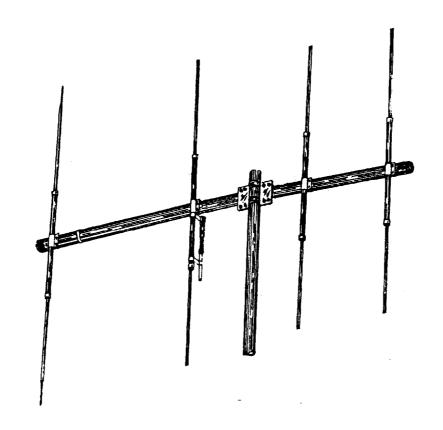
## **ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS**



## 4 ELEMENT - 11 METER MAXIMUM BEAM



# MACO M104C PARTS LIST

PART (	<u>YT</u> Ç	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>	DESCRIPTION	CHECKLIST
GOIP	1			GAMMA MATCH	
P02P	1	5-1/4"		PLATE 1-1/2" BOOM TO 1-1/2" MA	
T01P	6	1/2"	72"	ALUM. TUBING	
T04P	2	1/2"	72"	ALUM. TUBING SLOTTED ONE END	
TIIP	4	5/8"	72"	ALUM. TUBING SLOTTED BOTH ENDS	
T41P	}	2"	72"	ALUM. TUBING SWAGED BOTH ENDS	
T51P	2	2"	72"	ALUM. TUBING SLOTTED ONE END	
T58P	2	3/8"	11 7/8"	ALUM. TUBING	
				HARDWARE BAG #1	
U01	10		2"	PLATED U-BOLTS	-
				HARDWARE BAG #2	
so1	10		2"	PLATED SADDLES	
				HARDWARE BAG #3	
BE2P	4		2"	BOOM TO ELEMENT MOUNTS	
				HARDWARE BAG #4	
co2	2	1/2"		METAL CLAMPS	
N01	20	5/16"		HEX NUTS	
NO2	20	5/16"		LOCKWASHERS	
	14	I O-24		SQUARE NUTS	
N12	4	#10		LOCKWASHER	
PL1	2	3/8"		PLASTIC CAPS - BLACK	
PL2	6	,437		PLASTIC CAPS - BLACK	
PL5	1	2"		PLASTIC CAPS - BLACK	
PL5R	1	2"		PLASTIC CAPS - RED	
S21	13	10-24x1/2	11	MACHINE SCREWS	
S42	1	5/8"		COAX CONN. W/ MOUNTING NUT	
W58P				EXTRUDED ALUM. CLAMPS	
Z02P	2			GAMMA STRAPS	
Z08P	2			GAMMA STRAPS F/COAX CONNECTOR	<b></b> _
				SET OF INSTRUCTIONS	-

#### WHEN ORDERING REPLACEMENT PARTS, ALWAYS GIVE PART NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION.

PLEASE NOTE: In an effort to keep the price on Maco Antennas down, we have decided not to clean up all the burrs and rough edges on the parts. We recommend that you deburr and clean up each part with files, sandpaper, etc. so that they go together easily. We are aware this needs to be done, but have elected not to do it to save you the money we would have to add to the price of the kit for this service.

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### MACO M 104C

#### ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

#### FIGURE 1 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

This drawing shows a view of the antenna assembled. The M104C may be used vertically (Figure 1 A) or horizontally (Figure 1 B). These instructions and FIGURES 2 through 4 show the correct assembly instructions. It is highly recommended that rope be put in the elements to prolong their life. All Hardware should be tightened securely, and then coated with silicon rubber sealant or a similar compound to prevent loosening from wind vibration.

Upon completion of assembly, install the red plastic cap (PL4R) on the director end of the antenna, and the black plastic cap (PL4) on the reflector end. This will allow you to determine at a glance the direction of transmit and receive.

#### CAUTION....

Take care to avoid any contact with overhead power lines when raising your antenna. Serious or fatal injury could result.

#### FIGURE 2 BOOM ASSEMBLY AND MAST MOUNTING

To assemble the boom, slide the slotted ends of the boom sections (T5 1 P) onto both swaged ends of the center boom section (T4 1 P). The overall length should be about 17 feet. Next center the boom-to-mast plate (P02P) and mount using 2" U-bolts, saddles and hardware as shown in detail 2B.

Thisantennaisdesignedformountingona2" O.D. heavydutymast. Mount using 2" U-bolts, saddles and hardware as shown in detail 2C.

#### FIGURE 3 ELEMENT ASSEMBLY AND MOUNTING

To assemble the elements, use (4) of the clamps (W58P) and #10 x 1/2" screw and square nuts (S2 1,N11) as shown in the element assembly detail. Insert a length of the 1/2" O.D. unslotted tubing (T01P) into each end of the element sections. Adjust each end to the "B" dimensions and tighten the clamps. Check the overall length ("A" dimension). Push a 437" plastic cap (PL2) on each end of the elements.

