

# Model C240F Motorized Flyaway Antenna



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## Description

The General Dynamics SATCOM Technologies lightweight 2.4-meter motorized flyaway antenna is designed for worldwide transmit and receive operation in C, X, Ku and Ka-band. This flyaway antenna consists of a carbon fiber composite reflector, a cable-driven elevation-over-azimuth positioner and an aluminum/CFRP support structure. This results in a low-weight, motorized antenna with superior stiffness and high performance under wind loading conditions.

The unique shape and the accurate reflector surface provide exceptionally low sidelobe and cross-polarization performance meeting INTELSAT and EUTELSAT requirements. Repeatability is maintained with precision registration of the nine reflector segments and the feed support structure. The interchangeable feeds are palletized for quick, easy removal and replacement, allowing the end-user to effectively change frequency bands in the field within minutes. The complete antenna system, including a single feed and a motorized positioner, is packaged in eight robust, portable cases.

## Features

- Carbon fiber reflector: Lightweight, precision surface and high stiffness
- Cable-driven positioner: Composite/aluminum construction, lightweight, sturdy
- Easy deployment: Two-person assembly in less than 15 minutes, captive hardware and precision alignment. No tools required for assembly.
- Auto-acquisition with DVB reference
- 24 VDC or 100-240 VAC input
- High performance: Low sidelobes and high EIRP capability - FCC, ITU, DISA, ARSTRAT sidelobe compliant

## Options

- Finishes
  - Standard Ford Polar White reflector / feed
  - Options Green Fed Std 595 34094 or Desert Sand Fed Std 595 33303
- Feeds
  - Options 4-port, Co-Pol or CP/LP switchable
  - Bands L, C, X, Ku, DBS and/or Ka
- Controller
  - Options Acquisition DVB and/or Beacon Receiver
  - Spectrum Analyzer display feature
- Integration
  - SSPB and/or LNB
  - Specify at time of order

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# Technical Specifications

Mechanical					
Azimuth Travel	±120°				
Elevation Travel	0° to 90°				
Polarization Travel	±90° (linear polarization), optional motorized polarization available				
Reflector Structure	Carbon fiber composite				
Pedestal Structure	Aluminum/carbon fiber composite/cable drive elevation over azimuth positioner				
Antenna Weight (by component)					
<u>Component</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Component</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Pedestal Total	153 lbs (69.5 kg)	1	Reflector Total	129 lbs (58.5 kg)	1
Pedestal	49 lbs (22.2 kg)	1	Center Panel #1	25 lbs (11.3 kg)	1
Pedestal Legs	30 lbs (13.6 kg)	3	180° Panel #2	19 lbs (8.6 kg)	1
Turnbuckle Struts	16 lbs (7.3 kg)	3	45° Panels (#3 and #9)	26 lbs (11.8 kg)	2
Struts with S-hooks	22 lbs (10 kg)	6	90° and 270° Panels (#4 and #8)	24 lbs (10.9 kg)	2
Foot Pads	9 lbs (4.1 kg)	3	45° Upper Panels (#5 and #7)	22 lbs (10 kg)	2
Feed Boom	15 lbs (6.8 kg)	1	0° Panel #6	13 lbs (5.9 kg)	1
Feed Boom Side Struts	12 lbs (5.5 kg)	4			
Backbeam Total	41 lbs (18.6 kg)	1	Ka-Band Feed	10 lbs (4.5 kg)	
Backbeam	36 lbs (16.3 kg)	1	Ku-Band Feed	15 lbs (6.8 kg)	
Wings	5 lbs (2.3 kg)	2	X-Band Feed	26 lbs (11.8 kg)	
Positioner	114 lbs (51.7 kg)	1	C-Band CP/LP Ffeed	25 lbs (11.3 kg)	
			C-Band CP Feed	30 lbs (13.6 kg)	
Antenna Total	437 lbs (198.2 kg)				

Shipping Specifications			
<u>Case</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>Case Size (L x W x H)</u>	<u>Total weight (component and case)</u>
1	Pedestal	36" x 21" x 20"	83 lbs (37.6 kg)
2	Legs, Struts, Turnbuckles	79" x 20" x 16"	160 lbs (72.6 kg)
3	Feed Boom End, Feet, Wings, Feed	49" x 25" x 18"	96 lbs (43.5 kg)
4	Back Beam, Ballast Plate, Feed Boom 'Y' End	54" x 29" x 24"	52 lbs (68.9 kg)
5	Positioner (with Ku-band feed)	26" x 26" x 24"	58 lbs (71.7 kg)
6	Reflector Panels 1, 2 and 6	39" x 36" x 12"	100 lbs (45.4 kg)
7	Reflector Panels 3, 4 and 5	39" x 36" x 12"	79 lbs (35.8 kg)
8	Reflector Panels 7, 8 and 9	39" x 36" x 12"	75 lbs (34.0 kg)
	Total System	8 Cases	903 lbs (410.0 kg)
	Ku-Band LP Feed	Included in Case #3	
	X-Band CP Feed	34" x 28" x 24"	89 lbs (40.4 kg)
	C-Band CP Feed	34" x 28" x 24"	70 lbs (31.8 kg)

