AHRS/MAGNETOMETER
Installation Considerations
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⚠️ WARNING
A warning means injury or death is possible if the instructions are not obeyed.

⚠️ CAUTION
A caution means that damage to the equipment is possible.

⚠️ NOTE
A note gives more information.

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1 AHRS/MAGNETOMETER INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS

The following guidelines describe proper mechanical installation of the Garmin GRS 77/GSU 73 AHRS and GMU 44 Magnetometer.

1.1 GRS 77/GSU 73 Location and Mounting

The AHRS includes extremely sensitive inertial measurement sensors. It must be mounted rigidly to the aircraft primary structure. Do not use shock mounting. Shock mounts used for other types of inertial systems are not acceptable for the AHRS. The mounting system must have no resonance with the unit installed that would amplify the aircraft natural levels. Vibrations may result in degraded accuracy. The installation vibration levels are checked using the Engine Run-Up Vibration Test.

Some metal structures of the AHRS may become magnetized if closely exposed to permanent magnets. While this will not affect the AHRS itself, it may slightly affect nearby magnetic instruments in the aircraft (e.g. whiskey compass). Ordinary use of magnetic screwdrivers to tighten the AHRS fasteners will not cause problems, but non-magnetic screwdrivers are preferred. Avoid placing the AHRS within one inch of magnetically mounted antennas, speaker magnets, or other strongly magnetic items. The AHRS must be mounted in a serviceable location in the aircraft (e.g. accessible through an access panel). Installation in an unpressurized area of a pressurized aircraft is acceptable.

Under baggage compartments or under the cockpit floor may be good mounting locations providing the floor attachments meet the strength requirements. Avoid unprotected areas on or near the main cabin, where the AHRS may be kicked or damaged by people or baggage placed in the aircraft.

The AHRS must be mounted within 13 feet (4.0 meters) longitudinally and 6.5 feet (2.0 meters) laterally of the aircraft center of gravity. The mounting location for the AHRS should be protected from rapid thermal transients, in particular, large heat loads from nearby high-power equipment.

Using the aircraft leveling procedure, the AHRS must be leveled to within 3.0° of the aircraft level reference.

For the GSU 73, the forward direction must be aligned in heading to within 1.0° of the aircraft forward direction with the connectors aligned to the lateral or longitudinal axis of the aircraft.

For the GRS 77, the forward direction must be aligned in heading to within 1.0° of the aircraft forward direction. (The arrow symbol on the rack points forward.)

![GRS 77 and Mounting Rack](image_url)
**CAUTION**

It is strongly recommended to avoid placing the AHRS in the region 18 inches fore and 18 aft of the propellers on twin engine aircraft. If the AHRS is placed in this region, substantial rework of the surrounding structure may be required to stiffen the location enough to resist vibration induced in the skin and surrounding structure by propeller blast. This rework is beyond the scope of guidance provided in this installation manual.

Figure 1-2  Acceptable Locations for the AHRS
1.2 GRS 77 AHRS Installation Instructions and Considerations

Considering the placement information contained in Section 1.1, determine a suitable location for the GRS 77. The GRS 77 should be mounted to a surface known to have sufficient structural integrity to withstand additional inertial forces imposed by the GRS 77 unit and any related components. For reference, the GRS 77 with Mounting Rack weighs 3.5 lbs and the addition of the GRS 77 Universal Mount increases the weight to 4.55 lbs. Use of additional brackets or supplemental support structure will also increase weight.

This following sections provide an overview of possible GRS 77 mounting options for installation with and without the GRS 77 Universal Mount.

There are four possible GRS 77 Universal Mounting options covered in this manual (refer to Section 1.2.1 for instructions on installing the GRS 77 Universal Mount):

- Typical (Section 1.2.2.1)
- Composite Aircraft (Section 1.2.2.2)
- Tube and Fabric Aircraft (Section 1.2.2.3)
- Using Existing Points from Previously-Installed Equipment (Section 1.2.2.4)

There are three possible GRS 77 Mounting options without using the GRS 77 Universal Mount covered in this manual:

- Mounting Bracket Attachment to Stringers or Longerons (Section 1.2.3.1)
- Modifying Existing Floor Panel or Add mounting Surface to Attach GRS 77 Mounting Plate (Section 1.2.3.2)
- Plate, Angle Bracket Assembly Attachment to Existing Frame and Bulkhead Structure (Section 1.2.3.3)

In order to satisfy the structural requirements for the operation of the GRS 77 the following conditions must be met for all installations:

1. If support racks, brackets or shelves need to be fabricated, they should be fabricated and attached to the aircraft structure in accordance with the methods outlined in AC43.13-2A Chapter 2 and the following requirements:
   a) Material shall be 2024-T3 sheet aluminum
   b) Material shall have some type of corrosion protection (primer, alodine, etc.)
   c) Material shall be a minimum of 0.063” for single-sheet aluminum. Aluminum honeycomb core panels are also acceptable, and have no minimum thickness requirements.
   d) Use sheet metal techniques (bend radius, fillets, etc) appropriate to the material thickness and type.

2. Any supporting structure must be rigidly connected to the aircraft primary structure through strong structural members capable of supporting substantial loads. Avoid areas that are prone to severe vibration (e.g., areas close to engine mounts and landing gear).

3. If a new mounting plate is fabricated for the GRS 77, the plate shall not span greater than 12” in width or length without direct attachment to primary structure. If the mounting plate must span more than 12”, stiffeners and/or flange reinforcements will be necessary to provide adequate support.

4. Final installation shall be resistant to visual deflection during the validation of structures test per Section 1.4.
5. Maintain a minimum of 3” between the forward edge of the mounting rack and any object to ensure clearance for connector and wire harness.

6. For all installations, level and heading alignment of the GRS 77 will require the use of one of the following:
   a) GRS 77 Universal Mount P/N 011-01780-00,
   b) Fabricated mounting equipment, e.g. brackets, shelves, mounting platform, etc., or
   c) A combination of both.

For the installation of the GRS 77 level the aircraft in both the longitudinal and lateral axes. Refer to the aircraft’s maintenance manual for leveling instructions. The aircraft should be placed on jacks while in a level state to avoid inadvertently placing the aircraft in a non-level position when entering, exiting, or working in the aircraft.

If the intent is to use the GRS 77 Universal Mount, refer to details found in Section 1.2.2. If the intent is to use or modify existing structure without the GRS 77 Universal Mount, refer to details found in Section 1.2.3.
1.2.1 Installation and Assembly of the GRS 77 Universal Mount

The GRS 77 Universal Mount P/N 011-01780-00 allows for aircraft level installation of the GRS 77 AHRS on mounting structures with inclines up to ±6° in 2° increments. Depending on the installation, the Angle Brackets contained within the GRS 77 Universal Mount kit can be assembled and installed facing in or out, as shown in Figure 1-3 and Figure 1-4.

**The use of the GRS 77 Universal Mount is optional.** Refer to Section 1.2.2 for instructions on mounting the GRS 77 with the GRS 77 Universal Mount. Refer to Section 1.2.3 for instructions on mounting the GRS 77 without the GRS 77 Universal Mount.

![Figure 1-3: GRS 77 Universal Mount (Inward Facing Angle Brackets)](image1)

![Figure 1-4: GRS 77 Universal Mount (Outward Facing Angle Brackets)](image2)
1.2.1.1 Assembly of the Universal Mount

Cleco the pivot hole of the top bracket to the angle bracket on both sides as shown in Figure 1-5.

![Figure 1-5 GRS 77 Universal Mount Assembly](image)

**NOTE**

The incline of the mounting location may be determined by using a level meter such as the PRO 360 or equivalent. It is recommended to use a level surface on the aircraft itself as reference for a more accurate installation.

Determine and set the incline offset required for level installation. Cleco the second pair of holes of the top bracket to the angle bracket as shown in Figure 1-5. Drill hole-pattern from top bracket to angle bracket (0.1285” diameter holes – #30 drill bit), 5 places each side.
As shown in Figure 1-7, rivet top bracket to angled brackets with MS20470AD4-6 rivets (alternate CR3213-4-4 blind rivets) and remove Clecos.

**NOTE**

If the GRS 77 Universal Mount has been assembled with the angle brackets facing in, installing the GRS 77 mounting rack on the universal mount will prevent access to tighten the universal mount screws to the mounting plate. It is recommended to install the universal mount to the mounting plate before mounting the GRS 77 mounting rack on the universal mount for this situation.
Install the GRS 77 Mounting Rack P/N 115-00459-00 to the GRS 77 Universal Mount using 5 AN525-1032R8 Screws, as shown in Figure 1-8. The recommended torque is 20-25 inch lbs. Ensure correct orientation of mounting rack on universal bracket (the arrow on the GRS 77 Mounting Rack must point forward).

![Figure 1-8 Assembling GRS 77 Mounting Rack to GRS 77 Universal Mount](image)

**NOTES:**
1. **RECOMMENDED TORQUE 20-25 Inch-Lbs.**
1.2.2 GRS 77 Mounting Options with the GRS 77 Universal Mount

1.2.2.1 Typical

![GRS 77 Universal Mount (Typical)](image)

The intent of the GRS 77 Universal Mount is to allow minor adjustments in the angle of the AHRS installation relative to the mounting surface in the aircraft. In some cases, the universal mount can be attached directly to existing structure in the aircraft, where only the mounting holes need to be added to structure.

