

LIGHTNING Installation Guide

The easiest and best way to install your lightning arrestor is by installing a cut-out switch on the hot lead-out wire close to the sight where you will be installing the arrestor. This will make adjustment of the arrestor much easier.

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## THINGS TO CONSIDER BEFORE MOUNTING:

- · Mount outside the building at a location where, should it react to a lightning strike, the heat generated will be safely dissipated.
- The arrestor ground bed and charger ground bed should be separated by at least 50ft.
- Mount arrestor between the charger and any fence connections.

## **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Turn off charger and/or unplug.
- 2. Mount outside and away from the building, but as close as practical to the charger.
- 3. Attach lead out from charger to the end of the metal coil opposite the spark gap.
- 4. Install ground bed at least 50ft away from charger ground bed. Use one more ground rod than used for the charger ground bed. Install rods a minimum of 10ft apart. Connect wire from the ground bed to the mounting from of the arrestor.
- 5. To be most effective, the gap on the 2 pointed upright metal pieces of the arrestor shoul be 1/8" greater than the distance the charger spark will jump.
- 6. After adjusting the gap, disconnect power to the charger and attach hot lead going out to the rest of the fence on the spark gap end of the choke coil.



## TO POSITION THE GAP:

- With power off, make the gap 1/8" by loosening the screws that hold the coil in place.
- Turn the power on and check to see if spark from charger bridges the gap.
- If it does, turn the power off (if cut-out switch is installed, throw switch) and increase the gap by 1/8".
- Continue the above steps until the spark no longer bridges the gap, then increase an additional 1/8".
- Retighten screws.