

M2 Antenna Systems, Inc. Model No: 440-11X



SPECIFICATIONS:

Model	.440-11X
Frequency Range	.420 To 450 MHz
*Gain	.13.44 dBi
Front to back	.20 dB Typical
Beamwidth	.E=34° H=43°
Feed type	.Folded Dipole
Feed Impedance.	.50 Ohms Unbalanced
Maximum VSWR	.1.5:1 Typical
Input Connector	."N" Female
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Power Handling	.1 kW
Boom Length / Dia	.60" / 1"
Maximum Element Length	.13-3/4"
Turning Radius:	.55"
Stacking Distance	.34" High & 36" Wide
Vast Size	.2" Nom.
Nind area / Survival	.0.6 Sq. Ft. / 100 MPH
Neight / Ship Wt	.4 Lbs. / 6 Lbs.
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*Subtract 2.14 from dBi for dBd

FEATURES:

M2 is always trying to design and build new antennas to fit the needs of amateur radio operators. The "X" series of antennas are all designed to keep the packaging under 48" long to minimize oversize surcharges applied by shippers. The "X" series antennas offer the same performance as its predecessor, but with shorter boom sections. The boom sections also have a thicker wall for added strength. A side benefit of the "X" series antennas are that they are more portable with the smaller sections.

The 440-11X replaces our very popular 420-50-11. The 440-11X is a computer optimized broadband yagi featuring an excellent pattern and good gain across its bandwidth. It can be mounted vertically or horizontally and is ideal for stacking two or more for additional gain. Its light weight yet sturdy construction keep the cost low and the performance high. Use it for ATV, OSCAR, FM, LONG HAUL TROPO, ETC. We guarantee you will be impressed.

The heart of the 440-11X is a unique Driven Element Module with superior weather resistance and power handling abilities. All connectors are O-ring sealed to the CNC machined block and internal connections are sealed in a space-age silicone gel with a dielectric strength nearly 4 times greater than air. The Balun coax connectors are triple O-ring sealed. Other key mechanical and electrical parts are CNC machined from 6061-T6 aluminum and all hardware except U-bolts is stainless steel.

The 440-11X offers you uncompromising performance, enduring mechanical construction, and long term electrical integrity.

440-11X ASSEMBLY MANUAL

- Tools handy for assembly process: screwdriver, 11/32" spin-tite or socket, 7/16" and 1/2" end wrenches / sockets, measuring tape.
- 1. This antenna uses a one-piece boom.
- 2. Lay out the elements by length and position as shown the DIMENSION sheet. Start with the reflector (longest) element and push on a black button insulator to about 1/2" from center. Push the element through the holes 1/2" from the rear of the boom and install the second button, snugging it up into boom. DO NOT BOTHER WITH ACCURATELY CENTERING the element at this time and DO NOT INSTALL the stainless steel internal locking "KEEPERS" yet. This is easier to do after all the elements are installed in the boom.
- 3. Install the 3/16" rod DRIVEN ELEMENT as you did the reflector. Then continue with the installation of the DIRECTORS. *Note that the Director Elements do not consistently diminish in length from rear to front, so pay close attention to length and position.*
- 4. Now begin centering the elements. Use a tape measure to EQUALIZE the amount the element



sticking out on each side of the boom. Once you have all the elements centered, sight down the element tips from the rear comparing each side. Look for any obvious discrepancies and correct if found.

5. Install the stainless steel SHAFT RETAINERS to secure the elements. NOTE: For portable or temporary use of the antenna, the retainers may be left off. The button insulators, normally a tight fit, hold the elements quite securely. To install, use thumb and forefinger to hold the retainer over the end of the PUSH TUBE (3/8" x 3")

To install, use thumb and forefinger to hold the retainer over the end of the PUSH TUBE (3/8" x 3" tube, supplied in the kit), internal fingers on retainer dished into tube. HOLD THE ELEMENT FIRMLY TO PREVENT IT FROM SLIDING OFF CENTER and press the retainer onto the element end and continue until retainer butts on insulator button. Locking pliers, *lightly* clamped up against

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opposite button insulator will help maintain center reference. If you push the first retainer too far, remove element from boom, push retainer completely off the element, and start over. Install another retainer to the opposite side of the element. Continue installing retainers until all elements are locked in place.