1.2.2.1.1 Installation of GRS 77 Universal Mount (Typical)

**NOTE**

Aircraft structures such as the firewall, bulkhead and support frames are usually perpendicular to the aircraft heading and may be used as reference for determining the relative position of the installation to the aircraft heading.

Position the GRS 77 Universal Mount assembly on the mounting platform so that it is aligned to the aircraft heading. Transfer the hole-pattern from the Angle Brackets to the mounting platform, 4 places each side. Ensure that the arrow on the mounting rack is facing the forward direction.

Remove the GRS 77 Universal Mount assembly from the mounting platform and drill the marked hole pattern for #10 hardware (0.189” diameter holes – #12 drill bit) into the mounting platform. The preferred method of assembly utilizes nutplates installed to the mounting platform: rivet nut plates (MS21059L3) with MS20426AD3-X rivets to the mounting platform. Ensure that installed rivets are flush with the installation panel. Remove any burrs or excess rivet heads.

Install the GRS 77 Universal Mount to the mounting plate using AN525-1032R8 screws (8 total, 4 on each side for the Universal Mount). See Figure 1-10. Alternate hardware includes other screws, bolts, washers, nuts, and nutplates; these are noted in the table within Figure 1-10. The recommended torque is 20-25 inch lbs. Perform a structural validation test per Section 1.4.
**NOTE**

It is acceptable to install the Universal AHRS Mounting Bracket assembly to the aircraft structure with four pieces of hardware (bolts or screws at opposite ends of each angle) as long as the installation allows the GRS 77 AHRS to pass the Engine Run-up Vibration Test outlined in the appropriate airframe specific document. Use of eight fasteners is strongly recommended.

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**Figure 1-10 Installation of Universal Mount to Mounting Plate**

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⚠️ RECOMMENDED HARDWARE OPTIONS FOR ASSEMBLY:

⚠️ RECOMMENDED TORQUE 20-25 INCH-LBS.
MINIMUM THICKNESS .063”, UNLESS ALUMINUM HONEYCOMB CORE PANEL (NO MINIMUM THICKNESS REQUIREMENT).
Some composite aircraft have a solid fuselage structure that with a GRS 77 Universal Mount, will meet the requirements for the GRS 77 installation. Modification of the fuselage involves adding points of attachment.

### 1.2.2.2.1 Installation of GRS 77 Universal Mount (Composite Aircraft)

**CAUTION**

This procedure only applies to secondary aircraft structures. It is not acceptable to use this procedure for primary structure or structural load carrying members. This procedure applies to honeycomb composite material used in areas such as false floors or avionics shelves. After the installation is complete, refer to the appropriate airframe specific document for system configuration, calibration and checkout.

**NOTE**

*The GRS 77 AHRS will not provide valid outputs until the post installation calibration procedures are completed.*
Assemble the GRS 77 Universal mount per Section 1.2.2.1. Place the GRS 77 Universal Mount assembly on the mounting surface ensuring that the forward direction is aligned with the aircraft heading. Mark holes (4 on each side, 8 total) and edges of angle brackets for future reference. See Figure 1-12.

At each bolt location, drill a hole in the mounting surface large enough to accommodate an AN3 bolt head (approximately 0.50 inches in diameter). Remove core between the inside and outside mounting surface layers as shown (Approximately 1.00 inches in diameter). See Figure 1-13. Do not penetrate the opposite side of honeycomb core.

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**Figure 1-12 Mounting Location (Composite Aircraft)**

**Figure 1-13 Mounting Bolt Preparation (Composite Aircraft)**
Tape the underside of the angle brackets with packaging tape to keep the brackets clean of the epoxy/flox mixture. Poke holes in the tape at all bolt hole locations. Fill each bolt cavity with epoxy and flox mix. Insert each bolt head into cavity; epoxy and flox should just barely flow over the hole in the inner layer.

Align bolts with the angle brackets by laying taped angle brackets on the mounting surface, taped side down against epoxy/flox mixture, with bolts sticking through the brackets. Ensure bolts remain perpendicular to the angles and mounting surface as shown in Figure 1-14. The angle bracket taped faces should remain flush with the mounting surface.

Ensure brackets remain aligned with the reference marks on the fuselage. Once epoxy/flox mix has set, remove angles from mounting surface and remove tape from angle brackets.

**Figure 1-14  Mounting Bolt Installation and Alignment (Composite Aircraft)**
After bolts have been installed in the mounting surface, lay two layers of cloth over the mounting location. Dimensions and location of the first sheet are shown, overlap the mounting location by 0.5 inches. See Figure 1-15.

**Figure 1-15** First Cloth Installation for Mounting Bolts (Composite Aircraft)
After laying up the first sheet of cloth, lay up a second sheet oriented 45° from first sheet as shown in Figure 1-16.

Figure 1-16  Second Cloth Installation for Mounting Bolts (Composite Aircraft)

Allow for the material to set and perform a structural validation per Section 1.4.
Install the GRS77 universal mount onto bolts and secure with AN365-1032A Nuts and AN960-10 washers (8 places). The recommended torque is 20-25 inch lbs. Perform a structural validation test per Section 1.4.
1.2.2.3 Tube and Fabric Aircraft

Figure 1-17 Universal Mount (Tube and Fabric Aircraft)

The GRS 77 Universal Mount can be assembled with an installation plate to existing fuselage tube structure. The installation plate provides a stable platform for the Universal Mount, which allows the assembly to be corrected for the aircraft level reference.

1.2.2.3.1 Installation of GRS 77 Universal Mount (Tube and Fabric Aircraft)

For tube and fabric aircraft, it is possible to use the tube structure as the support structure for an assembly that includes an installation plate as well as a GRS 77 Universal Mount to set the AHRS to aircraft level. The concept involves the assembly of the installation plate with a GRS 77 Universal Mount. The installation plate offers a surface for attaching the GRS 77 Universal Mount, and the Universal Mount allows the assembly to accommodate an aircraft level, forward orientation for the GRS 77 AHRS unit. Two options are presented: tabs welded to airframe or alternately, MS21919 clamps attached to airframe.

Welded Tabs:

1. The preferred method of installation allows for tabs to be welded to the tube structure for attaching the installation plate.
2. A minimum of four tabs are required and the material must be appropriate to the tube structure of the airframe.
3. An installation plate uses the four mounting points to secure the plate to the airframe. Countersunk screws are used to attach the Universal Mount to the installation plate, to minimize possibility of interference between hardware and the airframe.
4. The installation plate must be at least .125” thickness, 2024-T3. A stiffener may be required depending on plate length.
5. Reference Figure 1-18 and Figure 1-19 for details and illustration.
6. Perform a structural validation test per Section 1.4.
7. Welded tabs must be treated with corrosion protection appropriate to the materials used and the existing protection on the airframe. The installation plate requires corrosion protection (example: zinc primer, alodine etc.) on all surfaces of fabricated parts.
MS21919 Clamps:

1. An alternative method of installation allows for clamps to be assembled to the tube structure for attaching the installation plate.
2. A minimum of four sets of clamps (two clamps per set in offset pattern) are required.
3. An installation plate uses the eight mounting points (four clamp sets) to secure the plate to the airframe. Countersunk screws are used to attach the Universal Mount to the installation plate, to minimize possibility of interference between hardware and the airframe.
4. The installation plate must be at least .125” thickness, 2024-T3. A stiffener may be required dependent on plate length. Reference Figure 1-19 and Figure 1-20.
5. Reference Figure 1-19 for details and illustration.
6. Perform a structural validation test per Section 1.4.
NOTES:
1. USE JAM NUTS IN ASSEMBLY TO SET LOCATION OF CLAMPS PRIOR TO ASSEMBLING INSTALLATION PANEL TO STRUCTURE.
2. IF DISTANCE BETWEEN CLAMP ATTACHMENTS IS GREATER THAN 12", A STIFFENER IS REQUIRED ON THIS EDGE. AN UNSUPPORTED DISTANCE GREATER THAN 16" IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.
3. RECOMMENDED TORQUE IS 20-25 INCH-LBS.
4. RECOMMENDED HARDWARE IS AS NOTED.
5. APPLY CORROSION PROTECTION (EXAMPLE: ZINC PRIMER, ALODINE, ETC.) ON ALL SURFACES OF FABRICATED PARTS.

Figure 1-19   Installation of GRS 77 AHRS Universal Mount in Tube and Fabric Aircraft Using MS21919 Clamps
Figure 1-20  Installation of GRS 77 AHRS Universal Mount in Tube and Fabric Aircraft Using MS21919 Clamps
1.2.2.4 Using Existing Points from Previously-Installed Equipment

**Figure 1-21** GRS 77 Universal Mount Using Existing Points from Previously Installed Equipment

If the aircraft has a Bendix/King KG 102/102A gyro, a Mid Continent 4305-128 gyro, Mid Continent 4305-150 gyro or a Cirrus 14357-001 gyro currently installed, and it is being removed for this installation, the location may provide an adequate mounting location for the GRS 77 AHRS. The GRS 77 Universal Mount will allow for installation to an existing hole pattern for the KG 102/102A.

