45HD Roof Mount Tower Assembly and Installation Updated Sep 2024

Please carefully follow the steps outlined below to properly assemble and install your heavy duty, roof mount tower. It is important to know that there are flat washers and nylon locking nuts for each bolt. The tower is designed to have the bolts start with a flat washer added and then enter from the outside and connect to the nuts on the inside. The only exception is the foot mounting. The flat washer is located in-between the leg and the foot. Where the cross braces and shelves bolt to the legs, you may need to feed the bolt in partially as you screw the nut on, as the area is congested. A second thing that is even more important to know is to NOT use a power driver to tighten the bolts and nuts. The hardware is stainless steel and my experience is if you turn the bolt in with an impact driver, they tend to gall and the bolt and nut become inseparable short of a disc grinder. You can coat the threads with an anti-seize compound, but I still would not use a power driver.

- 1. Remove all items from the packages and compare them to the parts list at the end of this document to make sure all parts are present and identified.
- 2. Begin by assembling the 4 top angle brackets to the bottom of the GS-065 thrust bearing, using the 4 bolts and lockwashers supplied with the mast bearing. Save the other parts in the bearing box to use when you connect the mast. Tighten all bolts securely, leaving equally spaced gaps at each corner. Notice how the sides of the collar pieces have an 8-degree draft angle built into the fabrication. This makes assembly easy and precise.



Figure 1



Figure 2

3. Determine which end of the legs are the top. The location of the hole relative to the top is shown in the Figure 3. Mark the top.

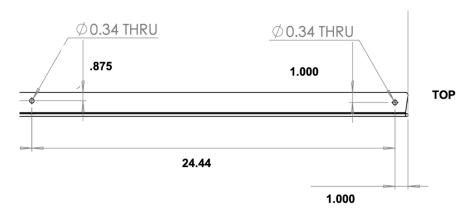


Figure 3



4. Assemble two legs and a top shelf collar bracket, together as shown in Figure 4.

NOTE: Because of a space constraint, The top collar section uses (8) 3/4" long 5/16 " bolts where all of the other locations will use 1" long bolts.

The collar will use 8 of the 5/16" - $18 \times 3/4$ " bolts, flat washers and lock-nuts. Place the lock-nuts Just slightly loose on these bolts.

Figure 4



5. Continue to assemble the bottom and top shelf bracket and 2 cross braces together with the 5/16"-18 x 1" bolts, flat washers and lock-nuts as shown in Figure 5.

Figure 5

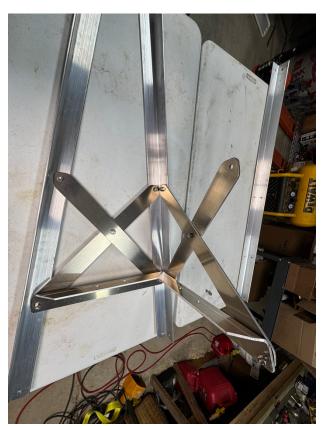


Figure 6

5. Now as in Figure 6, add in the right side of the tower's bottom shelf bracket and cross braces. One temporary 5/16"-18 x 1" bolt is holding the cross brace and shelf in place.



6. Attach a leg to the collar bracket, cross brace and shelf assembly as shown below in Figure 7 using the 5/16-18 bolts, flat washers and lock-nuts. Loosely-tighten the fasteners at this time.

Figure 7



Figure 8

7. Repeat this same process to assemble the fourth leg assembly complete with the shelfs and cross braces, identical to the one assembled in Step 6. See Figure 8.



8. Assemble the cross braces, and shelf bracket using 5/16"-18 x 1" bolts and locknuts.

Figure 9



Figure 10



9. Attach the 2 rotator shelves to 2 of the lower shelves with (4) 5/16"-18 x 1" bolts and locknuts as shown above in Figure 6. The rotator shelves offer two hole spacings to accommodate the Yaesu (3.31") or Hy-Gain (3.00") rotators.

Figure 11



10. Attach a foot on each leg with 3/8"-16 x 1" bolts, locknuts as shown below with the flat washer in between the leg and foot.

11. Install the rotator and mast to make sure everything fits and aligns with the thrust bearing. You can decide at this time if you wish to secure the rotor onto the rotor shelf before or after placing the tower on the roof.

Figure 12

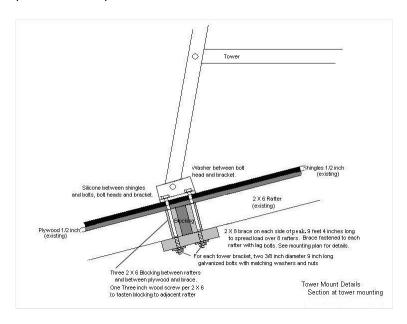
12. Once the tower fully assembled you can finish tightening the bolts up making sure that all of the pieces are coming together flush and it feels sturdy.

