## WINEGARD® RV DIGITAL SATELLITE SYSTEM with Digital Elevation Sensor Model RM-EX02

Made in U.S.A.



## Operation

**STEP 1.** The more accurately you determine North, the easier it is to locate the satellite. Step outside and away from your vehicle. (Standing to near your vehicle can give incorrect compass readings.) It is helpful if there is a landmark on the horizon to represent North. Return to the vehicle and point the Directional Dial North, or to the landmark.



STEP 2. Turn on receiver and television. Tune the television to channel 3 or 4. Using your receiver manual for instructions, go to the Signal Meter screen. Enter nearest Zip code for your location using receiver's remote control. After the Zip code is entered, the receiver will indicate numbers for Azimuth (compass heading) and Elevation. See chart below to determine number of turns needed for each elevation. Turn the elevation handle CLOCKWISE to raise the antenna. Turn the elevation handle COUNTERCLOCKWISE to lower the antenna.

STEP 3. Press button on Winegard Digital Display Wall plate. If antenna is in travel position, the display will show LL for Low Limit. HL for High Limit will appear when dish is in up position.

STEP 4. Crank elevation handle to raise antenna. Stop cranking when readout displays correct elevation for your location, found on the receiver's signal meter screen.

STEP 5. Rotate antenna VERY SLOWLY until correct satellite signal is acquired. NOTE: Rotate 3°, then stop. DO NOT rotate continuously, even if you are rotating slowly. If you notice the elevation angle has changed, it could be due to the following reasons:

1. RV is not parked level.

2. Antenna system is mounted to a slightly sloped RV roof. (This is not a problem. When you have rotated the antenna so it is facing in approximately the right azimuth [compass direction], simply adjust to correct elevation and continue searching for signal.

Special Notes: When you have detected the satellite signal, adjust the antenna up/down and left/right for the strongest signal the receiver displays. Due to variations in receivers and installation methods, you may find the elevation numbers, after peaking on the strongest signal, no longer match what the receiver recommended. This is normal. The elevation sensor should always get you close enough to pick up a signal to peak on. If the display turns off while you're searching, just push button for another minute of operation. After a little practice, most people find the signal in 30 to 50 seconds.

#### **Replacement Parts**

Repair parts are available at many RV dealers and/or service centers throughout the country. If you don't have a dealer/service center near you, call Winegard Company at 1-800-288-8094. All major credit cards accepted.

#### **Tuning Antenna**

**STEP 1**. Your receiver should indicate it is receiving a signal. To tune your antenna for the best signal strength. SLOWLY move the antenna left, then right, until you have found the position that gives the highest signal strength. It is important to turn the antenna slowly. Because the signal is digital, the receiver takes a few seconds to lock on.

STEP 2. Place rotation clamp in the LOCK position. This prevents antenna movement and loss of signal.

STEP 3. SLOWLY raise, then lower the antenna until you have peaked the signal. You are now ready to watch satellite TV!

### Lowering Antenna to Travel Position

STEP 1. Set rotation clamp to ROTATE position.

STEP 2. Rotate antenna until pointer on directional handle aligns with the red screw on the rotation clamp.

STEP 4. Move rotation clamp to the LOCK position. Antenna is now locked in travel position.

STEP 5. Snap elevation crank in place.

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	2. Do carefully raise, lower and	
	3. <b>Do</b> rotate SLOWLY when sea set to make sure it is properly	
	4. Do lower antenna before m	
	5. Activate programming by call	
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	2. Don't force elevating crank u	
	3. Don't rotate directional handl	
	4. Don't apply paint over top of	
	5. Don't apply sealant on gear h	

STEP 3. Turn elevating crank counter clockwise in direction of DOWN arrow until meeting resistance. The number of turns will vary according to the elevation angle the antenna was set at.