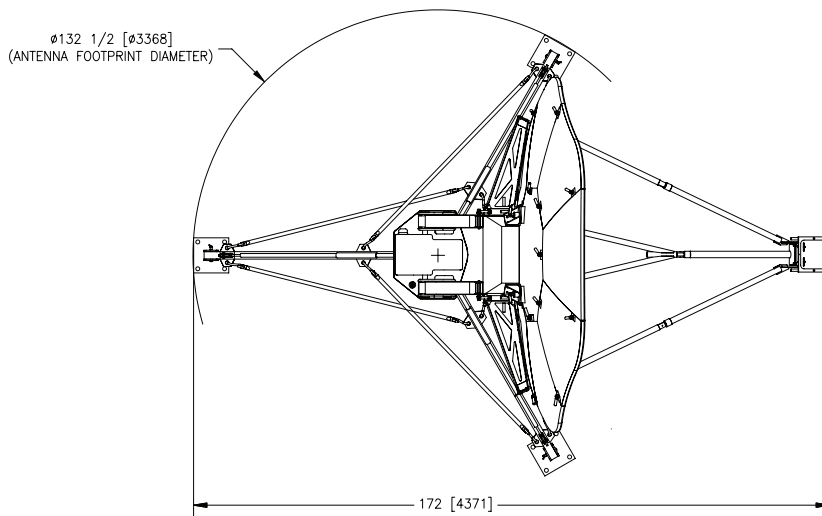
Environmental	
Wind Loading	
Operational (with ballast)	20 mph (32 km/h) gusting to 30 mph (48 km/h)
Survival (with tie-downs)	45 mph (72 km/h) gusting to 60 mph (97 km/h); antenna must be driven to stow position (90° elevation)
Pointing Loss (operational winds)	Maximum 2.0 dB peak loss; performance dependent on controller
Temperature	
Operational	-22° to +122° F (-30° to +50° C)
Survival	-40° to +158° F (-40° to +70° C)
Relative Humidity (operational and survival)	0% to 100%
Solar Radiation	360 BTU/h/ft <sup>2</sup> (1000 Kcal/h/m <sup>2</sup> )
Shock and vibration	As encountered during shipment by commercial air, sea or land
Corrosive Atmosphere	As encountered in coastal regions and/or heavily industrialized areas

