

F1200

Fixed Frequency Combined Up and Down Converter Unit








The **F1200** is a fixed frequency, fixed gain, combined L-Band Up and Downconverter. The **F1200** provides a low-cost solution for systems requiring conversion between $70\text{MHz} \pm 20\text{MHz}$ (or $140\text{MHz} \pm 40\text{MHz}$) and L-Band. The unit can be used to interface L-Band modems with 70/140MHz transceivers or 70/140MHz modems to L-band transceivers.

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

The standard F1200 L-band frequency is fixed at 1200MHz, for different frequencies please contact the factory.

Peak Features

-  Compliant with IESS 306 and IESS 309 requirements.
-  Used for 8PSK and 16QAM modulations in excess of 50Mbits/sec.
-  Fully compatible with **RCU102** & **RCU202** 1+1 & 2+1 redundancy switch units.
-  10MHz external reference option fitted as standard with automatic internal reference back-up.
-  Customising available.



F1200 – Typical Specification

Up Converter

IF Input

Frequency 70 ±18MHz (Option 1a; 140 ±36MHz)
 Connection 50Ω, BNC (f) (Option 3a; 75Ω)

L-Band Output

Frequency 1200 ±18MHz fixed (Option 1a; ±36MHz)
Note: for other frequencies please contact the factory.
 Connection 50Ω, N-Type (f)

Transfer Characteristics

Conversion gain 0dB
 1 dB GCP 0dBm
 Gain flatness ±0.5dB across 40MHz

RF Performance

Phase noise -80dBc/Hz at 100Hz
 -90dBc/Hz at 1kHz
 -95dBc/Hz at 10kHz
 -100dBc/Hz at 100kHz
 -120dBc/Hz at 1MHz
 Spurious <-60dBm (in band, non-carrier related)
 <-60dBc (in band, carrier related)
 Group delay Linear 0.025nS
 Ripple 1nS p-p
 Parabolic 0.015nS/MHz²

Down Converter

L-Band Input

Frequency 1200 ±18MHz fixed (Option 1a; ±36MHz)
Note: for other frequencies please contact the factory.
 Connection 50Ω, N-type (f)

IF Output

Frequency 70 ±18MHz (Option 1b; 140 ±36MHz)
 Connection 50Ω, BNC (f) (Option 3b; 75Ω)

Transfer Characteristics

Conversion gain Zero
 1 dB GPC 0dBm
 Gain flatness ±0.5dB across 40MHz

RF Performance

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 -95dBc/Hz at 10kHz
 -100dBc/Hz at 100kHz
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General

External Reference Input (with automatic detection)

Frequency Factory selectable 5 or 10MHz
 Connector 50Ω, BNC
 Level 0dBm ±3dB

Internal Back-up Reference Stability

Allan deviation <5 x 10⁻¹² over 1s
 Ageing <3 x 10⁻¹⁰ per day, <3 x 10⁻⁸ per year
 Temp stability <2 x 10⁻⁹ over -10 to 50°C

Mechanical

Width 19", standard rack mount
 Height 1U (1.75")
 Depth 400mm (15.7"), plus connectors
 Construction Aluminium chassis
 Weight Approx. 4.5kgs (10lbs)

Environmental

Operating temp -10°C to +50°C
 EMC EN55022 part B & EN50082-1
 Safety EN60950

Power supply

Voltage 90-264VAC
 Frequency 47-63Hz
 Power 100 Watts max.

Control System

Alarms Summary failure relay (form C)

Options

- 1a) 140MHz IF Input.
- 1b) 140MHz IF Output.
- 2) Front panel with custom logo and colours
- 3a) 75Ω IF Input.
- 3b) 75Ω IF Output.

Note: some of the above options have an impact on the general performance specification, factory guidance should be sought if this is thought to be critical

Rear Panel View

