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Model: Dpofirsnsry7uhvig

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides instructions for the proper use and care of your Dpofirs Telescope Focusing Bahtinov Mask. This accessory is designed to assist in achieving precise focus for astrophotography and astronomical observations across various telescope types. The mask simplifies the focusing process by providing a clear diffraction spike pattern, eliminating guesswork.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

- Handle the Bahtinov mask with care to prevent damage to the acrylic material.
- Ensure the silicone covers on the metal posts are intact before attaching the mask to your telescope to protect its surface.
- Do not apply excessive force when installing or removing the mask.
- Keep the mask away from direct sunlight for prolonged periods when not in use to prevent material degradation.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items are present in the package:

- 1 x Bahtinov Mask
- 3 x Mounting Accessories (Metal Posts with Silicone Covers)



Image: The three metal mounting accessories, each with a protective silicone cover.

4. SETUP

The Bahtinov mask is designed for quick and secure attachment to your telescope's objective lens. It supports objective lens outer diameters ranging from approximately 120mm to 160mm.

1. **Measure Your Telescope:** Before installation, measure the outer diameter of your telescope's objective lens or dew shield to ensure it falls within the supported range of 120mm to 160mm.
2. **Prepare the Mask:** Ensure the three metal mounting posts have their silicone covers securely in place. These covers protect your telescope's finish from scratches.
3. **Attach the Mask:** Gently place the Bahtinov mask over the front of your telescope's objective lens or dew shield. The three metal posts should rest against the outer rim of the telescope. The design allows the mask to remain centered while gripping the tube gently and firmly.
4. **Verify Fit:** Confirm that the mask is securely seated and centered on the telescope. It should not wobble or slip. The lightweight design ensures it does not significantly affect the balance of your telescope.



Image: The Bahtinov mask positioned on the front of a telescope, demonstrating proper attachment.

5. OPERATION (FOCUSING)

The Bahtinov mask is an essential tool for achieving critical focus in astrophotography. It works by creating a distinct diffraction pattern from bright stars, which changes as you adjust focus.

1. **Target a Bright Star:** Point your telescope at a moderately bright star. This star will be used as your focusing target.
2. **Observe the Diffraction Pattern:** With the Bahtinov mask in place, look through your eyepiece or camera live view. You will see three distinct diffraction spikes emanating from the star. Two of these spikes will form an 'X' pattern, and the third spike will run perpendicularly through the 'X'.
3. **Adjust Focus:** Slowly adjust your telescope's focuser. As you adjust, the central spike will move relative to the 'X' pattern.
4. **Achieve Critical Focus:** Continue adjusting until the central spike is perfectly centered between the two spikes of the 'X' pattern. When all three spikes intersect at a single point, your telescope is in critical focus. This method eliminates the guesswork often associated with visual or software-assisted focusing.
5. **Remove the Mask:** Once focus is achieved, carefully remove the Bahtinov mask from the telescope. It is not intended for use during actual imaging or observation.



The mask grips the telescope tube gently and firmly

The mask takes the guesswork out of focusing and even overcomes vision conditions to give your telescope the best focus quickly and easily

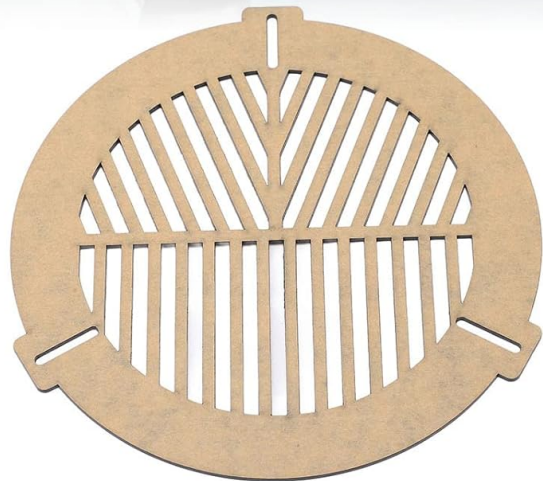


Image: A user observing through a telescope equipped with the Bahtinov mask to achieve precise focus.

6. MAINTENANCE

Proper maintenance will ensure the longevity and effectiveness of your Bahtinov mask.

- **Cleaning:** The mask is made of acrylic. To clean, gently wipe with a soft, lint-free cloth. For stubborn smudges, use a small amount of mild soap and water, then rinse thoroughly and dry with a clean, soft cloth. Avoid abrasive cleaners or solvents, as they can damage the acrylic.
- **Storage:** Store the mask in a clean, dry place, preferably in its original packaging or a protective bag, to prevent dust accumulation and scratches.
- **Inspect Mounting Posts:** Periodically check the silicone covers on the metal posts for wear or damage. Replace if necessary to continue protecting your telescope.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Mask Does Not Fit:**

Issue: The mask is too loose or too tight on the telescope.

Solution: Verify your telescope's outer diameter against the mask's supported range (120-160mm). If it falls outside this range, the mask is not compatible. Ensure the mask is centered correctly.

