# mAT-30 Automatic Tuner For YAESU Transceivers

Instruction Manual Version V3.0

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The mAT-30 is an automatic tuner intended for use with modern YAESU transceivers. YAESU transceivers that support use of FC-30, FC-40 or FC-50 tuners can be used with the mAT-30.

At present, the mAT-30 does not support FT-817/818. The MAT-TUNER mAT-10 is a QRP level autotuner with ACC jack for control of FT-817/818 transceivers. Visit the MAT-TUNER website for information about the mAT-10 tuner.

Menu options of YAESU transceivers may need to be changed to support external tuners. Some menu settings are described on the MAT-TUNER website.

The mAT-30 features continuous operation from 1.8-54 MHz at power levels up to 120 watts. It will tune dipoles, verticals, Yagis, or virtually any coax-fed antenna. Matching range is 5 to 1500 ohms, in excess of the internal automatic antenna tuner and other external units available today.

The tuner is connected to the CAT/LINEAR or TUN/LIN jack of the transceiver (note: labeling of antenna tuner connection jack may vary by transceiver model. Consult operation manual) using supplied control cable mAT-CY. The transceiver TUNE button controls the tuner. The transceiver antenna tuner connection jack also powers the tuner, so it requires no external power supply. Tuning is performed when the [A](or [TUNE]) button is pushed on the front of the transceiver and held for one second.

The mAT-30 has 16,000 frequency memories. When tuning on or near a previously tuned frequency, the mAT-30 uses "Memory Tune" to recall the previous tuning parameters in a fraction of a second . If no memorized settings are available, the tuner runs a full tuning cycle, storing the parameters for memory recall on subsequent tuning cycles on that frequency. In this manner, the mAT-30 "learns" as it is used, adapting to the bands and frequencies as it goes. You can also start a new tuning cycle manually whenever necessary.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

- 0.1 to 120 watts SSB and CW peak power, 30 watts on PSK and digital modes, and 100 watts on 6 meters.
- 1.8 to 54.0 MHz coverage. 16,000 memories for instantaneous frequency
- Tunes 5 to 1500 ohm loads.
- Tuning time: 0.1 to 5 seconds full tune, 0.1 seconds memory tune.
- For dipoles, verticals, vees, beams, long wire or any coax-fed antenna.
- Controlled from TUNE button on transceiver. Powered from YAESU transceiver.
- Interface with tuners using the Yaesu FC-30, FC-40, FC-50 protocols.
- Dimensions: 20cm x 13cm x 4cm (L x W x H).
- Weight: 0.8 kg.



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# FRONT PANEL

On the front panel there are two LED indicator lights. ONLINE: The tuner is active or in bypass. POWER: Power light.

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#### **REAR PANEL**

The rear panel of the mAT-30 features five connectors.

ANTENNA: Connect the 50-ohm coax antenna feedline to this standard SO-239 connector.

RF IN: Connect a 50 ohm coax jumper cable from this standard SO-239 connector to the ANT jack on the back of the transceiver.

RADIO: This mini-DIN 8-pin connector connects to the supplied transceiver control cable mAT-CY, which connects to the mAT-30 tuner port on the transceiver. DC power is also supplied over this jack.

GND: Connect to antenna system ground.



# CONTROL CABLE mAT-CY

The mAT-30's control cable mAT-CY provides control signals between YAESU transceiver and the tuner. As the figure shows, the cable use wo mini-DIN 8-pin plugs. Push and hold the transceiver's [A](or [TUNE]) button for two seconds to start the tuning process. Pushing [A](or [TUNE]) quickly can switch the state of the tuner from online to bypass.

Supplied control cable mAT-CY is 50 centimeters long. If it is desired that the mAT-30 is positioned farther from the transceiver than this cable length allows, a custom cable will need to be constructed. This can be accomplished in two ways: Cut the control cable and solder a jumper wire between all the connections, or you can buy plugs and cables to make a control cable of a specific length.

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1、+13.5V	2、TX GND
3、GND	4、DATA IN
5、DATA OUT	6、SENSE
7、RESET	8、TX INH

#### INSTALLATION

The mAT-30 tuner is designed for indoor operation only, it is not waterproof. If you use it outdoors (Field Day, for example), you must protect it from the rain. Always turn your transceiver off before plugging or unplugging anything. The transceiver may be damaged if cables are connected or disconnected while the power is on.

