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# HR-100L Rotator Controller

The **HR-100L** was developed to control all models of rotators with **DC** motor and position indicator with potentiometer. It has four memories, a three-digit display indicating the azimuth, an encoder to select the azimuth, two buttons for **CW** and **CCW** advance, a Button for **long path** (+180), two **LED**s to indicate the end of the rotator stroke and one **LED** to indicate the overlap.

It also has an **RS-232 Serial** port for remote control with the **Yaesu** protocol for rotators.

# Initial settings:

The **HR-100L** leaves the factory calibrated for **Yaesu** rotators. The calibration aims to synchronize the **rotator position** with the **display indication**.

# 1- <u>Rotator Calibration Procedure</u>

Calibration is a simple task that, to make it easier, should be done before placing the rotator on the tower. Before starting the calibration, connect all the cables between the parts involved. Also connect it to the power source.

- a- First step- <u>Enter calibration mode</u>: Turn on the HR-100L with the Encoder button pressed. Wait with the Encoder pressed until the Display shows <u>C A L</u>, then release the Encoder. At this point, the Memory buttons will flash in sequence and the Rotator will start to rotate counterclockwise and will only stop when it reaches the beginning of its stroke.
- b- Second step- <u>Position the Rotor at the end of its stroke</u>: Now you must create a reference point for this rotor position, with the greatest possible precision, then you will rotate the Rotator clockwise (CW) in a complete turn (360 degrees) using the CW and CCW buttons until you reach exactly the point where the Rotator started to rotate. This is the end point of the Rotator's stroke.
- c- **Third step-** *<u>Finish the calibration</u>*: After marking the end of the stroke, momentarily press the Encoder. The display will no longer show **C A L** and will show the rotator position (**0 0 0**) and the rotor will start to rotate to the **North** position (**0 0 0**). The rotator calibration is complete and positioned at the center of the course.
- d- **Fourth step-** *Install the rotor on the tower:* Now that the rotor is calibrated, you can place it on the tower.

# 2- Antenna alignment

After calibration, you can place the rotator on the tower and position the antenna.

# Suggestion for positioning the antenna in the North Course Center option:

Adjust the rotator position to North,  $0\ 0\ 0$  degrees on the display. Then direct the Antenna to the North and attach it to the Rotator. Do not forget to take into account the magnetic declination of the location, as you must align the antenna to true North. This way, the display will always indicate the correct direction of the antenna.

# 3- Rotator rotation limit

In some installations, such as on the side of the tower, the antenna cannot rotate 360 degrees because it encounters obstacles. For these cases, the **HR-100L** rotator control has a stroke limit function.

#### To set the counterclockwise (CCW) limit

- a- **First step** *Turn the rotator and position the antenna at the desired counterclockwise* (*CCW*) *rotation limit*. Do not let the antenna touch the obstacle, leave a small gap.
- b- Second step- Save the chosen limit point. After executing the first step, press the +180 button for ten seconds. At this point, the <u>M1</u>, M2, M3 and M4 buttons start flashing. Press the M1 button to set and save the chosen counterclockwise (CCW) rotation limit. After setting and saving, the procedure is finished.

#### To set the Clockwise (CW) limit

- a- **First step** *Turn the rotor and position the antenna at the desired CW limit*. Do not let the antenna touch the obstacle, leave a small gap.
- b- Second step- Mark and save the chosen CW limit point. After executing the first step, press the +180 button for ten seconds. At this point, the M1, M2, <u>M3</u> and M4 buttons will start flashing.
  Press the M3 button to mark and save the chosen CW limit. After marking and saving, the procedure is finished.

#### To undo all limit points

- a- **First step-** *Press the* **+180** *button for ten seconds*. At this point, the M1, <u>M2</u>, M3 and M4 buttons will start flashing.
- b- **Second step-** *Press the* **M2** *button.* At this point, all the rotator limit points are deselected and the procedure is finished.

#### 4- Offset function

The calibration of the **HR-100L** rotator controller has as standard the indication of the center of the rotator stroke at **Zero** degrees (**0 0 0**), which is the **North** position. In this way, the beginning and end of the rotator stroke point to **1 8 0** degrees, which represents the **South** position.

The **Offset** adjustment allows you to change the indication of the **Display** to **Zero** degrees (**000**) in any position of the Rotator.

#### Procedure to adjust the Offset

- a- **First step-** *Position the Rotator*. Turn the rotator to the position where you want the Display to indicate **Zero** degrees (**0 0 0**).
- b- Second step: Enter the configuration mode. Press the +180 button for 10 seconds. At this moment the M1, M2, M3 and M4 buttons start flashing.
- c- **Third step-** *Adjust the* **Display** *indication*. Press the **M4** button and the indication on the Display will be changed to **Zero** degrees (**0 0 0**).