**1.2.2.4.1 Installation of GRS 77 Universal Mount (Using Existing Points)**

For aircraft that have the Bendix/King KG 102/102A unit, Mid-Continent 4305-128 or 4305-150, or Cirrus 14357-001 installed, the mounting pattern is accommodated in the design of the GRS 77 Universal Mount. See Figure 1-22 for detail on how the angles assemble to the main bracket to accommodate the previously-installed equipment locations. These locations may be used for the GRS 77 AHRS installation if they meet the requirements defined in Section 1.2.

**Figure 1-22** Using the GRS 77 Universal Mount in Locations of Previously Installed Equipment
1.2.3 GRS 77 Mounting Options without the GRS 77 Universal Mount

NOTE

Aircraft structures such as the firewall, bulkhead and support frames are usually perpendicular to the aircraft heading and may be used as reference for determining the relative position of the installation to the aircraft heading.

Position the GRS 77 Mounting Rack to the mounting or installation panel so that it is aligned to the aircraft heading and transfer the hole-pattern to the mounting plate from the angle bracket 5 places. Ensure that the arrow on the mounting rack is facing the forward direction.

Drill the marked hole-pattern (0.210 diameter holes) and rivet nut plates (MS21059L3 or equivalent) with MS20426AD3-X rivets (Countersunk rivets). Ensure that installed rivets are countersunk and are flush with the installation panel. Remove any burrs or excess rivet heads. See Figure 1-23 for illustration and alternate hardware options.

Perform a structural validation per Section 1.4.

Install the Mounting Rack, whichever applies, to the mounting plate using AN525-1032R8 (5 total). The recommended torque is 20-25 inch lbs. Perform a structural validation test per Section 1.4.

Figure 1-23 Installation of the Mounting Rack to the Mounting Plate
1.2.3.1 Mounting Bracket Attachment to Stringers or Longerons

Closely spaced stringers or longerons extending fore/aft along the bottom of the fuselage may provide adequate structure to support a mounting bracket. Look for an area that will provide ample space forward of the GRS 77 for the connector and wire harness. Additionally, ensure that the location is not shared by equipment capable of inducing vibration in the structure which can be transmitted back to the GRS 77, such as a location near the engine or landing gear.

Figure 1-24 Mounting Bracket Attachment to Stringers or Longerons

Closely spaced stringers or longerons extending fore/aft along the bottom of the fuselage may provide adequate structure to support a mounting bracket. Look for an area that will provide ample space forward of the GRS 77 for the connector and wire harness. Additionally, ensure that the location is not shared by equipment capable of inducing vibration in the structure which can be transmitted back to the GRS 77, such as a location near the engine or landing gear.
1.2.3.1.1 Installation of GRS 77 - Mounting Bracket Attachment to Stringers or Longerons

The option of creating a mounting bracket that attaches to stringers or longerons is shown in Figure 1-25 and Figure 1-26. The following items should be considered when creating the mounting bracket:

- Mounting bracket requirements should follow conditions noted in Section 1.2, unless otherwise indicated.
- Distance between stringers or longerons should be less than 16.0 inches. For a distance between 12.0 and 16.0 inches, use a stiffener down the centerline of the mounting hole pattern (see Figure 1-24 and Figure 1-25). At a minimum, the stiffener should be made of 0.75 x 0.50 x 0.063” angle, with the 0.75” leg used for attachment to the mounting bracket, and should run the length of the bracket. A nutplate for the GRS 77 Mounting Plate (center hole in the 5-hole pattern) may be attached directly to the stiffener. Use MS20426AD3 or MS20426AD4 rivets to secure the stiffener to the mounting bracket. The vertical leg of the stiffener must be at least 0.25” from the skin of the aircraft.
- Ensure at least 3 inches forward of AHRS remains clear for connector and wire harness.
- Fabricate a U-shaped mounting bracket keeping edge flanges as short as possible. The flange should be no more than 0.5 inches higher than the stringers (see Figure 1-25 and Figure 1-26).
- Minimal access to underside of bracket requires use of blind fasteners for the bracket to structure and for the GRS 77 to the bracket.
NOTES:

1. USE 2024-T3 SHEET ALUMINIUM, 0.063" THICKNESS OR GREATER. USE A BEND RADIUS APPROPRIATE TO THE MATERIAL TYPE AND THICKNESS. (EXAMPLE: USE BEND RADIUS 0.24" FOR 0.063" THICKNESS 2024-T3 ALUMINUM)

2. APPLY CORROSION PROTECTION (EXAMPLE: ZINC PRIMER; ALODINE; ETC.) ON ALL SURFACES OF PART.

3. A RIGID CONNECTION TO AIRCRAFT STRUCTURE IS REQUIRED. RECOMMENDED HARDWARE OPTIONS ARE:

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Figure 1-25  Installation of GRS 77 on Aircraft Stringers (Adapter riveted to Aircraft Skin)
Figure 1-26  Installation of GRS 77 on Aircraft Stringers (Adapter riveted to Aircraft Skin)
1.2.3.2 Modifying Existing Floor Panel or Add Mounting Surface to Attach GRS 77 Mounting Plate

A false floor may exist over airframe structure to make room for avionics or baggage. If the false floor surface is level and meets structural requirements, it may provide an adequate surface for mounting the GRS 77 directly.

Alternately, existing frame structure may provide a level plane to which a plate may be attached for mounting the GRS 77. An example would be multiple frames with flanges at the same water line (WL).
1.2.3.2.1 **Installation of GRS 77 – Modifying Existing Floor Panel or Add Mounting Surface to Attach GRS 77 Mounting Plate**

Some aircraft may have an existing floor panel, such as in an avionics bay or in the baggage compartment, that is suitable for AHRS installation. Alternately, a simple panel may be installed where existing structure creates a level plane, creating a mounting surface for the GRS 77 AHRS. The following items should be considered when modifying a floor panel or adding a mounting surface:

- The panel to which the GRS 77 is mounted must be rigid enough to not transmit vibrations into the GRS 77. The minimum thickness for sheet metal structure is 0.063 inches. It is acceptable to install the AHRS to honeycomb structure used in some avionics bays.
- If the GRS 77 is installed in an area used for baggage, extra care must be taken to ensure the GRS 77 is protected from damage. This may require fabrication of a protective cover for the GRS 77. At least 0.25” space must exist between the surfaces of the AHRS and associated brackets, and the fabricated cover must not deflect enough to touch the unit when impacted by baggage.
- The GRS 77 Universal Mount is not required when the mounting surface (existing or added) is level with the aircraft level reference.

![Diagram of GRS 77 installation](image)

*Figure 1-28 Installation of GRS 77 on Existing Floor Panel or Installed Support Panel*
1.2.3.3 Plate, Angle Bracket Assembly Attachment to Existing Frame and Bulkhead Structure

Figure 1-29 Plate, Angle Bracket Assembly Attachment to Existing Frame and Bulkhead Structure

Angle brackets may be fabricated to attach to existing frame and bulkhead structure, to which a plate may be attached. Although multiple frames and bulkhead structure may be available for the AHRS location, they may not be at the same water line (WL). One or more brackets may be needed to create a level plane. The intent is to ensure the plate remains parallel to the aircraft level reference and firmly supported across its span.
1.2.3.3.1 Installation of GRS 77 – Plate Attachment to Existing Frame Structure

Some aircraft will have frame members with flanges that face forward or aft, where the flanges for each frame member are at different water lines. This presents several possibilities for the AHRS installation. If the flanges are long enough to install hardware Figure 1-30.

Figure 1-30  Installation of GRS 77 with Installed Support Plate
1.2.4 GRS 77 Rack to Unit Flatness Check

**NOTE**

*Place the unit on its rack, and tighten the screw fasteners on one end of the unit to the rack (recommended torque is 22-25 inch pounds), but leave the screw fasteners on the other end of the unit unfastened.*

At the unfastened end of the unit, there should now be a gap between the unit baseplate and the rails of the mounting rack. Measure the gap to determine if it is within tolerances. See Figure 1-31. Using feeler gauges, check to ensure that the gap between the unit and each rack rail is at least 0.010 inch, but less than 0.070 inch. See Figure 1-31.

If the gaps between the unit and each rack rail are within tolerance (0.010 inch, but less than 0.070 inch) tighten the remaining two screw fasteners to hold the GRS 77 unit firmly to its rack (recommended torque is 22-25 inch pounds).

If the gap is less than 0.010 inch, or greater than 0.070 inch, then the proper amount of preload will not be exerted on the unit baseplate when the unit is fastened down, and the installation is not acceptable.

Possible causes for a failure of this check include the following:

1. The rack is fastened down to a surface that is not sufficiently flat
2. The rack is warped or damaged
3. The GRS 77 has a center baseplate external shim that is damaged or has been removed
4. The GRS 77 baseplate has been warped or damaged

In the event of a failed test (gap on unfastened end of unit not within the range of 0.010 inch to 0.070 inch), these possibilities must be examined, and any deficiencies corrected to pass this check before the installation is acceptable.

**Figure 1-31  Measuring GRS 77 to Mount Rack with Feeler Gauge**

**NOTE**

*Use a #2 Phillips screwdriver to tighten the GRS 77 to the rack, rather than hand tightening the knurled screws. The recommended torque is 22-25 inch pounds.*

While installing the GRS 77 unit on its rack, a flatness check is required to ensure that the unit’s base is properly preloaded after installation. Perform a flatness check.