Mount the elements onto the boom using U-bolts, saddles, and hardware (UO 1, S02, N01, N02) too fasten the boom-to-element clamp (BE 1 P) as shown in the element mounting detail. From the director end of the boom, measure in 5/8" to the outside edge of the mounting hardware and fasten the director. Refer to Figure 1 for the spacing dimensions and fasten the driven element and reflector. Start at about 4" from the end to center the elements on the boom.

Line the elements up with the use of a level or any other workable method. Double check the spacing dimensions and make sure the elements are centered in the boom-to-element clamps. Tighten all hardware taking care to line the elements up with the use of a level. Check your measurements and make sure the elements are centered on the boom.

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#### ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

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#### FIGURE 4 GAMMA MATCH MOUNTING

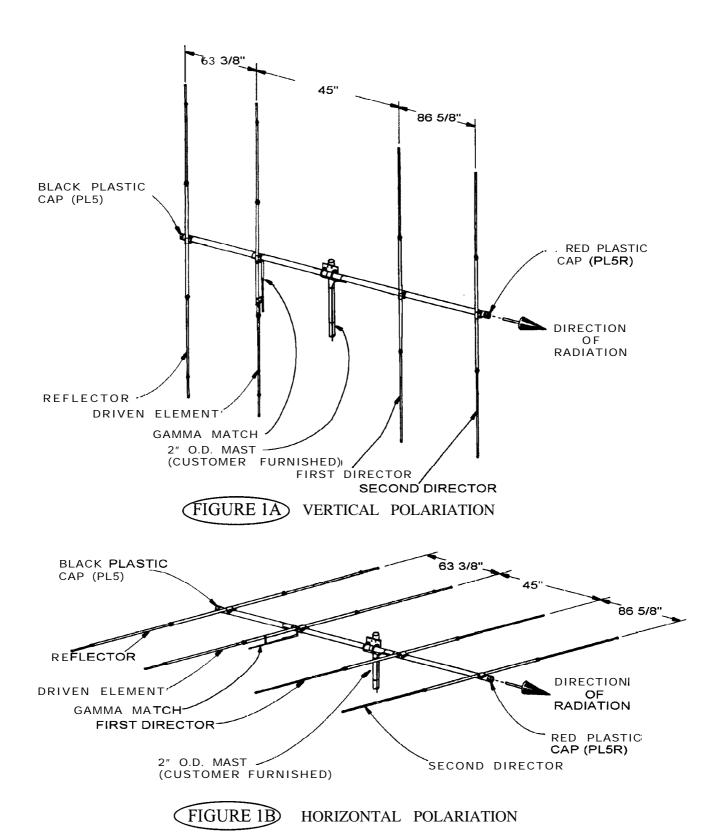
Mount the gamma match (G01P) to the driven element, using the gamma straps (Z02P, Z08P) and attaching hardware as shown. Attach your 52 ohm coaxial cable to the connector (S42) and dress along boom and down the mast. The gamma is shown pointing down - this is to let water out.

#### ADJUSTING THE STANDING WAVE RATIO (SWR)

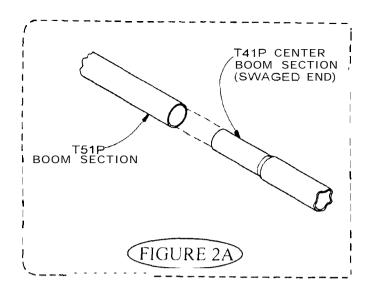
Refer to Figure 4. The dimensions given are approximate and should be used as a starting point. The gamma match has 2 adjustments. First is the capacitor adjust and second is the slider adjust. Connect a SWR bridge coax between your transmitter and the antenna and check the SWR. If adjustment is required, loosen the clamp on the gamma match and the screws holding the slider (gamma straps (Z02P)). Next move the capacitor adjustment first one direction, then the other until a minimum SWR reading is obtained. If SWR is not yet satisfactory, move the slider out 2" away from the boom. If the reading has gone up move the slider back to the original position and then 2" towards the boom. Now readjust the capacitor for minimum SWR. You should now be able to determine which direction to move the slider. Repeat the above procedure moving the slider in smaller increments until a satisfactory SWR is obtained. Tighten all hardware. Disconnect the SWR bridge and reconnect your coaxial cable.

