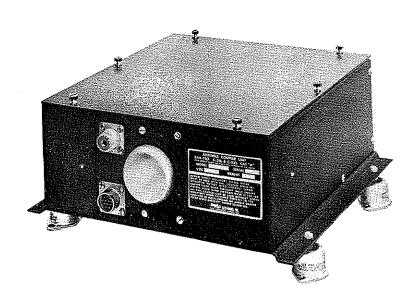


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1. SPECIFICATIONS

Power requirement:

13.75 V or 27.5 V Pin H for 27.5 V Pin L for 13.75 V

Fuse:

1 1/2 amp S.B.

TSO:

Category A when used with Sunair allattitude Shock Insolator Kit No. 98928.

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ROTARY WING AIRCRAFT
TURBO ENGINE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT
MULTI-ENGINE, PISTON, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT OVER 12.500 LBS.

THIS COUPLER CAN BE USED <u>WITHOUT</u> SHOCK INSOLATORS WHEN FASTENED DIRECTLY TO THE FUSELAGE IN MULTI-ENGINE OR SINGLE ENGINE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT <u>UNDER</u> 12,500 LBS.

ANTENNA				
COUPLER	PART	·		
MODEL	NUMBERS	VOLTAGE	FOR SUNAIR TRANSCEIVERS	WEIGHT
			S-5-DTR, S-5-RTR	
*CU-500 A	98411	13.75 or 27.5	T-5-D, T-5-R, T-5-DA	5.00 lb
*CU-500	95952	13.75 or 27.5	T-5-RA	5.00 lb
				-
*CU-1000	98356	13.75 or 27.5	T-10-D, T-10-R, ASB-100	6.50 lb
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			SA-14, SA-14-R	
CU-1400	93986	13.75 or 27.5		7.00 lb
<u> </u>			,	
CU-2200	95249	27. 5	T-22-RA, ASB 320	8.75 lb
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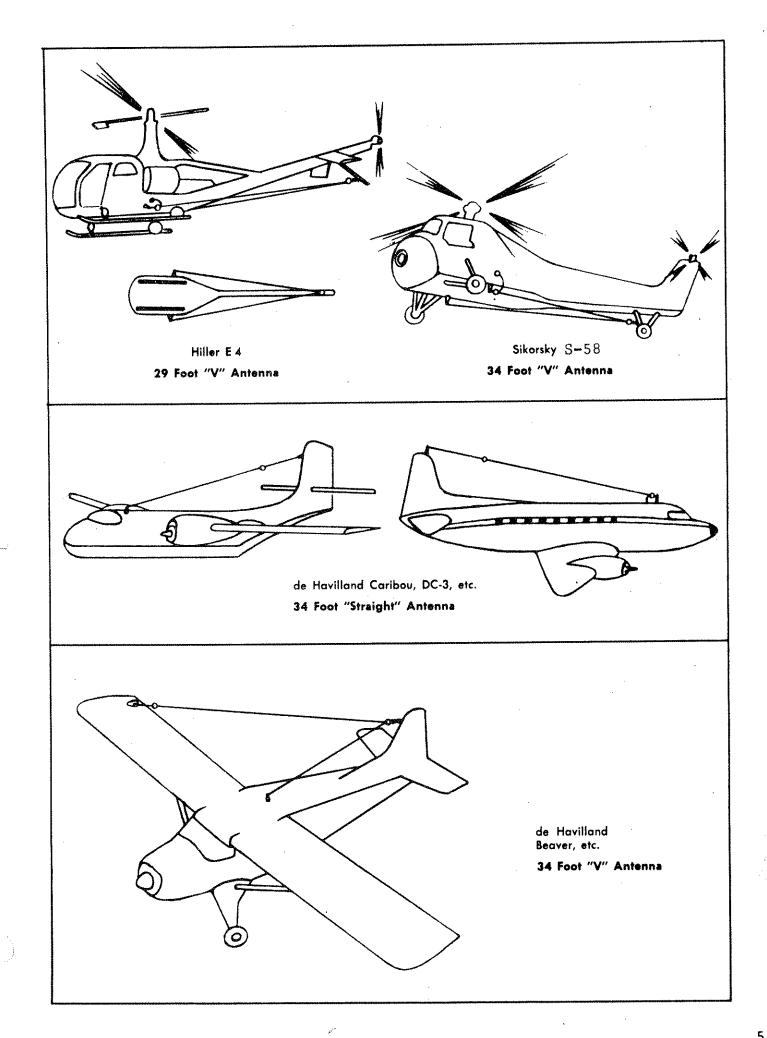
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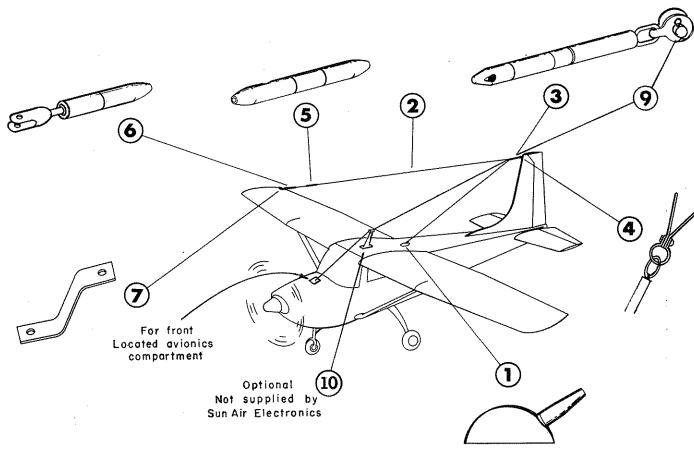
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SUNAIR 95158 HF ANTI-PRECIPITATION STATIC ANTENNA KIT



INSTALLATION

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	
1	Feed Through Insulator	71308
2	60 Feet Insulated Antenna Wire	71310
3	Insulated Tension Unit	71322
4	Vertical Fin Anchor (see fig. 4, page 9)	71283
5	Strain Insulator	71267
6	Insulated Tension Anchor	71334
7	Wing Tip Bracket	71009
8	Wire Retraction Tool	71346
9	Shackle AN 115-8	71542
10	Stand-off Mask (LAPA#50 ARM 300-79)	
11	Installation Instructions	

VERTICAL FIN ANCHOR 71283

(ITEM 4)

Suggested method of mounting only: The anchor will be of two pieces of metal, one mounted each side of vertical fin, and bolted to insulated tension unit.

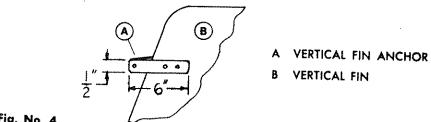


Fig. No. 4

STRAIN INSULATOR 71267 (ITEM 5)

APPLICATION - THE STRAIN INSULATOR IS USED FOR ADJUSTING THE ANTENNA WIRE TO THE DESIRED LENGTH AND IN SOME CASES MAY NOT BE REQUIRED BECAUSE THE DESIRED LENGTH EXTENDED TO THE ANCHOR INSULATOR 71334.

ANCHOR INSULATOR 71334 (ITEM 6)

APPLICATION - THE ANCHOR INSULATOR IS USED TO CONNECT THE ANTENNA WIRE TO THE WING TIP BRACKET, ITEM 7.

WING TIP BRACKET 71009 (ITEM 7)

APPLICATION - THE WING TIP BRACKET IS CONNECTED TO THE TOP SIDE OF THE WING TIP BY REMOVING ONE OF THE WING TIP SCREWS AND REPLACING IT WITH A LONGER SCREW.

WIRE RETRACTION TOOL 71346 (ITEM 8)

THIS IS A DUAL PURPOSE TOOL DESIGNED TO PREPARE THE POLYETHYLENE WIRE FOR INSERTION INTO THE INSULATOR UNIT WITHOUT DAMAGING THE WIRE CONDUCTOR. ITS SECONDARY USE IS DESCRIBED IN FIG. NO. 7.