#### **COMPATIBLE TRANSCEIVERS**

The mAT-30 is designed to be used with YAESU 100 watt transceivers that support use of YAESU FC-30, FC-40, FC-50 antenna tuners.

1. Connect the HF/50 MHz antenna jack on the transceiver to the "RF IN" jack on the back of the mAT-30, using a 50 ohm coax cable.

2. Connect the supplied control cable mAT-CY to the mini-DIN 8-pin jack on the rear of the mAT-30, marked "Transceiver".

3. Connect the other end of this cable to the "CAT/LINEAR" or "TUN/LIN" jack on the rear of the YAESU transceiver.

4. Connect the antenna feed line coax to the "ANTENNA" jack on the rear of the mAT-30.

5. Grounding the mAT-30 tuner will enhance its performance and safety. We recommend that you connect your tuner to a suitable ground; a common ground rod connected to buried radials is preferred, but a single ground rod, or a cold water pipe can suffice. We strongly recommends the use of a properly installed, high quality lightning arrestor on all antenna cables.

#### TRANSCEIVER SETTING

Each type of transceiver has a unique setting menu for external tuners. It is necessary to set the menu correctly before you can use mAT-30. To set these menus, please read the user manual of these transceivers and refer to the setting of FC-40 or FC-50 tuners. Following is an example of FT-857D to illustrate the settings of these menus.

FT-857D/897D:

- 1. Press and hold in the [F]([FUNC]) key for one second to activate the Menu mode.
- 2. Rotate the MEM/VFO CH (FT-857D: SELECT) knob to recall Menu ModeNo-001 [EXT MENU], then rotate the DIAL to change the setting to "ON" to enable the extended Menu Mode.
- 3. Rotate the **MEM/VFO CH (FT-857D: SELECT)** knob to recall Menu ModeNo-020 [CAT/LIN/TUN]. The default setting for this Menu is "CAT". Rotate the **DIAL** to change the setting to "TUNER".
- 4. Press and hold in the **[F]([FUNC])** key for one second to save thenew setting and exit, then turn the transceiver off.
- 5. Set up the mAT-30 and FT-897 per the illustration, theturn on the transceiver's power again. Do not set upthe mAT-30 and FT-897 before changing the MenuMode, item No-020 [CAT/LIN/TUN].
- 6. Press and hold in the **[F]**(**[FUNC]**) key for one second to activate the Menu mode.
- 7. Rotate the MEM/VFO CH (FT-857D: SELECT) knob to recall Menu Mode No-085

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[TUNER/ATAS]. The default setting for this Menu is "OFF". Rotate the **DIAL** to change the setting to "TUNER".

- 8. Press and hold in the [F]([FUNC]) key for one second to save thenew setting and exit.
- 9. Press the [F]([FUNC]) key, as needed, to recall Multi Function Row "k" [TUNE, DOWN, UP].

# **OPERATION FROM YAESU TRANSCEIVERS**

Press the **[A]**(or **[TUNE]**) key to turn the mAT-30 on. "Parentheses" will appear on both sides of the "TUNE" indication, and "TUNR" will appear on the LCD.

Press and hold in the **[A] (TUNE)** key to initiate automatic tuning. The transceiver will be activated, a carrier signal will be sent out, and the LC network in the mAT-30 will be selected/adjusted for optimum SWR. When tuning is complete, the transmission will cease, and you will be ready for operation on this frequency. Tuning data will be stored in the mAT-30's memory system.

To initiate a tuning sequence from the YAESU transceiver, the transceiver will switch to CW mode, reduce power, and begin to transmit a carrier. The mAT-30 will begin a memory tuning sequence as described above. If an acceptable SWR match is found in the memory tuning cycle, the tuning cycle ends. Otherwise, the mAT-30 automatically begins a full tuning cycle in an attempt to find a good match. If the full tuning cycle is successful, the match data is stored in a memory associated with the selected frequency. When the tuning cycle is complete, an indicator on the display of the transceiver will show that the tuner is active. This indicator varies by model, consult the transceiver owner's manual for details on operation with an external automatic tuner. To bypass the tuner via the YAESU transceiver front panel, press the **[A](TUNE)** key momentarily.

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