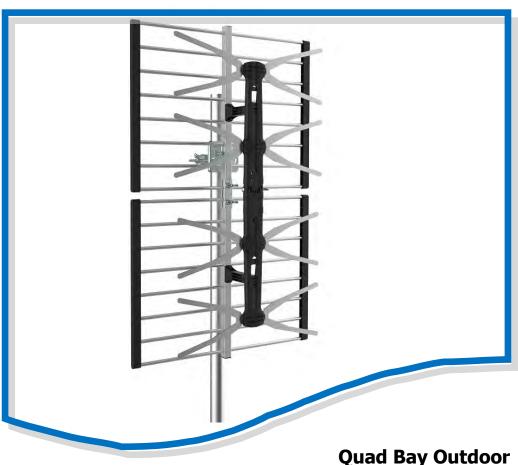




### Antenna Installation Guide



**UHF/HDTV Bowtie Antenna** 

MCM Part #: 30-2426

### Safety Guidelines and Procedures

Listed below are extremely important safety guidelines that are to be followed when installing your Stellar Labs® antenna. Not following these guidelines can result in death or serious injury.

- Locate and take actions to avoid power lines and other wires in your work space.
- Do not climb onto a slick, icy, or wet roof.
- Avoid installations in high areas on windy days.
- Inspect the ladder you plan on using to ensure it is in safe operable condition.
- Do not position your ladder at an angle steeper than 70°.
- Do not climb on roofs that have curled or worn shingles. (Old shingles break easily or pull out.)
- Wear season-appropriate attire that is neither too loose or too tight. Always wear rubber-soled shoes with good grip.
- Wear a pair of durable gloves that also allows normal mobility of your hands.
- Look around your work area to observe for any potential dangers.
- Never climb onto a high location while alone.
- Avoid installing your antenna underneath tree branches or other overhanging objects.
- Antennas should be installed away from power lines and other wires a distance equal
  to at least two times the combined length of the mast and antenna.

### **Grounding Procedure**

#### **Mast Grounding**

The NEC mandates that the antenna mast and mount be grounded directly. There can be no splices or connections in the ground wire between the mast and the grounding rod. First, attach one end of a No. 8 or No. 10 copper ground wire to the antenna mast. One of the bolts on the antenna mount can be used as a connection point. Masts that are painted or coated can have their coating scraped off on the area where they make contact to the mount. This will ensure a proper connection between the mast and the mount. Next, run the ground wire to the ground as directly as possible. Wire staples can be used to secure the ground wire against the side of a building. Avoid making right angle or sharper turns with the ground wire. Lightning has difficulty making such a turn and therefore may discharge into the building. Make ground wire turns as smooth and as slight as possible. The ground wire must be connected to a grounding rod. Water faucets and/or pipes are not acceptable. A copper-coated steel ground rod driven at least three feet into the ground is required. Special clamps that provide a solid connection between the ground wire and grounding rod should be used.

#### **Grounding the Signal Cable**

TV Antennas and signal cable can accumulate static electrical charges that also increases the chances of lightning strike. To properly dissipate this static electricity, a grounding block should be used. The grounding block is connected to the signal cable at a point close to where the signal cable enters the building (a signal splitter that has a tab for ground on it will also work.) One end of a ground wire is attached to the grounding block. The other end of the wire is connected directly to the grounding rod. An antenna installation is not properly grounded unless both a mast ground and an grounding block are installed correctly.

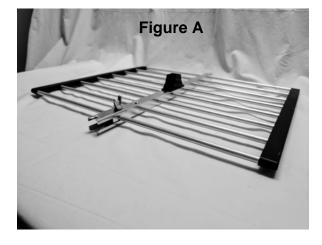
## **Specifications**

Frequency:	470~862MHz
Channel:	21-69
Impedance:	75Ω
# of Elements:	2
Gain:	10-14dB
F-B Ratio:	22dB
Beam Width:	H 60°
Length:	31.5"

# **Assembly Instructions**

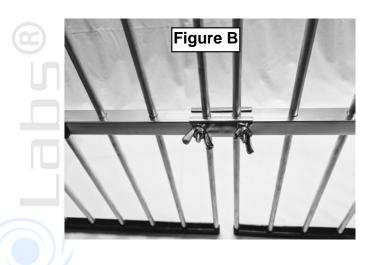
**Step 1:** Attach mounting brackets "A" (as pictured below) to one of the two reflectors using the provided bolts and wing nuts. (as shown in "Figure "A")



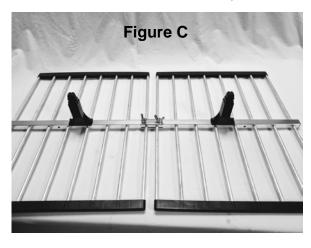


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**Step 2:** Connect one of the reflectors utilizing bracket "A" to one of the reflectors without a bracket using the provided bolts and wing nuts. (as shown in "Figure "B")

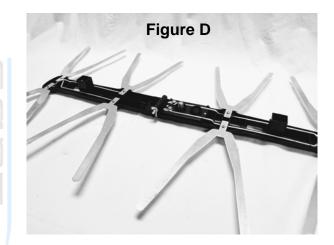


**Step 3:** Insert the stand-off connectors into the corresponding mounting location on each of the reflector assemblies. (as shown in "Figure C")

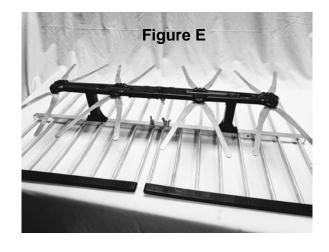


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**Step 4:** Unfold the array assembly and tighten using wing nut located in the center. (as shown in "Figure D")



**Step 5:** Attach array and reflector assembly together using the stand-off connectors on the reflector assembly, and the corresponding mounting location on the array assembly. (as shown on "Figure E")



## **Assembly Instructions**

Final assembly should resemble "Figure F"



**Step 6:** Connect the provided coaxial cable to the F connector on the center of the array assembly.



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