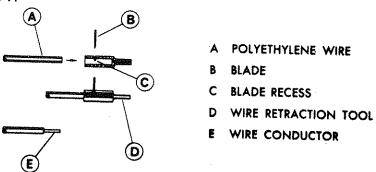


Fig. No. 5

4. ANTENNA COUPLER INSTALLATION

Mounting dimensions, weight and space requirements are shown on Page 12.

Particular emphasis is placed on the following:

- The coupling unit must be located as close to the antenna feed-thru insulator as possible. The antenna lead from the feed-thru to the coupling unit should not be in excess of <u>6 inches</u>.
- The location of the coupling unit should afford easy access to the top and allow adequate space for tuning.
- 3. The coupling unit must be securely grounded to the aircraft with the bonding strap provided.
- 4. The wire size required for the channeling cable running from the transceiver to the coupling unit should be as follows:

#22 wire for lengths to 14'
#20 wire for lengths 14' to 24'
#18 wire for lengths 24' to 40'

CHANNELING CIRCUITRY

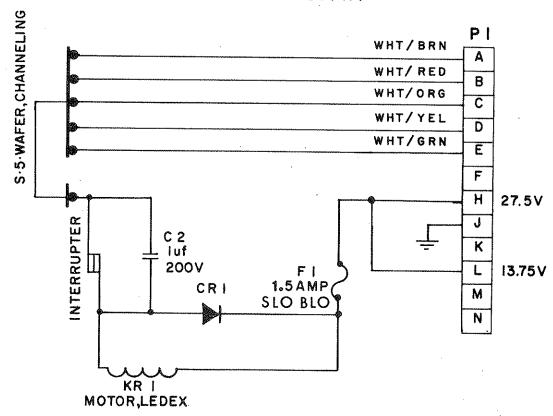


Fig. No. 8

TO THE INSTALLER

The SunAir Antenna Coupler has been designed to provide a proper match when used with a fixed antenna and thus ensure maximum transmitter and receiver performance. To obtain top performance, the antenna coupler must be correctly installed and carefully tuned to the antenna.

However extensive or limited your knowledge of electronic theory or your experience in tuning radio circuits, it is necessary that the procedures contained in this manual be carefully followed step by step. In this way you can be assured of obtaining optimum performance with a minimum of time and effort on your part.

Reactance is the opposition to the flow of alternating current at a particular frequency by inductance or capacitance. Where both inductive reactance and capacitive reactance are present, resultant reactance is equal to the difference between them.

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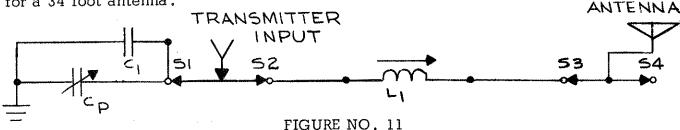
Capacitive reactance varies inversely with capacitance. That is, an increase in capacitance causes a decrease in capacitive reactance. Since capacitive reactance is the opposite of inductive reactance, it follows that the presence of capacitance has the same effect as shortening the antenna. However large values of capacitance will have less shortening effect than small values.

In summary, then it is necessary to remember only the following:

- Increase inductance to lengthen the antenna.
- Decrease inductance to shorten the antenna.
- Insert large values of capacitance to shorten the antenna a little.
- Insert small values of capacitance to shorten the antenna a lot.

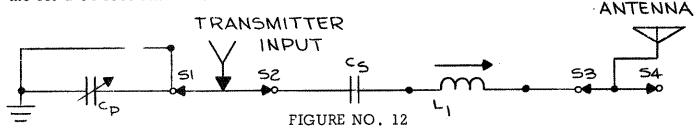
This applies to components that are placed in series with the antenna. If a component is placed in shunt (or parallel), the effect is just the opposite. That is, if inductance is used as a shunt for the antenna, it will act to shorten the antenna rather than lengthen it.

Group B. For frequencies of 6 mc to 7.0 mc for a 29 foot antenna, 5 mc to 6.0 mc for a 34 foot antenna.



The required series inductance for these frequencies ranges from 2 uh to 3.85 uh which is within the tuning range of the inductor L₁. Only a small amount of inductance is required since the antenna is nearly as long as required for these frequencies. Therefore the air duct is not required and is switched out.

Group C. For frequencies of 7.0 mc to 10 mc for a 29 foot antenna, 6.0 mc to 9 mc for a 34 foot antenna.

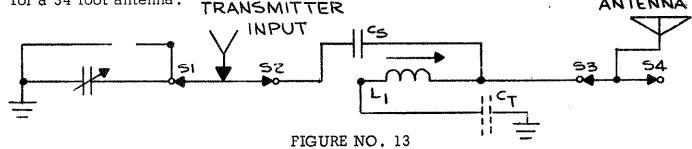


In this configuration, series capacitance is required rather than series inductance in order to effectively shorten the antenna to a point that permits small adjustments to be made with the tunable inductor $L_{\rm l}$. Therefore Capacitor $C_{\rm s}$ is used in place of the air duct. The total input capacitance required is usually between 500 pf and 200 pf, so the padder $C_{\rm p}$ requires no parallel capacitor.

Group D. For frequencies of 10 mc to 18 mc for a 29 foot antenna, 9 mc to 18 mc for a 34 foot antenna.

TRANSMITTER

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In this configuration the fixed capacitor C_{S} is the only series element. Since this does not effectively shorten the antenna sufficiently (values smaller than 30 pf for C_{S} are not practical) the tunable inductor L_{I} is used as a shunt to accomplish this, and small adjustments are made with L_{I} . Since L_{I} is tunable only within the inductance range of 2 uh to 3.85 uh, a capacitor C_{t} is inserted in series with L_{I} on frequencies requiring less than 2 uh shunt inductance (from 13 or 14 mc to 18 mc). Approximate values for C_{S} and C_{t} may be determined from the graphs on pages 28 and 29.

CAUTION

Coil tuning screws should not be turned in more than 1/8 inch from full in as the locking device will become ineffective and the tuning slug will bottom on the chassis. The proper alignment tool must be used to avoid damage to the coil tuning screws.

Good tuning of the coupling unit is dependent upon a <u>good electrical</u> ground. The grounding strap provided on the front of the box must be securely bonded to the aircraft.

The lead from the coupling unit to the aircraft feed-thru insulator should be as short as possible. The suggested length is 6 inches. It should not exceed 12 inches, because performance drops off rapidly over this length due to dissipation of power inside the aircraft. This dissipation is not measured by the Wattmeter and is therefore not readily detected.

When tuning the coupling unit, care should be taken not to short turns on the air duct by allowing the air duct clips to be poorly positioned. After final tuning, all air duct clips should be rechecked for proper positioning and tightness.

High RF voltage is present on the air duct and the air duct clips, so all contact while the transmitter is keyed should be with insulated tools. A wooden clothespin is useful in holding the air duct clips while they are being repositioned.

Care must be taken to be sure that the insulated wires from the air duct clips do not touch the air duct. This is necessary because the high RF voltage will burn through the insulation and may cause damage.

The transmitter should not be continuously keyed for over 30 seconds while operating into an untuned antenna. If the transmitter has a low power switch all tuning should be done with the switch in this position. Using only the aircraft battery during tuning will also lessen possibility of excessive Power Amplifier dissipation during tuning. Do not needlessly key the transmitter while tuning the antenna coupler.

In the following tuning procedure:

<u>Maximum inductance</u> on the variable inductors is obtained when the screw is extended full out.

Minimum inductance is obtained when the screw reaches approximately 1/8 inch from <u>full in</u>.

The inductance of the air duct <u>increases</u> as the tap is moved <u>away</u> from the porcelain antenna feed-thru insulator.

