TRAV’LER™
Automatic Multi-Satellite TV Antenna

Model SK-3005 DIRECTV® SLIMLINE

INSTALLATION MANUAL
Made in the U.S.A.

SK-3005
Congratulations!

You have selected the Winegard® TRAV'LER Automatic Multi-Satellite TV Antenna. The TRAV'LER antenna will deliver the ability to view up to five satellites at the same time with unmatched signal strength, the lowest travel height on the market, maximum HD capabilities and easy to use functionality – just like you get at home. This manual provides important information on the installation and operation of your TRAV'LER Interface Box. Please take time to read the manual in its entirety before installing or operating your antenna.

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**Recommended Receivers:**

The Winegard® TRAV'LER Automatic Multi-Satellite TV Antenna will work with any DIRECTV® receiver currently in production. Consult your receiver manual or www.winegard.com if you have any questions about whether your receiver is compatible. However, we recommend:

- **DIRECTV**: models D11 and H20

Each receiver will require at least one coax cable. Refer to receiver manual for wiring details.

Check with your programming provider for coverage in certain areas.

Before you begin, please make sure you have received all necessary parts to properly install and operate your TRAV'LER antenna.

- Installation/Operation Manual
- Mount Base with 30’ Cable - Power/Control Cable
- TRAV’LER Interface Box
- Reflector, LNBF & Feed Arm
- 24” AC power cord
- TRAV’LER Power supply
- Gray Coax Cable 30’
- Black Coax Cable 30’
- Mounting Hardware bag
- Cable Entry Hardware bag

**Selecting a Location for the TRAV'LER Antenna**

Before removing the TRAV'LER antenna from its box, check with your RV Dealer or manufacturer. Your RV may be pre-wired or have a reinforced area for this system. **DO NOT install in a location where a gap of 3/16” or more exists, as it may damage the roof.** See diagram at top of page 3.
Plan your entire installation before you start. Determine the location of all of your equipment and make sure cable and wires are long enough to reach their destination points.

You must find a location on the roof that provides adequate space to allow the TRAV’LER antenna to operate. The TRAV’LER antenna has a Front and Back and must be mounted correctly to avoid damage to the TRAV’LER antenna or the coach. **The antenna must be mounted +/-3 degrees of level or the system may not function correctly.** The Transition plate for the TRAV’LER unit is marked “FRONT” and “BACK”. See Figure 1.

**FIGURE 1**

Winegard is NOT liable for damage, expenses, or injury caused by improper installation.

Once you have checked for this:

1. Choose a location on the roof of the RV that will allow the dish to raise and rotate without interference from other roof mounted equipment. **The TRAV’LER antenna may only be mounted parallel to the centerline of the coach.**

**FIGURE 2**

2. The minimum roof space required for the TRAV’LER antenna is 44" L x 34" W.
   a. **The operational space requires that no obstructions taller than 8 inches be mounted within a 68" diameter circle from the center of the unit.**
3. The unit must be within 3° of level for best operation.
4. Make sure that the location offers enough support to attach the TRAV’LER antenna securely.
5. Find a well ventilated location with a 110 V outlet for the TRAV’LER Interface inside the vehicle.

Make sure to clean the installation area before you begin.

You will want to decide where the wires will enter the vehicle. One coax cable per receiver and a control cable will need to be run into the vehicle.

⚠️ Warning: Do not run the wires through the striped area shown. Consult your receiver manual for specifics in the diagram.

FIGURE 3

NOTE: Anything in the striped area will interfere with the operation of the TRAV’LER antenna and may cause damage to the object or the TRAV’LER antenna.

TRAV’LER Mount Installation

Verify that the “FRONT” of the transition plate is facing the front of the vehicle, then place the TRAV’LER antenna mount on the roof where you plan to install it. See Figure 3. Mark where the screw holes will go by placing marks through the holes in the mount base on the roof of the RV. It is important that you be able to see these marks! Move the TRAV’LER mount out of the installation area. It is recommended that you don’t pre-drill the holes at this time.

Use a solid bead of sealant to connect these marks in the shape of the base.

Replace the TRAV’LER antenna base and screw it to the roof. Check with your vehicle manufacturer for any special screw requirements before using the supplied screws.
Run a solid bead of sealant around the transition plate, making sure to cover each screw head. Be careful not to get any sealant above the lip of the transition plate. See diagram of transition plate.

**Cable Entry Plate Installation:**

Decide the best location for the cables to enter the vehicle.

**You will need to run:**
- A coax directly to each receiver location.
- A control cable to the TRAV’LER Interface box.

Drill a 1/2" hole in the roof and push the required wires through. (Installations for multiple receivers may require a larger hole or multiple holes as each receiver requires a dedicated coax cable.) Each receiver will require at least one coax cable. See receiver manual for wiring details.

