

3 dB Fixed Attenuator, SMA Male to SMA
Female Black Anodized Aluminum Heatsink
Body Rated to 25 Watts Up to 18 GHz



PE7018-3

Features

- Bidirectional
- DC to 18 GHz Frequency Range
- Attenuation 3±0.8 dB
- Max Power 25 Watts (CW)
- VSWR < 1.4:1

Applications

- Instrumentation
- Precision measurements
- Prototyping and characterization
- Production systems

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 PE7018-3 is rated to 25 Watts and operates from DC to 18 GHz. The versatile coaxial package uses SMA male to SMA female 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
Attenuation Accuracy		0.8		dB
VSWR			1.4:1	
Input Power, CW			25	Watts
derated linearly from 25W @ 25°C to 5W @ 125°C				
Input Power, Peak			500	Watts
5µs pulse, 0.05% duty cycle				

Mechanical Specifications

Size

Length	3.79 in [96.27 mm]
Width/Diameter	2.65 in [67.31 mm]
Height	2.65 in [67.31 mm]
Weight	0.823 lbs [373.31 g]
Body Material and Plating	Black Anodized Aluminum Heatsink

Configuration

Design	Fixed, Bidirectional
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Package Style	Connectorized Module	
Connectors		
Description	Connector 1	Connector 2
Type	SMA Male	SMA Female
Connector Specification	MIL-STD-348	MIL-STD-348
Contact Material and Plating	Beryllium Copper, Gold	Beryllium Copper, Gold
Hex Size	5/16 inch	
Torque	8 in-lbs 0.9 Nm	
Body Material and Plating	Passivated Stainless Steel	Passivated Stainless Steel

Environmental Specifications

Temperature

Operating Range -65 to +125 deg C

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

Plotted and Other Data

Notes:

Typical Performance Data

3 dB Fixed Attenuator, SMA Male to SMA Female Black Anodized Aluminum Heatsink Body Rated to 25 Watts Up to 18 GHz from Pasternack Enterprises has same day shipment for domestic and International orders. Our RF, microwave and millimeter wave products maintain a 99.4% availability and are part of the broadest selection in the industry.

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