



SeaSonde Radial Site Release 6 Pattern File Format

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<u>IdealPattern.txt</u>	Ideal antenna pattern
<u>MeasPattern.txt</u>	Measured antenna pattern

These files are text based and require a linefeed character (ASCII 10) as an end-of-line indicator. The SeaSonde10 processing software will not be able to correctly read the file if the end-of-line is some other character(s) like a return or return/linefeed combination.

SeaSondeRadialSetup installs a one degree resolution **IdealPattern.txt**.

IdealPattern.txt and **MeasPattern.txt** files can be created by the **CrossLoopPatterner** application. In order to create a **MeasPattern.txt** you will need to measure the antennas; see the HW6_Antenna_Pattern_Measure hardware guide.

These files define the antenna pattern used to resolve radial bearings. **IdealPattern.txt** is a theoretical ideal pattern. **MeasPattern.txt** is a Radial Site specific measured pattern. Both have the same format but are used slightly differently by the SpectraToRadial processing software.

Each file is text based and requires a linefeed character (ASCII 10) as an end-of-line indicator. The last line in the file must also have a linefeed.

The pattern bearings are CCW (counter-clockwise) degrees referenced from the antenna bearing. The antenna bearing is found in Header.txt and is (CW) clockwise degrees from true North. See the File_RadialSetups guide.

The Quality factor is a standard deviation of the measurements that went into the pattern value. The Quality factor is currently not used by the processing software.

Pattern file contents:

Line 1: Parameter 1: *Number of Bearings*

Starting with Line 2:

Bearings Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

Bearing Degrees CCW relative to antenna bearing (up to 6 values per line)

Loop1to3 Real Component Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

Measurement (up to 6 values per line)

Loop1to3 Real Component Quality Factor Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

QualityFactor (up to 6 values per line)

Loop1to3 Imaginary Component Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

Measurement (up to 6 values per line)

Loop1to3 Imaginary Component Quality Factor Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

QualityFactor (up to 6 values per line)

Loop2to3 Real Component Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

Measurement (up to 6 values per line)

Loop2to3 Real Component Quality Factor Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

QualityFactor (up to 6 values per line)

Loop2to3 Imaginary Component Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

Measurement (up to 6 values per line)

Loop2to3 Imaginary Component Quality Factor Array

Repeat for 1 to *Number of Bearings*

QualityFactor (up to 6 values per line)

(Followed by optional lines of metadata)

<ampl1to3> <ampl2to3> ! Amplitude Factors
<deg CW True> ! Antenna Bearing
<XXXX> ! Site Code
<lat> <lon> ! Site Lat Lon
1.0 ! Degree Resolution
<deg ! Degree Smoothing Applied
YYYY MM DD HH MM SS ! Date Year Mo Day Hr Mn Sec
<Pattern User Note>
<UUID> ! UUID
End File