Amplifier Installation Guide

SignalBoost Vehicle Wireless Dual-Band Cellular / PCS Amplifier

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Warning: This manual contains important safety and operating information. Please read and follow the instructions in this manual. Failure to do so could be hazardous and result in damage to your amplifier.

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Installation Instructions for the Following Wilson Amplifier:

SignalBoost Vehicle Wireless Dual-Band Amplifier
Part # 801230 Model #271230
FCC ID: PWO271230SA (pending) IC:4726A-271230SA (pending)
The term "IC" before the radio certification number only signifies that Industry Canada technical specifications were met.

Inside this Package


Wireless amplifier


DC plug-in power supply


Ultra-slim antenna

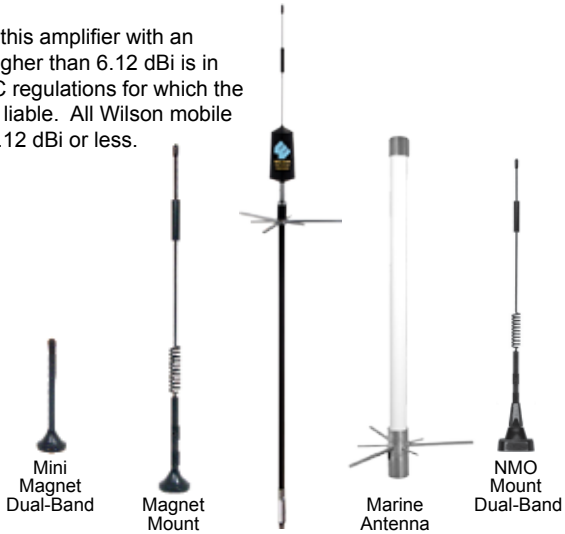
How it Works

Your new Wilson amplifier has been carefully engineered to significantly improve the performance of your cell phone or cellular data card in mobile applications. Together with an outside antenna, the amplifier's state-of-the-art technology is designed to increase your signal up to 10 times, reduce disconnects and dropouts, and increase data communication rates needed for 3G technologies.

The outside antenna will collect the cell tower signal and send it through the cable to the amplifier. The signal is then boosted and sent through the Ultra-slim inside antenna. Your cell phone or data card then communicates with the improved signal. When the cell phone or data card transmits, the signal goes through the inside antenna, is boosted by the amplifier and broadcast back to the cell tower through the outside antenna. The Ultra-slim antenna may also be attached directly to a laptop or cellular data card for maximum signal performance.

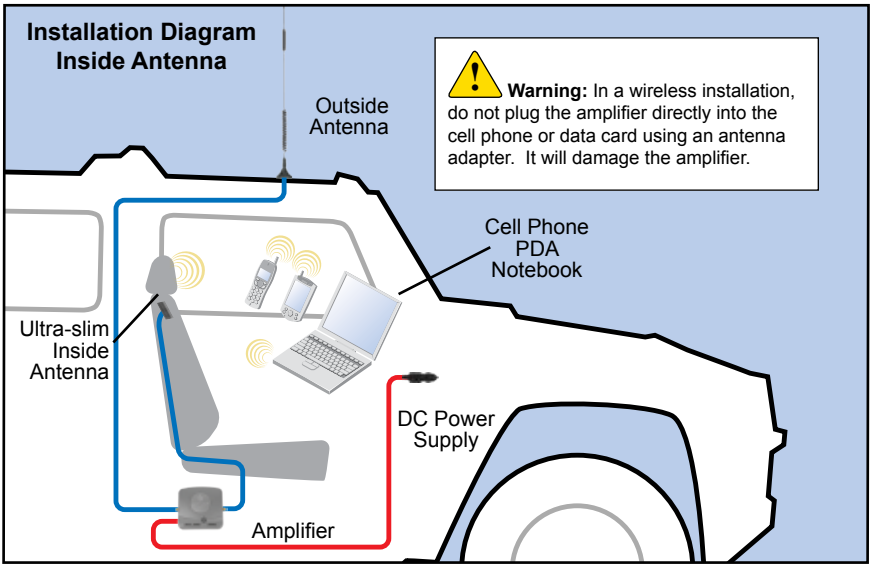
Wilson Electronics manufactures a wide variety of antennas to help you customize your amplifier for your specific application. Several are shown below. See your dealer or visit www.wilsonelectronics.com.

