



OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

**TERMALINE<sup>®</sup> LOAD RESISTOR**  
**SERIES 8920**



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## INSTRUCTION BOOK

# **TERMALINE® LOAD RESISTOR SERIES 8920**

### COVERING MODELS:

8921	8922	8926	8927	8928
	8922D	8926D	8927D	

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## **Safety Precautions**

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The following are general safety precautions that are not necessarily related to any specific part or procedure and do not necessarily appear elsewhere in this publication. These precautions must be thoroughly understood and applied to all phases of operation and maintenance.

### ***Keep Away From Live Circuits***

Operating personnel must at all times observe normal safety regulations. Do not replace components or make adjustments inside the equipment with high voltage turned on. To avoid casualties, always remove power.

### ***Shock Hazard***

Do not attempt to remove the RF transmission line while RF power is present.

### ***Do Not Service Or Adjust Alone***

Under no circumstances should any personnel reach into an enclosure for the purpose of service or adjustment of equipment except in the presence of someone who is capable of rendering aid.

### ***Safety Earth Ground***

An uninterruptible earth safety ground must be supplied from the main power source to test instruments. Grounding one conductor of a two conductor power cable is not sufficient protection. Serious injury or death can occur if this grounding is not properly supplied.

### ***Chemical Hazard***

Dry cleaning solvents for cleaning parts may be potentially dangerous. Avoid inhalation of fumes or prolonged contact with skin.

### ***Resuscitation***

Personnel working with or near high voltages should be familiar with modern methods of resuscitation.

## Safety Symbols

### WARNING

Warning notes call attention to a procedure, which if not correctly performed, could result in personal injury.

### CAUTION

Caution notes call attention to a procedure, which if not correctly performed, could result in damage to the instrument.




This symbol indicates that a shock hazard exists if the precautions in the instruction manual are not followed.



The caution symbol appears on the equipment indicating there is important information in the instruction manual regarding that particular area.



This symbol indicates that the unit radiates heat and should not be touched while hot.

 NOTE: Calls attention to supplemental information.

## Warning Statements

The following safety warnings appear in the text where there is danger to operating and maintenance personnel and are repeated here for emphasis.

### WARNING

*BOTH* vent plugs must be used at all times when the unit is operating or cooling. Failure to do so could result in an explosion or severe burns.

### WARNING

Disconnect the unit from all power sources before servicing.  
The unit may be energized from multiple sources.  
The potential for electric shock exists.

### WARNING

Never attempt to connect or disconnect RF equipment from the transmission line while RF power is being applied.  
Leaking RF energy is a potential health hazard.

**WARNING**

Oil is slippery. If a leak occurs, be careful not to fall.

**Caution Statements**

The following equipment cautions appear in the text whenever the equipment is in danger of damage and are repeated here for emphasis.

**CAUTION**

This load is designed for operation in a horizontal position only, with the vent plugs up. Do not use in any other manner.

**CAUTION**

If installed, connect optional interlock before applying RF power.

**CAUTION**

Use only Bird coolant, P/N 5-1070, to prevent damage to the load.

**Safety Statements**



**USAGE**

ANY USE OF THIS INSTRUMENT IN A MANNER NOT SPECIFIED BY THE MANUFACTURER MAY IMPAIR THE INSTRUMENT'S SAFETY PROTECTION.

**USO**

EL USO DE ESTE INSTRUMENTO DE MANERA NO ESPECIFICADA POR EL FABRICANTE, PUEDE ANULAR LA PROTECCIÓN DE SEGURIDAD DEL INSTRUMENTO.

**BENUTZUNG**

WIRD DAS GERÄT AUF ANDERE WEISE VERWENDET ALS VOM HERSTELLER BESCHRIEBEN, KANN DIE GERÄTESICHERHEIT BEEINTRÄCHTIGT WERDEN.

**UTILISATION**

TOUTE UTILISATION DE CET INSTRUMENT QUI N'EST PAS EXPLICITEMENT PRÉVUE PAR LE FABRICANT PEUT ENDOMMAGER LE DISPOSITIF DE PROTECTION DE L'INSTRUMENT.

**IMPIEGO**

QUALORA QUESTO STRUMENTO VENISSE UTILIZZATO IN MODO DIVERSO DA COME SPECIFICATO DAL PRODUTTORE LA PROZIONE DI SICUREZZA POTREBBE VENIRNE COMPROMESSA.



