

## PBD(A) Series

### Single-Range, C, X & Ku-Band, Remote Mounted, Block Down Converters



The **PBD(A) series** remote mounted, block down converter units from Peak Communications are designed to be fully compatible with a wide range of L-Band modulators and frequency converters. This high-grade range of **PBD(A)** outdoor units will accept the SHF input from an LNA system and provide a frequency conversion to L-Band.

The **PBD(A) series** utilise externally phase locked dielectric resonator oscillators (XPDRs) and are far superior in stability and phase noise to voltage-controlled oscillators (VCOs), as commonly used in other BDC designs. High rejection performance filtering techniques are employed to ensure unrivalled spurious response.

For supply, the units accept a wide range of DC voltages. They can be offered with the remote mounted **OPS series** AC to DC PSU's, alternatively the **D400** rack mounted DC & reference driver units are available.








For 1+1 & 2+1 redundancy, two configurations are available;

a/ rack mounted **RCU50 /RCUH50** redundancy controllers (with L-Band switching) are offered, along with options for outdoor weatherproof SHF switching units and PBD unit DC & reference drive capability.

b/ a complete 'outdoor solution' comprising remote mounted **R1000HR /R2000HR** switching units with direct redundancy control via IP (requires PBD units to be fitted with Ethernet option).

**The unit has a highly stable internal reference source and will automatically detect and lock to an external 10MHz signal, when applied.**

### Peak Features

-  External reference locking with automatic high stability internal reference back-up
-  Temperature compensated for thermal stability and fast warm-up
-  High stability, low ripple and excellent phase noise, using PDRO technology
-  Optional electronically variable 0 to 30dB attenuator, with Ethernet based remote control
-  Rugged weatherproof housing
-  1+1 & 2+1 redundancy systems available
-  Indoor rack mount & outdoor weatherproof AC to DC PSU's available



## High grade block down converter products;

| BDC Model  | SHF Input Frequency (GHz)            | L-Band Output Frequency (MHz)  |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Traditional receive band coverage;</b>  |                                      |  |
| <a href="#">PBD420</a>   | 3.4-4.2 (full C-Band)                | 1750-950 (inverted spectrum), for non-inverted design please see PBD(B)series. |
| <a href="#">PBD450</a>   | 4.5-4.8 (INSAT C-Band)               | 950-1250   |
| <a href="#">PBD725</a>   | 7.25-7.75 (X-Band)                   | 950-1450   |
| <a href="#">PBD1070</a>  | 10.7-11.7 (low Ku-Band)              | 950-1950   |
| <a href="#">PBD1095</a>  | 10.95-11.70 (mid Ku-Band)            | 950-1700   |
| <a href="#">PBD1120</a>  | 11.2-11.7 (mid Ku-Band)              | 950-1450   |
| <a href="#">PBD1145</a>  | 11.45-12.20 (mid Ku-Band)            | 950-1700   |
| <a href="#">PBD1170</a>  | 11.7-12.2 (mid Ku-Band)              | 950-1450   |
| <a href="#">PBD1171</a>  | 11.70-12.75 (mid Ku-Band)            | 950-2000   |
| <a href="#">PBD1225</a>  | 12.25-12.75 (mid Ku-Band)            | 950-1450   |
| <b>Transmit band coverage for ground test &amp; ranging applications (consult factory with any specific filtering requirements);</b> |                                      |  |
| <a href="#">PBD600</a>   | 5.850-6.425 (C-Band)                 | 950-1525, offered in larger chassis size                                       |
| <a href="#">PBD665</a>   | 5.85-6.65 (extended C-Band)          | 950-1750, offered in larger chassis size                                       |
| <a href="#">PBD6725</a>  | 5.85-6.725 (super extended C-Band)   | 950-1825, offered in larger chassis size                                       |
| <a href="#">PBD790</a>   | 7.9-8.4 (X-Band)                     | 950-1450   |
| <a href="#">PBD1275</a>  | 12.75-13.75 (low Ku-Band)            | 950-1950   |
| <a href="#">PBD140</a>   | 14.0-14.5 (Ku-Band)                  | 950-1450   |
| <a href="#">PBD137</a>   | 13.75-14.50 (extended Ku-Band)       | 950-1700   |
| <a href="#">PBD148</a>   | 13.75-14.80 (super extended Ku-Band) | 950-2000   |
| <a href="#">PBD184</a>   | 17.30-18.40 (Full DBS-Band)          | 950-1850   |

For other non-standard frequency requirements, please contact the factory.

For Ka-Band block down converters please see PBD(Ka) series datasheet.

For multi-range block down converters covering wider bandwidths please see PBD(B) series datasheet.

For equivalent rack mount units, please see IBD(A) & IBDH(A) series datasheets.

