

# TERMALINE<sup>®</sup> LOAD RESISTOR MODEL 8894A

**OPERATION MANUAL** 

### WARNING

This unit requires the supplied vent plug be installed prior to use.

Operating the unit without the vent plug installed WILL result in equipment damage and may cause personal injury.

### **Safety Precautions**

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 apply to all phases of operation and maintenance.

### WARNING

**Keep Away From Live Circuits** 

Operating Personnel must at all times observe general safety precautions. Do not replace components or make adjustments to the inside of the test equipment with the high voltage supply turned on. To avoid casualties, always remove power.

#### **WARNING**

**Shock Hazard** 

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

#### WARNING

Do Not Service Or Adjust Alone

Under no circumstances should any person 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.

#### **WARNING**

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.

### WARNING

Resuscitation

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

#### WARNING

**Remove Power** 

Observe general safety precautions. Do not open the instrument with the power on.

### **Safety Symbols**

### WARNING

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

### CAUTION

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



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



This symbol indicates that the AC power cord should be removed before servicing the unit.

### **NOTE**

Notes call 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

The vent plug must be installed at all times when the unit is in operation or cooling.

Always check to ensure vent plug is installed prior to operation.

Failure to do so WILL result in damage to the equipment and endanger the operator's safety.

On page 4, 5, 8, and 13.

### 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.

On page 7, 8, 9 and 12.

### **WARNING**

Do not touch the load during operation. During operation, load surfaces are extremely hot.

Touching the load during or after operation may cause burns.

On page 8

#### **WARNING**

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

On page 11, 12, and 13.

### **Caution Statements**

The following equipment cautions appear in the text and are repeated here for emphasis.

**CAUTION** 

This load is designed for operation in a horizontal position only, with the mounting brackets down. Operation in any other orientation will cause insufficient cooling of the unit leading to premature failure.

On page 4.

**CAUTION** 

If installed, connect optional interlock before applying RF power.

On page 6 and 8.

**CAUTION** 

Connect interlock before RF operation.

On page 6.

**CAUTION** 

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

On page 11.

### **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.

#### **SERVICIO**

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 HACERIO.

#### **WARTUNG**

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

ZUR VERMEIDUNG GEFÄHRLICHE, ELEKTRISCHE SCHOCKS, SIND WARTUNGSARBEITEN AUSSCHLIEßLICH VON QUALIFIZIERTEM SERVICEPERSONAL DURCHZUFÜHREN.

#### **ENTRENTIEN**

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 EFFETTUARRE ALCUNA RIPARAZIONE A MENO CHE QUALIFICATI A FARLA.

CONNECT INTERLOCK TO TRANSMITTER BEFORE OPERATING.

BRANCHER LE VERROUILLAGE À L'ÉMETTEUR AVANT EMPLOI.

CONECTE EL INTERBLOQUEO AL TRANSMISOR ANTES DE LA OPERACION.

VOR INBETRIEBNAHME VERRIEGELUNG AM SENDER ANSCHLIESSEN.

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

#### **About This Manual**

This manual covers the operating and maintenance instructions for the following models:

8894A

## **Changes to this Manual**

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

### **Chapter Layout**

**Introduction** — Describes the features of the load resistor, lists equipment supplied and optional equipment, and provides power-up instructions.

**Theory of Operation** — Describes how the load resistor works.

**Installation** — Describes the power supply and load connection instructions.

**Operating Instructions** — Describes the base level operation instructions.

**Maintenance** — Lists routine maintenance tasks as well as troubleshooting for common problems. Specifications and parts information are also included.

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CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

The Bird 8894A Loads are portable, 50 ohm, coaxial RF transmission line terminators, designed for frequency ranges of DC – 2.4 GHz. They provide accurate and dependable low reflection line terminations. RF power is dissipated at a level up to 2500 watts.

These loads have 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 vent plug at the top of the unit relieves internal pressure from coolant expansion. The load's rugged and simple design minimizes required maintenance.

### **Items Supplied**



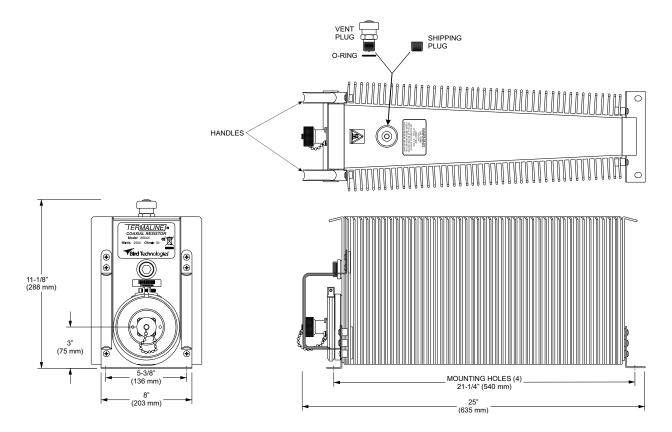
The load is pre-filled with coolant at the factory.