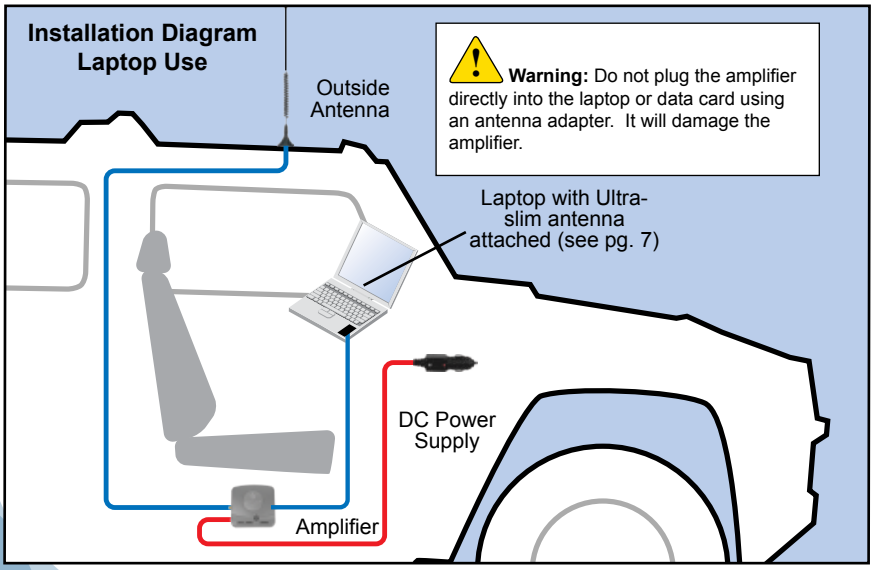
NOTE: Use of this amplifier with an antenna gain higher than 6.12 dBi is in violation of FCC regulations for which the offender is fully liable. All Wilson mobile antennas are 6.12 dBi or less.



Before Getting Started

This guide will help you properly install Wilson's SignalBoost Vehicle Wireless amplifier. **It is important to read through all of the installation steps for your particular application prior to installing any equipment.** Read through the instructions, visualize where all the equipment will need to be installed and do a soft installation before mounting any equipment. If you do not understand the instructions in full, seek professional help, or contact Wilson Technical Support at 866-294-1660**.**





Installing a Wilson Outside Antenna

To receive the best cell signal, select a location in the center of the vehicle's roof 12 inches away from any other antennas and free of obstructions.

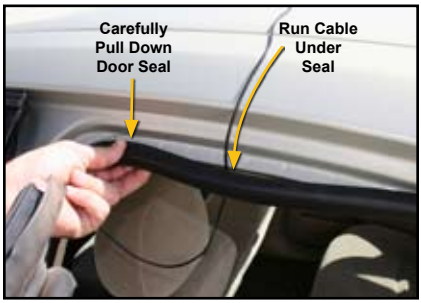
Follow the specific antenna installation instructions included with the outside antenna (sold separately).

Warning: Do not use any type of glass-mount antenna with this amplifier. The outside and inside antennas must be shielded from each other to prevent oscillation.

The outside antenna must be installed vertically. Signal performance will be degraded if the antenna is not vertical.

The antenna cable may be run through the door to the amplifier.

Warning: The outside antenna must have a separation of at least 10 inches from all persons during normal operation.



For a more professional-looking installation, the antenna cable may be run under the door seal. Carefully pull down the door seal. Run the cable through the seal and push the seal back into place. This prevents constant wear and tear on the cable as the door opens and closes.

The antenna cable is small enough to easily tuck under the door seal or plastic molding.

Warning: Do not plug in the DC power supply until the outside and inside antenna cables are attached to the amplifier.

Select a location to install the amplifier that is away from excessive heat, direct sunlight or moisture and that has proper ventilation.

Recommended installation locations are:
- Under the seat
- On the console
- On the dashboard

Run the cable from the outside antenna and attach it to the SMA connector labeled “outside antenna” on the amplifier.

Attach the Ultra-slim inside antenna cable to the SMA connector labeled “inside antenna” on the amplifier.

Wilson offers two options of improved signal inside a vehicle:

Option A (Wireless) - offers the convenience of no physical connection to the cell phone or cellular data card.

Option B (Attached) - places the Ultra-slim antenna directly on the laptop or cellular data card for maximum signal performance.

Installing a Wilson Inside Antenna

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Ultra-slim Antenna

Install the Ultra-slim inside antenna 8-12 inches from where the cell phone is located or directly on the cellular data card or laptop.

Warning: Do not install the Ultra-slim antenna within four inches of metal. (Metal found inside the vehicle's seat will not affect the antenna's performance.)

Place the inside antenna on the side of the driver's seat for maximum performance.

Install the inside antenna at least eight inches, but not more than 12 inches, from where the cell phone or cellular data card will be used.

Install the inside antenna at the same angle as the cell phone when held in use, or place next to the laptop's cellular data card (see pg. 7). This will maximize the signal strength.

For a more professional-looking installation, the Ultra-slim antenna may be slid under the seat cover or leather, high on the driver's seat.

Warning: The inside antenna must be installed with a separation of at least eight inches from all persons and must not be located in conjunction with any other antenna or amplifier.