Place the cable entry plate supplied in hardware bag over the hole and cables. Screw the plate in place and seal the plate and screw holes with approved sealant (not included).

Depending on the length of the cable on the roof, you may need to use cable clamps between the unit and your cable entry plate. Clamping every 12-16" should eliminate any unnecessary cable movement.

**FIGURE 4**

![Diagram of transition plate]

**WARNING:** DO NOT cut any wires when you drill the hole for your cables.

**FIGURE 5**

**OVERALL INSTALLATION DRAWING**

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Cable installation:
Connect the control cable and power cable to the back of the TRAV’LER Interface box as shown below. Note:
For cable runs longer than 25’ an extension may be purchased. Do not exceed 50’ of cable.

FIGURE 5

Attach the TRAV’LER control cable to the TRAV’LER Interface Box, as shown in Figure 5. Attach the output cable from the Power supply to the TRAV’LER Interface Box. See above. Finally, connect a coax cable from the TRAV’LER mount to each of the receivers being used with the TRAV’LER Automatic Satellite Dish. See Appendix for information on properly installing a Hex Connector.

Find a location to plug in the TRAV’LER Power supply and plug it in.

Reflector Installation:
Once the wires are run and the sealant has started to cure:
Check to be sure that there is nothing above the TRAV’LER that might prevent it from raising. You will need at least 40” of clearance above the TRAV’LER Mount to ensure that you have room to install the reflector.

Steps 1-7 explain how to use the TRAV’LER Interface box to raise the mount to install the reflector.

1. Press [POWER] and hold for 2 seconds to turn “ON” the TRAV’LER Interface Box. Wait until the Interface Box finishes “connecting to antenna”.
   TIP: You have “10 SECONDS” to do Step 2 or the “Search Routine” starts. (See NOTE)

2. Press [ENTER] and hold for 2 seconds or until the unit displays “Enter User Menu”.
   Press [SELECT] to move the asterisk to “Yes”. Press [ENTER].

3. Press [SELECT] to move the asterisk to [INSTALLATION].

4. Press [ENTER]. You will be asked to provide a code to enter the Installation Menu.

5. Press [ENTER] 4 times to enter code 0000.

   Press [SELECT] to move the asterisk to “Yes”.

7. Press [ENTER]. The TRAV’LER mount will raise up about half way, to make it possible to attach the reflector.

NOTE: If the TRAV’LER enters the “Search Routine” you can still enter the “Menu Mode”. See steps A & B.

If the TRAV’LER Mount raises past 1/2 way before [RAISE DISH] is selected (See Step 6), the TRAV’LER will hit its Upper Hard Stop and “Motor Stall” appears. This is Normal!

The “Motor Stall” means the TRAV’LER is all the way up & the mount can raise no more. There are two easy ways to clear the “Motor Stall”. Either is okay. (See Steps A & B).
WARNING: Pay attention to these Pinch Points as the antenna raises!

Using the (4) bolts and nuts provided, attach the reflector to the mounting bracket.

Press [POWER] to lower the antenna to the travel position. Note: The nuts securing the dish should be tightened to 6-8 lb.ft.

Receiver Setup:

If you are not able to see all of your channels or the receiver displays an error, it may be necessary to go through the receiver set up once the TRAV'LER has finished a successful search.

Please refer to your Receiver Manual to enter the Guided Setup, using five LNB Multi-Sat for antenna type.

⚠️ DO NOT set the receiver for five LNB’s unless the TRAV'LER indicates a successful search.

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Appendix:

Making the Right Connection with FC-5910 Hex Connectors

Making a coaxial cable connection is critical. If you have the basic technique right you can modify it to your own personal taste. Whether you use a knife, stripping tool or diagonal cutter, the important thing is to make a good clean cut. A hex crimping tool is required for hex connectors, for maximum RF transmission.

As mentioned before, the choice of tools is yours. Be sure you do a precise job. Failure to do so can cost you time and money in trying to locate a system problem.

Slide FC-5910 connector onto coax. Trim off excess braid.

Cut the cable flush. Strip the outer jacket off 1/2", then trim the dielectric by cutting partially thru. DO NOT NICK THE CENTER CONDUCTOR! Twist and pull off leaving a 1/2" minimum of exposed center conductor.

Remove additional 1/4" of the outer jacket. Pull the braid away from the dielectric and fold over the jacket. If there's any residue on the center conductor scrape off with non-metallic object.

IN HOT WEATHER: Trim off center conductor leaving 3/16" beyond the connector. The center conductor expands at higher temperatures. If a little extra is not provided, it may contract enough in the winter to create an open connection and result in loss of picture.

