Solar Attic Fans

Message from our president...

Congratulations! You’re in the club. You’ve seen the light. You own the best solar attic fan sold in the United States. While we look forward to cooling your attic, thus saving you on utility bills, there are other advantages to the Remington Solar attic fan as well. Do you have any idea how much wear and tear on your furnace happens in a hot harsh environment? Do you know what your expensive insulation does in 150 degree heat over the years? You made a great decision in your purchase, so please don’t hesitate to contact us if you need help in any way.

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Model # SF20
Roof mount

Model # SF25
Roof mount

Model # SF-30
Roof mount

Model # SGF20
Gable mount
SF20 – This is a simple encased panel fan that flashes underneath the leading edge of your shingles. This unit includes humidistat and thermostat. Make sure you remove the small plastic bag that has the small thermostat and humidistat (underneath the fan near the blade) after installation. Also, clip the small plastic tie that will allow the thermostat to hang (approximately 2 feet) from the unit (to get an accurate attic temperature reading). Fan operates above 82 degrees Fahrenheit. (26.7 degrees Celsius).

SF25 – See installation instructions for SF20. However, this fan allows the solar power panel to tilt. Angle the tilt to maximize the sun exposure by tilting towards a south or west position. Typically, steep pitched roofs will require higher tilt. This fan is also suitable for houses that face south, so the fan needs to be on the back of the house, but tilted towards the south.

SF30 – This fan is simply a more powerful version of the SF25 fan.

SGF20 – Gable fan.

Before You Start, please visit http://remingtonsolar.com/product-manuals/

NOTE: When you first unpack your solar attic fan and place it in the sunlight, it may not immediately turn on. Check the following:

1. Determine if the outside temperature is 82 degrees Fahrenheit. The built-in thermostat will prevent the unit from starting below 82 degrees.

2. Make sure the thermostat/humidistat (blue plastic piece) wiring is connected snugly. The thermostat/humidistat is connected by a simple three pronged plug that should be connected when your solar attic fan arrives.

3. Make sure the unit is getting sun with no clouds. Sometimes the unit will spin slowly or not at all with thick cloud cover.

4. If it is cool outside and you want to test your fan, you may cup the thermostat in your hand and breathe heavily on it. That will typically kick on the fan.

Handy Tips

1. Choose the location carefully to ensure optimal sun exposure through the day. Check for any shade on the roof created by trees, chimney, or satellite dish.

2. Measure twice and cut once. Take a minute to create a template that will create the correct dimensions for your cut.

3. Center the Solar Attic Fan approximately 2 feet away from the roof ridge to facilitate good circulation.

   NOTE: Using Remington Solar attic fans with ridge vents are fine. We recommend putting your fan 5 feet down from your ridge vent. Also, close any vent within 8-10 feet of your solar fan. (Cardboard underneath is an easy solution)

4. Before you begin, gently clean any oil residue from flashing.

5. Use a high quality silicone sealant to ensure a good waterproof seal.
ROOF MOUNT ATTIC FAN INSTALLATION

NOTE: Please go to http://remingtonsolar.com/how-to-install-your-remington-solar-attic-fan/ (or go to RemingtonSolar.com and look for the link on How To Install Your Remington Solar Attic Fan) to watch a brief video of an actual installation.

Tools Required

Reciprocating Saw  
Marker Pen  
Measuring Tape  
String  
Razor Knife  
Drill (for screws)  
Caulking Gun (Silicone sealant)  
Phillips Head Screwdriver (optional)

Step 1 - Choose a location for your Remington Solar Attic Fan on the south of the roof, considering potential problems like tree, chimney etc. They may shade the solar panel during certain times of the day, reducing run time.

If a southern or western exposure is not possible, the fan can be installed on any other exposure and the solar panel can be adjusted to capture maximum sunlight. Note: The Solar Attic Fan must be installed between roof rafters. However, if you want to retrofit an existing turbine (Whirlybird) or electric fan, you may do so. Just enlarge the hole if necessary, being careful not to cut through a rafter.

Step 2 - Using either a string or template, create a 14 1/2 inch diameter circle onto the roof shingles.  
Note: Roof rafters are generally 16” or 24” on center. (Stick a nail from underneath out to the roof, then find the nail, so you can see the center.)

Step 3 - The Solar Attic Fan must be installed between roof rafters. Do not cut through any framing member. With a reciprocating saw, cut the diameter of the hole.