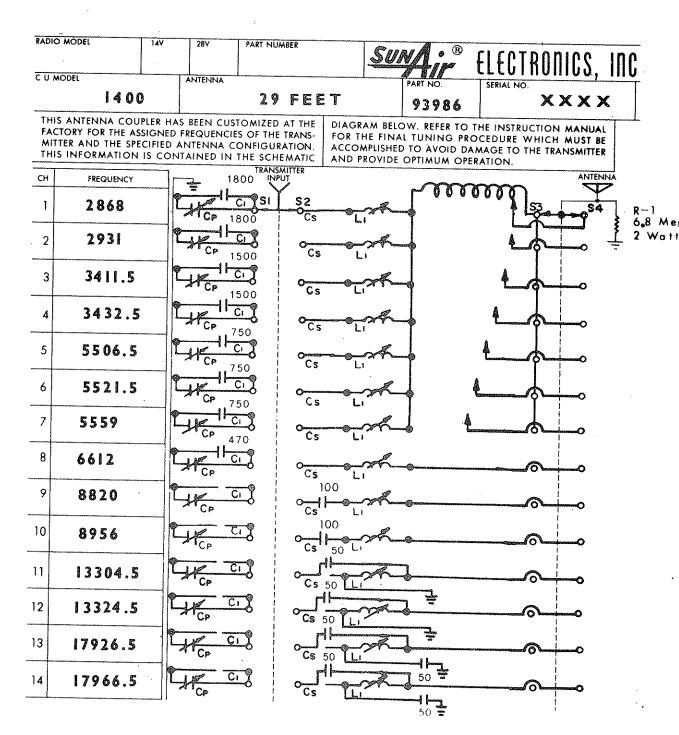
GROUP A, B, C, AND D TUNING PROCEDURE

If optimum tuning is not obtained with steps { , 9 , and 10 , the following steps will help determine the cause of the difficulty and the appropriate action to take.

WARNING: If any replacement of parts is required, parts replacements must be made with components of equal rating regarding voltage, stability and Q. Installing components of lesser rating may result in system failure. A fixed Capacitor Kit (SunAir Part No. 99130) may be ordered from the factory to meet this requirement. It is important that the wire leads on any replacement parts be as short as possible and that the resin core solder joint be of good quality. Excess resin must be cleaned from the joint.

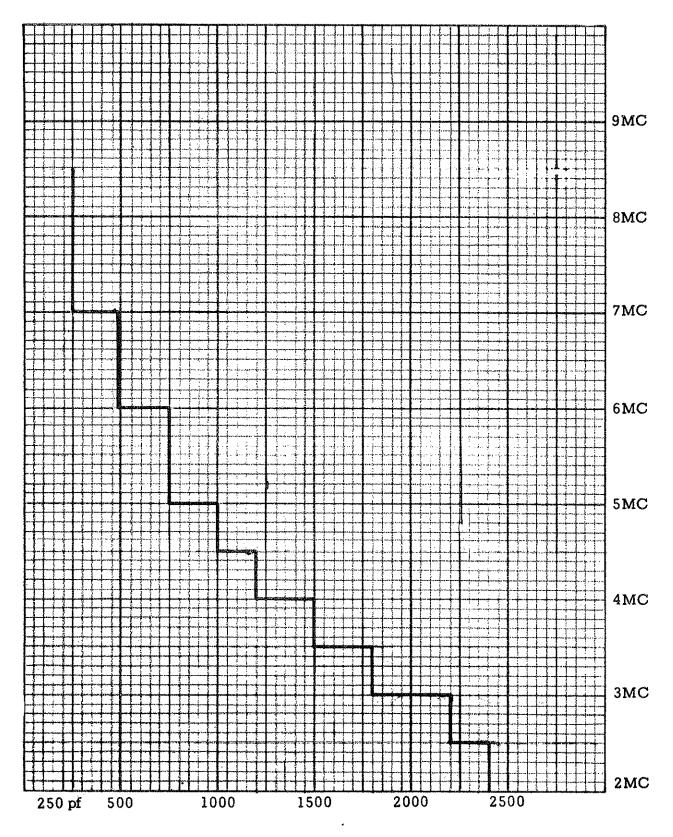
- A. FOR GROUP A FREQUENCIES, REFER TO ANTENNA COUPLER CONFIGURATION FIGURE 10, PAGE 16.
- 12. If L_1 reaches maximum inductance (screw extended full out) when approaching the dip:
 - Move the air duct clip on the air duct one turn <u>away</u> from the porcelain antenna feed thru insulator (to increase inductance).
 - 12.2 Repeat Steps 8, 9, and 10.
- 13. If L_1 reaches minimum inductance (screw turned 1/8 inch from full in) when approaching the dip:
 - 13.1 Move the air duct clip on the air duct one turn <u>toward</u> the porcelain antenna feed thru insulator (to decrease inductance).
 - 13.2 Repeat Steps 8, 9 and 10.
- 14. If no indication of tuning is observed, the air duct clip on the air duct will have to be repositioned.
 - 14.1 Return the positions of the screws on L_1 and C_p to some midposition.
 - Loosen the screw on the air duct clip for that channel and using an insulated holder, touch the air duct clip to successive turns of the air duct in each direction from the original turn until the meter shows a noticeable dip.
 - 14.3 Fasten the air duct clip to this turn.
 - 14.4 Repeat Steps 8, 9 and 10.

- C. FOR GROUP C FREQUENCIES, REFER TO ANTENNA CONFIGURATION FIGURE 12, PAGE 17.
- 19. If L1 reaches maximum inductance (screw extended full out) when approaching the dip, more capacitance is required.
 - 19.1 Remove the disc capacitor C_S and solder a new disc capacitor with a larger value in its place.
 - 19.2 Repeat steps 8, 9, and 10.
- 20. If I₁ reaches minimum inductance (screw extended 1/8 inch from full in) when approaching the dip, less capacitance is required.
 - 20.1 Remove the disc capacitor C_s and solder a new disc capacitor with a lesser value in its place.
 - 20.2 Repeat Steps 8, 9, and 10
- 21. If no indication of tuning is observed, follow the procedure described in step 19 first. If this does not give the desired result, follow the procedure described in step 20.
- 22. If a change in transmitting frequency or antenna length is made, the value of C_{S} may have to be changed.
 - 22.1 Refer to graph on Page 28 to determine the approximate for $C_{\rm S}$ that will be required.
 - 22.2 Remove the disc capacitor $C_{\rm S}$ and solder the new value $C_{\rm S}$ in its place.
 - 22.3 Repeat Steps 8,9, and 10.
- D. FOR GROUP D FREQUENCIES, REFER TO ANTENNA CONFIGURATION FIGURE 13, PAGE 17.
- 23. If L reaches maximum inductance (screw extended full out) when approaching the dip, $C_{\rm S}$ should be decreased in value. Only $C_{\rm S}$ should be changed; in this case it is not necessary for $C_{\rm S}$ and $C_{\rm t}$ to have the same value.
 - 23.1 Remove the disc capacitor C_s and solder a new disc capacitor with a smaller value in its place.
 - 23.2 Repeat Steps 8,9, and 10.

