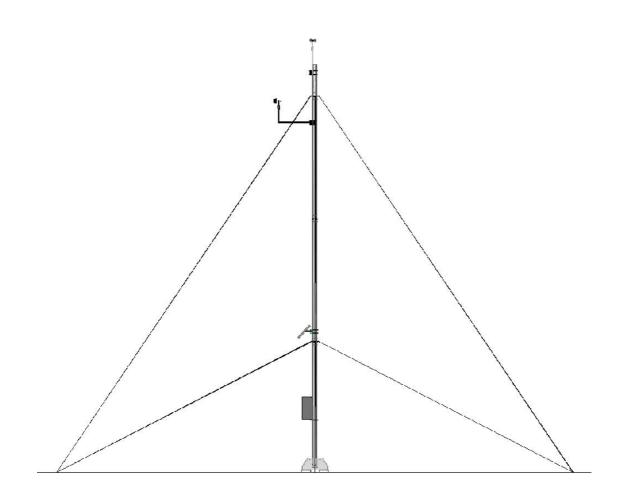


# 10m-70mm Tubular Tower Technical Specifications



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# **Important Notice**

Meteo-tower installations should be calculated and carried out only by specialised professionals due to the associated responsibility they entail. The mounting instructions provided in this technical Specifications document are intended for information only. The data given does not, in any way, affect the responsibility of the manufacturer who only guarantees his own products, provided that they are used under normal conditions.

An installation project will need to be carried out for each individual installation. This project should consider the specific relevant requirements as well as the foundation calculation in accordance to the corresponding geotechnical study.

As part of our policy of continuous improvement we reserve the right to change the specification of this product at any time without any notice

# 2 Tubular Meteorological Towers.

## 2.1 Tubular Tower Versions

Many meteorological stations have been installed by Enallaktiki Energiaki during the past, at different sites in Greece, Turkey and Mongolia. The sites accessed by the company are of different topography, ground morphology, and weather conditions.

The company's field experience, including tests and studies regarding the proper choice of materials and dimensions, have led to the construction of wind towers of proven endurance and reliability under unfavourable climatic conditions.

This experience, combined with a strong scientific background has led us to design and produce a range of meteorological masts. The range, depending on the desired height of measurement and the diameter of the tube is as follows: (Tube thickness is 2.5mm)



Tubular Tower Versions

	Tube Diameter			
	70mm	130mm	152mm	
	10	10		
Height		20	20	
(m) a.g.I		30	30	
		40	40	
		45		

## 2.2 10m Tubular Tower Design limits.

The calculations have been carried out using the following design parameters:

- Tube diameter 70mm, thickness 1.5mm
- 10m high tubular tower
- Max allowed wind speed versus radial ice thickness

Radial Ice (mm)	Max allowed Wind speed
0	40
5	30
15	20
25	15
30	5
50	0

# 3 10m Tubular tower (70mm)

# 3.1 Parts List

The 10-meter (70mm cross section) mast consists of the following parts:

Part Description	Quantity
Galvanized 3m long tubes of 70mm diameter with contraction	1
Galvanized 3m long tubes of 70mm diameter without contraction	1
Galvanized 2m long tubes of 70mm diameter with contraction	2
Guy wire sets	2
Base plate assembly	1
Tube joining hex head bolts M5X15	3
Base plate assembly hex head bolts M12X20	8
Hex head bolt joining base plate assembly with the mast assembly (M12X100)	1
Anchors	5
Wire rope clips	20
Eye links for wire ropes	10
Shackles	8
Guy wire tensioning devices	8
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The total weight of the mast assembly, including the guy wires and the base plate assembly is approximately 100 kg.

The 3-meter gin pole consists of the following parts:

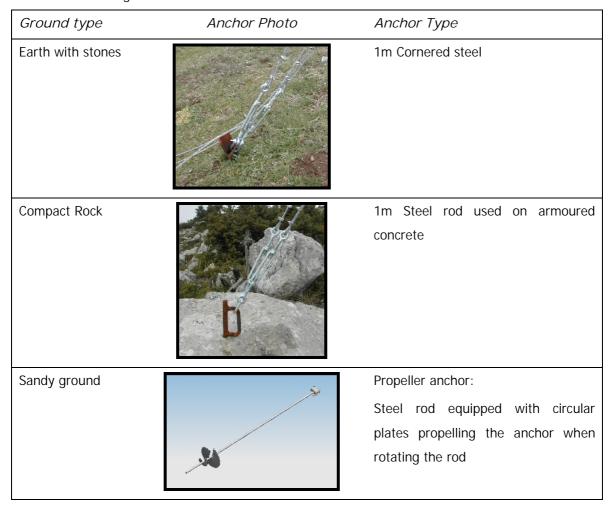
Туре	Quantity
Galvanized 3m long tubes of 70mm diameter	1
9-cm threaded rod with 2 eye bolts	1
Hex head bolt joining base plate assembly with the gin pole (M14X160)	1
Ropes	2
Snap links	1



