3 dB Fixed Attenuator SMA Male (Plug) to SMA Female (Jack) Directional Up to 18 GHz Rated to 50 Watts, Heatsink Body, 1.6 VSWR



# SA18SMSF50W-03

#### Features

#### Applications

#### Description

Fairview Microwave carries a broad selection of fixed attenuators with a wide range of attenuation levels, frequency ranges, and power dissipation ranges. Also known as RF pads, RF microwave attenuators lower the amplitude of a signal (or attenuate) a known amount. These attenuator pads can be used in a wide variety of applications including reducing a signal level to protect measurement equipment or other circuitry, extending the range of power meters and amplifiers, and impedance matching 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 Fairview Microwave carries one of the largest in-stock varieties and ships them same day. The SA18SMSF50W-03 is a 3 dB Fixed Attenuator that operates from DC to 18 GHz and is rated to 50 Watts. The versatile coaxial package uses SMA male to SMA female connectors. 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	Description Connector 1	
Туре	SMA Male	SMA Female
Contact Material and Plating	Beryllium Copper, Gold	Beryllium Copper, Gold
Outer Conductor Material and Plating		Stainless Steel, Passivated
Coupling Nut Material and Plating	Stainless Steel, Passivated	
Coupling Nut Plating Specification	Stainless Steel	
Hex Size	11/16 ln.	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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For additional information on this product, please click the following link: 3 dB Fixed Attenuator SMA Male (Plug) to SMA Female (Jack) Directional Up to 18 GHz Rated to 50 Watts, Heatsink Body, 1.6 VSWR SA18SMSF50W-03

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