#### **CAUTION! NEVER LOWER ANTENNA IN ANY POSITION EXCEPT TRAVEL POSITION!**

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## **Trouble Shooting**



FIGURE 2

- 1. You may need to rotate the dish in small increments to find the signal. Rotate the dish 3° at a time to the left, stopping for a few seconds each time you move the dish. Try moving the dish up to 20° to the left. If no signal is found, return to the azimuth listed and try rotating 20° to the right. This will help correct for any errors in setting the directional handle.
- 2. Be sure you have a clear line of sight. The signal from the satellite(s) WILL NOT pass through trees, buildings, mountains, etc. Remem ber the antenna has a 24° offset, this means that when the antenna is straight up and down, (90°) it is looking 24° into the sky. See Figure 2.
- 3. Do you have the TV set tuned for the correct channel 3 or 4 (same channel as output of receiver)?
- 4. Have you entered the correct zip for the area you are *currently* in? If the zip code is wrong, the antenna will be looking in the wrong direction or at the wrong elevation for the satellite signal you want.
- 5. Check connections at the receiver, TV, and antenna.
- 6. Check the TV. Does it receive pictures from off-air television stations/ VCR?
- 7. Retune system for best picture, using procedure on page 3.
- 8. Inspect antenna. Make sure it has not been damaged. If the antenna is even slightly bent, the receiver may not receive the signal.
- 9. Contact Dealer or Winegard Service Department.

#### ANTENNA DOES NOT ROTATE. OR IS HARD TO ROTATE

- 1. Inspect antenna on roof. Be sure the mount has not been damaged.
- 2. Check for caulking between gear housing and base plate.
- 3. Be sure cables are not binding, and that they are installed properly.
- 4. Contact your dealer or Winegard Technical Services.

#### ANTENNA DOES NOT RAISE, OR IS HARD TO RAISE

- 1. Inspect antenna on roof. Be sure the mount has not been damaged
- 2. Check for caulking on elevating shaft.
- 3. Contact your dealer or Winegard Technical Services.

#### LCD DISPLAY CODES

- HL..... High Limit
- LL ..... Low Limit
- Lo ..... Battery Low
- Er..... Error
- --.... Initializing

NOTE: Initialization may take up to 5 seconds.

#### Things you need —

Screwdrivers (Phillips and slot) 1-3/4" hole saw 7/16" wrench

ABS glue Drill with 1/8" Tape measure

## Winegard's Digital Elevation Sensor has been INSTALLED and CALIBRATED at the factory

**STEP 1.** Choose a location on the roof for dish that will allow dish to raise and rotate without interfering with other roof-mounted equipment. Make sure inside ceiling plate is easily accessible, and with no obstructions that would interfere with operation.

Figure 3 shows minimum distance (10") antenna should be located from edge of vehicle roof. It is recommended that you check with your dealer or manufacturer for provisions that may have been made in the roof for antenna mounting; a



## Assembly & Installation

	Non-hardening sealant
" bit	(Check manufacturer's specifications for
re	compatibility with your roof material.)

reinforced roof area or pre-wire installation from the factory.

#### NOTE: The system must be level for

proper operation! Winegard Model RW-5000 roof wedge with gasket is available. If inside roof wedge is needed, Winegard's RW-1000 can be trimmed to fit ceiling plate.

STEP 2. Position template on roof (see insert page of this manual). CAUTION: DO NOT drill through wiring. Carefully drill a 1-3/4" hole through roof and ceiling of vehicle. Inspect hole to make sure wiring is intact. (Roof template, see insert.)

It is highly recommended the antenna be mounted on roof center line. Do not mount antenna closer than 10" from roof edge.



NOT TO SCALE

STEP 3. Attach dish to backup. Use bolts and nuts provided, Figure 4.

STEP 4. Mount dish on roof in upright position. Rotate clockwise to stop, Figure 5. Dish will be toward back of vehicle when in stowed or travel position. The word FRONT is embossed on the base and should face the front of vehicle. Secure to roof using screws (provided). The travel bracket should be mounted to roof 6-1/8" from base of dish, toward back of vehicle. See Figure 6.

#### NOTE: Apply non-hardening sealing compound to screw heads, coax access hole and edge of gasket under mount base.

Install the vent tube on the back of the mount base (the is the side opposite the word FRONT). The hole for the vent tube is shown in Figure 6A. CAUTION: DO NOT seal hole in vent tube. Put sealant around the outside of the vent tube, approximately 1/2" from end. Push vent tube into the hole. The sealant will seal the hole as you push in vent tube. Leave approximately 2 to 2-1/2" of the vent tube extending from the hole. Put a small amount of sealant on the roof under the vent tube end to hold in place.



#### CAUTION: DO NOT GET sealing compound between Base Plate and Rotating Gear Housing. DO NOT PAINT top of Base Plate or around Rotating Gear Housing.

**STEP 5.** Facing the front of the dish, note the coax attached to the side of the feed arm. Measure 24" coax from this point. DO NOT CUT. Put coax around mount base, Figure 5.

STEP 6. Apply approved sealing compound over mounting screw heads.

