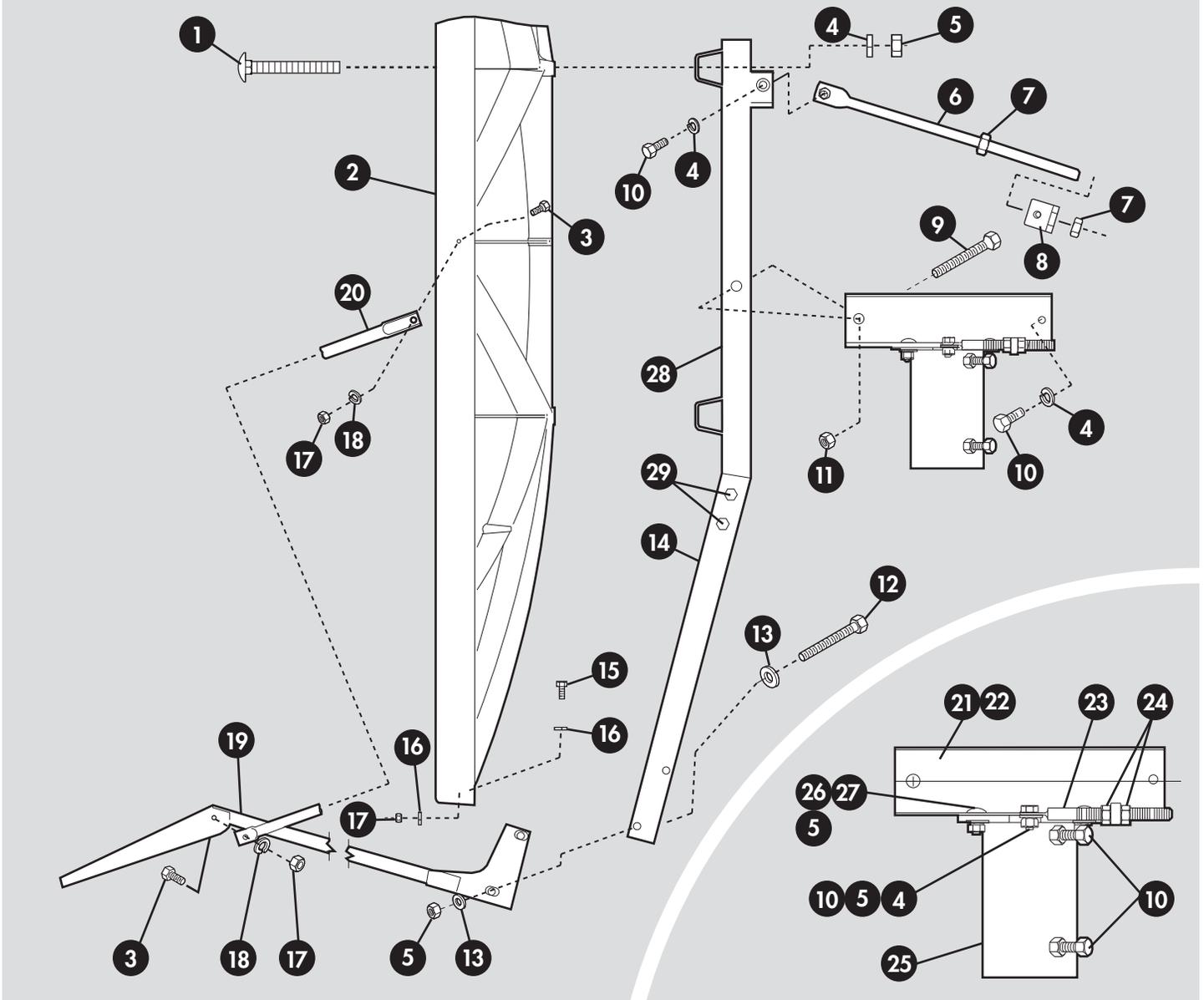


# AZIMUTH CHART

" $\Delta$ " IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE EARTH STATION ANTENNA SITE LONGITUDE AND THE SATELLITE LONGITUDE



## PARTS LIST



NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	M12 x 100 mm Carriage Head Bolt	4	16	M6 Stainless Steel Flat Washer	2
2	1.8 Meter Reflector	1	17	M6 Stainless Steel Hex Nut	5
3	M6 x 20 mm Stainless Steel Hex Head Bolt	4	18	M6 Lock Washer	4
4	M12 Stainless Steel Lock Washer	13	19	Feed Support Tube Weldment	1
5	M12 Galvanized Hex Nut	16	20	Side Feed Support Strut	2
6	Galvanized Elevation Adjustment Screw	1	21	Top Yoke Plate Weldment	1
7	M22 Galvanized Hex Nut	2	22	Channel	2
8	Trunnion	1	23	M16 Azimuth Adjustment Bolt	1
9	M20 x 140 mm Galvanized Hex Head Bolt	1	24	M16 Galvanized Hex Nut	2
10	M12 x 30 mm Galvanized Hex Head Bolt	8	25	Yoke Cap Weldment	1
11	M20 Galvanized Hex Nut	1	26	M12 Flat Washer	4
12	M12 x 130 mm Galvanized Hex Head Bolt	2	27	M12 x 35 mm Round Head Square Neck Bolt	5
13	M12 External Tooth Lock Washer	4	28	Backframe Weldment	1
14	Bottom Backframe Tube	1	29	M12 x 19 mm Galvanized Special Hex Head Bolt	4
15	M6 x 40 mm Stainless Steel Hex Head Bolt	1			