Laptop or Data Card

Attaching a Wilson Ultra-slim Inside Antenna to a Laptop or a Cellular Data Card

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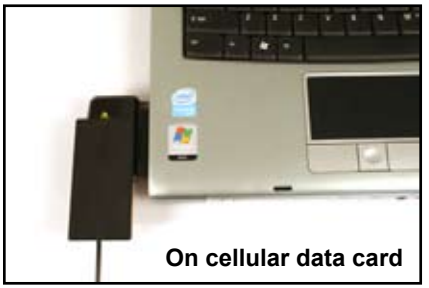
Ultra-slim Antenna

On laptop



On cellular data card

The Ultra-slim antenna must be placed on or near the cellular data card to work properly. Attach the Ultra-slim antenna to the laptop or cellular data card with the VELCRO® included in the package. **IMPORTANT:** The adhesive of the gray Velcro patch that adheres to the laptop or cellular data card needs time to "cure." For best results, do not use the Velcro connection for a minimum of 24 hours after application.

The Ultra-slim antenna included in the package is long enough to reach the amplifier location. This allows for ease and convenience of use.

To maximize performance, attach the Ultra-slim antenna as close as possible to the original antenna on your laptop or cellular data card.

If you have questions as to the placement of the Ultra-slim antenna, call Wilson Technical Support at 866-294-1660 or visit www.wilsonelectronics.com.

Optional Cell Phone Cradle Plus

As an alternative to the Ultra-slim antenna, Wilson offers the Cell Phone Cradle Plus, a high-quality phone cradle with a built-in inside antenna. The Cradle Plus accommodates any cell phone or wireless-capable PDA and supports any hands-free device including earbuds and Bluetooth products.

Like the Ultra-slim antenna, the Cradle Plus communicates with multiple cell phones and data cards in the vehicle. The cable from the Cell Phone Plus attaches to the "Inside Antenna" connector on the amplifier.

Powering up a Wilson Amplifier

Carefully insert the power cable.

Make sure both the outside and inside antenna cables are connected before powering up the amplifier.

Connect the power cable from the DC plug-in power supply to the amplifier and insert the large end into DC power socket (the cigarette lighter outlet.)

Warning: Use only the power supply provided in this package. The power supply must be 6 V DC.

IMPORTANT: Do not power up the amplifier unless antenna cables are attached to amplifier.

The amplifier may remain on all the time. However, leaving the amplifier on in a vehicle when it is not running can discharge the battery in a day or two.

A good option is to power the amplifier through the ignition switch so the amplifier is turned on and off with the vehicle.

Understanding the Amplifier Lights

If the light turns red, oscillation is occurring and the amplifier has powered down. The outside antenna needs to be moved farther from the inside antenna. Move the outside antenna on the roof of the car to the rear of the car, but at least 8-12 inches from the rear or side windows. Remove power from the amplifier and reinstall power - this resets the amplifier.

If the light is now green, the oscillation has stopped and the amplifier is working. If the red light is still on, move the antenna farther away and repeat the process.

Always use a magnet-mount or roof-mount antenna. Do not use a glass-mount antenna, as oscillation may cause continuous shut-down of the amplifier.

An amber light indicates overload from the cell site. The amplifier has temporarily shut down and will automatically reset approximately 1,000 feet or more from the cell site.

Warnings and Recommendations

⚠ Warning: In a wireless installation, do not plug the amplifier directly into the cell phone or cellular data card using an antenna adapter. It will damage the cell phone or cellular data card.

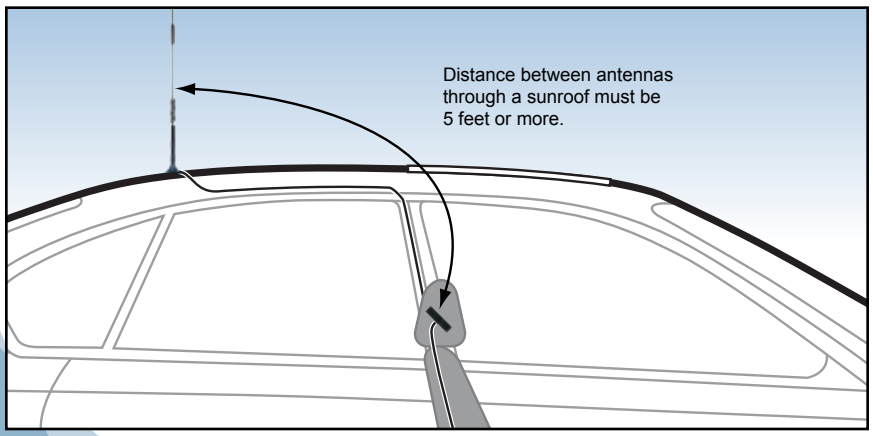
⚠ Warning: Do not plug in the DC power supply until the outside and inside antenna cables are attached to the amplifier.