IN COLD WEATHER OR INDOORS: Trim off center conductor leaving it extended 1/16" of an inch beyond the connector. (Use diagonal pliers for cutting center conductor).

![DIAGRAM]

⚠️ DO NOT paint this antenna! Painting the TRAV’LER antenna will void your warranty.
WINEGARD MOBILE PRODUCTS LIMITED WARRANTY
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RETURN AUTHORIZATION POLICY

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See manufacturer’s limited warranty policy.
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**Operation**

The TRAV'LER Interface offers a simple one button operation that is also protected from accidental searches by a careful delay. Simply pressing the [Power] button will not start a search.

**To start a search:**

Press and Hold [Power] for two seconds or until the TRAV'LER interface displays “POWER ON”.

Now the power is ON, the button may be released.

Once the power is on, the TRAV'LER Interface will try to determine the type of dish that it is working with. The TRAV'LER Interface will display the type of satellite dish on the top line and the action it is taking on the bottom. See below.

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READY MULTI-SAT

The TRAV'LER antenna will enter the search mode as part of its normal operation. The first part of the search is for the TRAV'LER to find its “Home” position. Once it finds it home position, it will begin to look for a satellite.

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HOME EL

DIRECTV SLIMLINE

HOME AZ/SK

When the TRAV'LER antenna finds a satellite, it will fine tune or “Peak” on the signal and determine which of the satellites it has found. Once the TRAV'LER knows which satellite it has found, it can move directly to the correct satellite(s).

The TRAV'LER antenna in its automatic search mode will lock onto three different satellites. As it finishes its search, the TRAV'LER will display an “*” for each of the satellites it found. See below.

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*99  *101  *103  *110  *119

Now you are ready to watch TV.
**Ready to Travel?**
To stow the unit when you are ready to travel:

Press [Power] one time.

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STOWING

The unit will stop what it is doing and begin to return to the stowed position. The TRAV'LER Interface WILL NOT TURN OFF unless the TRAV'LER mount is successfully stowed.

**Manual Mode:**

The TRAV'LER antenna is an extremely versatile satellite antenna and can be manually set to find many different satellites individually. **NOTE: This function is rarely used.**

To enter the Manual Search Mode while the TRAV'LER is stowed:

Press the [Power] button and hold it for two seconds to turn the unit on.
While the Trav'ler Interface reads:

**WINEGARD BURLINGTON**
POWER ON

Press and hold the [Enter] button for two seconds.

The TRAV'LER Interface will ask if you wish to enter the User Menu:

Press [Select] to choose YES and then press [Enter].

**ENTER USER MENU**

*YES        NO

The User Menu consists of four choices:
**Search Mode**
Diagnostics
Installation
Exit

**NOTE:** Diagnostic and Installation Menus are not required for normal operation and should only be entered by a trained professional.
To use the Manual Search Mode to select a specific satellite, choose Search Mode by pressing the [Enter] button.

Once in the Search Menu you may choose from:

MULTISAT MODE (The normal search mode)
MANUAL 61
MANUAL 72
MANUAL 82
MANUAL 91
MANUAL 101
MANUAL 110
MANUAL 119
MANUAL 129
MANUAL 148
MAIN MENU (returns to the User Menu)
EXIT (Enters the Search Routine)

Press [Select] to cycle through each of these satellites until the asterisk is next to the satellite you wish to find. Then press [Enter].

The TRAV'LER Interface will ask you to confirm the change:

Press [Select] to move the asterisk to YES.

The TRAV'LER will remain in manual mode until you select multi-sat mode again.

The Trav'ler Interface will acknowledge your selection and ask:

POWER OFF
*YES NO

Pressing [Enter] or choosing YES, will stow the TRAV'LER and turn it off. Pressing [Select] then [Enter] or choosing NO will start a new search for your chosen satellite.

**EMERGENCY OFF:**

The Winegard TRAV'LER antenna comes with an emergency Power Off feature. To activate it, press and hold [POWER] and then press [SELECT] while still holding [POWER]. The TRAV'LER antenna will stop where it is and turn off.

⚠️ If the Emergency Power Off is used, the TRAV'LER antenna may not be in a safe position for travel. **DO NOT MOVE THE VEHICLE UNTIL YOU ARE ABLE TO STOW THE UNIT.** See Ready to Travel, top of page 4, Operation section.
### TROUBLESHOOTING:

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⚠️ Note: Weather and vehicle location can impact the ability of the TRAV'LER to locate all of the required satellites.

⚠️ Obstructions such as buildings or tree limbs can block the satellite signals and prevent the TRAV'LER from successfully locating all of the satellites for Multi-Sat Mode. Make sure you have a clear view of the Southern sky.