Step 4 - With razor knife, cut a 4 inch through the shingles and tar paper. On opposite sides of the flashing, this provides the footprint for the flashing to be inserted under the shingles.

Step 5 - Remove any roofing nails in the area where the base will be slid under the shingles.

Step 6 - Lay a bead of Silicone Sealant around the base of the flashing.

Step 7 - Slide the flashing underneath the tar paper and shingles. Adjust the flashing up until the shingles come into contact with the raised portion of the flashing. The bottom side of the flashing will be on top of the shingles.

Step 8 - Position the four screws around the flashing. Two screws go on either side, and the remaining two go on the top and bottom.

Step 9 - Lay a bead of Silicone Sealant along the edge of the shaft base to insure a waterproof seal.

Step 10 - Remove the foam protective cover and adjust the panel. Use the screws and nuts to fasten the angles.
GABLE MOUNT FAN INSTALLATION

Simply install vertically using appropriate hardware. Mount against an existing gable vent. Put plywood, cardboard, or flat insulation material on the part of the gable vent that is not covered by a fan. (This will prevent backflow)

Run power cord either out the front, or back into the attic and out the roof. Drill a 7/8" hole through the decking but AFTER you remove a shingle. You will want to position the solar panel directly above the hole. While the solar panel will not protect the hole from weather, rather it is the shingle that you place back over the hole that will. Be sure to use plenty of silicone sealant in the hole once the cord comes out. Then screw the panel mounting bracket onto the roof. Use silicone sealant in the screw holes as well. Position panel in sunny area (preferably south or south west) and run power cord underneath.

110V ADAPTOR INSTALLATION (not included)

To keep the fan running when the sun sets and it’s still hot in the attic, you will need our 110V adaptor to tap in your house power. You can purchase this separately as an accessory.

NOTE: The 110V Hybrid Adapter can easily be installed any time after fan installation.


Step 1 - Look underneath your fan and you’ll see the thick power cord that is plugged into itself.
Step 2 - Unscrew that wire, and you will see two plug ends
Step 3 - Plug the two "plug ends" of your adapter into these new wires you just unscrewed. (They only plug in one way)
Step 4 - Attach your 110V adapter box to the nearest rafter using wood screws
Step 5 - Plug your 110V plug into an outlet in your attic (you may need an extension cord)

CURB MOUNT ADAPTER (not included)

Curb mount adaptors are good for flat roofs or tile roofs. You can build a frame out of 2x4’s, then flash over the 2x4’s. Then put the Remington Solar curb mount adapter on top of the flashed frame. Then mount your Remington Solar attic fan on top of the curb mount adapter. Then you have a waterproof seal.
WARRANTY

- Solar panel: Life time limited non-transferrable warranty*
- Housing: Life time limited non-transferrable warranty*
- Motor: Life time limited non-transferrable warranty*

*The limited warranty from date of original purchase for manufacturing defects under normal and reasonable use, and subject to the maintenance requirements and installation guidelines set forth in the product instruction manual. This warranty is non-transferable. You must register your warranty online within 30 days from purchase.

What is Covered: Dealer warrants its product to be free from defects in material and workmanship when leaving the factory. Remington Solar will provide replacement of parts (not labor) for any defective component.

What is not Covered: Any type of damage to the product due to improper installation, maintenance, or failure to provide necessary and reasonable maintenance; any damage or injury caused by misuse and/or unreasonable use of the product; storage or Acts of God; Dealer will not honor any claims for damage to any products.

Note: Hail damage is covered by your homeowners insurance policy.

You must register your Remington Solar product ONLINE within 30 days to activate warranty:

https://remingtonsolar.com/register-your-product/

Serial Number of your product:
TROUBLE SHOOTING GUIDE

Fan won’t run

a. Check the temperature. Is it 80 degrees or hotter? Is it in the sun?

b. Cup the blue thermostat in your hands and warm it up by breathing on it. (Don’t use a hair dryer!)

c. Check all the wiring in the junction box as per diagram above.

d. If fan is not turning at all, it’s a hot day, and full sun. Faulty thermostat. Contact support@remingtonsolar.com for replacement.

Fan blades vibrate or rock, but doesn’t run fast

The fan is working, but getting less than 9 volts of power. It’s either early in the morning or dusk, or under an overcast condition.

Fan blades turns slowly

a. Is it full sun? Or cloudy?

b. If the fan is making a noise from the motor, then may be defective motor Contact support@remingtonsolar.com for replacement.