



FA-240 Antenna

A 2.4m FLYAWAY ANTENNA FOR MULTI-BAND TRANSMISSIONS

Features

- Assembles in less than 10 minutes
- No tools required
- Only 2 cases <100kgs
- Intelsat/Eutelsat compliant for commercial bands
- WGS, SkyNet, XTAR, Inmarsat and MIL-STD-810G certified
- Complete, integrated systems available
- Flyaway antennas available from .23m to 3.7m diameter
- Wide range of multi-band interchangeable feed cartridges

Overview

The FA-240 stands out as the ultimate solution for any scenario demanding a compact, durable, and swiftly deployable multi-band antenna that requires no tools for setup. Its standout feature is the innovative multi-band feed arm, enabling frequency band changes in seconds through a simple swap of the quick-release feed cartridge. The antenna's design incorporates the transmit waveguide and receives coax termination at the reflector's rear for efficiency.

Compatible with the FA-180, FA-240, and FA-370 series, the interchangeable feed cartridges come in an array of frequency ranges and port configurations, catering to diverse needs with options like standard dual port Tx/Rx, dual port Rx/Rx for receive only, and simultaneous band multipoint Tx/Rx for versatile applications.

Crafted from carbon fiber, the reflector combines lightweight convenience with formidable strength, ensuring it maintains its shape even after numerous assemblies. Its axially symmetric, prime focus feed design not only minimizes the antenna's packed size compared to similar gain products but also simplifies maintenance - each identical antenna petal can be easily replaced if damaged.

Designed with fully adjustable legs for superior stability across various terrains, the FA-240 guarantees precise targeting with its zero backlash, zero back drive gears across three axes. The antenna is available as a manual point version or with full motorization while maintaining full manual override on all 3 axis. Paired with the STC-100 antenna controller, it achieves automatic acquisition and tracking, including for satellites in inclined orbits.

For ease of transport, the FA-240 is packed into two flight cases. The extensive use of carbon fiber in the reflector, feed arm, mount, and even the flight cases significantly reduce the overall weight, making transport as effortless as possible.

Technical specification

General	
Antenna Type	Circular, axially symmetric with centre hub plus ten petals
Diameter	2.4m
Configuration	Prime Focus
Polarisation	Linear orthogonal transmit & receive Optional circular left & right
Cross Polarisation	-35dB typical within the -1dB co-polar contour
Port-to-Port Isolations	90dB typical (with TRF)

Transmit		
Transmit Bands	FA-240/60 FA-240/70 FA-240/140 FA-240/180 FA-240/300	5.85 to 7.025GHz 7.9 to 8.4GHz 12.75 to 14.5GHz 17.3 to 18.4GHz 27.5 to 31GHz
3dB Beamwidth	<1.5° at 5.85GHz	
Transmit Power	1.5kW max.	
Off Axis Transmit Gain	<29-25 logθ dBi	
VSWR	1.3:1	

Receive		
Receive Bands	FA-240/60 FA-240/70 FA-240/140 FA-240/180 FA-240/300	3.4 to 4.2GHz 7.25 to 7.75GHz 10.7 to 12.75GHz 10.7 to 12.75GHz 17.7 to 22.2GHz

Power	
Power Requirement	90 to 264V AC Power Supply (option) +24V DC (option)

Environmental		
Temperature	Transportation & Storage	-40 to +70°C
	Operational	-20 to +60°C
	Optional low temperature pack	-40 to +60°C
Humidity	100%	
Altitude	14,763ft (4,500m)	
Wind Rating	Operational	60km/h with gust to 72km/h
	Survival (stowed)	121km/h

Physical	
Elevation Adjustment	0 to 90°
Azimuth Adjustment	+/-180°
Polarisation Adjustment	+/-95°
Packed Size	Box 1 0.95 x 0.95 x 0.6m
	Box 2 0.95 x 0.95 x 0.6m
Weight	Box 1 48kgs
	Box 2 49kgs
Weights above are for manual, baseline configuration	

FA-180/240/370 ANTENNA FEED CARTRIDGES

Band	Standard Dual Port Tx /RX feeds
C	C-band linear only 2-port Tx/Rx feed
	C-band linear/circular 2-port Tx/Rx feed
X	X-band circular 2-port Tx/Rx feed with optional Low PIM
Ku	Ku-band linear 2-port Tx/Rx feed
Ka	Ka-band linear 2-port Tx/Rx feed

Band	Simultaneous Multi-band Feeds
X/Ka	X/Ka Simultaneous 4-port feed X-band: 2 port Tx/Rx Ka-band: 2 port Tx/Rx
X/Ka	X/Ka Simultaneous 6-port feed X-band: 2 port Tx/Rx Ka-band: 4 port Tx/Rx

Band	Dual Port Receive Only Feeds
S	Circular feeds & Linear feeds
C	C Band Rx only Circular feed
X	X Band Rx only Circular feed
Ku	Ku Band Rx only Circular feed
Ka	Ka Band Rx only Circular feed



Quick Release Feed



Quad-band Feed arms – C/X, Ku & Ka (C/X, Ku/DBS & Ka available as an option)