#### SERVICE

SERVICING INSTRUCTIONS ARE FOR USE BY SERVICE - TRAINED PERSONNEL ONLY. TO AVOID DANGEROUS ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT PERFORM ANY SERVICING UNLESS QUALIFIED TO DO SO.

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LAS INSTRUCCIONES DE SERVICIO SON PARA USO EXCLUSIVO DEL PERSONAL DE SERVICIO CAPACITADO. PARA EVITAR EL PELIGRO DE DESCARGAS ELÉCTRICAS, NO REALICE NINGÚN SERVICIO A MENOS QUE ESTÉ CAPACITADO PARA HACERLO.

#### WARTUNG

ANWEISUNGEN FÜR DIE WARTUNG DES GERÄTES GELTEN NUR FÜR GESCHULTES FACHPERSONAL.

ZUR VERMEIDUNG GEFÄHRLICHER, ELEKTRISCHER SCHOCKS, SIND WARTUNGSARBEITEN AUSSCHLIEßLICH VON QUALIFIZIERTEM SERVICEPERSONAL DURCHZUFÜHREN.

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L'EMPLOI DES INSTRUCTIONS D'ENTRETIEN DOIT ÊTRE RÉSERVÉ AU PERSONNEL FORMÉ AUX OPÉRATIONS D'ENTRETIEN. POUR PRÉVENIR UN CHOC ÉLECTRIQUE DANGEREUX, NE PAS EFFECTUER D'ENTRETIEN SI L'ON N'A PAS ÉTÉ QUALIFIÉ POUR CE FAIRE.

#### ASSISTENZA TECNICA

LE ISTRUZIONI RELATIVE ALL'ASSISTENZA SONO PREVISTE ESCLUSIVAMENTE PER IL PERSONALE OPPORTUNAMENTE ADDESTRATO. PER EVITARE PERICOLOSE SCOSSE ELETTRICHE NON EFFETTUARE ALCUNA RIPARAZIONE A MENO CHE QUALIFICATI A FARLA.



CONNECT INTERLOCK TO TRANSMITTER/GENERATOR/AMPLIFIER BEFORE OPERATING.

BRANCHER LE VERROUILLAGE À L'ÉMETTEUR/GÉNÉRATEUR/AMPLIFICATEUR AVANT EMPLOI.

CONECTE EL INTERBLOQUEO AL TRANSMISOR/GENERADOR/AMPLIFICADOR ANTES DE LA OPERACION.

VOR INBETRIEBNAHME VERRIEGELUNG AM SENDER/GENERATOR/VERSTÄRKER ANSCHLIESSEN.

PRIMA DI METTERE IN FUNZIONE L'APPARECCHIO, COLLEGARE IL DISPOSITIVO DI BLOCCO AL TRASMETTITORE/GENERATORE/AMPLIFICATORE.



## About This Manual

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This instruction book is arranged so that essential information on safety is in the front of the book. Reading the Safety Precautions before operating the equipment is strongly advised. The remainder of this instruction book is divided into Chapters and Sections.

### ***Operation***

First time operators should read Chapter 1 - Introduction and Chapter 3 - Installation to get an overview of equipment capabilities and how to install it. An experienced operator can refer to Chapter 4 - Operating Instructions. All instructions necessary to operate the equipment are contained in this chapter.

### ***Maintenance***

All personnel should be familiar with preventative maintenance found in Chapter 5 - Maintenance. If a failure should occur, the trouble-shooting section will aid in isolating and repairing the failure. Parts lists and repair instructions are also in this chapter.

### ***Changes To The Manual***

We have made every effort to ensure this manual is accurate at the time of publication. If you should discover any errors or if you have suggestions for improving this manual, please send your comment to our factory. This manual may be periodically updated. When inquiring about updates to this manual, refer to the part number and revision level on the title page.

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Bird 8920 Series Loads are portable, 50 ohm, coaxial RF transmission line terminations, designed for frequency ranges of dc – 1 GHz. Bird 8920D Series Loads are identical, except that they are designed for the UHF (470 – 860 MHz) band. They provide accurate, dependable, and low reflection line terminations. Up to 5000 watts of RF power can be dissipated.

The load has a coolant chamber surrounded by radiator fins. The front and rear fins form mounting flanges which can be used as supports for freestanding use or as brackets for fixed mounting. A pair of vent plugs at the top of the unit relieves internal pressure from coolant expansion. The load's simple and rugged design minimizes maintenance requirements.