# 3.2 Parts description

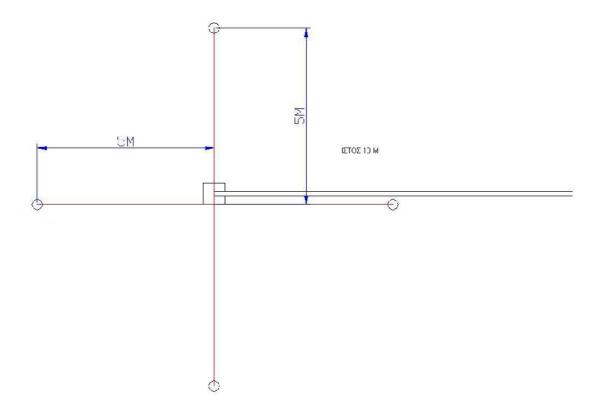
## 3.2.1 Anchors

The anchors play a very important role in the stability and duration of an installation. Under difficult or extreme climatic conditions, such as icing, a well anchored mast, ensures an increased availability of meteorological data. Depending on the type of ground, different types of anchors are used according to the next table.



#### 3.2.2 Anchor layout.

The 10 m - 70 mm needs four anchoring points per direction. The suggested anchor distances from the mast position are 5 to 6m for guy wire levels No1 and No2. It is suggested to use separate anchor for each guy wire.

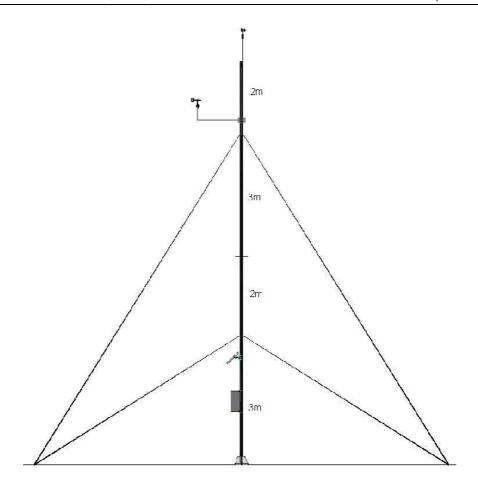


1. <u>Drawing:</u> 10 m Mast anchoring layout.

# 3.2.3 <u>Tower assembly</u>

The tubes are galvanized 3 meters long, of a 70 mm cross-section with longitudinal welding and a 1.5 mm wall thickness. The system consists of 2x3m tubes and 2x2m tubes. The base tube has a 10mm hole at one end where it is assembled to the base while the other end is free. The other tubes are expanded to 75mm (at the one end) where the next tube is joined. First we connect the base tube, then a 2m tube, then the three meters tube and finally we assemble the top 2m tube. The tubes are assembled according to the following figure.



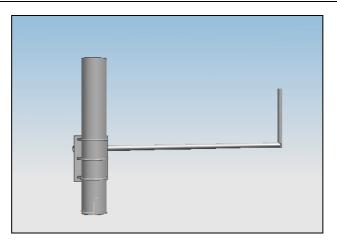


2. Figure: 10m Tower assembly and guy wire levels.

# 3.2.4 <u>Sensor Booms</u>

According to an iso-speed plot, with local speed normalised by free - field wind speed, of flow round mast of cylindrical cross section - analysis by two dimensional Navier-Stokes computations, a 1% deficit in wind speed is seen to occur at a value of d/R of approximately 0,17. For this level of distortion, a boom-mounted anemometer should be no closer than seven tower diameters from the centre of the tower. The corresponding figure of a 0,5% deficit is roughly 8,5 mast diameters. At the same time, the boom must remain stable, so that it does not oscillate.

According to this the sensor distance to the centre of the tower is 1150mm resulting in deficits of lower than 0.5%



3. <u>Drawing:</u> Sensor side boom attached to the tubular tower

# 3.2.5 Guy Wires

The guy wires are of galvanized steel of a cross-section of 5.6 mm and a steel core type 7X7 of ultimate tensile force 30kN. Guy wires are mounted on galvanized plates of a thickness of 4 mm, supporting the mast in 2 different levels (3m and 8m).



