

Installation Guide



Commercial Flagpole - Glassfibre External - Ground Sleeve

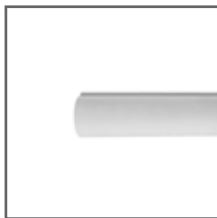
5m - 8m

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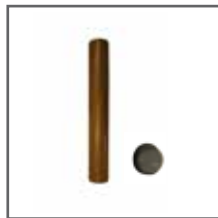
Parts Checklist

- A 1 x Glassfibre Pole (5m - 8m)
- B1 1 x Ground Sleeve & Cap (103mm inside diameter, suitable for 100mm - 65mm tapered flagpole) Or
- B2 1 x Ground Sleeve & Cap (125mm inside diameter, suitable for 120mm - 65mm tapered flagpole)
- C 1 x Fairlead & Saddle
- D 1 x Gold Onion Finial
- E 1 x Cleat
- F 2 x Cleat Screws
- G 3 x Self Tapping Screw
- H 1 x Length of Halyard (Supplied at double the length of the flagpole)

A



B1



B2



C



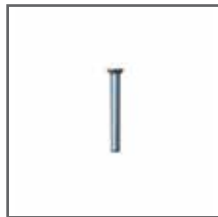
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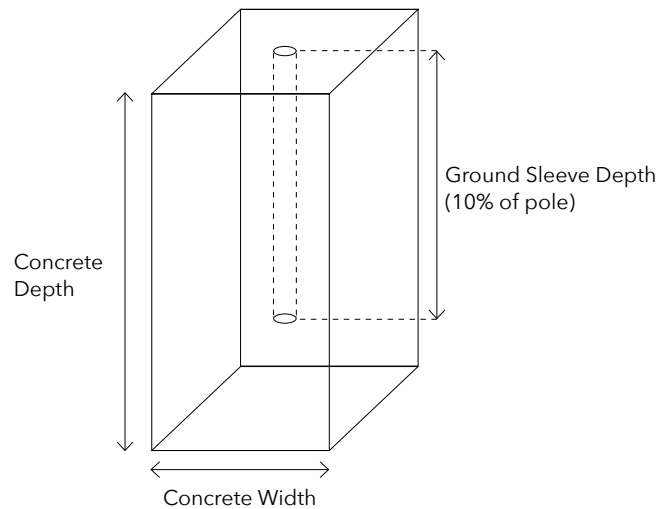


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Step 1

- » Dig foundation to required size see diagram (larger if ground is very sandy).
- » Order / mix concrete and place into hole (25 - 30 Newton - 50 slump - 20mm aggregate).
- » Ensure cap is fitted to ground sleeve to stop concrete from filling the sleeve.
- » Insert ground sleeve vertically into concrete, capped end first. Use spirit level to ensure ground sleeve is vertical. You may prefer to hold the ground sleeve in position with weighted cross batons.
- » Leave foundation to set for several days.

Ground Sleeve Installation - See Below (Flagpole Dimensions)



Flagpole Dimensions												
Flagpole Length (m)	5			6			7			8		
Butt Diameter Ø (mm)	120			120			120			120		
Top Diameter Ø (mm)	65			65			65			65		
Colour	Gel Coat White			Gel Coat White			Gel Coat White			Gel Coat White		
Material	Glassfibre			Glassfibre			Glassfibre			Glassfibre		
Strength	HD	EHD	UHD	HD	EHD	UHD	HD	EHD	UHD	HD	EHD	UHD
Wall Thickness (mm)	4	5	6	3	4	5	3	4	5	3	4	5
Finial	Gold Finial			Gold Finial			Gold Finial			Gold Finial		
Base Fixing	GS			GS			GS			GS		
Foundation Recommended (w2 x d)(mm)	650 x 1250			500 x 1000			500 x 1000			500 x 1000		
Recommended Flag Size (mm)	1830 x 910			1830 x 910			1830 x 910			2290 x 1140		
Maximum Wind Speeds (mph flagged)	30			30			30			30		

HD - Heavy Duty • EHD - Extra Heavy Duty • UHD - Ultra Heavy Duty • HBP - Hinged Base Plate • GS - Ground Sleeve

NB: We recommend that the concrete used in the bases should be of a C30 quality as normally purchased from a ready mixed concrete supplier. If purchaser is to mix concrete up themselves then the ratio of the mix i.e. Cement/Sand/Fine Aggregate must 1:2:3 which results in a very strong mix. Any deviation from the above advise may result in warranty claims being invalid. If in any doubt please contact supplier for clarification.