- Load Resistor
- Shipping Plug
- Vent Plug
- Instruction Manual

### **Optional Accessories**

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

Figure 1 Outline Drawing 8894A



#### **Load Resistor**

The Bird 8894A 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 plug relieves this pressure while protecting the opening from dirt or other contaminants.

### **Thermal Interlock (Optional)**

When installed, a passive, normally closed over-temperature thermoswitch opens above the maximum safe load temperature of 236 °C (457 °F), turning off transmitter power. The interlock will not permit use of the transmitter until the load has reached a safe temperature.

CHAPTER 3 INSTALLATION

### **Unpacking and Inspection**

- 1. Carefully inspect shipping container for signs of damage.
  - If the shipping container is damaged, do not unpack the unit. Immediately notify the shipping carrier and Bird Technologies.
  - If the shipping container is not damaged, unpack the unit. Save shipping materials for repackaging.
- 2. Inspect unit for visual signs of damage.

NOTE

If there is damage, immediately notify the shipping carrier and Bird Technologies.

### Site and Shelter Requirements

The unit should be operated in a dry, dust and vibration free environment.

Do not use outdoors or in areas of condensing humidity.

The ambient temperature range should remain between – 40 to +45 °C (– 40 to +113 °F) for proper operation.

Allow at least 12" (305 mm) of clearance around the unit to permit an unimpeded access of convection air currents for adequate heat dissipation.

Place the unit as close as possible to the transmitting equipment, to permit the shortest possible cable length.

#### **Tools Required**

The following tools and supplies will be required to prepare the unit for use:

- Wrenches
- Screwdrivers
- Bolt and nut sets or lag screws for mounting) ( $\frac{3}{8}$ "(9.53 mm) max. diameter)

These tools and supplies are required for the optional thermoswitch installation:

- 9/16 Hex wrench
- Pipe sealing compound (Loctite 567, or equivalent)
- Soldering Iron and solder
- Torque Wrench

### Mounting the Load

### **CAUTION**

This load is designed for operation in a horizontal position only, with the mounting brackets down. Operation in any other orientation will cause insufficient cooling of the unit leading to premature failure.

Bird 8894A Loads are equipped for either portable use or fixed installation. The mounting brackets on the front and rear faces have four mounting slots arranged in a  $5\frac{3}{8}$ " x  $21\frac{1}{4}$ " rectangle (137 x 540 mm). Use a screw with a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " (9.53 mm) diameter max.

The following instructions are for mounting the unit to a suitable surface.

- 1. Place the unit on a flat surface.
- 2. Insert the bolts through the surface and the mounting slots.
- 3. Secure the bolts with nuts and lock washers.

#### **Vent Plug**

#### **WARNING**

The vent plug must be installed at all times when the unit is in operation or cooling.

Always check to ensure vent plug is installed prior to operation.

Failure to do so WILL result in damage to the equipment and endanger the operator's safety.

Before placing the attenuator into service, the solid shipping plug, P/N 2450-049, must be removed and replaced by the spring loaded vent plug, P/N 2450-094. The two plugs are linked together by a short length of bead chain.

- Locate the vent hole for the plug, located at the top near the front.
   See Figure 1 on page 1.
- 2. Remove the shipping plug.
- 3. Verify the O-Ring is installed on the vent plug.
- 4. Install the vent plug.

#### **Thermoswitch**

As an option, the load may be provided with a thermoswitch assembly, P/N 8890-008. The thermoswitch is used as an interlock switch to disable transmitter power if the coolant temperature exceeds a preset temperature, thus preventing possible damage from accidental power overloading from the transmitter or equipment malfunction.

The thermoswitch is normally closed and opens at a maximum safe temperature. Since the thermoswitch is connected in series with the transmitter interlock, it cuts off transmitter power if the coolant temperature exceeds this value.

The assembly consists of:

- Thermoswitch P/N 8890-005
- Connector P/N 2450-018

#### Installing Thermoswitch

Bird 8894A 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 at 120VAC and 5A at 230VAC.

- 1. Remove the vent plug.
- 2. Verify the O-Ring is installed on the shipping plug.
- 3. Install the shipping plug.
- 4. Stand the unit on its back with the connector end up.