**STEP 7.** Feed coax through the roof using cover plate (included, w/hardware), Figure 7. Weatherproof cable entry by applying sealant under lip of cable entry plate and where cable enters roof. Attach plate to roof with screws provided. Apply sealant over screws and around edge of roof-thru plate, making sure cable entry is sealed. If down lead connection is made on top of roof, make sure to weatherproof connection!







### DIGITAL ELEVATION SENSOR ROOF CONNECTIONS

The illustrations below show the different methods of connecting wires at roof level; method will depend on model. Wire colors **MUST MATCH**, ie. red to red, green to green, black to black.



#### Special instructions: For roof thickness greater than 6-1/2".

Parts Needed: (not included) RP-4400 14" worm gear for roof 3200369 Directional handle extension

2162031 Long threaded rod Instructions: STEP 8. Place nut on threaded rod.

**FIGURE 8** THREADED ROD, WASHER

AND NUT See Figure 8. STEP 9. Measure and cut the threaded rod with a hacksaw. Use the chart in Figure 10 to determine the

correct length. STEP 10. Remove the nut over the cut end of the

threaded rod. This cleans the threads after cutting.

**STEP 11.** Thread the cut end of the rod into the hub.

STEP 12. Install the ceiling plate. The rotate/lock lever must point toward the rear of the vehicle.

Be sure rotate/lock lever is pointing towards the rear of the vehicle and hole in ceiling plate aligns with hole in the ceiling.

Refer to the chart to determine the correct length for the directional handle. Extensions (3200369) may be needed. Each extension adds 2-1/4" to directional handle. DO NOT cut the extension, if the directional handle must be extended by less than 2-1/4", cut the directional handle to fit.

NOTE: A tube cutter is recommended for cutting the directional handle. This gives a square cut; a hacksaw does not.

NOTE: Be sure large and small keyways line up in the hub and directional handle!







NOTE: This terminal is weatherproof and can be left outside on the roof II SECURED PROPERLY to prevent wind whipping

Squeeze pliers until red plunger is flush with res of terminal. (Pliers not supplied.)



#### FIGURE 10

Roof	Directional	Threaded	Worm Gear
Thickness	Handle Length	Rod Length	Shaft Length
	(Figure 9)		(Figure 11)
1-1/2"	2-7/8"	2-3/4"	
1-3/4"	3-1/4"	3"	
2"	3-1/2"	3-1/4"	
2-1/4"	3-7/8	3-1/2"	
2-1/2"	4-1/8"	3-3/4"	
2-3/4"	4-1/2"	4"	
3"	4-3/4"	4-1/4"	
3-1/4"		4-5/8"	
3-1/2"	5-1/4"	4-7/8"	
4"	5-3/4"	5-1/2"	
4-1/4"	6-1/8"	5-3/4"	6-1/8"
4-1/2"	6-1/2"	6"	6-1/4"
4-3/4"	6-5/8"	6-1/8"	
5"	6-7/8"	6-3/8"	6-5/8"
5-1/4"	7-1/8"	6-5/8"	7"
	7-3/8"		
5-3/4"	7-5/8"	7-1/4"	7-1/2"
	7-7/8"		
6-1/4"	8-1/8"	7"	
6-1/2"	8-1/2"	7-3/4"	
	8 3/4"		
7"	9"	8 1/4"	
7-1/4"	9-3/8"	8 5/8"	
7-1/2"	9-5/8"	8 7/8"	
	9-7/8"		
8"	10-1/8"	9 3/8"	
8-1/4"	10-3/8"	9 5/8"	10 1/4
	10-3/4"		
	11"		
	11-1/4"		
	11-1/2"		
	11-3/4"		
	12"		
	12-3/8"		
	12-5/8"		
	12-7/8"		

STEP 15. The directional handle and threaded rod will fit roofs up to 5-1/4" thick. If you are using wedges to compensate for roof/cceiling slope, be sure to allow for this extra thickness. You may add an extension to the directional handle for thicker roofs. Each extension will increase the length of the directional handle by 2-1/4". Figure 11



STEP 16. Press the directional handle onto the hub. Point arrow on the directional handle towards the rotate/lock lever to orient to the splines.

**STEP 17.** Install the washer and nut on the threaded rod. Tighten the nut enough to snug the directional handle to the hub.

STEP 18. IF YOU ARE USING AN EXTENSION, adjust the total length of the directional handle and extension by cutting the directional handle.