After completion and satisfactorily passing the flatness check, tighten the four mounting screws securing the GRS 77 unit to the rack.
Refer to the appropriate airframe specific documentation for system configuration, calibration and checkout.

### 1.2.5 Installing the GRS 77 AHRS

The GRS 77 AHRS may be installed after the mounting rack has been assembled to the Universal Mount or equivalent support structure and the flatness check is complete. While installing the GRS 77 unit on its rack, a flatness check is required to ensure that the unit’s base is properly preloaded after installation. Perform a flatness check per Section 1.2.4.

**NOTE**

*Use a #2 Phillips screwdriver to tighten the GRS 77 to the rack, rather than hand tightening the knurled screws. The recommended torque is 22-25 inch pounds.*

After completion and satisfactorily passing the flatness check, tighten the four mounting screws securing the GRS 77 unit to the rack. See Figure 1-32.

**Figure 1-32 Final Installation Example**

After the installation is complete, refer to the appropriate airframe specific documentation for system configuration, calibration and checkout.

**NOTE**

*The GRS 77 AHRS will not provide valid outputs until the post installation calibration procedures are completed.*
1.3 GSU 73 Installation Instructions and Considerations

TBD

1.4 GMU 44 Magnetometer Location and Mounting

The GMU 44 is an extremely sensitive three-axis magnetic sensor. It is more sensitive to nearby magnetic disturbances than a flux gate magnetometer. For this reason, when choosing a mounting location for the GMU 44, it is recommended that the minimum distances specified in Table 1-1 be observed. In the event that all of the minimum distances cannot be observed, Table 1-1 also specifies magnetic disturbances to avoid in order of priority. **The chosen location must be surveyed prior to installation of the GMU 44 to verify its acceptability** (refer to Section 1.4.4). Section 2.7 provides guidance on troubleshooting the GMU 44 magnetometer location. Acceptable locations are shown in Figure 1-33.

**NOTE**

*If mounting the GMU 44 in the location used by an existing flux valve or flux gate, the Magnetic Interference Survey (Section 1.4.4) MUST STILL BE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED. Although the location may have been satisfactory for a flux valve or flux gate, it may not be acceptable for the GMU 44.*

**NOTE**

*If planning to reuse the existing flux valve or flux gate wiring for the GMU 44, it must be verified that the existing wiring meets the requirements specified for the GMU 44 (i.e. same number of shielded conductors, minimum wire AWG, equivalent wire type, etc.). In many cases the existing wiring will have to be replaced.*

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<th>Table 1-1 Required Distance from Magnetic Disturbances</th>
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<td><strong>Disturbance Source</strong></td>
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<td>Electric motors and relays, including servo motors</td>
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<td>Ferromagnetic structure greater than 1 kg total (iron, steel, or cobalt materials, especially landing gear structure)</td>
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<td>Ferromagnetic materials less than 1 kg total, such as control cables</td>
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<tr>
<td>Any electrical device drawing more than 100 mA current</td>
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<td>Electrical conductors passing more than 100 mA current (may require to be twisted shielded pair if within close proximity to GMU 44)</td>
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<td>Electrical devices drawing less than 100 mA current</td>
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<tr>
<td>Magnetic measuring device (e.g. installed flux gates, even if not powered)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Electrical conductors passing less than 100 mA current (May require to be twisted shielded pair if within close proximity to GMU 44)</td>
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Ensure that any electrical conductor that comes within close proximity (approximately three feet) of the
GMU 44 is installed as a twisted shielded pair, not a single-wire conductor (if possible, the shield should be grounded at both ends).

Use nonmagnetic materials to mount the GMU 44, and replace any magnetic fasteners within 20 inches with nonmagnetic equivalents (e.g. replace zinc-plated steel screws used to mount wing covers or wingtips with nonmagnetic stainless steel screws.)

In general, wing mounting of the GMU 44 magnetometer is strongly preferred. If wing mounting is not possible, it may be necessary to install the GMU 44 in the tail section of the aircraft. Fuselage mounting is permitted, but NOT within two feet of the cabin area because of numerous potential disturbances that can interfere with accurate operation. If the GMU 44 is mounted within the fuselage, a structural validation of the GMU 44 mount is required, as described in Section 1.4.

The GMU 44 must be mounted in a serviceable location in the aircraft (e.g. accessible through an access panel). Installation in an unpressurized area of a pressurized aircraft is acceptable.
Figure 1-33  GMU 44 Mounting Locations
The GMU 44 must be leveled to within 3.0° of the aircraft level reference in pitch and roll, as shown in Figure 1-34.

![Figure 1-34 Level Mounting of GMU 44 Magnetometer](image)

The GMU 44’s forward direction should be within 0.5° in heading of the aircraft forward direction (longitudinal axis). If it is not possible to guarantee this accuracy, installation alignment to within 2.5° is acceptable in combination with the Post Installation Heading Compensation procedure. It is strongly preferred that the GMU 44 alignment is as aligned as close as possible to the aircraft longitudinal axis. Refer to Figure 1-35.

![Figure 1-35 Heading Offset Limit GMU 44 Magnetometer](image)
For all installations, level and heading alignment will require the use of one of the following:

1. GMU 44 Universal Mount (refer to Section 1.4.2)
2. Fabricated mounting equipment, e.g. brackets, shelves, mounting platforms, etc
3. Or a combination of both.

For the installations of the GMU 44 the aircraft must be leveled in both the longitudinal and lateral axes. Refer to the aircraft’s maintenance manual for leveling instructions. It is preferred that the aircraft is placed on jacks while leveling to avoid inadvertently placing the aircraft in a non-level position when entering, exiting, or working aircraft.

**CAUTION**

It is preferred that the aircraft is placed on jacks while leveling to avoid inadvertently placing the aircraft in a non-level position when entering, exiting, or working aircraft.

**CAUTION**

After a location has been selected and a GMU 44 mounting method chosen, a magnetic interference survey must be performed at that location prior to fabricating or assembling any parts for the GMU 44 mounting. It is possible that the location will fail the survey and the installation will require a new location, with different installation requirements.

1.4.1 Considerations for Wing Grounded Light Fixtures

The following installation practices are recommended when installing the GMU 44 in the wing.

1. The wing tip lights should not have a power ground referenced to the chassis of the light assembly that would then be referenced back to the airframe ground via the light assembly mounting.
2. A dedicated power ground should be used and returned as a twisted pair with the power source back into the fuselage for a wing mounted GMU 44.

These installation practices will prevent magnetically interfering currents from flowing in the wing skin that encloses the GMU 44. Electrically isolating the light assembly should not be used as an alternative to item 1 above, unless the isolated light assembly has been analyzed for adequate protection against direct effects of lightning.

1.4.2 GMU 44 Universal Mount (Optional)

GMU 44 Installation may require the use of the GMU 44 Universal Mount P/N 011-01779-01. The GMU 44 Universal Mount allows for level installation and aircraft heading alignment.

The GMU 44 Universal Mount Allows for aircraft level installation of the GMU 44 Magnetometer on mounting structures with inclines up to ±6° in 2° increments and 360° of forward direction offset.

Depending on installation, the GMU 44 may be installed in the following configurations:

1. Installed inside of the GMU 44 Universal Mount
   a) Side Plate Mounted, Figure 1-36
   b) Bottom Plate Mounted, Figure 1-37
2. Installed suspended from the GMU 44 Universal Mount
   a) Side Plate Mounted, Figure 1-38
   b) Bottom Plate Mounted, Figure 1-39
Figure 1-36   GMU 44 Universal Mount, Side Plate Mounted

Figure 1-37   GMU 44 Universal Mount, Bottom Plate Mounted
Figure 1-38  GMU 44 Universal Mount, Side Plate - Suspended

Figure 1-39  GMU 44 Universal Mount, Bottom Plate Mounted - Suspended
For side plate installations (Figure 1-40 and Figure 1-41), Lateral and longitudinal (2 axis) level installation can be accomplished through the level placement of the mounting holes and the incline setting ($\pm 2^\circ$, $\pm 4^\circ$ $\pm 6^\circ$) of the GMU 44 Universal Mount.

**Figure 1-40** GMU 44 Universal Mount Level Installation Axis 1

**Figure 1-41** GMU 44 Universal Mount Level Installation Axis 2
For bottom mounted installations requiring incline offset on both the lateral and longitudinal axis, level installation can be accomplished through level placement of support equipment, such as mounting brackets, shelves, panels on one axis and setting the incline on the GMU 44 Universal Mount (±2°, ±4°, ±6°) for the other axis. An example is shown in Figure 1-42.

![Diagram of GMU 44 Universal Mount level installation](image)

**Figure 1-42 GMU 44 Universal Mount Level Installation Using Support Equipment**

Heading alignment is accomplished by installing the GMU 44 Universal Mount’s top plate to the top bracket so that the forward direction is aligned with the aircraft heading.
1.4.3 Installation of the GMU 44 Magnetometer with GMU 44 Universal Mount

1.4.3.1 Assembling the GMU 44 Universal Mount

Use the offset angle calculated from Section 1.4.4.1 to align the top plate to the universal bracket (Figure 1-40) and mark the drill hole-pattern to the bracket; diameter of 0.128 inches, 3 places.