**Items Supplied**

- Load Resistor: Pre-filled with coolant at the factory
- Two Shipping Plugs
- Two Vent Plugs
- Instruction Manual

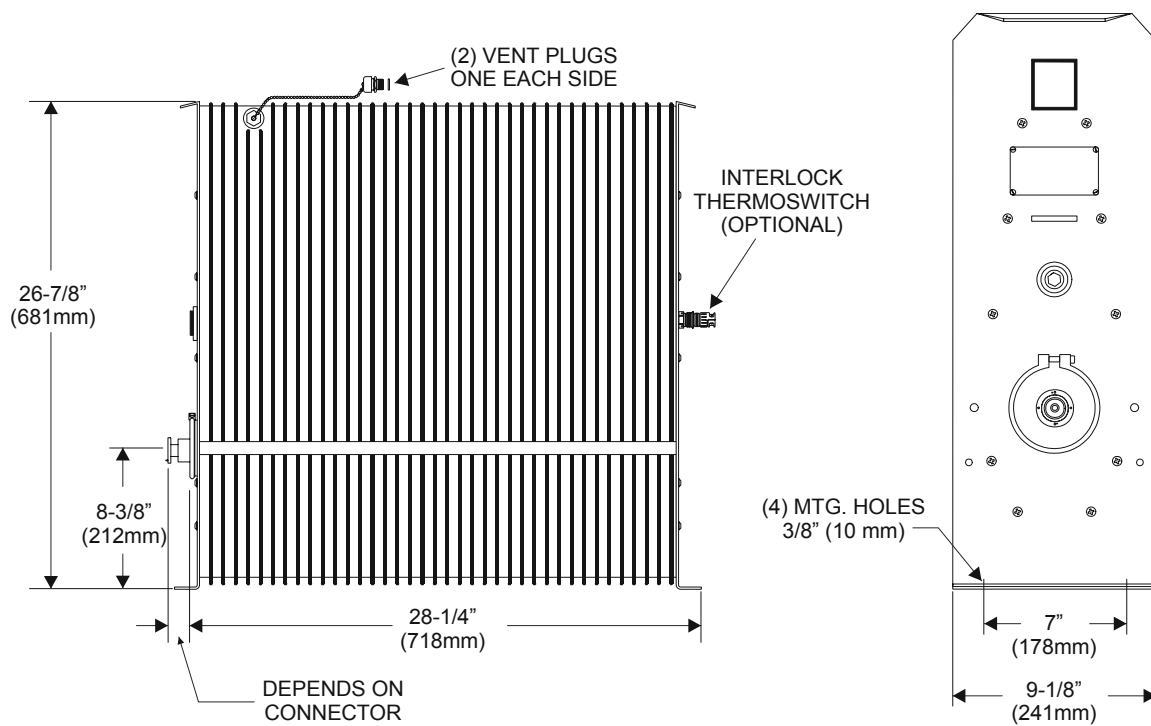
**Items Required but  
not Supplied**

- Coupling Kit: Connects the load to the RF line

**Optional  
Accessories**

- Interlock Thermoswitch: Automatically shuts off the transmitter to prevent overheating of the load

Figure 1  
Bird 8920 Series  
Outline Drawing



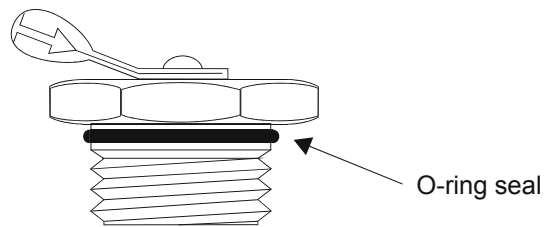
**Load Resistor** Bird 8920 series loads consist of a thin-film-on-ceramic resistor immersed in a dielectric coolant. The resistor, individually selected for its accuracy, is enclosed in a special housing. When surrounded by the coolant, this produces a uniform, practically reflectionless line termination over the specified frequencies.

**Coolant** The load is cooled by natural fluid and air convection currents. The coolant, chosen for its dielectric and thermal characteristics, carries heat from the resistor to the walls of the cooling tank, where radiator fins surrounding the tank transfer the heat to the air.

