Congratulations on your purchase of a Celestron spotting scope! Whether your interest lies in nature or astronomy this spotting scope offers the finest in optical quality guaranteed to give you years of viewing pleasure.

Your C90 Mak has an internal flip mirror that can divert light either through the 90° eyepiece barrel at the top of the rear cell or directly through the erect image diagonal (for daytime use) at the rear of the spotting scope. Make sure that the flip mirror is in the "down" position for viewing with an eyepiece at 90° and in the "up" position for viewing through the diagonal (see Figure 1-2).

To install the eyepiece directly into the 90° eyepiece barrel (for astronomical use):

1. Loosen the thumbscrew on the eyepiece barrel so it does not obstruct the inner diameter of the barrel.
2. Slide the chrome portion of the eyepiece into the eyepiece barrel.
3. Tighten the thumbscrew to hold the eyepiece in place.
4. To remove the eyepiece, loosen the thumbscrew on the eyepiece barrel and slide the eyepiece out.
To install the eyepiece onto the rear of the spotting scope (for land use):

1. Unthread the cap from the rear cell.
2. Thread the metal ring of the erect image diagonal onto the threads of the rear cell.
3. Remove the caps and loosen the thumbscrew on the diagonal so it does not obstruct the inner diameter of the barrel.
4. Slide the chrome portion of the eyepiece into the eyepiece barrel.
5. Tighten the thumbscrew to hold the eyepiece in place.

**The Finderscope**

The C90 Mak comes with a 8x21mm erect image finder. The first number used to describe the finder is the power. The second number is the diameter of the objective lens in millimeters. For example, the C90 Mak finder is 8x21 which means it is 8 power and has a 21mm objective lens. Incidentally, power is always compared to the unaided human eye. So, an 8 power finder magnifies images eight times more than the human eye. The finderscope is adjusted using the three adjustment screws located 120° around each finderscope ring.

The finderscope comes pre-assembled and is mounted inside the finderscope bracket rings. To attach the finderscope:

1. Loosen the set screw on the mounting bracket on the spotting scope (see Figure 1-3).
2. Slide the finder bracket (with finderscope attached) into the mounting bracket on the spotting scope.
3. The finderscope bracket will slide in from the back. The finderscope should be oriented so that the objective lens is toward the front end of the spotting scope.
4. Tighten the set screw on the mounting bracket to hold the finderscope in place.

Aligning the Finderscope:

To make things a little easier, you should align the finder during the day when it is easier to locate objects. To align the finder:

1. Choose a conspicuous object that is over 500 yards away. This will eliminate any possible parallax effect.
2. Point your spotting scope at the target and center it in the main optics of the spotting scope (the eyepiece).
3. Check the finder to see where the object is located in the field of view.
4. Adjust the screws on the finder bracket, tightening one while loosening another, until the cross hairs are centered on the target.

Accurate alignment of the finder will make it much easier to find objects in the main optical tube.

**Focusing**

The C90 Mak spotting scope focusing mechanism controls the position of the primary mirror which slides back and forth on the primary baffle tube. Turn the focusing knob until the image is sharp. If the knob will not turn, the primary mirror has reached the end of its travel on the focusing mechanism. Turn the knob in the opposite direction until the image is sharp. Once an image is in focus, turn the knob clockwise to focus on a closer object and counterclockwise for a more distant object. A single turn of the focusing knob moves the primary mirror only slightly. Therefore, it will take many turns to go from close focus (approximately 20 feet) to infinity. For astronomical
viewing, out-of-focus star images are very diffuse making them difficult, if not impossible, to see. If you turn the focus knob too quickly, you can go right through focus without seeing the image. For best results, your first astronomical target should be a bright object (like the Moon) so that the image is visible even when out of focus.

**Calculating Magnification**

To determine the magnification of your spotting scope, simply divide the focal length of the spotting scope by the focal length of the eyepiece used. In equation format, the formula looks like this:

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\text{Magnification} = \frac{\text{Focal Length of Spotting scope (mm)}}{\text{Focal Length of Eyepiece (mm)}}
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Let’s say, for example, you are using the 32mm Plossl eyepiece. To determine the magnification you simply divide the focal length of your spotting scope (1200mm) by the focal length of the eyepiece, 32mm. Dividing 1200 by 32 yields a magnification of 38 power.

Although the power is variable, each instrument under average skies has a limit to the highest useful magnification. The general rule is that 60 power can be used for every inch of aperture. For example, the C90 is 3.5 inches in diameter. Multiplying 3.5 by 60 gives a maximum useful magnification of 210 power. Although this is the maximum useful magnification, most observing is done in the range of 20 to 35 power for every inch of aperture which is 70 to 123 times for the C90 spotting scope.

**Attaching a Camera**

With the use of an optional photographic T-adapter (#93635-A) and camera specific T-ring, a 35mm camera can be attached to the rear cell of the spotting scope. To attach a camera to your C90 Mak:

1. Remove the erect image diagonal and eyepiece from the rear cell of the tube.
2. Thread the T-Ring onto the T-Adapter.
3. Mount your camera body onto the T-Ring the same as you would any other lens.
4. Thread the T-Adapter onto the back of the C90 by rotating the slip ring clockwise while holding the camera in the desired orientation (either vertical or horizontal).

**Technical Specifications**

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All specifications given with standard eyepiece and are subject to change without notice.
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A. Celestron warrants this spotting scope to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for its usable lifetime. Celestron will repair or replace such product or part thereof which, upon inspection by Celestron, is found to be defective in materials or workmanship. As a condition to the obligation of Celestron to repair or replace such product, the product must be returned to Celestron together with proof-of-purchase satisfactory to Celestron.

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The customer shall be responsible for all costs of transportation and insurance, both to and from the factory of Celestron, and shall be required to prepay such costs.

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Carson, CA 90747

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