![Top Plate Alignment to Aircraft Heading](image1)

**Figure 1-43** Top Plate Alignment to Aircraft Heading

Rivet the installation plate to the top bracket using MS20426AD5-6 rivets (3 Places). See Figure 1-44 and Figure 1-45.

![Installation Rack Rivet Through Holes](image2)

**Figure 1-44** Installation Rack Rivet Through Holes
Figure 1-45  Installation Rack to Top Bracket Installation

- MS20426AD5-6 RIVET (3X)
- NOTE FORWARD RELATION TO BRACKET
- 115-00481-00 INSTALL RACK GMU 44
- 115-01017-01 SMP, BRACKET, MAGNETOMETER, TOP, UNIV
Assemble the top bracket to the bottom bracket and rivet using MS20426AD3-4 rivets (3 places). See Figure 1-46. Ensure that installed rivets are countersunk and flush. Remove any burrs or excess rivet heads.

**NOTE**

The incline of the mounting location may be determined by using a level meter such as the PRO 360 or equivalent. It is recommended to use a level surface on the aircraft itself as reference for a more accurate installation.
Determine and set the incline offset required for level installation. Move the top bracket forward or aft relative to the bottom bracket to achieve desired angle setting for side plate installations or move the top bracket up or down relative to the bottom bracket to achieve the desired angle setting for bottom plate installations. Ensure alignment of holes for desired setting (0°, 2°, 4° or 6°). See Figure 1-47 through Figure 1-51 for details on achieving desired angle settings.

Figure 1-47  GMU 44 Universal Mount Top and Bottom Hole-Patterns
Figure 1-48  GMU 44 Universal Mount Hole Alignment, Lateral Method (Side Plate Mounted)

Figure 1-49  GMU 44 Universal Mount Hole Alignment, Lateral Method (Side Plate Mounted)
Figure 1-50  GMU 44 Universal Mount Hole Alignment, Rotational Method (Bottom Plate Mounted)

Figure 1-51  GMU 44 Universal Mount Hole Alignment, Rotational Method (Bottom Plate Mounted)
Cleco the desired angle and rivet the top bracket to the bottom bracket on both sides (2 each side) using MS20470AD3-4 rivets as shown in Figure 1-52 and Figure 1-53. Examples are shown in Figure 1-54 and Figure 1-55.
Figure 1-54  Example of a 4° Lateral Incline GMU 44 Universal Mount

Figure 1-55  Example of a 6° Rotated Incline GMU 44 Universal Mount
Install the GMU 44 into the GMU 44 Universal Mount using three screws P/N 211-60037-08, taking care to tighten the mounting screws firmly. See Figure 1-52.

Figure 1-56   Installation of the GMU 44 into the GMU 44 Universal Mount
1.4.3.2 GMU 44 Universal Mount Installation

Determine a suitable location for the GMU 44 (refer to Section 1.4 for placement information).

Installation of the GRS 77 requires the aircraft to be leveled both in the longitudinal and lateral axis. Refer to the aircraft maintenance manual for leveling instructions. It is preferred that the aircraft is placed on jacks while leveled to avoid inadvertently placing the aircraft in a non level position when entering, exiting or working in the aircraft.

NOTE
Prior to installing any equipment necessary for the installation of the GMU 44, a Magnetic Interference Survey must be completed to determine if the desired location is acceptable for the installation of the GMU 44 Magnetometer.

Complete the Magnetic Interference Survey per Section 1.4.4

NOTE
In most cases support components for the installation of the GMU 44 Universal Mount is not required. For some aircraft that require installing the magnetometer in the vertical stabilizer, support brackets may be required to compensate for the extreme inclines and/or awkward positioning. In such cases it is recommended to provide a level installation using the manufactured brackets or other support equipment, especially if the GMU 44 Universal Mount is secured through the bottom bracket.

If required, install the support components (e.g. manufactured brackets or other equipment used to support the GMU 44 Universal Mount) required for the installation of the GMU 44 Universal Mount in accordance with the aircraft maintenance manual and AC43.13-2A Chapter 2. Verify clearances and requirements per Figure 1-56.

In order to satisfy the structural requirements for the operation of the GMU 44 the following conditions shall be met:

If support racks, brackets or shelves need to be fabricated, they should be fabricated and attached to the aircraft structure in accordance with the methods outlined in the aircraft maintenance manual, AC43.13-2A Chapter 2 and the following requirements:

- Material shall be 2024-T3 sheet aluminum
- Material shall have some type of corrosion protection (primer, alodine, etc.)
- Material shall be a minimum of 0.040” thickness
- Use sheet metal techniques (bend radius, fillets, etc) appropriate to the material thickness and type.

Any supporting structure must be rigidly connected to the aircraft primary structure through strong structural members capable of supporting substantial loads.

Mounting platform shall not span greater than 12” in width or length without direct attachment to primary structure. If mounting platform does span greater than 12”, add necessary stringers, doublers, bulkhead flange reinforcements, etc., to provide adequate support.

Maintain a minimum of 1 1/4” between the top of the GMU 44 unit and any object to ensure clearance for connector and wire harness. Refer to Figure 1-57.
Determine the angle offset for level installation and heading angle offset for aircraft heading alignment.

The incline of the mounting location may be measured using a level meter such as the PRO 360 or equivalent. It is recommended to use a level surface on the aircraft itself as reference for a more accurate installation.

**NOTE**

For vertical stabilizer installation, aircraft structures such as the bulkheads and support frames are usually perpendicular to the aircraft heading and may be used as reference for determining the relative position of the installation to the aircraft heading.

For wing installations it may require the transferring of both the aircraft heading reference line and the mounting panel’s line to the shop floor for comparison and angle measurement. Refer to Section 1.4.4.1 for typical methods to determine the heading angle offset.

Assemble the GMU 44 Universal Mount per Section 1.4.3.1.
For side plate installations, position the GMU 44 Universal Mount on the aircraft mounting structure. Transfer the hole-pattern from the side-plate of the GMU 44 Universal Mount to the mounting structure (0.144” diameter drill holes, two places). See Figure 1-58, left side.

For bottom plate installations, drill four holes (0.128” diameter) on the bottom plate (two on each side) of the GMU 44 Universal Mount. Position the GMU 44 Universal Mount on the mounting platform. Transfer the hole-pattern from the bottom plate of the GMU 44 Universal Mount to the mounting plate (0.144” inch diameter, four places). See Figure 1-58, right side.

![Figure 1-58 Possible Hole-Patterns on the GMU 44 Universal Mount](image)

**NOTE**

For installations that have the clearance and access to install and remove the GMU 44 without disturbing the GMU 44 Universal Mount, the GMU 44 Universal Mount may be installed on the mounting platform prior to installing the GMU 44 on it. In this case, rivets may be used to secure the GMU 44 Universal Mount to the mounting platform since removal of the GMU for maintenance or replacement will not require the removal of the GMU 44 Universal Mount. When using rivets, use CR3242-4 (Length A/R) Cherry Max rivets or MS20470AD5 Solid Universal Head rivets. It is acceptable to oversize the holes in the Universal Mount brackets to a #21 drill size (0.159”) for installation of MS20470AD5 rivets.

**NOTE**

Installation hardware for the GMU 44 Universal Mount should be non-magnetic. Acceptable nutplates include #6-32 variations of the following: MS21048, MS21050, MS21052, MS21054, MS21056, MS21058, MS21060, MS21070, MS21072, and MS21074. Do not use floating nutplates. Acceptable nuts include #6-32 variations of the following: AN363C, AN364C, or AN365C. Acceptable screws include MS5197, #6-32, length as appropriate. Acceptable washers include AN960C-6, AN960C-6L, AN960PD-6, AN960-PD-6L, or their NAS equivalents.
Rivet nut plates (MS21059L3) with MS20426AD4-6 rivets (Countersunk rivets) onto mounting platform. Ensure that installed rivets are countersunk and are flush with the installation panel. Remove any burrs or excess rivet heads. In some cases, such as with composite aircraft, self locking nuts may be used instead of rivet nuts.

Install the GMU 44 into the GMU 44 Universal Mount using hardware included in the GMU 44 Installation Kit. The recommended torque is 12-15 inch lbs.

The metal components in the GMU 44’s connector may slightly affect the magnetic field sensed by the GMU 44. Place the connector at least 2 inches from the body of the GMU 44 to minimize this effect. After attaching the GMU 44’s connector to its mate in the aircraft wiring, secure the connector in place using good installation practices. This will ensure that any remaining magnetic effect can be compensated for using the Magnetometer Calibration Procedure.

After the installation is complete, refer the applicable airframe specific documentation for system configuration, calibration and checkout.

**NOTE**

_The GMU will not provide valid outputs until the post installation calibration procedures are completed._

### 1.4.4 Magnetic Interference Survey

**CAUTION**

Do not permanently rivet the GMU 44 Universal Mount together. Use rivets held in place with tape to hold GMU 44 Universal Mount together temporarily. Clecos, clamps or other devices that are metal or magnetic should not be used. It is possible that the location will fail the survey and the installation will require a new location, with a different incline.

