



Ornamental Equipment



IPC offers a line of ornamental equipment that can compliment a modern lightning protection system. Whether the structure is a Victorian style house, a horse barn or some other special application, some people prefer the looks of this older style equipment rather than today's modern looking equipment. For these installations, we continue to offer this product line.

In this section, you will find arrows, directionals, ornaments, weather vanes, tripod style tube points and the classic glass balls. The majority of our glass balls are new production. We have two styles of glass balls that are from original production as noted on the glass ball page.

Through the years, there have been many misconceptions about glass balls and their purpose. Some people believe that if the glass ball is broken or cracked, then their lightning protection system is no longer functional. This statement is totally not true. The first lightning rod glass ball patent was issued in 1839 and the purpose or intent says it all: "An ornament or enhancement for a lightning rod point." Other than ornamentation reasons, there is no other purpose for the glass ball. If you have a broken glass ball on your system, your system is functional. It would be only for general aesthetic reasons that a damaged ball would be replaced.

IPC recommends that any ornamental equipment be bonded into a lightning protection system if a system exists. Many people purchase weather vanes and other ornamental products strictly for aesthetic reasons. IPC declines to make additional recommendation with respect to grounding of these stand alone systems.

Today, our focus is on the manufacture of structural lightning protection equipment. Years ago, ornamental equipment was a very popular item. However, times have changed and this is no longer the case. For this reason, certain products may not be available for immediate shipment. If this is a concern to you, check availability prior to placing your order.

Note: For quality reasons and to fulfill customer requests, new production of ornamental items will be furnished in a plain aluminum or bronze finish. The surfaces may be custom painted by the purchaser. Until our painted inventory is depleted, your order may be fulfilled with product that has a painted surface.



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IPC offers a limited amount of decorative or ornamental equipment. The equipment shown is for fitting to 5/8" tube points. Equipment may be combined together to meet specific needs.



#156 - Glass Tail Aluminum Arrow for 5/8" tube points. Glass available in the following colors: amber/gold, red, wine/purple, green, cobalt blue. Specify color when ordering. Wt. .52 lb. ea.

#156C - Same as above only in copper. Wt. 1.28 lb. ea.



#157 - 18" Long Aluminum Arrow for 5/8" tube point. Wt. .28 lb. ea.

#157C - Same as above only in copper. Wt. .76 lb. ea.



#158 - 22" Long Moon and Stars for 5/8" tube point. Wt. .42 lb. ea.

#158C - Same as above only in copper. Wt. 1.25 lb. ea.



#159 - Point of Compass Vane. Manufactured from aluminum alloys. Compass manufactured for use with 5/8" tube or solid points. Wt. .62 lb. ea.

#159C - Same as above only in copper. Wt. 2.00 lb. ea.

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#320 - Satellite Ornament is manufactured from copper and shipped as natural copper. This ornament is used with the 85 Series government points or the 240W point. See the air terminal section. Wt. .58 lb. ea.

#A320 - Same as above only in aluminum and supplied as aluminum finish. Wt. .20 lb. ea.

#321 - Satellite Ornament. Same as #320 but supplied with bushings for 1/2" air terminals, 331 Series. See the air terminal section. Wt. .58 lb. ea.

#A321 - Satellite Ornament. Same as A320 but supplied with bushings for 1/2" OD air terminals, A331 Series. See the air terminal section. Wt. .20 lb. ea.



#320C - Imperial Crown Ornament. Made from aluminum alloys. Approximate height is 8 1/2". Ornamental top will fit on 5/8" tube points, A100 Series, A240W air terminal or the A85 Series government points. See the air terminal section. Wt. .26 lb. ea.

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