

# Ground Spike with 3/8-24 Mount AA-1814T

Thank you for choosing the Intellitron AA-1814T Ground Spike. Whether you're setting up a temporary station in the field, operating from a mountaintop, or preparing a go-kit for emergencies, this rugged and portable ground spike is designed to get you on the air quickly and securely. Its powder-coated finish resists corrosion, and the included lanyard makes it easy to remove from the ground after use. Just mount your vertical antenna, connect your coax, and add radials to optimize performance—you're ready to transmit in minutes!

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Spike Length: 15 inches

Antenna Mount: Standard 3/8-24 threaded stud

Feedline Connection: SO-239

• Radial Connection: 10-32 threaded stud

Material: Steel Construction

Hardware: Stainless steel

• Protective Finish: Black powder coat

Dimensions: 3.15" x 3.15" x 16"

• Weight: Approximately 1 lb

## **CHOOSING A LOCATION**

For best results:

- Select a location with grassy or sandy topsoil; avoid pounding the spike into gravel or rocky terrain.
- Use a small level or a 90° angle guide to install the spike as vertically as possible, especially when supporting long or heavy antennas.

### **CONNECTIONS**

- Attach any antenna with a standard 3/8-24 mounting stud directly to the spike.
- Connect your coax feedline using a PL-259 to the built-in SO-239 connector.
- For grounding and counterpoise, attach one or more wire radials to the #10-32 stud provided.

#### **GROUNDING & RADIALS**

The AA-1814T alone does not provide an adequate counterpoise for most vertical HF antennas. For proper function and efficient radiation:

- Always use at least one radial wire (more is better) extending outward along the ground.
- Alternatively, connect the radial stud to a metal structure such as a parked car, fence, or metal table frame
- A well-grounded antenna system will help ensure better SWR, cleaner signals, and improved contact range.



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