


Installation Overview

Following are instructions for the in-dash mount installation of the SOLIX control head. We encourage you to read this guide before starting the installation, so you may understand the installation requirements.

Supplies: In addition to the hardware supplied with your accessory, you will need a drill and various drill bits, a cutting tool for the dashboard material, various hand tools (including a 3/8" adjustable wrench and 3/8" socket wrench or nut driver), safety glasses and dust mask, masking tape, and a towel or cloth.


 **WARNING!** Do NOT use power tools to secure the hardware. We encourage you to read the installation instructions so you may understand the installation requirements.

 **NOTE:** Product supplies and features are subject to change without notice.

1. Plan the Mounting Location

Start by locating a suitable, flat area of the dashboard for mounting. Consider the following to find the best mounting location:

- **Interference:** The mounting location must provide adequate distance from electric motors or any equipment that may cause electronic interference.
- **Stability:** The mounting area should be protected from waves, shock, vibration, and water.
- **Depth:** The mounting area should have a depth of 4" (102 mm) to allow space for the control head and cables.
- **Ventilation:** The area beneath the mounting surface should be well-ventilated.
- **Accessibility:** The location should be easily accessible for all cables to reach the ports on the back of the control head.
- **Multiple Control Heads:** If you plan to install more than one control head side by side, leave a minimum space of 1 7/16" (36.2 mm) between mounting holes. This will allow for 1/4" (7 mm) between control heads with the covers installed and space for the bracket under the dashboard. Take your measurement from the front, left or right side of the control head cut line. **See the template for more information.**

 **NOTE:** If a cable is too short for your application, extension cables are available. For assistance, contact Humminbird Customer Service.

2. Cut the In-Dash Mounting Hole

To in-dash mount the SOLIX control head, start by placing the components on the surfaces where you intend to install them.

1. Review the instructions, measurements, and cutting options indicated on the In-dash Mounting Template.
2. Tape the template to the chosen in-dash mounting location.
3. Using the template, select the cutting method that is best for your boat:
 - Drill one entry hole away from the main cut line that is large enough to insert the blade of your cutting tool.**OR**
 - Using a 7/16" drill bit, drill the 4 corner holes (inside the main cut line) as shown on the template. Use one of the corner holes as an entry hole, or drill an additional entry hole away from the main cut line.

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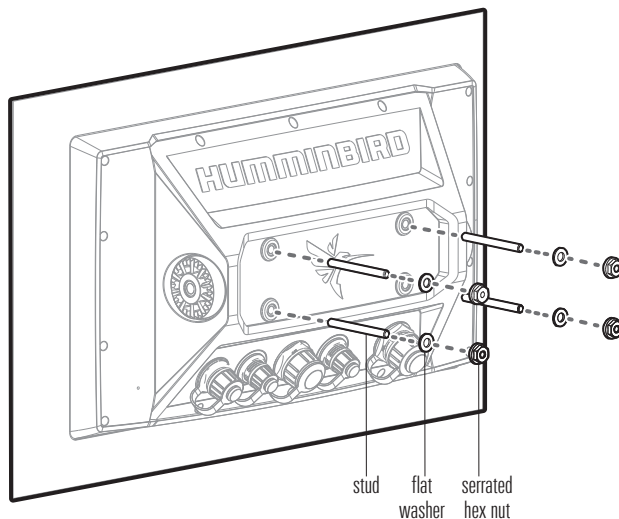
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- Carefully begin cutting toward the cut line, and continue cutting to the **inside of the line** around the template.
- Test the Mounting Hole:** Install the control head in the mounting hole to test the fit. Make adjustments to the mounting hole as needed. Remove the template when finished.
- Thoroughly clean and deburr the mounting hole.

3. Install the Studs

- Place the control head on a towel or cloth, with the screen facing down, on a stable and level surface.
- Determine which size stud to use based on the thickness of your dashboard. The hardware bag includes four 2" studs and four 2.5" studs. Studs should protrude no more than 1/4" from the surface of the bracket.
- Install the 4 studs (#10-24) into the threaded holes on the control head until they contact the bottom of the hole.
- Back out each stud 3 full revolutions to prevent it from contacting the back of the control head housing.
- Install a flat washer (#10) and serrated hex nut (#10-24) onto each stud. See the illustration *Installing the Studs*. Hold each stud in place, and finger-tighten the assembled nut until secured. Then, use a 3/8" wrench to tighten the assembled nut an additional 1/2 revolution. **Hand-tighten only!**