# 4 Safety Instructions.

All the company's employees have to be aware of the meteorological station installation safety instructions. All personnel working on site have been trained concerning health and safety in order to avoid any injury. There are several advice for things to avoid and take care of when installing or when maintaining and servicing a tower.

# 4.1 Safety instructions during tower installation



#### DO NOT

- Climb this tower.
- Erect tower within 1 ½ times the tower height of electric power lines.
- Erect tower within 1 ½ times the tower height of walkways, roads, or buildings.
- Permit unauthorized personnel onto the tower erection site while the tower is being installed.
- Raise or lower the tower on a day with high winds or gusty winds.
- Stand in line with, directly in front of, or behind any tensioned cable.



### DO

- Determine the soil type at the specific site and install the correct anchors.
- Properly ground the tower electrically.
- Stand to the side of any tensioned cables.
- Thoroughly understand tower erection procedure before the installation begins. All crew members should read the Installation Manual before arriving at the installation site.



## PLEASE STOP THE ERECTION PROCEDURE IF

- You are NOT familiar with erecting towers of this type, seek professional guidance.
- You have never installed a tubular guyed mast before. DO NOT attempt to install your 30 m, 40 or 45 m meteo tower without first having experienced the installation of a 10 m or 20 m Meteo tower, in order to become familiar with all installation procedures and concepts.
- You are not thoroughly familiar with all components of the tower, including all hardware and how all components function.
- Are not sure you can do it. Tall guyed towers are dangerous, and you or the members of your crew can be injured or killed.







#### PLEASE PAY EXTREME ATTENTION

- The tower side anchors alignment, should every next direction form a 90° angle. If such a positioning is not possible the maximum allowed deviation must not exceed 5°. Extra care should be placed during the stage where one or all of the following apply.
  - o Anchor placement is not vertical to the tower.
  - o Anchors are not at the same height between them nor with the tower base.
  - Side anchors and tower base are not aligned.
- During the rise the installation team must supervise and periodically loosen the side guy wires. There is serious risk for tower collapse in case the guy wires are not appropriately balanced. It is important to maintain the suitable wire strain during the rise. Too low strain may lead to a tower collapse in absence of retention. Too much strain may lead to tower failure, failure of the anchors or of the guy wires. It is necessary to always have a visible slack in the wire ropes. If the wire ropes are straight then they are too stretched.
- A stretched guy wire during rise, may cause serious strain on the tower and the anchors. These forces might cause extreme stress on the tower, leading to a tower collapse putting in danger the installation team and nearby vehicles and equipment.
- During the rise never leave the tower to decline more than 30cm from its imaginary line. In such a case it is necessary to adjust the guy wires in order to resume its initial straight alignment.
- 1-2 months after the installation date it is important to perform a tower alignment check, a visual check and adjustment of guy wires, given the fact that new wires loosen after their first stretching.
- At the beginning of winter (end of November beginning of December) and definitely
  before first snow fall, it is imperative to perform a symmetrical stretching of the guy
  wires at every retention level. The stretching must be performed by professionals, since
  overstretching may lead the tower collapse. The greatest risk for the tower during winter
  months is for the guy wires to freeze, something which is dealt by stretching and
  whisking the wire ropes.
- Perform a tower state control after each heavy bad weather that may result to ice accumulation on the guy wires especially during the first year of tower installation.
- We remind you that this specific tower type is not suitable for installation to high altitude areas with heavy snow fall during winter months.





## FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY







- During the installation use all the protection equipment to avoid injuries.
- Mandatory use of helmet and protection equipment
- Use special shoes, to protect feet from falling objects
- Use the appropriate clothing according to climate conditions.
- Follow the working instructions during heat waves during the summer months.
- The crew must be kept at a safety distance from the tower in the event of rain. There is serious electric shock danger from a thunder.
- Place special marks on the tower to warn for electric shock danger in order to avoid accidents.

## 4.2 Safety instructions during tower maintenance and service



#### DO NOT

- Climb on the tower
- Allow unprofessional personnel to approach and repair the tower
- Approach the tower during rainfall. Serious thunder-striking danger
- Park vehicles and install or store equipment at a distance smaller than 50 meters off the tower installation point.

#### 4.3 Essential equipment

Every installation team, during station installation and maintenance must have the following equipment necessary to each worksite:

- Full pharmacy
- Car fire extinguisher
- GPS and compass
- Maps of the area
- Mobile phone for emergencies
- A list of emergency phone numbers