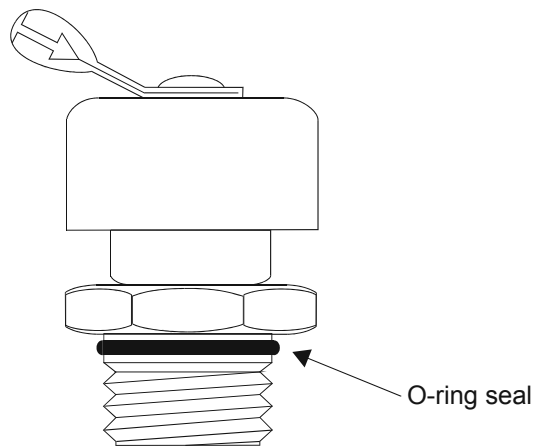
When the coolant is heated, thermal expansion causes an increase in the internal pressure. The vent plugs relieve this pressure while protecting the opening from dirt or other contaminants.

**Thermal Interlock** Loads can be supplied with an optional passive overtemperature thermoswitch. Normally closed, it opens at the maximum safe load temperature of 236 °C (457 °F), turning off transmitter power. The interlock system will not permit use of the transmitter until the load has reached a safe temperature.

*Figure 2*  
*Shipping Plug*



*Figure 3*  
*Vent Plug*





This chapter provides information for on-site requirements, unpacking, inspection, and preparing the load for use.

### Unpacking and Inspection

1. Carefully inspect the shipping container for signs of damage. If damage is noticed, do not unpack the unit. Immediately notify the shipping carrier and Bird Electronic Corporation.
2. If the container is not damaged, unpack the unit. Save the packing materials in case the unit should need to be shipped again.
3. Inspect all of the components for visible signs of damage. Immediately notify the shipping carrier and Bird Electronic Corporation of equipment damage or missing parts.

### Mounting

Place the load in a dry, dust and vibration free environment. Do not use outdoors or in areas of condensing humidity. Allow at least 12" (30 cm) of clearance on all sides of the load.

#### CAUTION

This load is designed for operation in a horizontal position only, with the vent plugs up. Do not use in any other manner.

The load is equipped for either portable use or fixed installation. The mounting brackets on the front and rear faces have four mounting slots arranged in a  $4\frac{1}{2}" \times 14\frac{7}{32}"$  rectangle (114.3 x 361.2 mm). Use a screw with a  $\frac{3}{8}"$  (9.53 mm) diameter max.

#### WARNING

*BOTH* vent plugs must be used at all times when the unit is operating or cooling. Failure to do so could result in an explosion or severe burns.

### Setup

- Before first using the load, get a resistance baseline for future maintenance. Refer to "DC Resistance" on page 14 for details.
- Remove both shipping plugs from the load and replace them with the vent plugs. Refer to Figure 2 and Figure 3 for pictures of the plugs.

**Installing  
Thermoswitch**

Bird 8920 series loads can be equipped with an optional interlock thermoswitch, P/N 8890-008. It is normally closed, opening at 236 °C (457 °F), with a rating of 10A @ 120 Vac and 5A @ 230 Vac.

**WARNING**

*BOTH* vent plugs must be used at all times when the unit is operating or cooling. Failure to do so could result in an explosion or severe burns.

To install or replace the thermoswitch:

1. Remove the vent plugs. Install the shipping plugs.
2. Stand the unit on its front, supporting it so that the connector is not damaged. In this position there is no danger of the coolant pouring out through the socket plug hole.
3. Remove the socket plug just above the connector assembly, using a  $\frac{9}{16}$ " hex wrench.
4. Replace the plug with the thermoswitch. Sparingly apply pipe sealing compound to the external threads, only, of the thermoswitch. Do not contaminate the coolant with pipe sealant.
5. Check for coolant leaks upon completion.
6. Remove the shipping plugs. Install the vent plugs.

**Interlock  
Connection**

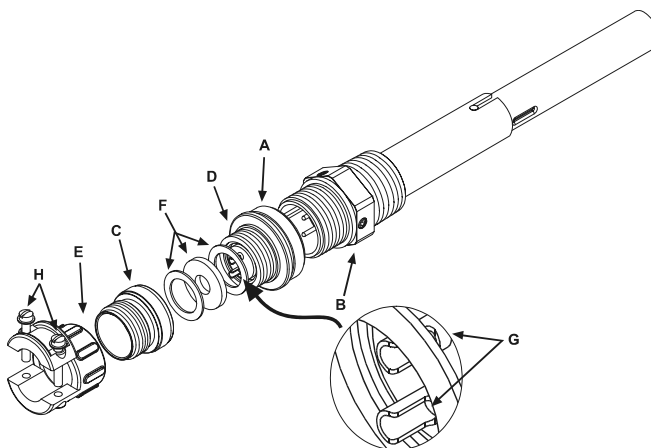
Connect the thermoswitch to the interlock as follows (see Figure 4):

**CAUTION**

If installed, connect optional interlock before applying RF power.

