Thank you for purchasing a Shakespeare antenna product. Customer comments are welcome. Before installing, please study the diagram and check parts supplied against those listed.

IMPORTANT! Please read all instructions before installing.

The Style 396-1 is a center-fed, 1/2-wave, coaxial sleeve VHF marine antenna of 5' (1.5 m) overall length. The one-section antenna has a chrome-plated brass ferrule, and is designed to reduce signal fading when working on rough seas.

Tools required: Soldering iron (40-watt min., 75-watt max.), resin core solder, pocket knife, wire cutters.

Installation Instructions

Choose a mounting location that is as high as possible, as free as possible from obstructions, and as far as possible away from other antennas.

- Mount the antenna using a Shakespeare Style 4187 Ratchet Mount (sold separately), or use a Shakespeare Style 4008 Extension Mast and a Shakespeare Style 410-R mounting kit (each sold separately) to form a 13' (4 m) antenna system.
 Follow the directions included with the mount you choose.
- Position the rubber gasket (supplied) according to the illustration at right and tighten the antenna securely onto the mount.
- 3. Route the cable to your transceiver, keeping it as far as possible from other electrical equipment and cables. Any excess cable should be rolled in a coil of at least 8" diameter and stowed in an out-of-the-way place, away from other electrical cabling. Install the PL-259 connector according to the instructions packed with the connector.

This antenna requires no external or internal ground system, and works equally well on fiberglass, wood, or metal boats.

Tech Tip: This antenna will read "open" when tested with an ohm meter or continuity tester. The 50-ohm coaxial cable attached can be shortened as required. However, it should remain at least 3 feet (0.9 m) in length, measured from the point where the cable exits the antenna.

Supplied Parts 1 Antenna assembly Rubber gasket PL-259 connector with instructions **Antenna** assembly Cable to transceiver Chrome-plated brass ferrule Rubber gasket Mount (sold separately)

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