

Genmounts Vector 1.0 (1 Column) Post Driven Installation Manual





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WARNING

The Genmounts[™] VECTOR 1.0 POST DRIVEN GROUND MOUNT racking system is engineered and tested to withstand specifications when installed properly. Failure to install properly may decrease the performance of the installation or void the warranty.



SAFETY

All regional safety requirements should be followed when installing Genmounts[™] VECTOR 1.0 POST DRIVEN GROUND MOUNT racking.

All equipment/tools should be properly maintained and inspected prior to use. This installation manual is intended for use by professional installers with a working knowledge of construction principles.



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1.0 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide instructions on how to properly install Genmounts[™] VECTOR 1.0 Post Driven Ground Mount Racking System.

2.0 Product Overview

Genmounts[™] Vector 1.0 solar racking system is a value engineered, easy to install solar mounting solution for residential, commercial and utility sized projects. Components are made from galvanized G90 steel, but custom materials and finishes can be used at the customers' request.

The key components of Genmounts[™] VECTOR 1.0 POST DRIVEN GROUND MOUNT Racking System are the following:

Column North-South Girder East-West Z-Purlin E-W Purlin Strut Hardware





Features of the technologically advanced Genmounts[™] Vector 1.0 system are:

- 1. Value engineered structural support members
- 2. Minimal parts and tools required
- 3. Low installation time & labor costs

3.0 Technical Specs

All components are made from corrosion resistant materials, with a product warranty of ten (10) years. Structural components are constructed from 50 ksi galvanized steel.

4.0 Installer Responsibility

The installer is responsible for the following:

- Complying with all applicable local or national codes including any that may supersede the relevant requirements stated in this manual
- Ensuring that the Genmounts[™] system components are appropriate for the particular installation and the installation environment
- Ensuring that the selected site location can support the Genmounts[™] Racking system under actual environmental loading conditions
- Using only Genmounts[™] approved parts and installer–supplied parts as specified by Genmounts[™]. Substitution parts may void the warranty
- Ensuring safe installation of all electrical aspects of the Solar PV System
- Ensuring the installation shall be conducted by qualified service personnel only

General safety precautions:

Plan for safe practice during any installation activity with respect to hazards from tripping, falling, lifting, repetitive stress, and any overhead or electrical hazards. Refer to OSHA safety guidelines.

Metal components often have sharp edges. Handle carefully! Wearing gloves is good practice.

This document is not prescriptive regarding safety and does not purport to address all the safety concerns that may arise with its use. Contractors shall become familiar with all applicable safety, health and regulatory requirements before beginning work. Electrical safety notice – The System is a mechanical system and contains no "live" parts. Mechanical installers and electricians shall coordinate in order to ensure that all personnel



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are aware of electrical hazards that may result once panels have been placed on the racking structure.

5.0 Site Selection

Proper preparation of the site must be ensured for a well-performing system to be installed.

The Genmounts[™] VECTOR 1.0 POST DRIVEN GROUND MOUNT system will typically be mounted on a flat surface or slightly graded surface facing South.

General guidelines include:

Choose a clear area free of shading Prepare a well-drained location with minimal slope Minimize drastic terrain and elevation changes Proper subsurface investigation must be made to facilitate column design & installation method – ***TEST PILES AND PILE PULL TESTS GREATLY ENCOROUAGED***

6.0 Materials and Tools Required

The following tools are required for the installation of the Genmounts[™] VECTOR 1.0 POST DRIVEN GROUND MOUNT system:

- Open end, 15/16", 3/4", 1/2", 7/16" & 3/8" Box Wrench
- 15/16" & 3/4" Deep and Short Sockets (5/8" & 1/2" bolts)
- 3/8" & 7/16" Deep and Short Sockets (1/4-20" bolts)
- Impact drill (with multiple drivers)
- Adjustable Torque wrench
- String line & 4' level
- 30' tape measure



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7.0 Component List

The Genmounts™ VECTOR 1.0 POST DRIVEN GROUND MOUNT system contains the following parts:

Column North-South Girder East-West Z-Purlin E-W Purlin Strut Top-Down Compression Bonding Mid Clamp Top-Down Compression Bonding End Clamp Hardware



Column

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8.0 Assembly, Installation, & Grounding Instructions

Assembly Overview:

Genmounts Vector 1.0 Series is comprised of "Starter Sections", "Extension Sections" and "Cantilever Sections".

Starter Section assemblies are comprised of the following structural components:

- (2x) Upright Assemblies
 - Each Upright Assembly:
 - Column
 - N-S Girder
 - Corresponding hardware
- (2x) East-West Z Purlin (208 inches long)
- (1X) E-W Purlin Strut
- Corresponding Hardware
- Starter Assemblies can be used as standalone 5 module sections or beginning of continuous row of modules.



Assembled Stater Section



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Extension Section assemblies are comprised of the following structural components:

- (1x) Upright Assemblies
 - Each Upright Assembly:
 - Column
 - N-S Girder
 - Corresponding hardware
- (2x) East-West Z Purlin (208 inches long)
- (1X) E-W Purlin Strut
- Corresponding Hardware

Extensions Section assemblies are utilized for adding to a continuous row of modules. Extensions Section assemblies cannot be used as standalone sections.





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Assembled Racking with Starter and Extension Section Assemblies

Cantilever Section assemblies are comprised of the following structural components:

- (2x) East-West Z Purlin Cantilevers (44 inches long)
- Corresponding Hardware
- See cantilever assembly instructions on page 19.