#### 5- General Reset

This function removes all adjustments made by the operator. This way, the controller returns to its original parameters.

#### Procedure for General Reset

- a- First step: Turn off the Controller.
- b- Second step: Press and hold the four memory Buttons M1, M2, M3 and M4
- c- **Third step**: With the **Buttons pressed**, turn on the Controller. The two end-of-stroke LEDs will light up. Release the **Buttons** and when the end-of-stroke LEDs go out, the **General Reset** is complete.

# 6- <u>Memories</u>

The **HR-100L** has four memory Buttons, **M1**, **M2**, **M3** and **M4**. To memorize an antenna position, press one of the four **Buttons** until it goes out.

# 7- <u>Remote operation:</u>

The **HR-100L** can be operated remotely through its **RS-232** serial port. It complies with the **Yaesu protocol for rotors**. Therefore, any application for **Yaesu** rotators will also control the **Hamplus HR-100L** controller.

# Commands for rotators at 9600 baud:

A = STOP

**S** = STOP

L = Turns on CCW and stops when CCW limit is reached

R = Turns on CW and stops when CW limit is reached

**C** = Returns current azimuth in the format: AZ=aaa + 0x0D + 0x0A

Maaa = Points to azimuth "aaa"

#### +180 Button

This button has three distinct functions:

- 1- <u>First Function</u>: When pressed momentarily, it adds **180 degrees** to the position indicated on the **Display** and moves the **Rotator** to this new position. Function known as **Long Path**.
- 2- <u>Second Function</u>: Hold down and turn the Encoder for the **Display** to advance **10 degrees** at a time
- 3- Third Function: When pressed for 10 seconds, the HR-100L enters Configuration mode

# **Factory Calibration**

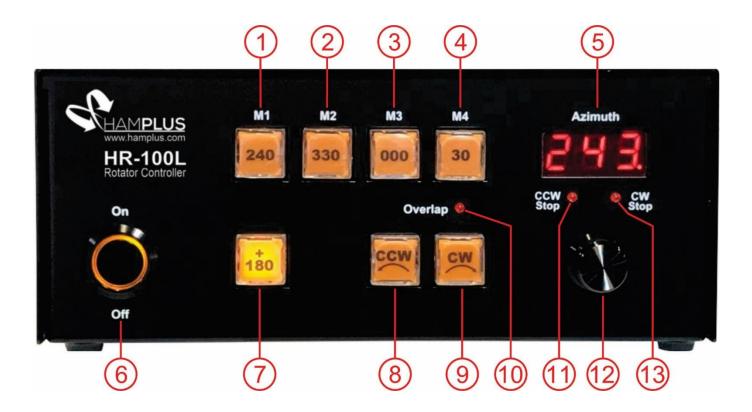
Factory calibration saves the data related to the synchronization of the rotator with the Display (Calibration) made at the Factory in a special memory position, which is not affected by the **General Reset.** 

This way, when the **General Reset** function is applied, all the settings made by the user will be deactivated and the Rotator calibration made at the factory will be reactivated.

# Factory Calibration Procedure:

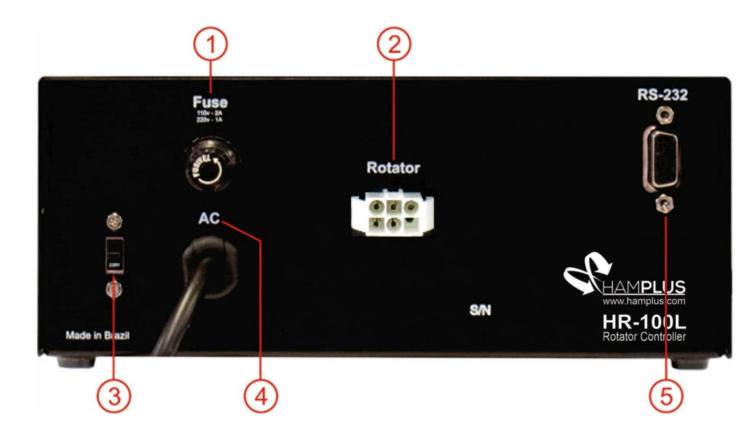
- 1- <u>First step</u>: After calibrating the Rotator (Synchronizing the Display with the Rotator), turn off the Controller.
- 2- <u>Second step</u>: Turn on the Controller with the **M1** and **M3** memory Buttons pressed.
- 3- <u>Third step</u>: Release the Buttons and the procedure will be completed.