### **NOTE**

In this position there is no danger of the coolant pouring out through the socket plug hole.

- 5. Remove the socket plug just above the connector assembly, using a  $\frac{9}{16}$ " hex wrench.
- 6. Apply pipe sealing compound sparingly to ONLY the external threads of the thermoswitch.

#### NOTE

#### Do not contaminate the coolant with pipe sealant.

- 7. Use an acceptable pipe sealing compound sparingly on *only* the external threads of the thermoswitch.
- 8. Install the thermoswitch in place of the plug. Torque to 40 +/-2 ft-lbs.
- 9. Lower the load back onto its feet.
- 10. Check the unit for coolant leaks.

#### WARNING

The vent plug must be used at all times when the unit is in operation or cooling.

Always check to ensure vent plug is installed prior to operation.

Failure to do so WILL result in damage to the equipment and endanger the operator's safety.

- 11. Remove the shipping plug.
- 12. Verify the O-Ring is installed on the vent plug.
- 13. Install the vent plug.

#### **Installing the Interlock Connection**

### **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.
- 2. Pull the large knurled ring-nut off the thermoswitch jack (B). See Figure 2 on page 6
- 3. Unscrew the small knurled cover fitting from the base plug (D) of the connector to release the base.
- 4. Thread the control switch wires through the clamp (E) with the washers (F) inside and with its threaded fitting in place.
- 5. Service the control switch wire with short tips and put spaghetti sleeves over the wire ends if necessary.
- 6. 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.

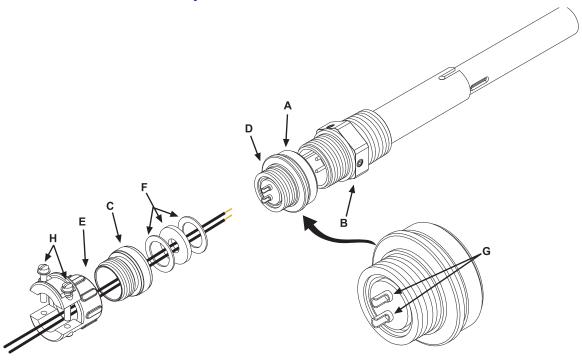
- 7. Screw on the cover ring (C).
- 8. Fasten the cable clamp (E) in place.
- 9. Tighten both yoke screws (H).
- 10. Push the plug back on the thermoswitch.
- 11. Tighten the nut (A).

### NOTE

#### Do not attempt to operate the equipment without the interlock attached.

12. Connect the Thermoswitch wiring to the transmitter's interlock.

Figure 2 Thermoswitch Assembly



### **Connecting RF Power**

Before first using the load, perform the following steps.

- 1. Wipe all connectors and insulator surfaces on the transmission line face with a clean soft cloth.
- 2. Check the RF input connector for signs of wear, damage, or dirt.
- 3. Clean the connector if necessary. Use a self-drying, non-residue forming contact cleaner on the interior portions of the connector.
- 4. Check the input resistance of the load. Refer to "RF Assembly Resistance Test" on page 11 for details.
- 5. The RF transmission line can be attached using standard coaxial line coupling kits.

### 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.

LC Coupling — Use 50 ohm coaxial cable such as RG-218/U or -220/U (-17A or -19A) with an LC plug.

### WARNING

The vent plug must be installed at all times when the unit is in operation or cooling.

Always check to ensure vent plug is installed prior to operation.

Failure to do this could result in damage to the equipment and endanger the operator's safety.

### **WARNING**

Do not touch the load during operation. During operation, load surfaces are extremely hot.

Touching the load during or after operation may cause burns.

### **CAUTION**

If installed, connect optional interlock before applying RF power.

#### **Normal Operation**

Bird 8894A 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.

#### NOTE

If the interlock thermoswitch is properly connected, RF power will be automatically turned off when the coolant temperature reaches an unsafe level.

CHAPTER 5 MAINTENANCE

This chapter covers cleaning, inspection, trouble-shooting, and specifications for the Bird 8894A 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.