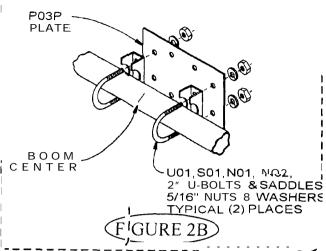
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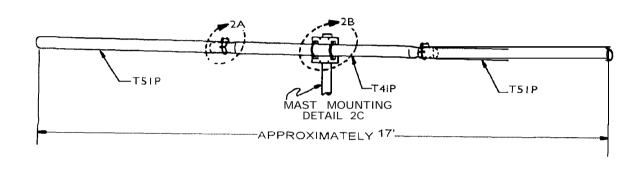
When assembling for vertical use, set antenna on a pole about 8 to 9 feet above the ground horizontally and adjust SWR for 1.6 to 1.7 When you turn the antenna vertical and mount it on the tower, etc., the SWR will drop to 1.4 to 1.5 This is good; QUIT!

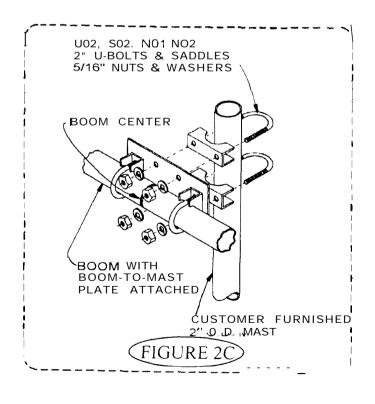


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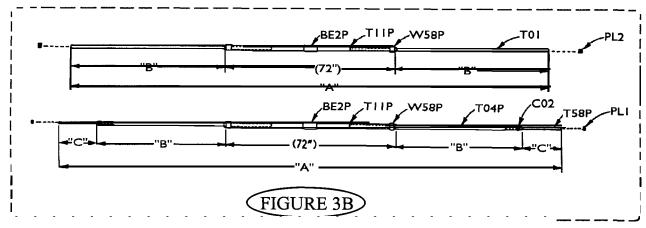






BOOM ASSEMBLY & MAST MOUNTING

FIGURE 2



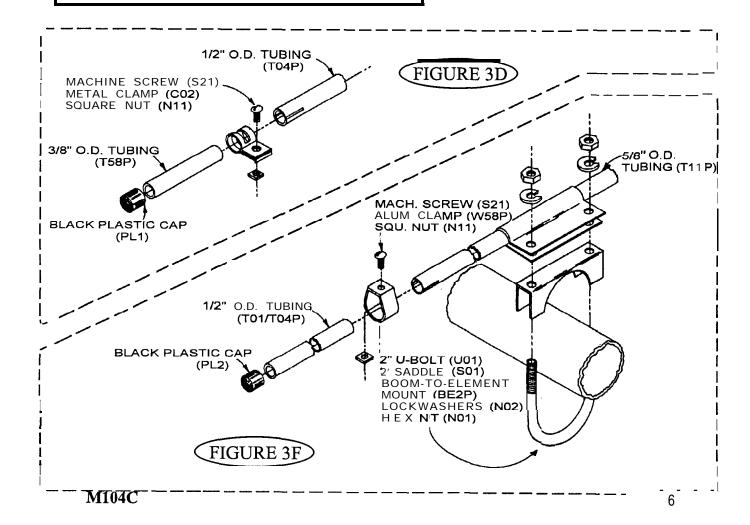
## ELEMENT ASSEMBLY & MOUNTING

FIGURE 3

DIMENSIONS					
ELEMENT	Α	В	C		
DRIVER 1ST DIRECTOR 2ND DIRECTOR REFLECTOR	209" 204 3/4" 188 1/2" 216 3/4"	58 1/4"	6 7/8"		

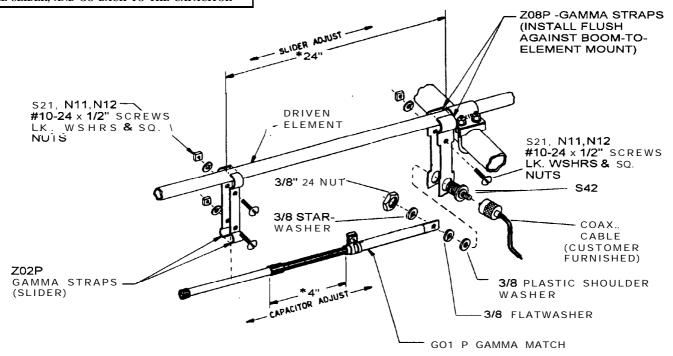
Please read the Assembly and Troubleshooting Tips at the end of this instruction booklet before assembling elements.

FIGURE 3A



\* NOTE: THESE DIMENSONS ARE APPROXIMATE. REFER TO THEINSTRUCTIONS ON ADJUSTINNG THE S.W.R TO DETERMINE EXACT SETTINGS. THERE ARE2 SEPARATEGAMMA ADJUSTMENTS, 1. CAPACITOR ADJUSTMENT, 2. SLIDER POSITION.

DO NOT MOVE BOTH AT THE SAME TIME. MOVE THE CAPACITOR FIRST, THEN, IF NECESSARY MOVE THE SLIDER, AND GO BACK TO THE CAPACITOR



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