After adjusting parts for proper roof thickness, glue the extension to the directional handle. Use ABS (plastic pipe) glue.

**NOTE:** For roofs over  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " thick, a longer aluminum hex shaft is needed. Contact Winegard for this part.



#### **CUTTING SHAFT LENGTH**

Flip down handle on the elevating crank handle. Slide elevating crank handle up shaft until snug against the directional handle.

Mark the elevating shaft at the inside bottom surface of crank handle housing, Figure 13.

After removing crank handle, cut shaft at mark. Reinstall crank.



See template on reverse side.



# **Roof Template**

1/8" DRILL BIT 8 HOLES. DO NOT DRILL THROUGH CEILING.

#### CAUTION!

After INITIAL INSTALLATION, the antenna SHOULD ROTATE APPROXIMATELY 360° FROM TRAVEL POSITION.

The pointer on the DIRECTIONAL HANDLE should point towards the <u>RED SCREW ON THE ROTATION</u> <u>CLAMP</u> when in the TRAVEL POSITION.



#### CAUTION!

The antenna MUST BE IN THE TRAVEL POSITION <u>before aligning the directional</u> <u>handle and ceiling plate!</u>

TIGHTEN SCREW SNUGLY!

See template on reverse side.



## **Digital Elevation Sensor Interior Wallplate**

STEP 19. See Figure 17. If using the SM-1000 surface mount box, feed cable through hole in box.

**STEP 20.** Connect wires coming from sensor on roof to wall plate display in vehicle. It is important to properly connect the wires at the roof and the wall plate. (Plug will click when Ø inserted properly.) The system is designed to use a 9 volt battery OR +12 VDC from vehicle. Do not use B both! IMPROPER WIRING WILL CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE PRODUCT, SEE FIGURE 18. SM-1000



**FIGURE 17** 

**STEP 21.** Pressing the button when the antenna is in a vertical position should display 24  $(\pm 1^{\circ})$ . Display will automatically turn off after 1 minute.

STEP 22. Check connectors and cable entry points. Be sure these areas are **properly sealed to prevent** water damage.

#### **FIGURE 18**



Snap battery in place, making sure battery terminals are firmly seated on wall plate terminals.

Based on 5 minutes a day of usage, standard new alkaline batteries should last 88 days.

#### **OPERATION** (Also on pages 2-3)

STEP 23. Using satellite receiver, find correct elevation for your location. See the receiver manual for details of setup information.

**STEP 24.** Press button on Winegard digital display wall plate. If antenna is in travel position, the display will show LL for Low Limit.

STEP 25. Crank elevation handle to raise antenna. Stop when readout displays correct elevation for your location. (Found on receiver setup menu.)

Cable and plug from

Sensor to readout cable

Readout assembly

roof sensor unit;

plugs into sensor

STEP 26. Rotate antenna VERY SLOWLY until correct satellite signal is acquired. Note: 3° and stop. DO NOT rotate continuously even if you're rotating slowly. If the elevation angle has changed, it could be due to the following -

· Vehicle is not parked level.

 Antenna system mounted on slightly sloped roof. If this is the reason, after you have rotated the antenna to the approximately correct compass direction, adjust to correct elevation and continue research.

**Special Note:** When you have found the satellite signal, adjust the antenna up/down and right/left for the strongest signal your receiver displays. Due to variation in receivers and installation methods, you may find the elevation numbers after peaking on strongest signal no long match what the receiver display recommended. This is normal. The elevation sensor should always get your close enough to pick up a signal to peak on. If display turns off while you're searching, just push the button for another minute of operation. With a little practice, most users find the signal in 30 to 50 seconds.





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## **Specifications**

#### **ANTENNA & MOUNT**

Height when raised	30" vertical max.
Height in the travel position	8" max.
Operating radius 17"	(34" diameter circle)
Roof space required	26"
LNB	Compatible with DIRECTV®, DISH®, and
	Bell TV™ (northern U.S. and Canada)
Weight	12 lbs
Color	Cool gray
Antenna height	20.9"
Antenna width	19.2"
F/D	0.59
Offset angle	24°
Frequency range	10.95 - 12.75 GHz
Gain:	
11.2 GHz	33.22 dBi
12.1 GHz	33.89 dBi
12.6 GHz	34.23 dBi
Aperture efficiency	73%
Cross polarization (on axis)	-21 dB
*Beam width at -3 dB	3.5°
*Beam width at -10 dB	7.0°
Ship weight:	20.6 lbs
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