Temporarily assemble the GMU 44 Universal Mount per Section 1.4.3.1 for level installation using tape to hold rivets in place. Set the GMU and installation rack onto the GMU 44 Universal Mount. It is preferable to have the GMU 44 forward direction aligned to the aircraft heading, but not required. Place the GMU 44 and GMU 44 Universal Mount on the desired installation location and secure in place using tape. Do not use clamps or other devices that are ferrous or magnetic.

Prepare a detailed test sequence and conduct a survey of the chosen location in accordance with Section 2.4.

Run the magnetic interference survey using the magnetic interference software – refer to Section 2 for details.

If the test passes, the location is considered reliable for the installation of the GMU 44.

If the test fails, the location should be considered unreliable until the source of the magnetic interference is identified, remedied and the location is retested and passes the test. Refer to Section 2.7 for additional information on troubleshooting and correcting the GMU 44 magnetometer installation. If the magnetic interference cannot be remedied, another location should be chosen and tested.
1.4.4.1 Method for Determining Heading Angle Offset for Wing Installation

1. Transfer the mounting plate alignment to the underside of the wing.

NOTE

For some metal aircraft, it may be possible to use the rivets that secure the plate to the aircraft skin to translate the plate line. See Figure 1-59. For aircraft that do not have rivets for reference, such as composite aircraft, dividers may be used.

Figure 1-59 Rivet Line Method to Determine Mounting Panel Alignment

NOTE

Up/down movement of the dividers may offset the location of the mark on the underside of the wing relative to other marks. It is important to note the holding position of the dividers and ensure the same holding technique is used for all markings.
2. Using a pair of dividers (similar to those shown in Figure 1-60), transfer the installation plate line to the skin of the aircraft. Place packing tape on the underside of the wing for marking.

3. Place one side of the divider inside the aircraft wing with the point making contact with the mounting plate surface, as shown in Figure 1-61.
4. Place the other side of the divider outside the aircraft wing and mark the point on the tape holding the divider as flush to the wing as possible, as shown in Figure 1-62.

![Diagram showing the process of transferring the mounting plate alignment to the underside of the wing.](image)

**Figure 1-62** Transferring the Mounting Plate Alignment to the Underside of the Wing

**NOTE**

To verify that a measurement error did not occur due to the holding position of the dividers, ensure that a straight line intersects all marks.
5. Mark at least three points along the mounting plate and draw a straight line through the points. Verify that the line intersects all points marked.

6. Using a plumb bob transfer the mounting panel line from the underside of the wing to the shop floor. Mark at least 3 points and draw a straight line. Verify that the line intersects all points. See Figure 1-63.

![Figure 1-63 Transferring the Mounting Panel Line from the Underside of the Wing to the Shop Floor Using a Plumb Bob](image1)

7. Find the aircraft centerline.
8. Drop a plumb bob along each side of the fuselage to the left and right at the cowl line or skin line near the front of the fuselage. Make a mark for the two plumbs on the floor, as shown in Figure 1-64.

![Figure 1-64 Centerline Plumb Bob Method for the Forward Fuselage](image2)
9. Strike a line between the two marks using a chalk line. Measure the distance between the two marks and mark the halfway point. This will be the centerline mark for the forward fuselage. See Figure 1-65.

![Figure 1-65 Center Mark for the Forward Fuselage (Plumb Bob Method)](image1)

10. Perform the same procedure to find the center point for the aft end of the fuselage, as shown in Figure 1-66.

![Figure 1-66 Centerline Plumb Bob Method for the Aft Fuselage](image2)
11. Strike a line between the centerline mark of the forward fuselage and the centerline mark at the aft end using a chalk line, as shown in Figure 1-67. This will be the aircraft heading reference line.

![Figure 1-67 Center Line (Plumb Bob Method)](image)

**NOTE**

The heading angle offset is determined by comparing the aircraft reference center line to the mounting plate alignment.

12. Transfer the aircraft center line to the mounting plate line for heading angle offset measurement.
13. Align the laser square to the aircraft reference line so that the other laser line is perpendicular to it and intersects the mounting plate line drawn on the floor, as shown in Figure 1-68.

14. Mark the point of intersection of the plate line and the laser line. Strike a line on the laser line (between the center reference line and the mounting plate line) using a chalk line.

Figure 1-68  Transferring Center Line Step 1 (Laser Square Method)

15. Position the laser square at the intersection point and align one of the lasers to the chalk line from the previous step. Strike a line on the laser line parallel to the center reference line using a chalk line. This chalk line will be the transferred aircraft heading reference line and is used to determine the heading angle offset. See Figure 1-69.

Figure 1-69  Transferring Center Line Step 2 (Laser Square Method)
16. Use a protractor to determine the angle difference between the aircraft heading reference line and the plate line. See Figure 1-70. This is the heading angle offset that will be used for the magnetometer top plate installation.
An alternate method to the Laser Square is the use of the “3-4-5” Triangle:

1. Mark a point (A) on the aircraft heading reference line that is just aft of the installation location.
2. Measure three feet forward on the aircraft heading reference line and mark it (B). See Figure 1-71.

3. From point A measure 4 feet, as perpendicular as possible and draw an arc. See Figure 1-72.
4. From Point B measure 5 feet and draw an arc which intersects the other, this will be point C.
5. Draw a straight line from point C to Point A. This line is perpendicular to the aircraft heading reference line.
6. Extend the A-C line to intersect with the Panel Line. See Figure 1-73.

![Figure 1-73  3-4-5 Triangle Method Step 3](image)

7. Perform the same procedure to find a perpendicular line to the A-C line. Ensure the base of the 3-4-5 triangle lies on the intersection point of the A-C line and the Panel line. See Figure 1-74.

![Figure 1-74  3-4-5 Triangle Method Step 4](image)

8. Measure the heading angle offset.
1.5 Construction and Validation of Structures

This section contains information necessary for testing load-carrying capabilities of equipment mounting structures (such as shelves, mounting plates and mounting brackets) used to mount the GRS 77 and GMU 44.

If support racks, brackets or shelves need to be fabricated, they should be fabricated and attached to the aircraft structure in accordance with the methods outlined in AC43.13-2A Chapter 2. After the structure is installed, it should be tested as outlined in AC43.13-2A chapter 1 to verify that it is capable of supporting the required loads.

The GRS 77 and GMU 44 (if mounted within the fuselage) installations must be capable of withstanding the Static Test Load Factors listed in the corresponding tables below for at least three seconds in each direction specified direction without damage or permanent deformation. In addition, there should not be noticeable deflection of the GRS 77 mounting structure.

NOTE
Required loads differ somewhat from those normally required for equipment installations.

1.5.1 GRS 77 Static Test Loads

The combined weight of the GRS 77, connector and mounting rack is 3.50 lbs. The static loads which must be applied (Load Factor x 3.50 lbs.) will be the following:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Direction of Force</th>
<th>Load Factor</th>
<th>Static Test Load (Load Factor x (GRS 77 + Mounting Rack Weight))</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Downward</td>
<td>6.6 g</td>
<td>(6.6 x 3.5) = 23.10 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Upward</td>
<td>6.0 g</td>
<td>(6.0 x 3.5) = 21.00 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sideward</td>
<td>4.5 g</td>
<td>(4.5 x 3.5) = 15.75 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Forward</td>
<td>18.0 g</td>
<td>(18.0 x 3.5) = 63.00 lbs</td>
</tr>
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</table>

The combined weight of the GRS 77, connector, mounting rack and GRS 77 Universal Mount is 4.55 lbs. The static loads which must be applied (Load Factor x 4.55 lbs.) will be the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Direction of Force</th>
<th>Load Factor</th>
<th>Static Test Load (Load Factor x (GRS 77 + Mounting Rack and Universal Bracket Weight))</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Downward</td>
<td>6.6 g</td>
<td>(6.6 x 4.55 ) = 30.03 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Upward</td>
<td>6.0 g</td>
<td>(6.0 x 4.55) = 27.30 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sideward</td>
<td>4.5 g</td>
<td>(4.5 x 4.55) = 20.48 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Forward</td>
<td>18.0 g</td>
<td>(18.0 x 4.55) = 81.90 lbs</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
1.5.2 GMU 44 Static Test Loads

**NOTE**

*Structural validation for the GMU 44 mounting structure is only required if the GMU 44 is mounted within the fuselage, and not if mounted in the wing or vertical stabilizer.*

The combined weight of the GMU 44, connector and mounting rack is 0.50 lbs. The static loads which must be applied (Load Factor x 0.50 lbs.) will be the following:

**Table 1-4 GMU 44 Static Test Load**

| Direction of Force | Load Factor | Static Test Load  
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(Load Factor x (GDC 74A + Mounting Rack Weight))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Downward</td>
<td>6.6 g</td>
<td>(6.6 x 0.50) = 3.30 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Upward</td>
<td>6.0 g</td>
<td>(6.0 x 0.50) = 3.00 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sideward</td>
<td>4.5 g</td>
<td>(4.5 x 0.50) = 2.25 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Forward</td>
<td>18.0 g</td>
<td>(18.0 x 0.50) = 9.00 lbs</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The combined weight of the GMU 44, connector, mounting rack and GMU 44 Universal Mount is 0.72 lbs. The static loads which must be applied (Load Factor x 0.72 lbs.) will be the following:

**Table 1-5 GRS 77 Static Test Load with Rack and Bracket**

| Direction of Force | Load Factor | Static Test Load  
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>(Load Factor x (GDC 74A + Mounting Rack Weight))</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Downward</td>
<td>6.6 g</td>
<td>(6.6 x 0.72) = 4.75 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Upward</td>
<td>6.0 g</td>
<td>(6.0 x 0.72) = 4.32 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sideward</td>
<td>4.5 g</td>
<td>(4.5 x 0.72) = 3.24 lbs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Forward</td>
<td>18.0 g</td>
<td>(18.0 x 0.72) = 12.96 lbs</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
1.5.3 Test Procedures

One method of determining the static load capability is as follows:

NOTE

Previously installed nut plates for mounting the GRS 77 or GMU 44 may be used for testing. For installation on an existing aircraft panel (which will require no removal) testing may be accomplished prior to installing nut plates using the method below.

