

3 dB Fixed Attenuator, SMA Female To N Male
Directional Black Anodized Aluminum Heatsink
Body Rated To 50 Watts Up To 18 GHz



PE7318-3

Features

Applications

Description

Pasternack carries a wide range of fixed attenuators with a broad selection of attenuation levels, frequency ranges, and power dissipation ranges. RF microwave attenuators (also known as RF pads) lower the amplitude of a signal (attenuate) a known amount and can be used in a wide variety of applications. These attenuator pads are used when a signal needs to be reduced to protect measurement equipment or other circuitry, to extend the range of power meters and amplifiers, and to impedance match circuits by reducing the VSWR seen by adjacent components. RF attenuators can prevent signal overload in amplifiers, receivers and detectors, adjusting the signal level to a range that is optimal.

Few RF components are as commonly used as fixed coaxial attenuators, and Pasternack carries one of the largest in-stock varieties and ships them same day. The 3 dB Fixed Attenuator PE7318-3 is rated to 50 Watts and operates from DC to 18 GHz. The versatile coaxial package uses SMA female to type N male connectors and is also REACH and RoHS compliant. The Black Anodized Aluminum Heatsink body allows for efficient heat dissipation under high power usage conditions.

Electrical Specifications

Description	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
Frequency Range	DC		18	GHz
Impedance		50		Ohms
Nominal Attenuation		3		dB
VSWR			1.6:1	
Input Power, CW			50	Watts
Input Power, Peak			500	Watts

Specifications by Frequency

Description	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	Units
Frequency Range	DC to 6	6 to 12.4	12.4 to 18			GHz
VSWR, Max	1.3:1	1.45:1	1.6:1			
Attenuation Accuracy, Typ	0.75	0.75	1			dB

Mechanical Specifications

Size

Length	4.01 in [101.85 mm]
Width/Diameter	3 in [76.2 mm]
Height	3 in [76.2 mm]
Weight	1.796 lbs [814.65 g]
Body Material and Plating	Black Anodized Aluminum Heatsink

Configuration

Design	Fixed, Directional
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Connectors

Description	Connector 1	Connector 2
Type	SMA Female	N Male
Contact Material and Plating	Beryllium Copper, Gold	Brass, Gold
Outer Conductor Material and Plating		Brass, Silver
Coupling Nut Material and Plating	Stainless Steel, Passivated	
Coupling Nut Plating Specification	Stainless Steel	
Hex Size	11/16 In.	11/16 In.
Body Material and Plating	Stainless Steel, Passivated	Stainless Steel, Passivated

Environmental Specifications

Temperature

Operating Range -55 to +125 deg C

Compliance Certifications (see [product page](#) for current document)

Plotted and Other Data

Notes:

Typical Performance Data

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