## MAINTENANCE

To ensure that the transmit/receive mount and 1.8 m SMC Offset Antenna is operating efficiently and at an optimum, moderate maintenance is required. We recommend conducting as routine maintenance inspection every six months or as needed, if unusual circumstances occur, such as severe weather conditions, falling objects and vandalism.

The following checklist is provided for your convenience.

### MAINTENANCE INSPECTION CHECKLIST

#### 1 FOUNDATION

Structural Damage

#### 2 TRANSMIT RECEIVE MOUNT

All bolts (if any loosening has occurred tighten and torque - refer to Torque Chart Page 3)

Structural Damage

Corrosion of galvanized steel members (if necessary, repair with cold zinc-rich galvanizing paint)

#### 3 1.8 METER SMC OFFSET ANTENNA

Bolts - M12 round head square neck, securing antenna to mount (Correct torque 27 N-m/20 ft-lb)

Structural Damage

#### 4 BOTTOM FEED SUPPORT TUBE, SIDE FEED SUPPORT STRUTS AND ORU BRACKET

All bolts (if loosening has occurred tighten and torque - refer to Torque Chart on Page 3).

Structural Damage

Corrosion of galvanized steel members (if necessary, repair with cold zinc-rich galvanizing paint)

#### 5 FEED ASSEMBLY

All securing hardware

Structural Damage

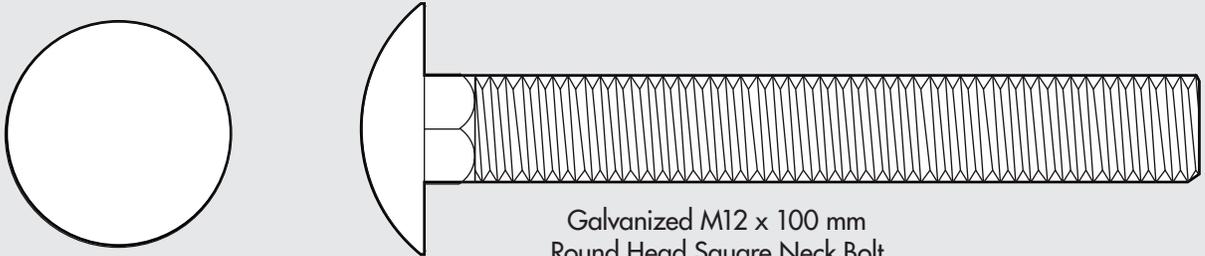
Feed Horn Weather Cover - Physical Damage (if damaged, replace to prevent entry of water)

Upon inspection, make necessary repairs and replace any damaged parts. For replacement parts, contact **ANDREW CORPORATION** at the address located on the front of this manual.

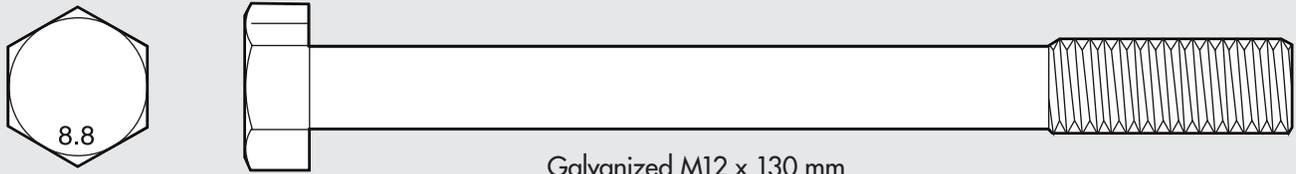
All hardware is depicted actual size. Place hardware on picture to verify identity.



