#### WARRANTY

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PCTEL, Inc. Attention: RMA Coordinator 471 Brighton Drive Bloomingdale, Illinois 60108 U.S.A.





# MFB SERIES INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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### MFB VHF 3dB SERIES SPECIAL TUNING INSTRUCTIONS

To optimize your VHF 3dB gain base station antenna, we have designed a special top rod tuning section. This high quality stainless steel whip has been factory tuned for the lowest frequency in your ordering band. **For example:** The MFB1503 will be factory tuned to 150 MHz.

## DO NOT LOSE YOUR FACTORY TUNED TOP ROD!

If you do, you will need to trim your own rod starting at about 27" for 144 MHz using a thru line watt meter to check for lowest VSWR.

To "fine tune" the antenna to your exact operating frequency, follow these simple steps:

- 1. Noting that the operational bandwidth of the antenna is about 5 MHz at 2.0:1 VSWR, choose your desired frequency. You may either tune the antenna to your exact frequency or tune it to the center of two or more frequency bands.
- 2. Using the cutting chart provided, trim the top rod (about one inch per 1/2 MHz). This may be done with side cutters or with a grinding wheel. If possible, check tuning with a watt meter and the antenna mounted in as similar a place to its actual location as possible.
- 3. Tighten the rod securely with the two set screws provided before mounting the antenna.

#### For Example

If you have ordered an MFB1503 (150-156 MHz) antenna and you wish to tune its center frequency to 153 MHz, trim the top rod by approximately 5-1/8", according to the chart below. Check with a watt meter for greater accuracy. **Remember, always make the first cut a little long to avoid over-cutting the rod.** Cutting the rod too long or short will move the antenna outside of its desired frequency range resulting in a high VSWR (above 1.5:1) and degraded gain performance.



MFB VHF 3dB SERIES

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PART NUMBER	FREQUENCY RANGE	FACTORY TUNED FREQUENCY
3 dB GAIN		
MFB1443	144-150 MHz	144 MHz
MFB1503	150-156 MHz	150 MHz
MFB1563	156-162 MHz	156 MHz
MFB1623	162-168 MHz	162 MHz
MFB1683	168-174 MHz	168 MHz
MFB2203	220-225 MHz	220 MHz

*Note:* The MFB UHF, 800 MHz and 900 MHz antennas do not require any tuning.

## **MOUNTING HINTS**

- 1. Always mount your base station antenna as high and clear of surrounding objects as possible.
- 2. Use extreme caution when working near telephone and electrical power lines. Always mount antennas at least twice the length of the antenna away from power lines.
- 3. Always insulate your connectors with tape, silicone or other weather proof materials for long life and trouble free operation.
- 4. When side mounting to a tower, make sure that your antenna is at least 24" from tower legs or other antennas.
- 5. Some antennas are equipped with drain holes, either on the side of the aluminum sleeve or on the bottom bushing, next to the connector. When mounting, be careful not to seal the hole, as this will prevent water from escaping.

Example: The dark line indicates that to tune an MFB1503 to 153 MHz (3 MHz shift), you must trim 5-1/8" from the total rod length.