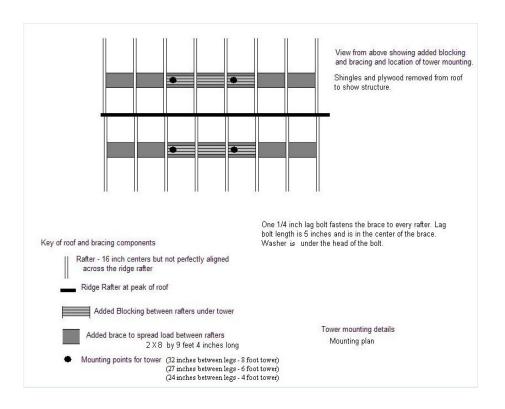


The finished 45HD Roof Tower Assembly

45HD ROOF MOUNTING GUIDELINES

You will need to determine how you wish to attach the tower to your roof. In an illustration below you can view recommended mounting procedures for a sloped roof with asphalt shingles. Other mounting methods may be used depending on your particular roof. The feet mounting holes are drilled to accept 3/8" bolts. Stainless steel or galvanized 3/8"-16 x 10 to 12 inch long all-thread are recommended. For older roofs you may need to spread the load over 8 rafters (4 on each side).





Please use the link: https://rooftowers.com/helpful-resources/ to download the latest installation manual. If you have a discrepancy, please contact sales@CarlsonCommunications.com.

IO-45HD Parts List (per tower)

Top collar bracket (2" x 1.2" x 5" x 3/16"	') 4	Lower shelf (mitered) (2" x 2" x 22½" x 3/16") 4	
Short cross braces (2" x 20" x 3/16")	8	Lower rotor support – (2" x 2" x 15 x 3/16") 2	
Tower foot – (2" x 2" x 6" x 3/16")	4	GS-065 with hardware (IO-610HD-065 only)	
Hardware for Sides:			
5/16" flat-washer SS (47g)	24	5/16" nylon lock-nut SS (122g) 24	1
5/16"-18 x 1" SS bolt (306g)	24		
Hardware for Feet			
3/8"-16 x 1" SS bolt	4	3/8"-16 nylon lock-nut SS 4	
3/8 flat washer SS	4		
Hardware for Collar			
5/16"-18 x 3/4" SS bolt (for collar)	8	5/16" flat-washer SS 8	
5/16" nylon lock-nut SS	8		
Weights:			
Hardware package with 24 count bolts: IO-045HD parts: with Mast Bearing: IO-610HD parts: with Mast Bearing: IO-810HD parts: with Mast Bearing: IO-815HD parts: with Mast Bearing:	765 g, 20.1 lbs 22.9 lbs 28.7 lbs 36.8 lbs	Hardware with 36 count bolts: 1008 g IO-045HD parts: without Mast Bearing: 16.6 lbs IO-610HD parts: without Mast Bearing: 19.8 lbs IO-810HD parts: without Mast Bearing: 25.4 lbs IO-815HD parts: without Mast Bearing: 33.4 lbs	
Tower Legs (2" x 2" x 50"x 3/16") Tower Legs (2" x 2" x 74"x 3/16") Tower Legs (2" x 2" x 95"x 3/16") Mast-95 (1.5" sch 40 alum pipe (1.60" x Mast-72 (1.5" sch 40 alum pipe (1.60" x		•	
Mast-60(1.5" sch 40 alum pipe (1.60" x	1.90" x .150 "w	all x 60") 4 4.7 lbs	
Mast-48 (1.5" sch 40 alum pipe (1.60" x	1.90″ x .150 ″v	vall x 48") 4 3.8 lbs	

Specifications	IO-45HD
Tower Height	4.17 feet (50 inches)
Shipping Weight	36 lbs.
Base Width (to outer edge of leg)	22 inches
Base Width (to outer edge of foot)	26 inches
Max. Antenna Wind Area at tower top	13 sq. ft. at 80 mph
Max. Antenna + Rotor + Mast weight	200 lbs.
Tower Top Width	5 inches
Rotor Plate location from Top	38 inches
Maximum Mast Diameter	2.5 inches
Maximum Mast Length	7 feet (84 inches)
Rotor Mounting Options	Hy-Gain or Yaesu
Thrust Bearing Mounting Options	Yaesu GS-065
Leg and shelf material	6061-T6 aluminum (3/16" thick x 2" angle)
Foot material	6061-T6 aluminum (3/16" thick x 2" angle)
Rotor Shelf material	6061-T6 aluminum (3/16" thick x 2" angle)
X-Brace material	5052-H32 aluminum (3/16" x 2" flat)
Assembly Hardware	5/16"-18 18-8 stainless steel (32)
Foot to Leg hardware	3/8"-16 18-8 stainless steel (4)
Nylon locknuts	Yes
Climbable	Yes – with tower climbing belt or harness