## **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.

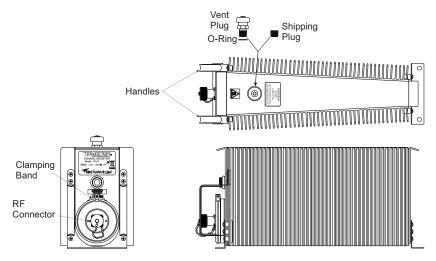
Problem	Possible Cause	Correction	
	Loose clamping band.	Tighten the clamping band.	
Leaking coolant.	Defective or improperly installed O-Ring.	Replace the O-Ring. See <u>"Replacing the Load Resistor" on page 13</u> .	
	Loose RF input connector.	Tighten connector	
High or low DC	Faulty RF input	Replace connector. See "Replacing the RF	
resistance	connector.	Connector" on page 12.	
	Faulty resistor.	Replace the resistor. See <u>"Replacing the</u>	
		Load Resistor" on page 13.	
Overheating Radiator	RF power too high.	Lower RF power. See <u>"Specifications" on page 15</u> for maximum RF power.	
		Check the coolant level. Add coolant if	
	Coolant level too low.	necessary. See "Inspect the Coolant" on	
		page 11.	
	Coolant degraded.	Replace the coolant. See "Inspect the	
	Coolant degraded.	Coolant" on page 11.	
	Faulty resistor.	Replace the resistor. See <u>"Replacing the</u>	
	radity resistor.	<u>Load Resistor" on page 13</u> .	

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### **Routine Maintenance**

Figure 3 shows the location of components which may be referred to in this section.

Figure 3 Maintenance and Repair Locations



#### Clean the Load

- The outside surface of the instrument should be wiped free of dust and dirt when necessary.
- Clean the cooling fins.



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.

#### Inspect the Load

- Inspect the unit every six months.
  - a. Check for coolant leakage around the clamping band.
  - b. Check for coolant leakage around the thermoswitch.
  - c. Check for corrosion.

#### **Inspect the Coolant**

Coolant lifetime will vary greatly depending on the operating temperature.

- Heavy Use (full RF power for long times, high ambient temperature):
   Inspect the coolant every 500 hours.
- Light Use (fraction of full power, low ambient temperature):
   Inspect coolant every 2,000 hours.

### **WARNING**

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

### NOTE

Correct any coolant leakage before inspection. (See "Troubleshooting" on page 9).

To inspect the coolant:

- 1. Remove the load resistor (See to "Replacing the Load Resistor" on page 13).
  - The coolant should be clear, with a faint yellow tinge, and have a slightly sweet smell.
  - If coolant is black with a burnt or acrid smell, drain it and add about 2.9 gal (11 L) of coolant.
- 2. With the load still on end, the coolant level should be  $4\frac{3}{4}$  to 5 inches (125 mm) below the top surface of the resistor assembly mounting ring, at ambient temperature.

### CAUTION

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

- 3. Add coolant if necessary.
- 4. Install the load resistor (See to "Replacing the Load Resistor" on page 13).

### **RF Assembly Resistance Test**

### NOTE

These tests are by no means a necessity to the operation of the load but merely guidelines for the users information.

Accurate measurement of the DC resistance between the inner and outer conductors of the RF input connector will provide a good check of the condition of the load resistor.

Checking the DC resistance is simply used to measure a change in the resistance over time. Tracking the DC resistance should start *before* the unit is first put into service. Perform the following steps and record the value for future comparison. Resistance measurements should be taken periodically according to use.

#### Preparation:

- Tools: Common hand tools.
- Ohmmeter with an accuracy of ± 1% at 50 ohms (or use a resistance bridge).
- Use low resistance leads, preferably a short piece of 50 ohm coaxial cable fitted with an appropriate connector or alligator clips.
- Temperature of the load should be stabilized between 20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F).

#### **DC Resistance Measurement**

### **WARNING**

Never attempt to connect or disconnect RF equipment from the transmission line while RF power is being applied.

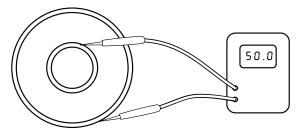
Leaking RF energy is a potential health hazard.

### NOTE

It is recommended that this resistance check be performed each time the load is to be used.

- 1. Turn off RF power and interlock circuitry before making any disconnections.
- 2. Disconnect the RF coaxial line.
- 3. Connect the multimeter test leads across the center and outer conductor of the load resistor. See Figure 4.
- 4. Record the value of the resistance *before* the load is put into service. Compare subsequent values with the latest reading. If the values vary more than 2 ohms this could be an indication of a failing resistive element.

Figure 4 Measuring DC Resistance



#### Repair

Figure 3 on page 10 shows the location of components which may be referred to in this section.

#### Replacing the RF Connector

The Bird 8894A has a 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.

### WARNING

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

- 1. Remove the four screws at the corners of the RF connector.
- 2. Pull the connector straight out.
- 3. Push the new connector in.

## NOTE

Make sure that the center pin on the connector is properly seated in the mating socket on the load resistor.

