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USING THE HIGH-WIND OPTION WITH THE HEAVY-DUTY TRIPOD

When setting up your Heavy-Duty tripod in an area where it might experience wind gusts in excess of 50 mph you should use the set-up procedures detailed below to prevent damage to your tripod or satellite dish.

1. Anchor Point – When setting up on a ground surface that is too hard to penetrate with the Ground Screw Stake, you should use the two 12” spikes that are included with the High-Wind Option Package. Hammer the first stake into the ground at a 45° angle, leaving 2-3” exposed above ground. Slip the ring of the Ground Screw Stake over the exposed spike end. Insert the second spike into the ring pointing in the opposite direction as the first spike and hammer into the ground at a 45° angle, again leaving 2-3” exposed above ground. (See Fig. 1) When setting up on a paved surface use *at least one* 5 gallon pail, filled with water or sand, as an anchor point.



Fig. 1

2. Install the tripod – Extend each tripod leg approximately 12” and center the tripod over the anchor point. Spread each leg outward until the leg tip is approximately 30-36” from the center of the anchor point. This will create a 5-6’ leg spread. Thread the chain through each foot hole, leaving the hooked end approximately 12” from the leg hole. Attach the hook to the other end of the chain at a point where the slack has been removed. With the chain connected, tap each leg tip outward, as necessary, to make the chain tight. Install and aim the satellite dish. (See Fig. 2)



Fig. 2

3. Install the tie-down – Attach the hook of the short tie-down strap to the anchor point. Attach the hook of the long tie-down strap to the eyebolt of the Mast Locking Knob. Thread the end of the long strap (A in Fig. 3) through the slot of the ratchet tool (B in Fig 3). Pull the extra strapping through the slot, leaving a small amount loose to create several wraps on the ratchet shaft when operated. Move the ratchet handle up and down to create tension on the straps and tighten the tripod firmly to the anchor point. At this point the tripod should be anchored VERY firmly with no movement. To release the tie-down strap depress the “UNLOCK” button (C in Fig. 3) on the ratchet and pull down on the handle. (See Figs. 2 & 3)

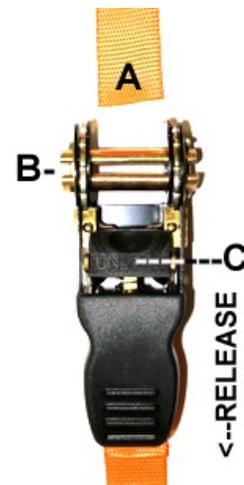


Fig. 3