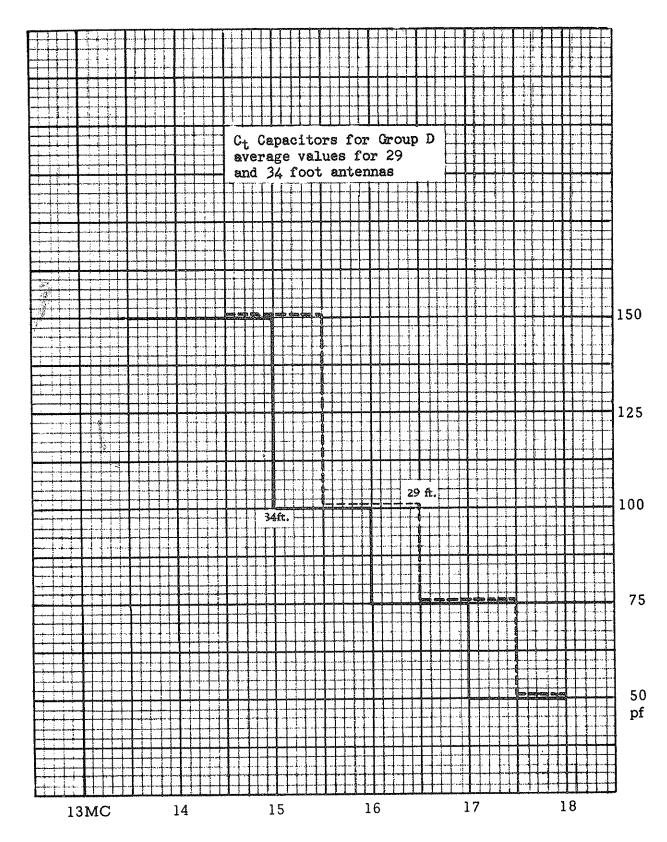


The above is a typical schematic of an antenna coupler and shows examples of circuit variations over the range of frequencies. The four circuit groups described in Section 6 of the manual are represented. A schematic similar to the above is affixed to the inside cover of each SunAir Antenna Coupler. This provides a record of the exact circuit configuration of the unit. It is recommended that the schematic be corrected when a circuit change is made to the antenna coupler.

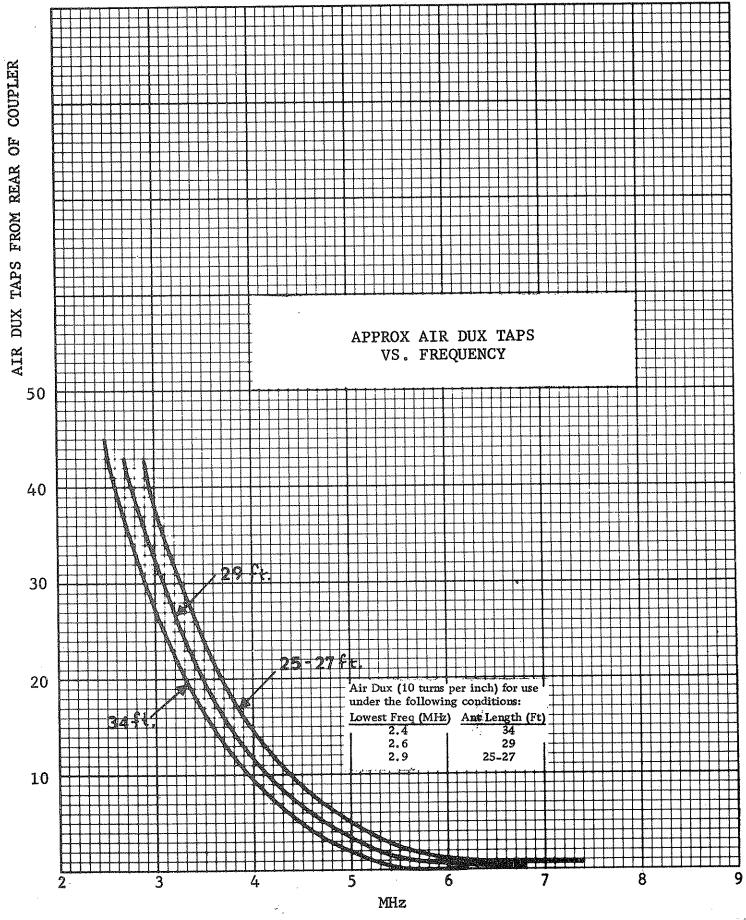
APPROXIMATE VALUES FOR ALL ANTENNAS



C₁ ANTENNA COUPLER CAPACITORS



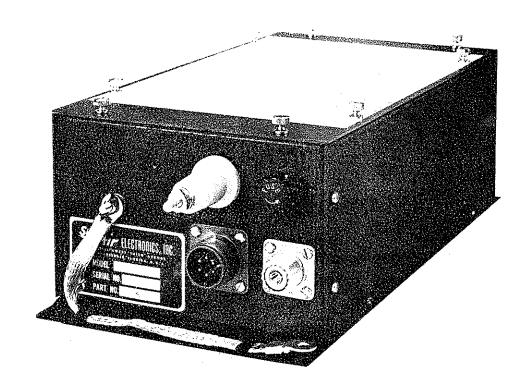
Ct antenna coupler capacitors



CKT. SYM.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	CKT. SYM.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION *KIT
Ср	27 058	Capacitor, Padder	Cı	25426	Capacitor, Mica, 200 pf, 500 VDC
C1		Capacitor, Mica, 500V, (Frequency dependent)	C1	2543 8 ·	Capacitor, Mica, 250 pf, 500 VDC(2)
C2	24525	Capacitor, 1 uf, 200V	C1	25505	Capacitor, Mica, 470 pf, 500 VDC(6)
Ct Cs		Capacitor, Disc, 3 KV,	C1	24915	Capacitor, Mica, 750 pf, 500 VDC(4)
		(Frequency dependent)	C1	24927	Capacitor, Mica, 1000 pf, 500 VDC(4)
R1	18722	Resistor, 6.8 megohms, 2 watt	C1	24965	Capacitor, Mica, 1200 pf, 500 VDC(4)
L1	63868	Coil, Variable, 2.0 uh to 3.85 uh	C1	24939	Capacitor, Mica, 1500 pf, 500 VDC(4)
L2	93617	Air Dux Coil Assembly (78 Turns)	C1	26690	Capacitor, Mica, 1800 pf, 500 VDC(2)
L2	98887	Air Dux Coil Assembly (49 Turns)	C1	24903	Capacitor, Mica, 2000 pf, 500 VDC
CR1	40165	Diode, 1N534	C1	26705	Capacitor, Mica, 2200 pf, 500 VDC
F1	89654	Fuse, 1 1/2 amp S.B.	C1	26717	Capacitor, Mica, 2400 pf, 500 VDC
KR1	98629	Motor, Ledex, Complete with S5-14V	C1	27319	Capacitor, Mica, 2500 pf, 500 VDC
KR1	34271	Motor, Ledex, Complete with S5-28V	Ct, Cs	25957	Capacitor, Ceramic, 20 pf, 3 KVDC
S1, S2, S3, S4	33162	Switch Wafer, 24 Position, Ceramic	Ct, Cs	25945	Capacitor, Ceramic, 30 pf, 3 KVDC(4)
S5	32417	Switch Wafer, Channeling	Ct, Cs	25933	Capacitor, Ceramic, 50 pf, 3 KVDC(6)
J1	74 350	Connector, Channeling	Ct, Cs	25921	Capacitor, Ceramic, 75 pf, 3 KVDC(6)
J2	74192	Connector, RF Input	Ct, Cs	25919	Capacitor, Ceramic, 100 pf, 3 KVDC(6)
J -	84862	Fuseholder	Ct, Cs	25907	Capacitor, Ceramic, 120 pf, 3 KVDC(4)
	71035	Insulator, Feed Through	Ct, Cs	25892	Capacitor, Ceramic, 150 pf, 3 KVDC(6)
	51592	Spacer, Phenolic, 1/4 dia.x2-3/16 lg.		*KIT	Sunair has available a kit of capacitors which is made up of those most com-
	32223	Coupling, Flexible			monly used in antenna couplers. This kit is identified by part number 99130
	98409	Strap, Grounding			and consists of the quantities shown in the last column.
	74362	Connector, Cable, Channeling			Field Service men are encouraged to
	90873	Connector, Cable, R.F.			use capacitors with proper voltage rating, dissipation factor and temperature sta-
	33253	Shaft, Phenolic 4-1/2 Inch			bility in the frequency dependent cir- cuits. Using inferior components may
	50665	Clip, Air Duct			result in detuning and/or complete failure of the circuit.
	98928	Shock Isolator Kit, All-Attitude (Except CU-2200)			
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WARNING

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Fuse:

1 1/2 Ampere S.B.