1. Unscrew the large knurled ring-nut (A) at the lower end of the coupling jack assembly. Pull it off the thermoswitch jack (B). Unscrew the small knurled cover fitting from the base plug (D) of the connector to release the base.  
Unscrew the small knurled cover fitting from the base plug (D) of the connector to release the base.
  2. Thread the control switch wires through the clamp (E) with the washers (F) inside and with its threaded fitting in place. Service the control switch wire with short tips and put spaghetti sleeves over the wire ends if necessary.
  3. Securely solder the control switch leads to the lugs (G) of the connector base.
- ☞ **NOTE:** The ring-nut (A) must be in place over the base plug (D) with the knurled end facing out.
4. Screw on the cover ring, then fasten the cable clamp (E) in place and tighten both yoke screws (H).
  5. Put the plug back on the thermoswitch and tighten the nut (A).

*Figure 4*  
*Thermoswitch*  
*Assembly*



**Connecting RF Power**

After installing the load, the RF transmission line can be attached using standard coaxial line coupling kits.

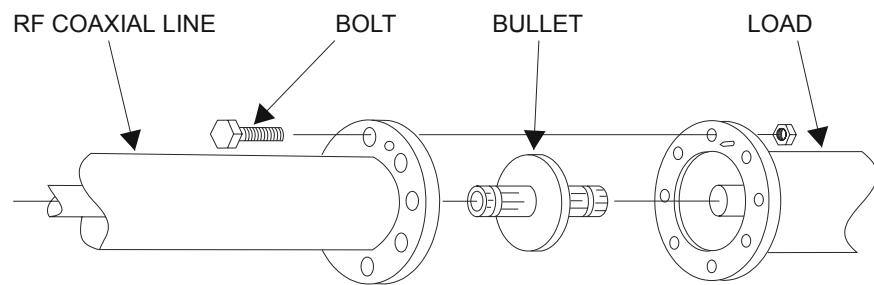
**WARNING**

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Leaking RF energy is a potential health hazard.

**“QC” Connector Coupling:** Use 50 ohm coaxial cable such as RG-218/U or -220/U (-17A or -19A), appropriate for the frequency and power level of operation. Use a cable connector which will mate with the one on the load.

**Swivel Flanged Coupling:** To couple the swivel flange with a flanged RF transmission line, use an appropriate coupling kit. Refer to Figure 5 while following the instructions below:

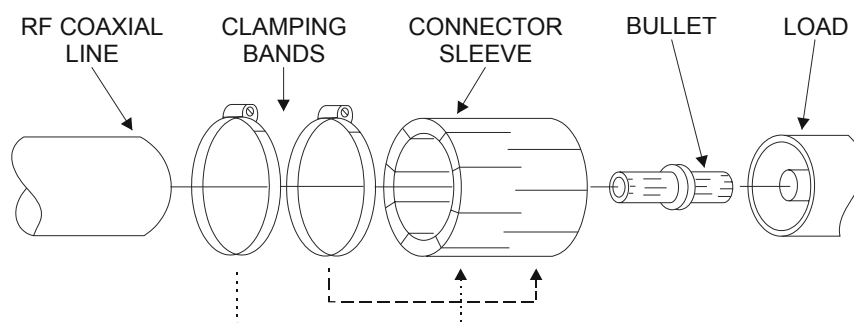
*Figure 5  
Swivel Flanged  
Coupling*



- Insert the center bullet and push it in until it is fully seated.
- Connect the coaxial input in a straight line and push carefully on the center conductor to close.
- ☞ **NOTE:** The swivel flange on the load makes connection independent of the orientation of the fixed flange on the coaxial input outer conductor.
- Insert the bolt sets and tighten evenly all around to transmission line manufacturer's recommended torque. Use all of the bolts.