4. Replace the screws.



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

#### Replacing the Load Resistor

### **WARNING**

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

- 1. Remove the vent plug.
- 2. Verify the O-Ring is installed on the shipping plug.
- 3. Install the shipping plug.
- 4. Stand the unit on its back with the connector end up.

### NOTE

In this position there is no danger of the coolant pouring out through the socket plug hole.

- 5. Unscrew and remove the clamping band.
- 6. Lift the load resistor assembly out of the tank.
- 7. Allow any coolant to drip back into the tank.
- 8. Check the O-Ring.

#### **NOTE**

It should be free of twists and positioned evenly around the flange of the resistor housing. If the O-ring shows signs of deterioration (e.g. is no longer pliable or has surface cracks) replace it.

- 9. Inspect the coolant, see "Inspect the Coolant" on page 11.
- 10. Install the entire load resistor assembly.

### NOTE

The load resistor assembly cannot be disassembled any further.

- 11. Put the clamping band in place and tighten it.
- 12. Lower the unit back onto its feet.
- 13. Check all seals for signs of leaks.

### **WARNING**

The vent plug must be installed at all times when the unit is in operation or cooling.

Always check to ensure vent plug is installed prior to operation.

Failure to do this could result in damage to the equipment and endanger the operator's safety.

- 14. Remove the shipping plug.
- 15. Verify the O-Ring is installed on the vent plug.
- 16. Install the vent plug.

### Storage and Shipment

#### Storing the Load Resistor

1. Cover Bird 8890 Loads before storing to keep out dust and dirt.

### **NOTE**

#### When storing the load it is not necessary to install the shipping plug.

2. Store in a dry, dust-free environment where the ambient temperature will remain between –40 and +45 °C (–40 to +113 °F).

#### **Shipping the Load Resistor**

The unit may be shipped with its dielectric coolant; however, do not ship the unit with its dielectric coolant if the unit has developed a leak. Drain the coolant first.

- 1. Remove the vent plug.
- 2. Verify the O-Ring is installed on the shipping plug.
- 3. Install the shipping plug.
- 4. Wrap the vent plug with padding and tape it to the side of the load for protection.

### NOTE

With the shipping plug installed, it is not necessary to empty out the coolant.

- 5. Wrap the connector in padding.
- 6. Pack and brace the load in a sturdy wooden crate for shipment.

#### **NOTE**

All instruments returned for service must be shipped prepaid and to the attention of the Customer Service Group. See <u>Customer Service</u>.

#### **Customer Service**

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

If the unit needs to be returned for any reason, request an Return Material Authorization (RMA) through the Bird Technologies website. All instruments returned must be shipped prepaid and to the attention of the RMA number.

#### **Bird Service Center**

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For the location of the Sales Office nearest you, visit our Web site at:

http://www.birdrf.com

## **Specifications**

Frequency Range	DC – 1000 MHz	
Power Rating	2500 W continuous duty	
Peak Power for Pulse Width <sup>†</sup> :		
1 μs	150 kW	
10 µs	115 kW	
100 µs	80 kW	
1000 μs	54 kW	
5000 μs	22 kW	
Impedance	50 ohms	
VSWR:		
DC – 1 GHz	1.1	
Connector	LC(F) with dust cap	
Interlock Thermoswitch	Normally closed. Opens at 236 °C (457 °F)	
Thermoswitch Rating:		
115 VAC	10 A	
230 VAC	5 A	
Ambient Temperature	-40 to +45 °C (-40 to +113 °F)	
Altitude <sup>††</sup>	1520 m (5000 ft.)	
Humidity	95% noncondensing max	
Cooling method	Oil dielectric and convection currents	
Dimensions	25" L x 8" W x 10.625" H	
Dimensions	(635 x 203 x 270 mm)	
Weight, Nominal	47 lb. (21 kg)	
Finish	Gray Powder Coat	

<sup>†</sup> Set the duty factor so that the average power rating of the load is not exceeded.

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

## **Replacement Parts List**

Description	Qty	Part Number
RF load resistor	1	8890-050
Resistor O-Ring	1	5-230
Clamping band assembly	1	2430-055
Plug		
Vent	1	5-1350
Shipping		5-1781
Overtemp thermoswitch	1	8890-008
Thermoswitch body	1	8890-005
Thermoswitch jack	1	2450-018
Coolant, 2.3 gal (8.7 liters)	1	5-1070
Radiator assembly	1	8894-012
Access plug 3/4"-14 hex socket	1	5020-103
Handles	2	8894-032
Dust Cap	1	8100-001

# **Available "QC" Type Connectors**

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

<sup>†</sup> Normally supplied

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