TSO:

TSO-C31c and TSO-C32c. Environmental Category AAAAAX. For Category A vibration environ-

ment, SUNAIR Shock Isolator Kit 98928 (all attitude) must be used. Coupler may be used without shock isolators when fastened directly to fuselage in multi-engine or single engine fixed wing aircraft

under 12,500 pounds.

COUPLER MODELS	PART NUMBER	TRANSCEIVER	WEIGHT	
CU-105	99813	T-5RA	4.3 lbs.	
CU-105-1	99814	T-5D, T-5R, T-5DA	4.3 lbs.	
CU-106	99815	ASB-60	4.3 lbs.	
CU-110	99816	ASB-100A, ASB-125, T-10D, T-10R	4.6 lbs.	

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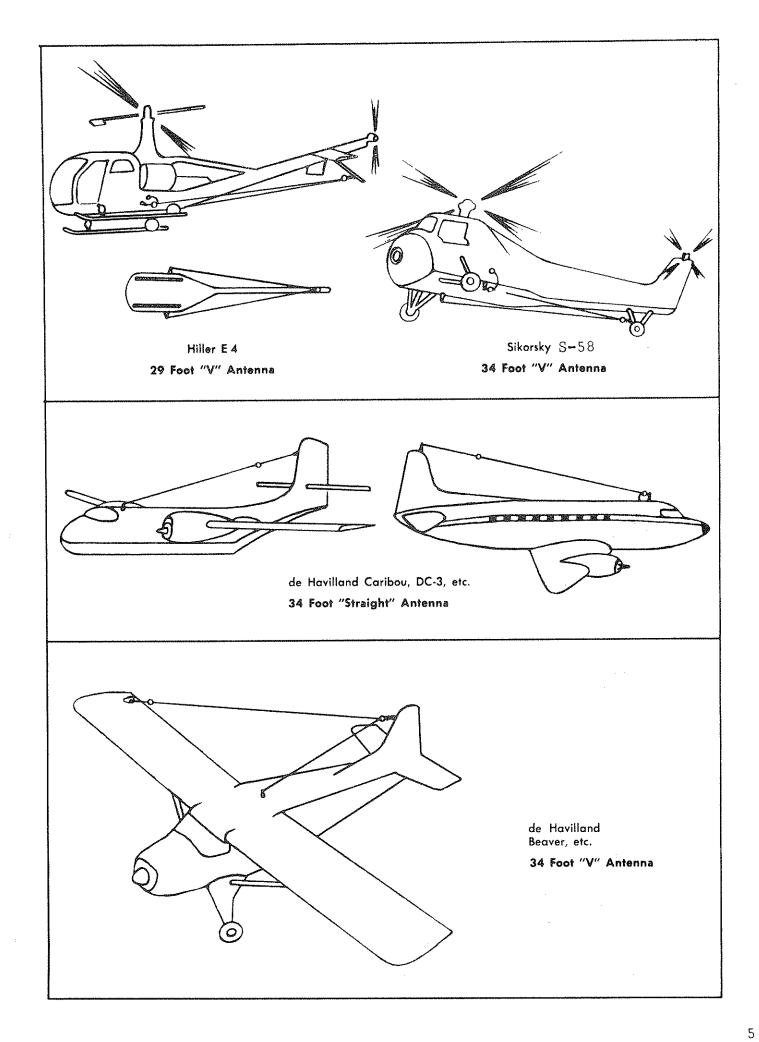
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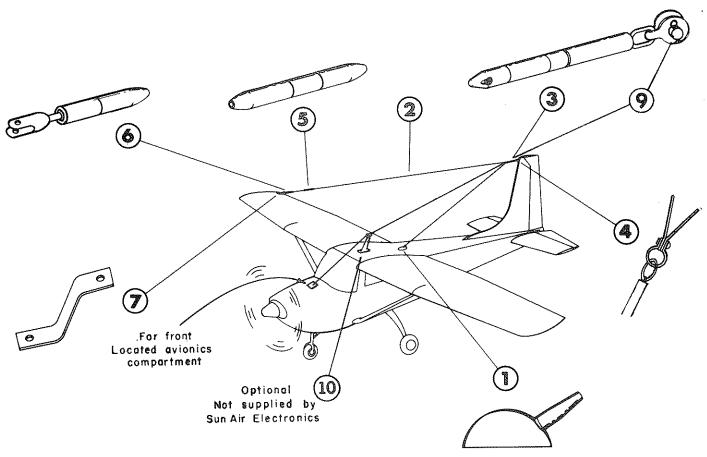
CAUTION

It is important to have a good antenna installation. Be sure the antenna has adequate tension and secure mountings, as slack in the antenna will cause detuning in flight.

After a complete tuning of the coupling unit is finished on the ground, a flight check should be made with the watt-meter installed in the transmission line to assure no detuning while in flight.



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INSTALLATION

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PART NO.
1	Feed Through Insulator	71308
2	60 Feet Insulated Antenna Wire	71310
3	Insulated Tension Unit	71322
4	Vertical Fin Anchor (see fig. 4, page	ge. 9) 71283
5	Strain Insulator	71267
6	Insulated Tension Anchor	71334
7	Wing Tip Bracket	71009
8	Wire Retraction Tool	71346
9	Shackle AN 115-8	71542
10	Stand-off Mask (LAPA#50 ARM 300-79)	
11	Installation Instructions	

VERTICAL FIN ANCHOR 71283

(ITEM 4)

Suggested method of mounting only: The anchor will be of two pieces of metal, one mounted each side of vertical fin, and bolted to insulated tension unit.

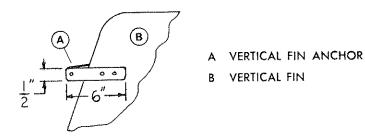


Fig. No. 4

STRAIN INSULATOR 71267

APPLICATION — THE STRAIN INSULATOR IS USED FOR ADJUSTING THE ANTENNA WIRE TO THE DESIRED LENGTH AND IN SOME CASES MAY NOT BE REQUIRED BECAUSE THE DESIRED LENGTH EXTENDED TO THE ANCHOR INSULATOR 71334.

ANCHOR INSULATOR 71334

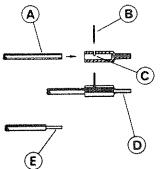
APPLICATION — THE ANCHOR INSULATOR IS USED TO CONNECT THE ANTENNA WIRE TO THE WING TIP BRACKET, ITEM 7.

WING TIP BRACKET 71009

APPLICATION - THE WING TIP BRACKET IS CONNECTED TO THE TOP SIDE OF THE WING TIP BY REMOVING ONE OF THE WING TIP SCREWS AND REPLACING IT WITH A LONGER SCREW.

WIRE RETRACTION TOOL 71346 (ITEM 8)

THIS IS A DUAL PURPOSE TOOL DESIGNED TO PREPARE THE POLYETHYLENE WIRE FOR INSERTION INTO THE INSULATOR UNIT WITHOUT DAMAGING THE WIRE CONDUCTOR. ITS SECONDARY USE IS DESCRIBED IN FIG. NO. 7.