**Unflanged Coupling:** To couple the unflanged connector with an unflanged RF line, use an appropriate coupling kit. Refer to Figure 6 while following the instructions below:

*Figure 6*  
*Unflanged*  
*Coupling*



- Insert the center bullet and bottom it on the midpoint nibs.
- Position the outer sleeve, with clamping bands, over the input connector.
- Set the transmission line snugly against the coupling stops.
- Position the clamping bands evenly about 3/4" from the ends of the sleeve.
- Tighten the clamping bands.



**WARNING**

*BOTH* vent plugs must be used at all times when the unit is operating or cooling. Failure to do so could result in an explosion or severe burns.

- Normal Operation** Bird 8920 series loads have no indicators or operating controls. They require no special operating procedures or surveillance when their performance limits are not exceeded. Follow the instructions for the specific transmitter equipment.
- Operation Under Abnormal Conditions** The load can be subjected to moderate overloads for short periods. If this is likely, make sure the interlock is properly connected to prevent damage to the load.
- Shutdown** These loads are passive devices, so have no way of being turned off. Turn off RF power at the source.

**WARNING**

Never attempt to connect or disconnect RF equipment from the transmission line while RF power is being applied. Leaking RF energy is a potential health hazard.

- Emergency Shutdown** Turn off RF power at the source.
- If the interlock thermoswitch is properly connected, RF power will be automatically turned off when the coolant temperature reaches an unsafe level.





This chapter covers cleaning, inspection, trouble-shooting, and specifications for the Bird 8920 series loads.

**WARNING**

Never attempt to connect or disconnect RF equipment from the transmission line while RF power is being applied.  
Leaking RF energy is a potential health hazard.

**WARNING**

Disconnect the unit from all power sources before servicing.  
The unit may be energized from multiple sources.  
The potential for electric shock exists.

**WARNING**

Oil is slippery. If a leak occurs, be careful not to fall.

**Troubleshooting**

The table below contains troubleshooting information for problems which can occur during normal operation. This manual cannot list all malfunctions that may occur, or their corrective actions. If a problem is not listed or is not corrected by the listed actions, notify a qualified service center.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTION
Leaking coolant	Loose clamping band	Tighten the clamping band
	Defective or improperly installed O-ring	Replace the O-ring (See “Load Resistor” on page 16)
High or low dc resistance	Loose RF input connector	Tighten connector
	Faulty RF input connector	Model 8921: Replace connector (See “RF Connector” on page 16)
		All other models: Return the unit for service
	Faulty resistor	Replace the resistor (See “Load Resistor” on page 16)

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTION
Overheating radiator	RF power too high	Lower RF power
	Coolant level too low	Check the coolant level. Add coolant if necessary (See “Coolant Level” on page 15)
	Coolant degraded	Replace the coolant (See “Coolant Level” on page 15)
	Faulty resistor	Replace the resistor (See “Load Resistor” on page 16)

## Maintenance

**Cleaning** The outside surface of the instrument should be wiped free of dust and dirt when necessary. Excessive dust on the cooling fins will interfere with heat dissipation. Clean the RF connector, both metallic and insulating surfaces, with a dry, non-residue forming solvent.

### WARNING

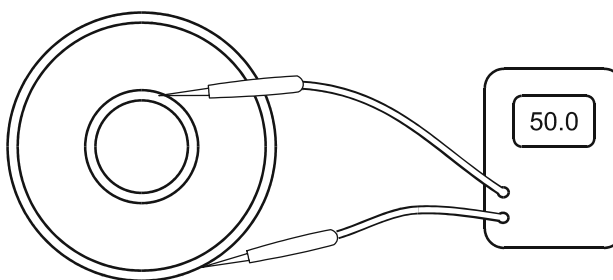
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**Inspection** Inspect the unit every six months. Check for coolant leakage around the clamping band and the thermoswitch. Also check for corrosion.

**DC Resistance** Measuring the dc resistance between the inner and outer conductors of the RF connector provides a good check of the condition of the load resistor. This simply measures changes in the resistor's condition over time. Under normal operating conditions, the resistor should provide at least 5,000 hours of operation before requiring any additional service. DC resistance tracking must start before the resistor is put into service, and should be measured annually.

Perform the following steps and record the value for future comparison. Make sure that you have an ohmmeter with an accuracy of  $\pm 1\%$  at 50 ohms and that the load temperature is between 20 and 25 °C (68 to 77 °F) before starting.

