

Guidelines for Installing a Satellite Dish

PRIOR APPROVAL

Owner must get **PRIOR** written approval from the RDTA Architectural Committee before installing a satellite dish. The owner is to be provided the following guidelines. If location and/or installation of satellite dish does not comply with these criteria, owner will be subject to a fine, and required to repair, waterproof, and restore building to original condition.

LOCATION

A satellite dish **MUST** be...

- In private patio area of unit
- On first story level
- Attached to patio cover or wood on building (first story level only) **
- As close to the central area of patio as possible and still get a signal.

A satellite dish must **NOT** be...

- On second story level
- On stucco building exterior
- On roof of unit
- On roof of garage
- In Common Area
- On neighbor's property.

INSTALLATION

Installation of cable for satellite dish system **MUST**...

- Enter building in single location into attic through vent at eaves. There should be wire-covered vent holes every 2-3 bays in eaves. This will provide you access to pre-wired interior cable system in attic.
- Exterior cable runs limited to unit's patio area and attached to solid surfaces using a minimum amount of cable necessary between dish and interior cable system.
- For dishes mounted on one-story garage fascia – cable run shall be under eaves and/or along fence.
- Have cable painted to match exterior color.
- Be done in a workmanlike manner and protect the area of the property for which the association is responsible.

When installing, do **NOT**...

- Drill through exterior wall. (Cable shall not penetrate stucco at any point)
- Penetrate the garage metal fascia flashing
- Make contact with roof of unit (this includes leaning a ladder against the roof)
- Make contact with roof of garage
- Run excessive cables over building exterior
- Use dish over one meter in diameter (39.37 inches).

** If the mounting bracket is to be mounted on the wood fascia of the garage, and the bracket will not fit completely on the wood fascia board, installer will need to follow one of the following two special mounting instructions:

#1-

- Attach to wood fascia using only the top two holes of mounting bracket and add additional support attaching two arms out to the side.

OR

#2-

- Customer to provide primed and painted piece of wood matching stucco color of that unit's garage [paint color can be determined at rdta.org/paintcolors.htm]
- At the dish mounting location, place a piece of wood flush to the bottom of the garage fascia-board to accommodate the satellite dish foot overhang, and drill (2) - 5" lag bolts to 2x4 stud behind stucco – installer may not have stud finder
- Pre-drill 2 holes below metal flashing at lag bolt hole locations on the foot of the mount
- Pre-drill 2 holes in attached added piece of wood for the foot bottom holes
- Pre-drill hole in fascia-board for lag bolt at center of foot for proper mounting technique
- Weather-seal all holes
- Secure foot and mast using 2" lag bolts through five (5) pre-drilled holes
- Attach 2 arms to mast and secure to fascia-board on both sides of foot with 2" lag bolts

Once you have installed a satellite dish, you are responsible for removing it when it is no longer in use. Removal must include repairing the wood surfaces where the dish was mounted by filling holes with wood filler, matching texture, then priming and painting to match surrounding wood. Should there be any stucco that needs repairs, fill the area with stucco patch, match texture, then prime and paint to match surrounding stucco. Authorized RDTA exterior paint colors are available at <http://rdta.org/paintcolors.htm>.

Should you move into a unit with a satellite dish already installed:

#1 - If you will be using this dish, check with the on-site liaison to be sure the dish is registered. Submit application to transfer registration into your name. This process will involve verification that dish installation was done correctly. If not, you will be responsible to correct. Should the dish not be registered, you will need to submit an after-the-fact application that will involved verifying that the dish installation meets the criteria for approval.

OR

#2 - If you will not be using this dish, contact the on-site liaison to cancel registration for this dish. This process will include that you follow the above instructions for correct removal of dish and repair of building surfaces.

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