Mark and drill the holes where the mounting rack or Universal Mount will be installed, whichever is applicable to the installation.

For a GRS 77 installation, install four #10-32 machine screws (see Figure 1-10 for Universal Mount and Figure 1-23 for the Mounting Rack) in the corner holes used to attach the Universal Mount or Mounting Rack to structure.

If special brackets are used between the mounting rack and existing structure, the bracket attachment to structure must be tested. For the GMU 44 installation, install two, three, or four pieces of hardware.

If using the Universal Mount in a side mount installation configuration, use two #6-32 machine screws, (stainless), as demonstrated in Figure 1-58 (left side) and supported by a subsequent hardware discussion.

If using the Universal Mount in a bottom mount installation configuration, use four #6-32 machine screws (stainless), as demonstrated in Figure 1-58 (right side) and supported by a subsequent hardware discussion.

If installing the GMU 44 Installation Rack directly to existing structure, use the three pan head screws contained in the GMU 44 installation kit.

1. For testing downward loading, place shot bags or other suitable weights totaling the static test load weight of the equipment plus the rack within the footprint outlined by the four screw holes.
2. Verify there is no damage, permanent deformation or noticeable deflection of the structure during and after three seconds.
3. Fasten a 36 inch loop of suitable material such as fishing line, braided wire, or other similar material having a breaking strength of at least 150lbs, diagonally between two of the screws.
4. Fasten another loop diagonally between the other two screws, adjusting the length of the loop so it exactly matches the first.
5. Hook a calibrated force gauge through both loops and apply a sustained pull for at least three seconds in each of the other three directions (upward, sideward and forward). Figure 1-75 illustrates the upward static load test and Figure 1-76 illustrates the forward static load test. The sideward static load test is similar to the forward load test, in a direction perpendicular to the forward load. The force applied must correspond to the static test load calculated for unit and rack configuration being installed (the static test load values are found in the tables above).
6. Examine the support structure carefully. If there has been damage, permanent deformation or noticeable deflection, the structure is not suitable and must be replaced with one which is strong enough to withstand the test loads. Examine all aircraft stringers, bulkheads and skin surfaces, which may have direct or indirect contact with the fabricated parts. If it is determined that no damage or permanent deformation has occurred, the structure is of sufficient strength and the GRS 77 or GMU 44 equipment may be used to permanently mount the equipment.
Figure 1-75  Upward Static Load Test

Figure 1-76  Forward Static Load Test
2 MAGNETIC INTERFERENCE SURVEY PC SOFTWARE

2.1 Introduction
The following items are required to complete the magnetic interference survey.

Laptop or PC
A laptop or PC is required to run the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool software. This laptop or PC must meet the following requirements:

- Operating System: Windows 2000 SP4*, XP, 7, 8, 10
- Processor Speed: 850 MHz
- Hard Drive Free Memory: 500 MB
- RAM Memory: 256MB
- Screen Resolution: 1024 x 768
- CD-ROM Drive

WinZip® (or equivalent application) is required to extract downloaded file.

RS-232 or USB Port

*Installation software may require user to install the latest version of Windows Installer which can be downloaded from www.microsoft.com.

NOTE
The user must have administrative rights on the PC in order to install the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool software. If using Windows 7 or newer, user account control (UAC) must be turned off.

Magnetic Interference Survey Test Cable
A test cable fabricated by the installer is required to perform the magnetic interference survey (refer to Section 2.2 for details on manufacturing this cable).

GMU Location Survey Tool Software P/N 006-A0240-00
GMU 44 Location Survey Tool software P/N 006-A0240-00 is required to perform the magnetic interference survey. This software is supplied as an installation package P/N 006-A0241-00 (refer to Section 2.3 for details on downloading and installing this software).

DC Power Supply
A DC power supply capable of supplying 12 VDC/200 mA is required to supply power to the GMU 44 Magnetometer during magnetic interference survey.

RS-485 to RS-232 Converter (optional)
An RS-485 to RS-232 converter may be required to connect the magnetometer to the laptop or PC. Usually a converter is not required, but may be needed if using older laptops or PCs. A suitable converter is B&B Electronics Model 422LP9R (or equivalent).

Stopwatch or Watch with a Second Hand
A stopwatch or watch with a second hand is required measure the times for turning equipment on and off during the survey test sequence.

RS-232 to USB Converter (optional)
An RS-232 to USB converter may be required to connect the magnetometer to the laptop or PC if no laptop or PC with an RS-232 port is available.
2.2 Test Cable Requirements

Fabricate a test cable in accordance with one of the following drawings. The cable shown in Figure 2-1 should work in most cases; however, if the laptop or PC is not able to communicate with the GMU 44 an RS-485 to RS-232 converter will be required and the cable shown in Figure 2-2 should be fabricated.

**Figure 2-1 Magnetic Interference Survey Setup with Direct Connection to PC**

**Figure 2-2 Magnetic Interference Survey Setup using R-485 to RS-232 Converter**
2.3 GMU 44 Location Survey Tool Software Installation Instructions

This installation package will install the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool P/N 006-A0240-00 software on a PC. The laptop or PC used to run the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool software.

**NOTE**

*Close all other programs before installing the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool software*

To install the software perform the following steps:

1. In the newly opened Explorer window, double-click in the “install.bat” file to begin the setup process. The following window will open and indicate the progress of the installation.

**NOTE**

*If using Windows 7 or newer, right click and select: “Run as administrator” instead of double clicking to run “install.bat”.*
2. The following window will open and indicate the progress of the installation.

![Installation Progress Window]

**NOTE**

*The installation of the Matlab Runtime environment may take several minutes.*
For some installations a Windows Installer error message may appear as shown below. Before proceeding, the installation software requires that the user install the latest version of Windows Installer, which can be downloaded from www.microsoft.com.

When the Runtime environment is ready to be installed, an InstallShield Wizard window will appear.

**NOTE**
The procedure for installing the MATLAB runtime environment depends upon whether or not the runtime environment has been previously installed. Proceed to the applicable section.

### 2.3.1 For New Matlab Installations

**NOTE**
The window below only appears if the MATLAB Runtime environment has not previously been installed. If MATLAB was previously installed, proceed to Existing MATLAB Installations.

1. Click “Next” and follow the setup instructions.
NOTE
For some installations a MATLAB Runtime error may appear as shown below.

The Garmin GLS tool does not require the software listed in the error message. Click ‘OK’ to continue installation. The Install Wizard will complete the setup of the Matlab® Runtime and the following screen will appear.
2. Select “Finish”. After several moments the setup wizard will continue and install the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool software.

3. Select “Next” and follow the final setup instructions. The final screen will appear.
4. Select “Finish” to complete the installation. A shortcut for the GLS Tool software will be created on your desktop.

5. The GLS software is now ready to use. Proceed to Section 2.4.
2.3.2 For Existing Matlab Installations

**NOTE**

Follow the instructions below if the MATLAB® Runtime environment has previously been installed.

1. Select “Next” and following window will appear.

2. Select “Modify” then select “Next”.
3. Select “Install” to begin the installation.

**NOTE**
*For some installation a MATLAB Component Runtime error message may appear as show below.*

![MATLAB Component Runtime 7.6 Installer Information](image)

**NOTE**
The Garmin GLS tool does not require the software listed in the error message. Click ‘OK’ to continue installation. The Install Wizard will complete the setup of the Matlab® Runtime and the following screen will appear.

![MATLAB Component Runtime 7.6 - InstallShield Wizard](image)
4. Select “Finish”. After several moments the setup wizard will continue and install the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool software.

5. Select “Next” and follow the final setup instructions. The final screen will appear.
6. Select “Finish” to complete the installation. A shortcut for the GLS Tool software will be created on your desktop.

![Garmin GLS Tool (v2.01)](image)

7. The GLS software is now ready to use. Proceed to Section 2.4.
2.4 Conducting the GMU 44 Location Survey With The GLS Tool

**CAUTION**

Do not permanently install the GMU 44 prior to successfully completing the magnetic survey. It is possible that the location will fail the survey and a new location will be required.