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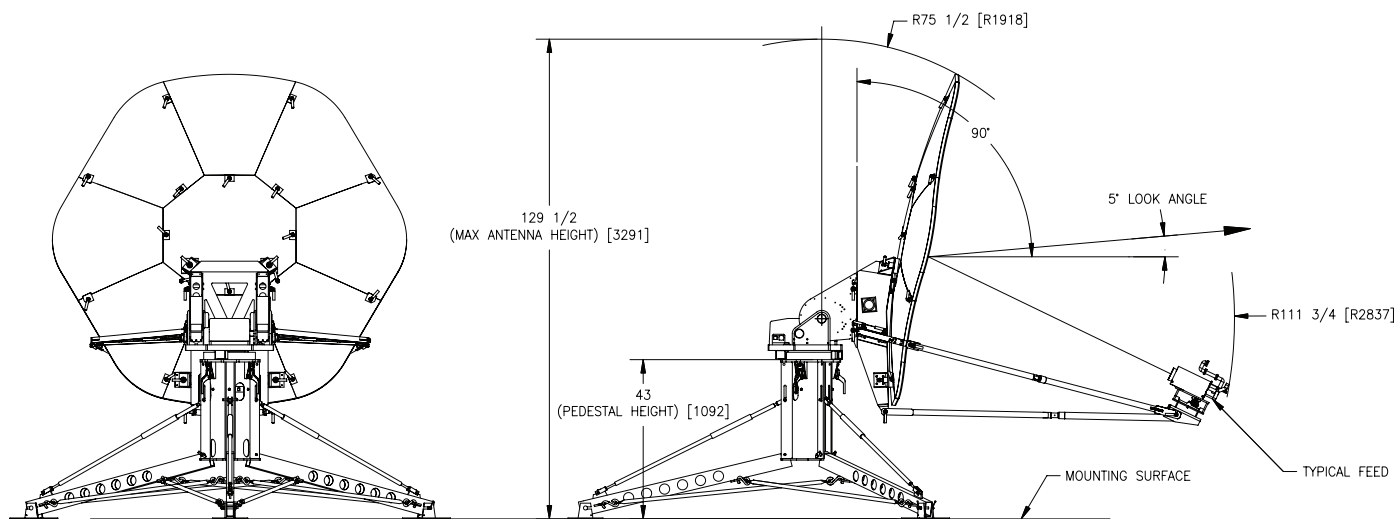
Electrical	C-Band 2-Port Linear Polarized		C-Band 2-Port Circular Polarized		X-Band 2-Port Circular Polarized		Ku-Band 2-Port Linear Polarized		Ku-Band 4-Port Linear Polarized		Ka-Band 2-Port Circular Polarized		
	Receive	Transmit	Receive	Transmit	Receive	Transmit	Receive	Transmit	Receive	Transmit	Receive	Transmit	
Frequency (GHz)	3.625 - 4.200	5.850 - 6.425	3.625 - 4.200	5.850 - 6.425	7.250 - 7.750	7.900 - 8.400	10.950 - 12.750	13.750 - 14.500	10.950 - 12.750	13.750 - 14.500	20.200 - 21.200	30.000 - 31.000	
Antenna Gain at Midband, dBi	38.20	42.00	38.06	42.10	43.50	44.20	47.19	49.00	47.10	48.80	52.30	55.20	
Antenna Noise Temperature													
5° Elevation	49 K		51 K		65 K		63 K		85 K		143 K		
10° Elevation	38 K		50 K		55 K		60 K		75 K		123 K		
20° Elevation	33 K		49 K		51 K		56 K		69 K		109 K		
40° Elevation	34 K		48 K		52 K		55 K		68 K		101 K		
Pattern Beamwidth (in degrees at midband)													
-3 dB Beamwidth	2.12	1.37	2.09	1.35	1.12	1.03	0.72	0.60	0.71	0.60	0.40	0.29	
Sidelobe Performance*													
For Angle A from 2° to 30° (typical)							24-25 Log A (Az plane) 29-25 Log A (in general)		24-25 Log A (Az plane) 29-25 Log A (in general)		29-25 Log A		
For Angle A beyond mainbeam to 20°	29-25 Log A		29-25 Log A		29-25 Log A								
For Angle A from 30° to 140°									-10 dBi	-10 dBi	-10 dBi	-10 dBi	
For Angle A from 140° to 180°									0 dBi	0 dBi	0 dBi	0 dBi	
Cross Polarization													
On Axis	30.0 dB	30.0 dB	19.7 dB	27.3 dB	21.3 dB	21.3 dB	35.0 dB	35.0 dB	35.0 dB	35.0 dB	24.8 dB	24.8 dB	
Within 1.0 dB BW	28.0 dB	28.0 dB	19.7 dB	27.3 dB	21.3 dB	21.3 dB	27.0 dB	35.0 dB	27.0 dB	35.0 dB	24.8 dB	24.8 dB	
VSWR	1.30:1	1.30:1	1.30:1	1.30:1	1.30:1	1.30:1	1.35:1	1.25:1	1.35:1	1.30:1	1.30:1	1.30:1	
Axial Ratio			1.81 dB	0.75 dB	1.50 dB	1.50 dB						1.00 dB	1.00 dB
Port-to-Port Isolation													
Rx/Tx (Rx frequency)	0 dB	-30 dB	0 dB	-50 dB	0 dB	-110 dB	0 dB	-30 dB	0 dB	-50 dB	0 dB	-50 dB	
Tx/Rx (Tx frequency)	-60 dB	0 dB	-100 dB	0 dB	-110 dB	0 dB	-85 dB	0 dB	-85 dB	0 dB	-85 dB	0 dB	
Feed Insertion Loss	0.15 dB	0.15 dB	0.40 dB	0.20 dB	0.40 dB	0.40 dB	0.30 dB	0.20 dB	0.60 dB	0.45 dB	0.30 dB	0.30 dB	
Waveguide Interface Flange	CPR- 229G	CPR- 137G	CPR- 229G	CPR-137G	CPR- 112G	CPR-112G	WR-75 Flat	WR-75 Flat	WR-75 Flat	WR-75 Flat	WR-42	WR-28	
Total Power Handling Capability	2 kW CW		2 kW CW		2 kW CW		1 kW CW		2 kW CW		250 W CW		
RF Specification	975-2837		975-2712		975-1701		975-1575		975-1708		975-2901		

\* Angular values for Ka-band are 1° to 30°, 30° to 130° and 130° to 180°.

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ASSEMBLED TOP VIEW



ASSEMBLED BACK VIEW

ASSEMBLED SIDE VIEW

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