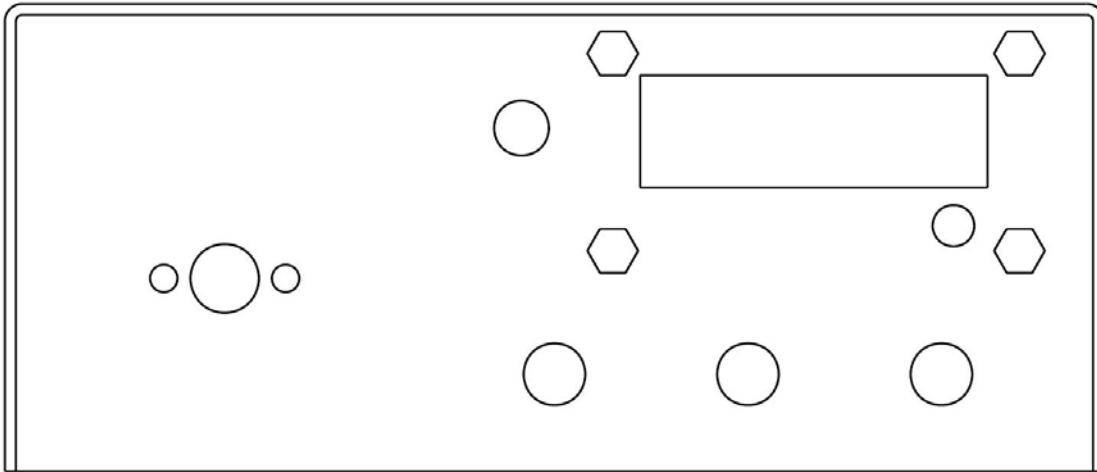


Ft. Tuthill Chassis Preparation



The chassis supplied is furnished in a brushed aluminum finish. You may choose to leave it as is, or paint it. If you choose to paint the chassis, after cleaning thoroughly, we recommend a primer coat, sanded lightly, and then a finish coat in the color of your choice. If you chose to use the supplied decals, it is best to keep the front and rear panel, light in color, so there is contrast between the black decals and your painted surface. You can paint the cover the same color, or a contrasting color of your choice.

If you choose to leave the brushed aluminum finish, the PEM standoffs for the Digital Dial are installed after the chassis is grained, so it will be necessary to use a small piece of emery paper to blend in the small hex imprint of the PEM standoffs. Finish the grain in the same direction (horizontally) as the surrounding finish. Our display pictures on the web site show the chassis prepared in this method. This would be the coolest option, in the sun, if you are using the radio outdoors.