- **Difficulty Seeing Diffraction Spikes:**

Issue: The star appears blurry, or the spikes are not clear.

Solution: Ensure you are targeting a sufficiently bright star. Adjust your telescope's focus slowly and deliberately. Check for excessive light pollution or atmospheric turbulence that might obscure the pattern.

- **Scratches on Telescope from Mask:**

Issue: The telescope's finish is scratched after using the mask.

Solution: Always ensure the silicone covers on the metal posts are present and undamaged before attaching the mask. These covers are designed to prevent scratches.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Material	Acrylic
Thickness	Approx. 2mm / 0.08in
Weight	Approx. 46g / 1.6oz
Supported Objective Lens Outer Diameter	Approx. 120-160mm / 4.7-6.3in
Item Model Number	Dpofirsnsry7uhvig
ASIN	B0GNNQJ23F

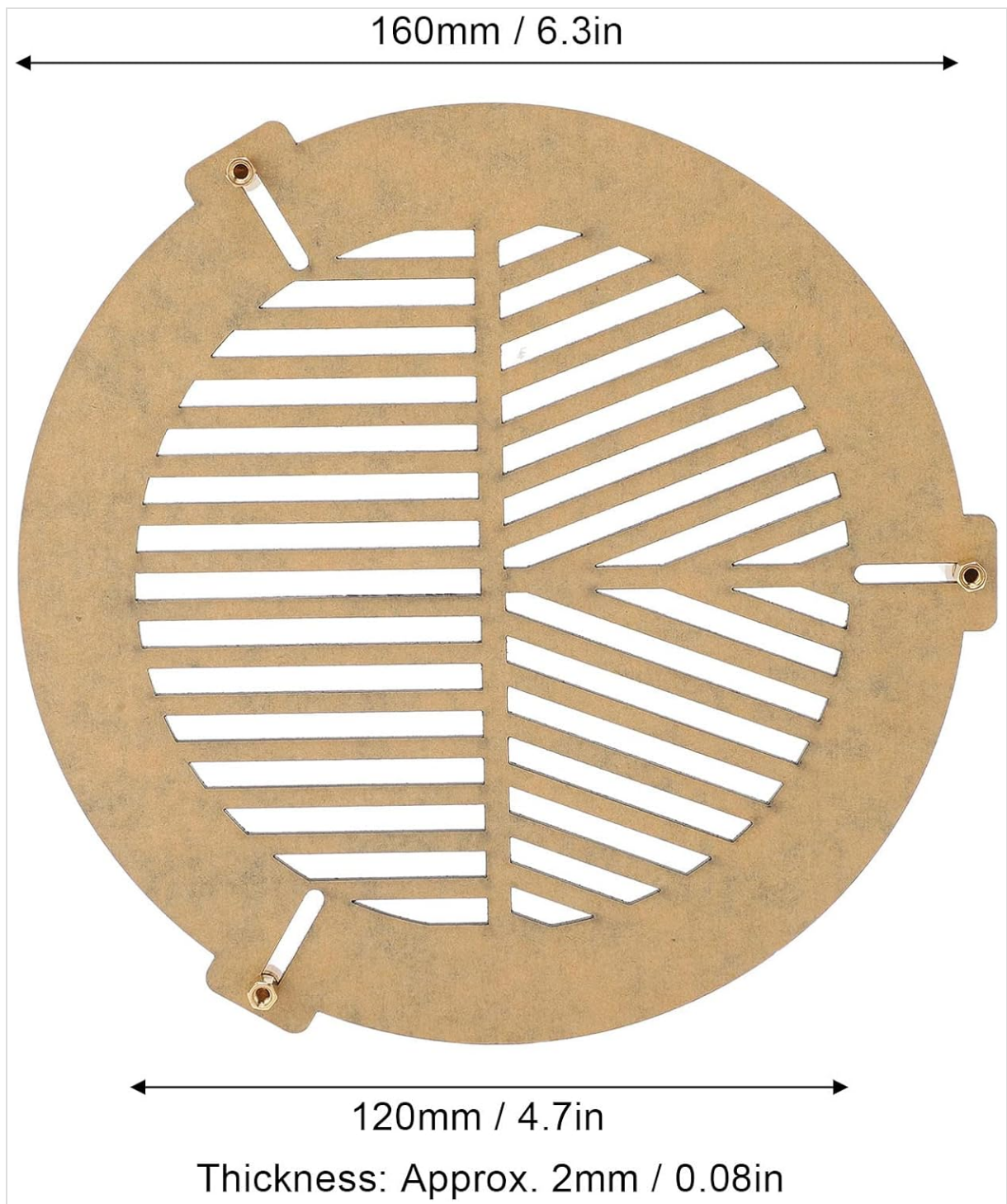


Image: Diagram illustrating the key dimensions of the Bahtinov mask.

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For information regarding warranty coverage, returns, or technical support, please refer to the purchase documentation or contact the retailer where the product was acquired. You may also visit the official Dpofirs brand store for additional support resources.

Online Support: Dpofirs Brand Store on Amazon