- 6. Mount the DRIVEN ELEMENT BLOCK to the boom using a single 8-32 X 1-1/4" screw and lock washer. Orient the block with type "N" feed connector facing to the rear and balun connectors facing to the front. Block orientation may be reversed if you wish to center mount antenna.
- 7. Attach balun and tighten the connectors *gently* using a 7/16" end wrench. A lot of torque is unnecessary. Form the balun close to the boom and secure to boom with a nylon cable tie. Tie should be snug but not crushing or kinking the coax.
- 8. Install the 8-32 x 1/4" set screws (internal Allen head tool supplied) into the SHORTING BARS. Slide the bars onto the 3/16" rod driven element tips and 1/8" Driven Element Block Rods. Position the Shorting Bars as specified on the Dimension Sheet: the distance given is between the outer edge of the Driven Element Block and the inner edge of the Shorting Bar. Align the bars and rods with each other and tighten the setscrews.
- 9. The boom to mast plate is normally mounted at the rear of the boom using 1" U-bolts and the stainless locknuts provided. DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN. 2" U-bolts, cradles, and stainless hardware are provided for mounting the antenna to your mast. Secure feed coax to boom and mast with harness ties.

10. MOUNTING

THIS ANTENNA CAN BE **REAR MOUNTED** IN ANY POLARITY TO ANY TYPE OF 2" MAST. IF YOU PLAN TO CENTER-MOUNT THE ANTENNA PLEASE FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES BELOW:

Maintain good VSWR and pattern: Keep metallic masts, cross booms and the feed coax out of the element plane.

- FOR HORIZONTAL POLARIZATION, the antenna may be center-mounted to a metallic vertical mast or a horizontal NON-METALLIC cross boom (no conductive material in element plane). If mounted to a horizontal cross boom, route the feedline forward to the boom-to-mast plate, loop down at right angles to the element plane, and bring back to cross boom at least 6" beyond element tips.
- FOR VERTICAL POLARIZATION, the antenna may be center-mounted to a NON METALLIC VERTICAL MAST (no conductive material in element plane) or a horizontal metallic cross boom. If mounted to a vertical mast, route the feed line forward to the boom-to-mast plate, loop out at a right angle to the boom, and bring down to the mast at least 6 inches BELOW THE ELEMENT TIPS. The feedline may also exit at the rear of the boom and loop back to the mast.

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THIS COMPLETES THE ANTENNA ASSEMBLY.

440-11X DIMENSION SHEET



440-11X PARTS & HARDWARE

DESCRIPTION	QTY
BOOM SECTION, 1 X .065 X 31" (M2ABS440-11X-1)	1
BOOM SECTION, 2 X .065 X 31" (M2ABS440-11X-2)	1
ELEMENTS, 3/16 ROD x Dimension Sheet	11
DRIVEN ELEMENT ASSEMBLY (SADEA432UHF-1)	1
BALUN, RG-6 1/2 WAVE	1
BOOM-TO-MAST PLATE, .188 X 3" X 4" (M2APT0019)	1
U-BOLT AND CRADLE, 2"	2
U-BOLT, 1"	2
ASSEMBLY MANUAL	1

IN HARDWARE BAG:

SHORTING BAR (M2ASB0080)	2
BUTTON INSULATORS	22
KEEPER, SS	22
NUT, 5/16-18 SS	4
LOCK WASHER, 5/16 SS	4
LOCKNUT, 1/4-20 SS	4
SETSCREW, 8-32 X 1/4, SS	4
SCREW, 8-32 X 1-1/4 SS	3
LOCKNUT, 8-32" SS	2
LOCK WASHER, #8 SS	1
CABLE TIE, NYLON	2
ALLEN HEAD WRENCH, 5/64"	1
PUSH TUBE, 3/8 X 3"	1

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