

BASIC DIPOLE TUNING						
	RED_SIDE - side with red lead			BLACK SIDE		
BANDS	COILS	Total whip sections out	TAP	COILS	Total whip sections out	TAP
40 METERS	YES	5.5 - 6	NO	YES	5 - 5.5	NO
30 METERS	YES	6	23	YES	5 - 5.3	20
20 METERS	YES	4.5	GREEN 10	YES	6	BLUE 15
17 METERS	YES	5	GREEN 10	YES	5.3	BLACK @
15 METERS	YES	6	RED 4	YES	6	BLACK @
12 METERS	YES	6	2	YES	6	4
10 METERS	YES	5	2	YES	6	2
6 METERS	WHIPS ONLY (NO COILS, NO ARMS) - 4.5 SECTIONS OUT EACH SIDE					
2 METERS	WHIPS ONLY (NO COILS, NO ARMS) 1 SECTION + 2"(TOTAL15") EACH SIDE					



BUDDIPOLE

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HERE ARE SOME NOTES ON TUNING THE BUDDIPOLE™

- Set up the antenna on a sturdy tripod and mast so that the dipole is 6 feet or more off the ground.
- Look at the diagram of the Buddipole at the top of the opposite page. Note that the red plug from the coax goes on the left side of the T in the red post.
- Install the dipole arms, and be sure the coll with the RED LEAD on it is screwed onto the dipole arm that leads to the left side of the antenna.
- On the left side (red side) of the dipole, there will be two taps, as you see on the diagram (opposite page). The first tap on this coil is the RED tap (closest to the whip), and the last tap is the GREEN tap. When the chart below the diagram (opposite page) shows that either the RED or the GREEN tap is to be used, this is the place to put the red mini banana plug that is attached to the coil.
- On the right side (black side) of the dipole, there will also be two taps, as you see on the diagram (opposite page). The first tap on this coil is the BLUE tap, and the last tap (closest to the whip) is the BLACK tap.



- If you wish to experiment with changing the positions of the coil dips, here are a few tips: You should lightly snug the black plastic retaining knobs that hold the clips to the coil turn; overtightening can result in 1) harm to the coil, and/or 2) a twisting of the clip resulting in a short between two turns (loss of 5-8 microhenries).
- To remove the clips and place them elsewhere, the best method we have found is to back the colored
 plastic retaining knobs off the clip almost entirely. This allows the clip to be held at an extreme angle
 (see picture above) close to the coil itself making it easy to remove. Attempting to remove the clip in any
 other way will result in damage to the coil. The dose-to-the-coil angle makes it easy to take off and to
 place on the coil clips.
- The taps and the suggested whip adjustments on the chart we provide with the antenna are for an
 antenna that is up above the ground by six feet or more, and in the clear. You will need to compensate
 for nearby objects, especially those near the ends of the antenna. Metal objects, in particular, will make it
 necessary to adjust the whips or use an antenna tuner to get final resonance on the Buddipole™.
- There are 6 whip sections on each whip. Always pull the outside whip out first. The base section counts
 as a section, so, when all the whips are pulled out, there are six sections active at that time.
- Here's an example on tuning the Buddipole on 17 Meters. The chart shows that you will have 5 sections
 out on the RED side, and the coil would be tapped on the GREEN tap. On the right (black) side of the
 dipole, the BLACK tap is chosen, and the number of sections to be active is 5.3 (approximately 5 sections
 plus 2").
- Tuning 30 Meters, 12 Meters and 10 Meters is easy. Just move the taps according to the chart on the
 other side of this page. Always remember to count turns in from the whip side (outer side) of the coil.
 Count full turns only. For example, on 10 Meters, on the RED side, put a tap at 2 turns in, and on the
 other coil, install the tap 2 turns in. Adjust the whips per the chart.