Figure 7  
Measuring  
Resistance



**WARNING**

Never attempt to connect or disconnect RF equipment from the transmission line while RF power is being applied.  
Leaking RF energy is a potential health hazard.

1. Turn off the RF power and interlock circuitry.
2. Disconnect the RF line.
3. Connect the multimeter test leads to the center and outer conductor of the load resistor. Refer to Figure 7.
4. Compare the measured value with the previous measurement and with the baseline resistance, measured when the load was put into service. If the new value differs from either of these by more than 2 ohms this could indicate a failing resistor.

**Coolant Level**

Coolant lifetime will vary greatly depending on operating conditions. For heavy use (full RF power for long times, high ambient temperature), check the coolant every 500 hours. If the load has only had light duty (fraction of full power, low ambient temperature), then coolant inspection may only be necessary every 2,000 hours.

**WARNING**

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The potential for electric shock exists.


**WARNING**

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**CAUTION**

Use only Bird coolant, P/N 5-1070, to prevent damage to the load.

To inspect the coolant:

 **NOTE:** Correct any coolant leakage before inspection. (See “Troubleshooting” on page 13)

- Remove the load resistor (Refer to “Load Resistor” on page 18).
- The coolant should be clear, with a faint yellow tinge, and have a slightly sweet smell. If it is black with a burnt or acrid smell, drain it and add about 6.7 gal (25.2 L) of coolant.
- With the load still on end, the coolant level should be  $4\frac{3}{4}$ " (125 mm) below the top surface of the resistor assembly mounting ring, at ambient temperature. Add coolant if necessary.

## Repair

### WARNING

Disconnect the unit from all power sources before servicing.  
The unit may be energized from multiple sources.  
The potential for electric shock exists.

### WARNING

*BOTH* vent plugs must be used at all times when the unit is operating or cooling. Failure to do so could result in an explosion or severe burns.

#### RF Connector

The Model 8921, *only*, has a special Bird “QC” connector which allows easy changing of the RF connector. This does not disturb the coolant seal or affect the electrical continuity of the load. To change the connector, proceed as follows:

- Remove the four screws at the corners of the RF connector.
- Pull the connector straight out.
- Push the new connector in. Make sure that the center pin on the connector is properly seated in the mating socket on the load.
- Replace the screws.

📌 NOTE: If not using the connector normally supplied, frequency and power must be limited to the capabilities of the connector.

#### Load Resistor

To change the load resistor assembly:

### WARNING

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1. Remove the vent plugs. Install the shipping plugs.
2. Supporting the unit to prevent damage to the interlock, stand it on its back with the connector end up. In this position there is no danger of the coolant pouring out through the resistor hole.
3. Unscrew and remove the clamping band.
4. Lift the load resistor assembly out of the tank and allow any coolant to drip back into the tank.
5. The O-Ring should be free of twists and positioned evenly around the flange of the resistor housing. If it shows signs of deterioration (e.g. is no longer pliable or has surface cracks) replace it.

6. Replace the entire load resistor assembly. It cannot be further disassembled.
7. Put the clamping band in place and tighten it.
8. Remove the shipping plugs. Install the vent plugs.

## Storage and Shipment

Cover the load before storing to keep out dust and dirt. It is not necessary to install the shipping plugs. Store in a dry, dust-free environment where the ambient temperature will remain between  $-40$  and  $+45$  °C ( $-40$  to  $+113$  °F).

To ship the load, take the following precautions:

- Remove both vent plugs and replace them with the shipping plugs. Wrap the vent plugs with padding and tape them to the side of the load for protection.
- ☞ NOTE: With the shipping plugs installed, it is not necessary to empty out the coolant.
- Wrap the connector in padding.
  - Pack and brace the load in a sturdy wooden crate for shipment.

## Customer Service

Any maintenance or service procedure beyond the scope of those in this chapter should be referred to a qualified service center.

If you need to return the unit for any reason, contact the Bird Service Center for a return authorization. All instruments returned must be shipped prepaid and to the attention of Bird Service Center.

