ASTRO-PHYSICS

900 GERMAN EQUATORIAL MOUNT WITH QUARTZ MICRO-DRIVE AND BUILT-IN DIGITAL ENCODERS (900QMD)

FEATURES

- All machined mounting made from aluminum barstock
- Precision 7.2" gear in right-ascension, 6" gear in declination
- Dual Axis pulse motors with 12 Volt quartz micro-drive Controller
- Ball bearing races
- Removeable 1.875" stainless steel counterweight shaft
- Polar and declination axes come apart quickly without tools for light-weight easy handling and ease of transport
- Right-ascension shaft threaded for optional polar scope for quick, accurate alignment in the field
- Fine altitude and azimuth adjustments for quickly and accurately zeroing in on the pole in the field
- Setting circles with Porter Slip Ring Design; polar-axis ring is driven; it follows the stars without needing to be reset each time you look at a new object
- Both axes have built-in high-resolution encoders for use with popular digital setting circles (phono plug connection required)
- Ready to go with CCD Star Tracker/ Imaging Systems
- Base fits into 8" outside diameter pier with 0.125" wall thickness

SPECIFICATIONS OF EQUATORIAL HEAD

R.A. worm wheel: Declination worm wheel:

Worm gears: brass

R.A. thrust surface Declination thrust surface R.A. shaft Declination shaft

Latitude range:

Azimuth adjustment:

Setting circles: Right ascension: Declination:

High resolution encoders:

Weight of equatorial head:

7.2", 225 tooth aluminum 6", 225 tooth aluminum

7.0" diameter 6.0" diameter 2.2" diameter 1.75" diameter

19 to 68 degrees with polar scope, lower latitude wedge available approximately 14 degrees Porter Slip Ring design 4-minute increments, pointer 1-degree increments, pointer 4000 step encoders, each axis 38 lbs (17.3kg), disassembles into two

manageable pieces, declination axis with saddle plate is 16 lbs., right ascension axis is 22 lbs. Weight of counterweight shaft is additional 10 lbs. (If you plan to use a small scope, you can order an extra lightweight 1.125" shaft - 3 lbs.)

SPECIFICATIONS OF QUARTZ MICRO-DRIVE

- High-resolution stepper motors in both axes
- Quartz micro-drive controller
- PEM Permanent Error Memory correction
- Declination backlash control
- R.A. and declination reversing switches for correct object orientation and movement in eyepiece
- Power output to plug in guiding reticle or other accessory
- Adjustable brightness control for guiding reticle
- Plug-in for SBIG ST-4, ST-6, ST-7 and ST-8 Star Tracker/ Imaging
- Locking plug connection for power cord

Dimensions of controller: 7.25" x 3" x 0.9" Drive rates: King sidereal, solar, lunar

Guiding/ Slewing rates: 0.25x, 0.5x, 1x, 8x, 16x Hemisphere: Northern/ Southern switch Power consumption: 0.45 amps at normal rates

12 VDC Power requirements:

Suggested power sources: Portable battery pack, auto battery,

power inverter for 110 volts

AVAILABLE OPTIONS

Mounting Rings

Please see accompanying information sheets for description Portable Pier - 8" diameter, 0.125" wall thickness, heights 48",54",62 SBIG ST-4, ST-6, ST-7, ST-8 CCD Star Tracker/ Imaging System Mounting Plates- FP1200, DOVE15, DOVELM, 900RP 12 Amp-hr, 12 Volt Rechargeable Battery Pack Stainless Steel Counterweights - 10 or 18 lbs. Pier Accessory Trays and Support Bar Cable for SBIG ST-4, ST-6, ST-7, ST-8 Polar Axis Scope with Illuminator JMI Digital Setting Circles