- A POLYETHYLENE WIRE
- B BLADE
- C BLADE RECESS
- D WIRE RETRACTION TOOL
- E WIRE CONDUCTOR

Fig. No. 5

4. ANTENNA COUPLER INSTALLATION

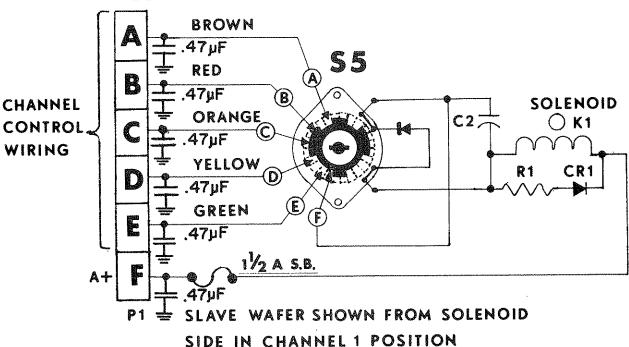
Mounting dimensions, weight and space requirements are shown on Page 12.

Particular emphasis is placed on the following:

- 1. The coupling unit must be located as close to the antenna feed-thru insulator as possible. The antenna lead from the feed-thru to the coupling unit should not be in excess of 6 inches.
- 2. The location of the coupling unit should afford easy access to the top and allow adequate space for tuning.
- 3. The coupling unit must be securely grounded to the aircraft with the bonding strap provided.
- 4. The wire size required for the channeling cable running from the transceiver to the coupling unit should be as follows:

#22 wire for lengths to 14' #20 wire for lengths 14' to 24' #18 wire for lengths 24' to 40'

CHANNELING CIRCUITRY



TO THE INSTALLER

The SunAir Antenna Coupler has been designed to provide a proper match when used with a fixed antenna and thus ensure maximum transmitter and receiver performance. To obtain top performance, the antenna coupler must be correctly installed and carefully tuned to the antenna.

However extensive or limited your knowledge of electronic theory or your experience in tuning radio circuits, it is necessary that the procedures contained in this manual be carefully followed step by step. In this way you can be assured of obtaining optimum performance with a minimum of time and effort on your part.

Impedance is the total opposition to the flow of alternating current at a particular frequency. It is a combination of resistance and reactance. Its significance is that the impedance of the antenna system must match that of the transmitter in order to obtain maximum efficiency.

Reactance is the opposition to the flow of alternating current at a particular frequency by inductance or capacitance. Where both inductive reactance and capacitive reactance are present, resultant reactance is equal to the difference between them.

Inductive reactance varies directly with inductance. That is, an increase in inductance causes an increase in inductive reactance. This has the same effect as increasing the length of the antenna.

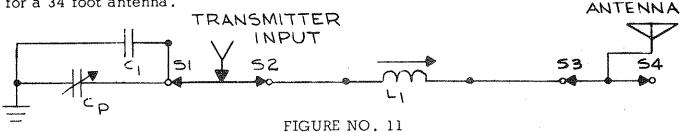
Capacitive reactance varies inversely with capacitance. That is, an increase in capacitance causes a decrease in capacitive reactance. Since capacitive reactance is the opposite of inductive reactance, it follows that the presence of capacitance has the same effect as shortening the antenna. However large values of capacitance will have less shortening effect than small values.

In summary, then it is necessary to remember only the following:

- Increase inductance to lengthen the antenna.
- Decrease inductance to shorten the antenna.
- Insert large values of capacitance to shorten the antenna a little.
- Insert small values of capacitance to shorten the antenna a lot.

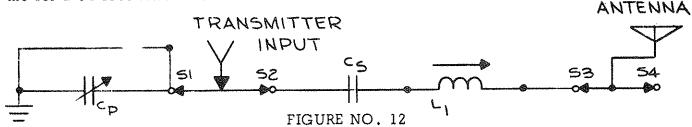
This applies to components that are placed in series with the antenna. If a component is placed in shunt (or parallel), the effect is just the opposite. That is, if inductance is used as a shunt for the antenna, it will act to shorten the antenna rather than lengthen it.

Group B. For frequencies of 6 mc to 7.0 mc for a 29 foot antenna, 5 mc to 6.0 mc for a 34 foot antenna.



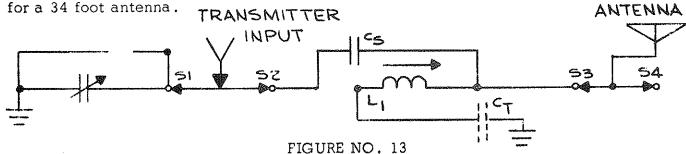
The required series inductance for these frequencies ranges from 2 uh to 3.85 uh which is within the tuning range of the inductor L₁. Only a small amount of inductance is required since the antenna is nearly as long as required for these frequencies. Therefore the air duct is not required and is switched out.

Group C. For frequencies of 7.0 mc to 10 mc for a 29 foot antenna, 6.0 mc to 9 mc for a 34 foot antenna.



In this configuration, series capacitance is required rather than series inductance in order to effectively shorten the antenna to a point that permits small adjustments to be made with the tunable inductor $L_{\rm l}$. Therefore Capacitor $C_{\rm s}$ is used in place of the air duct. The total input capacitance required is usually between 500 pf and 200 pf, so the padder $C_{\rm p}$ requires no parallel capacitor.

Group D. For frequencies of 10 mc to 18 mc for a 29 foot antenna, 9 mc to 18 mc for a 34 foot antenna



In this configuration the fixed capacitor C_{S} is the only series element. Since this does not effectively shorten the antenna sufficiently (values smaller than 30 pf for C_{S} are not practical) the tunable inductor L_{I} is used as a shunt to accomplish this, and small adjustments are made with L_{I} . Since L_{I} is tunable only within the inductance range of 2 uh to 3.85 uh, a capacitor C_{t} is inserted in series with L_{I} on frequencies requiring less than 2 uh shunt inductance (from 13 or 14 mc to 18 mc). Approximate values for C_{S} and C_{t} may be determined from the graphs on pages 28 and 29.

Coil tuning screws should not be turned in more than 1/8 inch from full in as the locking device will become ineffective and the tuning slug will become on the chassis. The proper alignment tool must be used to avoid damage to the coil tuning screws.

Good tuning of the coupling unit is dependent upon a good electrical ground. The grounding strap provided on the front of the box must be securely bouded to the aircraft.

The lead from the coupling unit to the sircraft feed-thru insulator should be as short as possible. The suggested length is 6 inches. It should not exceed 12 inches, because perfomance drops off rapidly over this length due to dissipation of power inside the aircraft. This dissipation is not measured by the Wattmeter and is therefore not readily detected.

When tuning the coupling unit, care should be taken not to short turns on the air duct by allowing the air duct clips to be poorly positioned. After final tuning, all air duct clips should be rechecked for proper positioning and tightness.

High RF voltage is present on the air duct and the air duct clips, so all contact while the transmitter is keyed should be with insulated tools. A wooden clothespin is useful in holding the air duct clips while they are being repositioned.

Care must be taken to be sure that the insulated wires from the air duct clips do not touch the air duct. This is necessary because the high RF voltage will burn through the insulation and may cause damage.

The transmitter should not be continuously keyed for over 30 seconds while operating into an untuned antenna. If the transmitter has a low power switch all tuning should be done with the switch in this position. Using only the aircraft battery during tuning will also lessen possibility of excessive Power Amplifier dissipation during the assemble coupler.

The following tuning procedure:

Maximum inductance on the variable inductors is obtained when the screw is extended full out.

Minimum inductance is obtained when the screw reaches approximately 1/8 inch from full in.

The inductance of the air duct increases as the tap is moved away from the porcelain autenna feed white insulator.