**NOTE**

*The GLS Tool is designed to identify transient magnetic disturbances. In rare instances the GLS Tool magnetic survey will pass but the installation will fail the magnetometer calibration during the post installation checkout. This is usually due to a constant magnetic field present in the aircraft (e.g. the structure is magnetized). Contact Garmin for assistance if this occurs.*

Place the GMU 44 on the desired installation location and secure in place using a non-ferrous material. With the aircraft leveled, ensure that the GMU 44 is within five degrees of level – the actual tilt of the GMU 44 can be confirmed when the survey is completed. Do not use clamps or other devices that are ferrous or magnetic. It is preferable to have the GMU 44 forward direction aligned to the aircraft heading, but not required.

Prepare a detailed test sequence list with precise start and stop times for exercising all items in the aircraft which are likely to affect the operation of the GMU 44 magnetometer. The list of relevant items varies from aircraft to aircraft. An example of a test sequence is given in Table 2-1. This sequence contains items that will not be applicable to every installation and should be tailored to each particular installation – additional items may have to be added when doing so.

Connect the test equipment as shown in Figure 2-1.
Table 2-1 Example Detailed Sequence

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<th>Magnetometer Survey Data File:</th>
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<td><strong>Elapsed Time Since Start of Test (min:secs)</strong></td>
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<td>0:00</td>
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<td>5:10</td>
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### Table 2-1  Example Detailed Sequence

<table>
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<th>Elapsed Time Since Start of Test (min:secs)</th>
<th>Action</th>
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</thead>
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<tr>
<td>320</td>
<td>5:20</td>
<td>Strobes off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>330</td>
<td>5:30</td>
<td>Recognition lights on</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>340</td>
<td>5:40</td>
<td>Recognition lights off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>350</td>
<td>5:50</td>
<td>Turn on all wing-tip lights simultaneously (typically will include navigation lights, recognition lights and strobe)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>360</td>
<td>6:00</td>
<td>Turn off all wing-tip lights simultaneously</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>370</td>
<td>6:10</td>
<td>Beacon on</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>380</td>
<td>6:20</td>
<td>Beacon off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>390</td>
<td>6:30</td>
<td>Autopilot engaged in a pitch and roll mode (to engage servo clutches)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>400</td>
<td>6:40</td>
<td>Autopilot disengaged</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>410</td>
<td>6:50</td>
<td>Pitot heat on</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>420</td>
<td>7:00</td>
<td>Pitot heat off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>430</td>
<td>7:10</td>
<td>End of test</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
2.5 Data Collection

Open the Garmin GLS tool by double-clicking on the shortcut to the Garmin GLS Tool.

**NOTE**

It may be necessary to adjust your screen settings in order to display the tool screen properly on your laptop or PC. Consult your operating software instruction manual for instructions on how to change screen settings.

1. Once the test software is open, select the appropriate unit type.

**NOTE**

The below image is representative of 006-A0240-00 v2.01. Subsequent versions may present additional installation type options.

![Image showing Preferences and Choose Installation Type options]

2. Pull down the File menu and select ‘Sources’.
3. Select the appropriate COM port and select ‘OK’. This step is only required for the initial setup and does not need to be completed for subsequent use of the GLS Tool software.
NOTE
The Garmin GLS tool will start displaying received data from the GMU 44 as soon as power is applied to the GMU44 (assuming correct test harness interconnect).

4. Connect the test harness to the appropriate COM port on the laptop and open the test software. Limit current to 200 mA and apply 12V to the GMU.

NOTE
Relative Deviation is used to show how far the 3-dimensional magnetic field measurements are from the reference points after the survey has started.
NOTE
To get accurate results from the survey, ensure that the standard power architecture in the aircraft is ON during the first 20 seconds of the survey.

5. Before beginning the survey, power up the aircraft with the standard power architecture ON (master switch, avionics bus if applicable, etc.) With test sequence in hand, start the survey by selecting ‘F4 Strt Svvy’ or pressing the F4 key on the keyboard and start the stopwatch simultaneously. Perform the test sequence making sure to follow the timeline for all actions. Ensure that for the first 20 seconds the aircraft is not disturbed, i.e. no movement of flight controls or use of instrumentation, etc.
6. When the operator has completed the actions specified in the test sequence, stop the test software by selecting ‘F5 Abrt Suvy’ or pressing the F5 key. Select ‘F6 Save Data’ or press the F6 key on the keyboard to save the file. Record file name on the test sequence sheet.
2.6 Data Analysis

1. Select ‘F11 Rvw Data’ or press the F11 key on the keyboard to analyze the data.
2. A window will open asking for the file name of the data to be analyzed. Select the saved file for the appropriate and select ‘Open’.

![Choose the desired SOURCE data file containing 80 messages]

3. After selecting ‘Open’ the following DOS window will appear while the data is being analyzed. The analysis may take several minutes, depending upon how much data was recorded.

![Verify correct file and click open]

When the analysis is complete, the test results will be displayed in a graph format. Two plots will be displayed – the magnetic survey field results and the magnetometer tilt measurements. The plots of the magnetic interference results and magnetometer tilt will be automatically saved as bitmap (.bmp) files in the same directory as the source data file, with the same name as the source data file – these can be used for future reference.
4. Select the magnetometer tile measurements window (MagTilt).

5. Verify that the X Tilt (Roll) and Y Tilt (Pit) are within the range \(-5^\circ < X/Y\ Tilt < 5^\circ\). If the tilt is not within 5° of level the temporary GMU 44 installation must be corrected to level the GMU 44, and the survey must be repeated before proceeding.
If the tilt is within the acceptable range, select the magnetic survey field results (MagField) window. Verify that there are no electromagnetic anomalies during the first 20 seconds of the test in which the aircraft was not disturbed.

Verify there are no electromagnetic anomalies during the first 20 seconds of the test in which the aircraft was not disturbed.

Any electromagnetic disturbances during this time period may be a result of interference from nearby electromagnetic equipment.

Test should be accomplished at a location that has no electromagnetic interference from nearby equipment.
6. Verify the test passed.

If the test failed, use the zoom options to determine when the failure occurred.
7. Correlate the time of occurrence of the failure with the action performed on the detailed test sequence and correct the source of the interference. If the magnetic interference cannot be remedied, another location should be chosen and tested.

If the test fails, the location should be considered unreliable until the source of the magnetic interference is identified, remedied and the location is retested and passes the test. If the test passes, the location is considered reliable for the installation of the GMU 44. Contact Garmin product support for further assistance.

The following example is a result from a survey with ideal passing results:

8. When done, the data analysis windows can be closed by closing the three windows individually, or by returning to the DOS window shown below and pressing the <Enter> key.
2.7 GMU 44 Magnetometer Troubleshooting

When performing a magnetic interference survey numerous issues may arise. This section lists some common causes for failures of the magnetometer interference test, and a description of some of the things that can be done to remedy them.

2.7.1 Common Causes for Failures of the Magnetometer Interference Test

2.7.1.1 Electrical Current Return Paths

If electrical loads are grounded through the airframe, the returning electrical current will flow through the airframe toward the alternator, generator, or battery. If the magnetometer lies along this current return path, the current can cause significant magnetic interference. Electrical current return paths are the most common cause of magnetic interference issues. Common examples of this problem are the navigation lights at the wingtips for wing-mounted magnetometers or the strobe light on the tail for vertical stabilizer-mounted magnetometers.

Before making changes to the aircraft, isolate the particular electrical load which is causing the interference by running the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool while turning the load on and off or by running the magnetometer interference test with the load on and again with it off.

To correct the problem, ground the electrical load through a wire rather than through the airframe. The ground wire should run into the fuselage for wing-mounted magnetometers so that the return current no longer flows through the airframe past the magnetometer. Ideally this ground wire should be routed beside the power wire for that electrical load. This will maximize cancellation of the associated magnetic field that is generated by the current.

2.7.1.2 Nearby Electrical Loads

Large electrical loads that are close to the magnetometer can generate significant magnetic interference. It is important to install the GMU 44 using the guidelines provided in Section 1.3 1-3 and Table 2-1.

2.7.1.3 Ferromagnetic Materials

Ferromagnetic materials can become magnetized and cause magnetic interference. It is important to use nonmagnetic materials to mount the GMU 44, and replace any magnetic fasteners within 20” (0.5 m) with nonmagnetic equivalents (e.g. replace zinc-plated steel screws used to mount wing covers or wingtips with nonmagnetic stainless steel screws.)
2.7.2 Examples of Magnetic Interference Problems

In order to isolate the cause of the magnetic interference, first review the results from the GMU 44 Location Survey Tool. Compare the survey results to the detailed test sequence to identify which item caused the failure. Two examples of common survey failures are shown below.

The cause of both of the interference issues above was determined to be electrical current return paths through the airframe, as described in Section 2.7.1.1. Two options were available at this point: (1) run new ground wires for the pitot heat, strobe light, and NAVNAV light, or (2) choose a different location for the GMU 44. Since it was determined that running new ground return wires through the wing would be difficult, the GMU 44 was relocated to more suitable location in the aft fuselage.
Figure 2-4  Interference From The Strobe Light On Vertical Stabilizer

The cause of the interference above was determined to be an electrical current return path through the airframe, as described in Section 2.7.1.1. The power return for strobe light power supply was through the chassis of the power supply (the design for this power supply did not have a separate connection for a power ground). To correct the problem, the power supply was replaced with a new power supply that had a separate power ground that was isolated from the chassis. A new ground wire was run from the strobe light power supply and attached to the airframe forward of the GMU 44.