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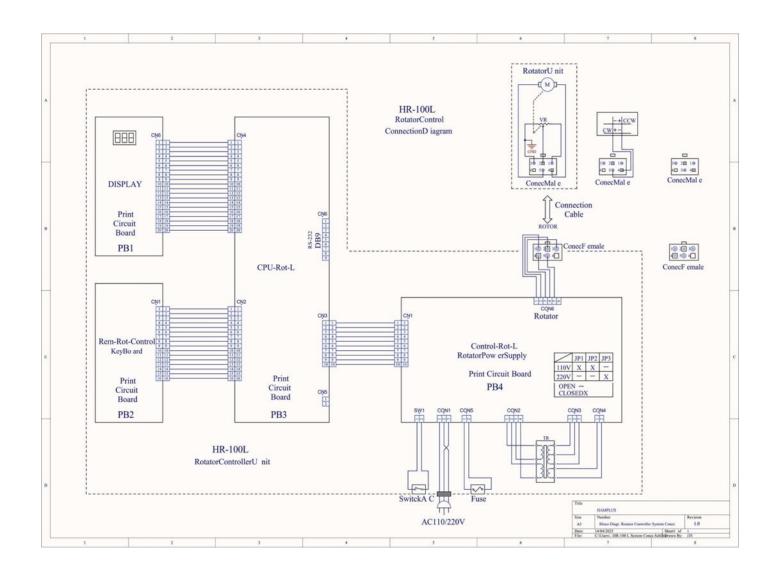


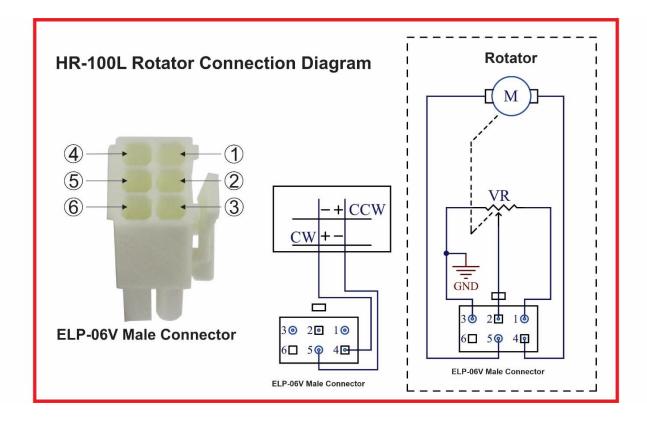
- 1- Memory 1 M1 Button
- 2- Memory 2 M2 Button
- 3- Memory 3 M3 Button
- 4- Memory 4 M4 Button
- 5- Azimuth indicator Display
- 6- On/Off Button
- 7- Long Path activation Button

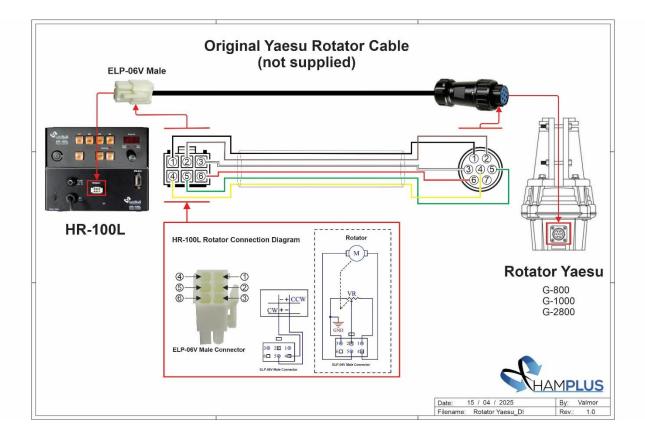
- 8- Counterclockwise activation Button
- 9- Clockwise activation Button
- 10- Overlap indicator LED
- 11- Counterclockwise end of stroke indicator LED
- 12- Azimuth selector encoder
- 13- Clockwise end of stroke indicator LED



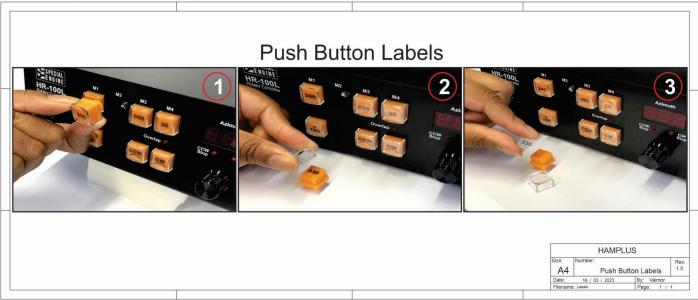
- 1- Fuse 2A 110v / 1A 220v
- 2- SP-20 Rotator connector
- 3- 110/220 Volts selector
- 4- Power cable
- 5- RS-232 remote control (DB-9 Connector)







Procedure to place labels on the keys



Labels - print on transparent paper with laser printer

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