⚠ Warning: **RF Safety:** The inside antenna must be installed with a separation of at least eight inches from all persons and must not be located in conjunction with any other antenna or amplifier.

⚠ Warning: **RF Safety:** The outside antenna must be installed with a separation of at least 10 inches from any of the vehicle's occupants or nearby persons and must not be located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or amplifier. All roof-mount antennas should be centrally located on the roof of the vehicle. Use of this cellular amplifier with an antenna gain higher than 6.12 dBi is in violation of FCC regulations for which the offender is fully liable. All Wilson mobile antennas are 6.12 dBi or less.

Separation of inside and outside antennas is very important. The metal roof of the vehicle acts as a barrier and helps shield the two antennas from each other, preventing oscillation.

If the vehicle has a sunroof, it is important to separate the inside and outside antennas by at least five feet. This prevents the amplifier from overloading or oscillating.



About Wilson Electronics

Wilson Electronics, Inc. has been a leader in the wireless communications industry for nearly 40 years. The company designs and manufactures amplifiers, antennas and related components that significantly improve cellular telephone signal reception and transmission in a wide variety of applications, both mobile and in-building.

With extensive experience in antenna and amplifier research and design, the company's engineering team uses a state-of-the-art testing laboratory, including an anechoic chamber and network analyzers, to fine-tune antenna designs and performance. For its amplifiers, Wilson uses a double-shielded RF enclosure and cell site simulators for compliance testing.

All products are engineered and assembled in the company's 50,000-square-foot headquarters in St. George, Utah. Wilson has product dealers in all 50 states as well as in countries all over the world.

Amplifier Specifications

	Dual Band 800/1900 MHz Specifications
Model Number / Part Number	271230/801230
Connectors	SMA Female
Impedance (input/output)	50 ohms
Dimensions	3.8 X 3.2 X 1.5 inch or 9.6 X 8.1 X 3.8 cm
Weight	4 oz or 0.11 kg
Frequency	824-894 MHz / 1850-1990 MHz
[1]Passband Gain (nominal)	
800 MHz uplink	38 dB (typical) / 43 dB (maximum)
800 MHz downlink	40 dB (typical) / 51 dB (maximum)
1900 MHz uplink	44 dB (typical) / 53 dB (maximum)
1900 MHz downlink	46 dB (typical) / 53 dB (maximum)
[2]20 dB Bandwidth (nominal)	
800 MHz (uplink/downlink)	32 MHz / 32 MHz
1900 MHz (uplink/downlink)	77 MHz / 74 MHz

Power output for single cell phone (uplink)	800 MHz	1900 MHz
CDMA	31.9 dBm	31.9 dBm
GSM	29.6 dBm	30.3 dBm
EDGE	30.3 dBm	30.9 dBm
AMPS	29.3 dBm	

[3]Power output (uplink) for multiple cell phones:	Number of cell phones	Maximum Power 800 MHz	Maximum Power 1900 MHz
	2	25.1 dBm	23.2 dBm
	3	21.5 dBm	19.7 dBm
	4	19.0 dBm	17.2 dBm
	5	17.1 dBm	15.3 dBm
	6	15.5 dBm	13.7 dBm

Power output for single received channel (downlink)	800 MHz	1900 MHz
CDMA	18.3 dBm	13.8 dBm
GSM	18.1 dBm	14.1 dBm
EDGE	18.4 dBm	12.0 dBm
AMPS	12.0 dBm	

[4]Power output for multiple received channels (downlink). The maximum power is reduced by the number of channels:	Number of channels	Maximum Power 800 MHz	Maximum Power 1900 MHz
	2	15.1 dBm	8.3 dBm
	3	11.6 dBm	4.8 dBm
	4	9.1 dBm	2.3 dBm
	5	7.2 dBm	0.3 dBm
	6	5.6 dBm	-1.3 dBm

Noise Figure (typical)	3 dB nominal
Isolation	> 90 dB
Power Requirements - Amplifier Usage	6 V, 0.6A - 2A (subject to uplink power)

Notes:
1. Nominal gain is the maximum gain at any frequency in the passband.
2. Nominal bandwidth is the difference between two frequencies that are adjacent to the passband where the amplification is 20 dB lower than the passband amplification. One of the frequencies is lower than the passband and the other is higher.
3. The Manufacturer's rated output power of this equipment is for single carrier operation. For situations when multiple carrier signals are present, the rating would have to be reduced by 3.5 dB, especially where the output signal is re-radiated and can cause interference to adjacent band users. This power reduction is to be by means of input power or gain reduction and not by an attenuator at the output of the device.
4. The maximum power for 2 or more simultaneous signals will be reduced by 6 dB every time the number of signals is doubled.

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