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## Specifications

<b>Frequency Range</b>	
8922D, 8926D, 8927D	470 – 860 MHz
All other models	dc – 1 GHz
<b>Power Rating</b>	5000 W continuous duty
<b>Peak Power for Pulse Width*</b>	
1 $\mu$ s	150 kW
10 $\mu$ s	115 kW
100 $\mu$ s	80 kW
1000 $\mu$ s	54 kW
5000 $\mu$ s	22 kW
<b>Mode</b>	CW, AM, FM, SSB, TV, & Pulsed Digital Systems
<b>Impedance, Nominal</b>	50 ohms
<b>VSWR</b>	
8922D, 8926D, 8927D	1.065
All other models	1.10
<b>Connectors</b>	
8921	Female LC
8922, 8922D	1-5/8" EIA Flanged
8926, 8926D	3-1/8" EIA Flanged
8927, 8927D	3-1/8" EIA Unflanged
8928	3-1/8" EIA Unflanged, Recessed Center
<b>Interlock Thermoswitch</b>	Normally closed. Opens at 236 °C (457 °F)
<b>Thermoswitch Rating</b>	
115 Vac	10 A
230 Vac	5 A
<b>Ambient Temperature</b>	–40 to +45 °C (–40 to +113 °F)
<b>Altitude†</b>	1520 m (5000 ft.)
<b>Humidity</b>	95% noncondensing max
<b>Cooling Method</b>	Oil dielectric and convection currents
<b>Dimensions</b>	29"L x 9-1/2"W x 26-53/64"H (737 x 241 x 681 mm)
<b>Weight, Nominal</b>	119 lb. (54 kg)
<b>Finish</b>	Grey Powder Coat

\* Set the duty factor so that load's average power rating is not exceeded.

† Derate RF power by 2.5% for every 305m (1,000 ft.) above 1,520m (5,000 ft.).

## Replacement Parts

DESCRIPTION	QTY	PART NUMBER
RF Load Resistor:	1	
8921		8890-050
8922, 8922D		8892-015
8926		8891-050
8926D		8891-071
8927		8897-003
8927D		8897-006
8928		8898-006
Resistor O-Ring	1	5-230
Clamping band assembly	1	2430-055
Plug	2	
Vent		2450-094
Shipping		2450-049
Interlock Thermoswitch	1	8890-008
Thermoswitch Body	1	8890-005
Thermoswitch Jack	1	2450-018
Radiator Assembly	1	8921-002
Access Plug, 3/4"-14 Hex Socket	1	5020-103
Coolant, 6.7 gal (23 liters)	1	5-1070-3

## Available “QC” Type Connectors

Connector	Part Number	Connector	Part Number	Connector	Part Number
BNC-Female	4240-125	LT-Female	4240-018	Mini UHF-Female	4240-346
BNC-Male	4240-132	LT-Male	4240-012	UHF-Female	4240-050
C-Female	4240-100	N-Female	4240-062	UHF-Male	4240-179
C-Male	4240-110	N-Male	4240-063	1-5/8” EIA Fixed	4240-096
HN-Female	4240-268	SC-Female	4240-090	1-5/8” EIA Swivel	4240-208
HN-Male	4240-278	SMA-Female	4240-336	7/8” EIA	4240-002
LC-Female*	4240-031	SMA-Male	4240-334	TNC-Female	4240-156
LC-Male	4240-025	7/16 Jack, IEC Type 169-4	4240-344	TNC-Male	4240-160
Open Term. # 10-32 Nut	4240-080	7/16 Plug, IEC Type 169-4	4240-363		

\* Normally supplied on the 8921



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# DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

Manufacturer: Bird Electronic Corporation  
30303 Aurora Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44139-2794

Product: Termaline Load Resistor

Models:	8921	8922	8926	8927	8928
		8922D	8926D	8927D	

The undersigned hereby declares, on behalf of Bird Electronic Corporation of Cleveland, Ohio, that the above-referenced products, to which this declaration relates, are in conformance with the provisions of the following standards.

- European Standard EN 61326-1:1997 - Electronic Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use - EMC Requirements
- European Standard EN 55011:1998 - Emissions
- European Standard EN 61000-4-2:1995 - ESD Immunity
- European Standard EN 61000-4-3:1995 - Radiated RF / EMF Immunity
- European Standard EN 61000-4-4:1995 - Fast Transient / Burst Immunity
- European Standard EN 61000-4-5:1995 - Surge Immunity
- European Standard EN 61000-4-6:1995 - Conducted Immunity
- European Standard EN 61000-4-11:1995 - Voltage Dips & Interruptions

These standards are in accordance with EMC Directive (89/336/EEC).

- European Standard EN 61010-1:1993 - Part 1: General Requirements Including Amendment 2: 1995

This standard is in accordance with Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), 1973 Including Amendment (93/68/EEC), 1993

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