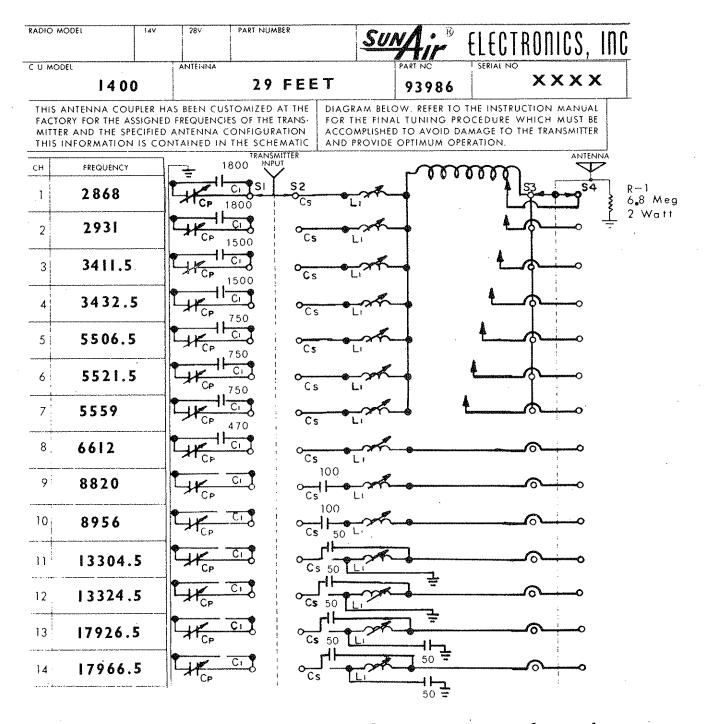
GROUP A, B, C, AND D TUNING PROCEDURE

If optimum tuning is not obtained with steps §, 9, and 10, the following steps will help determine the cause of the difficulty and the appropriate action to take.

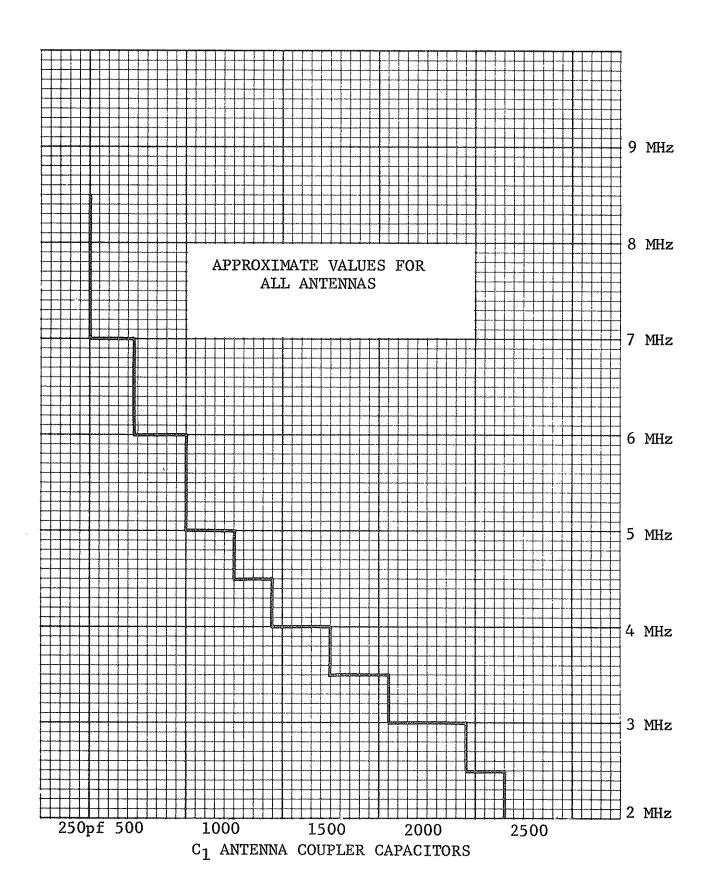
WARNING: If any replacement of parts is required, parts replacements must be made with components of equal rating regarding voltage, stability and Q. Installing components of lesser rating may result in system failure. A fixed Capacitor Kit (SunAir Part No. 99130) may be ordered from the factory to meet this requirement. It is important that the wire leads on any replacement parts be as short as possible and that the resin core solder joint be of good quality. Excess resin must be cleaned from the joint.

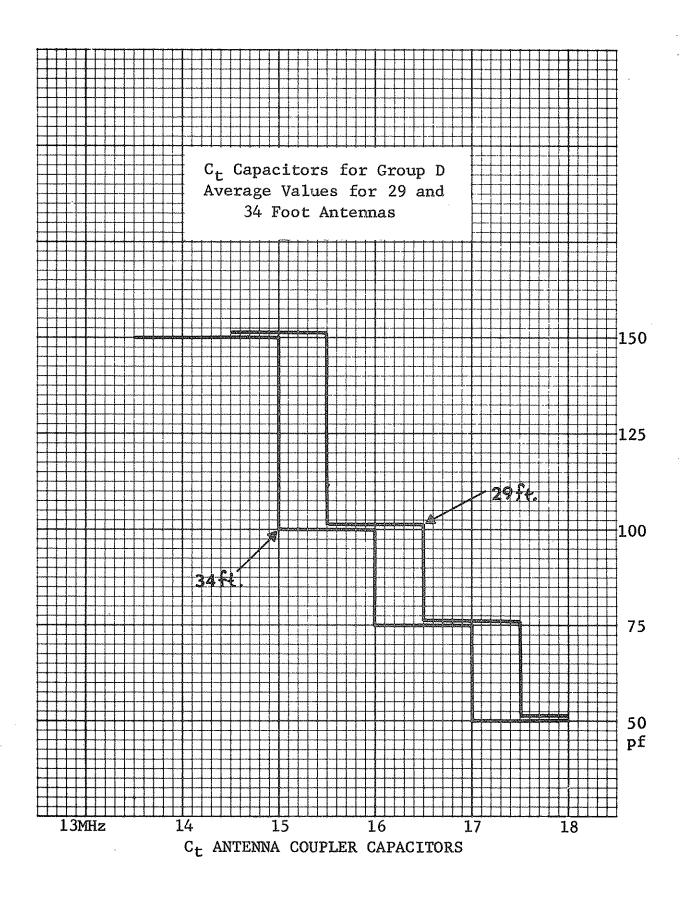
- A. FOR GROUP A FREQUENCIES, REFER TO ANTENNA COUPLER CONFIGURATION FIGURE 10, PAGE 16.
- 12. If L_1 reaches maximum inductance (screw extended full out) when approaching the dip:
 - 12.1 Move the air duct clip on the air duct one turn <u>away</u> from the porcelain antenna feed thru insulator (to increase inductance).
 - 12.2 Repeat Steps 8, 9, and 10.
- 13. If L_1 reaches minimum inductance (screw turned 1/8 inch from full in) when approaching the dip:
 - 13.1 Move the air duct clip on the air duct one turn <u>toward</u> the porcelain antenna feed thru insulator (to decrease inductance).
 - 13.2 Repeat Steps 8, 9 and 10.
- 14. If no indication of tuning is observed, the air duct clip on the air duct will have to be repositioned.
 - 14.1 Return the positions of the screws on L_1 and C_p to some midposition.
 - 14.2 Loosen the screw on the air duct clip for that channel and using an insulated holder, touch the air duct clip to successive turns of the air duct in each direction from the original turn until the meter shows a noticeable dip.
 - 14.3 Fasten the air duct clip to this turn.
 - 14.4 Repeat Steps 8, 9 and 10.

