

# **FULL VERSION MANUAL**



Art.no 35730-0751 (MN), 35730-0755 (MS)



# SILVA MARINE COMPASS 58

Thank you for choosing the SILVA Compass 58. This compass is suitable for small boats and recreational vehicles. It has a permanent and/or detachable bracket, mounts vertically, horizontally, upside down or anywhere in between. Maximum tiltingangle is 200 in all directions. It's supplied with a front black main lubber line and comes with the feature of a direct reading

Built-in adjustable compensation magnets for the B- and C- coeffcients makes it easy to find the correct direction and a built-in red LE.D. illumination for 12V enables night vision.

# PRODUCT OVERVIEW

- The packaging includes:
  Compass unit
- Mounting bracket
- Compensator adjuster

This compass comes with a built-in red illumination (12V).

### **POSITIONING**

For maximum accuracy and performance, select a location easily visible to the operator and with minimum magnetic interference.

**Important:** Before installing compass permanently, adjust in selected location to be sure it can be properly compensated. Electric motors, stereo speakers and windshield wiper motors often cause magnetic interferences. Deviation of up to +1-450 can be compensated for.

### MOUNTING

Compass should be level and aligned parallel with centerline of vehicle/boat. The compass should be mounted on a firm base (especially important for speedboats).

- Loosen the bracket from the compass with the two shaft screws
- Mount the bracket on a suitable position with two non-magnetic brass screws.

  Mount the compass on to the bracket with the two shaft screws and fix the compass in
- the correct reading position.

- 1. Use the fixing Plate and mount it in a suitable position with four non-magnetic brass screws.
  Slide the compass on to the fixing plate.
- Adjust and fix the compass in the correct reading position with the two shaft screws. To be able to use several mounting positions, extra fitting plates are available (art.no 35728-8 Blue, art.no 35728- I White, art.no 35728-0 Black). Installation suggestion: For easy removal, use double faced tape or velcro.

# COMPENSATION AND DEVIATION

Compensation is recommended if the deviation is more than 5 degrees, when the compass is in its normal mounting position.

is in its normal mounting position. If the error is less than 5 degrees, it is suffcient to produce a deviation table. Compensation is made with the two compensation adjuster screws "E/W" and "N/S" in order to reduce the errors surface stablesources caused by iron objects or other sources of magnetic disturbance. The compensation adjuster screws are situated and marked at the front "E/W" and on the right side "N/S" of the compass housing. The slotted edge of the adjuster screws should be horizontal before starting the compensation procedure. A small

non-magnetic screwdriver is provided for adjusting purposes. When compensating, the boat should be in an area that is not affected by permanent or

- Aim the boat due North and turn the "N/S" screw until the compass reading is 0°. Aim the boat due East and turn the "E/W" screw until the compass reading is 90°. Aim the boat due South. If the compass does not show 180°, turn the "N/S" screw until the error is halved. (E.g. If the error is  $6^\circ$  turn the screw until the error is 3°.)
- Aim the boat due West. If the compass does not show 270°, turn the screw until the error is halved.
- Go through the procedure again and check the adjusted values
- Check the compass every 20 degrees and produce a deviation table and deviation curve.
   As the magnetic conditions in a boat are liable to change, we recommend checking of the compass once a year and always after installation of equipment which might affect the

NB! Do not regard the compass as an accurate navigational instrument until the compensation is carried out and the deviation table is produced. Whenever in doubt, please seek the advice of a compass adjuster!

### MAINTENANCE

To clean the compass, use a mild soap solution or detergent. Do not use strong solvents, such as spirit, acetone or petroleum. The compass tolerates temperatures down to -30°C. It is advisable not to subject it to severe

cold for long periods.

### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Type of compass: Power boat compass Illumination: Yes, 12V. Colour: red Lubber lines: 1, centre (front) Gimballed cradle: No Accuracy: ±1°

Apparent card diameter: 55mm

Compensator: Yes Card type: Cone

Card graduation: Edge: every 10° Heeling angle: Roll: 20° Pitch: 20° Heeling angle scale: No

Mounting: Bracket
Mounting angle: Any

Temp operating range: -10°C to +70°C Material: Acrylic/ABS

Weight: 205g Dimensions:



# PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

The Compasses should be recycled and must not be thrown in the regular trash. Dispose these items in accordance with applicable local regulations.

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