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Step 2

Slide the saddle over the end of the pole and secure in place with self tapping screws.



Step 3

Using a flat headed screw driver, attach the cleat to the pole using screws provided.



Step 4

Screw the gold finial onto the fairlead and saddle and hand tighten.



Step 5

Thread the halyard through the fairlead and saddle. Ensure there is an equal amount of halyard either side.



Step 6

Tie both ends of the halyard together securely. A triple knot is advised.
(It is recommended that the pole is raised at this point. Slide the pole into the ground sleeve ensuring that the concrete has completely set)



Step 7

Create a slip knot in the halyard. Double the halyard back on itself to create a horizontal loop, pull the halyard down behind the first loop and create a vertical loop. Bring the first loop around behind the vertical loop and pull back through to create a knot.



Step 8

Place the toggle through the slip knot and pull tight.



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Step 9

Create another slip knot approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the length of the width (shortest side) of the flag.



Step 10

Thread the halyard through the slip knot loop and create a clinch knot. Using the finger or thumb create a small loop and wrap the halyard around itself 3 times. Thread the remaining halyard back through the loop and pull tight to secure.



Step 11

Hoist the flag to the top of the pole. Wrap the halyard under the bottom of the cleat then round over the top.



Step 12

Bring the halyard over the top and under the bottom of the cleat in a figure of eight formation. Repeat this twice.



Step 13

Thread the halyard up from the bottom and around the back of the halyard. Pull the remaining halyard through to secure.



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Maintenance Recommendations For Glassfibre Flagpoles

Weekly

- Visual check of halyard for signs of wear or fraying, if necessary replace by sewing end of new halyard to end of old halyard and pull new halyard through top of flagpole.

Six Monthly

- Check stability of flagpole(s). Check operation of hinge bolt by removing nuts and washers and with the aid of an assistant walk flagpole down and place on a support (most important if ground collar 'in situ'). Do not remove levelling nuts.
- Check finial for stability, ease of rotation and check for damage to pulley groove. If necessary replace damaged or worn parts.
- For **external halyard** systems, check for signs of wear or fraying, replace if necessary. Check cleat for security and damage, replace if necessary.
- For **internal halyard** systems (including hoistable arms), check operation of Guardsman lock and jamming cleat, oil lock if necessary. Check for signs of wear or fraying of halyard, replace if necessary. Check for wear or damage on weight, ring and plastic clips. Check to see if any damage to flagpole at weight level. Repair or replace if necessary.
- For **swivel arm** systems, check for signs of wear or fraying of the rotating top, replace if necessary. Check for wear or damage on weight, ring and any clips. Check to see if any damage to flagpole at weight level. Repair or replace if necessary.
- Wash down flagpole with warm water and detergent to remove surface grime. Use a solvent cleaner for ingrained marks.
- Re-erect flagpole by walking the flagpole up, ensuring help is available. Check base nuts for tightness, adjust if necessary. Grease nuts to protect from rust. Check flagpole for vertical alignment.

Yearly

- Full service / inspection of the flagpole by a specialist should be carried out and log / report (provided by the contractor) kept of the date and works completed.

Adverse Weather Conditions

- Flags must be taken down in adverse weather conditions - i.e. if flying a standard flag and wind speeds are expected to exceed 30mph.
- If there is a requirement to keep flags flying in adverse weather conditions, then specialist storm flags (of one third the size) must be used, which will withstand wind speeds up to 45mph.
- The flagpole should be inspected as above prior to re-flying your flag.