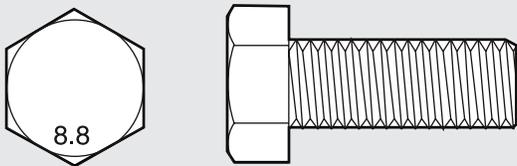
Galvanized M20 x 140 mm  
Hex Head Pivot Bolt  
**Item 9**



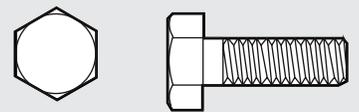
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Round Head Square Neck Bolt  
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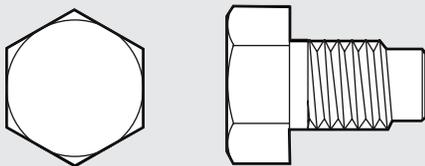
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Class 8.8 Hex Head Bolt  
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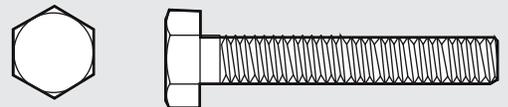
Galvanized M12 x 30 mm  
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**Item 10**



M16 x 20 mm Stainless Steel  
Hex Head Cap Screw  
**Item 3**

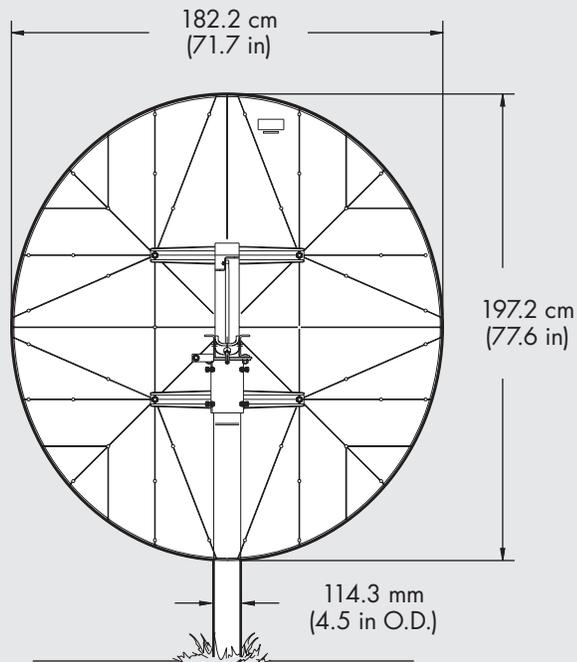
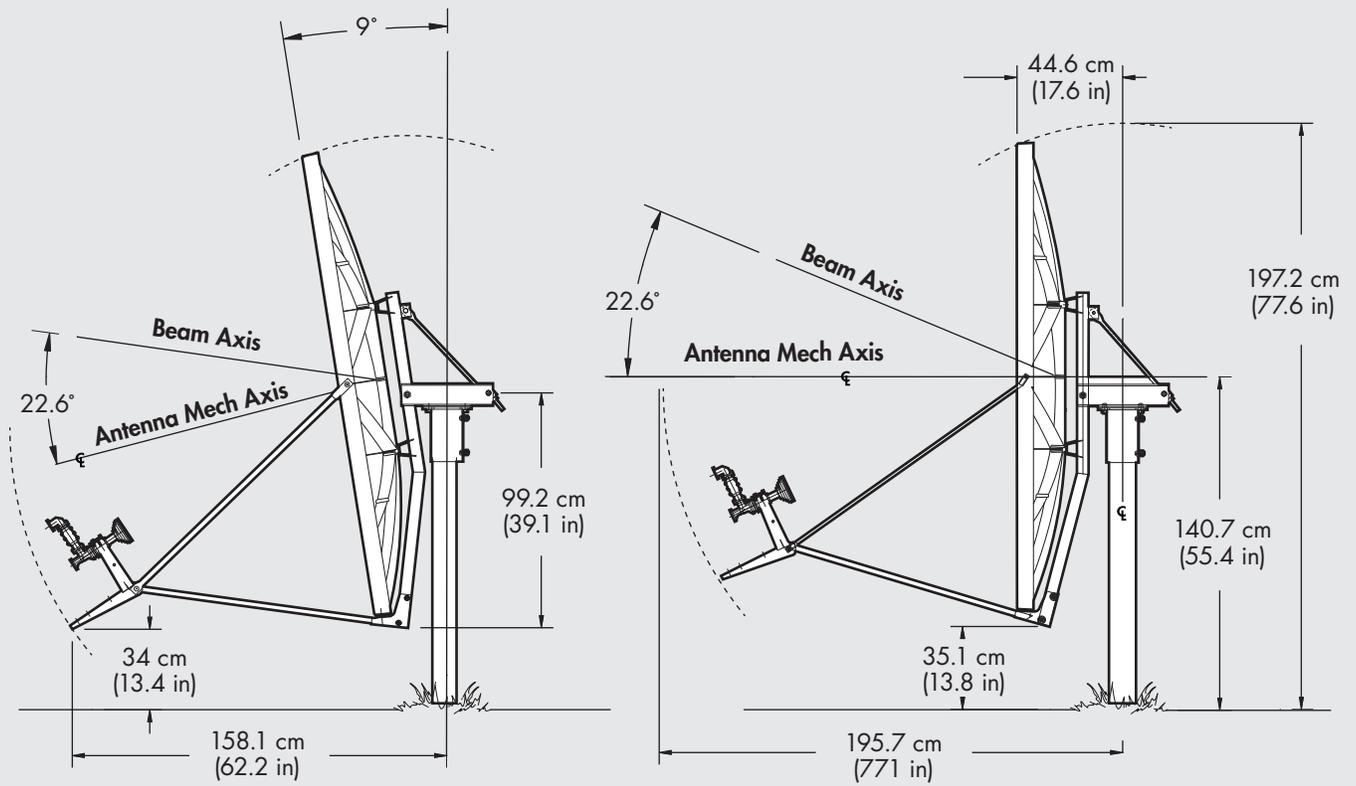