Installing the Studs



4. Install the Bracket


- From the front of the dashboard, with the control head screen facing out, carefully lower the control head into the mounting hole.
- Press down lightly on the control head. Confirm the control head is seated flush against the dash. Make adjustments, as needed.
- From under the dashboard, insert the vertical bracket holes over the studs. Ensure the top and bottom of the vertical bracket is evenly aligned with the horizontal edges of the cutout and is flush against the dash.
- Install a flat washer (#10) and nylon insert hex nut onto each stud. See the illustration *Installing the Vertical Bracket*. Use a 3/8" socket or wrench to hand-tighten the nuts until they contact the washers. None of the washers should be loose. Then tighten the nuts an additional 2 full revolutions. **Hand-tighten only!**

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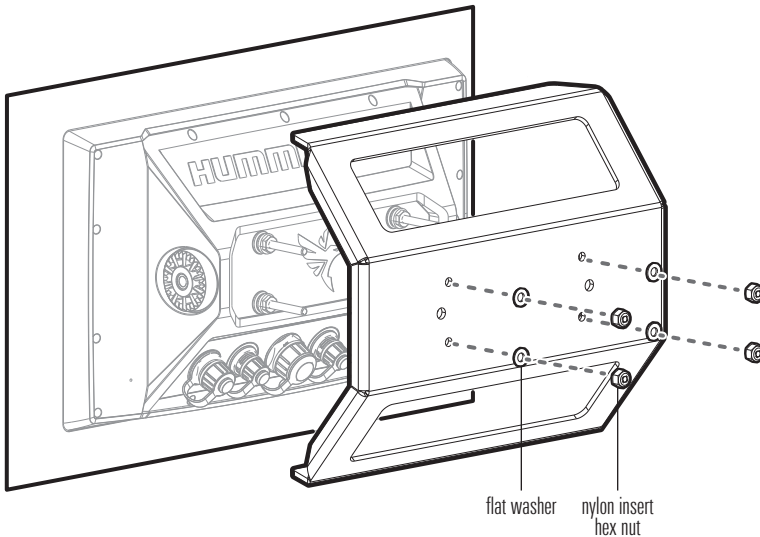
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 **NOTE:** Studs must protrude above the top of the hex nuts for proper retention.

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 **WARNING!** Do NOT over-tighten the nuts. If the bracket is bending or bowing, it is too tight. Over-tightening the nuts may damage the control head.

Installing the Vertical Bracket



5. Connect the Cables

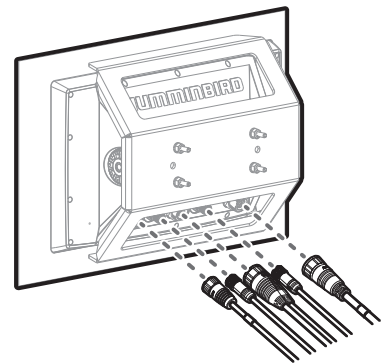
In this step, you will route the cables to the control head connector panel.

 **CAUTION!** Do NOT mount the cables where the connectors could be submerged in water or flooded. If cables are installed in a splash-prone area, it may be helpful to apply dielectric grease to the inside of the connectors to prevent corrosion. Dielectric grease can be purchased separately from a general hardware or automotive store.

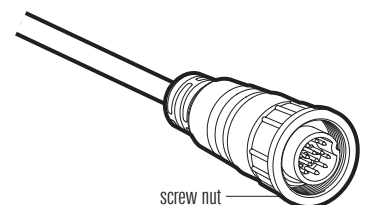
1. Route the cables to the control head through the bottom opening in the vertical bracket. See the illustration *Routing Cables to the Control Head*.
2. Connect each cable to the appropriate ports on the control head. The ports are labeled, and the connectors are keyed to prevent incorrect installation.
3. Hand-tighten the screw nut on each cable to secure the connection. See the illustration *Hand-Tightening the Screw Nut*.

Cover any unused ports with the tethered caps to prevent potential damage.

Routing Cables to the Control Head





Hand-Tightening the Screw Nut




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 **WARNING!** This device should not be used as a navigational aid to prevent collision, grounding, boat damage, or personal injury. When the boat is moving, water depth may change too quickly to allow time for you to react. Always operate the boat at very slow speeds if you suspect shallow water or submerged objects.


 **WARNING!** Disassembly and repair of this electronic unit should only be performed by authorized service personnel. Any modification of the serial number or attempt to repair the original equipment or accessories by unauthorized individuals will void the warranty.

FCC NOTICE: This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

 **CAUTION!** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Class B Device (Broadcasting and communication equipment for home):

 **CAUTION!** This equipment is home use (Class B) electromagnetic wave suitability equipment and to be used at home and it can be used in all areas.

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