- Cantilever Sections can be installed on either side of Starter or Extension Sections See assembled overview below.





Step 1: Column location, installation, and Upright Assembly

- Please refer to the site plan, column locations, and column foundation details in the site specific plan/calculations provided for each project. Possible column installation methods include:
 - Post Driven Pile (vibratory/impact hammer)
 - o Concrete Encased/Footing Pile
 - o Helical/Screw Pile
 - o Ballast Block
- REH recommends having a site survey completed to locate and identify all post locations. Any obstructions should be documented and relayed to REH for design alterations.
 - Install N/S Girder to Column following the schematic below and torque hardware to 128 ft. lbs.:





- Utilize the existing slots in the columns to vertically adjust the setting of the N-S Girder. (see image below for reference).
- Ensure hardware torque setting is achieved, if repositioning of girder is required.





Step 2: Installing East-West Z Purlins

See image below for correct purlin installation orientation. - Installed East-West Z Purlins create continuous mounting surface for module installation.





Starter Sections:

- Install ½" hardware as per sequence below. If installing single Starter Section without Extension Section, torque hardware to final torque value of 64 ft. lbs.
- If utilizing Extension Sections, leave hardware hand tight prior to Extension Section installation.





East-West Z Purlin Adjustability:

- The N-S Girder and East-West Z Purlins have been constructed to incorporate East-West adjustment slots as pictured below:



DETAIL B SCALE 1:2

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Extension Sections:

- If adding Extension Sections, ensure E-W Purlins are installed in the following sequence:
- Install hardware at end of Extension Section securing Purlin to Girder to terminate row.
- Install (1x) ½" bolt and required hardware in the slot on bottom flange and (1x) ½" bolt and required hardware in purlin web to create Extension Section connection.





Cantilever Section Installation:

- If Cantilever Sections are required install as per below:
- Cantilever installation orientation follows same sequence as noted in Extension Sections.





Step 3: Installing E-W Purlin Strut

- Each Starter Section and Extension Section are constructed with the installation of a single E-W Purlin Strut at the midpoint of the Z Purlin.
- Install E-W Purlin Strut utilizing 1/4"-20 hardware as prescribed below. (applies to Northern and Southern E-W Z Purlin)





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Step 4: Installing PV Modules & Top-Down Compression Bonding Clamps

- Install PV Modules on top of East-West Z Purlin using provided bonding top down compression mid and end clamps. Torque clamp hardware to 12-15 ft. lbs.
- Start installation of modules 2" from end of purlins.
- Ensure distance between end of short edge of module and clamp bolt are even on both sides. This ensures proper placement of module on the East-West Z Purlins.





Top-Down Bonding Mid-Clamp Orientation

- Clamp orientation to be installed as depiction below:
 - Ensure clamp retaining clip is installed such that all faces sit squarely to purlin and is fully nested into purlin interface. Ensure retaining clip remains square during torque sequence.





HIGH SIDE MID-CLAMP ASSEMBLY



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INSTALLED MID-CLAMP ASSEMBLY

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	5/16" HEX BOLT	1
2	5/16" SPRING LOCK WASHER	1
3	5/16" FLAT WASHER	1
4	BONDING MID-CLAMP	1
5	CLAMP RETAINING CLIP	1
6	PV MODULE	1
7	Z PURLIN	1



END CLAMP HARDWARE ASSEMBLY DETAIL

End clamp hardware and clamp retaining clip installed same sequence as mid clamps. Ensure proper clamp retaining clip orientation as described in mid clamp installation section.





Wire Management:



The East-West Z Purlins have pre-punched holes as indicated below to install zip ties and create a channel for wire management in the East-West direction.



Step 5: Bonding and Grounding

The top-down compression mid and end clamps bond module to module and create multi-path bonding connections. In order to ensure adequate bonding from module to racking, a bonding path from module to rack must be created. See details below:

- The graphics below depict typical bonding details.





Option 2:



Please confirm/consult with an electrician, regarding the quantity of bonding jumpers required as this is contingent on the overall electrical design of the system

9.0 Maintenance

- 1. Genmounts recommends a yearly inspection of all PV systems performed by an installer. Special attention shall be paid to loose or corroded electrical or mechanical connections and verify proper grounding.
- 2. The installer shall adequately check the torque of all the fasteners.
- 3. In the unusual event that a PV module or racking component must be replaced or re-torqued, proceed with the same care as during the initial installation.
- 4. The installer shall also verify that all racking components are:
 - a. free from damage or degradation
 - b. properly positioned
 - c. installed according to the plans and calculations of the project



10.0 Certification

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Certificate Number Report Reference Issue Date	20140805-E356152 E356152-20120907 2014-AUGUST-5
Issued to:	A K STAMPING CO INC 1159 U S RTE 22 MOUNTAINSIDE NJ 07092
This is to certify that representative samples of	COMPONENT - MOUNTING SYSTEMS, MOUNTING DEVICES, CLAMPING DEVICES AND GROUND LUG FOR USE WITH PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULES AND PANELS See Addendum Page
	Have been investigated by UL in accordance with the Standard(s) indicated on this Certificate.
Standard(s) for Safety:	Mounting Systems, Mounting Devices, Clamping/Rete Devices And Ground Lugs, For Use With Flat-Plate Photovoltaic Modules And Papels, Subject 2703
Additional Information:	See the UL Online Certifications Directory at www.ul.com/database for additional information
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Part number A3003-xx Bondin	g end-clamp
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