## PBD(A) series – Typical Specification

### SHF Input

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Connection     | N-type (f), 50Ω |
| Return loss    | >18dB           |
| RF input power | -25dBm max      |

### L-Band Output

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Frequency   | 950 up to 2000MHz, dependent upon model<br><small>Note: PBD420 provides inverted output spectrum (1750-950MHz).</small> |
| Connection  | N-type (f), 50Ω   |
| Return loss | >15dB   |
| 1dB GCP     | +8dBm   |

### RF Performance

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|--|--|
| LO phase noise<br>(typical with good<br>phase noise<br>ext. 10MHz ref) | -55dBc/Hz at 10Hz<br>-75dBc/Hz at 100Hz<br>-92dBc/Hz at 1kHz<br>-100dBc/Hz at 10kHz<br>-105dBc/Hz at 100kHz<br>-125dBc/Hz at 1MHz                        |
| Spurious   | <-80dBm (in band non-carrier related)<br><-75dBc (in band carrier related)<br><small>Note: C-Band units specified as &lt;-65dBc at input -40dBm.</small> |
| 3rd order Intercept  | >+18dBm  |

### Transfer Characteristics

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Conversion gain | 30dB ±1dB at band centre  |
| Gain stability  | ±0.5dB from 0 to 40°C<br>(-0.026dB per +°C)                                       |
| Gain flatness   | ±1dB full band (±1.5dB for bandwidths ≥800MHz)<br>±0.5dB across any 40MHz in band |
| Noise figure    | 3-4dB typ., 7dB max   |

### External Reference Input, with automatic detection

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Frequency            | 10MHz   |
| Connection           | Fed in on L-band cable<br>Option 1; Separate TNC (f), 50Ω input |
| Level                | 0dBm ±5dB   |
| Required phase noise | better than 50dBc/Hz of output phase noise                      |
| Locking delay        | <2 minutes to stabilise from cold                               |

### Internal Back-up Reference Stability

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Allan deviation | $5 \times 10^{-11}$ over 1s                               |
| Ageing          | $<5 \times 10^{-9}$ per day, $<5 \times 10^{-7}$ per year |
| Temp stability  | $<5 \times 10^{-8}$ over 0 to 60°C                        |

### Variable L-Band Attenuation (Option 3)

|                   |                                     |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Attenuation range | 30dB nominal                        |
| Step size         | 0.1dB or 0.5dB                      |
| Control           | Remote via Ethernet (with option 9) |

### Additional Filtering (Option 14)

Additional filtering for mounting locations within close proximity to UHF transmitters (up to 5W), as often encountered on mobile vehicle installations.

### Mechanical

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| Width        | 123mm (4.85")   |
| Height       | 172mm (6.8"), plus connections & mounting flanges   |
| Depth        | 48mm (1.89")<br><small>Note: For PBD600, PBD665 or with options 3 &amp; 9, size increases to H290x W230x D95mm.</small> |
| Construction | Die-cast Aluminium, weatherproof, IP66 rated  |
| Weight       | 1.4kgs (3lbs) approx.   |

### Environmental

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| Operating temp | -25°C to +55°C (less solar gain)<br>Option 12; -40°C to +55°C (less solar gain), with extended warm-up time for cold start & higher current |
| Humidity       | 0-100% condensing   |
| EMC            | EN 55022, part B & EN 50082-1   |
| Safety         | EN 60950  |

### Power Supply

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| Voltage    | +16.5 to +35VDC<br><small>Note: Voltage increases with options 3 &amp; 9 to +27 to +36VDC.</small>   |
| Current    | 650mA max (option dependent)<br><small>Note: Lower current versions available (please consult the factory).</small>  |
| Connection | Fed in on L-band cable<br>Option 2a; Fed in on control interface connection<br>Option 2b; Fed in on the control interface connection as well as the L-Band cable |

### Control Interface

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Alarms                       | Summary alarm contacts<br>Option 5; Removal of 'Ext Ref lock' alarm<br><small>Note: External reference 'lock' alarm is included in the summary alarm as standard, this can be removed if an external reference is not being provided.</small><br>Option 7; Bi- coloured LED for '10MHz lock' and 'DC power' status indication |
| Connection                   | Multi-pin circular, weatherproof (mating part supplied)   |
| Remote control<br>(Option 9) | Ethernet; embedded web server & SNMP network management support<br><small>Note: Option 9 increases size of the unit to H290x W230x D95mm and voltage range to +27 to +36VDC.</small>  |

## Options

- 1) Separate external 10MHz reference input (using a TNC connector), replacing the L-band feed system.
- 2a) DC input connection wired to control interface, replacing the L-band feed system.
- 2b) DC input connection wired to the control interface, as well as the standard DC feed system via the L-Band cable.
- 3a) 30dB L-Band electronic variable attenuator, 0.5dB step
- 3b) 30dB L-Band electronic variable attenuator, 0.1dB step
- 5) Removal of ext. ref. 'lock' alarm from summary alarm.
- 7) Bi-coloured ext. ref. 'lock' and 'DC power' status indication
- 9) Ethernet interface with embedded web server & SNMP
- 12) Low temperature operation to -40°C
- 14) Filtering for close proximity UHF transmitters

Note: The addition of options can modify the typical specification, for details please consult the factory.

## Connector panel view (sample)