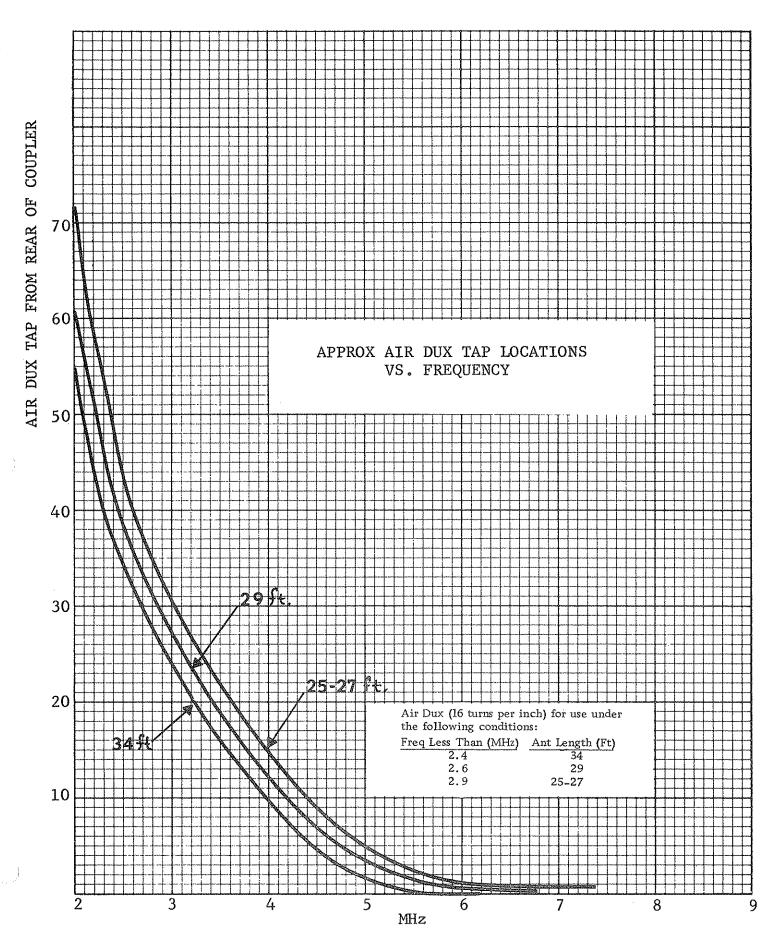
- C. FOR GROUP C FREQUENCIES, REFER TO ANTENNA CONFIGURATION FIGURE 12, PAGE 17.
- 19. If L1 reaches maximum inductance (screw extended full out) when approaching the dip, more capacitance is required.
 - 19.1 Remove the disc capacitor $C_{\rm S}$ and solder a new disc capacitor with a larger value in its place.
 - 19.2 Repeat steps 8, 9, and 10.
- 20. If Ly reaches minimum inductance (screw extended 1/8 inch from full in) when approaching the dip, less capacitance is required.
 - 20.1 Remove the disc capacitor $C_{\,\mathrm{S}}$ and solder a new disc capacitor with a lesser value in its place.
 - 20.2 Repeat Steps 8, 9, and 10.
- 21. If no indication of tuning is observed, follow the procedure described in step 19 first. If this does not give the desired result, follow the procedure described in step 20.
- 22. If a change in transmitting frequency or antenna length is made, the value of $C_{\rm S}$ may have to be changed.
 - 22.1 Refer to graph on Page 28 to determine the approximate for $C_{\rm S}$ that will be required.
 - 22.2 Remove the disc capacitor $C_{\rm S}$ and solder the new value $C_{\rm S}$ in its place.
 - 22.3 Repeat Steps 8,9, and 10.
- D. FOR GROUP D FREQUENCIES, REFER TO ANTENNA CONFIGURATION FIGURE 13, PAGE 17.
- 23. If L reaches maximum inductance (screw extended full out) when approaching the dip, $C_{\rm S}$ should be decreased in value. Only $C_{\rm S}$ should be changed; in this case it is not necessary for $C_{\rm S}$ and $C_{\rm C}$ to have the same value.
 - 23.1 Remove the disc capacitor $C_{\rm S}$ and solder a new disc capacitor with a smaller value in its place.
 - 23.2 Repeat Steps 8,9, and 10.



The above is a typical schematic of an antenna coupler and shows examples of circuit variations over the range of frequencies. The four circuit groups described in Section 6 of the manual are represented. A schematic similar to the above is affixed to the inside cover of each SunAir Antenna Coupler. This provides a record of the exact circuit configuration of the unit. It is recommended that the schematic be corrected when a circuit change is made to the antenna coupler.







PARTS LIST

СКТ.	PART	DESCRIPTION PART	CKT.	PART	
SYM.	NO.	DESCRIPTION	SYM.	NO.	DESCRIPTION *KIT
С _р	27 058	Capacitor, Padder	Cl	25426	Capacitor, Mica, 200 pf, 500 VDC
Cl		Capacitor, Mica, 500V (Frequency Dependent)	C1	25438	Capacitor, Mica, 250 pf, 500 VDC (2)
C2	27230	Capacitor, 1 uf, 100V	C1	25505	Capacitor, Mica, 470 pf, 500 VDC (6)
C _t C _s		Capacitor, Disc, 3 KV,	C1	24915	Capacitor, Mica, 750 pf, 500 VDC (4)
RI	18722	(Frequency Dependent)	C1	24927	Capacitor, Mica, 1000 pf, 500 VDC (4)
Ш	63868	Resistor, 6.8 megohms, 2 watt	C1	24965	Capacitor, Mica, 1200 pf, 500 VDC (4)
		Coil, Variable, 2.0 uh to 3.85 uh	C1	24939	Capacitor, Mica, 1500 pf, 500 VDC (4)
L2	99644	Air Dux Coil Assembly, 16 turns/inch	C1	26690	Capacitor, Mica, 1800 pf, 500 VDC (2)
L2	99643	Air Dux Coil Assembly, 10 turns/inch	C1	24903	Capacitor, Mica, 2000 pf, 500 VDC
CR1	40165	Diode	C1	26705	Capacitor, Mica, 2200 pf, 500 VDC
F1	89654	1 1/2 Amp., S.B.	C1	26717	Capacitor, Mica, 2400 pf, 500 VDC
KRI	98629	Motor, Ledex, Complete with S5 (14V)	C1	27319	Capacitor, Mica, 2500 pf, 500 VDC
K R1	34271	Motor, Ledex, Complete with S5 (28V)	Ct, Cs	25957	Capacitor, Ceramic, 20 pf, 3 KVDC
S1, S2, S3, S4	34386	Switch Wafer, 10 Position, Ceramic	Ct, Cs	25945	Capacitor, Ceramic, 30 pf, 3 KVDC (4)
S5	32417	Switch Wafer, Channeling	Ct, Cs	25933	Capacitor, Ceramic, 50 pf, 3 KVDC (6)
J1	7 5108	Connector, Channeling	Ct, Cs	25921	Capacitor, Ceramic, 75 pf, 3 KVDC (6)
J2	74192	Connector, RF Input	Ct, Cs	2 5919	Capacitor, Ceramic, 100 pf, 3 KVDC (6)
	84903	Fusebolder	Ct, Cs	25907	Capacitor, Ceramic, 120 pf, 3 KVDC (4)
	71035	Insulator, Feed Through, High Voltage	Ct, Cs	25892	Capacitor, Ceramic, 150 pf, 3 KVDC (6)
	51592-1	Spacer, Phenolic, 1/4 dia. x 2-3/16 lg.		*KTT_	SunAir has available a kit of capacitors
	52388	Coupling, Shaft			which is made up of those most commonly used in antenna couplers. This kit is
	9973 9	Strap, Grounding			identified by part number 99130 and con- sists of the quantities shown in the last
	7 5093 75110 908 7 3	Connector, Cable, Channeling Clamp, Cable, Channeling Connector, Cable, R.F.			column. Field Service men are encouraged to use
	34362	Shaft, Switch			capacitors with proper voltage rating, dissipation factor and temperature stabil-
	50665	Clip, Air Duct			ity in the frequency dependent circuits. Using inferior components may result in
	98928	Shock Isolator Kit, All Attitude (Option)			detuning and/or complete failure of the circuit.
	10151	Board, Component, 10 Channel			
	10288	Board, Component, 5 and 6 Channel			
C3-C8	28337	Capacitor .47 uf			
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