Galvanized M12 x 19 mm  
Hex Head Bolt  
**Item 29**



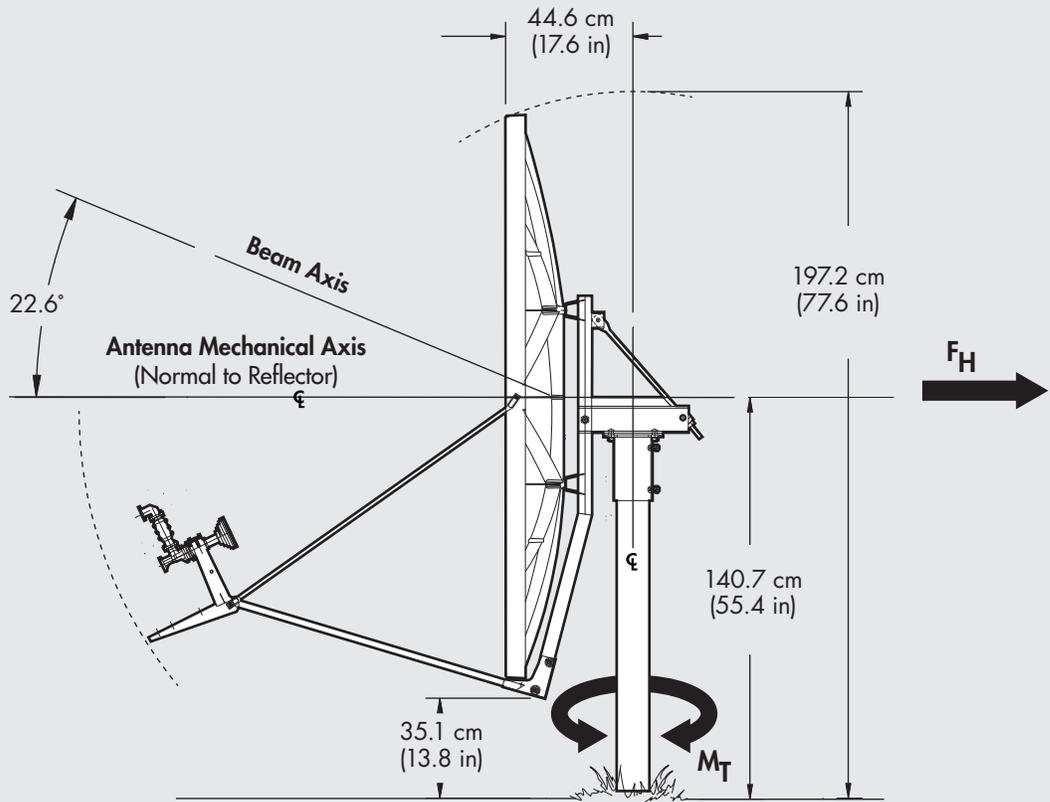
M6 x 40 mm Stainless Steel  
Hex Head Cap Screw  
**Item 15**

**APPENDIX A**



**Type 183 1.8 Meter Offset Receive Transmit Antenna System**

# APPENDIX B



$F_H$  = Horizontal Force  
 $F_V$  = Vertical Force  
 $M_T$  = Torsional Moment  
 $M_O$  = Overturning Moment

Elevation Degrees		Force Pounds*		Moments Foot-Pounds*	
Mechanical	Beam	$F_H$	$F_V$	$M_T$	$M_O$
0	23	1,824	-47	1,073	8,436
10	33	1,726	-365	1,035	7,983
20	43	1,677	-710	984	7,756
30	53	1,519	-1,008	892	7,025
40	63	1,337	-1,215	756	6,184
50	73	1,166	-1,337	635	5,393
60	83	972	-1,398	491	4,496
70	93	729	-1,082	378	3,372

$M_O$  Based on 55" (140.7 cm) From Mounting Surface to CL of Antenna.

\*Kg = Pounds x .45359

\*\*N-m = Foot-Pounds x 1.35582

Values shown above represent maximum forces for any wind direction. Height and exposure factors from the uniform building code are **NOT** included.